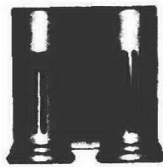


City employees talking union



BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Plymouth city workers who say they are "fearful for their jobs" because of

Citing a commission they feel is trying to micro-manage city operations and fearing for their jobs, 90 percent of the non-union employees at City Hall have reportedly agreed to talk about joining a union.

the way city commissioners are "micro-managing" city business have taken the first step in voting for a union.

"People here are afraid for their jobs," said one city employee who

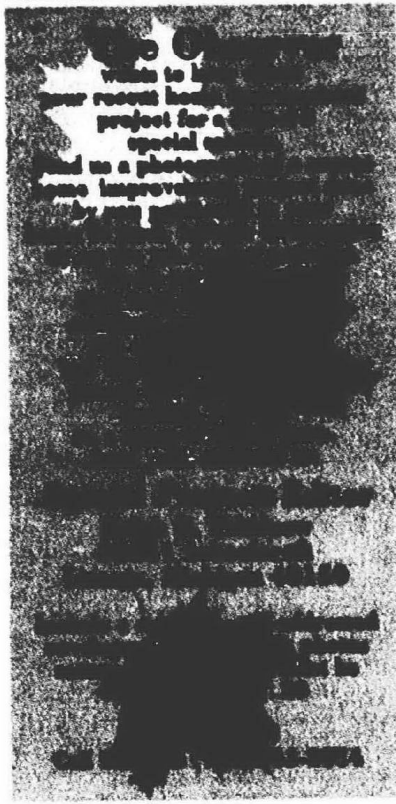
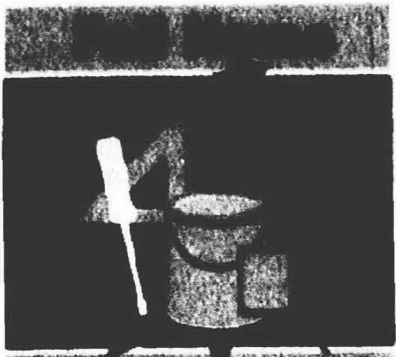
asked to remain anonymous. "It's almost unanimous."

Sources indicate nearly all of the 30 city employees who are not unionized have signed cards to be given to the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees union (AFSCME). The employees, which reportedly includes some department heads, are asking that a vote be taken to determine if employees want a union.

"Most of the employees have seen how (former City Manager) Dave Rich was treated, and now (commissioners) are all over (acting City Manager) Paul (Sincock). They treat him like dirt," said a source. "And, there are many times union employees get 3- or 4-percent raises and we only get 1 percent."

Only 30 percent of workers need to sign cards asking for a union vote.

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Candidates to appear at public forum

The Plymouth Observer and the League of Women Voters are teaming up to bring township and state-wide candidates to the voters.

The Observer and the League sponsor a candidates' forum Wednesday that will feature the Republican candidates for the 20th District state House seat.

The seat is being vacated by Gerald Law, R-Plymouth, who is term-limited.

The forum begins at 7 p.m., and will be held at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main.

Challengers John Stewart, Dave McDonald, Teresa Folino and Matt Cowles have accepted.

David Gray, the only Democrat, has also been invited.

For more information, call the Observer, (734) 459-2700.

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Beautiful music



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUBSCHMANN

Gettin' jiggy: Janet Vasquez of Plymouth, 2, dances (left) to the marching beat of the Sousa Spectacular performed by the Plymouth Community Band Thursday evening in Kellogg Park. Her father, Al, is at far right. Above, David Battishill, father of the Plymouth Community Band Director Carl Battishill, sets up to video tape.

Fine at 40

Plymouth band still strong after all these years

BY BRAD KADRICH
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When Bill Upton pulled his trumpet out of mothballs 40 years ago and helped form the Plymouth Community Band, he had no idea what he was getting into.

Forty years later, Upton, who turned 75 in March, still can't believe it.

"Four or five of us played together, and decided we wanted to do a concert band," said Upton, the only founding member still with the band. "We asked Jim Griffith, who was the director of the high school band at the time, to help us get it together, and he agreed. That's how we got it started. We never expected it to last this long, and we certainly never expected it to sound as good as it does."

'We never expected it to last this long, and we certainly never expected it to sound as good as it does.'

Bill Upton
—Original member

The band features members as young as 16 all the way up to Eldon Scott, at 87 the oldest player. It's 20-performance season features music ranging from light classics to marches, show tunes and Big Band music. There's also a concerted effort to feature soloists, all in the name of promoting the artsy nature of the local community.

"The band is truly a 'community' Please see BAND, A4



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HUBSCHMANN

All decked out: Carl Battishill donned a special uniform for the Sousa Spectacular, courtesy of his mother.

Prose to city: 'Let's settle'

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Plymouth resident Dr. Tom Prose, who has a \$100 million federal civil rights lawsuit against the city and several other defendants, has offered to settle the litigation for a mere \$10 million.

Attorney Gus Morris of Cox, Hodgman & Giarmarco in Troy, who is representing the city in the lawsuit, confirms he received a one-paragraph letter from Prose's attorney, Juan Mateo, which gives the defendant 14 days to make a decision.

"We haven't developed a response yet, but I can tell you the insurance carrier will say 'thank you ... no,'" said Morris. "I'll probably deliver the message sometime next week."

The insurance carrier is Midwest Claims Service in Clarkston, which has insured the city for \$10 million. Morris said it will be the insurance carrier, not city officials, who will ultimately decide whether the lawsuit is settled or fought in court.

"I have made an offer to resolve the case in a

'We haven't developed a response yet, but I can tell you the insurance carrier will say "thank you ... no."'

Gus Morris
—Attorney

way that won't cost the taxpayers money," said Prose.

Morris did admit that while the city is insured for \$10 million, any judgment higher in favor of Prose would be the responsibility of the city and its taxpayers.

"City officials are somewhat like bystanders, though they have an obligation to cooperate in the case," said Morris.

In the lawsuit filed Sept. 18, 1999, Prose claims his civil rights were violated when W. Edward Wendover, then publisher of the Community Crier newspaper, city officials and Ply-

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Audit calls fund balance 'comfortable'

BY SUE BUCK
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Plymouth Township has a "comfortable" fund balance of about \$4.5 million with about \$2 million committed to projects like the Sheldon Road underpass.

That's the evaluation of Joseph Heffernan, a Plante & Moran auditor who presented a report at the July 18 board meeting.

The annual budget is prepared by the township supervisor and adopted by the township board.

Property taxes were \$4,117,846 last year, increased from \$3,778,814 in 1998. State sources were \$2,196,699 in 1999, up from \$2,020,149 in 1998.

Building permits amounted to \$1,712,318 in 1999 an increase from \$1,676,951 in 1998. A category listing "other revenues" listed \$3,188,064 in 1999 an increase from \$2,571,074 last year.

The largest expenditure was police at \$2,957,403 in 1999 an increase from the \$2,671,929 spent in 1998; fire at \$2,407,042

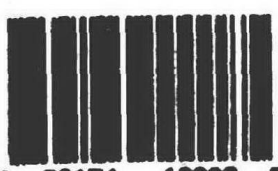
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However, it reportedly took only one day to get nearly 90 percent to sign union to cards.

City workers talked about unionizing when former City Manager Steve Walters was having troubles with the commission before he left town near-

ly 18 months ago.

"That time we just talked about unionizing," said another employee. "This time we're actually going through with it."

"We've been thinking about it for the last two months," said the source. "I don't think the

employees want to unionize, but feel we need it to protect ourselves."

The non-union employees are hoping to get everyone from the assistant city manager on down eligible to join the union. They want to mirror the police union, where everyone except the police chief is part of the union.

According to Administrative Services Director Carol Stone, there are approximately 32 city employees working for the city who belong to four unions.

Many city employees are unhappy with an ordinance introduced by Commissioner Bill Graham which would give the commission a greater role in the hiring of employees.

"Employees don't believe city commissioners respect the work we do," said another person familiar with the union efforts who also requested anonymity. "They don't know what we do and they're making decisions concerning jobs and judging workers. Many of the commissioners don't even know who we are."

Graham defended the ordinance, noting employees apparently don't understand his objective.

"The ordinance is attempting to control expenditures, salaries and benefits," he said. "It's not about who will get hired or fired. Employee wages and benefits are the biggest expense."

Employees have brought up the names of commissioners Sean FitzGerald and David

Byers as two who are scrutinizing employees and what they do too much.

"There is nothing any city commissioner can do to threaten the job of an employee," said FitzGerald. "It's an unfounded fear."

Concerning the proposed hiring ordinance, FitzGerald believes if the commission must approve purchases over \$5,000, that should include an employee who costs the city \$50,000.

"It gives the city commission the opportunity to set spending policy," he said.

Byers said he was surprised and disappointed to learn employees are considering unionizing.

"I believe when people turn to unions, it means their voice isn't being heard," he said. "I don't have any desire to reduce or eliminate staff in the rank-and-file of city employees."

AFSCME representatives weren't available for comment. However, one city employee said a vote on unionization should take place in a few weeks. If employees vote to unionize, negotiations concerning who will be part of the bargaining unit will begin, followed by talks concerning wages and benefits.

Meanwhile, the city commission has approved a contract with Plante & Moran for a study to conduct a review of existing staff levels, analyze salary data relevant to the labor market, and develop strategies for proposed suggestions and changes.

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Coffee with the board

Plymouth Township Trustee K.C. Mueller wants her fellow board members, and their challengers in the Aug. 8 primary, to have one more chance to face the voters.

Mueller and Linda Courtney have extended an open invitation to Plymouth Township voters to meet with the current board and any challengers who accept the invitation at the Courtney house, 12070 Hunters Creek Drive, Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The dessert-coffee format will provide a forum where voters can get their questions answered about the direction of the township and any issues voters wish to discuss.

At press time, five of the six board members seeking re-election — supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy, clerk Marilyn Massengill, treasurer Ron Edwards and trustees Chuck Curmi and Kay Arnold — had agreed to attend. Trustee Ron Griffith will be out of town; Mueller is not seeking re-election.

For more information or to RSVP, call Mueller, (734) 455-0075 or Linda Courtney, (734) 455-5510. To avoid violation of the Open Meetings Act, the event will be posted as a meeting.

Prosecutor forum on cable

Media One will air the Wayne County Prosecutor's Forum (taped June 22 in the Livonia Library Auditorium) twice to give viewers and potential voters a chance to see the candidates and hear their positions on issues.

The program will air on Channel 18 for Media One customers in the City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Northville Township and the City of Northville at 6 p.m. Monday, July 24 and 6 p.m. Monday, July 31.

Five candidates — Democrats Jennifer Colthirst, Michael Duggan, Sharon McPhail, Virgil Smith and George Ward — are vying for the seat being vacated by the retiring John O'Hair. There are no Republicans in the race.

The forum was co-sponsored by the Observer Newspapers, Northville Record, Media One, Comcast and TimeWarner. The primary is Tuesday, Aug. 8.

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mouth police conspired to file charges of disorderly conduct against Prose during his legal battles with Wendover.

An amendment filed by Prose claimed illicit activities by community, city and police officials in Plymouth "at social functions hosted by Wendover and (his wife Sally) Repeck."

Defendants in the suit include Wendover, Repeck, the City of Plymouth, former police chief Bob Scoggins, Sgt. Ed Ochal, former Crier employee Mike Carne, former mayors Don Dismuke and Joe Koch, and former city manager Steve Walters.

Morris said there are two parts to the lawsuit. The federal

court portion is scheduled to be heard Feb. 6, 2001. Meanwhile, no trial date has been set for the Wayne County Circuit Court segment of the lawsuit involving state law.

Prose said he once offered Koch a chance to get out of the lawsuit for \$40,000 and "was laughed out of his office." Prose also noted he's offered to settle for \$1 million.

Whatever the offer, Mayor Dave McDonald doesn't believe the city should settle with Prose.

"I don't think one dollar of taxpayer money should go toward a settlement when I don't think we did anything wrong," said McDonald.

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WHEREAS, That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plymouth, Michigan, is hereby amended by adding sections, to be numbered 34-95, 34-96 and 34-97, which said sections read as follows:

Sec. 34-95 Electronically amplified sound systems in vehicles

No person operating or in control of a parked or moving vehicle, including motorcycles and mopeds, shall operate or permit the operation of an electronically amplified sound system in or on the vehicle so as to produce sound that is plainly audible more than 40 feet from the vehicle, except when a specific permit is first granted by the City Commission. The term plainly audible shall mean any sound that can be detected by a person using his or her unaided hearing faculties.

Sec. 34-96 Exceptions

The exceptions contained in subsections 34-90, 34-91, and 34-92 of the City of Plymouth Code of Ordinances shall equally apply to subsection 34-95.

Sec. 34-97 Violations and Fine Schedule

Any person who shall violate subsection 34-95, except when a specific permit is first granted by the City Commission or when one of the exceptions enumerated in subsection 34-96 shall be found to apply, shall be guilty of a civil infraction. The fine schedule for violations of subsection 34-95 occurring within one calendar year will be as follows:

First Offense -	\$ 70
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Fourth Offense and subsequent violations -	\$500

NOW, THEREFORE, This Ordinance shall become effective twenty-one (21) days after final adoption.

Passed by the City Commission of the City of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, this 17th day of July, 2000.

Introduced: 7/05/2000
Adopted: 7/17/2000
Effective: 8/07/2000

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THE RACE FOR PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE

Newcomer seeks communication

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First timer: John Morrison seeks his first elected position in the Aug. 8 primary for Plymouth Township trustee.

John Morrison is running for Plymouth Township trustee to "provide a better line of communication to the community."

"The present board is not accurately representing the views of the residents," said Morrison, 39, who grew up in Plymouth Township and graduated from Plymouth Salem High School.

Morrison has 20 years experience in sales and service at Pella Window and Doors.

He said he had planned to run for a local race for more than a dozen years. Some issues influenced him particularly to run for Plymouth Township trustee.

In 1998, township voters were asked to approve a tax increase for police/fire and communication, he said. "The township board asked for 3 mills, 1.1 mill would have been used to hire additional police, firefighters and communications operators," Morrison said.

"The township board asked the voters to approve this even though the voters were not told where the 2 mills from the general fund were going to be spent. They were asking for more money in spite of the \$5 million fund balance that Plymouth Township had on hand at that time."

Morrison questioned why, when the township had such a surplus, it asked for more money. He also wonders if there was a plan to build a new recreation center or township hall with the extra 2 mills from the general fund without asking the voters.

He has a range of opinions. One is the board should mail out one combined newsletter to save costs.

There seems to be some meeting of the minds regarding the Western Townships Utilities

Authority, he said. "The township benefits from the WTUA-YCUA agreement because it doesn't have to build its own plant," Morrison said. "It is more cost-effective."

He commented on the recent union organization of clerical workers into the AFSCME union.

"The current board has so alienated employees," Morrison said. "I've been hearing rumors from employees. There's been friction and it will end up costing taxpayers more money in more wages. Welcome to labor. I've dealt with unions before."

He believes there was poor communication between parties on the CSX Railroad/Sheldon Road issue. The county plans to close Sheldon for two years during construction.

"When they closed Merriman

Road in Livonia they had one road going north and another going south," he said.

He advocates better communication with the city. "It almost seems that everyone is defending their turf," Morrison said. "It seems kind of petty and small. This is a local government."

He would strive for a win-win situation regarding the Sunshine Honda rezoning situation and try to give both sides something.

"I always try to be as transparent as I can," Morrison said. "I always try to accommodate both sides."

He supports openness with the press as well as cable coverage of board meetings. Morrison has attended board meetings since January.

He is going door-to-door during his campaign and has a walking list of primary voters' names.

During his walks, he only heard one comment about recreation. It also has not come up at the Western Wayne County Republican Club, of which he is an executive board member.

Neighbors who are taxed more heavily than in Plymouth Township have good recreation programs, he said. However, taxes are an issue with residents.

"This election, more than any other, will be about the future course of Plymouth Township," he said.

Morrison is a candidate for Precinct 10 delegate, a volunteer for the Wayne 13th Republican Committee, and a volunteer for the George W. Bush for President Michigan primary.

Morrison holds a bachelor of economics degree from the University of Michigan and is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

He is a member, deacon, seminar speaker, and crossing guard volunteer for Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, Anita Marie, have one daughter, Rachel Marie.

"I'm running to win," Morrison said. "I want to be an informed choice on the board and offer critical thinking skills and not just be a rubber stamp."

Former member tries for return

BY SUE BUCK
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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMANN

Coming back: Former Trustee Abe Munfakh would like to return to the board he last served in 1992.

Abe Munfakh, who served as Plymouth Township trustee from 1984-92, wants to return to the board.

"Ideas aren't going any place and there is no plan," said Munfakh, 58.

He has served on the Plymouth Township Planning Commission as well as other commissions and committees. Munfakh, who has lived in the Trailwood subdivision since 1978, is a civil engineer by trade. He is a registered professional engineer in Michigan, Louisiana and Indiana.

Munfakh is chairman and CEO of Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May Inc., an Ann Arbor company.

"I've been watching what's happening," Munfakh said. "When I served on the board, we had a vision of what the township should look like. During the last four years there has been no plan for the township to go in any direction."

The township reacts to events rather than planning for events, he said. "I want to use some good management tools," he said. "I manage our company, a firm of 120 employees. I've been making profits for the company. I can use those skills to improve the condition of the township."

With the surpluses in the budget, Munfakh wonders if the "right people are at the steering wheel."

He believes the philosophy of the present board is different than that of the board of which he was a part. "The trustees want to micro-manage," he said. He advocates setting policies then letting the employees do the work.

"They want to do things without telling people why they want to do things," he said. "If there is a surplus in the budget then go back and reduce the millage."

Munfakh says he understands senior citizen issues and needs. "My mother is a senior citizen. She doesn't drive cars. She needs to be driven places. Mother needs to get to doctors' appointments and to go shopping."

Two years ago the Plymouth United Way board of directors, on which he serves, conducted a survey that indicated the biggest need was senior programs and senior day care. "We need to improve those programs," Munfakh said. "For eight years nothing has happened."

More recreation is needed, he said. "People spend big dollars on their homes. They deserve some recreation for their children," he said. "The composition of the township is different than the city. We have younger people. When I got on the board we had the vision of the township park and to improve the golf course. Here it is 2000 and we have the township park and the golf course and nothing else."

The Western Townships Utilities Authority was one of the best things that happened in the township, Munfakh said.

"The agreement was drafted very well. We have the opportunity in these three townships (Plymouth, Northville and Canton) that nobody else has," he said. "We are on the western edge of the

county. People further east would like to have that opportunity."

Munfakh responded to controversy when WTUA was first established. He doesn't believe it will affect his chances for election. His company has done work for WTUA for the last eight years. He said he has never done work directly for Plymouth Township.

"If anything about WTUA comes up and I will not vote on the issues," he said. "I want everything up-front."

A 1992 Plymouth Observer article said that Munfakh abstained from voting on the WTUA project once his firm became involved.

Munfakh took issue with his critics. "That's like saying because somebody works for Ford Motor Co. and Ford Motor Co. has a development here, they should not run for the board," he said.

On other subjects: Traffic generation is the biggest problem he sees with the Five Mile and Haggerty planned unit development and Sunshine Honda's rezoning on Ann Arbor Road.

Though the present board takes credit for joint services with the city, plans actually started in 1990. "I believe in cooperation," he said. "The two sides don't want to give up anything."

He is active in the community. He's been an usher captain at Our Lady of Good Counsel and served on a committee to develop the new church on Beck Road.

'I want to be an informed choice on the board and offer critical thinking skills and not just be a rubber stamp.'

John Morrison
—Trustee candidate

Businessman joins trustee fray

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMANN

A good time: Clayton "Pete" Stacey said now that he has the time, he'd like to serve on the township board.

When he heard Plymouth Township trustees were going to close Sheldon for nearly two years while a railroad underpass is built, Clayton "Pete" Stacey decided something needed to be done.

That something: run for Plymouth Township trustee.

"You shut Sheldon Road down and half the population won't be able to get out of town," said Stacey, who is also concerned with senior citizen issues. "I'm a senior citizen now, so I better stick up for them now. And I have time now. I can come and go as I want."

Basically, the board isn't overly aggressive, said Stacey, who is semi-retired and a property manager at RE/MAX on the Trail in Plymouth.

Stacey was an estimator on highway construction projects for Charles J. Rogers Inc. from 1952-1965. "Engineering is a secondary profession nowadays," Stacey said. "They talk about it, but they can't make any decisions unless the attorneys agree to it."

From 1966-1989 Stacey was president of Kensington Corp., a highway construction company he formed. He completed contracts on these expressways: Edsel Ford, Southfield, Chrysler, and I-275.

He's president of the Huron River Hunting & Fishing Club.

Stacey ran for Wayne County commissioner against Thaddeus McCotter four years ago. "I didn't realize that Thaddeus' mother is clerk in Livonia and every voting booth has her name on it. I went to school with his dad."

Under certain conditions if people can't afford it, they should be exempt from property taxes, Stacey said. "I don't mean all of them." Some tax consideration should also be given to people who don't have children in school, he added.

Stacey spoke against "professional politicians" who stay in politics all their lives. "I sometimes think that you shouldn't go out and be a politician until you have worked for 10 or 20 years. I'm not knocking Gerry Law, but he can't get re-elected in Lansing, so he is coming back to run again in the township."

Clayton said that his work experience will benefit him on the board because it has lent him more common sense.

He's running because current trustee K.C. Mueller is leaving. "I've known K.C. a long time."

He supports recreation but said someone needs to watch over the kids that parents don't train. "You have to police them. The problem with the little kids is the parents have to go with them. You start talking kids 14-18, they have nothing to do in town. That's why they start walking up and down the streets and sit on the sidewalks and all that."

On other issues:

Taxes raised to support recreation would be money well spent, Stacey said.

The relationship between the city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township has been strained for 30 years, he said. He advocates combining the municipalities, but some people think that's wrong.

"The city is so much in debt. The township would have to take on a hell of a liability. It's a shame they didn't unite the two of them 25 years ago when the township wasn't as big. The city has no place to grow."

If he were a resident around Sunshine Honda, he "would raise heck, too," with the rezoning. "They bought homes with the intention that the roads would be kept open."

He might vote for the proposed Five Mile and Haggerty planned unit development because it is not as close to houses. "Haggerty is a nightmare right now. You still aren't going to get out."

The press should be at all meetings. "You have nothing to hide if you are a public official."

He said he plans to spend less than \$1,000 on his campaign. "Why would you want to spend a lot of money on something that doesn't pay anything? There should be limits on all campaign spending."

Stacey earned a bachelor of science degree in education from the University of Detroit. He is married to Patsy. They have seven children and 15 grandchildren. The couple belong to the NOMADS travel group.

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Candidate calls rankle voters

Telemarketers push hopefuls while promoting absentee vote

'I'm in a wheelchair. I can't go door to door.'

Jerry Trumpka
—Trustee candidate

By SUE BUCK
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A recorded telephone message from Plymouth Township trustee candidates Jerry Trumpka and Abe Munfakh that reached Plymouth Township absentee voters from July 15-17 had Plymouth Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill worrying this week people might think it came from her office.

She contacted the media and mentioned the message during the July 18 regular board meeting. Though Massengill hadn't heard the message, some residents complained about it to her, she said.

"Some of them said they didn't listen to the whole message and hung up," Massengill said.

Likewise, Plymouth Township Trustee Chuck Curmi, who also hadn't personally heard the message, but heard about it from someone else, complained about

it at the same meeting.

Trumpka, who split the \$850 cost with Munfakh, said the message contained no references to the township clerk or her office.

The message starts out by stating that voters recently received their Plymouth Township absentee ballot, he said. The word Plymouth Township is the only reference in the script, Trumpka said. "Is there a copy-right on 'Plymouth Township'?" he asked. "I'm in a wheelchair. I can't go door to door."

This was a new and different approach, and definitely not meant to cause any confusion or perceived problems, Trumpka said. "There was nothing wrong or illegal with that phone call," he said. "It was a way for me to get my message out."

Trumpka declined to name the company used because others might want to use the same service and take away the candi-

dates' edge.

They chose that particular weekend to make the calls because the first absentee ballots went out then, Trumpka said. No other phone messages are planned, he said.

Because both he and Munfakh have known each other a long time, the two decided to jointly pursue this marketing avenue. "I have known Abe to be polite and friendly," Trumpka said.

Both serve on the Plymouth United Way board and also know each other from the A. M. Rotary Club.

Munfakh said he read the text to Massengill. Telemarketing is a common method to get the word out, he said.

"It's legal and within the realm of the election," Munfakh said. "We are doing everything we can to win the election."

Munfakh said he may also place an ad on television.



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURCHMANN

I want you: Tony Balogh of Livonia showed up for the Plymouth Community Band Sousa Spectacular in his best Uncle Sam hat and beard Thursday in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth.

Band from page A1

band, made up of people who live here, are musicians by trade or are simply amateurs who love to play," said Carl Battishill, who has for 21 years been the band's director. "We try to feature soloists and include a lot of the arts programs to remind people we have a very artistic community."

When Battishill was an assistant high school band director in 1978, the band had an opening for its director. Battishill decided to apply.

"They had an opening and auditioned a group of people," Battishill recalled. "I was lucky enough to be the one they selected."

The band is self-governing, with band members making up

its officers. There is no outside support group to which the band answers, which Battishill said "has been a blessing."

"That lets us play what we want to play when we want to play it," he said. "It keeps us very small in one way, and makes it very personal."

Funding from the band comes from donations from listeners and from small contributions. The biggest contributor is the Lions Club, which writes a check for \$500.

"We don't seek money from the state or anywhere else," Battishill said. "We manage to get by on not a lot of money."

The band plays half a dozen summer concerts in Kellogg Park, and also takes its show on

the road to a few venues. For instance, the band played the Fourth of July in Frankenmuth, a show that included fireworks.

"That was very cool," Battishill said.

The Plymouth Community Band of Commerce recognized the band Thursday night, presenting Battishill with a plaque honoring it for its 40 years of music.

"The Plymouth Community Band is an example of the way a community should be," said Chamber Executive Director Fran Toney. "It's a wonderful ambassador for the Plymouth community, and we're so honored to have it."

Audit from page A1

in 1999, up from \$2,248,318 in 1998; general government at \$2,654,375 in 1999, an increase from \$2,157,279 in 1998. A category of "other expenses" listed \$2,624,591 in 1999, up from \$2,425,216 in 1998.

Developers constructed water and sewer lines with an estimated value of about \$8,556,000 in 1999. This construction was donated to the Township's Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund, according to audit information.

The General Fund budget is adopted on an activity basis, said Plante & Moran officials. "Expenditures at this level in excess of amounts budgeted are a violation of Michigan law," they said.

The budget and actual statement includes only one expenditure over budget. "Public works expenditures in the Solid Waste Fund were \$1,337,074 and the budget appropriation was \$1,285,100," the report stated.

PLYMOUTH FINANCIAL CORPORATION NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE AND MEMBERSHIP IN THE BANK INSURANCE FUND

Notice is hereby given that New Liberty Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of Plymouth Financial Corporation 249 N. Main St., Plymouth, Michigan 48170, and their respective Organizers/Incorporators: Michael D. Weaver, William S. Graham, David D. Phipps, Wallace E. Smith, John E. Zafarana, Paul T. Bohlander, and Genesio C. Masculli has made application with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) for Federal Deposit Insurance and membership in the Bank Insurance Fund.

Any person or persons who wish to comment on the Application of New Liberty Bank may file his or her comments in writing with the Regional Director, Division of Supervision (DOS), of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at its regional office:

Regional Director
Division of Supervision
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
500 W. Monroe St. Suite 3200
Chicago, IL 60661

Non-confidential portions of the application for Federal Deposit Insurance and membership in the Bank Insurance Fund filed on behalf of New Liberty Bank, are on file in the regional office noted above, and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the aforesaid application will be made available upon request.

The public comment period shall commence on Monday, July 24, 2000 and close on Monday, August 24, 2000.

MICHAEL D. WEAVER
Designated Representative
249 N. Main St.
Plymouth, Michigan 48170

Publish: July 27, 2000

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This Notice will be published July 23, 2000, August 20, 2000, and August 17, 2000.

The public comment period shall commence on Monday, July 24, 2000 and close on Monday, August 24, 2000.

MICHAEL D. WEAVER
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Ficano faces off with deputies in sheriff's race

BY RICHARD PEARL
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Incumbent Robert A. Ficano and at least five of the six other candidates seeking to become Democratic Party nominee for Wayne County sheriff have a common concern: the department's future.

But the similarity ends there: Ficano, an attorney by training, believes the future must continue innovative programs like his Internet "cybercop" unit while the other candidates — four of whom are deputy sheriffs — want a return to more traditional law enforcement, with one of their own heading the department.

That's what surfaced in Observer interviews with Ficano, who is seeking a fifth consecutive four-year term as sheriff, and five of the others in the Aug. 8 primary election.

Ficano, sheriff since being appointed in April 1983 to fill a vacancy, faces Deputies Brian Keating, Richard LeGreair, Darron McKinney and Marvin Taylor, plus private security specialist Darren T. Yarbrough and a sixth candidate, Ronald Smith of Detroit, in the primary. All but Smith responded to interview requests.

The Democratic field is second largest in the last 10 years: In 1996, eight ran in the primary.

If Ficano wins Aug. 8, he will face Republican challenger Timothy Beck, a Detroit businessman, in the November general election.

Citing county budgetary problems — the county has a nearly \$11-million deficit and all departmental budgets are tight — Ficano says he is concerned "whether law enforcement is going to be a priority."

Ficano says his department —



Robert Ficano

which among other things operates the three county jails, protects the courts, patrols secondary roads and county parks and assists municipal police as needed — can't function properly on the proposed budget.

The \$6 million the county would add to his previous \$105.5-million budget "is misleading," Ficano says, because it only covers the contractual pay raises for the 900 deputies and civilian staff.

'Core issue'

"It does not address the core issue" of the court-ordered staffing levels at the county jail, which his department lacks the funds to meet and which is costing about \$2 million a year in overtime, Ficano says. He says only trained deputies can be used there.

The proposed budget would cut 17 narcotics deputies, he says. "You can't talk about closing down crack houses when the



Brian Keating

people that make the arrests" are being eliminated, he says.

He's concerned that "some real innovative programs we have launched out on" may not continue.

These include the Internet Crime Task Force; the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program involving churches and local enforcement agencies in conjunction with the federal government; the Juvenile Reality program which shows teenagers the possible results of misbehaving by taking them through the jail and morgue and even an



Darron McKinney

experimental program that gets jailed "deadbeat dads" into jobs after their release.

Defends 'cybercop'

Ficano defends his Internet "cybercop" program, noting it not only goes after sexual predators and pedophiles, prostitutes, drug traffickers, online gamblers and the spread of the date-rape drug GHB, but also visits area schools to educate children, teachers and parents about protecting themselves.

He says the "cybersex" unit costs "a pittance — \$300,000 a

year." It has arrested 20 and seen four convicted.

Ficano says his relationship with his deputies is "actually very good" but warns the department will monitor their "appearance, attendance and actions ... We're not always going to be your friend" when it comes to "the integrity of the department."

Deputy Brian Keating of Dearborn Heights, who works in the jail booking area, says the jails are so overcrowded that 15 inmates are released daily. "They're out there laughing at the system," he says.

He suggests turning empty hospitals into minimum security detention centers. Ficano says remodeling expenses are too high, but Keating says, "You can't put a price tag on people's safety."

If elected sheriff, the 15-year department veteran would put inmates on continual cleanup around Detroit and have them tear down crack houses.

He'd also have more deputies go after burglars, car thieves, robbers and drug dealers instead of increasing cyber patrols.

Morale low

He says department morale is low and needs a sheriff trained in law enforcement who will "stand up" for deputies and work to retain them. He also feels

Ficano's administration is "top-heavy" with appointees who could be cut to save money.

Deputy Darron McKinney of Detroit, who works in the courts and recently received a commendation for catching, while off-duty, a purse-snatcher who attacked two nuns, agrees with Keating on the morale issue.

He says only deputies graduating in the top five at police academies get on road patrol; the others "go back to the jail" to work.

He says the administration is top-heavy, with appointees who have "no police experience" giving orders to deputies.

He supports an enforcement focus: "We need to meet the (state) mandate for basic law enforcement, he says. If elected, "I will get out and do police work," he vows.

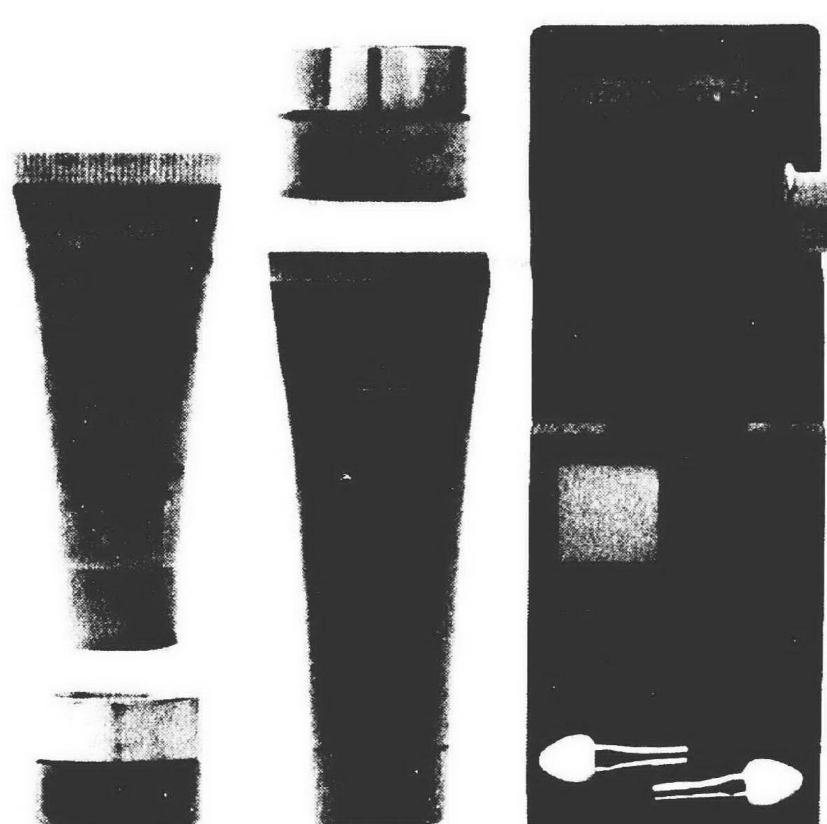
McKinney also believes in being proactive: He founded the Brown Bears, a volunteer musical act that visited schools, bringing children a message of respect for elders and good behavior, and he wants to see the GED program brought back for those on short sentences.

Bears disbanded

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OBITUARIES

ELSIE L. MELOW

Services for Elsie L. Melow, 95, of Plymouth were held July 22 at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Peter M. Berg and Pastor E. Schagfer officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth.

She was born Aug. 14, 1904, in Canton Township. She died July 19 in Plymouth. She was a secretary/bookkeeper. She began her career in 1923 with Allison Chevrolet in Plymouth. She then worked for Jack Selle Buick as his first secretary in Plymouth. She also was office manager in Detroit with the T.J. Tobin Real Estate Co.; however, she returned to Jack Selle Buick after a short time.

After she retired, she became a cashier at the Penn Theater. She worked there until the age of 85. She was born and raised in the Plymouth community where she was a longtime member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church. She was a member of the Ladies Guild at Church. She was a member of the Martin Luther Home Auxiliary in South Lyon and she was the former vice president of the Bookkeepers Association of Michigan.

She graduated from Plymouth High School in 1921 and attended Cleary Business School for two years. She enjoyed photography and was very creative doing paintings and hand work.

Survivors include her two sisters, Dorothy Britcher of Plymouth, Marguerite Evans of Plymouth; sister-in-law, Shirley Melow of Plymouth; eight nieces and nephews; 11 great nieces and nephews; one great-great niece and great-great nephew.

Memorials may be made to Lighthouse Hospice or St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Plymouth.

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

DEBORAH J. BUTLER

Services for Deborah J. Butler, 43, of Canton were held July 18 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Canton Chapel, with the Rev. Drex Morton of St. Michael Lutheran Church officiating.

She was born April 10, 1957, in Garden City. She died July 14 in Garden City.

She was preceded in death by her son, Christopher Butler. Survivors include her husband, Charles Butler; parents Dewey and Shirley

Johnson; three brothers, James Johnson, Dewey Johnson, Jonathan Johnson; one sister, Sandra Johnson; and one granddaughter, Mildred Stabnau.

IRENE ROSE FOTHERINGHAM

Services for Irene Rose Fotheringham, 92, of Canton were held July 15 at the McCabe Funeral Home, Canton Chapel, with Fr. Andy Webster of St. John Neumann Catholic Church officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery.

She was born Aug. 6, 1907, in Chicago, Ill., and died July 13 in Canton. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas Fotheringham.

CAROL A. DILLON

Services for Carol A. Dillon, 53, of Canton took place July 17 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with Fr. Andy Webster officiating.

She was born Dec. 30, 1946, in Detroit. She died July 14 in Ann Arbor.

Survivors include her husband, William Dillon; three sons, James Dillon, Steven Dillon, David Dillon; two daughters, Janet Johnson, Heather Dillon; parents James and Blaine Blanchard; two brothers, John Blanchard, Howard Blanchard; one sister, Stacye Phillips; and six grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Liver Foundation.

Local arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home, Canton Chapel.

REGINA L. MOILANEN

Services for Regina L. Moilanen, 88, of Plymouth were held July 20 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. John Michaelson of Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship, Campus Pastor, Ohio State University, officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

She was born April 30, 1912, in Revenna, Mich. She died July 17 in St. Joseph Hospital, Ann Arbor. She was a homemaker. She was a member of Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lauri. Survivors include her three daughters, Joan (John) Leinonen of Northville, Nancy (Raymond) Michaelson, Judith (Conrad) Jakubowski; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Our Savior

Lutheran Church, c/o Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335.

GERTRUDE O. WILSON

Services for Gertrude O. Wilson, 89, of Canton will be held July 24 at Oakview Cemetery, Royal Oak, with the Rev. Roy G. Forsyth of First United Methodist Church officiating.

She was born Dec. 21, 1910, in Ishpeming, Mich. She died July 19. She worked in education as a secretary.

Survivors include her son, Ronald (Annette); and two grandchildren, Heather and Ryan.

Local arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton.

DANIEL GENE HOLT

Services for Daniel Gene Holt, 45, of Garden City were held July 19 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home, Westland, with the Rev. Arthur Mack officiating.

He was born May 27, 1955, in Monroe, Mich. He died July 16 in Novi. He was an automotive mechanic at Auto Masters. He was a veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Cynthia M. Holt of Garden City; mother, Janice (Dale) Mason of Westland; one daughter, Bonnie Holt of Westland; four brothers, Mike (Ruth) Holt of Maybee, Mich., Drew Holt of Wayne, Mich., Dale Mason of Westland, and Carl (Ann) Mason of Canton; and four sisters, Debbie (Aaron) Harris of Garden City, Karen (Mark) Tremonti of Westland, Ginny Holt of Inkster, and Kellie Mason of Westland.

Memorials may be made to D.A.R.E.

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

NANCY C. JONES

Services for Nancy C. Jones, 45, of Canton were held July 13 at Manns-Ferguson Funeral Home. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

She was born July 2, 1955, in Detroit and died July 10.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Freece; three daughters, Melanie Jones, Krista Freece, and Roberta (Justin) MacDonald; two sons, Jonathan Jones, and Stephen Freece; two sisters, Lynda Maki, and Beverly Arnold; one brother, Donald Arnold; and two grandchildren, Taylor MacDonald, and Jordan Freece.

Cops get together for national 'Night Out' event

BY SUE BUCK
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Plymouth Township Police are bringing their award-winning National Night Out event to Kellogg Park 6-9 p.m. July 31.

Both the township and city police are partnering with assistance from the Plymouth Rotary and the Downtown Development Authority.

The campaign is designed to send a message that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back to stop crime. More than 8,100 communities nationwide will join the "Turn Off the Violence" campaign. "Kellogg Park is centrally located and Plymouth Police will assist with the organization," said Plymouth Township community resource officer Jamie Senkbeil.

Senkbeil, who was named Plymouth Township Police Officer of the Year in May, organized the prior National Night Out events.

Through Senkbeil's efforts, National Association of Town Watch gave the Plymouth Township Police Department an award two years in a row for National Night Out, a community get-together crime prevention event designed to encourage neighbors to meet each other.

Last year, the campaign was held at four township sites.

"We're going to try this out and see how it works," Senkbeil said. "Keeping supplies stocked was difficult last year because of available manpower."

The public is invited to meet other residents. Food, refreshments and activities will be provided. Plymouth Rotary members will cook hot dogs, Senkbeil said.

The activities will encourage neighborhood safety. There will be a moonwalk, playstation, McGruff the Crime Dog, a Plymouth Township K-9 demonstration and speedball throw.

The Downtown Development Authority will book a band, executive director Melanie Purcell said. Downtown merchants will have fliers on hand promoting the event, she said.

There'll be bottled water from Absopure, coupons for free pizzas from Papa Romano's, hot dogs and pop donated by Meijer and Busch's, Frito Lay snacks and paper products from Kmart, Senkbeil said.

Police officers will distribute crime prevention material and will answer questions.

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4. The Hidden Forest, Jeannie Baker
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County launches senior drug card

BY RICHARD PEARL
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Wayne County has begun mailing enrollment forms for its new, free County Card prescription drug discount program to the county's 400,000 senior citizen residents.

Forms also are available at county libraries, senior centers and at all CVS pharmacies in metropolitan Detroit. CVS is the national drugstore chain participating in the program, which is scheduled to begin Sept. 1.

Modeled after a similar senior discount drug program in Macomb County, Wayne County's County Card will offer resident seniors 60 and over from 5 to 30 percent off on prescription medications.

Average savings are estimated at 20 to 30 percent and "unlike other programs, every single purchase will receive a discount of at least 5 percent," said Trisha Stein, executive director of Wayne County HealthChoice, which is administering the card program.

All seniors need to do is sign and return the enrollment forms

'I'm pleased that the County Card program has come together. It will make a big difference to thousands of seniors in Wayne County.'

*Ed McNamara
County Executive*



County Executive Ed McNamara

and the county will mail them their County Card, according to Stein.

The cards are good at the more than 250 CVS pharmacies statewide and also will be honored by the chain's 4,100 pharmacies nationwide.

In addition, seniors will be able to receive prescription discounts through some mail-order services. Such discounts are expected to be even greater than in-store discounts, according to Stein.

Seniors can call 1-800-777-1023 for answers to enrollment and prescription questions. The telephone service operates 24

hours a day, seven days a week, said Stein.

"I'm pleased that the County Card program has come together," said County Executive Edward H. McNamara in announcing the program Wednesday. "It will make a big difference to thousands of seniors in Wayne County."

McNamara, concerned about the high cost of prescription drugs, especially for seniors living on fixed incomes, had asked Deputy County Executive Michael Duggan earlier this year to develop a program to ease the burden.

Skyrocketing prescription drug costs, up to \$2,000 a month in some cases, has created a huge demand from seniors across the country for help.

"Big health care companies get huge discounts from pharmacies," said Duggan. "By banding together, we're going to get the same discount for our senior citizens."

Duggan is credited with initiating the HealthChoice and the PlusCare programs, which provide health insurance to low-income families and indigents.

HealthChoice, the county-run small-business medical insurance program, pays an annual \$8 per member fee to PharmaCare of Rhode Island, which is coordinating the program with CVS, according to Stein.

PharmaCare, a pharmaceutical benefits manager, has contracts with health maintenance organizations nationwide and also with the Department of Defense.

HealthChoice is maintained by funding from Urban Hospital Care Plus, a nonprofit which arranges health care benefits for the uninsured in Wayne County.

Engler signs bill cutting phone rates; Ameritech may sue

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Michigan telephone customers are in for a break on rates now that Gov. John Engler has signed a bill intended to spur local phone company competition into law.

The cut in fees will include elimination of the \$3.28 access fee, or "end user line charge," and a new requirement that the phone company consider calls to adjacent calling areas as "local" calls rather than "local toll" calls.

The breaks should show up on bills in September, unless Ameritech files suit. Company officials have indicated to the Michigan Public Service Commission that they are considering legal action. The company estimates the cost of the elimination of the access fee alone at \$157 million annually.

Lawmakers did away with it when they passed House Bill 5721 on the grounds it mirrored a fee already assessed under federal law, essentially

double dipping Michigan customers. The bill also eliminates a similar access charge of \$3.50 assessed to GTE customers.

"The main goal of this legislation is to increase competition for local phone services, which will provide more choices for consumers," said Rep. Mary Ann Mittlebach, R-Paw Paw, at the signing of the bill Monday, July 17. Mittlebach along with Rep. Marc Shulman, R-West Bloomfield, crafted the bill.

Shulman initiated the proposal because previous attempts to deregulate local phone service in Michigan failed to produce real competition.

Along with eliminating the \$3.28 charge and the requirement for free calls to adjacent areas, the bill restores the authority of the PSC to oversee telephone service providers. It will make the PSC the "competition cop," according to proponents, to encourage competition against Ameritech and GTE by upstart companies.

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but it got no support from the sheriff and disbanded after four years, McKinney says.

Deputy Richard LeGreair of Detroit, also assigned to the courts, calls for "more visibility" by sheriff's deputies on the streets and says he doesn't think enough effort is spent in protecting the elderly and seniors.

Deputy Marvin Taylor of Detroit, a former radio disc jockey who ran for Detroit city council in 1993, says more officers on

the road would reduce road rage. The department is "not visible enough as a deterrent."

Darren T. Yarbrough, the non-deputy, is a former Army Special Forces weapons officer who works with deputies in his role as supervisor for the tactical enforcement group of Hunters International. The firm contracts with Wayne County to assist in finding those who fail to appear in court and also provides personal protection teams.

He calls for, among other things, a step up in patrols to stop drug and firearms traffickers and would develop a juvenile boot camp similar to that in Oakland County.

He also says the sheriff's department lacks official accreditation and would get it through the Commission for Accrediting Law Enforcement Agencies, which he says recently granted accreditation to the Ann Arbor Police Department.

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McCotter says state needs a poet laureate

BY RICHARD PEARL
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Bob "Night Moves" Seger as Michigan's state poet?

That wasn't necessarily who state Sen. Thaddeus G. McCotter of Livonia had in mind when he announced recently that he is penning legislation to create the post of state poet laureate.

But Seger's inclusion among possible choices communicates the idea behind the bill, says McCotter, who was inspired to write after learning that Michigan - which has a state bird, flower and stone - is one of only 13 states without an official poet.

The first-term Republican suggests the state's poet laureate be

appointed by the governor, serve without compensation the length of that governor's term and be required to maintain a Michigan residence.

The state's bard would serve in a host of ceremonial occasions, McCotter says, and also help facilitate a deeper appreciation of poetry throughout the state.

The senator, who got strongly into literature as a collegian, waxes both poetic and political about his proposal.

"Poets live to reveal and convey the rich tapestry of our human experience," he explains. "As a conservative who believes

people must always apply a reasoned understanding of human nature and history to governmental issues, I believe it is time (that) we legislators give (poet Percy Bysshe) Shelley's 'unacknowledged legislators' their due."

Bringing up Seger, says McCotter, "made a lot of people think about the role of poetry" in their everyday lives, "a lot of people who never thought about it" before.

"Song lyrics are verse," notes McCotter, citing as proof the lyricism of 19th century English poet Samuel ("Rhyme of the

Ancient Mariner") Coleridge.

"When it's at its best, it is poetic," McCotter says. "Seger's songs describe a way of life of many people. Many people can relate to his lyrics."

McCotter cites Seger's "Feel Like a Number" protest song and says he's inclined to put the lyrics on the desks of his fellow legislators when they enact a law.

"People feel like cattle," he says. "Anything we can do to stress the primacy of the individual over government, we want to do. By emphasizing poetry, we stress the primacy."

"The qualities of sympathy and empathy in this society can always be enhanced," McCotter says. "Also, we can get government officials to know there's more to life than just passing laws."

But why Seger?

"All we did was just show the range of poetry we have from Michiganders," says McCotter, who also suggests Jim Harrison, the best-selling Lelanau author ("Legends of the Fall") and Ypsilanti-born bard James Osterburg, along with Ann Arbor's famous rock 'n' roller.



State Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia

Gasoline prices fall in state

Prices at gas pumps across Michigan have declined for a fourth straight week - down 42 cents per gallon since June 19, according to AAA Michigan's weekly "Fuel Gauge" survey. The statewide average for self-serve unleaded is currently \$1.658.

This week's average is 12.9 cents lower than a week ago (\$1.787). The per-gallon price is now the lowest it has been since the first week in June, but still 46.4 cents per gallon higher than a year ago at this time.

In the metro Detroit area, the average for self-serve unleaded is \$1.721 per gallon, down 13.3 cents from a week ago, but 55.6 cents higher than a year ago. The metro Detroit average has fallen 42.4 cents in the last four weeks.

Statewide, the Auto Club survey found per-gallon prices ranging from \$1.459 to \$1.839.

Michigan's boaters also will find some relief at the pumps. The statewide average for no-lead gas dropped 6.6 cents from last week to an average of \$2.253 per gallon, and the average diesel price is down 3.2 cents at \$1.654. Those averages are up from last year 66.3 cents and 34.4 cents respectively.

Metro-Detroit-area marinas are reporting averages of \$2.262 for no-lead gas, down 11.8 cents from last week, and \$1.736 for diesel, down 1.5 cents from a week ago. A year ago, the no-lead average in Metro Detroit was \$1.555 and the diesel average was \$1.341.

AAA Michigan's weekly "Fuel Gauge" surveys 300 gas stations and 100 marinas.

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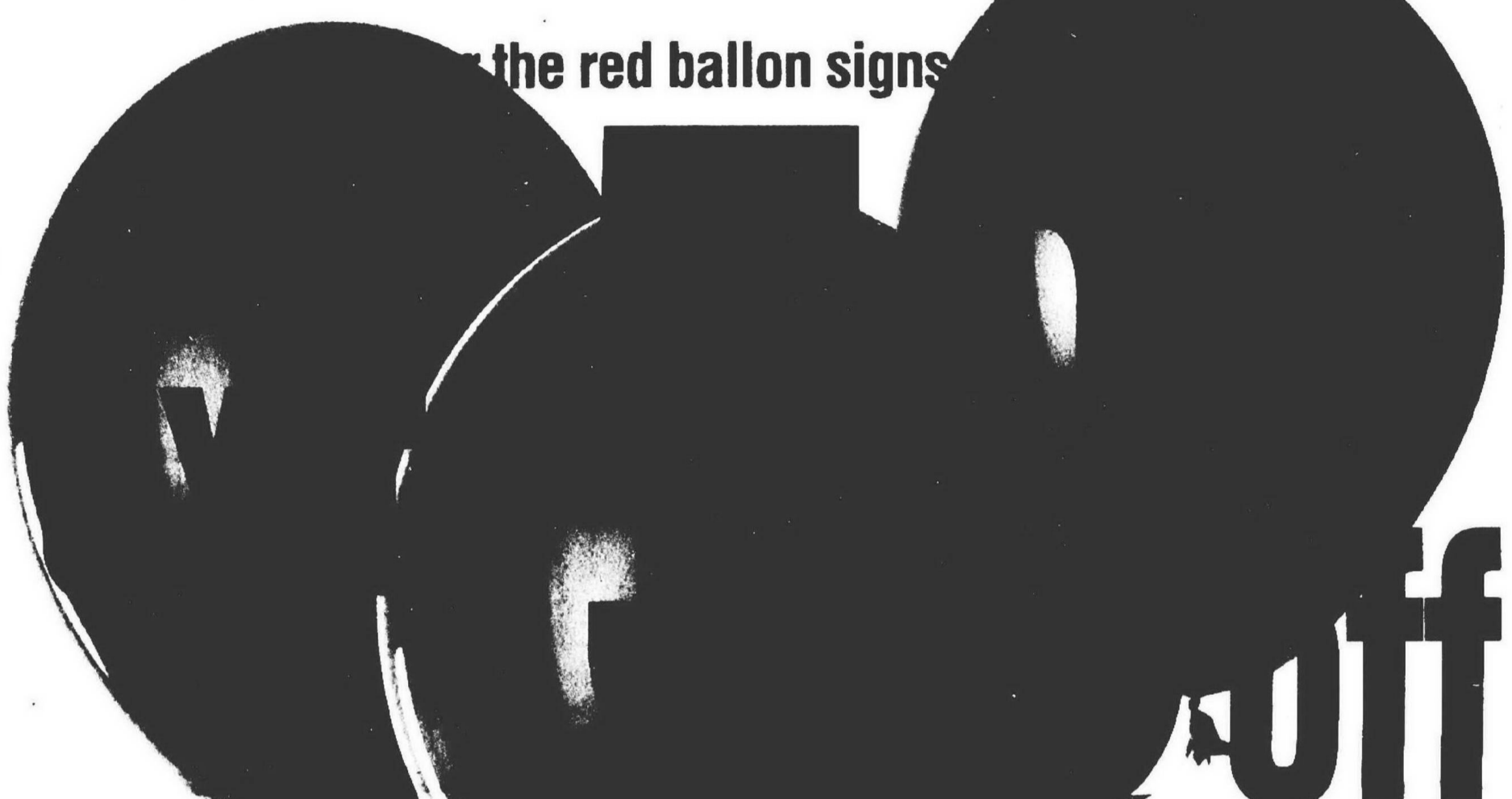
The Learning Center at Madonna University in Livonia is currently accepting applications for its fall term, which begins Monday, Sept. 18. Since enrollment is limited, parents/guardians must submit an application form before Monday, Aug. 7. Early applications will allow sufficient time for an assessment of each student before classes begin.

The tutorial sessions are designed for students from the first through 12th grades who are experiencing difficulty in reading and its related skills. Individual or group instruction (two students) is available.

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Ambassadors selected

Among the six current and former North American Hockey League players chosen to try out for the U.S. National Junior Team are three with ties to the Compuware Ambassadors.

The most recent Ambassador is goalie Craig Kowalski, who was instrumental in the team's run to the 1999 Gold Cup Junior A National Championship. A two-year veteran of the Ambassadors, Kowalski has committed to attend Northern Michigan University in the fall.

Steve Jackson, a forward from Bloomfield Hills who was also part of the Ambassadors' 1999 title team, was leading the team in scoring at Christmas last season with 17 goals and 30 points when he left to join the Michigan State University squad.

Rob Globke, from West Bloomfield, was another forward who played for the Ambassadors in 1998-99, scoring eight goals and adding 14 assists. Jackson and Globke are both members of the U.S. National Under-18 Team.

Hockey classes/leagues

•Adult hockey skills training: A class designed to help train and develop either men's or women's hockey skills is scheduled for four Sundays in August at the Arctic Pond in Plymouth. Cost is \$125 per player, which includes all four two-hour sessions.

These sessions are for adults, and will be from 7-9 p.m. on consecutive Sundays — Aug. 6, 13, 20 and 27. To register call or FAX name and address to John Wilson at (248) 471-0658 or E-mail to john@rspi.net.

•Fall/Winter Hockey Leagues: The Rockets (over 21), Plymouth Masters (over 40), Golden Eagles and Golden Blades (over 50) hockey leagues are now forming. Check out the league web site at www.rspi.net, or to register call or FAX name and address to John Wilson at (248) 471-0658 or E-mail to john@rspi.net.

Hockey auction

A used hockey equipment drive and silent auction, to benefit the Detroit Police Athletic League's hockey program, is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 5-6, at the Arctic Pond Arena in Plymouth. Equipment donated and funds generated will help to benefit the PAL's hockey program.

Sponsored by the Ice Dog AAA Hockey Organization, the Arctic Pond Arena and DC Sports, the aim of the drive is to bring hockey to the boys and girls of Detroit. Equipment donated should be in useable condition with no missing parts.

Those interested may call the Arena at (734) 207-9663.

Disc golf

A new golf course opens in Wayne County and all the top political officials show up, right?

Well, yes — and no. True, Wayne County executive Edward McNamara will be on hand when this course opens Thursday. But the course he'll be dedicating is in Cass Benton Recreation Area in Northville, and it's for disc golf.

A game that combines hiking and golf, the new 18-hole, par-65 course is on Hines Drive between Six Mile and Seven Mile. It will be open from dawn until dusk at no charge.

"This is a challenging course," said McNamara. "We have had a lot of positive feedback from players of all levels."

The course's dedication is scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday. For more information on this or any other Wayne County Parks event, call (734) 261-1990.

Camps and leagues

•A sports camp for all tastes — that's what Total Soccer is offering in two sessions, from Monday through Thursday (registration deadline is today) and from July 31 through Aug. 3 (registration deadline is July 30).

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For more information, call Total Soccer in Wixom at (248) 669-9817.

Encore performance

National tournament returns after a year away



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After a year's absence, the National Target Championships are returning to Heritage Park in Canton.

In 1997 and 1998, the National Archery Association of the United States visited Canton for the week-long event and thoroughly enjoyed the visit, according to Bill Kellick, NAA communications and media relations manager. But then their contract wasn't renewed.

"They didn't want to last year," Kellick said. The NAA took its tournament to Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, for last year's target shoot.

Whatever the reasons were for not bringing the archers back in 1999 were reconsidered this year. The NAA and the township have signed a three-year deal that will extend through 2002.

Which means some of the brightest stars of the archery world — and one whose fame generates from a different medium — will be on hand next Sunday when the 116th version of these championships get underway.

More than 550 archers are expected to compete for honors, including both the men's and women's U.S. Olympic teams, which will use the event as one of their final tune-ups for the Sydney Olympics.

Returning for the women's team is Janet Dykman, a national team member since 1990 and winner at the national target meet two years ago. The top qualifier at the U.S. Olympic Trials, Dykman was ranked 17th in the world and third in the nation entering July.

Also back is Denise Parker, who earned an Olympic team bronze medal at 14 in 1988 and who ranks as a five-time national outdoor and seven-time national indoor champion. Parker was 26th in the world and fourth in the nation (through June).

The third women's team member lacks the experience but has the talent. It's Karen Scavotto, an 18-year-old from Enfield, Conn., whose impressive resume includes the National Junior Olympic Target Championships and National Junior Olympic Indoor Championships. She is also holder of five junior national outdoor records and one national junior indoor record. Scavotto was ranked 11th in the world and first in the nation.

"She's got potential," said Kellick of the women's Olympic team. "They have an outside shot (to medal at the Olympics). They won the (Golden Arrow) Grand Prix of Turkey in April."

The U.S. men's team, which won the team gold medal at the '96 Olympics, is led by three-time member Butch Johnson. Johnson won the U.S. National Outdoor title in 1996 and 1997, and was the U.S. National Indoor champ six times, including 1995-99. Johnson holds the world records for an 18-arrow match (179), a 36-arrow finals total (344) and an indoor 12-arrow match (120); he is ranked 11th in the world and first in the country.

Joining Johnson is Rod White, another returnee from the '96 gold medal-winning squad and a two-time winner of the intermediate division title both indoors and outdoors. White is 76th internationally and tied for 16th nationally.

The third team member is Vic Wunderle, winner of the 1998 National Target title and twice the National Outdoor champ. Wunderle was the U.S. Intercollegiate champion three times, won four Junior National Outdoor titles and three Junior National Indoor crowns. Wunderle is ranked second in the nation and 15th in the world.

This tournament will be the final event prior to the Olympics for the women's team. The men will compete at the Grand Prix of Poland before leaving for Sydney.

Heritage Park will be open for practices Friday and Saturday. The Clout Tournament, in which archers shoot at a circle on the ground from great distances (men's compound, 185 meters; men's recurve and women's compound, 165 meters; women's recurve, 125 meters; youth, 110 meters), will be next Sunday (July 30) beginning at 2:30 p.m.

The premier event, the U.S. Open, will begin at 8:45 a.m. Friday, Aug. 4.

Now for some of those more familiar names, like Edward Barrowman of Garden City; Stephen Bernard of Canton; Jessica Carleton of Westland; Christopher and Melissa Evvits of Livonia; Jessica Mattoon of Canton; and Jim and Jane Nick-

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Top shots: Among those who will compete at the National Target Championships in Canton are Olympic team members Butch Johnson (above) and Denise Parker (right). Each has Olympic team experience; indeed, both have won medals. Johnson was an integral part of the U.S. gold-medal winning team in 1996, and Parker won a bronze medal as a 14-year-old member of the 1988 team.



'Dogs can't catch Huskies

SUMMER HOCKEY

What a finish! The Bulldogs trailed by four goals with less than a minute left in the second period. Even after Jason Basile scored to narrow that deficit against the Wolverines to 5-2 with 46 seconds left, the promise seemed short-lived when the Wolves' Jason Lawmaster (from Westland) answered with nine seconds remaining in the period, restoring that four-goal lead.

But the 'Dogs weren't ready to surrender yet. Basile scored again with four seconds left in the second period to make it 6-3 and ignite his teammates, who went on to outscore the Wolves 6-1 in the third period for a 9-7 victory in their Metro Summer Hockey League regular-season finale Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Alas, it wasn't enough to lift the Bulldogs into the top spot. They finished the season second at 9-1-1 (19 points), just behind the regular-season champion Huskies (11-1, 22 points).

The result finalizes the MSHL post-season playoffs. The Huskies, who played 12 regular-season games (the other six teams played 11 each), has an opening-round bye.

The Bulldogs meet the last-place (and winless) Broncos at 7 p.m. Mon-

day; on Tuesday, the third-place Spartans face the sixth-place Wolverines at 6:30 p.m. and the fourth-place Lakers go against the fifth-place Wildcats at 8 p.m. All games will be played at the Cultural Center.

The Huskies meet the winner of the Lakers-Wildcats game at 8 p.m. Wednesday in one semifinal; the Bulldogs-Broncos winner plays the Spartans-Wolverines winner at 8 p.m. Thursday in the other semi.

The MSHL championship game is at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Cultural Center.

Brian Grant and Matt Grant (both from Livonia) each scored two goals in the decisive third period for the 'Dogs. Brian Wishart (Canton) and Troy Milam also had goals in the period; Ian Smith accounted for the Bulldogs' first goal of the game, midway through the second period after the Wolverines had taken a 4-0 lead.

Lawmaster finished with three goals to lead the Wolves; Chris Powroznik (Redford) and Wes Blevins added two goals apiece.

Karl Kliemann was in goal for the 'Dogs; Rick Marnon (Canton) was in the net for the Wolverines.

Wolverines 13, Broncos 5: A three-goal flurry in a five-minute span of the second period gave the Wolverines the cushion they needed Thursday against the winless Broncos.

A six-goal third period ensured they would keep it.

Dave Street, Chris Powroznik, Kyle McNeilance and Nick Lewarne each scored two goals for the winners. Other scorers included Frank Bourbonnais, Jason Lawmaster, Joe Jones, Joe Kustra and Jeremy Motz.

The Broncos got goals from Matt Van Heest, Nick Anselm, Jason Asadoorian, Ryan McCabe and Erik Hawkins.

Mark Lavender and Rick Marnon split time in goal for the Wolves. Brandon Hothem and Brenden McMahon divided time in goal for the Broncos.

Bulldogs 14, Spartans 9: The Bulldogs broke loose in the last five minutes of the second period, outscoring the Spartans 4-1 in that span to break out of a 6-6 tie and cruise to the victory.

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METRO SUMMER HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS (Final)				
Huskies	11	1	0	22
Bulldogs	9	1	1	19
Spartans	5	5	1	11
Lakers	3	5	3	9
Wildcats	4	7	0	8
Wolverines	4	7	0	8
Broncos	0	10	1	1

LEAGUE SCORERS				
Name (Team)	G	A	Pts	
M. Pietile (Huskies)	27	30	57	
B. Wishart (Bulldogs)	15	30	43	
D. Heikinen (Huskies)	28	17	42	
R. Stom (Huskies)	18	28	42	
J. Fritz (Wildcats)	24	12	36	
I. Smith (Bulldogs)	19	17	36	
J. Weber (Spartans)	17	28	36	
T. Milam (Huskies)	18	19	36	
J. Basile (Bulldogs)	12	21	34	
M. Grant (Bulldogs)	12	19	31	

LEAGUE GOALKEEPERS				
Name (Team)	G	A	Pts	
Matt Swanson (Bulldogs)	20	11	11	
Phil Olsar (Bulldogs)	14	11	11	
Larry Jardine (Lakers)	28	11	11	
John Pichle (Bulldogs)	20	11	11	
Art Behar (Huskies)	28	11	11	
Brandon Tucker (Huskies)	31	11	11	
Colin Morawski (Lakers)	28	11	11	

Scoring statistics adjusted for playoffs game schedule.

Regaining form

Fusion keeper trying to battle his way back

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SOCCER

There's no place like home to cure what ails you. Just ask Miami Fusion goalkeeper Jeff Cassar.

The former Livonia Churchill High product will have a rare opportunity to play in his home state when his team faces off against the Premier Development League Mid-Michigan Bucks, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at White Pine Stadium in Saginaw Township.

The Bucks, a group of college and post-college amateur players, are trying to move up the soccer ladder. They are co-owned by Livonia natives Dan and Jim Duggan.

What's at stake is a berth in the quarterfinals of the oldest running national soccer tournament, the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup.

"I came in over the winter and played with my friends and we had a lot of fun at that indoor place in Wixom (Total Soccer)," Cassar said. "We just had a blast."

"I'm excited about coming here because I'll be seeing my family and friends. I still have a lot of

friends in Livonia. I'm looking forward to it and going out with my family and friends afterwards."

The 26-year-old Cassar, who starred collegiately at Florida International, has endured a roller coaster career in the MLS, the country's premier professional league.

Injuries have taken their toll on Cassar, considered during his early years as one of the country's most promising keepers.

After starting the first seven games this season for the Fusion, Cassar injured his groin and lost his starting job to backup Nick Rimando.

Cassar has played in nine games, sporting a record of 2-2-4 with two shutouts and a goals against average of 1.16.

Meanwhile, Rimando has gone 5-6-1 in 12 games with a goals against average of 1.83 with a pair of shutouts.

Cassar also got caught in the crossfire of a coaching change when Ray Hudson took over for Ivo Wortmann.

"This season has been a major up-and-down," said Cassar, who

played 15 games for the Fusion in 1999 and 21 in 1998 after coming over from the Dallas Burn. "Due to injury I've lost my spot and it's left a bitter taste in my mouth."

"I want to be the starting goalie, but the injury has enabled him (Rimando) to come in and take the job, and he's done well."

Cassar has endured nothing but injuries since he turned professional in 1996 when Dallas selected him in the first round (eighth overall) in the MLS college draft.

In 1997, injuries kept him from playing a single game with the Burn. In 1998 with the Fusion, Cassar finished 12-9 with a 1.95 goals-against average, but he was sidelined by a strained right quad for three games and missed six more games at the end of the season with a partially torn anterior cruciate ligament (which required post-season surgery).

Last season, Cassar started 12 games, but had his season cut short when he needed surgery again to remove a screw from his left knee.

"Right now I'm healthy, but I could be hurt by tomorrow," Cassar laments. "It's disheartening."

My body has let me down."

Cassar likes the Fort Lauderdale area and is not demanding a trade. He and his wife Lee Anna have a 2-year-old daughter (Sloan).

"That part of my life (family) couldn't be better," Cassar said. "This is my home away from home. The players we have here are top class. We have some fabulous players, some of the best in the MLS. I love Miami, but the situation is I've got to be playing."

"It's been a crazy year. I'll just see how things go."

Fighting for a playoff spot, Miami is 7-10-5 in the MLS.

On Wednesday, the Fusion battled the host Burn in 100-plus degree temperatures to a 1-1 tie. The team then traveled Thursday to New Jersey to prepare for a game Saturday against the Metro Stars.

On Sunday, the Fusion will head to Saginaw.

"We're in a huge playoff hunt and every game is crucial," said Cassar, who hasn't gotten the word yet from Hudson whether he'll start Tuesday's U.S. Open



Back on home turf: Former Livonia Churchill star Jeff Cassar has endured an injury-plagued season playing for the Fusion.

Cup match. "We know it's going to be a battle because the players in their league (PDL) are trying to impress the coaches in this league (MLS)."

Defender Jeremy Aldrich, a former Buck, has appeared in three games for the Fusion. Miami also features Diego Serna, Roy Lassister and Jay Heaps.

The Bucks, who battled the

MLS Tampa Bay Mutiny last year in the U.S. Cup before losing 2-1, expect upwards of 5,000 fans to jam White Pine.

The Bucks are 15-2-1 overall, including a shocking U.S. Cup 1-0 win over the MLS New England Revolution last month in Foxboro, Mass.

The Bucks recently clinched the Great Lakes Division championship of the PDL for the fifth consecutive year.

Gates open at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday. Tickets are \$10.

"I'd get there early," Dan Duggan said. "If we win, that will give us \$10,000 in prize money and get us to the quarterfinals."

"We should be pretty confident, especially after what happened in Foxboro, but you really don't expect a team like ours to keep beating MLS teams."

"I'm sure the Fusion are going to take this game seriously. Our crowd is going to be wild and we hope that's an intimidating advantage."

Duggan also looks forward to seeing Cassar play.

"He is a money goalie and I think he'll play," the Bucks co-owner said. "I certainly hope so. If he's healthy, he's world-class."

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Basketball camp

Schoolcraft College women's basketball coach Karen Lafata will conduct a pair of girls basketball camps at SC. From 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on July 31-Aug. 3, there will be a camp for grades 7-12. Cost is \$110 and includes a T-shirt and basketball.

For further information, call Lafata at (734) 462-4400, ext. 5249.

Autumn baseball

Space is limited as the Great Lake Autumn Baseball League is forming 12-and-under, 13-and-under and 14-and-under leagues. Saturday double-headers will be from Aug. 26 through Oct. 7 at the Canton Softball Center and Heritage Park in Canton. The cost is \$1,100 per team (includes 10 games and playoffs, game balls, umpires and awards). The first six teams in each age group to register with full payment will be confirmed.

For more information, call (313) 724-1980.

Macker touney

The Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament is scheduled for Aug. 19-20 at Heritage Park in Taylor. Gus Macker Tournaments are held to benefit local non-profit agencies. Money raised from this tournament will benefit Community Care Services (CCS), a community mental health and substance abuse agency located in

Lincoln Park, Belleville and Taylor. Volunteers are needed to work as scorekeepers, "Gus Busters" (referees and court managers), as well as setup and cleanup. Activities for the non-playing

family members, such as a swimming pool, petting zoo, fishing pond and playground, are available for the families of those who come to participate. Players must register by July 28. Brochures can be picked up

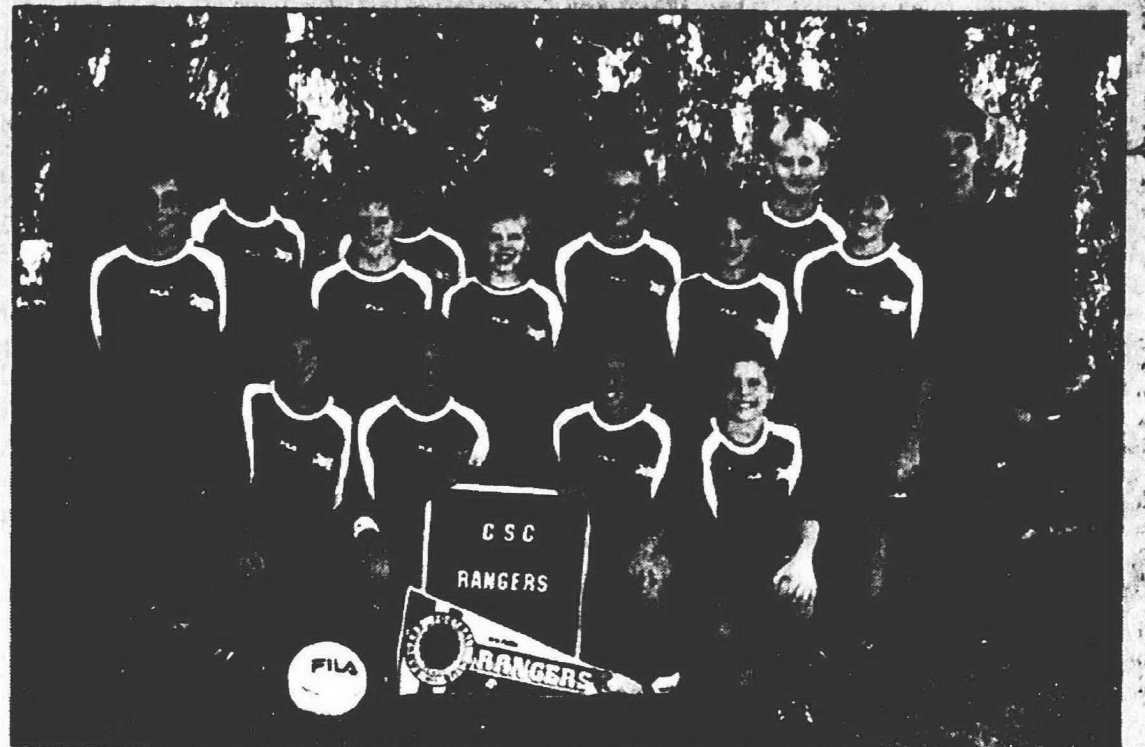
at the Taylor Recreation Department or Sheridan Center. Teams can also register online at www.macker.com. For more information, call Gloria at 734-671-1515 or visit the web.

Champion Mets



CCJBSA winners: The Canton Mets defeated the Phillies 10-0 in the title game of the 10-year-old division to win the Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association championship. The Mets defeated the Tigers 15-9 in the semifinal. Erik Wright and Corey Brown combined on a three-hit shutout in the final, and Brown slugged a pair of triples, scoring two runs. The Mets were 12-2 season record. Team members are: (front row, from left) Justin Horger, Dana Lorber, Adam Robinson, J.M. Heinrichs, Ryan Harris, Cory Amble; (second row, from left) Joe Celaski, Robert Kne, Matt Benson, Jeremy Epley, Corey Brown, Erik Wright; (back row, from left) Todd Horger (coach), Ed Wright (manager), John Heinrichs (coach), Tom Benson (coach). Not pictured: Dane Staples and Brandon Murray.

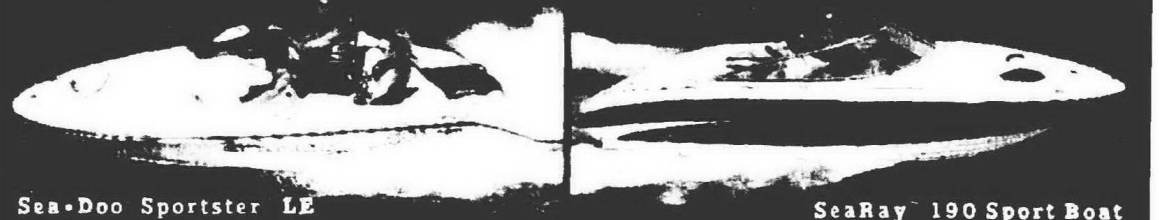
Rangers reign



League Champs: The Canton Rangers under-12 boys select team won their division in the fall and spring seasons in the Western Suburban Soccer League. Team members are Pete Bartlett, Matt Duprie, Richard Potyma, Kevin Prusti, Kevin Greening, Jared Johnson, Britton Keep, Chris Koske, Ben Krauss, Dave Lewandowski, Joe Maltese, Jordan Payne, Brandon Sykora, Jim Wilbur and Eric Wilt. The team is coached by Doug Morrison, Mark Koske and Ross Wilt.



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Hockey conditioning

Plymouth Canton's and Plymouth Salem's hockey teams will have three summer conditioning sessions at the Plymouth Cultural Center beginning July 21.

All Canton and Salem students interested in playing hockey in the upcoming school year are invited to participate. Cost is \$15 per session or \$40 for all three, payable by July 21.

Salem players will have their sessions from 5-6:30 p.m. July 21-23; Canton players will have their sessions from 6:30-8 p.m. July 21-23.

For more information, call Sandy Bida (for Salem) at (734) 455-939 or Chris Wolfe (Canton) at (734) 453-8332.

Football skills camp

The Plymouth Salem Linebackers will host a Head-

start Football Skills Camp for ninth and 10th graders from 1-4 p.m. July 24-26 behind Salem HS.

Cost is \$10 for advance registrants (by July 21) and \$15 afterwards. Make checks payable to the Plymouth Salem Linebackers and send them to Plymouth Salem Linebackers, P.O. Box 87843-0843, Canton, MI, 48187.

Campers are requested to bring water, football cleats and running shoes. For more information, call (734) 455-3291 or (734) 416-7768.

Stingrays tryouts

The Plymouth Stingrays, a 12-and-under girls travel ice hockey team, will have conditional skates and team tryouts throughout July and August.

Cost is \$15 per session. Sessions are: 8:10-9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 20 at Compuware Arena (conditioning skate); 7:10-8:30 p.m. Friday, July 28 at Compuware (conditioning skate);

7-8:20 p.m. Monday, July 31 at the Plymouth Cultural Center (conditioning skate); 8-8:50 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 2 at the Cultural Center (team tryouts); 5-6:20 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 6 at the Cultural Center (team tryouts).

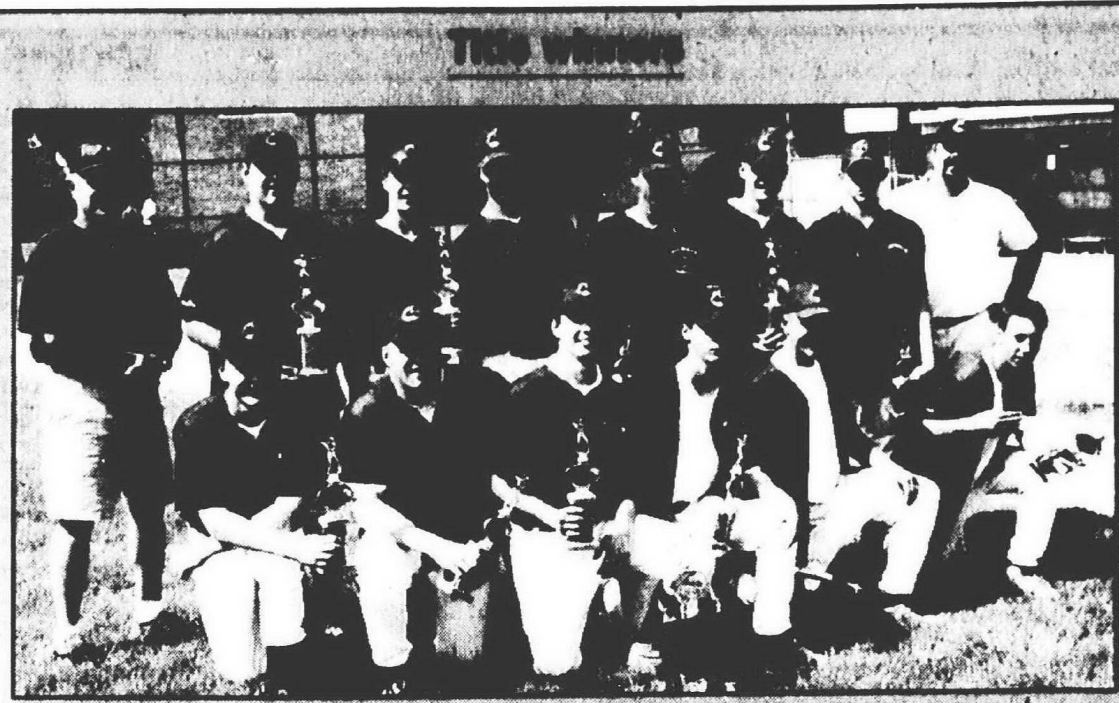
For more information, call head coach Larry Skonieczny at (734) 459-0584 or team manager M.J. Potter at (734) 453-5597.

Baseball tryouts

The Michigan Indians travel baseball team will have tryouts for next year's team at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27 at Massey Field in Plymouth. This is for a 12-year-old team (must be 12 or younger after Aug. 1, 2000) and it is a very competitive level of play.

For more information, call Mark Glover at (248) 349-3392.

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Top Quarter: The Michigan Indian 16s collected the championship at the Southgate USSSA National Invitational Tournament qualifier for 15-17 year-olds July 14-18 in Southgate. Team members are Brandon Ajlouny (Westland); Robbie Beechuck and Matt Lenhoff (Plymouth); Brent Skillman and Evan LaCross (Canton); Marco DiMichele, Ryan Liley, Robby Minch, Steve Van Camp and Dominic Zoccolli (Garden City); Jason Berthiaume (Farmington Hills); and Jason Pindzia (Dearborn Heights). The team is coached by Jack Skillman, Jeff Van Camp and George Ninowski.

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Thursday at the Cultural Center.

Jason Basile and Ian Smith sparked the Dogs, scoring four goals apiece. Corey Swider netted two. Brent Wishart, Brian

Grant (Livonia), Troy Milam and Matt Gossett had single goals.

Ryan Thompson scored three for the Spartans and Tony Keshishian had two. Nick Smyth, Scott Marlinga, Matt

Krupa and Jason Weber chipped in with a goal each.

Bernie McDonnell was in goal for the Bulldogs. Kevin Brady and Thomas Monnier both played for the Spartans.

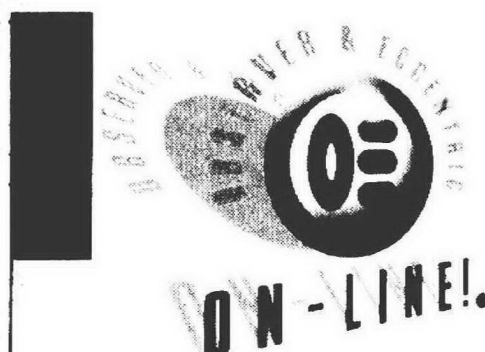
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ell of Canton. All are expected to compete.

So is another familiar face: Geena Davis of Marina Del Rey,

Calif., whose name has also been on the credits of such movies as Stuart Little, A League of Their Own, Beetlejuice, and Thelma

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Art Ferguson is hoping the third time is the charm. He'll know for sure by Saturday afternoon.

Ferguson, a native of Rochester Hills, is competing today through Saturday in his third BASS Masters Classic. Largely considered to be the Super Bowl of competitive fishing, this year's Classic is being contested out of

Chicago, Ill., on Lake Michigan and connecting waters.

With 46 of the world's best bass fishermen — including last year's champ, Davey Hite — going head-to-head, winning the Classic and the \$100,000 stipend that goes with it is certainly no easy feat.

But when Ferguson says he's approaching the tournament with every intention of winning it, he's not making

the statement in jest.

Ferguson's first taste of the Classic came in 1990 when he qualified through the BASS Federation. He was basically an amateur, competing against seasoned veterans.

"I remember that first tournament. I was just shaking," Ferguson said Tuesday night, from his hotel room in Chicago. "I didn't know what to do from one minute to the next. They keep you very busy here with press conferences, autograph sessions, meetings, sponsor appearances, things like that. There's a lot more going on than just fishing and it can be overwhelming at times."

"But it's a lot different this year. That was the 20th anniversary of the Classic and this is the 30th. Now I'm at peace with everything and my confidence is up."

Ferguson attributes that peacefulness and a big portion of his success to a strong religious belief, something lacking in his life until a year ago. When asked what the biggest difference was

between his first berth in the Classic and this one he quickly responded, "Jesus Christ."

While his newfound spirituality has calmed his nerves and brought him peace of mind and confidence, hours and hours of fishing, through competition and guide services on Lake St. Clair during the summer and Florida's Lake Okeechobee in the winter, have refined his fishing ability.

Since that first Classic appearance 10 years ago Ferguson has logged better than 2,200 days on the water.

Ferguson placed 18th in last year's Classic, held on the Mississippi Delta in Louisiana, and is enjoying the best season of his career this year.

He finished fifth in the season point standings in the prestigious BASSMASTER Top 150 to earn a berth in the Classic. Not only that, but he's coming off his first professional victory, having won the final Top 150 event of the season in May on Alabama's Lake Wheeler. "I feel pretty confident," he said.

Tuesday offered participants their final day of practice and 25 mph winds kept the anglers off Lake Michigan.

Most concentrated their efforts on the Calgag River, which Ferguson feels could prove to be an advantage.

"It wasn't a real productive practice day for anyone, but that could be an advantage for me," he said. "It didn't allow the rest of the guys a chance to go out and find fish. Because I'm from up here, I probably fish the Great Lakes more than most so that a benefit."

Three other Michigan anglers — Kevin Van Dam, of Kalamazoo, Kim Stricker of Howell, and Phillip Jones of Holland — have also qualified for this year's Classic, giving Michigan its largest representation ever.

The bass fishery in the waters around Chicago isn't anything like that of Lake St. Clair, according to Ferguson.

"They probably have less than one-percent of the fish that we have," he said. "They don't have nearly the amount of (bass habitat) that we do."

Because of that lack of fish, don't expect any record-breaking catches to win the tournament.

"We've been talking about that (the winning weight) and everyone feels it will probably take between 32 and 36 pounds to win it. I don't think it will be a tournament anyone will dominate. It will be close."

With things going his way, Ferguson is a solid contender for the top spot in this year's tournament. If the third time really is the charm, Michigan might just get its first BASS Master Classic champion.

(Bill Parker writes a weekly outdoor column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, Mich., 48009.)

Old-timer? This senior has scores anyone would want

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At 74, Jim Briegel says the only time he plays tournament golf any more is for sentimental reasons.

It's been a pretty good week for sentiment for the Redford Township resident.

Last weekend, Briegel, a four-time winner of the Ann Arbor Men's City Golf Tournament, came in sixth in the championship flight, just four shots behind winner David Ping — young enough to be his grandson.

On Monday, Briegel teed off in the Detroit Newspapers Tournament of Champions at Boyne Mountain's Monument Course,

made Tuesday's cut and wound up winning the Super Senior flight by the completion of Wednesday's round.

"My wife keeps thinking that I punish myself for playing," said Briegel, a retiree from Brown-Brumfield Printing in Ann Arbor. "But I love it. I still hit the ball pretty long for my age."

The three-handicap does pretty well, too. Playing most of his golf out of Glenhurst Golf Course on Six Mile, he's shot his age 20 times this year and 37 times last year.

"Glenhurst is a short course, but I feel I'm playing poorly if I play there and don't shoot my age," said Briegel, who is a starter at the University of Michigan Golf Course two days a

week. "I've only played two tournaments this year — both in the last week. I love the Tournament of Champions. I play more for the sentimentality of it."

Sentiment found him entering the Ann Arbor City Tournament at Leslie Park as he won the tourney in 1957, 59, 60 and 63. He shot a 79 on Friday, but the rain washed out the first round. Briegel came back with an 80 on the second day, but came back with 75 on the final day to finish sixth.

"If I'd have parred the final hole, I'd have shot my age," lamented Briegel, who didn't know until Thursday where he'd finished. "I had no illusions of winning it, so I took off right after I finished my round and

headed up north. I didn't even stay for dinner because I figured if I ate, I would be driving up sleepy."

Monday found him in the first round of the T of C — an invitational run by the Michigan Section of the Professional Golfers of America. The tourney brings together winners of some 50 tournaments in the state — such as the Michigan Open, the Michigan Men's and Women's Amateur, the Michigan High School Athletic Association individual medalists.

The exemptions for the winners range from one or two years up to a lifetime one. Briegel

earned his spot by virtue of Michigan Publinox Senior titles in 1979, 82 and 88.

"The first day I shot a 76, which I thought was a pretty good round, considering it was extremely windy for about the last 10-12 holes I played and the fact I didn't get to get a practice round in at the course," said Briegel, who was tied for 38th. "I was very fortunate to come in as well as I did."

Things changed on Tuesday a bit. Briegel golfed the first day from the white tees, but Super Seniors (age 70 and over) were supposed to golf from the shorter red tees.

"It hurt me a bit," said Briegel. "I still hit the ball fairly long and I didn't know where to hit the shots. I got myself in trouble and that was a whole new experience for me."

Still, his round of 78 left him tied for 68th overall and allowed him to make the cut into Wednesday's final round. And even though he carded an 84 on the final day, it was enough to win the Super Seniors division.

"I'd played for sixth-straight days and on the fifth day, I started feeling the fatigue," said Briegel. "I know by the final day, I was flat out tired."

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River reveals secrets when a net is cast



TIM NOWICKI

NATURE NOTES
I always have fun with groups participating in a pond study. When people get a dip net and begin sampling the lake or stream bottom, they are always amazed at the things they find. Many times I am amazed, too.

Most recently I enjoyed the reactions of the students trying to catch some small fish along the shore and their wrinkled noses when they probed their fingers through the bottom debris to find some of the small "unknown" critters.

A neat bug

One student discovered a large mayfly nymph. It was about two inches long with a dark fringe of gills on both sides of the abdomen. This was the first time someone had captured one of these nymphs during a pond study.

It was a burrowing mayfly nymph that fishermen often call a wiggler. They serve as a nice tasty morsel for a fish.

Trout fishermen wait anxiously for the Hex hatch, which is when a large mayfly nymph transforms into a winged adult. During this transformation the adults rise from the nymph's burrows in tremendous numbers, providing a feast for waiting fish.

Many people recognize a mayfly adult, but because people don't spend much time dipping in the water with a net, they do not recognize these insects in their immature stage.

That is the excitement of exploring the underwater world. New discoveries of something common also intrigues people.

They have gills

Burrowing mayflies have gills that wave and create a current that draws water into the burrow. New supplies of water are needed to bring in dissolved oxygen. They also have branched tails that probably help to anchor them in their burrow.

Burrowing mayflies position themselves vertically in the mud or bottom debris. Their head is pointed upward. Well-developed tusks are designed to grasp food that comes within their reach.

In streams, the current brings a constant supply of food past the burrow. Those species in a lake must rely on prey happening within reach or prey being funneled into the burrow by their manufactured current.

Not all mayfly nymphs are found in burrows. Many nymphs are crawlers. Their well-developed legs allow them to hunt under and between rocks for suitable prey of smaller animals. Some are plant eaters, but most are predators.

There are some stream-inhabiting mayflies that have little attachment discs that allow the nymph to cling to a rock without being washed away by the current.

Mayflies that live in streams are often flat shaped. A flat shape allows them to be streamlined and allows the current to push them against the bottom debris. They have developed a body structure that requires the least amount of energy to survive.

Better at swimming

Other mayfly species are better at swimming. Their bodies produce a wave-like action that propels them through the water. There are even armored mayfly nymphs. A broad hardened shell protects the flattened body.

Looking into an environment that we often overlook can reveal some interesting discoveries, if time is taken to really look carefully.

Then, once the initial discovery has been made, learning more about the animal, or discovery, is even more satisfying.

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KEVIN LAFRAMBOISE

GUEST COLUMNIST
Everyone is always looking for that special club that will allow them to hit the ball farther.

What everyone forgets about is scoring. Many people come to me and say, "I need help with my driver," or "I can't hit my long irons." What everyone

forgets is that chipping and putting is where you score.

If you spend one hour a week practicing on the driving range, then you should spend two hours a week chipping and putting.

When you practice chipping, work with the 7-iron through sand wedge or lob wedge. Most people make the mistake of using just their sand wedge.

One of the keys to chipping is getting the ball on the ground as soon as possible. If you have to carry a bunker, you will probably have your best success using a lob or sand wedge.

Other than that type of situation, you want the ball to roll to the flagstick. This is why I recommend the 'flight to roll' ratio, invented by Mike Adams.

The flight to roll ratio keys itself on the golf ball landing one step on the putting green every time. You determine what club to hit by using the following formula:

1. First you pace off how many steps it takes from where your ball is to one step on the green.

2. Then you pace off how many steps it takes from that one step on the green to the hole.

3. You then take the number of steps to the hole and divide it by the number of steps from your ball to one step on the green. For example, if it takes four steps from the ball to the spot on the green, then 20 more to the hole, divide four into 20 to get five.

4. The final step is to subtract that number from 12 to determine which club to use. For example, 12 minus five equals seven so you would use the 7-iron.

What this makes is an easier way to chip. If you are always landing the ball one step on the green, you must trust the club selection on the shot.

Some keys to work on to chip the ball better are:

- Open your stance slightly, aiming left of the target
- Your weight should be mainly on your left foot.
- Your hands should be in line with your left thigh,



Up and on: Golf pro Kevin LaFramboise demonstrates the correct chipping technique.

STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

and the ball should be back in your stance off your right toe.

■ The motion should be with your arms and shoulders, not with your wrists.

Remember to get the ball on the ground as soon as possible and apply the flight to ball ratio.

If you're having problems, remember to seek out your local PGA professional for instruction.

Kevin LaFramboise is the head professional at Western Golf and Country Club.

Metro Detroit bowlers make good showing in U.S. Open



AL HARRISON

TEN PIN ALLEY
Did anyone happen to see the \$375,000 U.S. Open bowling tournament on Fox Sports Net last Saturday?

If you did not see it on TV, you would not have read about it in the Detroit dailies.

That is a shame, for this is the most highly esteemed bowling

event anywhere, and the prized jewel in the Triple Crown of bowling. None of the local TV channels showed it on the news or sports finals. They were all too busy with golf. Where is bowling? I am not talking about field hockey or quarts. This game of ten-pins is the leading participant sport in the world.

The U.S. Open took place a week ago at Phoenix, Ariz., and many of our local shooters, were right up there with the finest competitors from Australia to Finland and points between.

Lisa Bishop of Belleville, Cheryl Daniels of West Bloomfield and Marianne DiRupo of Dearborn lasted well into the match play final round, with Bishop finishing 15th, Daniels 18th and DiRupo 19th.

Two-time U.S. Open winner Aleta Sill of Dearborn finished out of match play. On the men's side, an equal number of local participated, but only Finlander Mika Koivuniemi,

who has taken up residence in this area, made it to match play.

All the televised matches were exciting. On the women's side, Tennelle Grijalva of Orange, Calif., a former Team USA member, beat amateur star Kelly Kulick of New Jersey for the championship and \$35,000. In the men's competition, Robert Smith of California defeated veteran Norm Duke of Florida, 202-201 for the title and \$25,000.

Hamtramck Singles Classic

Here is a glance at the current standing in the Hamtramck Singles Classic which runs through July 30. There is still time to enter if you think about winning big money and can beat these scores:

Handicap Singles (\$25,000 guaranteed): 1. Anthony Hill, Detroit, 1,116 +0 handicap = 1,116; 2. Richard Planko, Novi, 1,009 +92 = 1,101; Richard Bautista, Canada, 956 +144 = 1,100.

Eight Game Singles: 1. Rex Arphacinda, Rochester Hills, 2,125; 2. Anthony Hill 2,116; 3. Mark Milasinovich, 2,105.

Scratch Singles: 1. Milasinovich 1,079; 2. Ron Pollard, Indiana, 1,053; 3. Brandon Hilgendorf, Warren, 1,050.

Ladies Singles: 1. Nellie Clory, New York, 921 +136=1,057; 2. Sherry Ullman, Harper Woods, 928 +100 =1,028; 3. Lily Tang, Canada, 862

■ Lisa Bishop of Belleville, Cheryl Daniels of West Bloomfield and Marianne DiRupo of Dearborn lasted well into the match play final round.

+152 = 1,014.

Senior Singles: 1. Richard Planko, 1009 +92 = 1,101; 2. Bill Haynes, Rochester Hills, 1,010 +72 = 1,082; 3. Mario Bora, Hamtramck, 918 +136 = 1,054.

Sponsors High Series (24 or more bowlers): 1. Keith Klenc, Chicago, 1,029 +44 + 1,073; 2. Lou Dupuis, Windsor, 950 +64 = 1,052; 3. Paul Gadomski, Plymouth, 950 +64 = 1,014.

Doubles: 1. Planko & DuPuis, 2,153; 2. Arphacinda & Jason Francis, 2,114; 3. Ronald Scorpio & Mark Dombrowski, 2,106.

Watch the mail

Entry forms are in the mail for the 64th annual John P. Gavie Memorial Tournament beginning 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 21, at Thunderbowl Lanes. This year's event is dedicated to Jim Strobl and Mike Lucente, two of the area's leading bowling proprietors. Competitors in three divisions (men, women and seniors) will compete for prizes. The entry fee is \$100 for a team of five. Call Dick Smith at (810) 975-0166 for an entry form.

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The 2000 Top Bass Tournament will be held at various sites throughout the summer months. The schedule is as follows: Lobdell Lake, Aug. 5; Lake St. Helen, Aug. 19; and Wixom Lake, Aug. 26-27. Guaranteed payoffs will be awarded with amounts determined by the number of entries. Call (734) 729-1762 or (734) 422-5813.

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Metro-West Steelheaders meets at 7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the cafeteria at Garden City High School. Call Dominic Liparoto at (248) 476-5027.

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FOUR SEASONS
The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the Civic Park Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, in Livonia. Call (734) 591-0843.

HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS
The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 27600 Hall Road, Flat Rock. Call Carroll White at (734) 285-0843.

BASS ASSOCIATION
The Downriver Bass Association, a non-tournament bass club, meets at 6:30 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain in Taylor. Call (734) 676-2863.

SOLAR
The School for Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation, a non-profit organization interested in promoting the appreciation of outdoor activities, meets 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at the Colony Hall in Southfield. Call (248) 988-6658.

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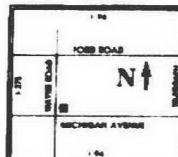
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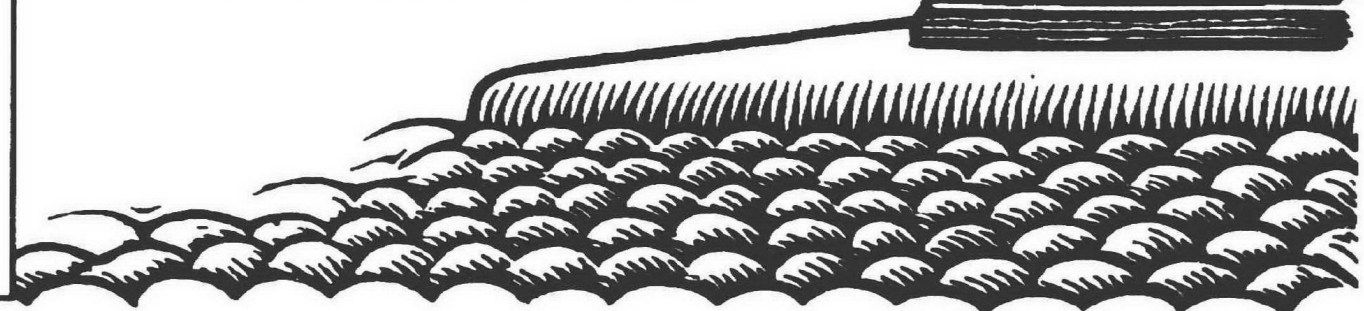
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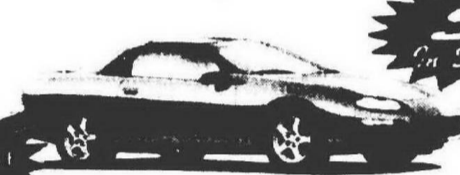
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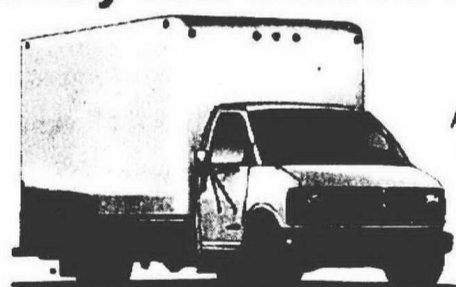


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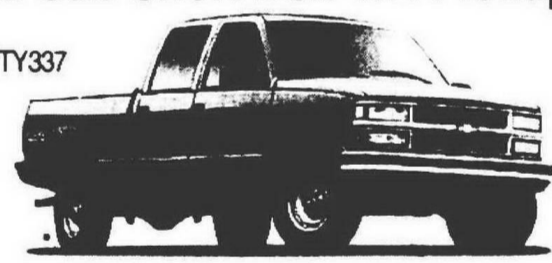
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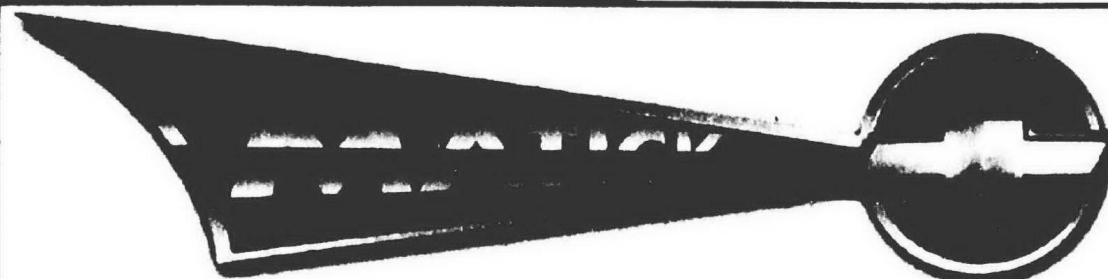
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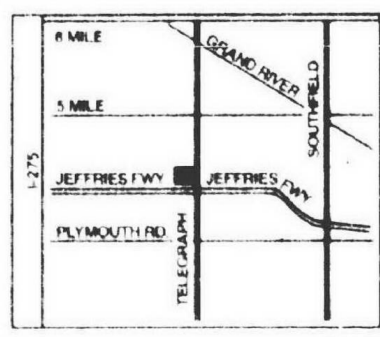
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LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Picture perfect weather draws crowds to fairs

The artists and crowds couldn't have asked for better weather when the Ann Arbor Art Fairs opened 10 a.m. Wednesday. With temperatures in the low 70s, painter Tom LeGault was painting fast and furious. By 3 p.m., all the finished works in the Plymouth artist's booth were already tagged with red sold signs. If you missed him in Ann Arbor, LeGault still has a full schedule of shows in the area including the Sugarloaf Art Fair at the Novi Expo Center Friday-Sunday, Oct. 27-29, and Art on the Lake 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, at Northfield Hills, Coolidge at Long Lake Road, Troy. Call (248) 641-9070 for information.

"This is some of the nicest weather we've had in a long time," said LeGault, his brush laying down the first few lines of a northern Michigan landscape.

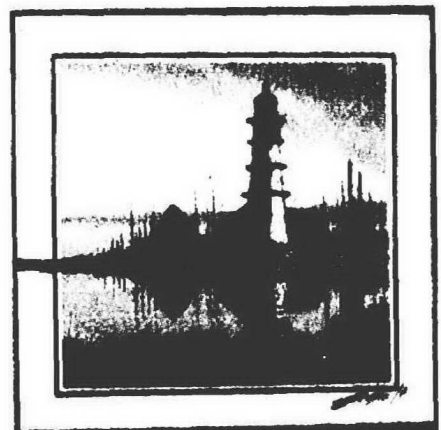
Further down Main Street Livonia ceramists Barbara and Alan Gibson were taking time to straighten the abstract wall hangings filling their booth. Once the fair was over, the mother and son duo would begin working on commissions similar to the ones they had displayed in a photo album on the table.

Slaving away

"I've been slaving away to get ready for Ann Arbor," said Alan Gibson, who will exhibit his work along with more than 150 other artists 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 5-6 at the Novi Town Center. Admission is free. For more information, call (248) 347-3830 or visit the Web site at www.Art-Festival.com.

Irish music

A block down the street, the enchanting sound of Irish music could be heard as the young musicians known as Grupai Ceol played. Their



Serene setting: Tom LeGault's painting of a lighthouse was on display at the Ann Arbor Art Fairs.

performance included part of the set they'll play at the All-Ireland Competition the third week of August.

The hat sitting in front of them was filling up fast. Flutist Sean Gavin, fiddlers Jeremy Kittel and Megan MacLeod, harpist Colleen Burke, piper Tyler Duncan and Colleen Shanks (tin whistle) will use the money to help pay for their trip to Ireland. Last year, they placed second in the competition.

"Don't they sound great?" asked Mick Gavin, a Redford fiddler. Standing on the sidelines, Gavin beamed proudly as he watched his son, Sean, play.

New experience

This was the first time Judy and Leonard Poger visited the fair on opening day. In previous years, the Westland residents were working so they couldn't get to Ann Arbor until Saturday.

"I just love it," said Leonard Poger, a student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and Garden City Observer editor before he retired.

"It's most pleasurable," added Judy. "It's a different experience coming on a Wednesday. You can tell by watching the people, they're very serious about buying."

Veteran fairgoers

By 1 p.m. Kathy Chwalek and Shirley Myers had both purchased

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JOSH WHITE, JR.

Music in the Park

What: Plymouth Community Arts Council features Josh White Jr. as part of its concert series
When: Noon Wednesday, July 26
Where: Kellogg Park, Main Street, north of Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. For information, call (734) 416-4278

Josh White Jr. will kick off the Members First Series of concerts 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Tickets are still available, call number listed above.

Building a better world

In addition to singing the songs of his father, White Jr. has been active in the community, cultivating friendships and reading more when he plays the Music in the Park concert series sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council Wednesday, July 26, and the Waterford Cultural Council's SummerFest 1:30-2:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5. White returns to Plymouth Friday, Sept. 8 to kick off the arts council's Members First Series of concerts. He will perform at The Ark in Ann Arbor on Friday, Oct. 6.

Life lesson

"The greatest lesson I learned not only from my father but my mother was how you look at and treat another human being," said White Jr. who sang his father's blues songs on the acoustic stage at Montreal Jazz Festival during Fourth of July weekend. "Look at them as individual human souls, no head higher or lower than yours. If a particular person did you wrong, it wasn't the race that did you wrong. Speak of equality in your music to remind people we're all the same. After everything my dad had been through in his life, he could have instilled a lot of hatred but he did not. And you can't just say something. You have to do it. They walked the walk."

Much of what he knows about his father

was talking to White Jr. about his father's blues album "Leadbelly" used to lead around," he said. "It's Josh White Jr. playing and singing with Leadbelly Taggart, so now I've heard my father in his early years. To me, that's a treasure. Growing up, there were not a lot of stories but I do remember visiting Leadbelly just before he died. I met Sonny Terry and Brownie McGhee for the first time after my dad died even though they saw me for the first time when I was born. There's some things I wish I could remember like a photo that shows me sitting on Paul Robeson's knee."

"It's our history. When I go to the schools it's because my father is one more person people should know about. There's recordings of my father standing up for human rights in the 30s and 40s. He and Paul Robeson stood up for it. It's never easy to stand up."

White Jr. is not about to let anyone forget that his father was blacklisted during the McCarthy era or that he was the first blues/folk artist to headline America's first integrated club, the Cafe Society in the village in New York. His recent recording, *House of the Rising Sun*, by Silverwolf Records, keeps his father's music alive. His

Please see JOSH, C2

THEATER

Acting bug bites Shakespearean performers



Murderous villain: Paul Riopelle plays Richard III, a man who murders everyone who stands in the way of his attaining the

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The hours are long, the mosquitos biting like it's mid August, and the sun's burning their skin but local actors performing in the Michigan Shakespeare Festival are loving every minute.

Set among the trees of Ella Sharp Park in Jackson, the festival treats Shakespeare lovers to *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Richard III* in addition to *The Toby Story*, a zany version of *Cinderella*. The shows continue afternoons and evenings to Sunday, Aug. 6.

"When I first went out and saw the sight I thought it was just a stage in a field," said Casey Murphy, an Ann Arbor resident and graduate of Rochester High School. This is Murphy's second summer performing outdoors. Last year, he was an intern at the Eugene O'Neill Theater Center in Connecticut.

"Then I got a little sunburn. The mosquitos are bad here and we're always covering up in suntan lotion and bug spray but there's a nice backdrop of trees all around. There's some-

thing about being in an outside theater. There's sort of a purity to it. There's nothing else besides the audience and stage, not an ornate house, just the trees and sky."

Acting duo

Ariana and Keith Prusak couldn't agree with him more. They love the new stage designed like an Elizabethan courtyard theater. Like Murphy, the husband and wife acting duo perform in both Shakespeare productions. Murphy plays Lysander, one of the lovers romping through the woods in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and Lord Grey in *Richard III*.

"It's been less of a challenge and more of a joy," said Keith Prusak, a Livonia resident. "I don't want to say it's been easy but our director, John Neville-Andrews in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, makes it easy. He's done Shakespeare around America and Europe. I always had an interest in Shakespeare even in high school at St. Agatha's in Redford. I thought Shakespeare had his finger on everybody's pulse. It's written in such a way that it can apply to anybody."

Ariana fell in love with Shake-

speare while a student at Lutheran High School in Westland.

"My teacher was so on fire about Shakespeare it sparked us and rubbed off on us," said Ariana, "but the opportunities around here to be in Shakespeare are far and far between. That's why we travel 70 miles one way, happily to Jackson for eight-hour rehearsals six days a week."

Of course, Ariana and Keith would travel just about any distance to keep from playing parts where they kill each other. It seems, no matter what

Please see THEATER, C2

Michigan Shakespeare Festival

What: Features two Shakespeare productions - *Richard III* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream* - and a children's production, *The Toby Show*, a zany retelling of the Cinderella story
When: Through Sunday, Aug. 6
Where: Ella Sharp Park, Jackson.
Tickets: \$14 adults, \$8 ages 12 and younger; \$6 for all ages for performances of *The Toby Show*. Call toll free, (877) 784-8643 or (517) 788-5032, for information, schedule and directions.

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the play, (guess which parts they played in the SRO production of *Dracula* and *Wait until Dark* at the Plymouth Theatre Guild) Keith is always trying to get rid of Ariana. Married three years ago, the two first met while doing *Arsenic and Old Lace* at Eastern Michigan University.

In *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, she plays Hippolyta. He plays Philostrate. She's betrothed to Theseus, who she eventually marries, but it's Philostrate's job to keep her entertained.

"This time I get to be on the stage and not kill my wife but make her smile," said Keith. "It's a small but fun part. I'm just excited to be a part of it and to be surrounded by all this great excitement. Everyone puts their heart into it."

Heartless

Heartless is the word that describes the Duke of Gloucester, the villainous and murderous man trying to be king in

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Richard III. Directed by David Blixt, *Richard III* follows the Duke's bloody trail to attain the throne of England.

"We spent a lot of time on the final fight scene," said Prusak. "It has the look of a battle between all the male cast members, the forces of Richard against the crown's challenger Richmond. I learned so much, the physicality of it and to do it safely but make it look like you're trying to kill each other."

Murphy likes that scene as well. He plays Lord Grey, a good guy who comes back to fight Richard.

"It's fun but one interesting thing I've never done before is working on two shows at the same time," said Murphy, who's studying theater and Renaissance literature at the University of Michigan. He acted in "Much Ado About Nothing" at the Mendelssohn Theater in Ann Arbor in November. "You have to shift gears. It's a big jump to make from a history play to a light comedy where you're running around the woods. It makes you grow as an actor. And I love live theater. There's an energy in theater that you don't have in related art forms."



Shakespeare festival: Casey Murphy, Wendy Katz Hiller, Heather Landry and William Irwin romp through Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

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pottery. Both Livonia residents are veteran fairgoers.

"The first time I went 20 years ago I bought a ceramic colander," said Chwalek. "I still have the first piece I bought. Going to the Ann Arbor fairs is like going to a museum. I like going back to the same exhibitors and just enjoy looking even if I can't afford their work."

"There's something for everyone and, if you can't find something, you shouldn't be here," added Myers enthusiastically. "We really like pottery. I didn't walk 10 steps and the first two booths I bought something."

By the end of the day, everyone, including myself, went

home tired but looking forward to next year's fairs. There was plenty to see from lathe-turned wood vessels to pastel landscapes and beautiful glass bowls by Johanthan Philip Andersson of England.

As in every year, there were some gaudy and tacky things for sale, but the majority of tiles, paintings, sculpture, pottery, photography, jewelry, glass, and fiber were creative, one-of-a-kind artworks.

Have an interesting idea for a story? Call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

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next recording, *Josh White Jr. - Cortelia Clark*, to be released in September by Silverwolf Records, recalls the era when his father, dressed in rags and shoeless, led blind singers through the streets as he panhandled for his next meal.

"It's a wonderful story about a young boy going out into the world for the first time with a black street singer," said White Jr. "That's how my father grew up. That was an incredible connection."

"My old man used to tell us five kids make sure you believe what you're singing. When you believe what you're singing it comes to life."

Stella Greene thinks that ability to reach audiences through

his music is what makes White Jr. so popular in Plymouth. When the 60-year old singer isn't entertaining audiences at the arts council, he's in the Plymouth-Canton schools telling stories about the past.

Green and the rest of the arts council provide the grants to make it all possible. Earlier this spring, he spoke to 5, fourth grade classes at Miller School.

"It's part of the council's Cultural Diversity programming," said Greene, arts council director of development.

"He has a following - people who know who he is and appreciate his style. We value him and think of him as our jewel. He's performed for all age groups and everybody loved him."

Third day's a charm for Art in the Park

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It looks like the decision to extend Art in the Park to three days was a hit with artists as well as the crowd Friday, July 14 in Plymouth. By noon, the official opening time, parking spots were few and far between as streams of people wove their way in and out of the more than 400 booths.

"People started coming at 10 o'clock and haven't stopped since," said Mary Taros, a Bloomfield Hills artist who was displaying her whimsical, full-size papier mache sculptures of people and animals on Main Street.

Over on Ann Arbor Trail and Forrest, the Village Potters Guild booth had customers waiting in line to pay for their tiles, bowls and vessels.

"I think it's great," said Ruth Price, one of the potters. "We've been selling already."

Unfortunately, Friday's hours had to be cut short due to an approaching storm, but that didn't bother print maker Michael McCullough who said he would

rather be safely inside when lightning could strike.

He does several outdoor shows during the summer. Look for McCullough at Art on the Lake, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27 at Northfield Hills, Coolidge and Long Lake Road, Troy, call (248) 641-9070 for more information.

"Moral was up and I did really good," said McCullough, a Farmington artist on Saturday.

Looking back on the three day event after she had a chance to rest and catch her breath, Art in the Park founder Diane Quinn couldn't have been happier about making the decision to extend the fair to three days. It was a great way to celebrate Art in the Park's 20th anniversary.

"I'm hearing lots of positive responses," said Quinn. "The whole weekend was crazy. We had great crowds. And we think the city commissioners will vote to have the fair open again on Friday next year."

Quinn has her fingers crossed. She's already inked in Friday-Sunday, July 13-15, 2001 on her calendar.

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Adult art classes 9 a.m. to noon every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Woodcarving classes at 9 a.m. Monday-Friday. 15110 W. Ten Mile, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES
Adult daytime summer ballet classes Sundays through Fridays ages 16 & J years. Call Chris (248) 932-8699 or Mo (248) 960-0778. Keego Harbor area.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL
Summer classes and workshops for all ages are available at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth. For a brochure and list of events call (734) 416-4ART.

SECOND CITY
Four new courses on improvisational techniques, acting, scene

study and comedy writing and programs for high school students through Aug. 2. For information call (313) 471-3453.

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

CONCERTS

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
The Meadow Brook Music Festival season features *Vive La France* with fireworks 8 p.m.

DINNER THEATER

BACI THEATRE
Tony 'n Tina's Wedding, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays Fridays; 4:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays; and 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Sundays. 40 W. Pike, Pontiac. (248) 745-8668/(248) 645-6666.

FOR KIDS

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Feat of clay workshops features Pieced Together-Mosaic Plate Making from 3-6 p.m. July 30. 117 W. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

week of Sept. 11 Village Music is located in Plymouth's Old Village, 130 E. Liberty, Plymouth. (734) 354-9825.

WEST BLOOMFIELD COMMUNITY EDUCATION
Rita's songs and puppets for parents and children ages 2 months to 4 years. For location and registration call (248) 539-2290.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY
Opens Friday, July 28 — Colored Pencil Society of America Eight

Focus on art



Summer exhibits: The Creative Arts Center in Pontiac and the Sybaris Gallery in Royal Oak have exhibits through Aug. 12. Work from Women in the Arts (above) is featured at the Creative Art Center, 47 Williams in Pontiac (248-333-7849) and Alchemy in Wood work (right) is featured at Sybaris, 202 East Third, Royal Oak (248-544-3388).



Friday, July 28; Beethoven's Ninth at 8 p.m. Saturday, July 29 and a Night in Vienna at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, July 30. (313) 576-5111.

HUNTINGTON WOODS CONCERT SERIES
The 2000 summer concert series is at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 25, featuring Immunity in Scotia Park (Scotia at Lincoln) in Huntington Woods.

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS
The Sweet Adelines perform 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 27 at Greenmead, Newburgh Rd., south of 8 Mile, Livonia. (734) 466-2540.

SOUTHFIELD SUMMER CONCERTS
An evening with Benny Cruz Y La Buena Vida is 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 26 at Burgh Historical Park, northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road. Southfield Immunity plays at 7 p.m., July 23 and Johnny Rodriguez & the Fiery Latin Band plays at 7 p.m., July 30 at the concerts by the pool at the Southfield Sports Arena, 26000 Evergreen.

ANN ARBOR HANDS ON MUSEUM
Fun 2,3,4: all about a number of things exhibit is open now through Oct. 17. 220 E. Ann, Ann Arbor. (734) 995-5439.

D & M SUMMER CAMP
The theme this year is knights of the Roundtable: Medieval Madness. Camp runs through Aug. 25 for students ages 3-16. Classes are held at locations in Canton and Plymouth. (734) 453-3710.

EVOLA MUSIC
Register for summer classes in Kindermusik (birth to 7 years old), piano (ages 6-12), percussion (ages 6-12), guitar (6-12) and violin (ages 7-14) at Evola Music, 7170 N. Haggerty, Canton. (734) 455-4677.

KINDERMUSIK
Enroll anytime for classes for newborns to age 7. Parents participate in classes for children under 3. Classes are held at the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial, Plymouth. Call Lois at (734) 354-9109.

VILLAGE MUSIC
Registration is being taken for Kindermusik for children, birth to 8. Classes fall classes begin the

Annual International Exhibition through Aug. 25. Artists' reception is 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 5. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

THE PRINT GALLERY
Opens Saturday, July 29. Paintings of Nathaniel Mather through Sept. 11. 29173 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. (248) 356-5454.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

AMBLESIDE GALLERIES
Through Sept. 24 — Michigan Watercolor Society annual exhibition. 17116 Koniahol, Grosse Pointe. (313) 885-8099.

ANDERSON GALLERY
Through August — *Tools to the Spiritual Realm*. 135 Pierce, Birmingham. (248) 593-6892.

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER
Through July 29 — Artists who work with recycled materials. Through July 31 — Michigan artist James Karsina. 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

THE ART CORRIDOR
Through Sept. 15 — Photographs by Wallace Palazzolo presented by the Farmington Area Arts Commission at two locations: Farmington Hills City Hall, 11 Mile at Orchard Lake, and Farmington City Hall, Liberty at Grand River. (248) 473-1856.

ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY
Through Sept. 1 — Selections from the permanent collection. University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, 4901 Evergreen. (313) 593-5400.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER
Through July 28 — CAC at the BBAC. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

CASA DE UNIDAD
Through Aug. 25 — Los Portales, a painting exhibit by Mel Rosas. 1920 Scotten, Detroit. (313) 843-9598.

CASS CAFE
Through August — Rocky Ford: an exhibition by Matthew Hanna. 4620 Cass, Detroit. (313) 831-1400.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY
Through Aug. 11 — Alumni Exhibition 2000. 150 Community Arts Building, Detroit. (313) 577-2423.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY
Through Aug. 10 — Janice Charach Epstein: A Tribute. 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

C-POP GALLERY
Through Aug. 2 — Camilo Pardo: *Straight Up and Buck Henr*. 4160 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-9901.

CREATIVE ART CENTER
Through Aug. 12 — Women in the Arts: 1900 to 1960. 47 Williams, Pontiac. (248) 333-7849.

GALLERY NIKKO
Through July 29 — Presents the work of Kurt McVay, Cindy Luna, John Berglund and Charlene Biesele. 470 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-0680.

GALERIE BLU/UZELAC GALLERY
Through August — works by various artists. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 454-7797.

HALSTED GALLERY
Through Sept. 2 — Summer show of contemporary artists. 560 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 644-8284.

HILL GALLERY
Through July 29 — *Fantasy and Function: Exhibition of American Folk Art 1840-1965*. 407 W. Brown, Birmingham. (248) 540-9288.

ELAINE JACOB GALLERY
Through Aug. 11 — Alumni exhibition. Through July 28 — *Process: An Exhibition of Sculpture*. 480 W. Hancock between Cass and Second on the campus of Wayne State University. (313) 577-2423.

ELLEN KAYROD ART GALLERY
Through Sept. 15 — *Ceramics, Colors, Creations*. 4750 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-1300.

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY
Through Aug. 10 — A group exhibition of 20th Century Modern works. 163 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 433-3700.

LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY
Through Aug. 18 — *Art Unbound*. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6716.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION
Through July 29 — Artist Kay Rowe's watercolors in the Fine Arts Gallery of the Livonia Civic Center Library and various wood carvings by the Livonia Woodcarvers. 32777 Five Mile, Livonia. Through July 29 — in the Livonia City Hall Lobby is the mixed media work of the students of Saundra Weed. Schoolcraft College Art Instructor. 33000 Civic Center Drive, Livonia.

MANISCALCO GALLERY
Through Aug. 1 — *Lighthouses, Puppies and Boats*. 17329 Mack, Detroit. (313) 886-2993.

ORCHARD LAKE SCHOOLS GALLERY
Through Aug. 1 — An exhibit of pastels by Polish artist Ryszard Milek. 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake. (248) 683-0345.

PAINT CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Through Aug. 5 — German Art, Michigan Art. 407 Pine, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERY
Through Aug. 22 — *Hidden Talents*, an Oakland County employee exhibit. 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

POSA GALLERY
Through Aug. 1 — Featured artist of the month is Arlene Brown. Summit Place Mall, Waterford. (248) 683-8779.

REVOLUTION
Through Aug. 5 — *Holiday*, a group exhibition. 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

SMALL WORLD CAFE
Through July 31 — *Ocean World*, paintings by Brian Taylor at the International Institute's cafe, 111 E. Kirby, Detroit. (313) 871-8600.

SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
Through Aug. 1 — An exhibit of Chinese Art Lacquer Paintings. 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. (248) 948-0470.

SYBARIS GALLERY
Through Aug. 12 — *Alchemy in Wood* featuring the work of 16 contemporary artists in the field of lathe-turning. 202 East Third, Royal Oak. (248) 544-3388.

U-M SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN
Opens Monday, July 31 — Yukiko Naito: message through Aug. 11. Through July 31 — *Documents*, students of Taro Yamasaki. Through July 30 — The Interfiber Arts Collective exhibit *Blue and Dogs, Monkeys & James Joyce*. Through July 28 — *Process: An Exhibition of Sculpture*. 2000 Bonisteel, Ann Arbor. (734) 936-2082.

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY
Through July 29 — *Landscapes* by Karin Wagner Coron. 215 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-2287.

LITERARY

LEARNING AT THE OPERA HOUSE
8:10 p.m. Monday, July 24. Harold McKinney, jazz musician and brother Raymond McKinney, cellist and poet speak as part of the Oral Histories of Detroit's Arts Legends series. A discussion of the Life and Music of Mrs. H.H.A. Beach is 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 25. Women of the Harlem Renaissance is 7-9 p.m. Thursday, July 27. 1526 Broadway, Detroit. (313) 961-3500.

SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY
The summer Humanities program features *A Woman's Lot: Three Heroines of the 19th Century*, a program consisting of meetings from 1-3 p.m. to discuss the works on the following dates: *Agnes Grey* by Anne Bronte, July 27; and *Florence Nightingale* from *Eminent Victorians*, by Lytton Strachey on Aug. 24.

WEEKEND WORKSHOP
Harvey Ovshinsky conducts introduction to Screenwriting on July 29-30 at the Community House in Birmingham. To register call (248) 644-5832.

THE WRITER'S VOICE
Poetry at the Opera House is 6:30-8 p.m., July 24, featuring NYC's Eve Packer & Detroit's women performance poets *Convergence*. 1526 Broadway, Detroit. (313) 267-5300, ext. 338.

MUSEUMS

CRANBROOK ART MUSEUM
Through Aug. 20 — *Matilda Dodge Wilson Discovers French Art Deco*. Lecture at 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 28 — *Designs for the Modern: Walter Darwin Teague*. Through Oct. 1 — *The Cost of Power in China: The Three Gorges Dam and the Yangtze River Valley*, recent photographs by Steven Benson. 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBROOK.

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE
Through Sept. 4 — *Whodunit? The Science of Solving Crime*. Toddler Time is 10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m. on Thursdays through Aug. 17. Through Sept. 4 — *Young Stargazers Sky Journey* is 11:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBROOK.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Opens Sunday, July 30 — *Empire of the Sultans: Ottoman Art from the Khalili Collection* through Oct. 8. Through Sept. 24 — *Wisdom and Perfection-Lotus Blossoms in Asian Art*. Through Dec. 31 — *The Fine Art of Woodworking: The Bohlen Collection*. Through Sept. 3 — *The Enduring Horizon: American Landscape*. Photographs from DIA's collection. 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

National Announcements

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Pentagon 1-14
2150 N. Opoka Rd.
Between University & Walton Blvd.
248-375-2669

NP WHAT LIES BENEATH (PG13)
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DISNEY'S THE KID (PG)
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ME, MYSELF AND IRENE (R)
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Star Theatres
The World's Best Theatres
Bargain Matinees Daily \$5.00 All Shows Starting before 6:00 pm

Showcase Dearborn 1-8
Michigan & Telegraph
313-561-3440

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10:30, 12:50, 3:05, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45

Showcase Pontiac 1-5
Telegraph-Sp. Lake Rd. W. Side of Telegraph
248-332-1241

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Showcase Pontiac 6-12
2405 Telegraph Rd. East side of Telegraph
248-334-6777

NP POKERMAN 2 (G)
11:30, 2:00, 4:40, 7:50

Star Rockstar Hills
200 Barclay Circle
248-687-2360

NP LOSER (PG13)
11:40, 2:10, 4:30, 7:20, 9:20

DISNEY'S THE KID (PG)
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Showcase Westland 1-8
6800 Wayne Rd.
One Mill S. of Warren Rd.
313-729-1068

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Star Southfield
12 Mile between Telegraph and Northwestern at I-96

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United Artists Theatres
Bargain Matinees Daily, for shows starting before 6:00 PM

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Multiplex Theaters
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Downtown Birmingham
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Waterford Cinema 16
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S.E. corner M-59 & Williams Lake Rd.

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Main Art Theatre III
118 Main at 11 Mile
Royal Oak
248-542-0180

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Original 3 Cinemas, L.L.C.
Downtown Oxford
Lapeer Rd. (M-24)
(248) 628-7101

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'Bodies in Motion and at Rest' enchanting collection of essays

'Bodies in Motion and at Rest' By Thomas Lynch (W.W. Norton, \$23.95)



VICTORIA DIAZ

"People sometimes ask me why I write," says Thomas Lynch in an introduction to these 20 essays. "Because, I tell them, I don't golf."

How lucky we are that Lynch's literary mortician ("The Undertaking - Life Studies from the Dismal Trade") is more concerned with poetry and prose than with what's par for the course.

Begin with the title piece, in which he mulls the question of "why we ... cease to be."

In considering this vast generality, he looks at the particular death of one George Horton, Milford cemetery sexton and long-time acquaintance of the poet himself.

As Lynch and his young assistant bundle up old George's body (he has died peacefully in his own bed) and bear it downstairs to the waiting hearse, no answers are discovered, of course.

"Wombs," perhaps the most contentious piece in the collection, discusses Lynch's pro-choice stance on abortion, but adds a twist. If we have legally granted our daughters the right to terminate motherhood

through abortion, he argues, shouldn't our sons also be granted the right to terminate paternal responsibility?

"If most of us are, as we are frequently told, pro-choice, oughtn't the courts to uphold this choice as well?" he writes.

Startling essay In a frank, even startling essay titled "The Way We Are," the writer explores his family's tendencies toward alcoholism.

We learn of one grandfather's early death, and of another who finally made a pact with God to stop drinking if his only son returned safely from the second world war.

Lynch's own father dealt successfully with his alcoholism through Alcoholics Anonymous, as has Lynch himself.

Repeated stints in detox units and treatment centers have yielded few hoped-for results.

Still, though, Lynch holds out hope, in facing the truth rather than hiding from it, and in remembering that, although

The collection is nothing if not varied, and runs the gamut from deeply serious to murderously funny.

In this latter category, Lynch reveals his true feelings about his ex-wife's cat, who somehow

ends up living (and living, and living) with him after the marriage falls apart. Even after a rather smug Lynch has ordered up a tombstone in eager anticipation of the aging feline's demise, the old cat latches onto life number 9, and hangs in there.

"There is nothing like the sight of a dead human body to assist the living in separating the good days from the bad ones," the writer assures us in "Sweeney Revisited," a wry and sepulchral commentary on how his friend and fellow poet found relief from the pangs of hypochondria.

Other topics include Lynch's take on the Garden of Eden; how to deal with writer's block; "The American Way of Death"; fishing (especially in Michigan); funeral home conglomerates (leading to what Lynch calls "the McFuneral"); longer living through chemistry; the writer's Irish cousin, Nora (of whom we would like to read much more); morticians' conventions; book tours; and an end note on the millennium.

For some readers, the appeal of this collection may lie more in how the message is being delivered than the message itself.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia resident and writes about books, movies and theater for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

BOOK HAPPENINGS

Book Happenings features events at suburban bookstores, libraries and literary gatherings.

The Barnes & Noble History/Biography Book Group next meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 26, at the Northville store.

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Book Signings Farmington Observer reporter Tim Smith, a Livonia resident, will sign copies of his book, Miracle Birth Stories of Very Premature Babies - Little Thumbs Up!, at 6 p.m. Saturday, July 29, at Waldenbooks in Novi's Twelve Oaks Mall.

Poetry Group Bring your writings or your favorite poems to the Plymouth District Library from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. the second Sunday of the

month. The format is tailored to the group's likes, and time is divided among the participants.

Story Times Story times and projects are planned for each Wednesday through Aug. 9 at Waldenbooks, 30200 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

Gift Certificates to Wonderland Mall, Buddy's Pizza, Borders Books, and other area stores will be raffled off weekly as part of the Livonia Public Library's summer reading programs.

Summer Reading Programs The summer reading program at Barnes & Noble in Northville is now under way.

Business Class (Business) Articles, interviews and reviews by and about those defining the new economy, as well as information on markets, personal finance, e-commerce and more.

Designated within a colorful, graphic format, the newsletters employ technology that automatically detects the graphic capabilities of the recipient's browser and instantly adjusts the look of the page according to the level of graphics supported.

'Borders Mail' delivers newsletters

Avid book, music and movie lovers now have a way to keep up with their favorite topics thanks to Borders.com's new "Borders Mail," subject-specific newsletters that subscribers choose based on their personal tastes and interests.

"Borders Mail" subscribers can register to receive any or all of five monthly newsletters. Beyond links to hot new releases and recommended titles, each Borders Mail missive will also point to intriguing interviews, author essays, reviews from Borders' expert buyers and other relevant tidbits.

A journey to the final frontier in search of the most imaginative, mind-expanding sci-fi books and films in the galaxy.

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

LIFE DRAWING

If you're interested in drawing animals, especially the new prairie dog pups at the Detroit Zoo, the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center is offering a two-day workshop for adults and children with Pat Allen Aug. 5 and 12.

Nearly 30 of the energetic critters, weighing 1/2 pound each, were born throughout May and June, and emerged from their burrows six weeks later. At maturity, prairie dogs weigh two to three pounds and stand about a foot tall.

The cost is \$50, members, \$65 non-members. To register or for more information, call the art center at (248) 644-0866.

STORYTELLING RETREAT

Plymouth storyteller Debra Christian is one of the performers and presenters at the annual Storytellers Retreat Friday-Sunday, Sept. 8-10 in Howell.

The goal of the retreat is to provide an opportunity for storytellers, aspiring tellers, or anyone interested in storytelling and has a love of stories to gather together for a weekend of relaxation and sharing.

All are welcome to attend the workshops, discussion groups, and on-site performances. In addition to Christian, performers and presenters include Detroit blues performer Robert Jones, Judy Sima, Joann Ladd, and Yvonne Healy.

For more information call (734) 451-1128.

FREE PIANO CONCERTS

Give a fine arts flavor to the dog days of August with a series of free piano recitals 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 7 and Wednesday-Friday, Aug. 9-11 at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia.

Music director Donald Morelock and his students have just returned from a 3-week piano seminar at the St. Petersburg State Conservatory of Music. They will present a "Return from Russia" concert Monday, Aug. 7. Students include Sanjay Mody, a 13-year-old Birmingham resident who has accepted an invitation to play a concerto next summer in St. Petersburg's Yusupov Palace with the Yaroslav Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra.

On Wednesday, Aug. 9, a faculty recital will feature performances by Morelock and Schoolcraft artist-in-residence Eugene Bossart. Bossart is a nationally known teacher who created the University of Michigan Accompanying and Chamber Music

program, and served as its director for 30 years.

On Thursday-Friday, Aug. 10-11, students from the summer piano school will perform with a professional string ensemble. Schoolcraft's piano school is one of the few opportunities in the country for young musicians to play with a professional ensemble.

For information, call (734) 462-4403.

AUDITIONS

The Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford will hold auditions for "Little Shop of Horrors," 7 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Aug. 6-7 at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly in Redford.

Show dates are Friday-Saturday, Oct. 20-21; Friday-Sunday, Oct. 27-29 and Nov. 3-5. For more information, call (313) 531-0554.

Also playing on a stage near you:

Jack-in-the-Box Productions presents "Tommy," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 28-29, Aug. 4-5, Livonia Civic Center Library Auditorium, Livonia. \$12.50-\$14.50. Call (734) 797-JACK for tickets.

Players Guild of Dearborn presents "Little Red: A Rollickin', Frolickin' 50's Phenom," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, July 27-30 at the theater, Dearborn. \$5. Call (313) 561-TKTS for tickets.



Art sessions: Draw these young prairie dog pups at the Detroit Zoo during workshops with Pat Allen, an instructor at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center.

GM funds new African-American Art center at DIA

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
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Press conferences at the Detroit Institute of Arts are beginning to resemble weekly briefings.

On Wednesday, DIA Director Graham Beal accepted a \$5-million donation to the museum's ongoing capital fund-raising campaign from General Motors. The money is designated to establish a new curatorial and resource center dedicated to African-American art.

"This will differentiate the DIA from other institutions," said Beal. "It's not enough to be a great encyclopedic arts institution. It's also about serving one of our main constituents, African-Americans."

At a press conference two weeks ago, Beal was on hand to accept a \$7 million grant from the Kresge Foundation, and to reveal design plans for a 35,000-square-foot expansion. The DIA is approximately one-third of the way to its goal of raising \$331 million by 2010.

In recent years, there has been a growing interest among museums to collect African-American art. The DIA - with a collection of 265 pieces, mostly works on paper - is considered among the leading museums in the country exhibiting African-American art.

The General Motors Center for African American Art will focus on scholarship and enhancing the DIA's collection.

Beal compared the new DIA department to the renown Yale Center for British Art in New Haven, Conn., in terms of specialized scholarship and potential for leading exhibits in the field.

The actual number of staff, resources and acquisitions budget for the center won't be determined until a curator is named to head the department.

A national search will probably take 6-12 months, said Beal.

"It's only fitting to have this at the DIA," said George N'Namdi, owner/director of the G. R. N'namdi Gallery in Birmingham, one of longest established galleries dedicated to the exhibition of art created by African-Americans.

Works of well-known African-American artists like Romare Bearden and Jacob Lawrence are included in the DIA collection.

"Now we'll be able to take a broader look at lesser known African-American artists like Al Loving and Ed Clark," said N'Namdi.

The GM donation provides the first evidence of Beal's vision and follow-through. Shortly after he assumed the role of director in October, Beal cited as a top priority the development of the museum's African-American art collection.

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Hot, saucy Ann Arbor



Imagine 1,000 angry bees rolling around your mouth. Now light a blow torch to your tongue. And don't forget to add a pinch of Hades to your lips.

Sound appealing? For hundreds of Metro Detroiters like me, heaven is a throat-blistering, tongue-stinging bottle of hot sauce or salsa.

We splash the devilish condiments on everything from omelets to tacos, hamburgers to corn chips. We love the taste, the texture and danger of testing substances with such names as "Capital Punishment," "Satan's Revenge," and "Last Rites."

And many of us find our scorching paradise in Ann Arbor at Tios Restaurant's monthly hot sauce tasting.

It's a perfect way to start a Sunday afternoon shopping trip in Wolverine territory.

Tios owners, Tim and Harriet Seaver, open 80 or so bottles of hot sauce, relish, mustard and jelly, add baskets of corn chips and platters of palette-cleansing crackers with crab dip.

Depending on the season, a few dozen to more than 100 loyal hot sauce fans drift into the free four-hour tasting the first Sunday of every month. The eatery — which is open for regular business during the session — fills up fast. Tasters stand or crouch near the tables loaded with bottles, chips and sauce dribbles, as they jot down favorites.

I downed my 202nd hot sauce in June.

Purgatory Pepper Sauce. The bottle's label assured that the thin, brownish liquid inside would reward any "garlic-a-holic" with a "hellishly hot, heavenly flavor."

I preferred the chili pepper theme socks I chose from a big box of prizes and wrote "slight bite, vinegary taste," in my little red booklet. The Seavers supply each sauce aficionado with a tasting diary that's stored in the restaurant between sessions. My journal dates back three years to my first sampling session.

The written record is a good way to keep track of favorites for future purchase. And it's a must for logging saucy milestones. The Seavers award prizes, starting with a T-shirt, for every 100 sauces tasted. Each successive grouping earns a choice of socks, apron, boxer shorts or hat — all with a chili pepper theme — and a place of honor on the *Wall of Flame*, the restaurant's shrine to gustatory valor.

Two chili peppers, made of poster board and sporting my name, hang with hundreds of others on the wall.

Ready to earn yours? Here are a few hints:

- Arrive at the start of the tasting and ask for a booklet.
- Buy a milkshake to help extinguish the heat. Water and soda pop tend to spread the burning sensation.
- Save the hottest sauces for the end of your session. Taste those sparingly.

Tios is located at 333 East Huron. (734) 761-6650. The couple opened a second restaurant last week in Ypsilanti.

After the hot sauce tasting, cool off with a walk around town and a stop at these favorite Ann Arbor stores which are open on Sundays:

Urban Outfitters, noon to 6 p.m., 231 South State. Cool clothing, hip accessories and got-to-have-it chairs, glassware, bath products and more.

Falling Water Books and Collectibles, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., 213 South Main. Expand your mind with books on everything from storytelling to Feng Shui, buy a totem or desktop waterfall and try on a power bracelet.

Chess Express, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., 220 South Main. Buy a new game board and pieces, play a few rounds of speed chess or sign up for a tournament.

Sixteen Hands Gallery, noon to 5 p.m., 216 Main. Fiber, glass, ceramic art, jewelry, greeting cards and more.

By Sharon Dargay



Hot theme: Tios T-shirt

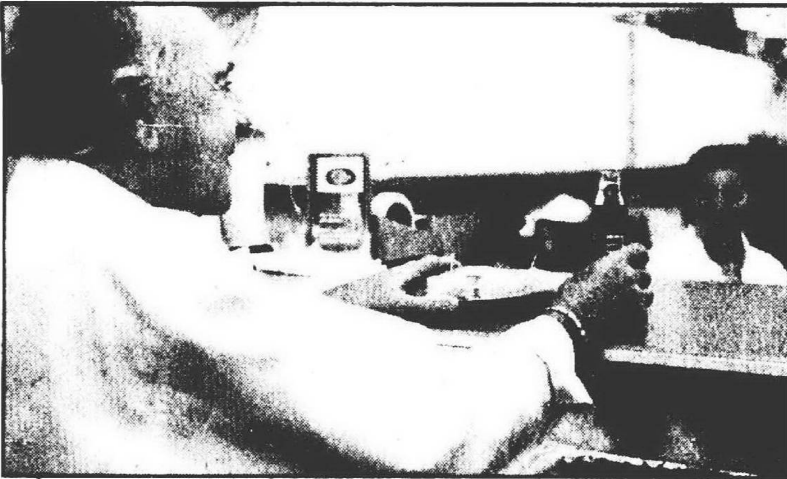


In the kitchen: Chef Carl Hakim slices turkey breast as part of a special catering order.



Getting goodies: Customer Deloris Weinstein Hall fills a bag with jelly beans at the Market Basket in downtown Franklin.

STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JACGFELD



At the market: Hal Marderosian (left) picks up a special order sandwich while Pat McCracken, a co-owner, works the deli. Customers check out their purchases (right) with cashier Lorie Harwood.

Market Basket in Franklin gets new look, gourmet food

BY JANET SUGAMELI
STAFF WRITER

The lunch crowd in historic downtown Franklin already knows the changes that have taken place inside one of the city's oldest markets.

People wait in line at the Market Basket for their triple-decker, reuben or roast beef sandwiches and for the prepared food. And soon they'll be able to watch the hand-tossing of pizzas and the spinning of rotisserie chicken.

"Franklin is definitely an upscale town now and this market is changing with the times," said Barry Sherwood, a customer who recalled going to the store as a youth.

In April, the Hakim family took over the Market Basket and changed the look, expanded the food line and added catering service as well as more prepared food and take-out.

"The market was tired, so we put in a new energy to get it rolling again," said Hakim sister Pat McCracken of Farmington Hills.

The culinary family of eight also focuses its attention on catering, which has been the family business for the past 20 years.

The new owners have added hand-scooped ice cream, gourmet prepared foods, pastries and sushi. "We stress fresh," McCracken said.

They have also expanded the hours of operation from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

"Since the family has taken over the store, we put a lot of TLC (tender, love and care) into it," Hakim said.

Customer Deloris Weinstein Hall said she enjoys the service and warm, family environment of the newly revamped store.

"If you want something and it's not in the store, they'll order it for you,"



Weinstein Hall said. "They're here totally to please you."

Weinstein Hall said she even had the new owners prepare Passover dinner.

Among the market's specialty dishes are rotisserie chicken, raspberry chicken breast, kebabs and soups. It also sells such dishes as pasta, egg salad and specialty breads, liquors and wines.

The future also will bring more additions to the food selection. Chef Carl Hakim, formerly of the Market Square in Bloomfield, said he plans to add the "Franklin Grill to Go" into the market's line up. "There is going to be hand tossing of pizzas in the windows along with the rotisserie chicken spinning in the windows," he said.

In January the Hakims plan to remodel the store to make the floor plan more modern and open. The future plan also includes turning the old stone-walled basement into a wine cellar.

Most of their catered and prepared foods are done at their partner store, Rudy's market, in Clarkston. Hakim plans to add more cooking facilities at the Market Basket after it's remodeled.

And there are a few tables outside the market to encourage a downtown atmosphere. "We're got night life in Franklin now," he added. "Or come in for lunch and eat outside on our cafe tables."



Malls offer summer classes and theatre for children

Kids bored?

Take them to the mall. At least two local shopping centers are offering entertainment and classes this summer.

It's not too late to sign up for Livonia Mall's summer camp.

Mom and Tot modeling classes take place from 10 a.m. to noon, Aug. 5 for children, age 4-6 and their parents.

The program costs \$25.

Cultural Adventures is set for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., July 31 to Aug. 5. It's aimed at children, ages 6 to 13. The cost is \$25 per day or \$100 for the week. Activities correspond with different cultural themes each day. Call the mall office to register at (248) 476-1160.

Livonia Mall is located at Seven

Mile and Middlebelt.

In Troy

Oakland Mall offers free children's entertainment through its summer "Giggle Gang" theater series.

Kids can sing along to "finger snapping and two-tapping" sounds during the Peanut Butter Jamboree on Wednesday.

The theater will present The Emperor's New Clothes on Aug. 2.

Shows run at 1 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Those interested in becoming a member of the Giggle Gang can register at the mall's information booth.

Oakland Mall is located at 14 Mile and I-75.

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

TUESDAY, JULY 25

FAMILY FUN

"Rhythm Guy," Phil Kaput, performs and includes lots of audience participation at 11 a.m., at Livonia Mall, 29517 Seven Mile, at Middlebelt, Livonia. (248) 476-1160.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

GIGGLE GANG THEATRE

Peanut Butter Jamboree, a finger-snapping, toe-tapping celebration of children's songs will entertain the whole family at 1 and 6 p.m., in center court at Oakland Mall, located at 14 Mile and I-75. (248) 585-6000 ext. 4.

SPEAKER SERIES

Denise Kordie of Botsford Hospital will talk about improved posture, flexibility and coordination at 10

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

a.m., at Livonia Mall, located at Seven Mile and Middlebelt in Livonia. Her presentation, "Awareness through Movement: The Feldenkrais Way," is part of an speaker series at Livonia Mall. (248) 476-1160.

THURSDAY, JULY 27

FALL FASHION

View the Lafayette New York 148 collection at Sally's Design in Orchard Mall, 6337 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. The show continues through July 28. (248) 626-0886.

TRUNK SHOW

View Michael Dawkins' latest jewelry collection from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in the designer jewelry department at Neiman Marcus, The Somerset Collection, located on Big Beaver at Coolidge, Troy. (248) 643-3300.

SIDEWALK SALE

Look for bargains at Livonia Mall's sidewalk sale

today through July 30. The mall is located at 29514 Seven Mile in Livonia. (248) 476-1160.

FRIDAY, JULY 28

IN PLYMOUTH

Shoppers find special discounts and bargains in unique stores and galleries during summer sidewalk sales, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. today and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., July 29, in downtown Plymouth. A farmer's market is set for 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., on July 29. (734) 453-1540.

SATURDAY, JULY 29

EMCEE AUDITION

The Source Magazine brings its national Unsigned Hype Live 2000 tour to Media Play at Tel-Twelve Mall, Telegraph at 12 Mile in Southfield. The magazine will audition emcees. Call the store at (248) 351-0258 to register.

FIFTY FIFT

Steve King & The Ditties will perform classic cover tunes from 5-9 p.m., at Wonderland Mall, 29859 Plymouth Road, Livonia. (734) 522-4100.

Southern Indiana towns take you back to yesteryear

BY LIZ JOSS
SPECIAL WRITER

High gas prices and the thought of long car trips are enough to make many people look for getaways closer to home this summer.

Whether you're looking for an action-packed family vacation or a peaceful retreat, you can find it in the side-by-side towns of French Lick and West Baden Springs in southern Indiana.

You can tour the Eighth Wonder of the World, linger over afternoon tea, splash in a pool, ride horses, play golf on a nationally recognized course, indulge in a mud bath or ride the rails through some of the state's most beautiful countryside.

Tourists have flocked to this part of Indiana since the mid-1800s, when the two communities of the Springs Valley attracted people to "take the waters" from the area's natural mineral springs and gamble in fancy, illegal casinos. Eventually, more than 20 hotels flourished in the valley.

The French Lick Springs Resort and West Baden Springs Hotel were the top draws, known for their luxurious appointments, celebrity guests, accommodating staff and fine foods. The Depression brought an abrupt end to the boom. Though the French Lick Springs Resort stayed in operation, daily life in the Springs Valley grew quieter with the closure of many hotels and the conversion of the grand West Baden Springs Hotel into a college.

Today, however, French Lick and West Baden Springs are enjoying a revival that has attracted national media attention.

The most attention-getting development in the Springs Valley in the last few years has been the stunning restoration of the former West Baden Springs Hotel. Its justified claim to fame is an elegant domed atrium, 600 feet in circumference and 100 feet tall, that earned the title "Eighth Wonder of the World" when it opened in 1902.

Inside "The Dome," tour-tak-

Getting around
For information on places to go in the Springs Valley, log onto the Web or call:

- Indiana Railway Museum - (812) 936-2405 or (800)-74TRAIN
- West Baden Springs National Historic Landmark - (812) 936-4034 or (800) 450-4534; Fax: (812) 936-7755
www.historiclandmarks.org
- Beechwood Inn - (812) 936-9012
- French Lick Winery & Coffee Company - (812) 936-2293 or (888) 494-6380
- Wilstem Guest Ranch - (812) 936-4484
- French Lick Springs Resort - (812) 936-9300; reservations, (800) 457-4042, www.frenchlick.com
- For other accommodations/information:
- French Lick Springs Villas, French Lick - (812) 936-5000 or (800) 522-9210
- Lane Motel, French Lick - (812) 936-9919
- E. B. Rhodes House Bed & Breakfast, West Baden Springs - (812) 936-7378
- French Lick-West Baden Chamber of Commerce - (812) 936-2405
- Historic Southern Indiana - (812) 465-7061
- Lincoln Hills-Patoka Lake Recreation Region - www.explore-si.com
- Indiana Tourism Development Division - (800) 289-6646 or www.enjoyindiana.com

ers marvel at the restored lobby, dining room, and vast atrium with its classical statuary, potted palms, gilded columns, stenciled and hand-painted walls.

You can tour West Baden Springs year-round including holidays, with tours offered every day of the week April through October. At 8 p.m. on the first Saturday of each month (April through October), "Twilight Tours" give visitors a glimpse of the dramatic look the place takes on at night, with the dome bathed in an artful sequence of changing colored light. A jazz ensemble will entertain tour-takers on occasional weekends this summer and fall.

Live like a hotel baron

The man who owned the West Baden Springs Hotel in its heyday was Charles Ed Ballard, who built his imposing French Lick home in 1915 high on a hill with a view of his beloved hotel. Today, you can enjoy Ballard's balcony view during an overnight stay at his restored home, Beechwood Inn, one of Indiana's most elegant bed & breakfast inns. Beechwood offers

six guest rooms furnished in antiques, with modern comforts - telephones, cable TV, private baths - discreetly added.

Beechwood's owners also transformed Ballard's library, dining room, and solarium into an elegant restaurant for overnight guests as well as other visitors to the historic valley. In addition to lunch and dinner, the restaurant offers a seven-course tea (including three dessert courses!) at 2:30 p.m. and high tea in the British tradition at 5:30 p.m. (Call ahead, because reservations are recommended for lunch and dinner, and hours change seasonally.)

Downstairs is the French Lick Winery & Coffee Company, where you can tour the cellars and see how wine is made, partake in free wine tasting and select a souvenir.

When Ed Ballard wanted to escape the hustle and bustle of the thriving resort business, he retreated to his private hunting lodge on the edge of the Springs Valley between Paoli and West Baden Springs. Now known as Wilstem Guest Ranch, Ballard's retreat has been transformed

into Indiana's only "dude ranch."

Ballard's 1919 lodge now has 10 guest rooms plus a kitchen, bar, living room and hot tub; and two- and three-bedroom cabins also dot the 1,100-acre grounds. Though the ranch is a working cattle operation, the staff emphasizes relaxation amid the peace and quiet. You can watching the grass grow from a rocker, spot a quail while hiking the grounds, play in the pool or ride horses - your own or one provided by the ranch - on the 36 miles of trails.

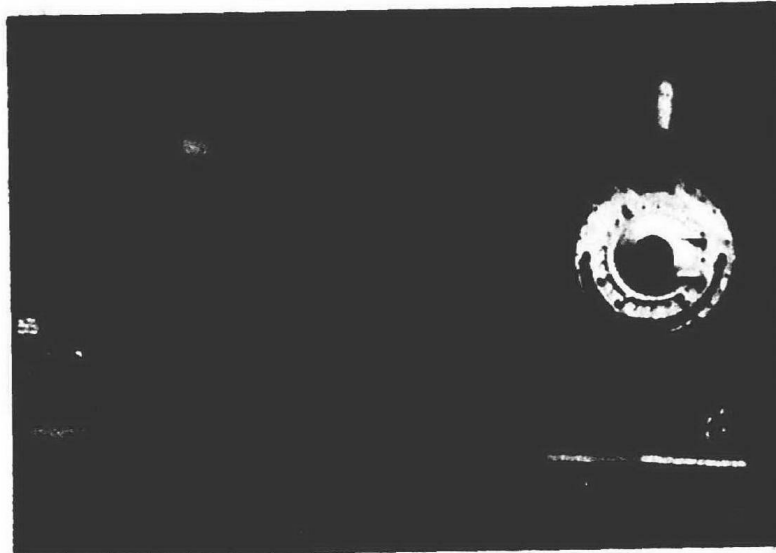
Resort living

The view from Beechwood also takes in Ballard's biggest competitor, the French Lick Springs Resort, which has been in continuous operation since 1834. A long, wide verandah lined with dozens of rocking chairs is your first enticement to leave the everyday world behind.

The resort's renowned spa and golf courses have remained a popular draw since early in the 20th Century. Spend an hour or a day being pampered with massages, mineral bath, facials and more, delivered by staff who learned their techniques from parents and grandparents who worked at the resort.

A great way to work up a sweat before hitting the spa is a round of golf on the Valley Links Course or the more demanding Hill Course, designed by the famed Donald Ross and site of the 1924 PGA championship.

Meanwhile, the kids can spend the day splashing in the pool,



Museum: During its heyday, French Lick's depot, built in 1907, welcomed 13 trains a day to hotels and resorts in French Lick and West Baden Springs. The museum offers train rides through the scenic Hoosier National forest.

and the resort also offers bowling, tennis, horseback riding, archery or, in winter, a run down the slopes at nearby Paoli Peaks.

All aboard!

Both the casually curious and serious students of railroad history will enjoy the Indiana Railway Museum in French Lick's 1907 Monon Railroad passenger station. The historic depot houses the museum's collection, including diesel and steam locomotives, a rare railway post office car and a 1951 dining car.

Adults and children, alike,

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enjoy the ride on the historic French Lick, West Baden & Southern railway, a 20-mile, 1 3/4-hour train excursion through the scenic hills of the Hoosier National Forest, through limestone rock cuts and the 2200-foot Burton Tunnel. On special weekends, train robbers on horseback lend thrilling drama to the trip. French Lick and West Baden Springs are a two-hour drive south of Indianapolis, three hours southwest of Cincinnati, but its seclusion and unique attractions offer a real escape from everyday life.

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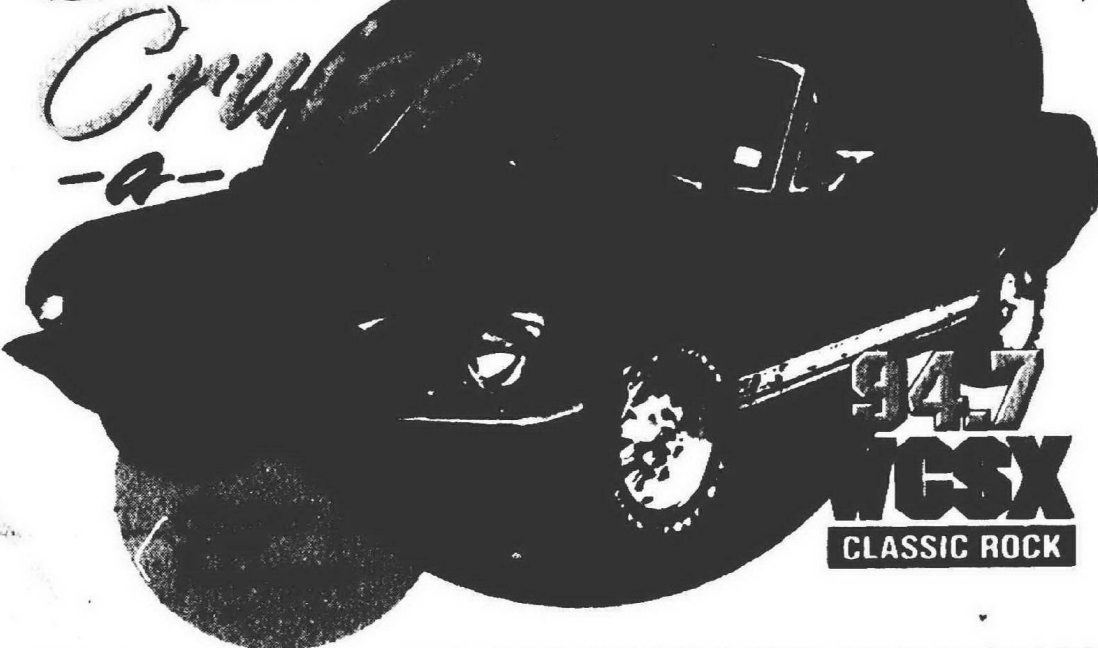
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Among Spanish grape varieties, tempranillo is king. Its highest virtue is an ability to age well in oak, holding its color, acidity, and supple tannin structure.

Bodegas Marques de Caceras earns the privilege of being called the first Bordeaux-like modern-era winery in Rioja, due to its founder Enrique Forner, who gained his experience in the Medoc.

"My father left our homeland with his family during the Spanish Civil War," Christine Forner said. "In the 1960s, he purchased two rundown

Import Wine Picks

■ Pick of the week: 1996 Marques de Caceras Rioja, Vendimia

Seleccionada \$13 is a great, value-priced Spanish red wine. ■ Cellar selection: 1995 Antinori Pian delle Vigne Brunello de Montalcino \$80 is still in infancy, but will offer pleasure in five to 10 years if cellared.

■ Chianti Classico is superb with grilled meats. Try 1997 Ricasso Chianti Classico \$141 \$15; 1998 Fonterottil Chianti Classico \$24; and 1998 Ricasso Rocca Guicciardini Chianti Classico Riserva \$20.

retain fresh fruit character in the wines, Forner shortened barrel-aging from a traditional three years to 18 months. It did not take long for other bodegas to follow today's leading exporter of premium Rioja.

Inaugural release

Of all the Caceras wines, it is the recent inaugural release of 1994 Gaudium \$80 that propels the winery into the 21st century. Bearing the Bacchus head from Chateau Camensac on the label, the wine was made from Rioja's older-vine tempranillo (75 percent) and cabernet sauvignon (25 percent) with limited yield and superb concentration.

"We've been aiming to create an elegant wine with power and structure for several years," Christine noted. "In 1994, efforts came together with one of Rioja's most remarkable vintages."

Just at the century mark, Bodegas Martinez (sold under the brand name Conde de Valdemar) makes an impact in the Rioja region. The 1995 Finca Valpiedra Reserva \$25 is a depthfully colored, world-class wine. A blend of 90 percent tempranillo, five percent cabernet sauvignon and five percent graciano, it has complex layers of flavor intensity and a superbly rich finish.

Since Finca Valpiedra may be hard to find, we also recommend the 1994 Conde de Valdemar Reserva \$15 from an outstanding vintage, with its splendid fruit profile, complexity from extended aging, multi-faceted finish, and good quality/price ratio.

Bodegas Breton is bent on showcasing a single, steep, terraced vineyard and Rioja Alta characteristics with its Dominio de Conte. The 1995, \$35, a blend of 90 percent tempranillo and 10 percent graciano, spent 30 months in American oak barrels. It is hall-marked by dark plummy fruit and

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LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Farmers' markets
- More berries

PLENTY OF PRODUCE MAKES HEALTHFUL EATING EASY

Summer is the perfect time to make your diet more healthful. The season's bountiful produce makes it easy.

Whether you choose to exercise your green thumb in the backyard, or prefer to roam the local farmers' market, the irresistible array and terrific variety of fruits and vegetables make getting the recommended five or more servings a day delicious and fun.

In July, tomato plants are laden with the harvest. Low in calories, tomatoes are rich in dietary fiber, vitamin C, beta-carotene, potassium and iron. They also contain significant amounts of lycopene, a potent antioxidant that, according to the American Institute for Cancer Research, has been linked to lower cancer incidence in a number of scientific studies. Cooking tomatoes enhances the lycopene content by breaking down cell walls and making the phytochemical more available.

There are many ways to enjoy tomatoes - cooked in sauces, juice or soup, or raw in sandwiches and salads. If you're looking for new ways to use all those tantalizing tomatoes, here are some ideas from the American Institute for Cancer Research:

■ For a simple and quick side dish, sauté a pint of cherry tomatoes in a tablespoon of olive oil until just soft; remove from heat and toss with two tablespoons of chopped fresh parsley and a pinch of salt.

■ For a novel appetizer hollow out the top 1/4-inch of tomato halves, fill with pesto and thin onion slices, and grill in a foil pan. Sprinkle each with a bit of shredded Monterey jack cheese, chopped almonds and snipped fresh parsley.

■ Make a colorful salad with diced cucumber, tomato, yellow bell pepper, peeled jicama, bok choy (white part only) and chopped red onion. Add chopped fresh parsley, cilantro or coriander. Toss with a mixture of olive oil, lemon juice, freshly ground pepper and hot pepper sauce to taste (optional).

For light a summer meal, consider Beefy Steak House Salad, a recipe from the National Cattleman's Beef Association. Skewers of grilled top sirloin steak, red bell peppers and bread cubes - all seasoned with a zesty Italian dressing mixture that doubles as both a marinade and a salad dressing - are teamed with romaine lettuce to make a complete meal. In this recipe, adding lemon juice, garlic, Parmesan cheese and Worcestershire sauce to the Italian dressing results in a taste reminiscent of Caesar salad.

If you're looking for something light and easy to make for dinner, that makes use of fresh picked vegetables, you'll enjoy these recipes.



Summer salad: Beefy Steak House Salad starring beef sirloin steak and Italian dressing makes a complete meal that's special enough for company. It's quick, easy and delicious.

BEEFY STEAK HOUSE SALAD

- 1-1/2 cups Wish-Bone Italian Dressing
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 4 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 5 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce

- 1 pound boneless beef top sirloin steak, 1-inch thick
- 1 large red bell pepper, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 small loaf Italian bread (about 10 ounces)
- 10 cups torn romaine lettuce leaves

For marinade, blend 1 cup Italian dressing, lemon juice, 2 tablespoons cheese, 4 cloves garlic and Worcestershire sauce; set aside. Cut steak into 1-1/4-inch pieces. In medium, shallow nonaluminum baking dish or plastic bag, pour 1/3 cup marinade over steak and red pepper; turn to coat. Cover, or close bag, and marinate in refrigerator 30 minutes. Refrigerate remaining marinade.

Meanwhile, cut bread lengthwise into quarters, then cut each quarter into 1 1/2-inch pieces. On four 11-inch metal skewers, evenly thread bread cubes; set aside.

For dressing, blend remaining 1/2 cup Italian dressing 2 tablespoons cheese and 1 clove garlic; set aside.

Remove steak and red pepper from marinade; discard marinade. On four metal skewers, alternately thread steak and red pepper. Grill, turning occasionally and brushing frequently with 1/3 cup refrigerated marinade, 8 to 10 minutes or until steak is medium rare to medium doneness.

Meanwhile, generously brush bread with remaining refrigerated marinade. Grill bread kabobs, turning occasionally, 4 minutes or until golden brown and toasted. To serve, toss lettuce with dressing; arrange on serving plates or platter. Top with steak, red pepper and bread. Garnish, if desired, with additional Parmesan cheese.

Makes 4 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: 606 calories; 37g protein; 53g carbohydrate; 26g fat; 6.7mg iron; 1,765 mg. sodium 80mg cholesterol.

Recipe compliments of the National Cattleman's Beef Association and Wish-Bone Italian Dressing.

See more recipes inside



Great veggies: Flatbread topped with colorful grilled peppers, zucchini, and a sprinkle of freshly shredded Parmesan cheese, is a delightful way to enjoy summer vegetables.

RECIPE TO SHARE

Cheer up your family with quick cherry cobbler

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Tina Plush fixes a quick and easy recipe to what she described as the "perfect ending" to any meal, especially when family members get together.

"It's quick, easy and very, very delicious," she said. "My mother used to make it when I was younger and she got it from my grandmother. I helped her make it when I was a kid.

"Everybody brings something (to our family dinners), and that's what I bring."

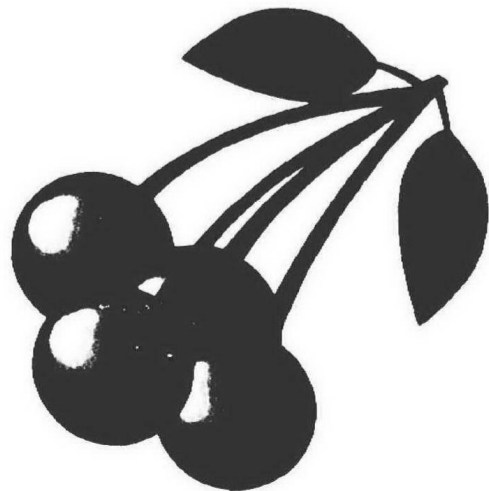
Plush grew up in Plymouth and now lives in Detroit. Her mother, Frances Plush, still lives in Plymouth. Tina describes herself as an avid reader of the Observer Taste section.

"The thing is about this recipe is how simple it is to make and how good it is," Plush said. "You wouldn't think it takes 10 minutes to put it together."

OLD-TIME CHERRY COBBLER

- 1 No. 2 can (2 1/2 cups) pitted tart red cherries
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1-1/2 cups biscuit mix (Bisquick)
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 2/3 cup milk

- 1 tablespoon melted butter
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1 tablespoon cornstarch
 - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 - 1/2 cup boiling water
- Preheat oven to 350° F. In medium saucepan, heat



cherries to bubbling, stir in tablespoon butter and melt. Remove from heat and turn into 8-by-8-by-2 inch glass baking pan.

Combine biscuit mix and 1 tablespoon sugar. Add milk and melted butter, beat until well-combined. Spoon over hot cherries.

Mix 1/2 cup sugar, the cornstarch and cinnamon; sprinkle mixture evenly over batter. Pour the boiling water over all. Bake for 30 minutes or until topping is golden brown.

Serve with whipped cream, ice cream or it is delicious just by itself. Makes approximately six servings.

Everyone knows the best recipes are ones you share. Send us your favorite original recipe, and if it's chosen to be featured in Recipe to Share on the third Sunday of the month in Taste, we'll send you a newly published cookbook.

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Bodegas Muga maintains its distinct house style by having oak present throughout the entire red winemaking process.

the fundamental house style of Bodegas Muga." It is an impressive highly-perfumed melange of red fruit with powerful flavors and grand structure. Eminently ageable, it develops cigar box characters with airing in the glass.

The next vintage will be 1996, scheduled for release early winter 2001. Put this one on your calendar!

The Healds are Troy residents who write about wine, spirits, food, and dining for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave them a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047, mailbox 1864.

Celebrate summer's bounty

See related story on Taste front.

GRILLED VEGETABLE FLATBREAD

- Flatbread**
- 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
 - 1/2 cup Kretschmer original toasted wheat germ
 - 1 package (1/4 oz.) quick-rising active dry yeast (about 2 1/4 teaspoons)
 - 2 teaspoons sugar
 - 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning blend
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 3/4 cup very warm water (120°F to 130°F)
 - 1 tablespoon olive oil
- Grilled vegetables**
- 2 large red, yellow, orange or green bell peppers, or a combination halved
 - 2 small zucchini or yellow squash, cut lengthwise into 1/2-inch thick slices
 - 2 tablespoons balsamic red wine vinegar
 - 1 tablespoon olive oil
 - 2 tablespoons finely shredded Parmesan cheese

For flatbread, combine 1 1/4 cups flour, wheat germ, yeast, sugar, Italian seasoning blend and salt in large bowl of standing electric mixer. Add water and beat at low speed with electric mixer 30 seconds or until dry ingredients are moistened. Beat in 1 tablespoon olive oil. Continue beating at medium speed 2 minutes, until dough looks smooth and elastic.

Turn dough out onto lightly floured surface. Knead 1 minute. Shape dough into ball; place in greased bowl; turning once. Cover; let rise in warm place 20 minutes or until nearly doubled in size.

Meanwhile, for grilled vegetables, combine vinegar and oil in small bowl; mix well. Place peppers and zucchini on oiled grid. Grill over medium-hot coals 20 to 25 minutes, turn and brushing occasionally with vinegar mixture every 7 to 8 minutes. Remove from grill; cool to room temperature. Slice or coarsely chop.

Spray cookie sheet with cooking spray. Punch dough down. Pat dough onto cookie sheet into 12-by-7-inch rectangle about 1/4-inch thick. Top with grilled vegetables and Parmesan cheese.

Heat oven to 425°F. Cover flatbread loosely with plastic wrap and let rise while oven heats, about 15 minutes. Uncover bread. Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until crust is golden brown. Cool slight-

ly on cookie sheet on wire rack. Cut into squares. Serve immediately. Makes 12 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories 100, calories from fat 25, total fat 3g, saturated fat 0g, cholesterol 0mg, sodium 100 mg, total carbohydrate 15g, dietary fiber 1g, protein 3g.

Cook's tip: To roast peppers and zucchini in oven, heat oven to 450°F. Spray jelly roll pan with cooking spray. Place vegetable-vinegar mixture on pan. Bake 45 to 50 minutes or until vegetables are soft and begin to darken, stirring every 15 minutes. Roasted vegetables can also be purchased in the prepared foods/deli area of many supermarkets.

Recipe compliments of Kretschmer wheat germ

FRESH TOMATO CHUTNEY

- 11/2 tablespoons mustard seeds
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 2 tablespoons finely minced fresh coriander leaves (sometimes labeled "Chinese parsley")
- 1-3 small green chilies, chopped
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice

- 3 tomatoes, halved
- 1 small mild onion, such as Bermuda or Vidalia, halved

Place a small, dry skillet over medium heat and add mustard seeds. Toast seeds until they begin to pop. Take care to prevent burning by gently moving pan back and forth to keep seeds in motion. Remove pan from heat.

Place seeds, sugar, coriander, chilies, pepper and lemon juice into a food processor or blender. Mix until ingredients form a paste.

Add tomatoes and onions. Pulse on low speed carefully, until tomatoes are just barely broken down into small pieces. Be careful not to over-process - the tomatoes can quickly turn to puree.

Let stand at least 1 hour at room temperature before serving, although a longer period, up to 8 hours, is preferable for the flavors to blend and mellow. Chutney can be stored covered, in the refrigerator, for up to 3 days.

Note: Although a coarse brown sugar like palm, turbinado or demerara is recommended, white granulated sugar will give satisfactory results. Look for coarse brown sugar at health food stores.

Makes 6 servings, each containing 21 calories and less than 1 gram of fat.

Recipe from the American Institute for Cancer Research

Strawberries sweeten parfait

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A parfait may be a perfect ending to your feast. It is easy to prepare and can be served indoors or out - even as a picnic take-along if you have a cooler. Just prepare all ingredients beforehand and assemble when ready to serve.

STRAWBERRIES AND STRIPES PARFAIT

- 6 cups (2 pounds) whole stemmed strawberries, divided
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/2 of a frozen butter pound cake (103/4 ounces)

- defrosted
- 1 package (8 ounces) frozen extra creamy whipped topping, defrosted
- 1/2 pint fresh blueberries
- 1/2 cup shredded coconut, toasted
- Additional whole strawberries and mint springs for garnish (optional)

In the container of a blender or food processor, combine 2 cups of the strawberries, sugar, water and lemon juice and process until smooth. Remove to a saucepan, bring to a boil and cook 3 to 5 minutes, or until color darkens, stirring constantly. Pour sauce into medium bowl; cool completely. Meanwhile, cut the pound cake

into 1/2-inch cubes. Halve remaining strawberries lengthwise and add to cooled sauce, tossing to coat.

In each of 8 parfait or tall stemmed glasses, layer 2 tablespoons strawberry mixture and 1/3 cup pound cake. 2 tablespoons strawberry mixture and 2 tablespoons whipped topping. Top with 2 tablespoons blueberries, 2 tablespoons whipped topping and 1 tablespoon coconut.

Garnish with whole strawberries and mint, if desired.

Makes 8 servings. Preparation time: 30 minutes.

Recipe from: California Strawberry Commission

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Toss lots of fresh vegetables into favorite picnic salads

When you pack your basket or cooler, try some nutritious new food combinations as well as healthier versions of old favorites.

Summer's harvest can add color, flavor and a nutrient boost to potato or pasta salad.

Don't forget to take beans to the picnic. Whether they're baked beans, three-bean salad or chickpeas tossed into a green salad, they're a great source of low-fat protein and fiber.

Into those picnic favorites toss in lots of cherry tomatoes, sliced zucchini, shredded carrots, fresh corn kernels or chopped bell peppers in red, orange and yellow as well as the more ordinary green.

Don't forget fresh fruit, which are good additions to many types of salads. Apples, peaches and cantaloupe are great in chicken and turkey salads, and chunks of papaya or mango work well in green salads that are tossed with a fruit-flavored dressing.

Salads take on new life with fiber-rich brown rice, bulgur, quinoa or couscous in place of pasta. If you use mayonnaise for

GARDEN POTATO SALAD WITH FRESH HERBS

- 6 medium russet potatoes (about 3 lbs.), scrubbed and cubed
- 2 medium carrots, sliced
- 2 small stalks celery, chopped
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 1 cup fat-free mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup skim milk
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley (see Note)
- 2 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon dried marjoram or oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 2 medium tomatoes, sliced
- 3-4 leaves fresh basil, slivered (see Note)

In a large kettle over medium-high heat, bring potatoes and enough water to cover to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer until potatoes are almost tender, about 15 minutes. Add carrots and cook 10 minutes more or until tender.

Drain into a colander and let stand until cooled. Transfer to a large serving bowl. Add celery and onion, stir to combine well and set aside.

In blender, mix mayonnaise, milk, 3 tablespoons of parsley, mustard, salt, marjoram and pepper on low speed until blended. Pour mixture over vegetables and gently mix in.

Arrange tomato slices, basil leaves and remaining parsley on top of salad. Serve.

Note: Chop fresh parsley and cut basil into slivers just before use.

Nutritional information: Makes 8 servings, each containing 162 calories and less than 1 gram of fat.

Recipe courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.



Picnic favorite: Fat-free mayonnaise and Dijon-style mustard add flavor, but not extra fat, to Garden Potato Salad with Fresh Herbs.

these salads, reduce the amount called for and prepare a healthier version. Even better, replace the mayo with any combination of non-fat plain yogurt, or either a reduced-fat sour cream or mayonnaise that suits your taste

buds.

Don't forget to take beans to the picnic. Whether they're baked beans, three-bean salad or chickpeas tossed into a green salad, they're a great source of

low-fat protein and fiber.

If you're packing sandwiches, consider using whole-wheat bread. To give an extraordinary flavor to an ordinary picnic standby, spread bread slices with a delicious, wholesome roasted eggplant spread. You can buy it ready-made or easily make it from scratch.

Roast, then peel, seed and chop an eggplant. Place it in a blender or food processor with minced garlic cloves and fresh Italian parsley leaves, then purée until smooth.

Add olive oil, lemon juice and Worcestershire sauce and pulse until well mixed. Season with pepper.

Instead of the usual sliced bread, fill whole-grain pita pockets with roasted slices of eggplant, zucchini, summer squash, red bell pepper and red onion.

Use a spread made with plain non-fat yogurt, reduced-fat mayonnaise, fresh basil and lemon juice.

Quick sandwiches have munch appeal

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sandwiches are American classics when it comes to fast food. But classics can adapt to suit different occasions and tastes.

Here are a couple of quick-tempo variations on the sandwich theme, equally handy to take on a picnic or to prepare for a quiet lunch at home. Both are made in minutes and are low in fat.

SMOKED TURKEY ROLLUPS

- 4 ounces low-fat cream cheese
- 4 green onions, chopped
- 1/2 cup cucumber, seeded and chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon dill weed
- 4 flour tortillas
- 4 ounces smoked turkey

Combine cream cheese with onions, cucumber and dill weed. Spread each tortilla with 1/4 of the mixture, top with some smoked turkey and roll up.

Makes 4 servings, as an entree. The rolls may also be sliced across to make appetizers.

Nutrition information per entree serving: 216 cal., 11.5 g pro., 23 g carbo., 8 g fat, 1 g fiber, 30 mg chol., 542 mg sodium.

GRILLED PORTABELLA SANDWICHES

- 2 small (about golf-ball size) balls of fresh mozzarella cheese

- 4 teaspoons olive oil
- 4 tablespoons fresh chopped basil leaves or 2 tablespoons dried basil

- 1 tablespoon fresh-chopped chives
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 2 portabella mushrooms, sliced into halves horizontally

- 1 large sweet red pepper, cut vertically in quarters, seeded
- 4 large sesame seed buns

Combine cheese, oil, basil, chives and vinegar in a blender. Blend until smooth, set aside.

Grill the mushrooms on grill or under broiler for about 3 minutes per side or until tender. Grill unpeeled peppers until tender, about 5 minutes per side; skin will be wrinkled and lightly brown. Slightly toast the buns on the grill and spread the mozzarella mixture evenly on the bottom of each bun. On this place a mushroom slice and a grilled quarter of red pepper, then cover with top of bun. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 211 cal., 7 g pro., 29 g carbo., 2 g dietary fiber, 8 g fat, 4 mg chol., 293 mg sodium.

Recipes from Wheat Foods Council.

WHAT'S COOKING

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Vegetarian Cooking - Lenore Yalisoive Baum, author of *Lenore's Natural Cuisine, Your Essential Guide to Wholesome Vegetarian Cooking*, conducts vegetarian cooking classes at Lenore's Natural Cuisine, 22899 Inkster, Farmington Hills. Baum teaches a beginning cooking series. Call (248) 478-4455 for information on classes.

More vegetarian cooking - Join Beverly Price and Annabel Cohen for an evening of vegetarian cooking, Tuesday, Aug. 1 at the Birmingham Community House. Call (248) 644-5832 to register. Price also operates Living Better Sensibly, a private nutrition practice in Farmington Hills that offers programs for individuals and corporations. For information, call (248) 539-9424.

Cake as Art - An international cast of celebrity sugar artists will exhibit museum-quality creations of edible sugar art 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 12 and 13 at the Renaissance Center Marriott Hotel in Detroit during the 25th Anniversary International Cake Exploration Society's Sugar Art Show and Convention. The Sugar Art and Cake Exhibition room will include more than 1,500 decorative cakes and artistic sugar works of art. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$5 per person with \$2 of each ticket donated to "Paws with a Cause," an organization that provides trained ani-

mal assistance to those who need a helping hand.

Eastern Market - Tour historic Eastern Market with master Chef Kevin Gawronski from Schoolcraft College as your guide. Gawronski will introduce you to local and exotic food products and allow free time for shopping. The class will return to Schoolcraft to challenge the chef to a cooking demonstration using products found at the market. Class will meet Saturday, Aug. 12, at 8 a.m. at the corner of Russell and Winder streets in Detroit. Call (734) 462-4448 for more information.

Healthy vegetarian - Learn more about cooking whole grains, beans, tofu, tempeh and sugar-free desserts for August classes.

A four-week beginning cooking series is offered 6-9 p.m.

Mondays, Aug. 14-Sept. 4 and another class 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays, Aug. 16 and 23 for summer dishes. Call Val at (734) 261-2856 for information.

Cookoffs - Chili cooks and salsa makers are being sought for two cookoffs in Plymouth this fall. The Michigan State Chili Championship occurs Saturday, Sept. 9, in an open-air (but covered) pavilion called "The Gathering" in downtown Plymouth. The Great Lakes Regional Chili Cookoff takes place Sunday, Oct. 8, also at The Gathering. Both cookoffs include salsa contests. The winners of the Sept. 9 competition (one chili

and one salsa) will be automatically entered in the World Championship Chili Cookoff Sunday, Oct. 1, in Las Vegas. The chili winner also gets \$1,000. The salsa winner gets \$100. The winners of the Oct. 8 competition (one chili and one salsa) will be automatically entered in the October 2001 World Championship Chili Cookoff. The chili winner also gets \$1,000. Contestants may enter the chili or salsa competition at both Plymouth events by calling Annette Horn at (734) 455-8838.

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

School physicals and immunizations

The Oakwood Healthcare Center-Westland, 2001 Merriman Road, is helping kids prepare for the return to school this fall by offering convenient physicals and immunizations on four consecutive Thursdays, Aug. 3-24. Physicals will be done from 9 a.m. to noon and 1:30-5 p.m. Appointments are not necessary. The charge for a physical examination is \$30 for the first child and \$20 for the second. (Children must be from the same family.) No insurance accepted for physical examinations. Immunizations are included in the cost. Parents must bring their child's immunization records with them to the office. For more information, or to receive information on a physician in your area, call (800) 543-WELL.

Grief support

"Bridges," a new support group for adults experiencing a loss through death, will be held the fourth Thursday of the month at Community Hospice & Home Care Services of Westland. Due to community need, the support group will be ongoing so a person may join the group as needed without having to wait for a new series to begin. "Our experience with grief support groups pointed out the need for a place for grieving persons to have access to a support group as their need arises rather than living through months of grief until a new series starts," said Jan Hendricks, bereavement coordinator. The group meets from 6:30-8 p.m. in the CHHCS Plymouth office, 127 South Main Street. For more information, call (734) 522-4244.

Raising sons

Saint Joseph Mercy Health System in Ann Arbor will offer a new program called "Good Boys, Good Men: Raising Sons Today." The program is for parents and grandparents who are concerned about the message their sons and grandsons may be receiving about how to be a man. The program is designed for those who want their sons to be gentle, yet strong; independent, yet respectful; and able to express emotions rather than anger. The program was created and is led by two social workers who teach parents how to continue building their sons' unique personalities and stay emotionally connected as they grow up. An introductory session of "Good Boys, Good Men" will be held 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 1, at Saint Joe's Health Stop in Briarwood Mall, located just off I-94 at the State Street exit in Ann Arbor. The cost is \$20 per person. For more information, call Health Stop at (734) 827-3777.

Emergency room

The Pediatric Emergency service at Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center-DeARBorn now offers 24-hour, seven-day-a-week coverage. A board-certified physician will be available to assist parents and caregivers no matter what time they bring in a child. "The pediatric physicians are all board-certified in pediatrics, and some are double-boarded in pediatrics and emergency medicine," said Corinne Victor, administrator for emergency services.

Look Before You Leap

Approximately 850 spinal cord injuries occur each year as the result of diving accidents. About 300 happen at home in above- and below-ground pools.

"People can go out drinking on their boat and dive off not knowing the water is shallow. They wake up in the hospital and can't move their hands and legs."

— Dr. Sharon McDowell
U-M Hospital

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
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In the few days after July 4, 1999, Dr. Sharon McDowell, a physiatrist with the University of Michigan's Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, saw five patients with diving-related spinal cord injuries. "People can go out drinking on their boat and dive off not knowing the water is shallow. They wake up in the hospital and can't move their hands and legs."

It is estimated 850 spinal cord injuries occur each year as the result of diving accidents, with nearly 300 happening at home in above- or below-ground pools.

According to the Michigan-based Foundation for Aquatic Injury Prevention, most of the nation's 100 million average recreational swimmers do not know the definition of "shallow" water. Interviews of hundreds of these swimmers by aquatic experts indicate the perception of shallow water is anything from 18 inches to four feet. Very few consider a depth of five feet shallow water.

Predictably, most diving accidents occur during the summer months of June, July and August when temperatures are warmer and daylight lasts longer. Memorial Day, the Fourth of July and Labor Day, usually claim the most diving-related spinal cord injuries. These are the "quad days of summer," says Ronald Gilbert, chairman of the FAIP. In Michigan, lakes claim more spinal cord injuries than pools. People often believe that a sandy bottom means a soft landing, said McDowell. Not true.

"You'll hit it with force. You snap your spinal cord and can't get up again." However, people in Michigan do have above- or below-ground pools, and these pools pose as much threat as diving off the side of a boat into shallow water. Statistics show that the majority of pool-related spinal cord injuries result in the paralysis of all four limbs.

Comprehensive study

In 1997, the University of Alabama at Birmingham Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation undertook a comprehensive study of pool-

related spinal cord injuries in the United States. The study was sponsored by the American Spinal Injury Association and the Orthopaedic Research & Education Foundation as an injury prevention effort.

According to the study, authored by Michael J. DeVivo, Ph.D., since 1973, diving mishaps accounted for 8.5 percent of spinal cord injuries in the United States, making it the fourth leading cause of such injuries. Diving accidents were outranked only by motor vehicle crashes, gunshot wounds and falls.

DeVivo developed statistics from a sample of 341 people enrolled in the National Spinal Cord Injury Statistical Center database whose injuries were identified as resulting from swimming pool mishaps. (Of the original 1,106 diving injuries recorded by the NSCISC, 631, or 57.1 percent, occurred in natural aquatic environments.)

A profile emerged of swimming pool-related spinal cord injuries:

- The victims were almost always males between the ages of 15 and 25.
- The neurological level of injury was almost always in the C4-C6 range. (These cervical disks are located above the prominent ridge - C7 - on the back of the neck.)
- The injury was usually complete, meaning no sensory or motor function below the level of the lesion.

In addition: Most injuries, 64 percent, occurred in below-ground swimming pools, while 36 percent occurred in above-ground pools.

Most injuries, 57.2 percent, occurred when diving into less than four feet of water, while an additional 38 percent occurred in water depths between four and eight feet.

Depth indicators were not present in 75 percent of the cases, and no warning signs were posted in 87 percent of cases. No lifeguard was on duty in 93.8 percent of the cases.

Alcohol use was involved in 48.9 percent of cases, but drugs were involved just 2.2 percent of the time.

In 44 percent of the cases, the injury occurred during a person's first visit to the pool, and in 27 percent of the cases, the injuries resulted from the person's first dive.

Ordinary dives accounted for 69.7 percent of injuries, followed by "unusual" dives at 16.8 percent, unintentional pushes at 6 percent, and other circumstances at 7 percent. Just 0.5 percent of injuries were caused intentionally.

Almost half of all injuries, 46.1 percent, occurred during parties. Fortunately, other people are present 97.4 percent of the time; otherwise, these diving accidents would result most of the time in the victim's death by drowning.

Brain injury

According to DeVivo's study, swimming pool diving accidents - unlike motor vehicle crashes and other causes of spinal cord injury - do not usually

result in head injuries, nonvertebral broken bones or traumatic pulmonary injuries.

However, brain injury can occur, said McDowell. A bruise can be transmitted to the brain at the point of contact resulting in a "countercoup" effect wherein the brain continues to move forward, creating a vacuum in the back of the head. The brain then rebounds and hits the back of the skull.

The victim's head can also torque upon impact, causing the brain to twist and shear the fibers that connect the pieces of the brain. Blood fills the space between the brain and the skull, as well as inside the brain.

The bleedings, as well as the bruising, can give you swelling and cause you to lose consciousness," she said.

Diving accidents can also result in minor or mild brain injuries, said Dr. Owen A. Perlman, department head, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Saint Joseph Mercy Health System. Such injuries may result in no specific loss of consciousness, a loss of consciousness that does not exceed 30 minutes, or a post-trauma amnesia that occurs at the onset of injury until the person regains consistent reorientation of their short-term memory, usually within 24 hours.

Minor or mild brain injuries often result in non-obvious effects:

- Decreased attention span;
- Processing ability impairment;
- Irritability;
- Inability to cope with social situations or relate to or get along with people.

"There is a higher divorce rate after minor brain injury," said Perlman. "People say, 'Why don't you shape up and do what you have to do.'"

Safe depth

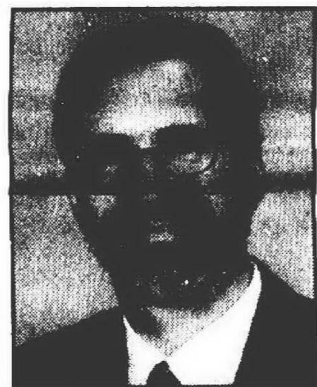
Make sure the water is deep enough before entering head-first. The American Red Cross advocates a feet-first entry. A depth of 5 feet is considered safe for diving by most aquatic safety experts; however, small children, ages 4 to 8, are often taught to dive in shallow water less than 5 feet.

This presents a potential problem for Gilbert, who says children, as they grow older and bigger, may continue to believe that diving in shallow water is safe.

The practice of "steering up," a maneuver using the hands and back to avoid hitting the bottom in shallow water, is dangerous, said Gilbert. Interviews with hundreds of quadriplegics from diving accidents indicate the average recreational swimmer is unable to comprehend and execute this tactic.

"I'm totally against steering up," he said. Sadly, a myth about diving accidents prevails: "People say it can't happen to me," said Gilbert. "I say go to my Web page and look at the picture of Doug Heir. He was a lifeguard, and he dove into shallow water."

Helpful Web sites: Foundation for Aquatic Injury Prevention, www.aquaticinjury.org; Foundation for Spinal Cord Injury Prevention Care & Cure, www.fscip.org; American Spinal Injury Association, www.asia-spinalinjury.org/whatsnew/poolstudy.html; and the National Swimming Pool Foundation, www.nspf.com



Treating spinal injuries: Dr. Owen A. Perlman, department head, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Saint Joseph Mercy Health System, treats one or two diving-related spinal cord injury victims a year.

The do's and don'ts of diving

The National Swimming Pool Foundation offers the following safe diving tips:

Do's

- Do know the water depth before you dive.
- Do plan your dive path.
- Do be sure there are no submerged obstacles or surface obstacles.
- Do hold your head up, arms up, and steer up with your hands.
- Do keep arms extended and head and hands up during the dive.
- Do practice carefully before you dive in.
- Do swim and dive with a "buddy."
- Do test the diving board for its spring before using.
- Do remember that when you dive down, you must steer up.
- Do keep your dives simple.

Don'ts

- Don't dive into an above-ground pool or into the shallow end of a pool. Nine of 10 diving injuries occur in six feet of water or less.
- Don't dive off the side of a diving board. Dive straight ahead.
- Don't dive from the edge across the narrow part of a pool without having at least 25 feet of clear dive path in front of you.
- Don't run and dive. That can give you the same impact as a dive from a board.
- Don't do a back dive.
- Don't try fancy dives or dives with a straight vertical entry.
- Don't dive at or through objects such as inner tubes.

- Don't put diving equipment on a pool that wasn't designed for it.
- Don't dive from retaining walls, ladders, slides or other pool equipment.
- Don't dive from rooftops, balconies, ledge or fences.
- Don't dive from racing start blocks without direct supervision and the training of a qualified coach.
- Don't dive into unfamiliar bodies of water. Remember, three of four diving accidents happen in natural bodies of water like lakes and rivers.
- Don't swim and dive alone.
- Don't drink and dive. The slowing effects of alcohol or drugs on reaction time can be extremely dangerous in diving.

We want your health news

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

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ONGOING

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Alcoholics Anonymous & Alanon meet Wednesdays and Sundays 8:30-9:30 p.m. at Garden City Hospital North Entrance, 5254 Inkster Road. Call (248) 541-6565 or (734) 776-3415. Everyone's welcome. Alanon meeting Sunday only.

IMPOTENCE
The Impotent Anonymous Support Group meets 8 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Hospital, Marian Professional Building, 14555 Levan, Livonia (Pavilion Conference Room A). For information, call (734) 462-5858.

FOOT SCREENINGS
Foot screenings for all ages are held 8:30 a.m. to noon every Tuesday and Friday at Botsford Hospital, South Professional Building, Suite 200. For an appointment, call (248) 473-1320 weekdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 877-345-5500.

HEADACHE SUPPORT GROUP
Meets 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of every month at Providence Medical Center, 30055 North-

western. Free. Family members welcome. Call (248) 647-0614.

CAREGIVERS
The Caregivers Support Group meets 7-8 p.m. the last Wednesday of the month at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Auditorium 14555 Levan, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 655-8940.

MANIC DEPRESSIVE
The Manic Depressive-Depressive Association of Metro Detroit meets 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of every month at the Novi/Providence Medical Office Center, 39500 W. Ten Mile Road (at Haggerty), Novi, MI 48375. Call (248) 960-1288.

TUES, JULY 25

PROSTATE
The "Us too" prostate cancer support group will meet 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Mary Mercy Hospital at Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Call (734) 432-1913.

WED, AUG. 2

MENOPAUSE SUPPORT GROUP
Does your relationship with your spouse, children, family, and friends change with your mood? Explore the reasons why and how to make these relationships better at the Menopause Support Group meet 7-9 p.m. at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. For more information, call the Marian Women's Center, (734) 655-1100.

HEARING AND VISION
The Wayne County Department

of Public Health will sponsor a free hearing and vision screening for people ages 3 to 18 from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Paul Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile (west of Inkster), Livonia. Call the health department at (734) 727-7135 for additional information.

THURS, AUG. 3-24

HYPNOBIRTHING CHILD BIRTH
HypnoBirthing class participants will learn relaxation techniques that will help them have an easier and more comfortable birth. Class will meet once a week 7-9 p.m. for four weeks. Class is taught by a certified childbirth educator and hypnobirthing practitioner. Class is in Canton. Cost is \$150 per couple. Book and tapes included in the fee. For more information, call Christy Elkins Trotter at (734) 354-6033

AUG. 14-SEPT. 4

VEGETARIAN COOKING
Learn how to cook whole grains, beans, tofu, tempeh, sugar-free desserts and lots more. Offered 6-9 p.m. by Macro Val, 30561 Krauter, Apt. 3 C, Garden City, (734) 261-2856. Reference materials included. Bring a friend to class and receive a \$10 gift certificate.

MON, AUG. 14

DIABETES AND TEENS
Botsford General Hospital's Dia-

betes Teen Club, a support group for young adults ages 13-18 with diabetes, will sponsor "Planning a Successful School Year" 7:30 p.m. at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement, 39750 Grand River in Novi. The club meets the second Monday of every other month. Call (248) 477-6100.

THURS, AUG. 17

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
St. Mary Mercy Hospital at Five Mile and Levan in Livonia will offer an Infant/Child Immunization Clinic 5:30-8 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room A and B. The cost is \$5 per child. Call (734) 655-8940.

THROUGH AUG. 3

DIABETES CLASSES
Learn to take charge of your diabetes through "Taking Charge of Living With Diabetes," a program for diabetics 18 years of age and older. This series of eight classes provides information on self care and successful management of diabetes. Classes are held from 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 11 through Aug. 3, at the St. Mary Hospital Wellness Center at Bentley in Livonia, 15100 Hubbard at Five Mile. Registration is required. For information or to register, call (734) 655-8940.

AUG. 14-23

DIABETES
Learn to take charge of your dia-

betes through "Taking Charge of Living With Diabetes," a program for diabetics 18 and older. This series of four classes provides information on self-care and successful management of diabetes. Classes are 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, Aug. 14, 16, 21 and 23, at the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Wellness Center at Bentley in Livonia, 15100 Hubbard at Five Mile. Registration is required. For more information or to register, call (734) 655-8940.

THUR, AUG. 17

CHILD IMMUNIZATION CLINIC
St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will offer an infant and child immunization clinic 5:30-8 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 17. Use the south entrance off Levan. Cost is \$5 per child no matter how many immunizations are given. Health care professionals from St. Mary Hospital will administer the vaccine. All state-required immunizations, including hepatitis B and Hib, will be administered to children younger than 18 if the serum is available. Take all available immunization records with you. No registration is required. Children need 12 to 16 doses of vaccines before their second birthday to be protected from serious childhood diseases. These shots can be administered in five visits to a health clinic or private physician. For more information, call (734) 655-8940.

MON, AUG. 21

GAMBLING ADDICTION
A mental health program on gambling addictions will be 6-7:30 p.m. at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Five Mile and Levan, West Addition Conference Room B. Call (734) 655-2944.

TUES, AUG. 22

PROSTATE
The "Us too" prostate cancer support group will meet 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Mary Mercy Hospital at Five Mile and Levan in Livonia. Call (734) 432-1913.

SUN, AUG. 27

BLOOD DRIVE
The American Red Cross will sponsor a blood donation drive at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road (between Schoolcraft and Ford Field), noon to 6 p.m. Call Jim Williamson at (734) 464-1493 to reserve your time. Walk-ins are welcome.

THROUGH AUG. 31

GRIEF SUPPORT
Arbor Hospice and Home Care will offer a grief support program, "New Pathways," 10-11:30 a.m. Thursdays at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile in Northville. Call (734) 662-5999.

Physicians honored for contributions to fight cancer

Dr. Philip J. Stella and Dr. Raymond Y. Demers, were recently honored for their dedication to the fight against cancer at the American Cancer Society "Light the Night Gala" at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn.

Stella is a board certified medical oncologist and hematologist at the National Cancer Institute-awarded Clinical Community Oncology Program at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, where he is currently the principal investigator.

He is an adjunct assistant professor of medicine at the

University of Michigan and research director for the University of Michigan Oncology Network. He has published over a dozen articles, and his research interests include clinical trials for breast, prostate and non-small cell lung cancer.

Demers is currently the director of the Josephine Ford Cancer Center at the Henry Ford Health System in Detroit. He serves on the Steering Committee of the Greater Detroit Area Health Council, Executive Committee of the Michigan Cancer Consortium and Michigan Environmental Science

Board.

He has published more than 60 articles in referred medical journals and has obtained more than \$5 million in grant funding to support research and educational projects. Currently, he is principal investigator in a study examining the effectiveness of prostate, lung, colon and ovary cancer screenings.

Stella and Demers were selected by ACS board members for their published works, clinical trails and their relationship with the American Cancer Society.

St. Mary Mercy offers 'Safe Haven' for newborns

St. Mary Mercy Hospital of Livonia recently joined the list of Wayne County hospitals designated as a Safe Haven for individuals who abandon their babies.

The Safe Haven for Newborns program gives a mother anonymity and immunity from prosecution if the child is left in

the hands of emergency personnel at a hospital or police/fire department. The baby then can receive medical care and placement in a foster home for future adoption.

It is estimated that 57 children are abandoned across the country each day. The number of abandonments in the Wayne County

area is on the rise, according to the Michigan League for Human Services. The number of abandoned children in Michigan has increased 48 percent over five years, reaching 1,136 in 1998 (the latest figures available).

The Safe Haven program provides a safety net in the interim. Call is (800) 552-1183.

Humorist pokes fun at a subject he knows from inside out - AGING!!!



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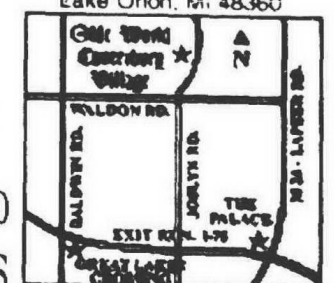
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Take complaints about gas prices and vent them on the Web

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You can vent your anger over high gas-pump prices on a couple of new Web sites.

GreenCar.org targets the Big Three automakers for their being ignorant of the need for fuel-efficient "green" vehicles. Anyone logging onto the site can send e-mails to Ford, DaimlerChrysler and General Motors and express outrage over American dependence on oil — and the more-acute problem of having to pay so much for a gallon of gasoline.

The group behind the Web site says the average fuel efficiency of 1999 model cars is just 23.8 miles per gallon, the lowest since 1980, reflecting the recent love

affair many buyers have for large sport utility vehicles and trucks. Says the Web site: "In the 21st century, our automobiles are still running on 19th-century technology — technology that pollutes our air, harms our health and threatens our children's future."

Another Web site, gasoline-protest.com, lets you see how bad Michigan is getting stung compared to other states. Also on this site, you can sign an online petition protesting the high costs.

Crackdown overdue
Better late than never. Finally, a coalition of federal and state consumer protection agencies, helped by similar groups in a half dozen other countries, are cracking down on the thousands of Web sites that have been running phony get-rich-quick schemes, work-at-home scams,

dubious online shopping mall "investment opportunities" and a whole slew of other multi-level marketing come-ons and rip-offs. In all, about 1,600 fraud sites have been identified by the coalition so far. About 40 percent of them reportedly shut down or changed their pitches after being warned by the consumer agencies.

The ones that are still running are now being investigated for possible criminal charges. It's a start, I suppose. But I'd guess there are 5,000 other rip-off sites out there in cyberspace that are still trying to trick unsuspecting "Net users into sending them money to make "fabulous returns" that inevitably turn out to be nothing.

Typical of the phony offers you can find on the 'Net are promises of income of \$20,000 a month through vending machine business, \$1,000 an hour from Web surfing, and \$1 million through variations of pyramid schemes. Most such sites target stay-at-home moms, elderly people, disabled people and students who want to earn money from home.

Maybe the consumer agencies cracking down on fraud sites should have also looked at auto-

motive Web sites. An independent study by CNW Marketing/ Research says auto-related Web sites often overstate the price of a new car by thousands of dollars and that some sites allow consumers to configure cars and options that automakers are unable to deliver.

The national study measured what eight Web sites claimed were the manufacturer's suggested retail prices and dealer invoice prices for 86 models against actual manufacturer's data. "Considering that nearly 40 percent of new car buyers use the Internet as part of their shopping process, such misinformation is horribly misleading," the study said.

Internet drug bust
There's a major crackdown under way against overseas pharmacies that are illegally using the Internet to sell powerful drugs — mostly tranquilizers, steroids and the sex potency drug Viagra — without a doctor's prescription.

Nearly two dozen people have been arrested in Thailand, another six in the U.S. The charges involve illegal exportation of drugs and marks the first

time U.S. customs agents have succeeded in busting overseas drug peddlers.

These arrests are only a start. Dozens of other online pharmacies are still in business, as are lots of U.S.-based sites that use a doctor to read an online consultation form e-mailed by would-be "patients." Based on the e-mailed form, and, of course, a valid credit card, the doctor then writes a prescription which is then sent by snail mail to the "patient."

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is trying to put a halt to this practice ... but so far without much luck. Michigan attorney general Jennifer Granholm is among many state law enforcement officials also trying to halt the sale of dangerous drugs online.


Free PC not a deal

Before you jump on the free PC bandwagon, be aware there have been a lot of complaints about some companies that bill your credit card and then don't deliver PCs for weeks or months. And if things go wrong with these freebie PCs, customer support is usually impossible to find. But what should we expect?

Free service with free PCs? Right now, I wouldn't recommend any of these so-called freebie systems if it is to be your only computer. Most have only limited expansion capabilities. But as a second system, hey ... free is good. Just don't expect too much. I've been throwing cold water on these deals for more than a year now, and everything I hear from consumers here in southeastern Michigan has convinced me that I'm right in urging you to ignore the temptation.

Same goes with the free DSL service being offered around Detroit these days. The catch with this is you have to give your name to scads of advertisers who will bombard you with come-ons and sales pitches. Remember, as my Daddy used to say, you get what you pay for.


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Plymouth Financial Corp. initiates stock offering

The Western Wayne County area is one step closer to gaining a community-owned bank — something missing from the local banking landscape for nearly 50 years.

That's because Plymouth Financial Corporation (PFC) has received preliminary approval from the state of Michigan's Financial and Insurance Services division to proceed with a stock offering for New Liberty Bank of Plymouth.

PFC, also of Plymouth, is the parent company for New Liberty Bank. It is currently offering approximately 800,000 shares of common stock exclusively to

Michigan residents, with the bulk of sales being targeted to residents of the Plymouth/Canton/Northville area. The new bank is expected to begin operation this fall.

The hallmark of New Liberty Bank will be its one-on-one personal service approach to full-service, retail banking. "In an area of mass banking mergers, bigger was thought to be better," said Michael D. Weaver, chairman of Plymouth Financial Corporation and president and CEO of New Liberty Bank.

"New Liberty Bank is in a unique position to fill that niche.

Our bank will be community owned, so that customers can be assured that banking decisions have their best interests and neighborhood issues in mind."

As part of its charter agreement, New Liberty Bank will acquire the downtown Plymouth branch of Peoples State Bank, which has current deposits of approximately \$15 million. All of the local PSB management and staff are expected to be part of New Liberty Bank.

Weaver explained that NLB's

board of directors represent Plymouth-area community leaders and residents. "Each one has a history with and commitment to Plymouth. They understand the needs of businesses, the needs of residents."

Weaver brings with him more than 21 years of banking expertise, including 17 years exclusively serving the Plymouth market.

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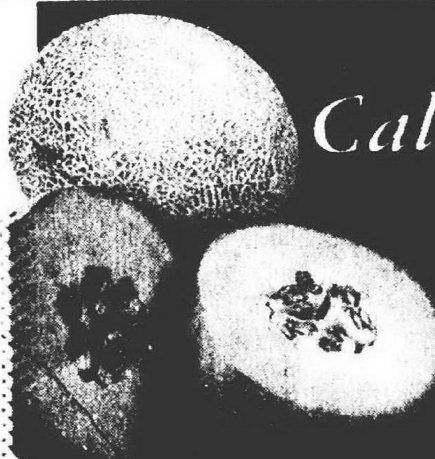
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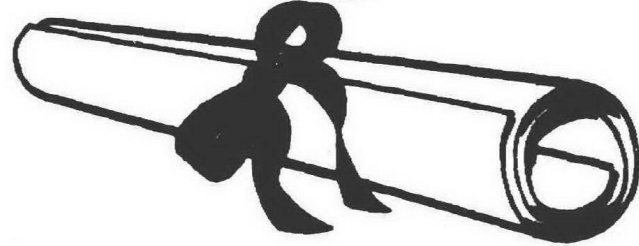
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Job training's great, but my child's going to college



BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
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Some parents have dreams of their babies graduating Harvard Medical School. But the reality is that not everyone will.

So before high school graduation, some students should be steered toward high-tech and health-related jobs that are going unfilled, some folks maintain.

Parents of Michigan seventh through 12th graders who were recently surveyed believe job training programs are beneficial, but they expect their children to have higher goals.

Learning how college-age students choose careers is the goal of the Partnership for Career Decision-Making in Technologies and Health Sciences, launched in January by Ferris State University in cooperation with government leaders; as well as people in higher education, health science, technology and industry fields throughout Michigan.

"We're particularly interested in why health science and high-tech industries have so many open positions," explained Jim Thorp, communications specialist and Ferris State partnership coordinator.

Unrealistic career goals must be addressed before students become seniors, explained study volunteer Anne Rosewarne, president of the Michigan Health Council, a non-profit organization dedicated to health career work issues.

"I have seniors who who say they want to be trauma surgeons and they have 'C' averages, poor attendance and little science and math," Rosewarne said. "We don't want to discourage young people, but there is some place where realistic skill assessments have got to come into play. They're not going to jobs where there are good opportunities, longevity and good pay."

She also supports the idea of industry working closely with students.

"We're sending a large body of our students off to college with no idea of what they want to do for some wasted years," she said.

In the health field, Thorp said, the types of jobs that most often go unfilled are nursing, radiology, physicians' assistants and lab technicians. Employers are also looking for people in robotics, welding, lasers and computer intensive kinds of jobs.

Most of the randomly chosen 450 parents who were surveyed said two to three years of post-high school education is enough for career success. Seventy-seven percent said it was important children be willing to consider a two- or three-year job training program. More than half also said they didn't believe there was embarrassment associated with job-training programs when compared to four-year college degrees.

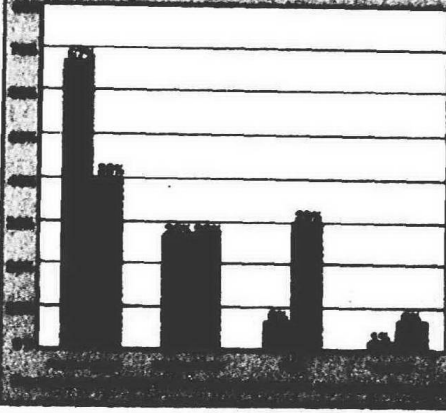
But, the story changed when these parents applied this logic to their children. In fact, 91 percent said their children needed to have a degree from a

four-year college or university to begin a career, with 74 percent saying that while job training programs were important for children who need them, their children have the potential to achieve more.

Another important point that was learned from the survey was that parents play an important role in the decision-making process. About half saw

Reality Check: More Michigan students plan to attend college than actually do following high school

Plans following high school, high school students vs. young people out of school



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Teachers bring many skills to the table

Dear Mr. Hayes:
I have been an elementary school teacher for many years and am interested in changing careers. When looking at job advertisements, I find it difficult to assess what transferable skills I have and how to write a resume. Any suggestions?

Carol D.

Dear Carol:

Teaching elementary school entails a number of skills that could be of interest to private sector employers, including: training, supervision, administration, event organization, public speaking, sales, project management and many others. It certainly requires creative problem solving, an ability to respond quickly and accurately to situations of varying types and skill in adjusting speech patterns to effectively convey concepts.

Years ago, I worked with a lady who had taken a sabbatical from conventional work to raise kids for a few years. When she came back, her resume was packed with the new skills she had acquired: purchasing, inventory control, scheduling, budgeting and conciliation. She landed a job in the materials management field.

This is do-able, but the best avenue for you will be networking rather than the "visible" job market (ads and agencies). Employers are likely to pitch resumes that come in through conventional channels if they do not meet a narrow set of job specifications. But

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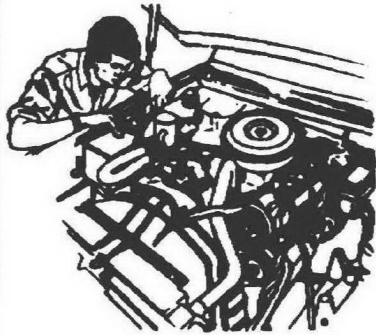


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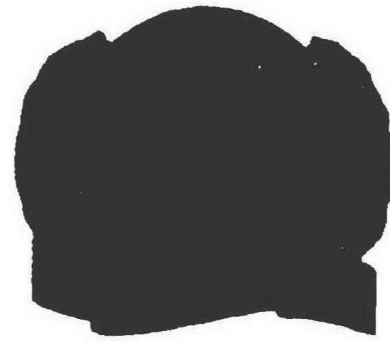
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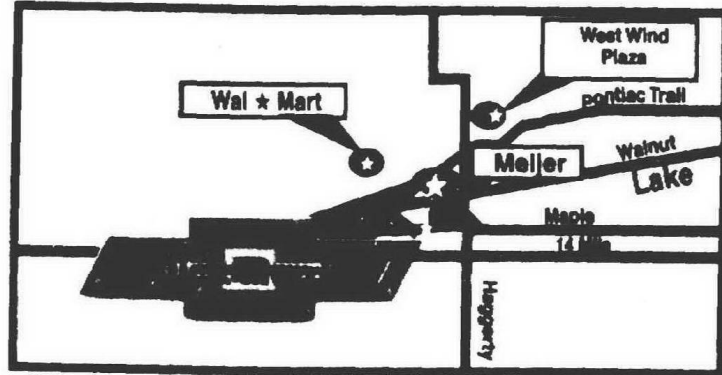
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Jim Thorp

themselves as the single strongest influence.

This was the most surprising result of the study to Rosewarne, who stressed the importance of developing kid-friendly Internet programs that would give families more information about the job market.

"There are an incredible number of job training and associate degree jobs that are secure and they pay more than the liberal arts jobs," Rosewarne said.

While parents play an important role, it all centers around the students.

Another part of the study surveyed 17- and 18-year-olds. Sixty-seven percent said they planned to attend a four-year college.

Most said they believed there were good high-tech jobs available to people with less

than four-years of post-high school education. A whopping 79 percent said they wanted to be educated in a variety of careers and that job training would be confining.

"Students are looking for flexibility with a four-year degree that they don't think they can achieve with less," Thorp said.

Some 93 percent said they planned to pursue post secondary education and 67 percent indicated they would attend a four-year college or university.

"Everywhere you go you're being influenced to look into college," Thorp said. "When you flip through magazines there are ads for loans for college. No one ever says: 'Do you need money for job training or technical training?'"

Not that college is a bad thing, of course, but there's a definite mindset that's pervasive.

A final survey, due later this summer, will get input from middle school teachers, counselors, coaches and paraprofessionals.

All three surveys will be assessed and concrete ideas about changing perceptions about job training and technical fields are expected by August.

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networking contacts tend to be more imaginative about where you might fit, either within their own organizations or in someone else's.

You might also consider some form of vocational testing to help identify areas of real interest and thereby develop a target field or industry.

One of the problems facing bright people is that they can be successful at almost anything. This is a "problem" in that the subject of passion or interest is frequently subordinated to ability. It's why the kid voted most likely to succeed can end up miserable.

Dear George:
Why doesn't everyone else realize the incredible skills used in teaching young children? I am not sure I understand your comment about the "problem" that bright people have. Please explain. In my case, you are correct about myriad interests and the high level of success at most

things I try. I don't want to be miserable! Where do I get vocational testing?
Carol D.

Dear Carol:
Here's the problem often experienced by smart folks:

1. I can be successful at virtually anything I choose (because I'm real smart). If I don't already have the skills required to do a job, I can certainly acquire them quickly. Therefore, I can pick almost anything on the career menu.

2. Lots of things are of interest to me (smart people usually have a broad range of interests). I could get a lot of pleasure out of several different, but totally unrelated careers. Of course, I am operating on impressions and don't have a lot of first hand knowledge about what many jobs entail on a daily basis.

3. Dang! If I decide to become an accountant, I will forego becoming a veterinarian. And if I decide to become a veterinarian, I will never know how cool being an architect might have been. What the heck am I supposed to do?

Many college placement offices provide vocational testing. Sometimes, you don't even have to be an alumna. No test will tell you exactly what you should be doing and every test should be taken with a grain of salt. But tests can be helpful in pointing out some general directions and possible areas to explore. There are many good ones, but the Strong Interest Inventory, Jackson Vocational Interest Survey and Kuder Preference Record come to mind.

Send questions or comments to George Hayes, Job Search, P.O. Box 2497, Southfield, MI 48037 or email george@emplexcorp.com. Hayes is president of Emplex Corp., a recruiting and testing firm.



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- Co. Paid Incentive Vacations

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CPA firm in Northville seeking individual with sound accounting and tax background for flexible part-time position with benefits. Only recent CPA experience apply. Fax resume with cover & salary: (248) 380-1816

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Mercury Fulfillment Systems has an immediate opening for an Accounts Payable Clerk. Primary job responsibilities include accounts payable, bill of lading, customers and freight system. Accounts payables to include matching purchase orders, data entry and vendor & customer interaction. Must have a basic understanding of debits and credits. Will be detail oriented, have the ability and willingness to follow up on tasks and work well with little supervision. Please submit resume to: MARS Advertising Co. Attn: April McGarry 23999 Northwestern Hwy Southfield, MI 48075-2528 Fax: 248-354-1834 E-mail: mogarys@marsusa.com EOE

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Graphic Designer

- Develop creative formats
- Design and produce artwork
- Create layouts

Requirements include knowledge of Macintosh platform: QuarkXPress, Photoshop, Illustrator, Free-Hand; ability to draw and to produce layouts. Basic Web design skills a plus.

Advertising Systems/Materials Technician

- Provide technical support for production
- Scan film in a timely and accurate manner
- Assist in maintaining Internet and Intranet sites and Advertising hardware and software

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- Through a team approach, maintains, analyzes and reports results of Jacobson's marketing campaigns.

Requirements include analytical/financial abilities and strong organizational and communication skills.

Special Events Traffic Coordinator

- Manage and monitor quality of guest travel arrangements and accommodations
- Support Public relations and Special Events execution.
- Manage payment of invoices related to Public Relations and Special Events, and monitor expenses

Requirements include ability to meet tight deadlines, understanding of budgets and excellent verbal and written communication. Knowledge of Excel and Access preferred.

Jacobson's attractive benefits package includes medical/dental/vision/ life insurance, long-term disability, 401(k), pension plans, merchandise discounts, vacation/holiday time.

Send or e-mail your resume and salary requirements to: Jacobson's Human Resources 3333 Sargent Road Jackson, MI 49201 careers@jacobsons.com

MANN+HUMMEL Automotive, Inc. is an international Tier-1 supplier and global leader in the design and manufacture of engine components in the areas of plastic intake manifolds, fluid reservoirs, surge tanks, and complete modules. We are now building our presence in North America and are seeking an ambitious paraprofessional for the following new position in our Bloomfield Hills sales office.

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This position will support the Sales team, performing responsible administrative/secretarial work. The ideal candidate must possess a high school diploma or equivalent and at least 2 years of responsible administrative experience. Must also have excellent MS Word, Excel and Powerpoint skills. This position will offer future growth potential as we continue to expand.

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MANN+HUMMEL

Interested, qualified applicants should forward a cover letter with salary expectations (required) and resume as indicated below.

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Human Resources
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• Must Be Able To Start Now
• Management
Call For Personal Interview Call Monday Only 313-382-6022
9am - 4pm

ATTENTION! AutoCAD Operator. Experience preferred. Fax resume to 248-684-1212

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Needed with Ford and/or Lincoln-Mercury background for busy Ford dealership. Competitive pay and benefits including 401K. Interested candidates should forward resume with salary requirements to: Attn: RON ROBERTSON
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City of Farmington Hills
Openings for part time emergency dispatchers. Duties: answer emergency calls, including emergency medical dispatch; operate C.A.D. system for dispatching police and fire units. L.E.I.N., C.L.E.M.I.S. and M.D.T. operation; maintain daily records. Required: H.S. graduate or equivalent, some emergency dispatching experience desirable, basic typing, ability to operate a computer and good communication skills. Salary range: \$16.20 - \$18.38. All applicants must complete a City application. The City will receive the application by 8/4/00. Human Resources Department City of Farmington Hills 31555 W. Eleven Mile Rd. Farmington Hills, MI 48336 Equal Opportunity Employer

DJ'S WANTED
Nights only. Part-time or Full-time. Call Frankie's in Garden City: (734) 421-2424

DOORMAN/VALET (M/F) - Beautiful high-rise condominium in Southfield needs experienced, professional & customer service person. 4pm-1am, Thurs-Sun. Excellent salary package. Call 248-352-3890

ROUTE DRIVER
Chauffeurs license required. Salary plus commission. Benefits. Vehicle provided. No weekends. 34530 Sims, Wayne, MI. (734) 721-4823

GENERAL LABOR / TRUCK DRIVER
Manufacturer looking for individuals interested in full-time long term employment driving trucks & working in a shop when not driving. Up to 4 raises the first year. Chauffeurs license, good driving record & drug testing required. Will train right candidates. Call 1-800-686-9050 or apply at: 20775 Chesley Dr., Farmington

HI-LO DRIVERS
Auto parts packaging firm is seeking responsible individuals for sit-down & stand-up hi-lo drivers. Experience a plus but will train those interested. Positions open on all shifts. Apply in person: 8:30am to 4pm. Howard Tempes Packaging Co. 700 Manufacturers Dr., Westland, MI 48185

COURIERS/INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS: HIGH EARNING POTENTIAL
24 hour airport and local courier service needs owner-operators with late model vehicles. Call for appointment..... 734-728-2020.

CITY DRIVER
CDL-A required. Contact: Gary T. 734-464-0740

ATTENTION DRIVERS! Tri-State Delivery
Is looking to hire 1 experienced Class A CDL Driver in the Detroit area to pull a dedicated hopper bottom bulk trailer. DEDICATED RUNS 800-558-2065 www.isdholdings.com

DRIVER COVENANT TRANSPORT
Coast to Coast Runs
Teams Start 42c-45c *1,000 sign-on bonus for Experience Co. Drivers. Experienced Drivers and Owner Operators 1-800-441-4394 For Graduate Students 1-800-338-6428

DRIVER - Devonaire Ice Arena
Is seeking zamboni driver for even & weekend shifts, willing to train. Must be 18yrs of age & good driving record. Livonia 734-422-5172

CDL-A Drivers
SYSCO Food Services has a full-time opening for CDL-A drivers to make deliveries in the Metro Detroit Area. These are full-time positions with all local routes. Starting rate is \$15.00 per hour with company paid benefits, pension, stock & the ability to be home every night. To arrange an interview, CALL (734) 397-7691 or (800) 366-3577 EOE-M/F/D/V

SYSCO
Moving company looking for CDL A & B Drivers & Helpers (248) 442-9410

500 Help Wanted General
DRIVER CLASS B
Pickup/delivery to DETROIT area hospitals for growing medical products company. Minimum 1 yr. experience/clean MVR. Requires strong communication skills to interact with hospital & internal sales/operations staff. Must have air-brakes endorsement. Detail oriented, must keep logs/documents accurate & able to push/pull cars on/off truck. FAX work history/salary requirements to STERILE RECOVERIES 734-595-7644 EOE

DRIVER/HELPER \$10 - \$12 PER HR.
Retail furniture chain has full time delivery positions from Livonia warehouse. Contact Scott: (734) 525-3999 Fax: (734) 525-4707

DRIVER
Medical equipment company, based in Livonia, seeking full-time applicants for delivery of medical equipment. Benefits package available. Self-motivated responsible individuals with positive attitude. Send resume to: Metro Medical Equipment, Inc. 12985 Wayne Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 Fax: 734-522-9380

DRIVER
Part/Full-time. Must have excellent driving record, chauffeurs license, know Detroit Metro area & experience w/trafficked truck. Livonia 734-953-8887

LANDSCAPE MATERIALS, LTD.
seeks drivers for career employment. Must have current CDL, Class B License \$13 to \$15 per hr. + bonuses, benefits & 401K. Call Bob at 248-486-9714

Entry Level Drivers/ Equipment Operators
Growing Service Business seeks motivated individuals for entry level position operating company owned equipment, any shift and weekends. Will train. Part Time or Full Time with benefits/401K/over-time. Clean driving record a must. \$8-10/hr. Call Mon-Fri, 8-5 (313) 937-7933 Redford

OWNER OPERATOR
24 ft. straight trucks & cube vans for expedited. Paid percentage 248-852-7399

DRIVERS: ALLIED VAN Lines
needs owner operators for their Special Products fleet. 2 yrs. min. experience required. Avg \$125/mile. 800-634-2200, Dept. AMIS

DRIVERS (Roll Off)
Must have experience in driving a roll off dumpster truck. Full part-time. New tri-axle & quad axle straight trucks. Flexible hrs. 734-981-1116, 248-588-3933

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Country Pride Dairy milk routes. CDL-B w/air required. Good pay, benefits. (313) 537-0669

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DRIVERS NEEDED AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS
Plymouth & Canton
If you own a truck or van, available Thursday & Saturday & would like to make \$90 to \$250/wk then call 734-953-2041 or 734-418-9400.

DRIVERS - NEW PAY PACKAGE! OTR, 6 mo. experience - 30/cpm. Top pay - 40/cpm. Regional; 38/cpm. Jump Start Lease Program! MS Carriers 1-800-231-5209 EOE

DRIVERS: NORTH AMERICAN Van Lines has tractor trailer 48-state openings for owner operators and temporary drivers. Minimum of 3 months experience required. Call 1-800-348-2147, Dept. MIS.

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For independent retirement community in Novi/Walled Lake area. Full time. Must have CDL. Professional attitude, outgoing personality. (248)669-5330

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Position available. Compensation package includes medical and retirement. Call Mon-Fri: 313-341-4791 Or fax resume: 313-341-0315.

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We are looking for a Semi Driver that is safe and professional. Our drivers make deliveries primarily to convenience stores and are an important interface with our customer base. This position works out of our Livonia satellite location Monday-Friday schedule with a 4-day work week. Our drivers are home every night. Requires a CDL-A, steady work history and must meet all DOT requirements. We offer competitive benefit package that includes medical, dental, optical, prescriptions, life, 401(k), ESOP, attendance incentives, uniforms, paid vacations for more information regarding SAS, check out our web site at: www.sasinc.com. Please respond to: S. ABRAHAM & SONS, INC. P O Box 1768 Grand Rapids, MI 49501 Attn: Recruiter Fax: (616) 453-6267 E-mail: HowellJ@sasinc.com

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DRIVER / WAREHOUSE Full-Time
Aide Inc., a leading manufacturer of wholesale building products, in need of organized, self-motivated, goal oriented, outgoing person who understands the importance of providing a high level of customer satisfaction on a daily basis. Requirements: dependable transportation and the ability to perform heavy lifting. Starting pay \$490 per week plus benefits. Call (734) 467-1904 Or Fax: (734) 467-190

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EVENTS PLANNER For Detroit's Work Place. Part-time, on a per need basis. To plan & oversee major events...

FABRICATION PERSON Manufacturing company for products improvements. Some Tool & Die, Welding & Fixture experience...

FIELD SERVICE Auburn Hills Company has need for 2 people to test, trouble-shoot, and install control panels...

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Upscale chain of furniture stores seeks an analytical, organized and computer literate person...

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The Charter Township of Redford is accepting applications for the position of Senior Citizens Housing Superintendent. This management position is responsible for the general administration, supervision, coordination of services, and day to day operations of senior citizens' housing facilities. NOTE: Upon hire or shortly thereafter the superintendent will reside in the Township provided apartment. SALARY: Depending on Qualifications; plus excellent fringe benefits: health insurance, pension, 30 leave days, 13 holidays and more. AMONG THE REQUIREMENTS: High school diploma or G.E.D.; minimum of two years of managerial experience in building maintenance or property rental preferred; possess and maintain a valid Michigan Driver License with five or fewer points. Resumes may be sent to or apply in person from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the: REDFORD TOWNSHIP PERSONNEL OFFICE 15145 BEECH DALY ROAD REDFORD, MI 48239 (313) 387-2760 CLOSING DATE FOR FILING: Friday, July 28, 2000 The Charter Township of Redford is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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Hamster saved from disastrous dashboard death

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
STAFF WRITER

It was the night before Christmas, and all through the house, not a creature was stirring, not even a... hamster. That's because the hamster was running around behind the dashboard of Dana Fortinberry's minivan.

Let's back up a few miles. As Fortinberry tells it, she was en route to a babysitter's house to hide the future family addition until the big day. The hamster's "equipment," the cage, toys, etc., were stashed away at Clarkston Chrysler Jeep, a dealership owned by her husband, Chuck.

The rest of the story, as they say, made history — at least in the Clarkston family's home — where it has become a "treasured" holiday memory.

For obvious reasons, Fortinberry had already nicknamed the rodent "Squeaky," and was chat-

ting with him while he scritch-scratched in a box, resembling a Chinese take-out container, in the front seat.

"I headed toward the house. All of a sudden, I didn't hear this scritch, scratch, scritch anymore." Panicking, Fortinberry pulled off the road and opened the box. Horrified, she found the hamster had chewed a hole through the bottom and escaped.

But to where? "He was nowhere to be found — so I began searching the car. I was also looking for a squished hamster," she added.

Exasperated, Fortinberry pulled into the Chrysler service bay to check out the problem. It was important because it was the last hamster at the pet store and Christmas was right around the corner.

The service men surrounded the car. At one point there was a breakthrough. Fortinberry

pulled out her CD player and a pair of beady eyes peeked out. She tried "to lure (the hamster) out with treats."

After several tries, she realized it was futile and the service men "ended up detaching the whole piece (of dashboard). When they pulled it off, we saw the little thing."

Fortunately, Fortinberry caught "Squeaky" just before he was about to high-tail it through an air vent. Victorious, she hoisted him high in the air.

By now there was a crowd gathering. "Everybody in the service bay erupted. The customers started yelling." Meanwhile, her boys were waiting at school to be picked up by their mother. She called Chuck, who arrived instead, explaining their mother's absence with a great punch line: "Oh, she's got a squeak in her dashboard. She's getting it fixed at the dealership."

Service employees say this is a common occur-

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36 mo. Smart Lease	\$274**	GM 36 mo. Smart Lease	\$262**
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rence at dealerships. Except, most of the time, the rodent isn't a pet, but a common field mouse. They've helped many a customer solve the "knock" in their engines. "They refer to them as varmints," said Pam Caldwell, appointment coordinator at Jack Demmer Ford in Wayne. "They come in and complain that their cars aren't running properly — because (the mouse) ate all the wires."

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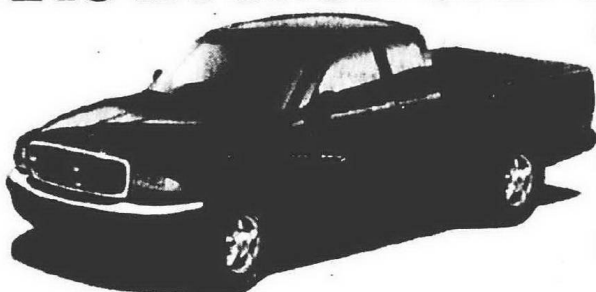
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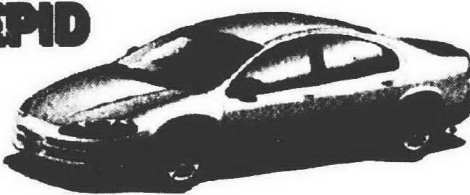
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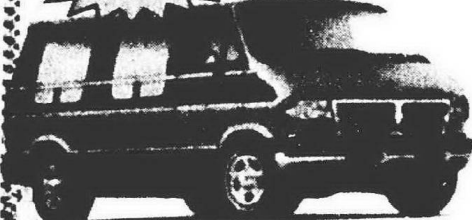
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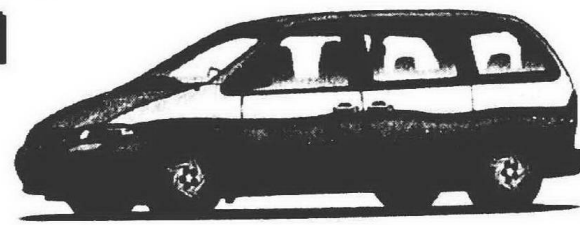
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2000 EXCURSION LIMITED 4X4
 6.8 V-10, heated front seats, captain chairs, power windows, power locks, power seat, 6-disc CD, third row seat, speed control, tilt wheel. 2 at this price
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\$34,558*

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	Zero Down	\$515** Per Month		\$470** Per Month

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8 at this Price
\$23,582*

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	Zero Down	\$347** Per Month		\$325** Per Month

2000 RANGER XLT
 Dual media, chrome wheel & air conditioning.
 Was \$15,355
\$10,607*

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4 DOOR
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Stock #4867

4 DOOR SEDAN
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A-PLAN 36 MO. TAURUS TO TAURUS LEASE RENEWAL	ZERO DOWN \$231 ^{30**} per mo.	\$1500 DOWN \$187 ^{32**} per mo.
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2000 WINDSTAR LX 177 Windstars Available

Stock #04040

Harvest Gold, medium parchment, 3.8L SPI engine, 4 speed auto, P215/70R-15 BSW, rear radio controls, 7 pass hi-backs buckets, climate control system, roof rack, power windows & locks.
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WAS \$27,745 **NOW \$21,216^{80*}**

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