

City hangs up on cell tower

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Nearly 60 people walked away from the Plymouth planning commission meeting Wednesday night, feeling they gained a victory, at least temporarily, in keeping a 116-foot cell phone tower from being constructed in their neighborhood.

The planning commission voted 7-1 to deny TrinTel Communications Inc. permission to construct a monopole cell tower on the Knights of Columbus property on Mill Street. The lone dissenting vote came from Tamara Buswinka.

The denial of the request was based on the fact the tower did not meet setback requirements. However, Commissioner Dan Zelazny made it clear why he was voting against the tower.

"Even though the area is zoned

industrial, it's really 25 percent industrial and 75 percent residential," said Zelazny. "There are a lot of homes in the area and people opposed to it. With all the talk about the height restrictions downtown, this is a very tall tower and the ordinance should be strictly adhered to."

Zelazny received a round of applause after his statement.

Residents say they're concerned about health issues, property values and visual aesthetics.

"I'm opposed because we don't know what the health dangers are associated with cellular technology," said Sue Gamble, who lives a block away on Fairground. "Plus, what will it do to property values? It's unsightly and dangerous."

"I don't want to look out my window and see that tower, which is three times higher than the tallest trees in

the area," said Mary Mack, who has lived in her Fairground Street home for 27 years. "I firmly believe my property value will suffer. If the cell tower is erected there, my first thought is 'I want to get out.'"

Paul Siebert has been leading the effort to keep the cell tower from the K of C location, and plans to continue the fight.

"They could put it on the 41 acre Unisys property ... no one in Riverside Cemetery is going to care," he said. "There are health risks involved and property values affected ... they are lying."

John Enos, project manager for TrinTel, told commissioners before the vote that cell towers have been studied and are considered safe.

"There are absolutely no health concerns with cell towers. They are regulated by the FCC (Federal Communica-

tions Commission)," he said. "There are also studies which show that in no way will a cellular tower in an area reduce property values."

According to Building Official Jim Penn, the setback has to be equal to the height of the tower. There is at least 116 feet on the west and south sides of the K of C property, but not on the north or east. TrinTel could get a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals, and then resubmit a site plan to the planning commission.

City officials have already set a precedent, issuing a variance for a similar project which resulted in a 180-foot monopole being constructed on the Star Contracting property on Goldsmith in Plymouth.

City residents say they'll continue their fight, which could result in a lawsuit in an effort to keep the tower from going up.

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Possible changes: The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees is scheduled to debate a possible reorganization of the township structure. Find out what they did in Thursday's Observer.

Wilcox plans: Developers presented plans for the so-called "Wilcox property" to the city planning commission. Find out what it looks like Thursday.

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'The Miser' takes the stage



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Dress rehearsal: Liz Filios, in character as Elise, Randy Pistor, as Harpagon and J.J. Bennett as Cleante run through a dress rehearsal for "The Miser" Thursday in the Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium. (Right) Devine Burnstein, in character as Frosine, and Randy run through another scene. The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Players Fall production will offer performances Thursday Nov. 16, Friday Nov. 17 and Saturday Nov. 18 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$6. For information, call (734) 416-7723.



City finishes manager interviews

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Plymouth city commissioners are a step closer to hiring a city manager after spending most of Saturday interviewing candidates at the Hilton Garden Inn. The day-long session began at 7:45 a.m. and lasted past five o'clock as six men and two women interviewed for the position.

"We'll collectively make a decision and we'll proceed with caution," said Mayor David McDonald. "We would rather err on the side of caution, and do everything possible to select the right person, than make a quick decision to fill the position."

The city has been without a city manager since David Rich negotiated an early leave in June, with his duties handled by Paul Siscock since then.

Among the candidates interviewed were Catherine Debo, town manager of Bedford, N.H.; Dennis White, city manager of South Palm Beach, Fla.; Donald Crawford, former city manager in Streator, Ill., currently residing in Grosse Pointe Park; K. Joseph Young, city manager of Hazel Park, Mich.; Michael Overton, city manager of Roosevelt Park, Mich.; Calvin Teague, county administrator of Van Buren County; Michael Cain, special projects coordinator, City of Troy, served five years as city manager of Fenton, Mich.; and Jane Bias-DiSessa, village administrator for the Village

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—Plymouth Mayor

of Franklin, Mich.

Questions posed by commissioners at Saturday's session included situations concerning each applicant's strengths and weaknesses, leadership abilities, management style, problem solving techniques, plus budget and finance expertise.

Siscock, the acting city manager, said each candidate was sent a box containing the city's budget, audit, master plan, recreation plan and information from the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce to prepare them for the interview.

McDonald said commissioners will be accepting comments from department heads, some of whom spent the day listening to the candidates, before making a final decision. He said there may even be an opportunity for department heads to talk with finalists before a choice is announced.

Fire chief offers test compromise

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Plymouth Community Fire Chief Larry Groth came up with a compromise this week that allows two firefighters - who plan to test for the assistant fire chief's position - more time to study for the promotional exam, if desired.

Jim Haar, president of Firefighters Union Local 1496, spoke during a public comments section of the Oct. 24 Plymouth Township board meeting and said it was unfair and unrealistic to expect firefighters to study for promotional exams below all ALS testing.

"We feel the timing is extremely inappropriate," Haar said at the meeting. "We feel all promotional testing should be postponed until ALS testing is completed."

He couldn't be reached for additional comments after the meeting.

Half of the department's firefighters successfully completed the ALS training. The other half began their classes Tuesday.

Groth sent a letter Monday to Haar and Lt. Jim Jury, offering them the opportunity to take an ALS class which starts in February so they don't

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McDonald returns to mayor duty

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Plymouth Mayor David McDonald is back at the helm, once again assuming the duties of mayor.

McDonald, who announced to fellow commissioners Nov. 1 "I am temporarily unable to perform the duties of mayor" and handed the reins to Mayor Pro Tem Colleen Febur, is back leading the city after taking time off for personal reasons.

"For the past 10 days I've had an extremely trying experience in my family," said McDonald. "After giving every bit of energy to my family, the situation has stabilized and I'll be back to work."

Commissioners were notified Thursday by Acting City Manager Paul Siscock that the mayor will resume his duties this weekend. On Friday, Siscock received a one-line memo from McDonald stating "The memorandum, subject being mayor, dated Nov. 1, 2000 is hereby rescinded."

McDonald returned to a busy weekend schedule, where he and fellow commissioners Saturday attended a fall day of interviews with eight city manager candidates at the Hilton Garden Inn in Plymouth Township.

Also on Veteran's Day, McDonald unveiled plans for a \$200,000 Veteran's Memorial Park to be constructed on city property in front of Central High School.

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Safety chief plugs injury awareness

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Last year 60 million people suffered injuries that were bad enough to require a visit to the doctor or emergency room. That's one out of every four Americans.

"Injury to Americans is one of the most unrecognized health problems in the world," said Noel Bufo, chairman of the National Safety Council, speaking to the Colonial Kiwanis Club of Plymouth. "Those injuries are preventable. This isn't a complex disease."

The National Safety Council was formed in 1913 to focus on reducing workplace injuries. However, with the move to a more information economy, the council's work has moved more into the home, schools and community.

"We must make Americans think differently, act differently, and change behaviors that cause injury and fatalities," said Bufo.

In a surprising statistic, Bufo referenced a 1998 study which stated that 16,000 people died from injuries while falling down, with 80 percent of those injuries to people over 65 years old.

"It's the leading cause of death of people over 80, and the third leading cause of death in America," said Bufo. "We need to look at things in the home to prevent falling, including hand rails, lighting and carpeting."

While seat belts have been a standard in cars for 35 years, Bufo said 30 percent of the nation's drivers still don't buckle up.

"While the Firestone tire problem has claimed 111 lives, in the same time period we've lost 60,000 people in auto crashes because they did not buckle up," said Bufo. "In another amazing statistic, 61 percent of children who die in accidents are not restrained, and 80 percent of people who put their children in child safety seats do not install them correctly."

The National Safety Council is attempting to bring down the accident rate of teen drivers, who make up 7 percent of licensed drivers in America, but are involved in 16 percent of police-reported crashes and 14 percent of all fatal accidents. In 1998, more than 6,000 people between the ages of 15-20 were killed in a motor vehicle crash. "This is the leading cause of death for this age



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN
 Guest speaker: Noel Bufo, chairman of the National Safety Council, spoke to the Colonial Kiwanis Club of Plymouth Thursday.

group," said Bufo. "Graduated licensing for teens is an effective way of adjusting teens to the responsibilities of driving."

In an alarming statistic, on the average, one person dies in an alcohol-related crash every 33 minutes, which adds up to 20,000 people a year.

"We have recommended a return to crackdowns on drunk drivers," said Bufo. "A very small percent of drunk driving incidents are caused by a big part of the population who are problem drinkers. We can detect them, but we can't cure them fast enough. And, they tend to drive on suspended licenses."

Symphony seeks help

The Plymouth Symphony Society is looking for a part-time production manager.

The person hired will oversee, implement and schedule rehearsal and concert set-up, transport stage and musical equipment to concert sites, manage the stage during concerts and secure facilities and equipment needed for orchestra meetings.

Applicants must be physically capable of moving equipment, 18 years old and maintain a valid Michigan driver's license. Wage varies with experience (approximately \$100 per concert set). Training and vehicle for transporting will be provided as necessary.

For more information, call Darlene Dreyer, (734) 451-2112, or by email at plymouthsymphony@aol.com. The symphony office is located at 470 Forest Avenue, Suite 18.

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Great Dane rescue

The "Adopt a Best Friend For Life" Great Dane Rescue fifth-annual fundraiser takes place Sunday, November 12th from noon to 4 pm. The event features food, fun and raffles including a \$50 gift certificate for Specialty Pet Supplies.

Free dog food samples, goodies and prizes from our sponsor, Royal Canin and Santa pictures will also be available for

pets and kids.

The event happens at Specialty Pet Supplies, 1449 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. For details, call 734-454-3683.

Lunch with Santa

The Plymouth Salem Varsity Cheer Team is making it possible for children young and old to have lunch with Santa.

The lunch will take place Saturday, Dec. 2 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Plymouth Salem Cafeteria. Cost is \$10 for kids, \$5 for adults and includes lunch, a picture with Santa and a personalized ornament.

Make reservations by Nov. 26 by calling 981-0062 or 397-6936. The lunch is limited to the first 300 people who make reservations.

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New toys: Poof Enterprises Chairman and CEO Ray Dallavecchia shows off some of the products from the new acquisition.

Poof!

Plymouth company gets new toys

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Ray Dallavecchia Jr. considers his toys learning opportunities.

Poof Products Inc., Delvecchia's company which is the maker of POOF foam toys and Slinky brand products, recently acquired the assets of Educational Design Toys, a unit of Educational Design, LLC.

There's about 200 specialty toys in the line. "This company has been one of the premier companies in the science and learning arena," said Dallavecchia, president and CEO. "We have an appetite to purchase product lines. You have to make a business decision if you perceive it as an opportunity, or pass. Our focus is to maintain a U.S. manufacturing presence."

EDT is an award-winning manufacturer of science and educational toys. Founded in 1989, EDT is known for its popular Mini-Lab Science Kits and, more recently, its Space Theater Planetarium which projects the hemispheres and stars on the ceiling.

EDT sells primarily to the toy specialty and education industry. The strength of this line is the detailed educational literature which is included, he said. "We are driving the products to be fun, learning opportunities," Dallavecchia said.

Many of the toys are designed so parents can work along with children. One product is "Our Amazing Volcanoes Earth Science Kit." Kids have a chance to paint the lava flows and display seven different types of volcanoes and a geyser in a 3-dimensional volcano landscape. There's also a patented dual chamber volcano bottle. It was a 1998 Dr. Toy award winner as designated by St. vanne Aurerbach, a toy judge, Dallavecchia said.

A father and child can also work together to create suspension, truss or Roman Arch bridges. Kits teach how to build crystal radios and an electric motor.

"Amazing Mummies" allow children to "recreate" The Pharaoh's Mummy from the inside out and wrap the king the way the ancient Egyptians did.

POOF, the largest foam ball manufacturer in North America, has two locations in Plymouth Township and one in Pennsylvania. POOF has been in Plymouth Township for 10 years, a growth area attracting a good labor force, Dallavecchia said.

The acquisition means about 10 new jobs will be added. A total of 100 people are employed in both locations. Employees' children who come in Saturday mornings often give Dallavecchia an inside view of a toy's appeal.

"We have to make sure we provide value to the consumer yet provide a return to the company," Dallavecchia said.



Buyer's market: Ray Dallavecchia discusses the new acquisition.

POOF and Slinky products are currently sold in the same channels of trade. POOF Products is primarily a U.S. manufacturer of foam sports balls and related foam toys. POOF intends to expand distribution for EDT products in its current channels and to introduce science toys utilizing its POOF and Slinky products. The EDT line will be marketed under the Slinky science brand.

In 1998 POOF Products acquired James Industries Inc., the original inventor and manufacturer of the famous Slinky spring toy. Dallavecchia cited the not-always-known plusses of Slinky Toys, introduced to baby boomers as a cooly, metal toy. It has been used to teach sight and learning impaired people eye-hand coordination.

"It provides a calming effect for students," Dallavecchia said. "Teachers use Slinky to keep the students focused. It has also been used in schools to teach wave and motion analysis in physics classes," he said. Dallavecchia often provides toys for charitable purposes. "We provide foam footballs for the Plymouth Township picnic,"

he said. He provided a 14-carat gold-plated Slinky for the recent Plymouth Chamber of Commerce auction.

"We're pleased with this location and the township," Dallavecchia said. "One thing about this business is, it's fun."

Married to Rita, Dallavecchia has two children, Ray III, 24, and Krista, 21. The couple resides in Bloomfield Hills.

POOF has mail order catalogs and two Web sites: www.poof-toys.com and www.slinkytoys.com. The new toy product line will be incorporated into the Slinky Web site.

Alarm ordinance passes 1st reading

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Plymouth city commissioners have passed the first reading of an ordinance designed to reduce the number of false burglar alarms in the city.

During an 11 month period, Plymouth police report that Community Federal Credit Union had 21 false alarms. That was the highest number of false alarms recorded, although police say there are a number of businesses which have false alarms on a regular basis.

Officials say the police response to false alarms takes officers away from specialized

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traffic enforcement, routine patrol and case follow-ups, costing the city more than \$24,000 a year.

The first two false alarms requiring a response by the police and/or fire department within a calendar year would not be fined. However, subsequent alarms would trigger fines from \$50 to \$500.

After a second reading at the Nov. 20 commission meeting, the new ordinance will go into effect in December.

In other commission news:

Commissioners have appointed Commander Wayne Carroll as acting police chief. He takes over for Steve Hundersmark, who left the position last month. City officials are currently in search of a new police chief, the third in less than a year.

Commissioners will interview eight city manager applicants Saturday, beginning at 7:45 a.m., at the Hilton Garden Inn in Plymouth Township. Each interview will last 45 minutes, with the commission discussing the candidates after the last interview, which should be about 5:30 p.m. The interviews are open to the public.

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have to study for both the promotional exam and ALS training simultaneously. They had a week to respond.

Capt. Mark Wendell, who also wishes to test for the assistant fire chief's position, completed his paramedic training, Groth said.

The Plymouth Community Fire Department serves both the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

The Civil Service Commission has authority to begin testing for a new assistant fire chief in early December.

"I try to resolve problems, not create them," Groth said.

Other fire chiefs haven't been as conciliatory, he maintained.

Dealing with stress is part of

There's a tremendous amount of responsibility for that position.

Larry Groth
—Plymouth Fire Chief

the job for those with command positions in the fire department, Groth said.

Assistant Chief Matthews retired in late April and he did give the township notice that he was leaving," Haar said. "There was no action to replace him at that time. Now we are concerned with the urgent need to fill this position."

The assistant chief is also a fire inspector.

Groth expects that the person promoted to assistant fire chief will be put in charge of ALS. "There's a tremendous amount of responsibility for that position," Groth said.

Groth hopes to have the first ALS rig out on the street in January with the newly named assistant fire chief in charge.

Firefighters who have obtained this certification will be able to administer drugs and perform certain procedures not possible with an emergency medical technical certification.

Huron Valley Ambulance will continue to provide transport to area hospitals.

Hospital needs blankets for shelters

Thousands of people will be forced to take refuge in shelters this winter when they find themselves suddenly homeless.

With over one hundred shelters in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, there is a desperate need for blankets.

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross hopes to collect 7,000 blan-

kets for these shelters through Dec. 31.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital has been designated as a Blanket Days drop-off site. The community is asked to bring new and gently used blankets, preferably twin-size, to the Five Mile Lobby.

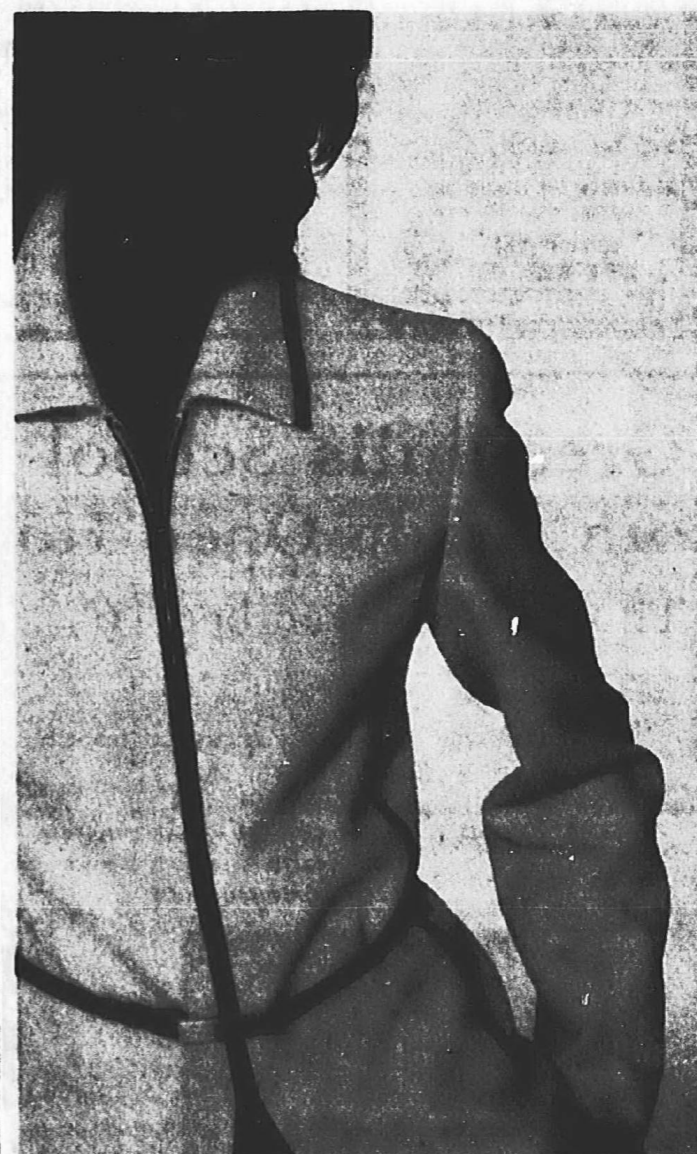
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GRADUATED

Army Pvt. Paul P. Berner has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. During the training, the soldier received instruction and practice in drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history and traditions. He is the son of Kathy Kaiser of Walled Lake and Mark Berner of Canton. The private is a year 2000 graduate of Farmington Adult Education Center in Farmington Hills.

DEPLOYMENTS

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Carla A. Chavez, daughter of Judy L. Douglass of Cadillac, Mich. and Mark P. Douglass of Canton, recently

returned from a six month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron 140, embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS Dwight D. Eisenhower. During the deployment, Chavez's squadron participated in multi-national exercises Invitex and Juniper Stallion. These exercises focused on developing friendship, trust and teamwork between coalition nations and increased their combined military readiness for contingency operations. Chavez visited cities in Croatia, Greece, Israel, Italy and Turkey. The crew also had the opportunity to shop, sightsee and enjoy the culture and cuisine in each port. During these visits Sailors participated in community relations projects. Home based at Naval Air Station Whidbey Island, Wash., Chavez's squadron flies the EA-6B Prowler which is capable of jamming enemy radar, providing an umbrella of protection for strike aircraft and ground troops. Chavez is a 1993 graduate of Woodhaven High School and joined the Navy in September 1993.

St. Joe presents annual Holiday Ball Dec. 2

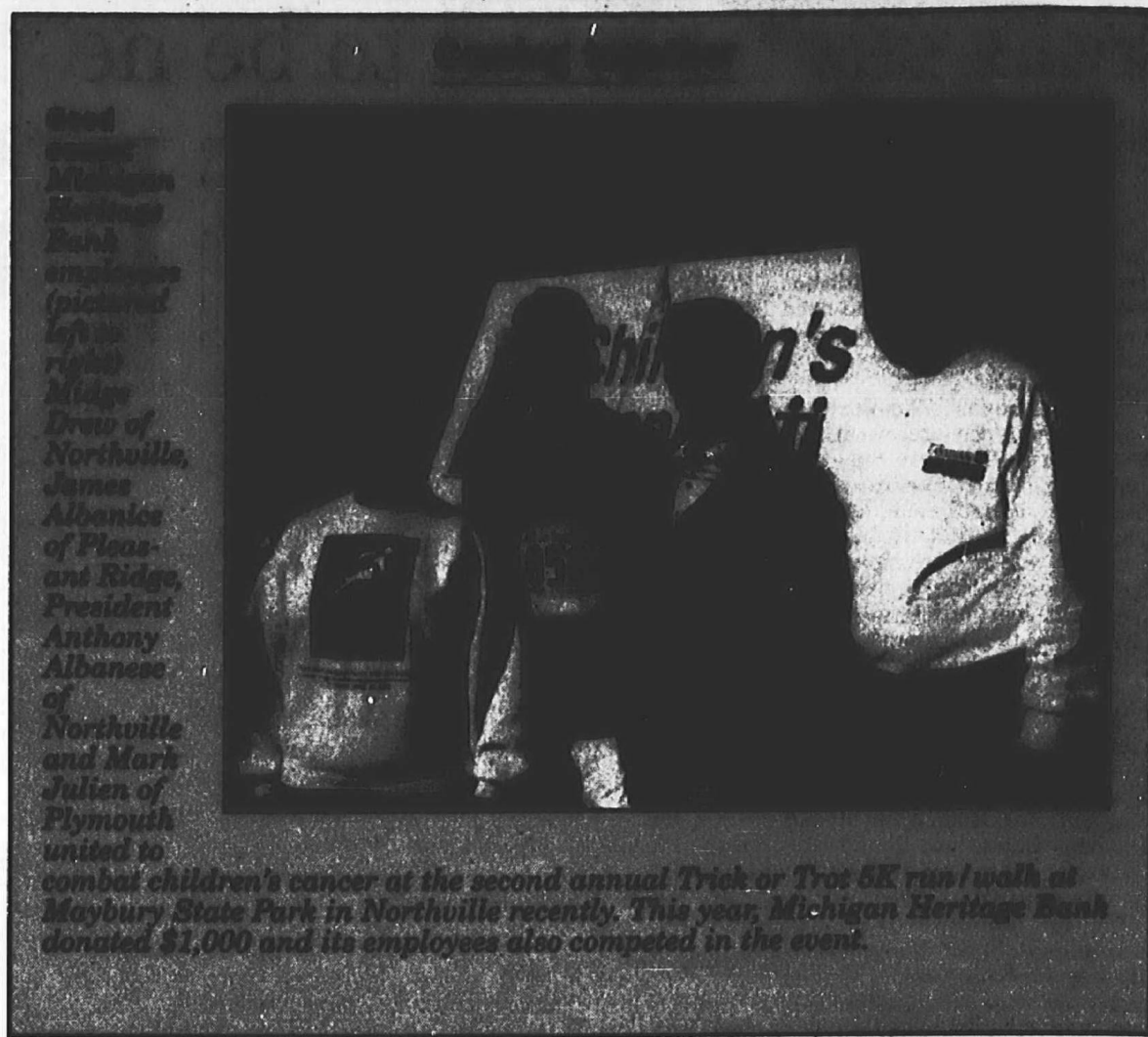
St. Joseph Mercy Hospital-Ann Arbor is presenting its 25th Anniversary Holiday Ball 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2 at the Michigan League, 911 N. University Ave., Ann Arbor.

Proceeds will benefit the Campaign for Women's Health, a \$13.5 million fund-raising project to construct a Women's

Health Center on St. Joe's campus. The goal of the 2000 Holiday Ball Steering Committee is to raise \$600,000 for the Women's Health Campaign through this event.

Tickets are \$1,000 or \$1,250 per couple; corporate tables for 8 or 10 guests are \$5,000 and \$7,500, respectively. Underwrit-

ing opportunities are also available. Holiday-themed decorations, including trees, from "The Grand Ball" are also for sale the week before the Holiday Ball. Please call the Development Office at St. Joe's at (734) 712-4040 for more information.



Combat children's cancer at the second annual Trick or Treat 5K run/walk at Maybury State Park in Northville recently. This year, Michigan Heritage Bank donated \$1,000 and its employees also competed in the event.

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Pols say no need to be nervous over Florida recount

By Mike Malott
 HomeTown News Service
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There is no "constitutional crisis" as a result of the Florida recount, say Michigan politicians and pollsters. There is no need for nervousness that the elections process or our democracy is breaking down.

"What I see is a Constitution and a people that are working," state House Associate Speaker Pro Tem Judith Scranton, R-Brighton, said. "President Clinton isn't saying that the election wasn't fair, so he is going to keep the presidency for the next four years. He's not calling the generals to have the troops take over. I don't see a junta or a coup d'etat happening here, do you?"

Wall Street investors may be nervous about the recount in the race for president, "but the stockmarket always goes down," she said. Government services to citizens will continue unaffected.

There may indeed be lingering suspicions about the election after the recount is all settled, according to State Senate Minority Leader John Cherry, D-Clio, but presidents have had to operate "under a cloud" in the past. And the country has continued to function just fine.

The most likely impact, Cherry argued, would be a reaction at the polls four years from now. Voters who wind up believing their candidate should have won - regardless of whether George Bush or Al Gore eventually takes office - will campaign even harder in the future.

Ed Sarpolus, vice president of the Lansing-based polling firm EPIC/MRA, would agree. He said the issue could linger long after all the ballots have been recounted and any possible legal action has been settled. The loser, if he feels he was "robbed"



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Contending candidates: Vice President Al Gore, left addressing a group in Southfield during the campaign, and Texas Gov. George W. Bush, speaking at a campaign rally in Farmington Hills, are now locked in a pitched battle over the outcome of Tuesday's election.

of the victory, could begin campaigning for the next election four years from now immediately after the inauguration.

Historical perspective

That's actually happened before, Cherry said. Andrew Jackson's loss in a close contest to John Quincy Adams in 1824 propelled Jackson to victory four years later. With circumstances similar to the situation in Florida, Cherry said, Grover Cleveland's loss to Benjamin Harrison in 1888 led to a Cleveland victory one election later. In the meantime, the country continued to function without a problem, Cherry noted.

Chris Achen, professor of political science at the University of Michigan and researcher for the Center of Political Studies, agrees there is no constitutional crisis ... yet.

"There is nothing magical

about the second Tuesday in November and if it takes a week or so to count all the ballots, it is doing no one any harm," Achen said. "But the people do have a stake in some kind of a decision being reached by about the first of December. Whoever the winner is has to get a transition team in place ... Our enemies overseas are not going to wait for us to settle a lawsuit."

At some point, one of the candidates will have to put the

interests of the country ahead of their political goals and "accept a loss by a squeaker, but a loss nonetheless," he said.

Achen was a member, the only one from Michigan, of the 12-person Decision Team that advised ABC News on how to call the presidential election last Tuesday evening. He was among those who urged the network not to project Gore the winner of Florida at 8 o'clock that evening, and urged again that it not be

put in the Bush column at 2 o'clock the following morning.

Cherry and Sarpolus both argue that in fact, the networks got it right that night the first time. Exit polling, they contend, correctly gauged voter sentiment in Florida. What those exit polls could not measure was the irregularities inside the polling places that would cause some 19,000 ballots to be tossed out in Palm Beach County.

No excuses

Achen isn't so willing to excuse the mistakes. There were actually three errors in tabulations of the polling numbers, he said. And he believes the review being launched by ABC to find out what went wrong with projections is appropriate. He also believes the congressional hearings that have been called for over the way networks issued their estimates "could be useful."

Politicians and pollsters alike say the issue will linger a long time. Cherry said he believed there would likely be a good deal of public debate and discussion about the integrity of the elections process over the coming year. Making sure ballots are easy to understand and that voters are not disenfranchised by confusion at the polls should be a high priority for policymakers in the year ahead, he said.

Scranton agrees.

"In my district, some communities have the scan-tron ballots and others have paper ballots, the punch cards," she said. "But even the smallest restaurant may have its menu on a touch screen. A small restaurant may not have a lot of money for infrastructure, but they can afford to have touch screens. Why don't we have that for elections?"

Scan-tron systems automatically check ballots to determine whether voters have filled them out correctly and reject them if they are not. Scranton explained that scan-tron machines would detect problems such as voting for two candidates in a single race, the problem that caused so many ballots to be tossed out in Palm Beach.

She believes the voting process needs to be reviewed.

The most likely long term effect of voting confusing, according to Sarpolus may be renewed interest in politics by the public. Even with so many close races on the ballot, only 51 percent of voters turned out nationwide in this recent election.

"But now," he said, "you can no longer say that one vote does not count. Every vote counts. And you need something like this to shake things up from time to time."

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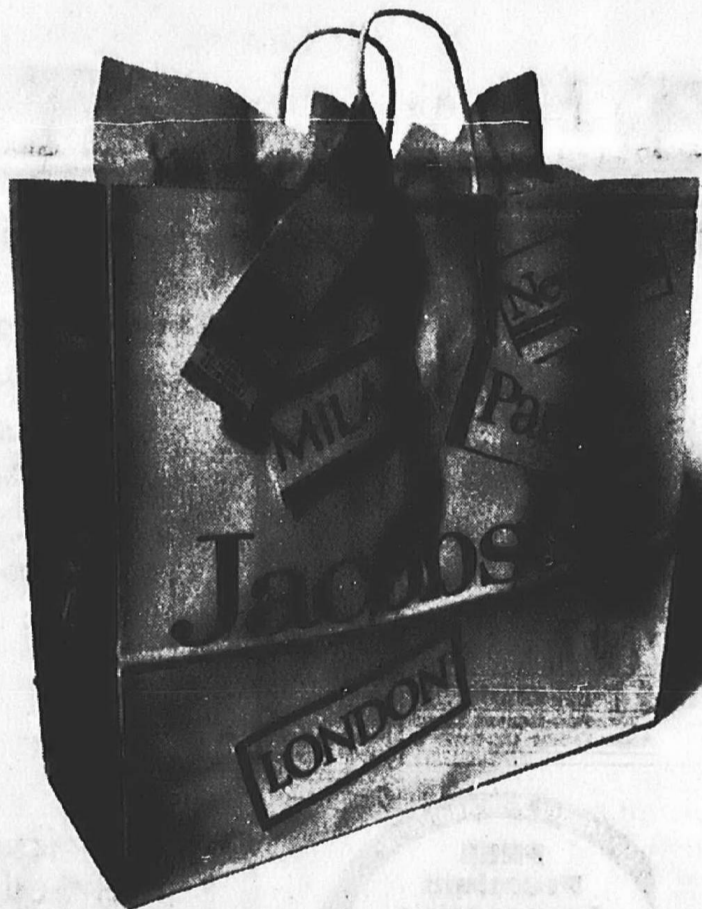
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Sophomore John Battista of Canton made the Honor Roll for the first card marking period of the 2000-2001 academic year at St. Mary's Preparatory in Orchard Lake, Mich. Students

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DEAN'S LIST
John Hugh Allison, Ryan M. Rumberger, Robert A. Schumont, and Michael G. Theodore Jr. of Plymouth were named to the Dean's List at the University of Detroit Mercy. UDM's Dean's list recognizes those students who achieve a 3.25 or better. All four students

are majoring in Mechanical Engineering in the College of Engineering & Science.

Bree Stokanovich of Plymouth was named to the Dean's List at The University of Michigan-Dearborn College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters. Students on the Dean's List earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average while carrying at least 12 credit hours in a semester. She is majoring in humanities.

STUDY ABROAD
Michelle Wallon, Elisa Esper, and Sarah DiPonio of Plymouth are one of 223 Kalamazoo College students who have departed for study abroad this fall. Wallon is a junior and is studying in Quito, Ecuador until December, 2000. Wallon is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. Esper is a junior and is studying in San Jose, Costa Rica until February, 2001. She is a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. DiPonio, a junior is studying in Strasbourg,

France until January, 2001. She is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School.

GRADUATES
Leah Anne Comerford and Jordan J. Santos of Canton; Aaron Tyler Smith and Kelly M. Stankov of Plymouth earned their degrees from Western Michigan University at the end of the summer session 1999-2000 school year. Comerford received her master of arts degree in early childhood education. Santos received a bachelor of business administration degree in human resource management. Smith received his bachelor of arts degree in economics. He is the son of Alexis McErlain. Stankov received her master of arts degree in physical education. She is the daughter of Michael J. and Christine M. Stankov.

OBITUARIES

GOLDIE ST. LOUIS

Services for Goldie St. Louis, 87, of Fort Ogden, Fla., formerly of Plymouth, were held Nov. 9 at Fort Ogden United Methodist Church in Fort Ogden, Fla. with the Rev. Gary Bryan officiating. Burial was at Fort Ogden Cemetery.

Mrs. St. Louis was born Nov. 9, 1912 in Sterling, Mich. and died Nov. 6 in Port Charlotte, Fla. She was a housewife and mother. She owned a small orange grove and loved tending to it and selling the oranges. She was a member of Fort Ogden United Methodist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Gilbert St. Louis.

Survivors include her two daughters, Doris (David) March of Punta Gorda, Fla., Carol (Russell) Gibson of Fort Ogden, Fla.; one son, Gilbert (Sue) St. Louis of Sarasota, Fla.; two sisters, Neva St. Louis of Englewood, Fla., Vera Dyer of South Lyon; three brothers, Otis Forbing of Port Charlotte, Fla., Ernie Forbing of Plymouth; Seymour Forbing of Port Hope, Mich.; seven grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Fort Ogden United Methodist Church, in Mrs. Goldie St. Louis's memory, 6923 S.W. River Road, Fort Ogden, Fla. 34267.

Arrangements were made by Ponger-Kays-Grady Funeral Home in Arcadia, Fla.

ANGELINE MARIE CHODO

Services for Angeline Marie Chiodo, 84, of Westland were held Nov. 10 at John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home in the Santeiu Chapel with the Rev. George Charnley officiating. Burial was at St. Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights.

She was born on Jan. 17, 1916 in McQuirter, W. Va. and died Nov. 7 in Westland. She worked as a housekeeper.

Survivors include her son, Donald L. (Joyce) Chiodo of Canton; one daughter, Catherine Ferrari; one brother, Mike Tiano; three sisters, Mary Bitonti, Victoria Scott, Theresa Mariotti; four grandchildren, Luigi, Joseph, Donald, Gena; and two great grandchildren, Brandon and Amber.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

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ANNA FRENCH

Services for Anna French, 54, of Inkster, formerly of Plymouth, were held Nov. 10 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Leonard Partensky officiating.

She was born on May 1, 1946 in Mexico City, Mexico and died Nov. 7 in Wayne, Mich. She came to the Inkster community in 1986 from Plymouth. She was a bookkeeper for a hotel. She was a loving daughter, sister, and niece. She loved her family.

She was preceded in death by her father, Rodolfo Guzman.

Survivors include her mother, Anita of Westland, six sisters, Sylvia (Steve) Kerluk of California, Olga Olsen of Farmington Hills, Marcella Trudeau of Mexico, Sonia (Brian) Young of Livonia, Maggie (Greg) Maxey of White Lake, Sandra (John) Gilly of Chelsea; two brothers, Rodolfo (Gail) Guzman of Adrian, Michael Guzman of Ann Arbor; and several nieces and nephews.

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Group honors 5 for combating domestic violence

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Five people will be honored for their efforts in combating domestic violence in Wayne County during a special conference Wednesday at Burton Manor in Livonia.

Recognized during the daylong "Avenues of Change" will be outgoing Wayne County Prosecutor John D. O'Hair, Inkster Police Chief Terry Cowell, 3rd Circuit Court Judge Karen Fort-Hood, former Wayne County Family Independence Agency official Gerald Harris and Norma Tucker, director of The Women's Justice Center/My Sister's Place.

The conference, held every five years, offers all involved in family-violence prevention in Wayne County a review of the past five years' accomplishments and a look at "where we need to go," according to Lynda Baker, director of the Wayne County Council Against Family Violence, the conference sponsor.

She noted that, since the 1995 conference, "we have made more strides than ever before in coming together to work on this issue."

The conference, first held in 1990, will draw nearly 300 police officials, social workers, judges,

attorneys, community activists and others dealing with domestic violence to hear some 20 speakers discuss changes in family-violence law, court procedures, the prosecution process, batterer-intervention services, probation, shelter management and services, and law enforcement procedures.

Michigan Attorney Gen. Jennifer Granholm will be the keynote speaker.

Also on the agenda is Nancy Diehl, deputy chief of the county prosecutor's office and chairwoman of the WCCAFV.

Diehl said that, through the conference, "We help each other

stay focused on the ultimate result: the end of family violence."

Among the other speakers will be Deputy County Executive and Prosecutor-elect Michael E. Dugan.

"It will be the first time this body of people will meet (Dugan) and it will give everyone a chance to hear what he has to say about the issues," Baker said.

A special session will be held on elderly abuse, the next project for family-violence workers.

She said the conference is recognizing:

■ O'Hair, an honorary WCCAFV chairman, for his decade of support for the council's mission;

■ Cowell for the implementation within his police department of programs, policies and procedures aimed at stopping domestic violence;

■ Fort-Hood for dedicating her court docket to the issue and for creating a jail program for felony domestic violence offenders;

■ Harris, a former county FIA human resources director, for "three years of groundbreaking

collaboration" among various county offices and the training of more than 3,000 county staff members on the impact of domestic violence on their clients and in the workplace; and

■ Tucker for being "on the cutting edge" of services to be provided through both the justice center and the battered-women's shelter.

The conference also will recognize the new partnerships and collaborations formed to combat family violence.

For information on the conference, call Baker at (313) 224-6894.

State college fund plan improved

Michigan residents can save money by enrolling before the end of the year in the Michigan Education Trust, the state's college tuition savings program.

The MET has extended its deadlines for enrollment and cut processing fees, according to state treasurer Mark Murray. Residents who sign up prior to Dec. 31 will save \$60 in processing fees. Those who sign up before March 31, 2001, will save \$30.

MET allows Michigan parents to pay ahead of time for tuition for their youngsters at state universities or community colleges. Contracts can be purchased in one lump sum or in monthly payments, ranging from \$20 to \$500.

Several improvements have been made to the program for the current enrollment period. Beyond the savings, state residents can now use payroll deduction for the program and a new 10-year program has been added for monthly payers. Termination fees will be waived in some cases if beneficiaries end their contracts. And a one-stop application process has added to the state's MET web site.

For more information, write to the Michigan Education Trust at P.O. Box 30198 Lansing, MI 48909 or click on "College Financing Plans" in the MET web site at www.treasury.state.mi.us.

Job Fair

Last week's article on the Federal Job Fair (with over 45 government agencies participating, including the FBI, CIA and U.S. Customs) left out the contact phone number. Federal Job Fair, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14

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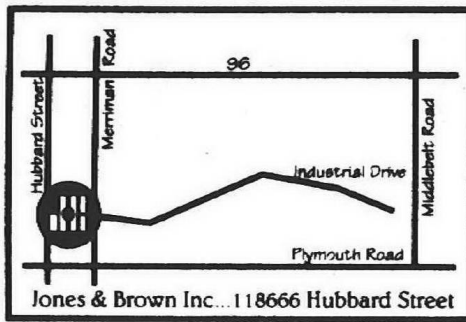
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Schoolcraft nears halfway on Waterman fund drive

BY RICHARD PEARL
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Schoolcraft College is almost halfway to its goal of raising \$13 million for its share of the expansion and renovation of the Waterman Campus Center.

Thanks in part to an increase in gross revenues and the re-categorization of some maintenance and replacement funds, as shown in the college's most recent audit, Schoolcraft has accumulated \$6.1 million toward the project's estimated \$26 million cost.

Remaining funding will come from additional college revenues, a campaign to raise \$5 million and state matching funds.

Schoolcraft President Richard McDowell expressed confidence the college will get the state match of about \$13 million.

"We're confident that our project will be approved if there is any capital outlay funding," said McDowell on Monday. "It takes several years" for a project to be among the top ones under consideration by the capital outlay

committee in Lansing, and Schoolcraft is "up to where it could be funded, if money's available."

The state funds projects by borrowing against bonds and then paying it back.

However, McDowell wasn't sure when the approval would come.

"Typically, they do this in November or December," he said, but it may be next year. After the joint committee of senators and representatives approves the list of projects, it must be approved by both houses and then sent to the governor for his signature.

The project consists of creating a business and industry center and expanding and renovating the building's culinary arts kitchen, classrooms and food service areas. Work is to begin in the spring.

The audit for the fiscal year 1999-2000, conducted by Deloitte & Touche, reported that over \$6.6 million in funds originally for remodeling, renovation and technology replacement expendi-

tures were reclassified to the maintenance and repair fund, "a more appropriate classification," according to the audit.

"We found (the categorizations used) were not reflecting the state accounting manual," explained Butch Raby, college vice president for business services. "We really had not categorized the funds appropriately" according to current guidelines.

Raby said the re-categorizing also is in preparation for accounting changes mandated to take effect in two years for non-profits.

The Schoolcraft audit showed assets of almost \$82 million, an increase of 6 percent over the 1999 total of \$75.8 million.

The audit also showed a 15-percent increase in cash on hand as of June 30, 2000, the end of the fiscal year.

That total went from just over \$720,300 in 1999 to more than \$829,700, with the general fund revenue showing the largest increase, going from \$152,100 the previous year to almost \$644,000.

Group will not pursue recount on Proposal A arts tax vote

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Mark Pischa, campaign manager for the Vote Yes on A Committee, said Friday the group would accept the narrow defeat Tuesday of the so-called "Arts and Parks" tax millage proposal in Oakland County and would not seek a recount.

Pischa said his staff had been reviewing the reported results on Proposal A due to "the close nature of the voting" — a margin of less than two votes per precinct in the county — but that the review "has yielded no apparent anomalies."

"Therefore, the Vote Yes on A campaign will not be pursuing a

recount, and accepts the votes as reported," he said in a prepared statement.

The proposal, which sought to establish a regional cultural and recreational tax and an administrative council, could not take effect unless it was approved by voters in each of the three governmental jurisdictions for which it was intended: Oakland and Wayne counties and the City of Detroit.

The proposed tax would have provided support for 17 designated cultural institutions in Wayne and Oakland County and money for local "arts or recreation" programs. The designated institutions include the Detroit Insti-

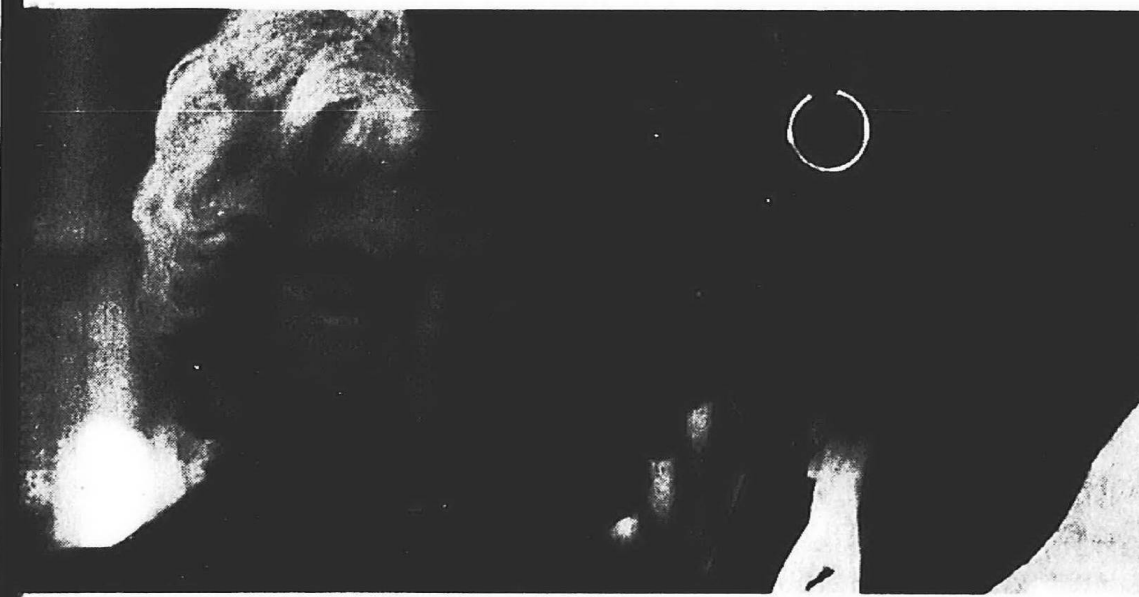
tute of Arts, Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, the Detroit Zoo and the museums of Cranbrook.

Proposal A also failed in Wayne and Detroit because of a Wayne County law requiring a supermajority (60 percent) approval of any new tax.

Ironically, that law was introduced by state Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, a recognized proponent of culture and the arts, when he was on the Wayne County Commission.

The latest unofficial vote totals posted on the Internet by Wayne County showed Proposal A with an approval 55 percent to 45 percent.

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Madonna's class for gumshoes is a surprise hit with students

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So far, Madonna University's experience with offering coursework in private investigation has been good.

Barry Sherman, chairman of the Livonia liberal arts college's criminal justice department, said the first semester of Introduction to Private Investigation had full enrollment and that it will be offered again.

"We had a limit of 35 (students) ... and we had 35 enrollees," said Sherman.

"There is such a demand for it, we're planning to offer it again in the spring/summer semester (even though) we hadn't expected to offer it twice in the same year," he said.

About 70 percent of the students are criminal justice at Madonna, with 20 percent from other disciplines such as paralegal and sociology. The other 10 percent enrolled only to get the private investigation certificate upon completion, Sherman said.

"It really catapulted," he said of the program, which is a 15-

credit-hour, five-course program (each course is worth three credits). Credits can go toward a bachelor's in criminal justice or in other fields or to an associate's degree, he said.

The certificate is not a P.I. license, but rather "a marketing tool for you to get a job in the area of private investigation," said Sherman.

The Michigan State Police issues all P.I. licenses, he said.

While you must be licensed to operate or own an investigative agency, "people who work for an agency don't have to be licensed," nor do those who use the P.I. course to get human resources jobs with insurance companies or the Big Three, he said.

A lot of corporations hire P.I.-trained and experienced people for jobs in security or investigations, Sherman noted, and work in those fields "can be a very lucrative career."

"In corporate security, the salary could easily be \$60,000-plus" per year, he said.

Richard Sands of Southgate, a former electronics engineer at Ford who is studying paralegal

and criminal justice at Madonna, is very positive about the P.I. course.

"There is a lot of overlap (in the course) between what (insurance) adjusters, paralegals, lawyers and private investigators do" and need to know, said Sands.

Sherman said Sands, who is Law Club president at Madonna, has found the classes "extremely interesting and worthwhile." The son of a police officer, Sands is considering attending University of Detroit-Mercy Law School to become an attorney.

Although Madonna's course are its "first venture into the area of private investigation," said Sherman, "it's getting to be so popular we may possibly expand the offerings."

"We'll review it after the first school year - look at enrollment, get student input," he said. "If it's as popular at the end of the year as it is now," there could be additional courses.

Johnny May, a licensed private investigator who also teaches at U-D Mercy and Henry Ford Community College, is Madonna's P.I. instructor.

Sprawl package introduced in House

"Coordinated planning" legislation has been introduced in Lansing in an effort to curtail urban sprawl while preserving "home rule" in local government.

Originally drafted by the Michigan Society of Planning, House Bills 6124-30 would set up a voluntary program providing incentives to communities which coordinate their land use planning with surrounding communities and with regional and state level governments. The package is sponsored by Reps. John Jellema, R-Grand Haven, William Byl, R-Grand Rapids, Patricia Birkholz, R-Sagatuck, and Andrew Richner, R-Grosse Pointe Park.

Although there is little legisla-

tive time left before the end of session this year, Jellema and the MSP have indicated the bills will be reintroduced early next year if they do not pass this fall.

The purpose of the package, according to Jellema, is to increase predictability of land use, improve infrastructure decision-making and encourage communities to share their planning with neighbors.

The legislation would consolidate Michigan's four current planning acts into a single law, set up guidelines for local and regional planning, and require a capital improvement plan be a part of the strategy. The bill provides funding to assure that zoning be consistent with adopted

community master plans.

Communities that choose to participate would have seven years to bring their plans into compliance with the coordinated plan act, allowing them to win state grants for maintaining the planning program. The state would provide technical assistance and data. Joint planning commissions between communities would be established. Plans adopted by communities under the bill would have to be shared with neighboring communities.

Copies of House Bill 6124-30 can be obtained by calling (517) 373-0838 or by writing to P.O. Box 30014, Lansing, MI 48909.

LightFest begins on Thursday

The holiday season gets a big boost Thursday evening, Nov. 16, when the Wayne County LightFest in Hines Park opens for public cruising and viewing.

The eighth annual LightFest will feature 30 giant animated displays and almost a million lights - the most in festival history. Among the displays will be Santa's Colossal Sleigh rising into the sky, Santa's Flight School with parachuting reindeer, a Giant Polka-dot Wreath and even the Loch Ness Monster.

The LightFest runs 7-10 p.m. nightly Nov. 16 to Jan. 1 (except for Christmas Day, Dec. 25) along 4-1/2 miles of Hines Drive, from Westland to Dearborn Heights.

Viewers can enter the LightFest at Hines and Merriman, 2-1/2 miles south of Interstate 96 in Westland. Hines will close

each night to regular traffic at 5:45 p.m.

At the end of the drive, visitors can stop at Santa's Shelter in the Warrendale Picnic Area for refreshments, gift shopping and - after Nov. 23 - have a photograph taken with Santa Claus.

County officials said a minimum donation of \$5 per car keeps the LightFest operating. There is an additional charge for commercial vehicles and buses which are encouraged to pre-register.

"More than 100,000 people attended LightFest last year," noted County Executive Edward H. McNamara, "and thanks to their generous donations and our event sponsors, we've been able to continue the tradition this year."

Wayne County Parks Director Hurley Coleman praised staff

efforts and "the outstanding leadership of Wayne County" for making the 2000 LightFest "the biggest holiday light show in the Midwest."

"It makes us feel good to continue to be part of this family tradition of creating good memories during the holidays," he said.

Wayne County's fourth annual charity LightFest 5K Fun Run, scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 22, will give participants a preview of the LightFest because the displays will be lit to guide the runners.

Pre-race registration is \$18, with race-day's fee \$20. The fee is \$10 for high-school and younger runners.

For more information on either event or to arrange bus/limo tours of the LightFest for Nov. 16 or later, call (734) 261-1990.

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Top prospects

Four members of the Compuware's North American Hockey League squad will participate in the USA Top Prospects tourney at Compuware Arena in Plymouth next month.

Ambassador defenseman Andy Greene and center Dan Knapp will play for the NAHL team in the tourney on Dec. 4-6, made up of players from the America West, North American and United States hockey leagues, as well as an at-large team. Defenseman Andy Bozian and forward Dan Fritsche will also play for the at-large squad. Wayne native Craig Pincopak (Chicago Freeze) also will skate for the NAHL team.

Both leagues will be sending an 18-man roster made up of their top American-born players to compete in the round-robin format.

Blackhawks are best

The Canton Blackhawks, an under-14 boys soccer team, was unbeaten this fall season, posting an 8-0-1 record in the Huron Division of the Great Lakes Soccer League.

Team members are Kevin Cafarelli, Mike Geisman, Duke Kapelanski, Eddie Kubicki, Eric Martin, David Maryanski, Dan McClure, Andrew Proctor, Andrew Psilis, Jerry Reid, Jon Schneider and Neil Richter. The Blackhawks are coached by Dan Cafarelli, Duke Schneider and Mark Richter.

Indoor soccer

Total Soccer in Wixom will be running its second winter session starting Jan. 2, 2001, for youth, adult and co-ed soccer leagues.

The leagues are available for 6-on-6, 8-on-8 and 11-on-11 groups. Registration deadline is Dec. 1. To register or for more information, call (248) 668-0166 or register by e-mail at total@bignet.net.

Catching camp

A baseball camp for catchers will be from 9 a.m. until noon (ages 7-12) and 1-4 p.m. (ages 13-17) on Saturday, Dec. 16 at Total Baseball, 30990 S. Wixom Road, Wixom.

Instructors include coaches from Plymouth Salem and Willow Run high schools, along with a former assistant from Michigan and Michigan State.

The registration fee is \$55. For more information, call (248) 668-0166 or e-mail bjjerke@aol.com.

Holiday camps

Total Baseball, 30990 S. Wixom Road, Wixom, will stage a baseball/softball game (ages 7-18) Tuesday through Thursday, Dec. 26-28.

The cost is \$110 per player (\$10 discount for each additional child).

Instructors include local collegiate coaches and former minor leaguers. Players will learn techniques in pitching, hitting and fielding, along with pitching skills.

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WSU baseball clinic

The Wayne State University baseball team and coaching staff will conduct a clinic on the fundamentals of hitting, throwing and fielding Friday through Sunday, Nov. 23-25.

The cost for three four-hour sessions is \$100.

Sessions each day are available from 8 a.m. to noon or 12:30-4:30 p.m.

For more information, call (313) 393-0202 or (810) 560-7301.

Used equipment sale

The Canton Parks and Recreation Services is once again sponsoring its annual used sports equipment sale, which will be 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2 at the Pheasant Run Golf Club clubhouse in Canton.

Those wishing to sell items may drop them off at Pheasant Run from 9 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 30. Sellers set the prices and keep the money, minus 15 percent which goes to the Parks and Recreation, which provides the volunteers to do the selling. Money and/or unsold items may be claimed from 1-2 p.m. Dec. 2.

For more information, call the Parks and Recreation services at (734) 397-5110.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36281 Behastraße/Livonia, MI, 48150, or may FAX them to (734) 581-8978.

Weiss rates with OHL elite



There are several reasons for the Plymouth Whalers to once again be the powerhouse of the Ontario Hockey League. One of the "biggest" is Stephen Weiss, who is somewhat small in stature but has posted big numbers.

BY NICHOLAS A. GIMONDI
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Stephen Weiss has never been a fan of clichés, so it was no surprise that he has shrugged off the numerous ones used to compare him to some of the NHL's greatest players.

Many scouts say that the 17-year-old

native of Toronto is similar in style and heritage to Red Wings' great Steve Yastrom. At 5-foot-11 and 165 pounds, Weiss is far from the biggest player on the ice, but his numbers tell a different story.

In his second year of playing for the Plymouth Whalers in the Ontario Hockey League, he has already racked

up 17 goals and 18 assists for 35 points in just 18 games. His efforts helped propel the Whalers to the top of the OHL, as well as the No. 1-ranking in the Canadian Hockey League.

As a reward for his quick start, last week Weiss was named the OHL's player of the week and the OHL's player of the month for October.

When the Whalers made the left-handed center 30th overall choice in the 1999 OHL priority selection draft, one might say they got lucky. Both the Erie Otters and Kitchener Rangers told

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Wolves end Canton's run

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Baseball Hall of Famer Nolan Ryan was once known as the Ryan Express. After Friday's regional final football game, he might have to hand over the nickname.

Clarkston senior quarterback Ryan Kaul and senior wide receiver Ryan Briceland made big play after big play, helping the host Wolves to a 41-31 win over Plymouth Canton in the Division 1 regional finals in front of 9,500 fans at the Clarkston Football Stadium.

With the win, the Wolves (12-0) advance to the state semifinals for the second consecutive season, taking on the winner of Saturday's Rockford-Grand Ledge game. The semifinal will be played at Lansing Everett High School. Canton's season ends with an 8-4 record.

The game had enough momentum swings to make a pendulum envious, as both teams capitalized on each other's mistakes and kept the game's result in doubt until the very end. But it was the play of the two Ryans for Clarkston that made the difference.

Kaul completed 15 of 18 passes for 256 yards and two touchdowns, and scored two more TDs running the ball. Briceland set new career highs with 11 receptions for 197 yards and two touchdowns. Their play helped to give Clarkston head coach Kurt Richardson his 100th career victory.

"They spread the field out and played a cover 2, which meant the middle of



Breaking loose: Canton's Bill Gazsi (33) finds some running room thanks to blocks from Matt Nuss (right), Brandon Wright (75) and Tim Koerner (50).

the field was open," Kaul said. "We've been hitting the drag rout all year, and they have to think about (senior wide receiver Adam) Gebus on the deep rout. Briceland would just find the seam and

be wide open." "Every time the heat was on, he would deliver," Richardson said of his quarterback. "They both stepped it up and got it done. And I thought the

offensive line did a great job of pass protecting. We didn't give up a sack all night."

Canton coach Tim Beecher said he

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Quarterbacks put on quite a show

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

On a night better suited for flying a kite than throwing a football, Clarkston quarterback Ryan Kaul and Plymouth Canton quarterback Oliver Wolcott overcame the elements — and the opposing defenses — to orchestrate impressive aerial shows in Friday night's Division I Regional final played at Clarkston.

With a 20-to-30 mile-an-hour crosswind whipping across the field most of the night, both senior signal-callers rose to the occasion in Clarkston's 41-31 victory. Kaul shredded the Canton defensive backfield,

connecting on 15-of-18 passes for 256, while Wolcott had his most productive night of the season, completing nine-of-18 attempts for 110 yards.

Kaul was especially effective throwing to long-time toss-and-catch partner Ryan Briceland, who caught 11 passes for 186 yards.

"Ryan and I have been playing together since eighth grade, so we know what the other one is thinking most of the time," Kaul said. "I know where he's going to be and I know he's going to catch the

ball if I get it close to him." Briceland and Kaul — the "Ryan" Express — have lost just two games in the five years of organized football they have played together.

"When we split two receivers out wide tonight, I was single covered most of the time," Briceland said. "I was running a lot of 15-yard hooks and outs, which have been our bread-and-butter plays all season. Ryan was putting the ball right where it had to be and our coaching staff did a great job of figuring out what plays would work."

"Both the Ryans played great tonight," said Clark-

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Pursuing a championship

Sarkesian a significant part of Notre Dame's season

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All Mia Sarkesian really wants from her current season at Notre Dame is a repeat of last season — with one "minor" alteration.

Let her team take that one last step. Last year, Notre Dame was eliminated by North Carolina in the NCAA women's soccer championship match. Sarkesian, from a powerhouse midstate, started 22 games for the Irish, including all three NCAA Tournament games.

Talk to her now and this Plymouth Salem graduate seems willing to accept any personal accolade if it will deliver that NCAA title to Notre Dame. Noted for her offensive skills, Sarkesian has become more defensively adept.

"I want recognition, even playing time would gladly welcome it," she said.

It's not working out that way for Sarkesian. "I don't think there's anything wrong with me," she said. "I just don't seem to be getting the playing time I want."

She's not alone. "I'm not sure if it's me or the coaching staff," she said. "I don't know if it's important to the coaching staff and their coaches."

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Ocelots aiming for another strong season

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HOOP PREVIEW

Just the way he stood up — slowly, achingly — and then shuffled out of the room, one would not have connected this guy with the NJCAA All-American who had put Schoolcraft College basketball on the map in

the early '80s. Carlos Briggs doesn't play basketball that much any more. He coaches it. But last Wednesday, he joined a bunch of other former SC alumni on the court in a

game against his current crop of players.

On Friday, he was still hobbled by that decision.

And yet, don't think for a moment Briggs wasn't coaching when he was out on that court with the other alumni. Indeed, even as he limped from the room his team meets in every school day afternoon for mandatory study hall, he was teaching something.

Always play to win, whatever the sacrifice.

Now in his fourth year as SC's coach, Briggs has made the Ocelots one of the top basketball programs in the NJCAA's midwest. He has a 74-19 record in his three seasons, including a 24-7 mark in 1999-2000 (champions of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference at 15-1), which earned him MCCA Coach of the Year accolades.

While those numbers are indeed impressive, there's another figure Briggs is far more proud of.

Seven players from last season's squad have left; six of them have scholarships to play basketball at a four-year college, four in Division I (the seventh player will walk-on at Michigan-Dearborn).

"That's the main thing," said Briggs. "That's why we're able to recruit the quality of athletes we are. They see we can move people on."

Certainly it's something to be proud of. But the next couple of years, according to Briggs, will provide different challenges.

Such as keeping the wins rolling in.

"When I took this job, there were four things I wanted to do," Briggs said. "One, get quality kids. We've done that. Two, get competitive. We did that.

"Three, win a championship. We did that last year when we won the conference.

"Now comes number four, which is maintaining the high standards we've set. That may be the toughest thing to do. To do that, we have to maintain our focus."

To do that, Briggs must first



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Returning: Schoolcraft has lost a lot from last season, but among the key returnees is Nick Evola, who averaged nearly nine points and 3.6 rebounds a game.

make sure step No. 1 is taken care of. Gone from last season's squad are the team's top four scorers and six key players: Robert Brown (now at University of Buffalo), Lamar Bigby (San Jose State), Quentin Mitchell and Brian Williams (Western Illinois), Reggie Kirkland (Wayne State) and Chris Colley (Morehead State in Minnesota).

Brown, Bigby, Mitchell and Mike Williams — a 10.3 points-per-game scorer last season who is redshirting this year to improve his physical and academic stature — combined to score nearly 60 points a game for SC last season.

That's a lot to replace. But SC's cupboard isn't bare, by any means.

Indeed, Briggs has brought in

quite a few transfers to help offset the losses. "We lost a lot of kids, but we've brought in a lot," he said. "We're bigger than we were last year."

Two of his bigger transfers are former Redford Bishop Borgess standout Sam Hoskin, a 6-foot-8, 260-pounder, and Keanan Wier, a 6-6 forward from Detroit King. Both played at Eastern Kentucky last year.

Hoskin, who recently signed with DePaul, averaged 15 points and eight rebounds per game last year at ECU before transferring.

Other transfers who will make an impact are Derrick Bird, a 6-4 wing player from Ypsilanti HS who was at Central Michigan last season, and Colin Wilkinson, a 6-2 shooting guard from

Dearborn HS and Hillsdale College.

They'll augment returnees Nick Evola, a 6-7 sophomore (8.9 points, 3.6 rebounds), who has already committed to Western Michigan, and Dwight Windom III, a 6-5 do-everything sixth man-type who averaged 7.1 points and 5.7 rebounds last season.

Then there's 6-2 point guard Mike Peek, 6-6, 245-pound forward Dwayne Holmes and 5-10 guard Dave McGlown.

All were redshirts last season; Peek and McGlown played for SC in 1998-99. Peek, who originally committed to Wright State out of high school in Cincinnati, redshirted last year after breaking his foot and McGlown attended (but did not play at) Florida A&M, then transferred back.

"We have depth, experience, size," said Briggs. "We have a lot of guys who are redshirt sophomores or are sophomores."

What Briggs feels may be missing is what he personally put on display Wednesday: character. "I don't know if we're as hungry as last year's team," the SC coach said. "We have a lot of nice guys on this team. What we need is for someone to step up and be mean."

"On the court, we need them to be tough."

One of Briggs' more promising first-year players is 6-6 forward Emir Medunjanin, from North Farmington. However, he also needs to be tougher.

"He'll be somewhere in our rotation for sure," Briggs said. "How high up is up to him. He's definitely one of our best athletes. He's a much better player than I thought he was."

Instilling those missing ingredients on a team that must be rebuilt — and then play against the likes of Mott CC, Alpena CC, St. Clair CCC and a much-improved Wayne CCC — is Briggs' early-season goal.

"Chemistry and toughness," he said, outlining his team's needs. "We've been getting better. I've been hard on these guys."

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Eagles' late basket downs Agape, 34-33

Canton Agape couldn't quite pull out a victory in its final regular season girls basketball game.

Jennifer Jangarian made a layup with 30 seconds to play Thursday night to lift Southfield Christian past Agape, 34-33.

A desperation shot by the Wolverines was wide of the mark.

Turnovers cost Agape a 27-20 lead in the fourth quarter at Southfield Christian (9-10) outscored the visitors 14-6 over the final eight minutes.

Jangarian led the Eagles with 14 points while Margie Henry paced Agape (14-6) with 13 and Amy Henry scored 10.

Southfield was 3-for-8 from the free throw line while Agape went 2-for-3.

Greenhills 71, PCA 38: It was over quickly for Plymouth Christian Academy Tuesday at PCA.

Ann Arbor Greenhills rolled to a 37-18 lead by halftime and never looked back in trouncing the Eagles.

The loss left PCA with a 13-6 record. The Gryphons improved to 14-5.

Kim Guilfoyle led the Eagles with eight points and 11 rebounds. Greenhills got 12 points from Karen Casgrain.

Agape 35, Warren Zoe 23: Canton Agape Christian managed to stay ahead of Warren Zoe Christian all the way, opening up a 17-11 lead by halftime and expanding it to 27-18 after three quarters Monday at Zoe.

Kelly Blackney's 11 points led the Wolverines. Jasmine Harris scored 10 for Zoe Christian.

Agape 49, World Outreach 16: It was never in doubt for Canton Agape Christian Tuesday at Detroit World Outreach.

The Wolverines, led by Amy Henry with 13 points and Amber Cross with 12, built a 26-9 lead by halftime.

Linda Jones and Andrea Ponce were best for World Outreach with five points apiece.

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Victory takes Madonna to NAIA Tourney

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The ordeal had ended for Madonna University women's soccer coach Rick Larson. After 126 minutes of agonizing, scoreless action in the Lady Crusaders' NAIA Region VIII semifinal against St. Francis last Wednesday, Michele Vetrano (from Livonia Stevenson) had finally scored to send Madonna to the regional finals.

His team was still a heavy favorite to win the region and advance to the NAIA Tournament, but Larson wasn't feeling

very favored just then. When Madonna assistant athletic director Bryan Rizzo tried to give Larson the championship plaque to safeguard until Saturday's final, Larson was repulsed.

"Take it away," he told Rizzo. "I don't even want to see it. Not yet."

A bit superstitious, coach? "With this kind of thing I am," he answered.

By mid-afternoon Saturday, Larson's wariness had melted away — thanks to the heat applied by his Crusaders, who

swarmed all over their regional finalist foe, Indiana Wesleyan, in posting a 3-0 victory at Plymouth Canton HS.

"I've already put my hands on (the plaque)," Larson said after the game. "So I know we're safe."

No one can take it away now. The Crusaders, who improved to 18-2-1, become the first Madonna soccer team to advance to the NAIA Tournament, a 16-team event that begins Thursday at St. Thomas University in Miami.

Wesleyan ends its season with a 17-5-1 record.

"I think we were a bit more attack-oriented today," said Larson. "I could

tell in our warm-ups our attitude was different."

Not-so-loosely translated, that means better. The Crusaders jumped all over the Wildcats from the start and never let up. By halftime, they had a 2-0 lead — and a 10-2 advantage in shots (5-2 in shots on net), aided by an 8-0 edge in corner kicks.

The game's first goal came off a set piece, with Kelly Delaney angling a corner kick to the far post, where Tanya Bruce headed it home with 30:57 left in the half.

A Wesleyan mistake led to goal No. 2. Bruce got off a shot that Wildcat keeper

Raleigh Tillman made the initial stop on, but then let the ball bounce out of her grasp for Susannah Bryant to pounce on, making it 2-0 with 20:36 left in the half.

The situation didn't improve much for Wesleyan in the second half. With 37:14 remaining in the match, several Crusaders swarmed toward the Wildcat goal chasing down a Bryant cross. Brianna Sleek put the ball in front for Emily Jackson (Farmington Harrison), whose shot bounced in off of Vetrano to make it 3-0.

Jennifer Barker (Stevenson) stopped 10 shots in goal for Madonna.

Wings rip Rockers

After one promising victory, the Detroit Rockers have slipped.

The Wichita Wings avenged their earlier fourth-quarter loss to the Rockers on Oct. 29 by beating the Rockers 19-8 last Sunday at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

The Wings went ahead 7-0 on two-point goals by Andy Cyrus and Jason Dunn and a three-pointer by Dino Delevski, the latter scored at 3:07 of the second quarter. Joel Shanker accounted for Detroit's first points, on an assist from Shawn Boney, 27 seconds later in the second period.

Before halftime, Wichita's

Larry Inlow (two-pointer) and Jason Dunn (one-pointer) sandwiched goals around a deuce by Detroit's Boney, making it 10-4 at the intermission.

Goals by Shanker and Costas Decu helped Detroit narrow the gap to 10-8 early in the fourth quarter, but the Rockers would draw no closer. Two-pointers by Dino Delevski and Jamie Harding, and two twos by Jason Dunn, clinched it for the Wings, who improved to 2-1.

The Rockers, who host Philadelphia Friday at Compuware Arena, are now 1-3.

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Monday, Nov. 13: (A) Livonia Ladywood vs. (B) Detroit Redford, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 15: Southfield vs. Redford Union, 6 p.m.; Livonia Stevenson vs. A-B winner, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Livonia Ladywood regional semifinals vs. Detroit Mackenzie district champion.)

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Monday, Nov. 13: (A) Livonia Franklin vs. (B) Wayne Memorial, 6 p.m.; (C) Garden City vs. (B) Romulus, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 15: Westland John Glenn vs. C-D winner, 6 p.m.; Belleville at A-B winner, 7:45 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: Championship final, 5:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the Ypsilanti-Lincoln regional semifinals vs. Taylor Kennedy district champion.)

at WEST BLOOMFIELD

Monday, Nov. 13: (A) Farmington vs. (B) Farmington Hills Mercy, 6 p.m.; (C) Farmington Hills Harrison vs. (D) West Bloomfield, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 15: North Farmington vs. C-D winner, 6 p.m.; Bloomfield Hills Lahser vs. A-B winner, 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Southfield-Lathrup regional semifinals vs. Northville district champion.)

at NORTHVILLE

Monday, Nov. 13: (A) Northville vs. (B) Livonia Churchill, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 15: Plymouth Canton vs. Novi, 5:30 p.m.; Plymouth Salem

vs. A-B winner, 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Southfield-Lathrup regional semifinals vs. West Bloomfield district champion.)

CLASS B

Monday, Nov. 13: (A) Redford Thurston vs. (B) Royal Oak Dondero, 6 p.m.; (C) Bloomfield Hills Andover vs. (D) Birmingham Seaholm, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 15: Beverly Hills-Detroit Country Day vs. A-B winner, 6 p.m.; Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook vs. C-D winner, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Madison Heights Bishop Foley vs. St. Clair Shores Lake Shore district champion.)

CLASS C

Monday, Nov. 13: (A) Southfield Christian vs. (B) Detroit Benedictine, 5:30 p.m.; (C) Redford Bishop Borgess vs. (D) Livonia Clarenceville, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 15: Detroit DePores vs. Dearborn Henry Ford Academy, 5:30 p.m.; A-B winner vs. C-D winner, 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Petersburg-Summerfield vs. Ida district champion.)

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Wednesday, Nov. 15: Dundee vs. A-B winner, 5:30 p.m.; Lutheran High West-

land vs. C-D winner, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Petersburg-Summerfield vs. Allen Park Cabrini district champion.)

CLASS D

Monday, Nov. 13: (A) Detroit Urban Lutheran vs. (B) Redford St. Agatha, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 16: Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs. Plymouth Christian Academy, 6 p.m.; Canton Agape Christian vs. A-B winner, 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 17: Championship final, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Adrian-Madison vs. Adrian-Madison district champion.)

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Ohio Dominican at Madonna, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 14

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Wednesday, Nov. 15

Madonna at O.L. St. Mary's, 7 p.m.

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Friday, Nov. 17

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Saturday, Nov. 18

Madonna at Huntington (Ind.) Tournament, 1 & 3 p.m.

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Saturday, Nov. 18

(RU invite at Redford Arena) Redford Union vs. Canton, 7:45 p.m.

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Deeper Crusaders seek to improve

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Know what Madonna University women's basketball coach Marylou Jansen doesn't want this season?

She doesn't want a March like last March, one in which her team's season was already over and she was left thinking, "If only . . ."

That's all. She's not asking for the world here (well, if a 6-foot-1 center happens to drop in and join the team, she won't complain). Just a full campaign with all her players.

The wins will take care of themselves. Last season, perhaps Madonna's best player — 5-foot-11 forward Kathy Panganis — suffered a torn anterior cruciate ligament and was lost after the fourth game. At the time, Panganis was leading the Crusaders in scoring (12.8 points) and shooting percentage (55.6 percent).

Together with the now-graduated

Chris Dietrich (15.3 points a game), they provided Madonna with its consistency on offense.

"She made all-conference as a sophomore," said Jansen of Panganis. "That was a huge loss. I don't think we ever made the adjustment."

Jansen doesn't want to have to make any similar adjustments this season. Panganis received a medical redshirt and has returned, with junior-class status.

That should help offset the loss to graduation of Dietrich and Jennifer Jacek (five points, three rebounds a game in 24 starts).

Madonna, which still managed to post a 12-15 overall record (8-8 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference), has the talent and experience to improve on those numbers.

Joining Panganis on the list of

returnees are co-captains Kristi Fiorenzi, a 5-10 senior forward (from Plymouth Canton HS); Melissa Poma, a 5-10 senior forward (Plymouth/Livonia Ladywood HS); and Carissa Gizicki, a 5-6 junior guard.

Fiorenzi stepped up her game last season and helped offset the loss of Panganis somewhat, averaging 10.9 points and a team-best 7.3 rebounds. Poma (3.1 points, 2.2 rebounds) was a valuable contributor mainly off the bench, and Gizicki (6.4 points, 3.7 rebounds, 4.2 assists) figures to be a starting guard.

Other returnees are 6-3 senior center Lori Enfield (10 points, 6.2 rebounds); 5-6 senior guard Michelle Miela (8.6 points, 2.0 assists, 41.2 percent on three-pointers); 5-10 senior forward Jackie Kocis (3.4 points, 2.2 rebounds); and 5-7 sophomore guard Nikki Blaszk (2.0 points).

Among the five newcomers, the two that could have the greatest immediate impact are 5-7 junior guard Mahogany

Fletcher (Farmington Harrison), a transfer from Oakland CC, and 5-11 freshman forward Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin), a redshirt volleyball player with Madonna who has just recovered from a knee injury suffered last spring.

Others who will help are Lorian Techirhart, a 5-4 sophomore guard from Woodhaven; Jamie Bobrowski, a 5-9 freshman forward from Wyandotte (Mt. Carmel HS); and Kristin Taulbee, a 5-5 guard from Howell.

Madonna opened its season this weekend, playing at Urbana (Ohio) University Friday and at Central State (Wilberforce, Ohio) Saturday. They continue on the road this weekend at the Huntington College Tournament.

"They're at that stage right now where they can't wait to play a game," said Jansen. "It's going to make a huge difference (having Panganis). And Fletcher will help a lot — she has lots of (collegiate-level) experience and she's lightning-fast."

Jansen figures her current team has

"more balance. We're deeper than we've been, and that's been one of our goals."

"Most of the teams we play have two or three girls who are 6-1 or better. Ours are 5-10. That's OK if you have speed to offset it. Last year, we didn't have either."

The new members of the backcourt should improve the team's speed. Another favorable factor for the Crusaders will be experience.

"We have five seniors and eight returnees," noted Jansen. "Any time you have that kind of experience, you need to take advantage of it."

"We're working hard to have balance in our attack, a lot more scoring options. There were times last year that if Chris (Dietrich) wasn't out there, we were lost."

With improved depth and balance, Madonna should have no similar recurrences. Whether or not the improvements are enough to take the Crusaders into the upper echelon of the WHAC remains to be seen.

Rochester wrecks Madonna's home opener

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You could almost hear the air seeping out of the balloon.

The so-called balloon was Madonna University's men's basketball season, which had gotten off to a fast start with two road wins. The air escaping from the balloon was last Thursday's home-opener against Rochester College, a sobering return-to-reality in which the Fighting Crusaders fell victim to a 26-4 first-half run.

The result of that Rochester run was an 83-66 loss for Madonna, its first of the season.

"We didn't shoot well," admitted Crusader coach Bernie Holowicki. "But (Rochester) caused a lot of that. I was proud of the way we didn't give up. Even at the end we kept battling."

Madonna's lack of experience certainly hurt. Example: With the first half winding down, a layup by Joe Greene narrowed the deficit to 41-29.

The Crusaders then forced a miss by Rochester, but gave up an offensive rebound — which led to a three-pointer by Jenero

Dawoud and a 15-point Rochester lead.

Holowicki instructed his team to play for one final shot. But it came too early, and it missed; Rochester rebounded, got an outlet pass downcourt to Terry Patterson, and he laid it in at the buzzer.

What had been a 12-point lead with 49 seconds left was 17 at the intermission.

"At the end of the half, we had five freshmen out there," noted Holowicki. Then he added, "The upperclassmen didn't lead the way I expected them to."

Madonna never got closer than 15 in the second half. The Cru-

saders, whose roster includes nine freshmen, two sophomores, a junior and a senior, were led by freshman John Bennett (from Livonia Churchill) with 24 points and five rebounds.

Mike Massey added 18 points and Narvin Russaw had five points and 10 rebounds.

For Rochester, Patterson had 24 points and nine rebounds; Dawoud totaled 22 points (19 in the first half) on 5-of-7 three-point shooting; and Mike Robinson netted 18 points. Pete Males (from Schoolcraft College/Garden City HS) finished with eight points and seven assists.

Rochester, which improved to

2-0, connected on 29-of-61 from the floor (47.5 percent), including 10-of-23 on three-pointers (43.5 percent); Madonna was 25-of-71 (35.2 percent) and made just 5-of-21 threes (23.8 percent).

Madonna hosts Ohio Dominican at 7 p.m. Monday.

Lady Crusaders lose

Poor shooting in the second half proved to be Madonna University's downfall in its season-opener at Urbana University Friday.

The Lady Crusaders connected on just 14-of-38 from the floor (36.8 percent) and made just 5-of-11 free throws (45.5 percent)

in falling, 89-70 in Urbana, Ohio.

Kristi Fiorenzi (from Plymouth Canton) paced Madonna with 25 points (on 12-of-18 shooting) and eight rebounds. Kathy Panganis added 16 points (7-of-14 from the field) and 10 boards.

Urbana, which made 16-of-34 from the floor in the second half (47.1 percent), had far more scoring balance than Madonna, with Molly Mahaffey scoring 26 points, Joslyn Pfau adding 18, Ashantice Higgins getting 16 (with eight rebounds) and Michelle Matkins collecting 11.

Madonna played at Central State (Ohio) Saturday night.



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was impressed with Clarkston's passing game, but credited his players with hanging in the whole way.

"Briceland is just a great receiver. He's got speed and ran great routes," he said. "Their quarterback was the difference. He's a stud. But our kids gave a great effort. We made some plays on offense that kept us in it."

Clarkston held a 20-17 half-time lead in a first half that featured a little bit of everything. The Wolves scored on their first possession on a 16-yard Kaul-to-Briceland passing play. But Canton answered immediately with a spectacular 91-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by senior Jerry Gaines. Clarkston's kick coverage was sucked onto the near side of the field, and Gaines used his speed and cutting ability to sprint untouched for the tying score.

Clarkston fired right back with its speed threat. Gebus took the following kickoff back 85 yards for a touchdown, putting Clarkston up 14-7 just 25 seconds after it had a 7-0 lead. Junior Shane Bennett made a key block and Gebus sprinted through a wide hole in the kick coverage to take it the distance.

Canton's next score came under even more unusual circumstances. Kaul found Gebus on an apparent 56-yard scoring bomb, which would have given Clarkston a 21-7 second-quarter lead. But offensive pass interference was called on the play, putting Clarkston in a second-and-25 hole. The Chiefs stuffed the Wolves on the next two plays, setting up a fourth-and-30 punt.

Canton's Eric Moten broke through the line and blocked the punt and appeared to scoop up the loose ball and run a few yards. Kaul, also Clarkston's punter, forced a fumble and recovered it on the Clarkston 2-yard-line, which would have given the Wolves the ball back. But the officials ruled Moten



Touchdown touch: Jerry Gaines, his arm still in a sling, returned a kickoff for a touchdown.

never had possession of the ball, which nullified the fumble.

As a result, Canton was given the ball at Clarkston's two-yard-line. On the next play, junior Bill Gassi scored a touchdown which knotted the game 14-14.

Kaul scored on a quarterback sneak, which was followed up by a Canton field goal with one second left in the second quarter, sending the teams into the locker room with a 20-17 score.

The teams traded touchdowns in the second half, with the Chiefs coming up with several clutch plays to counter Clarkston's offensive attack. Canton converted four of five fourth-down chances in the game, including an amazing play in the fourth quarter. Canton quarterback Oliver Wolcott fired a fourth-and-13 pass over the middle which was tipped twice and eventually caught by teammate Chris Smilo. Two plays later, halfback Chad Fuller powered into the end zone to make the score 34-31 Clarkston with 3:46 left in the game. The Wolves responded with a

terrific drive of their own. Briceland made a 16-yard catch on second-and-15 after Clarkston was set back because of a penalty. Senior running back Rob Conley then ran the ball five straight plays, totaling 36 of his game-high 106 yards, setting his team up at the two-yard-line. Kaul's second rushing touchdown of the game put Clarkston up 10.

Senior defensive back Ben Horstman intercepted a Wolcott pass on Canton's last play from scrimmage, ending the Chiefs' season. Wolcott had a solid game through the air, completing nine of 17 passes for 117 yards. Junior fullback Dane Kobus led the Chiefs in rushing with 74 yards and a touchdown. Fuller ran for 30 yards, while Gassi rumbled for 36. Clarkston outrushed the Chiefs 149-140, but Baechler said it was the passing game that really hurt his team.

"They are a great passing team, and they run the ball just enough to keep you honest," he said. "I don't know if their running game is good enough to win it all."

"They spread us out," he said of Clarkston's passing attack. "We have to become a faster defensive team in the offense, and we have to become better defensive coaches. If you want to move on after getting this far, you have to be able to play defense."

Richardson said his team has work to do on defense as well. "We have to make a play defensively," he said. "We have a lot of work to do this week."

Last year, Clarkston lost to Utica Eisenhower 14-9 in the Division 1 semifinals. Clarkston committed seven turnovers and still had a chance to win the game in the end. Clarkston has never played in the state finals, and should the Wolves win next weekend, they will play at the Pontiac Silverdome on Saturday, Nov. 25 at 1 p.m.

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ston coach Kurt Richardson. "Their record since eighth grade is 49-3, and they showed why tonight. Our offensive line also deserves a lot of credit because they gave Ryan Kaul a lot of time to throw."

Canton coach Tim Baechler said his coaching staff prepared the best it could for Clarkston's lightning-quick passing attack.

"People say it's hard to prepare for our offense in practice; well, it's hard to simulate their offense too because they have so much speed," Baechler said. "That quarterback they have is a stud. He moves well and he's a very accurate passer."

"One of our biggest problems was we couldn't get a pass rush going all night. You can't give a quarterback like they have a lot of time or you're going to get beat. The three losses we had this year were all against very fast teams. Myself and my coaches are going to have to make that a priority this off season -- to improve our defense against quick teams."

Wolcott showed that he can do more than hand the ball off and carry out fakes in Canton's ground-based offense. The senior made several clutch throws in third- and fourth-down situations to keep alive Chief drives

late in Friday's game. His biggest completion came on a fourth-and-13 play with 4:08 to go in the game when he hit junior tight end Chris Smilo for a 22-yard completion to the Clarkston 7.

"Oliver made some big plays for us tonight," Baechler said. "Briceland was impressed -- and somewhat surprised -- by his counterparts' passing attack."

"All we heard all week was that they ran all the time and never threw the ball," he said. "But Canton threw the ball as well as a lot of teams we've played this year."

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relishes. "I love the formation we play," Sarkesian said, explaining Waldrum's triangle-shaped mid-field set-up. It features senior Anne Makinen in a more offensive role, with Sarkesian and the other midfielder roaming sideline to sideline. "We're always overlapping, and our two outside defenders can make runs up (on offense)."

"Actually, I'm in more of a defensive role. I wouldn't mind playing more of an attacking role, but we have such awesome

players." Which is why she's so optimistic about her team's chances to win an NCAA title. "North Carolina's always a great team and Nebraska will be up there," Sarkesian said. "I think we have a great shot. As long as we can play with our heart, it can happen."

"We have to take each game, focus on each and take it one at a time."

She's been there, so she knows what she's talking about. Indeed,

Waldrum believes she may someday take her game to another level.

"Mia has all the technical skills," he said. "Tactically, she's got it down. Her vision on the field -- she sees it so well. She just needs to get a look (by the national team)."

All that could come to pass, but for now Sarkesian is concerned about just one thing: capturing an NCAA championship.

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200-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY Championship A beat: 1. Northville (Amy Black, Deirdre Schwirring, Jenny Carr, Shannon Hogan), 1:52.67; 2. Stevenson, 1:53.85; 3. N. Farmington, 1:54.94; 4. Salem, 1:55.52; 5. John Glenn, 2:02.18; 6. Farmington Harrison, 2:02.75. Consolation B beat: 7. Franklin, 2:03.47; 8. Canton, 2:03.61; 9. W.L. Central, 2:04.43; 10. W.L. Western, 2:04.69; 11. Farmington, 2:07.33; 12. Churchill, 2:11.35.		Championship A beat: 1. Jenny Carr (N), 1:01.43; 2. Amy Smith (LF), 1:01.54; 3. Katy Sondergaard (LS), 1:02.03; 4. Danielle Drysdale (PC), 1:02.37; 5. Valencia Smith (NF), 1:03.21; 6. Jennifer Crabill (PS), 1:05.35. Consolation B beat: 7. Magda Stawilkowska (LC), 1:05.79; 8. Beth Cambridge (LS), 1:06.13; 9. Lisa Smitt (WLC), 1:07.33; 10. Julie Ward (LS), 1:07.65; 11. Erin Lannon (F), 1:08.48; 12. Kristin Fischer (JG), 1:09.03.	
300 FREESTYLE Championship A beat: 1. Michelle Aristeo (LS), 1:58.21; 2. Ashley Eilers (LS), 2:00.39; 3. Sarah Paske (NF), 2:01.44; 4. Erin Schubert (N), 2:01.45; 5. Stephanie Cummings (LS), 2:01.51; 6. Monica Glowinski (PS), 2:04.14. Consolation B beat: 7. Jessica Lis (LS), 2:04.34; 8. Melissa Neves (NF), 2:04.34; 9. Brittany Drysdale (PC), 2:05.78; 10. Arielle Greenlee (N), 2:06.95; 11. Lindsey Muioliis (PC), 2:07.54; 12. Trisha Dotson (PS), 2:09.45.		100 FREESTYLE Championship A beat: 1. Shannon Hogan (N), 54.47; 2. Lindsay McErean (NF), 54.99; 3. Jamie Sparling (WLC), 55.01; 4. Monica Glowinski (PS), 55.06; 5. Ashley Eilers (LS), 55.16; 6. Christina Mocerri (N), 55.46. Consolation B beat: 7. Erin Schubert (N), 56.47; 8. Jessica Lis (LS), 57.30; 9. Andrea Giczewski (LS), 57.73; 10. Melissa Neves (NF), 57.82; 11. Jakkie Waldecker (FH), 58.41; 12. Jessica Martin (WLW), 59.08. Consolation C beat: 13. Jamie Blatak (PC), 59.36; 14. Emily Leskie (PS), 59.66; 15. Jessica Sepick (NF), 59.86; 16. Catherine Munaco (NF), 1:00.29; 17. Jenna Kraft (WLW), 1:00.67; 18. Lauren Sundquist (NF), 1:00.79.	
50 FREESTYLE Championship A beat: 1. Shannon Hogan (N), 24.82; 2. Amy Smith (LF), 25.30; 3. Jenny Carr (N), 25.42; 4. Jamie Sparling (WLC), 25.52; 5. Jessica Hrivnak (N), 26.13;		200 FREESTYLE RELAY Championship A beat: 1. Northville (Deirdre Schwirring, Jenny Carr, Erin Schubert, Christina Mocerri), 1:41.68; 2. Stevenson, 1:41.82; 3. Salem, 1:43.29; 4. N. Farmington, 1:45.61; 5. Canton, 1:48.48; 6. John Glenn, 1:48.72. Consolation B beat: 7. W.L. Central, 1:49.01; 8. W.L. Western, 1:50.29; 9. Churchill, 1:50.31; 10. Harrison, 1:52.13; 11. Farmington, 1:53.49; 12. Franklin, 1:55.62.	
200 BACKSTROKE Championship A beat: 1. Christina Mocerri (N), 1:01.24; 2. Kari Foust (PS), 1:02.82; 3. Amy Black (N), 1:03.13; 4. Lindsey Jolla (LS), 1:03.29; 5. Kristyn Peterson (JG), 1:05.19; 6. Jessica Koch (LS), 1:06.76. Consolation B beat: 7. Andrea Giczewski (LS), 1:05.10; 8. Brittany Drysdale (PC), 1:06.19; 9. Beth Danielewicz (NF), 1:06.78; 10. Angela Hanks (NF), 1:07.80; 11. Milyna Matheny (PC), 1:08.48; 12. Laura Herman (LS), 1:09.81.		100 BREASTSTROKE Championship A beat: 1. Andrea Hum (LS), 1:08.52; 2. Lindsay McErean (NF), 1:09.68; 3. Amy Mertens (PS), 1:11.29; 4. Deirdre Schwirring (N), 1:11.30; 5. Jennifer Benedict (NF), 1:11.83; 6. Jakkie Waldecker (FH), 1:12.81. Consolation B beat: 7. Erin Rogala (PC), 1:11.85; 8. Alexandra Derian-Toth (PC), 1:12.97; 9. Erin Cook (LS), 1:13.52; 10. Danielle Anstett (WLC), 1:13.90; 11. Julie Ward (LS), 1:14.37; 12. Alex Evans (FH), 1:14.65.	
400 FREESTYLE RELAY Championship A beat: 1. Stevenson (Michelle Aristeo, Andrea Hum, Ashley Eilers, Jessica Lis), 3:39.04 (new WLAA record; former record, 3:40.39 by Stevenson, 1986); 2. Northville, 3:44.99; 3. N. Farmington, 3:48.29; 4. Salem, 3:52.08; 5. Canton, 3:54.95; 6. W.L. Central, 3:55.01. Consolation B beat: 7. Franklin, 4:00.88; 8. Churchill, 4:02.90; 9. John Glenn, 4:03.65; 10. W.L. Western, 4:04.36; 11. Harrison, 4:08.42; 12. Farmington, 4:15.54.		500 FREESTYLE Championship A beat: 1. Michelle Aristeo (LS), 5:13.57; 2. Amy Black (N), 5:15.65; 3. Sarah Paske (NF), 5:23.55; 4. Stephanie Cummings (LS), 5:23.59; 5. Kelly Suffel (WLC), 5:31.74; 6. Jennifer Crabill (PS), 5:41.51. Consolation B beat: 7. Elizabeth Underwood (N), 5:37.71; 8. Laura Herman (LS), 5:38.13; 9. Lindsey Muioliis (PC), 5:40.49; 10. Jenna Caponey (JL), 5:41.16; 11. Laura Urledge (FH), 5:43.08; 12. Arielle Greenlee (N), 5:45.10.	

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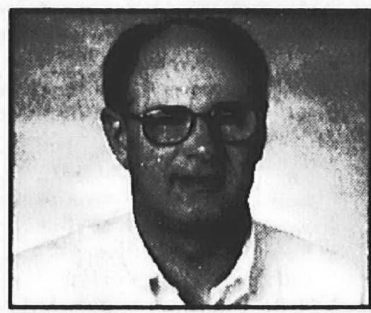
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Aquatic birds don't migrate the same way

Waterfowl are birds that spend a great deal of time in the water. Ducks, geese and swans are typical examples, though a closer look at the waterfowl group includes more than these three groups, and divisions of the groups mentioned.

In fall, waterfowl typically migrate to warmer climates because water freezes. Water provides safety for waterfowl and aquatic plants or animals, the main source of food for many species. The inability to feed and swim when water freezes forces waterfowl to move to warmer areas.

Waterfowl frequently move south in fall to find warmer areas with open water, but not all waterfowl move strictly south and north during fall and spring migrations. A very common diving duck known as the greater scaup nests in Alaska and spends the winter along the east coast in the area of Chesapeake Bay. Each fall this species of duck moves twice as far east and west as it does north and south.

A similar migration pattern is exhibited by the tundra swan. Three species of swan can be seen here in Michigan during the course of a year. All three are white. The tundra swan does not nest in Michigan, it only passes through during spring and fall migration. Occasionally some spend the winter, but most of the population winters along the East Coast. Like the greater scaup, tundra swans nest in Alaska. Fortunately for Michiganders, they pass through the state on their way to and from the nesting grounds.

Another diving duck, the redhead, exhibits a dog-leg shaped migration pattern. From their nesting area in the prairie potholes of North Dakota, Alberta, Saskatchewan and vicinity, one population flies eastward to Detroit/Lake Erie and then moves directly south to the panhandle of Florida. Another population from the same breeding area continues eastward to Chesapeake Bay and exhibits very little north-south displacement.

A broad picture of waterfowl migration shows that there is a great deal of variation within the same species and variation from season to season.

One color form of the snow goose is white like the tundra swan, but snow geese have black wingtips, a shorter neck and are much smaller. There is a much better chance of seeing a snow goose in spring than in fall. That is because their migration in fall is one long leap to the southern states. Birds nesting in northern Canada gather along the shores of James Bay prior to migration. When conditions are conducive for flying south, they take flight and do not land until they reach Louisiana.

Occasionally you can hear them calling overhead during a calm, quiet November night. Though they may be 2,000 feet up, flying about 50 miles per hour, they can still be heard calling to each other.

Not all geese migrate. Smaller races of Canada geese nesting in northern Canada migrate to the southern states, but the largest race, the kind nesting in southeastern Michigan in summer, was never "programmed" to migrate. It may move locally to find open water during winter, but it does not move extensively.

Mallards that nest in southeastern Michigan typically do not migrate great distances. They move only far enough south, if needed, to find open water. Unfrozen bodies of water are often packed with ducks in winter. After all its often warmer in the water than it would be in the air.

Take time to watch some waterfowl at a local lake or pond before the cold temperatures force them to move.

Livonia resident Tim Nowicki is a naturalist with Independence Oaks Park north of Clarkston in Oakland County.

Local people inducted into bowling hall of fame

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Last Sunday was a day that will live in memory for those who attended the Greater Detroit Hall of Fame Banquet and induction ceremonies at the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Warren.

Following a delicious repast, the awards presentations took place. Dorothy Thompson, longtime president of the Detroit Women's Bowling Association, inducted Carmen Allen, a top bowler in the Detroit area who has averaged well over 200 in league play and has three 300 games and was a member of the record-setting Contour Power Grips team. She was a member of the DWBA Queens Court in 1996-7, on the No. 1 All City team twice and No. 2 team twice.

Marilyn Frederick of Canton was the other female inductee, with Mary Mohacsi of Livonia making the presentation. Marilyn (formerly Lueck) also has three 300 games and was the first ever to roll a 300 game in the DWBA Tournament. She was on the No. 1 All City Team once and the No. 2 all city team four times.

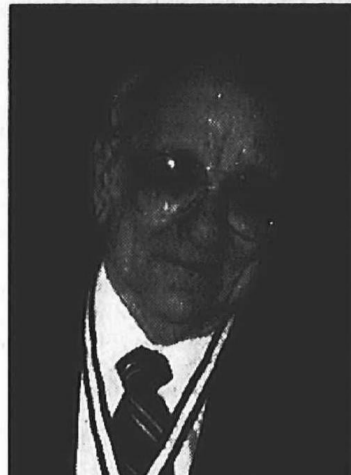
David Bernhardt was the inductee on the men's side. With 21 300 games, David is a perennial member of the All-Star Classic League in the Turbo 2-N-1 Team and others. George Prybyla made the presentation to him.

Warren Teubert of Redford was inducted in the Meritorious Service category, and Mark Martin, executive director of the GDBA made the presentation. Teubert has devoted a lifetime of extraordinary service to the local bowling scene as president of the GDBA and the Old Timers Tournament Association. He has served as a delegate to the ABC for 15 years and has bowled in 17 ABC tournaments.

The Thomas McKay award was presented by McKay to Joe Norris, age 93, of San Diego. He is in seven bowling halls of fame. Norris will be back here again to bowl in the Old Timers Tournament later this month.

The Judge John D. Watts Award was given to a most deserving Mark Voight of Farmington Hills for his many contributions to the sport of bowling in this area. Judge David Szymanski made the presentation. As a proprietor, Mark Voight has been a hands-on owner, loves to participate in leagues and local tournaments.

As for Dagwood, he showed his bowling ability a couple weeks ago in the comic strip when he bowled a 900 series with his pizza ball. John Swintek, features editor of the



Warren Teubert



Marilyn Frederick



Joe Norris



Mark Voight

Detroit Free Press accepted for Blondie series author Dean Young.

Bowlers, keep up your good bowling, improve your game, give it that extra effort, and maybe someday, you too, could be inducted into the hall of fame.

Honor scores
Westland Bowl: Tuesday Men's Invitational: John Paz, 300. Hits & Misses: James Riecks, 299. Twin Parrish: Mark Hudson, 300. Sunday Sleepers: Chris Kliczinski, 300. Novi Bowl: Westside Lutheran: Bob Fletcher, 299. Woodland Lanes: Ford Parts: Mark O'Connell, 299. Wednesday Men's Trio: Dave Grabos, 300/788. Livonia Elks: Jim Cooper, 299; Thursday Night Men: Bill Morris, Jr. 299/779. Oddballs: Gary Treier, 299.

Firearms hunting season on tap; NRC to meet at the Silverdome

The most anticipated season of the year is just about upon us. Thirty minutes before sunrise on Wednesday, Nov. 15 - a little over a week away - hundreds of thousands of adults and children will be noticeably absent from their respective positions at work and school.

Instead, they'll be seated quietly, albeit somewhat restlessly, in their favorite deer stand as the 2000 firearms deer season begins. The 16-day firearms season should once again be a great one for the estimated 780,000 hunters who will participate. Reports from across the state indicate that deer numbers remain high in most areas. Prior to the start of the archery season on Oct. 1, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources pegged the statewide deer herd at close to 1.9 million animals.

Hunters tagged 330,016 whitetails during the 1999 firearms season and every indication points to a similar harvest this fall.

In the Upper Peninsula, three straight mild winters have left the whitetail herd in excellent condition. Mild winters and relatively dry spring fawning seasons have resulted in good fawn production the last two years.

The highest concentrations of deer in the Upper Peninsula will be found in the south-central agricultural counties of Menominee, Delta, Dickinson and Iron, as well as southern Marquette County.

In the Northern Lower Peninsula, hunters can expect to see similar numbers of deer as last year. The exception is in Deer Management Unit 452 (the TB zone) where liberalized antlerless hunting continues in an effort to further reduce the size of the herd in that area. There are still plenty of deer to hunt in DMU 452, but the numbers are beginning to come down.

Hunters in southern Michigan can expect another outstanding firearms season as whitetail numbers remain high throughout the south. Southern Michigan is now the state's leader in deer harvest. Hunters in southern Michigan have taken more deer - including more bucks - than hunters in the Upper Peninsula and hunters in the northern Lower Peninsula each of the last two years.

Info and check stations

Once again the DNR is setting up Deer Information Centers and Highway Deer Check Stations. The information centers are set up to assist hunters and provide information on deer habitat, herd size, regulations and more. These information centers will be in operation as follows:

■ Clare Welcome Center on US-27, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 12-13; 9 a.m. to noon Nov. 14.

■ St. Ignace Welcome Center, I-75 at the Mackinac Bridge, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 12-13; 9 a.m. to noon Nov. 14.

The highway deer check stations are set up to help the DNR learn more about the size and health of our white-tail population. With the outbreak of bovine tuberculosis in northern Michigan whitetails, it's even more important to have your deer checked this year.

As part of the DNR's program to monitor TB, hunters taking deer in the following 42 counties (Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Arenac, Bay, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Clare, Crawford, Delta, Dickinson, Emmet, Gladwin, Grand Traverse, Gratiot, Huron, Iosco, Isabella, Kalkaska, Lake, Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Montcalm, Midland, Missaukee, Montcalm, Montmorency, Newaygo, Oceana, Ogemaw, Osceola, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon, Saginaw, Sanilac, Tuscola and Wexford) can bring their deer or deer heads to any DNR office for free tuberculosis testing.

Hunters who bring their deer or deer heads to a DNR check station will receive a 2000 Deer Management Cooperator Patch in appreciation for assisting the DNR in gathering deer management data.

Highway deer check stations will be open at the following places, dates and times:

■ Alma, at the rest area four miles south of Shepherd on US-27, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Nov. 16-19.

■ Big Rapids, at the rest area south of Big Rapids on US-131, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Nov. 16-19 and Nov. 25-26.

■ Birch Run, at the weigh station 2.5 miles north of Birch Run on I-75, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 16-19 and Nov. 25-26.

■ St. Ignace, at the bridge view parking area on Marley Street south of US-2, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 16-19.

In addition deer can be checked in throughout the season at most DNR field offices. A complete schedule of field offices and check stations can be found on the DNR web site at www.dnr.state.mi.us or by calling the DNR at (517) 373-1263. Be sure to call ahead before stopping at a DNR field office to be sure it is open.

NRC to meet in Pontiac

If you've been wanting to attend a meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission but haven't been inclined to make the trek to Lansing or some other area of the state, now is your chance. The November meeting will take place Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 8-9, in the Upper Press Room at the Pontiac Silverdome.

On Wednesday, the agenda begins at 3 p.m. with a meeting of the Committee of the Whole. The regular meeting of the NRC will begin at 4:30 p.m. with public appearances.

The Thursday meeting begins at 8:30 a.m. with reports from DNR staff, followed by Commission Action Items. A couple of the bigger topics to be discussed include finalization of 2001 spring wild turkey season, a review of statewide trout and salmon fishing regulations, and discussion of a potential \$11.7 million deficit in the Game and Fish Protection Fund.

A complete agenda is available on the DNR web site at www.dnr.state.mi.us. Click on "NRC Information," then "Agendas and Minutes."

If you'd like to address the commission on a hunting or fishing-related topic, now is your chance. Public appearances may be scheduled by calling Teresa Gloden at 517-373-2352.

(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, MI 48009.)

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

RECREATION

HOOPS, VOLLEYBALL
The Livonia Community Center hosts the following open gym activities through Dec. 22 (except Nov. 23-24) at the former Bentley High School. Residents pay \$4 for adults, \$3 for children; non-residents pay \$7 for adults, \$6 for children.
■ Basketball on Mondays-Thursdays, with open hours 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; youth/adult 4-8 p.m.; adults 8-10 p.m.; Saturdays, adult 9-11 a.m.; youth 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; and adult/family 1-3 p.m.; and Sundays, youth 1-3 p.m. and adult/family 3-5 p.m.
■ Volleyball on Fridays only, from 4-10 p.m.

ACTIVITIES

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

MICHIGAN FLY FISHING
The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School, located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads. Call (248) 478-1494.

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 Jim Kudej at (734) 591-0843 for information.

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.

ARCHERY RANGE
The Livonia Archery Range is open to the public. The range features seven field lanes and one broadhead lane and is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The range is also open Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only through the end of November. Cost is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children. Livonia residents shoot free of charge. The range is located on Glendale Avenue east of Farmington Road. Call (734) 466-2410.

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

PARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS
Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, (800) 477-7756; Indian Springs, (800) 477-3192; Kensington, (800) 477-3178; Hudson Mills, (800) 477-3191.

2000 PERMITS
The 2000 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call (800) 47-PARKS.

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (248) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2187. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

WAYNE COUNTY PARKS REQUIREMENTS
Wayne County Parks offers nature interpretive programs throughout the year. Advanced registration is requested. Call (734) 261-1990.

To submit items for consideration in the Observer & Eccentric's Outdoor Calendar send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; fax information to (248) 644-1314.

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Weiss before the draft they were pursuing him.

Kitchener claimed they would take him fourth overall; Eric swore to ninth. Neither kept their word, which was just fine with Weiss.

"Getting selected by Plymouth was terrific, it's the place that I really wanted to play, so needless to say I was very happy," he said. "The whole day of the draft I was nervous, and it was just great that it worked out the way I had hoped."

What may have deterred other teams was that Weiss "was coming off an injury, but we were definitely attracted to (him). He was a known commodity and we had some inside insight on him. It's rare to get that knowledge but it proved terrific for us in this case," said Whalers head coach and general manager Pete DeBoer.

Another benefit for Weiss was that his uncle is Whalers' associate coach and assistant GM Steve Spott, a plus for a 16-year-old moving away from home. However, despite being family, the relationship at the rink is strictly professional.

"It has to be a professional relationship, and that's one of the things that we agreed upon going into the draft when we were going to select him," said Spott.

That, though, is how it's always been with the two. In their pre-OHL days, Spott coached Weiss at Markham in the junior ranks, where they won a pair of championships while they were there together.

In the only year Weiss played for the Markham Islanders, the Spott-coached team walked away with an All-Ontario League Championship. Then in his three-year stint with the Markham Thunder, Weiss was part of an MTHL Championship team, again coached by Spott.

"It's great having him around," said Weiss. "I have learned a great deal from him. If I had to go away from home, it's nice to be able to go where there is family."

"Ever since age 10 he told me we would have to separate at the rink and divide the professional and personal relationships."

Another face from the past has joined Weiss in Plymouth this season: former teammate Stacey Britstone. The two played together for the North York Jr. A Rangers, Weiss' last club before coming to the OHL. They were on the same line at North York, at least until Weiss suffered a broken collarbone late in the season.

Weiss still left his mark; in 35 games for the Rangers he racked up 14 goals and 28 assists for 40 points.

"He was a great player then and he is an even better player now," said Britstone. "It's great to see that he has developed into such an outstanding individual on and off the ice. He has improved so much over a short period, especially with his focus and mental preparation."

Weiss' time at North York gave him the experience and preparation he would need for his budding career in the OHL. His coach, Danny Poliziani, ran high-tempo practices and continually pushed Weiss to work harder. This was also his first time playing with teammates that were older than he was, an experience Weiss felt was valuable.

"North York probably developed me the best as a player," Weiss said. "I got the chance to compete at a higher level with older guys, and my coach really pushed me to the max with great practices and conditioning."

Since Weiss began skating at the age of three and started

playing organized hockey a few years later, his dream has been the same as any junior hockey player — to play in the NHL. And yet in this, his NHL draft year, Weiss finds it difficult to imagine that his moment of realization is just around the corner.

"All my life I have dreamed about playing in the NHL, and I always wondered how I would do in my draft year, where I would be and how I would play," said Weiss.

There's no doubt the 17-year-old has made definite impressions on NHL scouts, who have the OHL's top scorer ranked among the top five for this year's entry draft.

Weiss isn't a player who has

suddenly come out of nowhere to make a name for himself. Last year in his first season with the Whalers, Weiss was the team's third-leading scorer with 24 goals and 43 assists for 66 points.

"He really began to come into his own in the playoffs last year," said DeBoer, "and he showed a real commitment to strength and conditioning that helped us to get to where we were."

"He is definitely a team leader, he goes out every night and sets a great example for the guys to follow — he blocks shots, plays team defense and produces points for us. He's an all-around player."

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(29 points). Brampton is 7-4-1.

Still plagued with injuries, Plymouth was able to compensate in other areas, and the team's depth helped lead them to a win. Jared Newman, George Nistas, Tomas Kurka and Jason Wisniewski were all scratched. Rookie forward Tony Williams was sent to juniors for development.

The Whalers' Damian Surma got the game's first goal at 6:08 of the opening period. Libor Ujstrel pitched in deep behind Brampton goalie David Chant and slipped a pass to Surma alone in front for an easy tap-in between Chant's legs.

Plymouth outshot the Battalion 11-2 in the first period.

Cole Jarrett made it 2-0 at 9:38 of the second period with his ninth goal of the season, assists going to Stephen Weier and Stacey Britstone. Weiss made the easy pass and Jarrett netted the easy goal for the two-goal lead and control of the game.

Cole Rowan got his 5th goal in the season in Brampton, netting the Whalers' lead at 2-1 at 1:35 of the final period. But the Battalion could not get the equalizer.

"Brampton came out and played a very defensive style of game on us early," said Whalers' associate coach Steve Spott. "It was much like what you would expect to see in the playoffs."

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Musician traces Jewish heritage through song

Yale Strom's love of klezmer music goes back to his Jewish roots. Since 1981, the New York City musician and film maker has traveled back and forth to Eastern Europe 60 times searching for the culture.

Last summer Strom went to Ukraine to follow and film a klezmer band. He's conducted extensive research not only on klezmer music but all aspects of Jewish communities from post-World War II to the present.

Strom's klezmer research contributed to his forming two bands, Hot Pstromi in New York and Klassj in San Diego. Since then he's been composing his own "New Jewish" music combining Hasidic, Sephardic, klezmer, jazz, and classical music.

On Saturday, Nov. 18, at Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills, the Hot Pstromi Band will treat the Vivace Music Series audience to Yid-



Jewish roots: Yale Strom brings his Hot Pstromi Band to the Birmingham Temple.

What: Yale Strom and his Hot Pstromi band play the second concert in the Vivace Music Series
When: 8 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 18
Where: Birmingham Temple, 20811 W. 25 Mile Road, between Livonia and Independence, Farmington Hills
Tickets: \$25, \$15
seats/students: Call (248) 726-8336/(748) 286-3863

dish vocal standards, klezmer music, and Strom's own compositions from his new CD *Garden of Yidn* (Jews). They will also have the first look at Strom's latest documentary, *Letter to Birobidzhan*.

"I'm an American Jew once or twice removed from eastern Europe," said Strom, who returns to Europe to work on a theater project for New York University 10 days after the concert. "This is the music of my heritage. It can be haunting, lively, sad and slow. Klezmer music is wedding dance music. It's Yiddish instrumental music from East Europe. Today, there are so many klezmer bands who incorporate jazz and a variety of styles into the music but what you do is up to you."

Strom's own story as a musician begins in Detroit and Oak Park where he lived and studied classical violin before heading to San Diego in the late 1960s. Later, he moved to New York City after meeting Barbara Kirshenblatt-Gimblett, a Jewish folk professor at New York University. She encouraged him to stay in the city to conduct research. The result was six books including *The Last Jews of Eastern Europe* and *Uncertain Roads: Searching for the Gypsies* and three documentary films - *At the Crossroads*, *The Last Klezmer* and *Carpathi: 50 Miles, 50 Years*. In addition to recording eight CD's featuring Jewish music, Strom is currently writing a book on klezmer for Capella Books. It's due out in fall 2001.

"New York is a fascinating city and has flavors of Europe," said Strom, who researched the social history of klezmer musicians during graduate school at New York University. "New York is the spirit of what one feels when you walk in New York City. It fed my soul."

New York may nourish his soul but it is Eastern Europe that keeps calling him back. As recently as this spring, Strom spent nearly seven days on the Trans-Siberian Railroad traveling to Birobidzhan from Moscow.

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Rooting for local artists

Grass Roots Gallery undertakes effort to promote arts

Birmingham's Grass Roots Gallery is a new space for artists to have a forum. The gallery is located in the Livonia Mall. The gallery is a new space for artists to have a forum. The gallery is located in the Livonia Mall. The gallery is a new space for artists to have a forum. The gallery is located in the Livonia Mall.

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Clarenceville High School students James Leland and Eric Papineau have art on display at the Grass Roots Gallery.

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THEATER

'Odd Couple' delivers one zinger after another

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When Cheryl Hawley and the rest of the Ladies Literary Club were looking for a show to present as its annual



Odd Couple: Peg Mallory (far left) and Barbara Jean (above) portray the lead characters in the female version of Neil Simon's comedy.

scholarship fund-raiser, Neil Simon's comedy *The Odd Couple* seemed to fill the bill. What better way for an audience to spend the evening than by laughing and helping further the education of high school students all at the same time?

Hawley, a third generation member and co-president of the club with Kimberly Mortson, couldn't think of a more entertaining way to give than by attending Par-

lour Theatre Productions' female version of the perennial comedy Tuesday, Nov. 21, at John Glenn High School Auditorium in Westland. Founded in 1996 by a group of women who loved books, the Ladies Literary Club raised enough money from last year's production to award three scholarships to senior girls at John Glenn and Wayne Memorial high schools and the William D. Ford Vocational Tech Center in Westland.

What: ParLOUR Theatre Productions' female version of the Odd Couple
When: 7 p.m. - Tuesday, Nov. 21
Where: John Glenn High School Auditorium, 10000 Westland Ave., Westland, Mich. 48186
Tickets: \$25, \$15 (incl. tax)
Call (734) 882-5267. Proceeds go to the Ladies Literary Club scholarship fund.

"We thought it would be especially appropriate since our organization consists of women," said Hawley, a teacher at Stevenson Middle School in the Wayne Westland district. "We want to bring in a variety of people and the male version on TV was so popular. ParLOUR Theatre Productions does an excellent job. They've done several shows for us. They're so comical and



Odd Couple: Peg Mallory (far left) and Barbara Jean (above) portray the lead characters in the female version of Neil Simon's comedy.

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there, he shot footage and researched material for *Letter to Birobidzhan* for the next three weeks. The film uses archival footage with additional footage and score by Strom.

"It's a work in progress - the history of what was, is and will be of this fascinating autonomous region next to Siberia and bordering on China," said Strom. "I'm a student of Jewish culture and history and read about it years ago. This is a place where Jews were not naturally there. It was an artificial migration to set up a Yiddish state. It was never able to get off the ground because of Stalin's purges and the environment. It was hard to grow food, too much swamp and marsh. They eventually went back to Ukraine and east Russia. You had to be a very idealistic Jew to live there. Ninety-five percent of the residents came from Russia but others came from Palestine, California and Michigan as well."

Claire Levine first saw one of Strom's documentaries and heard him play at the Detroit Film Theatre at the Detroit Institute of Arts. It was then she

'He was just marvelous. His music is very exciting, very authentic. It has tremendous style. It moves you because it comes from the heart. It's music that speaks to the Jewish heritage.'

*Libby Sherbin
Series co-chairwoman*

decided to invite Strom to perform for the Vivace Music Series. "He was just marvelous," said Levine, series co-chairwoman with Libby Sherbin. "His music is very exciting, very authentic. It has tremendous style. It moves you because it comes from the heart. It's music that speaks to the Jewish heritage."

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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ton and Redford, she's still interested in hearing from anyone with talent. Artists should send three photographs or slides of their work. Art will be rotated every six weeks beginning in January. Unlike commercial galleries that take 50 percent of the sale price, the mall does not take a commission on works.

"This is just for the community," said Gelman. "It's a showcase for the creative spirit that thrives here. The mall encourages arts and culture in the area. About twice a month, we show films from East India and in March host a two-week arts festival."

Gelman is issuing an open call

to the community for anyone who can sing, dance or paint to take part in the March arts festival which last year featured performances by choruses and ensembles such as the Schoolcraft College Jazz Band. The performing arts seem to be a part of the fabric at the Livonia Mall. Beginning with Santa's arrival Nov. 18 and running

through Dec. 24, Gelman has lined up an array of entertainment ranging from shows by the Livonia-based Pippin Puppets on Dec. 2 to a musical Hanukkah presentation.

"At the Livonia Mall, programming is culturally diverse," said Gelman. "We're only limited by our own imagination."

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adaptation of the story. Parlour Theatre's production features Peg Mallory in the role of Olive Madison and Barbara Jean as Florence Unger.

"It's probably one of his best as far as a comedy writer," said Ed Meade, who's directing the show. "Neil Simon rewrote it after the male version was such a hit and had run its course. I feel this version is a little more clever but it's typical Neil Simon. It's a laugh a minute. Even though it deals with divorce and a loser person, it's never a downer. Our lead actors lived together and were best friends since high

school. So they have a unique perspective on their roles."

Jeannine Meade smells trouble brewing between the two right from the start. Jeannine plays Vera, a dumb blonde who gets together with the girls once a week to play Trivial Pursuit instead of the poker played in the male version. Act One opens with nylons and pop bottles strewn all over the apartment. By the second act, the rooms are straight as a pin.

"Florence and Olive finally drive each other nuts," said Jeannine. "It's the same as the

male version but with reversed roles, the slob and the neatnik. One girl is in a marital crisis and moves in with the slob. Vera's the type that goes to Florida in summer because it's cheaper and there are no crowds. She's always a little slow on the uptake."

Simon's characters pose several challenges for actors not the least of which is to make them believable. For Bob Closson, a veteran character actor, the trick is to make Manolo, one of the Spanish brothers invited to the odd couple's apartment for dinner, younger.

"These are all larger than life characters and you have to make them real," said Closson, who retired after 30 years of teaching in Redford. Over the last 20 years, Closson's performed with the Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford and the Marquis Theatre in Northville.

"I wish they'd find more roles for retired teachers," quipped Closson. "It gets harder and harder to look younger every year. But seriously, Manolo is strictly a comic part. The challenge is to get on stage and leave with a singer."

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Ravi Shankar celebrates birthday in concert with daughter Anoushka

Legendary virtuoso sitarist Ravi Shankar is celebrating his 80th birthday with his fans.

Shankar returns to Ann Arbor's Hill Auditorium with his daughter, Anoushka, in a University Musical Society concert at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17.

The performance is part of an 80th birthday tour for the beloved Indian musician.

Considered the "Godfather of World Music," Ravi Shankar is a legendary sitarist, composer, teacher and writer, and is renowned throughout the world for his pioneering work as a musician.

At 80, he is India's most esteemed musical ambassador and a singular phenomenon in

the world of music. His rare genius and incomparable artistry have led him to earn the highest degree of respect and love both in India and the west.

Always ahead of his time, Ravi Shankar is also a prolific composer, having written two concertos for sitar and orchestra, among a host of other compositions.

Collaborations

He has collaborated with masters such as Yehudi Menuhin, Andre Previn, Jean Pierre Rampal, Philip Glass and Zubin Mehta, and has composed music for such films as Gandhi, Charlie and Satyajit Ray's Apu Trilogy.

He is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Presidential Award, two Grammy awards, and the Award of Deshikottam, presented to him by the late Prime Minister of India, Indira Gandhi.

He is an honorary member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters and a recipient of 12 doctorates from esteemed universities all over the world.

In 1999, the government of India honored him by awarding him its highest civilian award, the "Bharat Ratna," or "Jewel of India."

The youngest son of a Bengali family, Ravi Shankar was born in 1920 in Varanasi (Benares), the holiest city of India.

His formative years of study were under the tutelage of his illustrious guru, Baba Allaudin Khan.

At the age of 10, he joined his older brother's company of dancers and musicians and went to Paris, where he attended school.

He spent several years in the west, absorbing different kinds of music, after which he returned to India to gain legendary status for his work in music.

The core of Ravi Shankar's music has been the spirituality that instantly touches the listener, and his rare genius has opened the ears of the world to

What: University Musical Society concert featuring legendary virtuoso sitarist Ravi Shankar and his daughter, Anoushka Shankar
When: 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17
Where: Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University in Ann Arbor
Tickets: \$36, \$34, \$24, \$20 at the UMS Box Office, (734) 764-2538; \$10 Student Rush tickets may be purchased at the Power Center Box Office from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 17. If available, students may also purchase Rush tickets at the door for 50 percent off the published ticket price

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RAFT SHOWS

Baker's of Milford present a fall craft show 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday Nov. 12 at 2025 S. Milford, Milford. The Northfield Recreation Center craft show is 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Nov. 18-19 at 303 W. Main, Northville. (248) 348-5448.

FALL ART EXHIBIT

The Lakeside Palette Club presents its fall sale Nov. 17-19 at the Civic Center Arena, 20000 Stephens in St. Clair Shores.

HAND & EYE SHOW

The 36th annual hand and eye craft show is 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 at Troy High School, 4777 Northfield Parkway, Troy.

KINGSWOOD GIFTORAMA

A festive gathering of shops from across the country is 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 12. \$6 admission/no strollers. Kingswood Campus of Cranbrook Schools, 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3565.

SOUTHFIELD AMERICANA

ANTIQUES SHOW & SALE The event takes place Nov. 17-19 at the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield.

BENEFITS

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA The Nutcracker luncheon and holiday boutiques, including a fur fashion show courtesy of Saks Fifth Avenue and entertainment by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Civic Orchestra is at 10 a.m. Nov. 17 at the Dearborn Inn, Dearborn. (313) 576-8154, call 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. weekdays.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

ARTS AND CRAFTERS WANTED Expressions Arts and Crafts is accepting applications for its annual Thurston High School Craft Show to be held Saturday, Dec. 9 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at 26255 Schoolcraft, Redford. For more information call (734) 484-4247.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

Nancy Gurwin presents auditions from 6-7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 13 for children ages 8-14, 7:30 for adults. Jewish Community Center, 6660 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 988-7032.

LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONICS

Auditions for the 2000-2001 season are being held. Call Wendy Bernard at (734) 591-7649 for an appointment.

PLYMOUTH ORATORIO SOCIETY

Rehearsal for the 15th season will be held at 7:15 p.m. Monday, Nov. 13 at First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial Rd., Plymouth.

ROSELAND COMMUNITY PLANNING

Auditions for *The Shadow Box* are 7 p.m. Nov. 13 & 14 at the Upstage, 21728 Grand River, Detroit. (313) 832-4010.

VOGAL ARTS ENSEMBLE

Auditions for the soprano vocal group that performs at Renaissance fairs, concerts, weddings, receptions and film releases are now taking place. For details, contact Chryl Robinson, business manager, at (313) 289-0453 or (734) 941-5559.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

Fall 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, 817.

CONCERTS

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY

An Evening of Gilbert & Sullivan is at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 12 at Temple Beth El, 14 Mile and Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills. Ticket info call (248) 645-8850.

T. CAMERON CARPENTER

The organist will perform at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17 at the Metropolitan United Methodist Church, Detroit. (313) 875-7407.

CENTURY CLUB

Features live music, dancing and a late night menu on Friday and Saturday evenings. A rotating roster of musicians, including vocalists Misty Love, Jennifer George-Consiglio and Johnnie Bessett. 333 Madison, Detroit. (313) 963-9800.

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Ario Guthrie is special guest at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 12. The Pop series featuring Broadway Concert music is Nov. 16-19. Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111.

METROPOLITAN DETROIT MUSICIANS LEAGUE

An all Bach program with pianist Sean Duggan is at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19 at Hammell Music, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 659-8932.

OAKLAND CHORALE AND UNIVERSITY CHORUS

Under the direction of Mike Mitchell will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16 in Verner Recital Hall. (248) 370-3013.

OAKLAND COUNTY YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Performs classical pieces at a concert slated for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15 at Lake Orion High School. (248) 693-5420.

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY JAZZ BAND

Under the direction of Chris Bruce performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 in Verner Recital Hall. (248) 370-3013.

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY SYMPHONIC BAND

Gregory Cunningham will perform on Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 8 p.m. in Verner Recital Hall. (248) 370-3013.

PRO MUSICA

The Michigan debut of the Berlin Chamber Orchestra is at 8 p.m. Nov. 15 in the main auditorium of the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 896-6639.

ROSELAND SYMPHONY CHOIR

Special guest is Cantor David Montefiore at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 12 at the Beth Ahm Synagogue Sanctuary, 5075 West Maple. (248) 651-6880.

CITY OF LIVONIA

Organist Darryl Holley performs at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17 at City of Livonia, 28800 Five Mile, Livonia. (734) 421-1760.

EVENTS

CHAMPAGNE WINE TASTING

The theme is French for this year's spectacular taster. Patron fees are at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16. General admission is 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Nov. 17-18. 1500 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 896-6639.

TRIBUTE TO THE GREATS

An opening night performance to honor Leonard Lauder, director emeritus at Wayne State University, is at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17 at the University of Michigan, 480 Tappan St., Ann Arbor. (313) 763-2800.

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INDIAN FESTIVAL

is 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 12 at the Southfield Civic Center. Indian hoop dancers, Native American storytelling, demonstrations of historical tasks and crafts will take place. Admission is free for ages 2 and under, \$6.50 for ages 3 and up. 26000 Evergreen Road. (248) 352-0990.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT

Israeli percussionist Chen Zimbalista introduces the young audience to an array of percussion instruments in *Pass Me a Drumstick* at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 18. Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

ANN ARBOR CITY HALL

Opens Wednesday, Nov. 15 - *The Beauty of Recycling* through Dec. 15. Reception 4-7 p.m. Nov. 20. 100 N. Fifth, Ann Arbor.

ARTSPACE II

Opens Wednesday, Nov. 15 - Earl Krentzin through Dec. 23. 303 E. Maple, Birmingham. (248) 258-1540.

ENGLISH BARNETT GALLERY & STUDIO

Opens Friday, Nov. 17 - The new gallery opens with *The Italian Series*, featuring the work of Kathleen English Barrett and Robert Barrett. Opening recep-

AVENUE GALLERY ROCHESTER

Reception is 5-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 10. To RSVP call (248) 594-7800.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Through Nov. 25 - *Focus 2000: Michigan Friends of Photography*. 1516 Cranbrook Road, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

BORDERS BOOKS & MUSIC

Through Nov. 30 - *French Impressions: Paris to Provence*. 30995 Orchard Lake, Farmington Hills. (248) 737-0110.

GARY GALLERY

Through Nov. 18 - *New still life paintings* by Curtis Kelly. 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. (248) 651-3656.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Through Dec. 1 - *Jupena and Zimmerman Sabbatical works*. 150 Community Arts Building, Wayne State University. (313) 577-2423.

COUNTY GALLERY

Through Dec. 8 - *The Palette and Brush Club Point of View show*. Through Dec. 11 - *The Village Fine Arts Association*. 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

CPOP GALLERY

Through Nov. 26 - *Iconosphere* featuring Steven Cerio and Mark Dancy and photographs of Marge Pacer. 4160 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-9901.

DETROIT ARTISTS MARKET

Through Dec. 22 - *Bounded*

DEC. 5 - CLARISSA JOHNSON

Hanna House, 4750 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-1300.

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY

Through Dec. 2 - *Jim Kraft: Clay Vessels and new paintings* by Deborah Morrissey McGoff. 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

ARNOLD KLEIN GALLERY

Through Jan. 31 - *Women in The Foreground*. The gallery will be closed Dec. 8-Jan. 2. 32782 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. (248) 647-7709.

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY

Through Dec. 16 - *Rafael Perez: Still Lifes and Other Views* and William Glen Crooks, Brad Durham and Bart Elsbach: *Landscapes/Cityscapes*. 163 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 433-3700.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Through Nov. 30 - *Photo 2000: George Booth, Jeff Herron, Giovanni Sanitata and Jeff White*. 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac.

LEIBERG GALLERY

Through Nov. 25 - *Fantastic Voyage*, works of Beverly Fishman. 23241 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 591-6623.

LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION

Through Nov. 30 - *Pottery* by artist Craig Gattel of Northville and fabric art by members of the Needlepoint and Textile Guild of Michigan in the Fine Arts Gallery of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, Livonia.

MACKENZIE FINE ARTS CENTER

5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. (313) 845-6485.

SVENSKI GALLERY

Through Dec. 2 - *John Glick ceramic sculpture and new works* by Joyce Scott. 202 E. Third, Royal Oak. (248) 544-3388.

TOSS-UPS CAFE

Through Nov. 30 - *Favorite Images* by Rebecca Cook. 34623 Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-7272.

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY

Through Nov. 15 - *Christine Welch mixed media painting*, 1719 W. 14 Mile Road, Royal Oak. (248) 549-3016.

WOODWARD GALLERY

Through Jan. 12 - *Mark Yamin art exhibit*. 1357 Davis, Birmingham. (248) 642-1357.

XINBOS CAFE

Through Dec. 9 - *With This Ring: Black & White Weddings* by Elyane Gross. 240 W. Nine Mile, Ferndale. (248) 399-3946.

LECTURES

BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES

Folk singer Kitty Donohoe presents *Bunyan and Barjose* at noon Nov. 16 at the Oakland County Information Technology Auditorium. (248) 858-0415.

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY

Resonance: Ancient Myths contemporary art. Artist's lecture by Andrea Eis at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19. Meadow Brook Art Gallery, Rochester.

MUSEUMS

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Opens Saturday, Nov. 18 - *Double Flame: New Work* by Steve Murakishi through Feb. 4. Through Nov. 26 - *Agitated Histories: Video Art and the Documentary*. Through Jan. 7 - *The Portrait in Contemporary Photography*. 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBROOK.

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Through April 29 - *Electric Space: Bolts, Jots and Volts from the Sun*. 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBROOK.

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Opens Sunday, Nov. 19 - *Punch's Progress: A Century of American Puppetry* through Dec. 31. Through March 4 - *A Decade of Acquisitions 1900-2000: Photographs*. Through Jan. 7 - *Bill Viola/Video Collaboration*. Through Dec. 31 - *Pop Art: Prints and Multiples from the DIA Collection*. Through Nov. 26 - *All Tied Up: The Art of Shiori, Japanese tie-dyed textiles*. Through Nov. 26 - *Ink and Imprint: Book Illustration in the Western World*. Through Dec. 30 - *Small Wonder: Worlds in a Box*. Through Dec. 31 - *The Fine Art of Woodworking: The Bohlen Collection*. 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

MUSEUM OF NEW ART

Through Nov. 25 - *E-Mona and Critical Eyes*. 19 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 210-7560.

CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

For Honor and Valor: African Americans in the United States Military, 1775-1953 through Jan. 21. 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800.

THEATER

COMMUNITY HOUSE

A stage production of *Hansel and Gretel* is Nov. 12 at the Community House, Birmingham. Performances are 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 12. (248) 644-5832.

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

This Blood's For You through Dec. 31. 13103 Woodward Wilson, Detroit. (313) 868-1347.

JET THEATRE

Conversations with My Father by Herb Gardner is through Nov. 26 at the Aaron DeRoy Theatre, JCC, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. Tickets, call (248) 788-2900.

GEM THEATRE

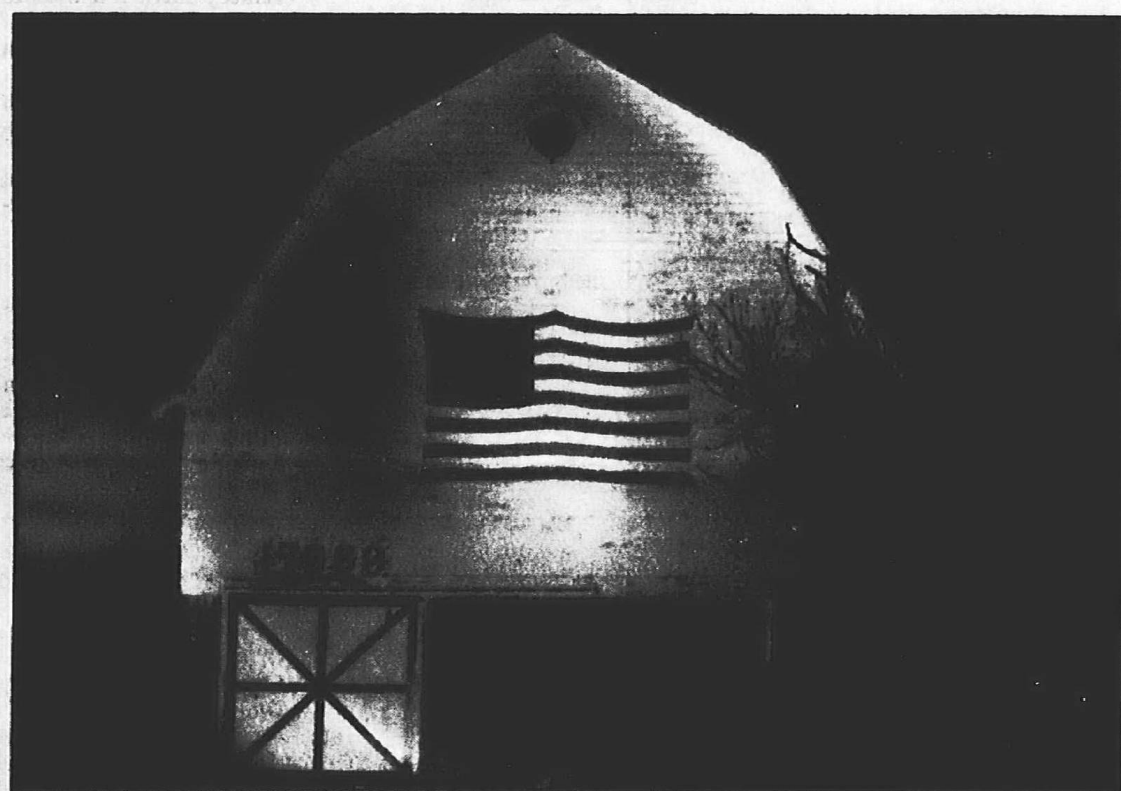
Escanabe in da Moonlight becomes the Gem's longest running show on Wednesday, Nov. 15. At 8 p.m. performance, Jeff Daniels will give a curtain speech. The play runs through Dec. 31. (313) 963-9800.

TRAVEL

A SOGLIAN SOJOURN

The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center invites you on a trip to Italy April 6-14, 2001. Tour price is \$2,400 per person. Deposits of \$300 per person are due no later than Dec. 11. (248) 644-0866.

On the farm



Rural Living: A reception and book signing by Mary Keithan, author of Michigan Heritage Barns, is from 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18, at the Pierce Street Gallery, 217 Pierce, in Birmingham. Call (248) 646-6950.

INTERVALS

4719 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 832-8540.

JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN GALLERY

Through Nov. 22 - *Visa for Life: The Stories of Chiune Sugihara & Dr. Feng Shan Ho*. 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

FORD GALLERY

Through Nov. 22 - *Museum of Memory: Photography as Taxidermy*. Eastern Michigan University. (734) 487-0465.

GALLERY FUNCTION ART

Through Nov. 30 - *Joe Vaughn: Paying Attention*. 21 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-0333.

GALLERIE 484

Through Nov. 30 - *Night and Day*, the collection of Jamie Young. 15105 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe.

HABIBAT GALLERY

Through Nov. 27 - *New works* by Clifford Rainey. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-2060.

HERITAGE GALLERY

Through Nov. 30 - *A collection of paintings* by Christa Kiefer and Robert Lebron. 235 Main Street, Rochester. (248) 656-8559.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY

The gallery is relocating to a temporary storage and office space beginning Nov. 5. Hours by appointment only until the new gallery space is ready. Our new phone number is (248) 541-4700.

BLAKE JAGGS GALLERY

Through Jan. 19 - *Tschie Shibus*. 490 W. Hancock, Detroit. (313) 963-7813.

THROUGH DEC. 1 - SABBATICAL EXHIBITION: Urban Apions and Marlin Zimmerman

Wayne State University, 8400 Gullen Mall, Detroit. (313) 577-2423.

ELLEN WATSON ART GALLERY

Through Nov. 30 - *Christine Smith Family Album*. Through

MANISCALCO GALLERY

Through Nov. 30 - *Group of Six: Photography exhibit*. 17329 Mack Ave., Detroit. (313) 886-2993.

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY

Through Nov. 26 - *Resonance: Photographs and Installations* of Andrea Eis. 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 370-3005.

G.R. N'NAMADI GALLERY

Through Dec. 2 - *Rashid Johnson and James VanDerZee*. 161 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-2700.

PARK WEST GALLERY

Through Nov. 23 - *The works of Itzhak Terzak*. 29469 Northwestern, Southfield. (248) 354-2343.

FEWABIC POTTERY

Through Dec. 31 - *Earthly Treasures* annual holiday show. 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0954.

PIERCE STREET GALLERY

Through Dec.

'Echoes of Detroit' satisfying overview

Echoes of Detroit: A 300-Year History by Irwin Cohen, City Vision Publishing, 2000, \$19.95
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■ If there is a downside to the book, it's not in what Irwin Cohen has written but in the city itself, for Cohen recounts the city's erosion as a well as its construction. And it is sad to see what a wonderful, lively city Detroit was just a few decades ago and how it is barely a shadow of that now.

Irwin Cohen's *Echoes of Detroit: A 300-Year History* is a book that wasn't really written as such as it was constructed.

Cohen, the former editor of *The Baseball Bulletin* and an employee of the Detroit Tigers, takes on the daunting task of encapsulating the history of Detroit in 130 pages liberally sprinkled with pictures.

He does it by breaking the history into manageable chunks — the 1700s, the Early 1800s, 1830-1874 and so forth to the present. Key events of each period are highlighted, often in no more than a paragraph.

surprisingly readable fashion and provides a satisfying overview of the city.

Familiar characters

All the familiar characters are here, from the Rev. Gabriel Richard, one of Detroit's pioneers, to the colorful Augustus Woodward (the "colorful almost dictator of Detroit" in the early 1800s) to architect Albert Kahn, Henry Ford and Sonny Eliot.

This allows Cohen to cover an impressive amount of territory in a short amount of space and gives a shorthand version of Detroit's story from the day it was founded — July 24, 1701.

Anecdotes abound: John R street derived its name from the city's first mayor, John R. Williams who noted the middle initial to distinguish himself from another prominent John Williams in the 1820s.

Whole books have been written on some of the topics that Cohen covers in a paragraph or two. The technique can be quite jarring. For example, in one paragraph we learn that the city appointed an Interracial Relations Committee after the brutal and deadly race riot of 1944.

Cohen makes an attempt to be inclusive, covering African-American and local Jewish history and the parts they played in the fabric of Detroit.

And the next graph relates that "In a 1944 poll of radio writers in newspapers and magazines, the *Lone Ranger* placed first in popularity."

There are a few gaffes, the most serious being the revelation that Mayor Coleman A. Young was defeated for re-election in 1994. Actually, Young chose not to run.

Still, the technique works in a

And in the space of two pages, Col. John Francis Hamtramck is

also referred to as John Frederick Hamtramck. It's actually Francis.

But these are not fatal errors. And as a whole the book is quite enjoyable and provides a wealth of information.

If there is a downside to the book, it's not in what Cohen has written but in the city itself, for Cohen recounts the city's erosion as well as its construction. And it is sad to see what a wonderful, lively city Detroit was just a few decades ago and how it is barely a shadow of that now. *Echoes of Detroit* indeed.

But that's not Cohen's fault and he leaves us on an upbeat note with some clever suggestions as to how to improve Downtown and what to do with old Tiger Stadium.

They, as well as the whole book, are worth pursuing.

Greg Kowalski is chairman of the Hamtramck Historical Commission and has a deep interest in the history of neighboring Detroit.

'Chicken Soup' for parents who want to count blessings

What's the real meaning of gratitude? The dictionary says to be grateful is to be "appreciative of benefits received." How inadequate. Any parent knows gratitude can never be summed up in a few concise words. It must be felt, experienced, embraced. Gratitude is what washes over you when your daughter proudly brings you a perfect red maple leaf, when your son hands you the tiny bundle that is your first grandchild, when your complex, maddening, wonderful extended family gathers around a turkey feast with all the trimmings.

This Thanksgiving, take a moment to realize your family is the only definition of gratitude you'll ever need. If this doesn't ring true, you just haven't been paying attention.

Chicken Soup for the Parent's Soul (Health Communications, \$12.95, www.parentssoul.com) — a new book released just in time for Thanksgiving — serves as a gentle reminder that parenthood is the most worthwhile, fulfilling, demanding, and yes, "gratitude-inspiring" role of our lives.

together, housework shared, a Christmas tree decorated, an impromptu Monopoly game. The writer concludes: "A prayer has been hanging in our family room for years. It reads: Bless our home, Father that we cherish the bread before there is none, discover each other before we leave, and enjoy each other for what we are while we have time (Prayer by Richard Wuong, 1981, Abbey Press, St. Meinrad, Ind.).

"The day my daughter died, I learned what it meant." What are you reading? Send mini book reviews for consideration on our book page to Keely Wygonik, assistant managing editor features, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail (as a TEXT file) kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

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SIGNINGS
 ■ James Gleick, *Faster* — 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 13; 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14, Philip Short, *Mao: Life at Borders*, Ann Arbor Borders Books & Music, 612 E. Liberty (734) 668-7652.
 ■ Michael and Colleen Monroe, *A Wish To Be A Christmas Tree*, 2-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25, Little Book Shoppe on the Park, Plymouth.

KIDS STUFF
Kindermusik Story Time — 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, Plymouth Coffee Bean, 884 Penniman, Plymouth (734) 454-0178; 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, Little Book Shoppe on the Park, 380 S.

Main, Plymouth, (734) 455-5220; 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21, Baby Baby Resale, 153 E. Main, Northville, (248) 347-2229.
Plymouth District Library — Celebrate Children's Book Week by attending Ye Olde Book Faire, 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 at the library, 223 S. Main St., Plymouth. This program is intended for children ages 6-12, call (734) 453-0750 to register. Thanksgiving break movie day 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 25. The short movie *Chato's Kitchen*, about a cool cat with a taste for mice, will be followed by *The Doughnuts*, a feature from Robert McCloskey's book, *Homer Price*, about a doughnut machine that goes berserk. The program lasts 45 minutes and is intended for children ages 6-12. Registration is not required.

Canton Public Library — Family Book Talk 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29. This month's selection is *The Shakespeare Stealer* by Gary Blackwood, a story about poor orphaned Walter who is ordered by his cruel master to steal Shakespeare's *Hamlet* or else. Copies of the book are available at the library, 1200 S. Canton Center Road. Family Book Talks are intended for children in grades 4-6 accompanied by a parent. There will be no family book talk in December due to the holidays. *Ginger Pye* by Eleanor Estes is the reading selection for January. Call (734) 397-0999 for information.

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tion, for we follow the traditional teaching, that sound is God — Nada Brahma.

"By this process, individual consciousness can be elevated to a realm of awareness where the revelation of the true meaning of the universe — its eternal and unchanging essence — can be joyfully experienced."

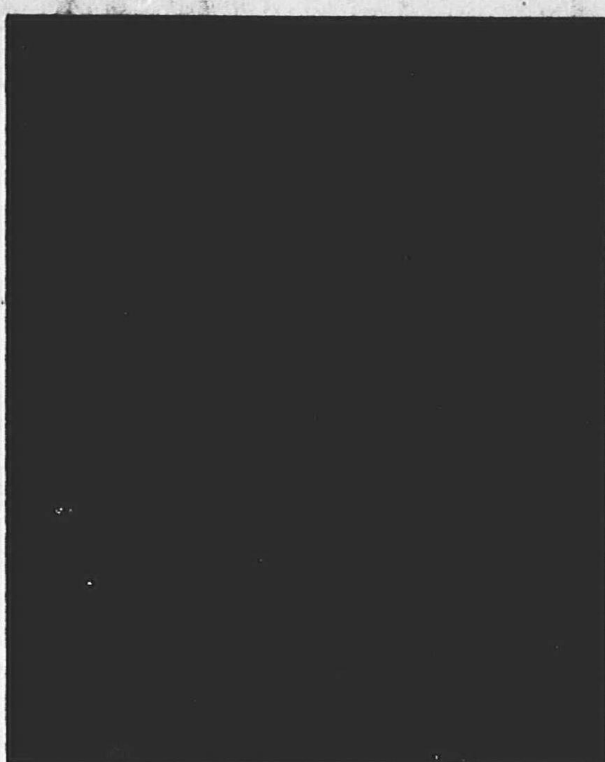
The youngest and only female honored by the British Parliament with a House of Commons Shield, Anoushka Shankar carries the torch of her father's musicianship safely in her nimble fingers. In 1995, at the age of 13, Anoushka Shankar made her professional debut in New Delhi, India.

Since then she has assisted her father at major concert halls in Europe, the U.S. and Asia.

Being the only student under her father's tutelage from the absolute beginning, Anoushka's music resonates with her father's style (which she considers to be the highest compliment), but she is developing a unique sound and style of her own.

Born in London and growing up in both California and India, Anoushka is proud of her heritage and culture; she believes strongly in the study of Indian classical music and looks as though she is set to be as important a pioneer as her father.

Anoushka tries to lead the life of a normal teenage girl when not practicing the sitar and touring.



Guest artist: *Legendary virtuoso sitarist Ravi Shankar will be featured in a Nov. 17 concert presented by the University Musical Society.*

In March, she accompanied her father in a performance of his Concerto No. 1 for Sitar and Orchestra with the London Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Zubin Mehta.

Critics worldwide acknowledged the gifts of this rising star and hail her as the obvious successor to the great tradition of her father.

Her first solo recording,

Anoushka, was released in 1998, and her latest CD, *Anourag*, was released in August by Angel Records/EMI Classics.

She has said that her inspiration comes from her father. "As I watch my father play, I can see this light in his eye," she once said.

In addition to her prowess on the sitar, she is a gifted classical pianist with a wide range of interests.

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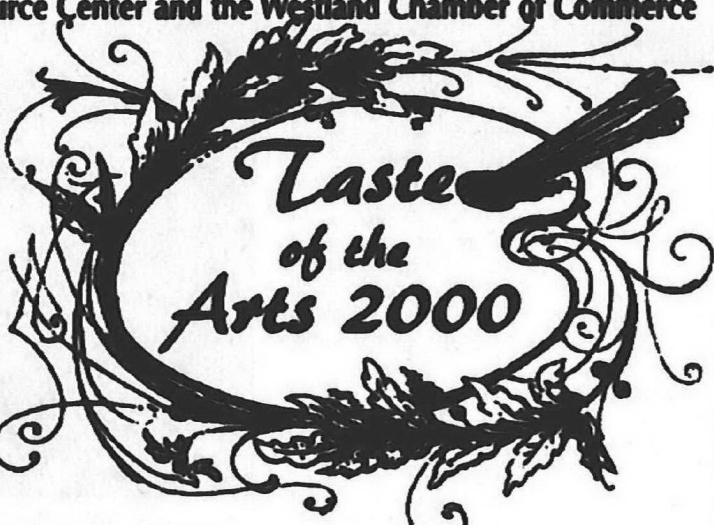
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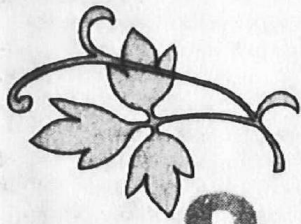
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"FACES & PLACES"

The Michigan Retailers Association honored three retailers at the group's annual awards luncheon on Thursday. Among them was Tiffany & Co., the Somerset Collection in Troy.

The store received the association's retailer of the year award for businesses in the medium size category. Tiffany Co.'s charitable work in the community was cited as one reason for the selection.

In the past 18 months, the store has contributed more than \$100,000 worth of merchandise for local fund-raising efforts. Organizations that have benefited from the store include Hospice of Michigan, Judson Center for Children, the Detroit Historical Society, Cranbrook Academy of Art and the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Upscale women's clothing boutique Tender, 271 West Maple in downtown Birmingham, now has more to offer stylish shoppers. Owners Cheryl and Karen Daskas recently expanded the store with the addition of a lower-level retail space and dramatic spiral staircase. The new space will house all of Tender's shoes and make room for additional designer apparel and accessory lines. How about Dolce & Gabbana for one! Stop by and see the stylish new space yourself or give the boutique a call at (248) 258-0212.

More than a handful of new stores have set up shop at Summit Place Mall in Waterford. Among them are the San Francisco Music Box Company, Wilson's Leather, men's clothing store G-Men and Luisa's Place, which carries women's casual and business attire and accessories. Located at Telegraph and Elizabeth Lake roads, Summit Place is open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and noon-6 p.m. Sunday. For details about new stores or information about the mall's holiday kiosks, call (248) 682-0123.

Designer golf apparel store Sugar Mag recently celebrated the grand opening of its new retail location. Sugar Mag recently moved to the former Thom Lefler site at 227 South Old Woodward in downtown Birmingham. The retailer and its line of modern golf wear is the creation of Birmingham native Karen McCarty. Visit the store or call (248) 594-9255.

Margot's Euro Spa, 280 N. Old Woodward in downtown Birmingham, recently began offering mineral treatments using Michigan minerals from Mount Clemens Mineral Systems. The local minerals, which were discovered in 1865 and have been found to alleviate aches and pains, are being used in a new Italian Hydrotherapy tub at Margot's.

Mineral treatment services offered at the salon include underwater deep tissue massage, lymph drainage, tissue toning and detoxification, and skin re-hydration. Mineral treatments typically require 15 to 20 minutes and start at \$65. Therapeutic products containing the local minerals, including rubs, ointments, lotions and body sprays, are also available at Margot's. For an appointment or to learn more, call (248) 642-3770.

Renovations at Bloomfield Plaza at Telegraph and Maple in Bloomfield Township are at last complete. To celebrate the new look and encourage shoppers to stop by, the center is offering a variety of incentives, including a chance to win a \$1,000 shopping spree at Bloomfield Plaza and visits by radio personalities on Saturdays through Nov. 18. For more details, stop by any Bloomfield Plaza store.

Deck the malls

It's a late night of holiday trimming at Somerset

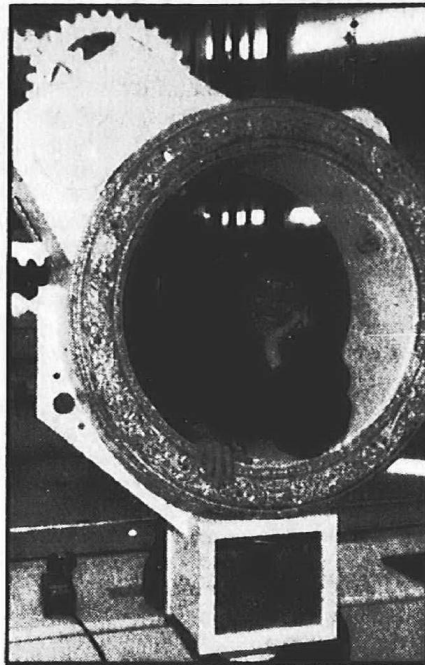


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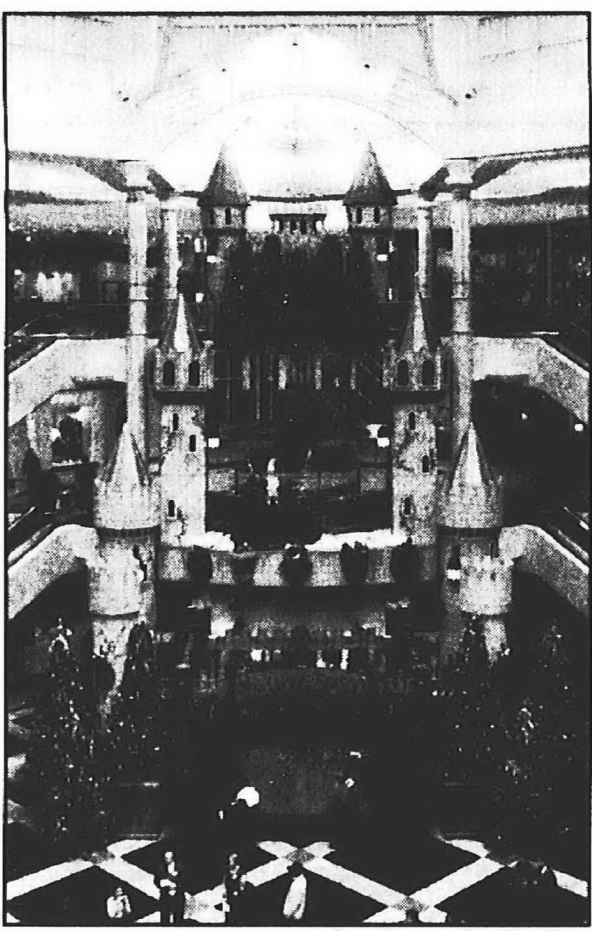
Make a wish: When donors throw money through the Wish-a-whirl, it light up. So does m'Arch McCarty, artistic director of the Imagination Theatre.

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STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

Children's delight: Somerset Collection's enormous, holiday castle, the Wynter Palace, is located on the north side of the Troy mall.

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Well, perhaps it'll shatter a few illusions, but Santa's elves don't always wear green curly-toed slippers and knickers trimmed in cotton batting.

And the tools of their trade aren't limited to tiny hammers and saws.

No, the 30 or so "elves" that put together the mammoth holiday display at Troy's Somerset Collection last week wore sneakers, fleece vests and baseball caps turned backwards.

And they were more likely to be seen driving a forklift, drilling a wooden column or rigging cable three stories above the atrium floor, than making wooden toys.

These are some serious elves.

And with good reason. Somerset Collection boasts one of the nation's largest mall holiday displays, according to Becky Parker, director of operations and design for Panache, an Atlanta-based display company that designs Somerset's *The Giving Season*.

"Unlike most of the 25 cities we go to, Somerset is two centers rolled into one, so it's twice what a normal job would be," she said, referring to decorations that will be on display in both the North and South courts.

For 22 days out of the year, Parker works "vampire hours," going into malls at 10 p.m. and working until dawn.

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Linda McIntosh, marketing director at Somerset, said long lines have been a major customer service concern in recent years. "It really wasn't the kids that have a hard time, it was the parents. They got cranky standing in line," she said.

But this year, parents can check in at the desk and then take the kids to shop or eat, and wait for the flag in the center court to turn the color of their medallion. Later, as the volume of visitors gets heavier, pagers will be used.

M'Arch McCarty, artistic director of the Children's Theatre of Michigan, said the "virtual line" will allow families to take advantage of all the games and special offerings that will be in Grand Court.

A cobblestone carpet will have giant-sized games of checkers and tic-tac-toe. Lords and ladies will entertain children with storytelling, songs and puppetry.

When children get their audience with Santa, they'll also receive three gold coins redeemable for gifts and toys at various



PHOTO BY BILL HANSEN

Up on the treetop: Mark Fortner, exterior property manager of Somerset Collection in Troy, makes an adjustment to an ornate. Setting up the mall's holiday decor began at 10 p.m. and went on through the night.

stores throughout the mall.

"Every hour the center is open, there will be something going on for children," said McCarty, a Troy resident who spends most his waking hours during the holidays at Somerset. Luckily his wife and two teenage sons like to entertain the throngs of excited kids, too.

"That's what it's all about. It's about service and entertainment in a different way," he said. "This is my playground."

And McCarty's playground doesn't come cheap. Most major malls spend between \$300,000 and \$500,000 on holiday displays. McIntosh estimates that Somerset spends a bit more than that, but the elaborate decor is all in the name of customer service.

Jesters, 7-foot tall and draped in velvet, silk and tapestry, 13 trees in the castle bejeweled with thousands of lights and specially designed ornaments, plus the enormous Dreamship, required the expertise of rock show riggers to install, but are pure magic to little wondering eyes.

"We are all very excited about this year's display," said McIntosh. And no doubt any kid that tosses a penny through the Wish-A-Whirl will see Somerset's display as a holiday dream come true.

Enjoy breakfast with Santa and his Royal Court on Saturday, Dec. 2, 9 and 16 from 8:30-10 a.m. in Cafe Jardin, Somerset South. The morning includes live entertainment and a hot, family-style breakfast. Seating is limited, so tickets must be purchased in advance at the Wynter Palace. Admission is \$20 per person, \$10 for children 3-10, and free for kids 2 and under.

On Christmas Eve, wish Santa well on his long journey when he departs in a magical ceremony beginning at 2 p.m. sharp. No reservations required.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. By fax, (248) 644-1314. E-mail, nstafford@oe.homecomm.net. Deadline for publication is two weeks in advance.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

MAKEOVER SEMINAR

Attend "The Perfect You Seminar" featuring hair and makeup tips by stylist Jonce at Farrell Reis Salon, 544 North Old Woodward in downtown Birmingham. Cost is \$30 per person and seating is limited, 7-9 p.m. To reserve a space, call (248) 646-1066.

DESIGNER APPEARANCE

Shirt designer Craig Taylor and his Fall 2000 Collection for women visits Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Collection Sportswear. Call (248) 644-6900.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

JEWELRY SHOW

View John Atencio's collection of fine jewelry at Jacobson's, Laurel Park Place in Livonia, noon-7 p.m., Fine Jewelry. Call (734) 591-7696.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16

JEWELRY SHOW

Jules R. Schubot, 3001 West Big Beaver, Suite 112, in Troy, hosts a jewelry and gem show featuring Stefan Hafner, Leo de Vroomen and Pasquale Bruni through Nov. 18, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. all days. For details, call (248) 649-1122.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

TRUNK SHOW

The Knitting Room, 251 Merrill Street in downtown Birmingham, presents the Jo Sharp Collection in a trunk show with new yarns and books through Nov. 30. Store hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday.

MERRY MAKEUP EVENT

Experiment with MAC's new winter color collection and talk to the company's makeup artists at Nordstrom, the Somerset Collection in Troy, through Nov. 19, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Cosmetics, first floor. Call (248) 816-5100.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

TRUNK SHOW

Roz & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Township, hosts a trunk show of dresses, trousers, jackets and other apparel by Zella along with a designer representative through Nov. 18, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Call (248) 855-8877.

LAGOS COLLECTION

Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham showcases the Lagos Collection of fine jewelry through Nov. 18, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Fine Jewelry. Call (248) 644-6900.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

MISTLETOE MADNESS

Saks Fifth Avenue, the Somerset Collection in Troy,

and The Junior League of Birmingham present Mistletoe Madness, a holiday shopping party that includes entertainment, refreshments and 10 percent off purchases. Tickets are \$40 per person. For details, call (248) 646-2613.

LACE EXHIBIT

Lace Day, including a lace exhibit, demonstrations and supply vendors, is free and open to the public at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. For details, call (734) 483-5693.

PARADE

Wonderland Mall in Livonia presents the Livonia Golden Winter Wonderland Parade (runs on Plymouth Road from Merriman to the mall), 9 a.m. The celebration continues with Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band at the mall's food court. For details about the event, call (734) 522-4100.

JEWELRY EXHIBIT

Grinstein Jewelry & Design, 162 South Old Woodward in downtown Birmingham, presents an antique silver and estate jewelry exhibition through Nov. 19, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday. Call (248) 647-4414.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

TOY SHOW

Vendors and collectors sell new, used, antique and limited edition toys at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 526 Farmer Street in Plymouth, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Call (734) 456-2110.

WHERE CAN I FIND?

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

This interactive feature is dedicated to helping readers locate retail merchandise that's difficult to find through reader feedback.

If you have a request or information about where a product is sold or service is available, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number.

Please be patient about your requests and feedback; we receive an overwhelming number of phone calls. If you don't see information about your request, we couldn't find it. Requests are published twice.

WHAT WE FOUND:

- For the toilet tank lid, try Materials Unlimited in Ypsilanti, the Ann Arbor Recycling Center or Universal Plumbing on 11 Mile in Southfield, (248) 542-3888.

- To transfer film to video, try the Transfer Zone in Oak Park, (248) 548-7580 or Adray's in Dearborn

- Replacement bags for a Sharp vacuum cleaner are sold at United Good Housekeeper on Maple and Telegraph in Bloomfield Hills and at Northwest Vacuum on Northwest Highway.

- Davisburg Candle Factory in Davisburg sells egg-shaped candles.

- QTICA nail care is sold at Levin's Beauty Supply on Orchard Lake Road and Gina Augusta on Grand River and Haggerty roads in Novi.

- To order QTICA products by mail, call (800) 859-8006.

- Pep Boys on Van Dyke in Sterling Heights sells a cobra license plate frame.

- Top Job cleaner is sold at Gene's Hardware on 12 Mile

and Middlebelt in Orchard Lake, Drug Emporium stores and at F&M in Westland.

- Twinkle Copper cleaner is sold at Farmer Jack stores.

FIND A SEARCH NOTES:

- Season ticket slacks are no longer manufactured.
- J. C. Penney does not carry short sleeve sweatshirts for men.

- Sun Coast video does not carry the movie Rocky IV.

WHERE CAN I FIND:

- A store that sells the board game Family Ties for Sue of Redford.

- A store that sells Genie eye cream/gel for Lori in Canton.

- A store that sells Chupa suckers for Linda of Garden City.

- A store that sells an all-occasion address, telephone and Christmas list book for Margaret of Rochester.

- A store that sells Laura Ashley pillow shams in the Bramble pattern for Sue of Bloomfield Hills.

- A store that sells the game Michigan Rummy for Dianna of Southfield.

- A store that sells yellow American (5-pound) block cheese for Cindy of Garden City.

- A store that sells men's short sleeve sweatshirts for Frank.

- A store that sells Towncraft brand (50/50) men's V-neck undershirts for Phyllis of Redford.

- A store that sells a 22-inch round decorative wall clock for Miami.

- A company that comes to the home to repair fringe on an oriental rug for Edith.

- A store that sells women's

catin night gowns with fleece lining for Pat, who resides in Livonia.

- A store that sells a wax cleaner for a leather jacket (L.L. Bean sold one) for Dennis.

- A store that sells the children's book *The Christmas Cookie Sprinkler Snitcher* for Jean.

- A store that sells the AT&T memory telephone (#530, has hold and memory buttons) for Virginia.

- A store that sells the book *The Ford Model A, as Henry Built It* by Edward Francis, Leslie Henry and George DeAngelus (4th edition) for Diane.

- The movie *Rocky IV* on videocassette for Stacy.

- A store that sells larger lead for a mechanical lead pencil (1.2 millimeters) for Thelma.

- A store that sells Blue Grass perfume for Nancy, who resides in Redford.

- A store that sells a necklace chain longer than 30 inches in sterling silver or costume jewelry for Lila of Canton.

- A store that sells women's shoes in narrow sizes for Carol of Farmington Hills.

- A store that sells a clock radio with an telephone sound alarm for Tonya.

- A store that sells Ashby's Ice Cream for Janet of Clarkston.

- A store that sells a plastic-covered mattress cover with Velcro or zippers for a standard size crib for Chris of West Bloomfield.

- A store that makes or alters brassieres for difficult sizes for Joan of Franklin.

- A store that sells a small

Proste Salad Shooter (#0291001).

- A store that sells children's boots for wear on a leg/foot brace for Joan of Rochester.

- A store that sells the print "The Reward" by Bonnie Pease Guttman for Joan.

- A store that sells a Victorian style blouse for costume use for Joan.

- A store that sells men's, large, polyester undershirts (V-neck) for Margaret.

- A store that sells men's Romeo slippers (soft-sole) for Joyce of Redford.

- A store that sells rose water and glycerin lotion for Corinne of Southfield.

- A store that sells a fabric dye to use on charcoal gray carpet in an automobile for Kathleen of Clarkston.

- A business that repairs treadmills for Marlene of Troy.

- A store that sells magnetic holders for kitchen utensils for Margaret of Troy.

- A store that sells men's Jiffy bedroom slippers for Eleanor.

- A business that does crocheting and tatting around lace doily edges for Lu of Livonia.

- A business that does furniture stripping in vats to remove old finishes for Edie.

- A store that sells a metal grates to cover a 24-by-40 glass door for Carol of Canton.

- A store that sells Aldo dry cat food in any flavor for Kathy of Southfield.

- A store that sells a metal, jagged comb (1-3 inches) for Grace of Livonia.

- Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

Holiday Happenings will

keep you abreast of special shopping programs, services and events occurring during the busiest shopping time of the year. Send listings to: *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Malls & Mainstreets, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, Mich. 48009. Fax to: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by Monday for publication the following Sunday.*

SANTA BY CARRIAGE

Santa jingles all the way to Westland Shopping Center, arriving 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 by horse and carriage. For those who wish to witness his grand arrival, join John Glen High School's award-winning marching band outside entrance six, just east of JC Penney. The procession will travel to West Court near JC Penney. After Santa's arrival, children are treated to a magic show at 11:30 a.m. Santa will then be available to sit for photos 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Monday-Saturday, and noon-6 p.m., Sunday, through Dec. 24. For additional information, call (734) 425-5001.

SANTA AT SUMMIT

Santa makes his first appearance at Summit Place Mall in Waterford at noon on Saturday, Nov. 18. Mall visitors also can feast their eyes on the Summit Place Mall castle, a towering holiday display with over three miles of lights and seven miles of red ribbon outside the center near Telegraph Road. Santa will be available to speak with children during mall hours through Dec. 24. Regular

mall hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday, and noon-6 p.m., Sunday. Special holiday hours start Nov. 24. Call (248) 682-0123.

HOLIDAY GOSSELINGS

The American Cancer Society hosts *Holiday Dressing Nov. 18-19* at local Discovery Shops. Donated clothing, furniture, collectibles and seasonal merchandise will be available at discounted prices with all proceeds benefiting the American Cancer Society. Discovery Shops are located in Rochester, Livonia and Plymouth. For directions and other information, call (248) 567-5353.

NUTCRACKER LUNCHEON

The Volunteer Council of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra presents its annual Nutcracker luncheon and holiday shopping boutique on Friday, Nov. 17 at the Dearborn Inn. Lunch is served at noon followed by a performance by the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra String Quartet and an informal fur show. The boutique runs 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tickets are \$45-100. Call (313) 576-5154.

SANTA AT TWELVE OAKS

On Saturday, Nov. 18 Santa and his elves come to Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi to greet visitors, hear gift requests and sit for photos. Santa will be available 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday (on break noon-1 p.m. and 5-6 p.m.), and 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday (on break 2-3 p.m.), through Dec. 24. Visit early to avoid the crowds. For details, call the mall management office at (248) 348-9438.

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- Goodyear Automotive Center 19424 Middlebelt, N. of 7 Mile Rd. - Livonia
- \$12.95 Oil Change, Free Maintenance Inspection
- Hank's Auto Restorations (313) 291-3075 - Westland
- Rusted After? I'll restore your old car
- Jim Freedman Pontiac Buick - Royal Oak
- 10% Off Parts and Service
- North Brothers Ford 33000 Ford Road - Westland
- 10% Off Parts and/or Service, Purchases of \$100 or more
- B&B Mobil (734) 484-1011 & 5 Levan - Livonia
- 10% Off Any Auto Service Over \$25.00
- Tom Halbelean Goodyear (248) 847-3370 - Birmingham
- 10% Off All Services
- Tom Halbelean Goodyear (248) 848-0110 - Royal Oak
- 10% Off All Services
- Tom Halbelean Goodyear (248) 382-8880 1973 Livonia - Troy
- 10% Off All Services
- Westland Car Care - Westland
- 10% Off Any Service of \$100.00 or More
- Westlake Auto Parts 156 S. Newburgh - Westland
- 10% Discount

S Beauty & Health Care Professionals

- Chester Drugs 190 S. Wayne Road - Westland
- All Vitamins \$1.00 Off
- Duties Hair Fashions - Farmington Hills
- 10% Off Reg. Price Cuts & Trunk Products
- Family Dental Center 734-427-8900 - Livonia
- 10% Off First Visit & Free Consultation
- Kramer Chiropractic (248) 618-1833 - Livonia
- Consultation, examination & x-rays, \$27.00
- Kristal Grenluk, D.D.S. (734) 625-2682 - Livonia
- 10% General Discount, \$100.00 off Bleaching
- Medical Center Pediatrics DMC - W. Bloom./Bing Farms
- Special Offer for New Patients, Call for Details
- Michael Chabon, D.D.S. (734) 622-8639 - Livonia
- \$50.00 off Bleaching, 50% off New Patient Exam
- Partners Salon 476-8949 - Farmington Hills
- 10% Off Your Total Order! Mon-Sat. Open 6AM.
- Orthodontics - Dr. Shaw & Glazer 346-471-1888 - Livonia
- Free Consultation, a \$225 Value
- Personalized Hearing 35337 Warren - Westland
- Save 10% on 2 Digital Hearing Aids
- Ph.D. Psychologist 734-866-8977 - Westland
- 50% Off 3 Visits - No Ins. with Disc. - \$85 each
- Posh Salon - Southfield
- 20% Off All Services New Customers Only
- Sheer Radiance Sheridan Square - Garden City
- 10% Off First Service
- Sty Devotee Hair Salon - Westland
- 20% Off of Hair & Tan/Spa Products

S Coffee, Bagels & Bakeries

- Hortega Bakery 37458 Five Mile at Newburgh - Livonia
- 10% Off your total order! Mon-Sat. Open 6AM.
- 734-464-1855
- Mary Dennings Cakes - Westland
- 10% Off Special Order Cakes

S Day Care

- Hands & Hearts Around the World - Garden City
- 10% Off 1st Month Tuition

S Dry Cleaners & Laundry

- J.B. Precision Cleaners on 6 Mile - Livonia
- 20% Off Dry Cleaning (No Other Coupons)
- Mal Kaf Cleaners - All Locations
- Free Sweater or Pant Wash \$9.95 Incoming Cleaning
- Part 100 Q1.78 Dry Cleaners 944-9891 - Canton
- \$1.50 For Item for Dry Cleaning
- Youth of Cass 1180 Ann Arbor Rd. - Plymouth
- 15% Off All Dry Cleaned Garments (734) 458-7474

S Entertainment

- Detroit Zoological Society - Royal Oak
- 10% Off All Services

S Financial Services

- Stro & Gladys Estate (248) 464-0000 - Livonia
- Country Financial 734-427-8900 - Livonia
- Free Bus. Consult. \$10 Off Invoice For Financing
- James B. Williams, Inc. - Livonia
- 50% Personal Plan @ 10% Plus

Kesak Consulting Co., Inc. - Westland

- 10% Discount Off 1999 Income Tax Prep
- Tax Time - Westland
- Free Electronic Filing with Paid Return
- B. Currie, L.P.L. Financial (734) 458-7304 - Plymouth
- 20% on stock/bond and trades & Free Advice

S Florists & Gifts

- Nature's Floral Gifts 37464 Five Mile at Newburgh - Livonia
- 10% Off (734) 438-8940
- Steve Codens Flowers - Southfield
- Free Delivery in Metro Detroit Area

S Home Improvement

- American Blind and Wallpaper Factory - Plymouth
- 10% Off Order \$50 Min. Mention Code HE10
- Beth & Kathleen Elegance (734) 326-7088 - Livonia
- 10% on Bath Fixtures & Cabinetry
- Beowulf Door 1-800-234-3667 - South Lyon
- 10% Off Garage Doors & Openers, Entry & Storm Doors.
- Bergstroms Inc Plumbing & Heating - Livonia
- \$15 Off Service Calls 734-622-1369
- Burton & Sons - Garden City
- \$15.00 Off Service Call 734-427-3070
- Burton Plumbing & Heating - Wayne
- 10% Off All Materials/Service/Stores
- Carrousel Building and Painting - Westland
- 10% on All Labor, 15% Seniors
- Horton Plumbing - Plymouth
- Free Laundry Tub & Faucet with Receipt
- 1 Do Windows 313-827-6989 - Redford
- First Clean Free with Pre-Paid Service
- J+J Installation (248) 473-8888 - Farmington Hills
- 10% Off any entry or storm door or purchase, 3 door min.
- Kroll Window - Garden City
- \$300 Off 3 or More Windows
- Livonia Home Improvement 27790 Joy Road - Livonia
- In business since 1951. Windows, siding & roofs. Best Prices.
- Livonia Lock-Key 33981 Five Mile - Livonia
- LSDA Entrance Handle Reg. \$139 now \$114 734-422-1222
- Nationwide Windows & Doors (613) 538-8822 - Redford
- 10% Off Labor, 20% Off for Seniors
- New Beginnings LLC 734-613-8788 - Livonia
- 10% Off Painting Two or More Rooms
- On The Mark Roofing & Home Improvement 29010 Van Born - Westland
- 10% on Labor, 15% for Seniors 734-728-7110
- Pete Wood Plumbing & Lawn Sprinklers - Livonia
- 10% Discount 248-888-7777
- United Temperature - Livonia
- Furnace Cleaning & Inspection \$57.00

S Insurance

- Jensenman Insurance - Westland
- Gift for Comparing Home & Auto Insurance

S Jewelers

- Bright Jewellers 4434 Cherry Hill 734-844-8094 - Canton
- 10% Off 14K Gold Chains
- Midwest Diamond Brokers 9400 Middlebelt - Canton
- 30% Off Jewelry Appraisals 734-888-8888
- O & D Bush Jewellers 734-468-9888 - Plymouth
- 50% Off All Silver Jewelry

S Landscaping & Maintenance

- Stiles Outdoor Care - Canton
- Commercial Snowplowing Contact 10% Off
- D.A. Alexander & Co. - Livonia
- 10% Discount
- Outdoor Fun Store Co. - Wayne
- 10% Off Purchase of Any Wooden Playset
- O.V's Landscaping 734-728-8888 - Westland
- \$150 Off Sprinkler System over \$1500
- Stevens Garden Center - Plymouth
- 10% Off All Hand Garden Tools

S Pizzerias

- Giuseppe Inn Pizzeria - Farmington Hills
- 2 Large Pizzas W/One Item \$12.99
- Giuseppe's Pizzeria 734-828-8888 - Livonia
- Free Soda/Soft Drink with Large Pizza
- Marino Grill & Pizzeria 734-491-1289 - Canton
- \$3.00 Off a \$10.00 Pizzeria (including Inners & Sausy)
- Pizza Palace 734-468-9888 - Plymouth
- \$1.00 Off Soda/Soft Drink with any pizza

S Restaurants

- Alma's Italian - Canton
- 10% Off All Food & Beverage
- Alexander's - Livonia
- 10% Off All Food & Beverage
- Burger King 120 S. Merriman Rd. - Westland
- 95¢ Double Cheese Burger w/any purchase
- Burger King 227 S. Wayne Rd. - Westland
- 95¢ Double Cheese Burger w/any purchase
- Beppio Family Dining - Wayne
- 20% Off Any Order
- Cede 39 Coffee Cafe Inc. - Redford
- \$1.00 Off Any Flavored Latte
- Dairy Queen of Royal Oak - Royal Oak
- 10% Off Total Bill
- Denny's - Westland
- Buy One Regular Fried Breakfast, Get One FREE.
- Not valid with other coupons or offers.
- Not valid on Holidays or Weekends.
- One coupon per guest per visit.
- Hard Ice Cream Cafe on Farmington S. of Plymouth Livonia
- 10% Off Any Item including Sanders Cakes
- Leather Bottle Inn 20300 Farmington Rd. - Livonia
- 10% Discount not valid on pizza, appetizers, soup, salad or any you can eat. 248-476-2450
- Legacy Restaurant 34110 Plymouth Rd. - Livonia
- 10% Off Your Bill Excluding Specials 734-613-7788
- McDonald's 5625 Sashabaw Rd. - Clarkston
- Buy One Big Mac, Get One Free
- McDonald's 6695 Dixie Hwy. - Clarkston
- Buy One Big Mac, Get One Free
- McDonald's 2480 Dixie Hwy. - Farmington Hills
- Buy One Big Mac, Get One Free
- McDonald's 141 N. Telegraph - Waterford
- Buy One Big Mac, Get One Free
- McDonald's 220 N. Ann Arbor Rd. - Plymouth
- Buy Any Sandwich, Get One Free
- McDonald's 5 Mile at Middlebelt ONLY - Livonia
- 15% Off Any Full Size Extra Value Meal
- McDonald's 45510 Michigan - Canton
- Buy Any Sandwich, Get One Free
- McDonald's 44800 Ford Rd. - Canton
- Buy Any Sandwich, Get One Free
- McDonald's 40241 Michigan - Canton
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- Max & Ermas - Birmingham
- 10% Off Purchase, excluding alcohol & gratuities
- Michi Neusey School/Middlebelt - Livonia
- 10% Off Your Bill - Lunch or Dinner 734-628-8888
- ix Olive Carry Inland 725 Route Rd. across from Rutland Rd. - Westland
- 10% Off Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner. Open 7 a.m.
- Mr. Pita 1930 Opdyke 15% OFF - Auburn Hills
- (248) 476-4500
- Mr. Pita 26688 Orchard Lake Rd. 15% OFF Farmington Hills - Canton
- (248) 469-8880
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- Mr. Pita 625 Ann Arbor Road 15% OFF - Plymouth
- (248) 354-3800
- Mr. Pita 1977 South Blvd 15% OFF - Troy/Roch. Hills
- (248) 825-8901
- New King Lane 949-474-9781 - Farmington Hills
- 10% Off Total Bill
- NY Deli & Catering (734) 991-9984 - Livonia
- 10% Off of any Catering order
- O'Connell's Bar & Grill 15201 Farmington & Five Livonia
- 15% Discount after 8 p.m. except Holidays
- Orlando's Italian 37675 Five Mile at Newburgh - Livonia
- 10% Off Any Purchase 734-468-8888
- Shawarma - Berkley/Ferrisdale
- \$1.00 Off Any Food Item - Livonia
- Wawa Restaurant & Deli 2680 Metro Plaza Center - Wayne
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- Alexander's The Great - Westland
- 10% Off Entrees - Not Valid on Specials
- Barba Pizzeria - Livonia
- 10% Off When You Buy 4 Pastas
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S Retail

- Alma's Greenfield Market - Southfield
- 5% Off Any Meat or Produce Purchase
- Bender Outlet 3500 Lley 734-397-8328 - Canton
- 10% Off In-Stock Only
- Chris Furniture Farmington/Plymouth Rd. - Livonia
- 40% Off All End Tables
- Dalley Carpet & Mills W. of Merriman - Livonia
- 10% Off Any Reg. Priced Merchandise (Excludes Labor)
- Dall Hospital 39

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DESIRES OF THE HEART

Divorced white female, 48 yr old, 5'2", petite, with long blonde hair...

ONE ON ONE

Single white female, seeking a tall, single white male, 5'3 to 6'2, cute, humorous, honest, and sincere...

OPEN YOUR HEART!

Single white female, 38, 5'7", fit, beautiful blonde, green eyes, good hearted, ambitious, seeking a successful gentleman...

WHAT I NEED IS YOU

Nice and honest female, 18, 5'8", 128 lb, brown hair and eyes. Enjoys dancing, clubbing and going out. Looking for a romantic partner...

TREAT ME RIGHT

41 yr old, 5'4", 110 lb, blonde, attractive female, social drinker, smoker, with two children...

ARE YOU OUT THERE?

Divorced white female, 40, medium build, blonde/brown hair, green eyes and a country girl. Enjoys traveling, reading, and going out...

LEAVE ME A MESSAGE

36 yr old, single white female, with one child. Enjoys reading, people watching, the simple things in life...

I'LL BE WAITING

18 yr old, 175 lb, blonde hair, hazel eyes. Enjoys camping, music, movies, and going out...

GIVE ME A BUZZ

Single female, 5'4", 130 lbs. Together we could enjoy bowling, movies and child watching...

THE MOON & STARS

40 yr old, divorced white female, 5'8", 225 lbs, hazel/green eyes, reddish brown hair, fit, physically attractive, tall, no beard or mustache...

NO GAMES PLEASE

27 yr old female, 5'2", 270 lbs, Auburn hair, green eyes, mother of three, looking for that special someone to spend time together...

LET'S GET TOGETHER

White female, 5'4", petite, attractive, independent, romantic, who enjoys dancing, reading, and going out...

THE IDEAL MATE!

Single white female, seeking single white male, 44 plus, who would like to spend time together, who has a passion for life...

FOREVER FRIENDS

Let the attractive, fun loving, affectionate, 5'2"-5'3", 135 lbs. lady put a sparkle in your eyes. Must be a nice, smart, and sociable guy...

GENUINE GEM

52 yr old white female, non-smoker, giving, loving, and lots of fun. Loves life. Looking for a successful, secure, stable, loving Caucasian gentleman...

SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

Single female, 5'8", 135 lbs, attractive, educated, well groomed, fun loving, feminine, outgoing and a good listener...

SPICE OF LIFE

58", 140 lbs, long brownish red hair, independent, romantic, who enjoys dancing, shopping, pool, bowling, race cars, outdoors, or a quiet evening at home watching TV...

DOES ANYBODY LIVE...

Whoever? Wanna have fun? Like the finer things? In shape? Successful? Classy? Looking for that one special girl? This attractive 5'2", 125 lb, easygoing, creative, 43 yr old enjoys people entertaining, cooking, long walks, and adventures...

ADVENTUROUS LADY

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Divorced 48 yr old, mother of two dental assistants, 5'8", with a few extra pounds, sincere, social drinker, is seeking a sincere gentleman who knows how to treat a lady, financially stable. I enjoy movies, concerts and always open for new suggestions. BOX 24243

SHOOTING STAR

Divorced, white, professional female, 5'5", 125 lbs, brown/black hair and eyes, dimples, looks like an angel. Seeking a divorced, white, male, 55 to 63, attractive, 6', stable and a good sense of humor. BOX 31913

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Cute, blonde haired, blue eyed, petite, divorced white female, 46, with children. Likes boating, motor, Capitan, dining out and more. Looking for someone, 39 to 55, with or without children, for a serious relationship. BOX 20456

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PARTNER SEARCH

Single white female, 42, cute, non-smoker, athletic, animal lover, no children, honest, funny and adventurous. Enjoys reading, collecting, ball, biking, camping, music, going out to have fun or quiet evenings at home. Looking for a gentleman, 40 to 42, with similar qualities and interests. BOX 36120

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ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE

Outgoing and trim, white female, I live in Plymouth. Looking for an attractive, trustworthy, emotionally and financially secure male, 48 to 56, 5'7" plus. No Christian. Someone with a zest for life. BOX 25061

BAUERKRAUT, ANYONE?

Attractive, German, divorced, and divorced, 5'7", 60ish, size 16, non-smoker. Likes reading, fishing, golf, and tennis. Looking for a physically attractive, tall, no beard or mustache, intelligent, good sense of humor, non-smoker. South Oakland county area. BOX 36068

ROMANTIC AT HEART

47 yr old, black Christian professional, 5'10", 145 lbs, physically fit. Enjoys outdoor activities, dining in and out, movies, romantic evenings, singing, and traveling. Seeking a secure gentleman, 40 to 55, non-smoker, sense of humor. Enjoys the finer things in life, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 36062

LOOKING FOR MY MATCH

Single white female, 39, 5'5", brown hair, medium built, independent, good sense of humor, spontaneous, loving, caring, likes a variety of activities and sports. Seeking a gentleman, 40 to 50, with similar interests. BOX 24275

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WANTED: NICE GUY

32 yr old, petite Asian female who enjoys reading, fishing, swimming and traveling. Looking for financially secure, loving, kind man 31 to 40, who has a great sense of humor. BOX 25356

NO LOSERS PLEASE

Sincere, honest, 39, good looking, divorced, white female, weight/proportionate, smoker, social drinker. Seeking sincere, honest, single male 36 to 44, for friendship and possible relationship. Enjoys travel, camping, social activities, movies, spending time with family and friends? Then I am the one for you. BOX 33458

CREATIVE WOMAN 48

Interested in art galleries, book stores, social activism, metaphysical philosophy, nature, seeks empathic, creative, attractive man for long term relationship. BOX 26088

GREAT SAIL

Single Italian female, non-smoker, outgoing and friendly. Looking for single male, 45 to 55, non-smoker, tall, financially/emotionally secure. Likes cultural and outdoor activities, is physically active, health oriented, considerate and kind for a committed relationship. BOX 36106

SWEEP ME OFF MY FEET

44 yr, full figured, single white mom with two kids, non-drinker, non-smoker. Catholic. Enjoys dancing, playing cards, movies, easy listening music and much more. Seeking tall, romantic, caring, trusting white man, with similar interests, to spoil me. BOX 25071

NO DISAPPOINTMENTS

Looking for a professional white male, 60 to 70, non-smoker, a friend to enjoy doing fun things together. I am 63, retired professional, quiet times and much more. Seeking single white female who's down to earth and shares similar interests. BOX 20485

ARE YOU THERE?

21 yr old, white male, 5'8", 180 lbs, blue eyes, brown hair, muscular build, likes anything fun. Looking for a female, who's sweet, caring, honest, has great smiles and who would be interested in having additional enjoyment in her life. BOX 24215

GENUINE GIRL

Single white female, 46, blue eyes, blonde hair, 5'6", slim build. Enjoys golfing, all outdoor activities, movies, and walking. Looking for a tall, romantic man, 43 and up, who's easy going, intelligent, financially secure, and who has a good sense of humor. BOX 25091

ARE YOU THE ONE

Young 57, down to earth, non-drinker, non-smoker, in search of grandpa or grandpa wannabe, non-drinker, with sense of humor, family values to spare life with us. We watch our grandchildren. BOX 20350

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Tall, attractive, downy beard, widow, with no dependents. Seeks her match, 55 to 65, intelligent, open to music, reading, sports, travel, flowers, good conversation and Canadian cottages. He will receive a lot of respect, affection and loyalty, laced with laughter. BOX 33498

NEW BEGINNINGS

Divorced white female, red hair, blue eyes, weight proportionate to size. Seeking a single male, 40 to 55, who enjoys movies, dining, and having fun. Looking for a long term relationship. BOX 33656

TALENTED AND YOUNG

Attractive, single white female, 32, cute, non-smoker, athletic, animal lover, no children, honest, funny and adventurous. Enjoys reading, collecting, ball, biking, camping, music, going out to have fun or quiet evenings at home. Looking for a gentleman, 40 to 42, with similar qualities and interests. BOX 36120

WHO SAYS GOOD...

...things come in small packages? I'm a short, attractive, blonde, single, brown eyed woman, with enough intelligence and kindness for both of us. Looking for a romantic, sweet guy, non-smoker, tall, good sense of humor to treat my girlfriend right. BOX 24288

TAKE A CHANCE...

I'm sure we will have a lot in common. Single female, 5'6", active, with reddish brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys the finer things in life. Looking for a single male, 49 to 60, with a great life. If interested, please call me. BOX 17007

ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE

Outgoing and trim, white female, I live in Plymouth. Looking for an attractive, trustworthy, emotionally and financially secure male, 48 to 56, 5'7" plus. No Christian. Someone with a zest for life. BOX 25061

BAUERKRAUT, ANYONE?

Attractive, German, divorced, and divorced, 5'7", 60ish, size 16, non-smoker. Likes reading, fishing, golf, and tennis. Looking for a physically attractive, tall, no beard or mustache, intelligent, good sense of humor, non-smoker. South Oakland county area. BOX 36068

ROMANTIC AT HEART

47 yr old, black Christian professional, 5'10", 145 lbs, physically fit. Enjoys outdoor activities, dining in and out, movies, romantic evenings, singing, and traveling. Seeking a secure gentleman, 40 to 55, non-smoker, sense of humor. Enjoys the finer things in life, for friendship and possibly more. BOX 36062

LOOKING FOR MY MATCH

Single white female, 39, 5'5", brown hair, medium built, independent, good sense of humor, spontaneous, loving, caring, likes a variety of activities and sports. Seeking a gentleman, 40 to 50, with similar interests. BOX 24275

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ADVENTUROUS LADY

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36351 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 691-7278.

SCULPTURE DEDICATION

The Plymouth Community Arts Council will dedicate a memorial sculpture 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for Arts, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth.

A reception begins at 7 p.m. Reservations are required. Call (734) 416-4278.

The arts council commissioned internationally known sculptor Mark Chatterley to create the 12-foot bronze sculpture in memory of his mother one year ago. Doris H. Chatterley was a long-time friend and volunteer at the arts council.

ART SHOW

Byron Reed is exhibiting his watercolor and acrylic paintings in an innovative "Gallery-in-the-Garage" show 6:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 and 25 at his home, 2651 Roundtable Drive East, south of Palmer, east of Lilley, Canton.

Reed most recently showed his figurative drawing in the Wayne County Council for the Arts, History & Humanities Artists Among Us exhibit at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. He studied art at Cass Technical High School and Society of Arts and Crafts (now Center for Creative Studies) in Detroit. He's worked for various advertising agencies and was art director for WGPR-TV in the early 70s. Over the years Reed's filled hundreds of sketchbooks with his favorite subject - "just plain folks on the street."

For more information, call (734) 398-5054.

ARTS MEETING

Three Cities Art Club holds a meeting 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 20 in the Plymouth Township Clerk's Office at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

The program features a presentation, *Spiritual Beings: Angels and Their Counterparts*, by Detroit Institute of Arts docent Linda Wells.

The public is welcome. For more information, call Annalee



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BISHLER

After the rumble: Tony (Nick Staffend) is stunned by the stabbing of Riff (Kevin Coleman). Anybody's (Georgene Wojciechowski) pulls Tony away from the scene before the police arrive in the Churchill High School's Creative and Performing Arts Program presentation of "West Side Story" which opens Thursday, Nov. 16.

Davis at (734) 427-8524.

MEMBERS FIRST SERIES

The Mandolinquents, Simon Mayor and Hilary James, will give a concert 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction.

Tickets are \$25. \$12 students, and available by calling (734) 416-4278.

Mayor is Britain's "leading hot-fingered mandolin virtuoso" according to Cosmopolitan magazine.

HAND-PAINTED PORCELAIN SHOW

The Dearborn Porcelain Artists host their annual art show and sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Canfield Community Center, 1801 Beech Daly, between Cherry Hill and Ford roads.

Admission is \$1. For information, call Ann Korinek at (313) 562-1386.

WEST SIDE STORY

The Creative and Performing Arts Program (CAPA) for Livonia Public Schools is presenting Leonard Bernstein's musical *West Side Story* 8 p.m. Thurs-

day-Saturday, Nov. 16-18 at Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy Road.

Tickets are \$8, \$6 students/seniors. Call (734) 523-8841 for advance reservations. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

West Side Story is directed by Gail Mail, CAPA director. Mary Murphy is the choreographer and Barbara Pierce, vocal director. Based on Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, *West Side Story* portrays the conflicted love of Maria, played by Brook Andrea, and Tony (Nick Staffend).

Because CAPA has produced outstanding plays, performers and theater technicians over the years, the Educational Theatre Association honored the program with its national *Outstanding School of the Year 2000* award. An opening night afterglow on Nov. 16 will be presented in honor of the award.

THEATER VIBES

The Italian Heritage Society will present a special tribute to Leonard Lenna, director emeritus of Wayne State University's theater department, and a per-

formance of *Six Characters in Search of an Author* beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17 in the Hilberry Theatre at Cass and Hancock, Detroit.

Tickets are \$50. Call (313) 686-6894 for information.

CLASSICAL CONCERTS

David Wagner, an associate music professor at Madonna University, will perform an organ concert featuring the music of Felix Mendelssohn at noon Thursday, Nov. 16 at Christ Church in Bloomfield Hills, and Friday, Nov. 17 at Grosse Pointe Memorial Presbyterian Church, Grosse Pointe Farms.

The concerts are free.

Madonna University music students will present their own recital 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19 in Kreege Hall on campus. Admission is free but donations for the music scholarship fund would be appreciated.

For information about the student recital, call Linette Popoff Parks at (734) 432-5709.

DINNER DANCE

The PRCUA Syrena Dance Ensemble will celebrate its 25th anniversary with a presentation dinner dance Saturday, Nov. 25. The ensemble is looking for all former graduates and dancers.

For further information, call Gail (Muchata) Boettcher at (734) 963-3330 or Patricia Steven (313) 563-1781.

FILM FESTIVAL

The first Middle East and North African Film Festival, presented by ACCESS (Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services and Ahlam Film Group), will take place Friday-Sunday, Nov. 17-19 at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn.

To purchase tickets, call Rijin Sahakian at (313) 843-2844.

YOUTH CONCERT

The Livonia Youth Choir present their winter concert 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3 at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile Road, west of Middlebelt, Livonia.

Admission is free. For information, call (734) 427-9578.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Westland Chamber of Commerce is looking for professional art in all media by local artists for a silent auction to be held at the *Taste of the Arts 6* p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28 at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Joy Road.

Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$35 at the door. For information or tickets, call (734) 396-7222.

The second annual event is a fund-raiser for the Chamber and the Family Resource Center in Westland. Last year about 600 people enjoyed food and beverages from 20 area restaurants, live entertainment, raffle prizes, artwork from Wayne-Westland students, and a silent art auction featuring about 40 works, including painting and pottery, by professional artists.

This year's *Taste of the Arts* will have a Christmas theme, music, a grand prize trip for two compliments of Maui Travel, silent art auction, and delicacies

from area food and beverage vendors. New this year are hand decorated and on-site personalized ornaments, and fashions informally modeled by Nicola's Revival in Westland. McFerran Photography Studios will be available to take family portraits.

Major sponsors for the event include the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Hellenic Cultural Center, Maui Travel, and the International Minute Press.

SWEET ADELINES CONCERT

The Spirit of Detroit Chorus of Sweet Adelines International will present their annual show *The Spirit of Christmas* 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9 at Mercy High School, 29900 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills.

For ticket information, call (313) 937-2429, matinee group sales (734) 422-2692.



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Celebrate holidays in a 'Winter Wonderland'

By KEELY WYGONIK

St. Nicholas Light Display
Lights, camera, action! It's the start of the holiday season, and the perfect time to plan a special family outing. Here are some merry options:

St. Nicholas Display
The St. Nicholas Display at Domino's Farms in Ann Arbor opens Friday, Nov. 17 and continues through Sunday, Dec. 31. This spectacular drive-through outdoor display features more than 1 million twinkling lights, and a variety of indoor activities, including a children's hands-on area sponsored by the Ann Arbor Hands-on Museum.

Visitors are invited to walk through a reproduction of the town of Bethlehem where Jesus was born. Also new this year is an animated Victorian Sleigh and Village light set.

Returning favorites include the Winter Wonderland, electric train rides for children, a gift store, Christmas around the world creche display, and Celebration of Trees featuring more than 25 custom-decorated trees.

Bring a donation of canned food to benefit the Ann Arbor Food Gatherers and Gleaners Food Bank in Detroit, and you'll receive a discount coupon for the Christmas gift store in return. Proceeds benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation, and several other charities in southeastern Michigan.

Oh Canada!

Sarnia-Lambton, Ontario hosts Canada's largest Celebration of Lights, Friday, Nov. 17 through Friday, Jan. 5. The city hugs the St. Clair River and Lake Huron shoreline, and sits directly across from Port Huron, Mich., which also lights up for the event.

The illuminated waterfront route extends beyond Centennial Park where nine elaborate theme displays, some as high as three store buildings, depict age-old tales such as Noah's Ark.

Beginning at the International Blue Water Bridge, the display



Dressed up: The wide drive-thru arch at Centennial Park in Sarnia, Ontario, welcomes visitors to the Telus Celebration of Lights.

winds its way along the river to the new Port Edward Charity Casino, past Centennial Park, further south to the city's riverfront, retail and entertainment district.

Chicago

You can wrap up your shopping, and enjoy "Christmas Around the World and Holidays of Light," at the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, Friday, Nov. 17 to Sunday, Jan. 7. Now in its 59th year, the exhibition has become a Chicago favorite and a holiday "must see."

Festivities include an enchanted forest of 43 trees and three creches decorated by Chicago's cultural groups; the "Holidays of Light" collection, a multicultural display, and "The Station," an elaborate model railroad exhibit.

This year's "Holidays of Light" collection highlights the customs and traditions of the Chinese New Year, Diwali (a Hindu and Sikh festival), Kwanzaa (celebrated by African Americans), Ramadan (celebrated by Muslims), Hanukkah, Visakha Puja (a Buddhist holiday) and St. Lucia Day (a Swedish tradition).

Each display includes traditional artifacts contributed by a variety of individuals and community groups.

Measuring approximately 700 square feet, "The Station" features more than 25 trains of three different gauges running simultaneously through intricately created landscapes. The exhibit is housed in a replica of a Victorian train station complete with a 27-foot tall clock tower.

Henry Ford Museum

Close to home, Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village in Dearborn celebrates "Traditions of the Season," Friday, Nov. 24 through Monday, Jan. 1.

The museum and village will be decorated for the holidays, and offer a variety of hands-on family activities. During the Village Lantern Walk, "The Twelve Days of Christmas," Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 30-Dec. 26, visitors will be able to experience an evening walking tour of eight historic buildings featuring traditional holiday cooking and decorations of times past. Groups can follow the lanterns on the street and duck into local homes to warm up to a roaring fire or

stove of the era.

At Henry Ford Museum you can learn how holidays are celebrated in metro Detroit and around the world. Community choirs from the Latino and Polish communities of metro Detroit will participate in a weekend choral program. Children will be able to hear stories from around the world told by professional story-tellers.

This year's holiday play at the Anderson Theater inside the museum is "Cindy Cinderella: An American Fairytale." Presented by the Birmingham based Heartland Theatre Company, the play is a special adaptation of the classic fairytale mixed with historical fact and imaginative fiction. The all ages play will be staged on weekends in December.

See Disney's "Fantasia/2000" at the IMAX Theatre, also inside the museum, Sunday, Nov. 19 through Sunday, Dec. 31. Also showing will be "Cirque de Soleil — The Journey of Man," and "Cyberworld."

Tell us about your holiday outings. What special place do you visit with family & friends. Send photos (enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you would like it returned), and your stories to Keely Wygonik, assistant managing editor, features, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail hwgonik@oe.homecomm.net. Please send file as a TEXT file.

St. Nicholas Light Display — Friday, Nov. 17 to Sunday, Dec. 31. Domino's Farms. Take US 23 to exit 41, then 1/2 mile east. Follow the signs to Domino's Farms on Earhart Road, north of Plymouth Road in Ann Arbor.

Open 5:30-9:30 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 5:30-10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday. Minimum donation per car, \$5 Monday-Thursday; \$7 Friday-Sunday. For more information call (734) 930-4430 or www.stnicholaslightdisplay.com

The Telus Celebration of Lights — 5-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17 to Friday, Jan. 5, on the waterfront beginning at the International Blue Water Bridge and extending beyond Centennial Park in Sarnia-Lambton, Ontario.

For more information on the Celebration of Lights, and travel to Sarnia-Lambton, call (800) 265-0316 or www.tourism-sarnialambton.com

Christmas Around the World, Holidays of Light — Friday, Nov. 17 to Sunday, Jan. 7 at the Museum of Science and Industry, 57th Street and Lake Shore Drive, Chicago. Open 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday; 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekends and holidays. Admission \$7 adults, \$6 seniors, \$3.50 children ages 3-11. No charge on Thursday. For help planning your visit, call (773) 684-1414 or www.msichicago.org

Traditions of the Season — Friday, Nov. 24 to Monday, Jan. 1 at Greenfield Village & Henry Ford Museum, Oakwood Boulevard & Village Road, Dearborn, just west of the Southfield Freeway and south of Michigan Ave. Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day. Admission to the museum \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 senior citizens, \$7.50 children ages 5-12, no charge for children under 5. Admission to the village \$13.50 adults, \$12.50 senior citizens, \$8.50 children ages 5-12, no charge for children under 5. Call (313) 271-1620 or www.hfmv.org for information about the museum and village.

"The Twelve Nights of Christmas" evening lantern walk will be offered Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 30-Dec. 23. The cost is \$12 adults, \$8 children ages 5-12, no charge for children age 4 and under. Call (313) 982-6001.

For information about the IMAX Theatre, call (313) 271-1570 or (800) 747-IMAX.

Tickets for "Cindy Cinderella: An American Fairytale," to be presented by the Heartland Theatre Company at the Anderson Theater in Henry Ford Museum during weekends in December, are \$6 each. All performances take place at 2:30 p.m. Call (313) 982-6001 to reserve tickets.

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KELLI LEWTON

Add pizzazz to holiday side dishes

OK, it is November and the holiday countdown has begun! The weather is becoming cold, crisp and snappy.

You cannot enter any mall without seeing the rise of holiday gift scenery. Nearly every food publication you pick up this month has a big old turkey centerfold in its pages as well as a zillion ideas on how to cook and what to cook for your holiday gatherings.

Most people have no trouble cooking center of the plate items such as turkey, and prime rib roasts. Trying to figure out how to put little pizzazz into menus isn't as easy. What side dishes, sauces, salads and desserts should you serve? Should you follow the tried and true or walk on the edge and throw some cool dried cherries into your salad? How about trying balsamic vinaigrette dressing instead of ranch? I say walk off the edge and polish up your repertoire of side accompaniments!

Side dishes

Don't try to do too many side dishes. I find with clients, as well as myself, we occasionally get carried away or think we must have 15 accompaniments to please everyone.

What can happen, as an end result of too many selections, is your guests will not fully appreciate the individuality and depth of the dishes you prepared because there are were too many colors, choices, flavors and textures.

After picking your main course, focus on five or six really great dishes. It is most important to have a plan for your gathering... a food and production blueprint of sorts.

Schedule your tasks at hand, delegate jobs to family members and work ahead. Chutneys, vinaigrettes and sauces can be made up to one week ahead of time. Quick breads also freeze great.

Order your meat a couple weeks early and get your grocery shopping done a few days before so you can focus on food production the days before your party, not shopping!

Sides with an attitude

After deciding the realm of dishes you would like to offer, start your creative juices flowing on how to spark up those humdrum mashed potatoes, sage stuffings and salads.

■ Instead of those "Plain-Jane" mashers, how about spinach parmesan mashers or bacon cheddar spuds?

■ How about using exotic mushrooms in your next green bean casserole? Beautiful Michigan dried cherries would land just fine in most salads or stuffings.

■ Sweet potatoes are awesome with a little fruited chutney stirred in or served on the side.

■ Add some fresh grated cheddar cheese in apple pie crust.

■ Remember that almost everything goes with potatoes. Don't be afraid to experiment. Just make sure that internal ingredients you add to potatoes are caramelized, blanched or cooked. You want to stir in your items of choice during the actual mashing process.

■ Have fun with your salads, try some different flavored dressings. A multitude of salad condiments exist besides tomato and cucumber. Dried fruits, artichokes and roasted veggie chips are just a few ideas.

■ How about a fun compound butter for your savory or sweet breads? Honey butter, sundried tomato butter, and olive butter would all be crowd pleasers. A general rule of thumb is two to four ounces of chosen product to one pound of butter.

■ The next time you're stirring your sauce, drizzle in a little reduced wine, fruit juice concentrate or an aromatic vegetable such as exotic mushrooms or leeks.

■ Most rice dishes are screaming for attention. Stir in dried fruits, spinach.

Please see 2 Unique, D3

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- More stuffing, please.
- Shortbread

FIGHTING THE Holiday Sugar Blues

This time of year creates challenges for diabetics

This article isn't just for people with diabetes, but for all those whose lives are touched by diabetes. So common has it become, that it is unusual today to find someone who doesn't have a close friend or relative with the condition.

BY PROGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS
SPECIAL WRITER

If you have diabetes or are close to someone who does, you know that living with diabetes can be especially hard during the holiday season.

Unfortunately, diabetes is a disease that touches most of us. It is uncommon today to meet a person who doesn't have a close family member or friend with diabetes.

According to the American Diabetes Association, there are 15.7 million people in the United States who have diabetes. There are two main types of diabetes - type 1, which usually occurs during childhood or adolescence, and type 2, the most common form of the disease, usually occurring after the age of 45.

Approximately 90 to 95 percent of those with diabetes have type 2.

Type 1 diabetes is a disease which results from the body's failure to produce insulin - the hormone that "unlocks" the cells of the body, allowing glucose to enter and fuel them.

Type 2 diabetes results from insulin resistance (a condition in which the body fails to make enough or properly use insulin), combined with relative insulin deficiency. Often type 2 diabetes can be controlled through losing weight, improved nutrition and exercise alone, but many people may need oral medications and/or insulin to control their diabetes.

Since diet and exercise are both key to controlling diabetes, the holidays can be particularly tough. A friend of mine tells how her father-in-law who has diabetes would lose his temper when he was denied a piece of the lemon meringue pie that his wife baked during the holidays.

Food is so much more than just "exchanges" of proteins, carbohydrates, and fat. Food is as important as family and friends and is as intimate as comfort and pleasure. It is the very heart of family tradition and culture.

This is why food may be the hardest part of car-



ing for your diabetes. Many people think that those with diabetes can't eat their favorite foods. This is just not true. With a little forethought and planning, you can enjoy your favorite holiday dishes. See the Guidelines for Managing Diabetes. Planning parties and social events into your diet can give you a more realistic approach to the holidays.

Feeling that you are in control of your diabetes is very important. It will help keep you in a positive frame of mind, ready for all the fun and festivities that the holidays bring. Remember the purpose of holiday parties and social events is to gather with family and friends; let the food be secondary. Maximize your visiting and spend less time at the food table. When you eat, do it slowly, savor each bite.

I've included a couple of recipes that you can use for holiday entertaining. Not only are they good, but they're nutritious as well. One is a dip for vegetables or crackers. The other is mashed cauliflower, but you'd never know it!

To drink or not to drink
Alcohol is everywhere and within easy reach during the holiday season.

However, is it OK for you to reach for it? Probably yes, as long as your blood sugar is in the target range. But before you partake, know the facts and follow these guidelines:

■ Never drink alcohol on an empty stomach. Alcohol is absorbed quickly if there is no food to buffer it. Additionally, if you have food in your stomach, you may feel fuller and are likely to drink

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Guidelines for managing diabetes

- Check your blood glucose level regularly. Try to keep your blood glucose at the target level.
- Keep your weight stable.
- Choose your foods carefully to be sure to get all the nutrients you need without extra calories from fat or sugar.
- Carry or wear a card or tag with medical information describing that you have diabetes in case you have an insulin reaction.
- Keep glucose tablets, Lifesavers or other "instant sugar" remedy with you at all times in case you have an insulin reaction.
- Take your medicine exactly as your physician has prescribed it for you.
- Making changes in the way you eat or the times you eat can be tough. Work with your health care team and tell them what will work for you.

ing for your diabetes.

Many people think that those with diabetes can't eat their favorite foods. This is just not true. With a little forethought and planning, you can enjoy your favorite holiday dishes. See the Guidelines for Managing Diabetes. Planning parties and social events into your diet can give you a more realistic approach to the holidays.

Feeling that you are in control of your diabetes is very important. It will help keep you in a positive frame of mind, ready for all the fun and festivities that the holidays bring. Remember the purpose of holiday parties and social events is to gather with family and friends; let the food be secondary. Maximize your visiting and spend less time at the food table. When you eat, do it slowly, savor each bite.

I've included a couple of recipes that you can use for holiday entertaining. Not only are they good, but they're nutritious as well. One is a dip for vegetables or crackers. The other is mashed cauliflower, but you'd never know it!

Plan meals with exchange
The question "what should I eat?" is a common one for people with diabetes.

The answer is that there is no such thing as "one" diabetic diet. An individualized meal plan that considers usual eating habits and lifestyle fac-

Delicious chicken pinwheels are healthy, too

MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL WAGNER

Are you searching for a party recipe that won't wreck your smart eating plans, but is still gorgeous, delicious and innovative?

Then you'll love my holiday gift to you - this recipe for Emily's Brickhouse Chicken Pinwheels.

The name and recipe come from my Los Angeles' companion, my daughter, Emily. Her corporate catering business is called the Brickhouse Kitchen. Her clients include the crew and cast of the "Titanic," the "Drew Carey Show," "Friends," and "The Practice." When she gave me the recipe, she emphasized that the ingredients that she uses are smaller portions of the "real thing" (not the nonfat versions that her mother sometimes employs.)

The recipe meets all my smart entertaining criteria. It can be served as an hors d'oeuvre or main course. My party

guests couldn't believe that it met my "Eating Younger" guidelines. That I could prepare it up to two days in advance or freeze it for up to a month made it a "keeper" for me - the cook. You know my penchant toward being the relaxed host. Happy Holidays! Enjoy!

EMILY'S BRICKHOUSE CHICKEN PINWHEELS

- 4 boneless chicken breast halves
- 1/3 cup sun-dried tomatoes, rehydrated (see note)
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh basil
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh baby spinach
- 4 ounces light (reduced fat) boursin cheese

Place chicken breast between two pieces of waxed paper and pound thin. Chop drained rehydrated tomatoes coarsely.

Spread a layer of cheese, a layer of basil and spinach and then one layer of tomatoes on each flattened chicken breast. Roll up each chicken breast like a

jellyroll and place in a square of plastic wrap. Wrap tightly and twist ends tightly like hard candy.

Place each chicken breast in a square of foil. Remove wrapping. Put wrapped rolls in a pan of simmering water for about 15 minutes or until the chicken just reaches a temperature of 170° F. on an instant-read thermometer to insure thorough cooking.

Prepare accompanying sauce.

CREAMY PARMESAN SAUCE

- 1/4 cup sun-dried tomatoes, rehydrated (see note)
- 2 prepared roasted red peppers
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1 sprig fresh rosemary or 1/2 teaspoon dried
- 2 sprigs fresh basil or 2 teaspoons dried
- 1 tablespoon olive oil

Force all ingredients.

Note: To rehydrate tomatoes, cover with water and simmer 2-3 minutes over low heat. Drain well. Pat dry.

To assemble servings: Unwrap chicken. Cut rolls in 3/4 inch slices diagonally using a sharp knife. Place chicken pinwheels on top of sauce. They may be served cold, at room temperature or warm. (Emily likes to serve them as a main course on top of pasta.)

The rolls and sauce can be prepared two days ahead and refrigerated or frozen for up to one month. Defrost in refrigerator. Serve four as an entrée or 8-10 as an appetizer.

Nutritional information per serving: Calories 245; total fat 6.1 g, saturated fat 2.0 g, cholesterol 155 mg, sodium 145 mg, food exchanges 4 lean meat, 1 vegetable.

Look for Main Dish Miracles on the second Saturday of the month in Taste. Muriel G. Wagner is a registered dietitian and nutrition therapist with an office in Ann Arbor, Mich. She publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter for smart eaters. Contact: Muriel G. Wagner, 2000 E. Grand Ave., Ann Arbor, Mich. 48106, or call 313.963.2000.

Here are holiday tips

Here are food tips from the American Diabetes Association:
The holidays are here again and that means food, food, food. Holiday parties and seasonal cheer often present an overload of eating. If you have diabetes, be extra conscious of what you eat this December.

However, you don't have to pass up that onion dip or fruitcake this holiday season, just be aware of what you eat and you can still have a great time! The following suggestions will help you make healthy eating decisions while cooking and celebrating this month:

Eat something before you go. Have some vegetables, a salad or a light snack before you go, so you won't be tempted to overeat when you get there.

Keep your perspective. If you don't meet your goals, simply, adjust your eating habits at the next event and/or plan time to be more active.

Try selecting one serving of a few items that are low in fat, sugar and salt. Substitutions can cut down on calories and fat. Try using chicken broth and skim milk instead of butter, egg whites instead of the whole egg or replace mayonnaise with non-fat yogurt.

Remember that turkey contains fewer calories per ounce than ham, and white meat is lower in fat than dark meat. Also, remove the skin from your chicken or turkey to get rid of that extra fat.

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more slowly or drink less.

■ Drink only in moderation; one to two drinks at a time, once or twice a week. Eventually all of the alcohol you drink will enter your bloodstream so the amount you drink still counts. Your liver assumes the lion's share of the job of metabolizing alcohol, but it needs time. If you drink more alcohol than your liver can break down, the excess alcohol is carried in your bloodstream to other parts of your body. The by-product of alcohol metabolism is ethanol, which is toxic to every cell in your body.

■ Drinking alcohol can cause low blood sugar. The liver gives alcohol priority processing and glucose release is put on hold. The liver will always try to clear the alcohol toxin first. Alcohol affects the liver's ability to make new glucose from stored glycogen, which can lead to episodes of low blood sugar.

■ Do not drink alcohol if you are pregnant, or have neuropathy, retinopathy, hypertension, or elevated triglycerides. Why do winter and weight gain go together? One obvious

■ Stay physically active during cold weather.

reason is holiday eating trends including office parties, cookie exchanges, special holiday desserts and rich "cold weather" foods like cream soups, meat casseroles and heavy breads.

Additionally, shortened days and cold weather makes us want to stay inside and hibernate. Many of our winter habits revolve around food.

It can be hard to resist the comfort of food after being out in the cold, snowy weather.

I have heard people say it is too hot to eat, but I have never heard anyone say it is too cold to eat. We can't make summer last longer, but we can prepare for winter's challenges.

Here's other holiday food tips:
■ Watch portion sizes of foods. An extra portion of food or beverages can make a difference. Eating a large versus a medium piece of fruit adds extra calories.

It only takes a small amount of extra nibbling here and there to add up to extra weight. Keep the mental images of reasonable portion sizes in your head so that you can maintain control even when eating away from home.

■ Stay physically active during cold weather. Add movement to your day through dance, climbing the stairs, parking far away from the entrance, going mall walking and using your body with gusto.

■ Enjoy the great outdoors! Michigan is a winter wonderland. Take advantage of the opportunity to downhill or cross-country ski, snowboard, snowshoe or simply take a walk and absorb the beauty of the scenery blanketed in snow.

■ Use your exercise video, home fitness equipment or enroll in an exercise class this winter.

■ Keep your hands busy when you watch television. Organize photographs, mend clothes, write letters or fold the laundry. Keep occupied so that you do not eat with abandon.

■ At parties, sample some of

your favorite foods but eat within your meal plan. Make your choices and then move away from the hors d'oeuvres table.

Through the holidays and beyond, it is so important to maintain a healthy balance between physical, spiritual and psychological well-being.

Learn to integrate the care into your life in a relaxed way so that you are not a "diabetic," but a person living with a condition that needs daily tending.

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or a few lentils to make it interesting. Preparing rice with fresh stock enhances the flavor as opposed to just plain water or base.

■ How about some different veggies on the table? Root vegetables such as parsnips, turnips, carrots and any of the

winter squashes cut into stick shapes and finished with a little orange butter. Try a sprinkle of Parmesan on your asparagus, or fresh green beans with a warm bruschetta topping.

■ Spice up your holiday pies and sweet breads by stirring in some fruits of the season,

extracts, or even a little crushed candy such as peppermint.

Whatever your holiday food choices may be, remember to leave yourself plenty of time, have a good plan and don't be afraid to put a little zip into the old tried true dishes.

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Add a little zip to side dishes

Recipes courtesy of Kelli Lewton. See related column on Taste front.

GARLIC FLORENTINE MASHERS

- 3 pounds Idaho potatoes
- 1 1/2 cup whole milk
- 1/2 cup butter
- 2 pounds cleaned spinach
- 2 tablespoons chopped prepared garlic
- 3/4 cup diced yellow onions
- 2 cups fresh grated parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons salt
- 1 tablespoon pepper

Wash potatoes. Boil potatoes in large stock pot until tender, or approximately 30-40 minutes. Drain water and mash potatoes with milk and butter. Whip in remaining ingredients and adjust seasonings.

Present in casserole dish with a little fresh Parmesan cheese on top. Serves 12-14.

BRUCHETTA GREEN BEANS

- 2 pounds fresh green beans
- 8 Roma tomatoes diced
- 6 garlic cloves, minced
- 3 tablespoons fresh basil, chopped
- 2 tablespoons minced sun-dried tomatoes
- 1/2 cup small white onion, diced
- 1/4 cup olive oil, good quality
- Salt and pepper to taste

Clean beans, immerse in boiling water for approx. 4-6 minutes until firm to bite.

Mix remaining ingredients, and heat in a sauté pan on low for 3-4 minutes.

Toss beans and warm bruschetta mixture, season and present on a large serving platter. Serves 8-10.

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Cookbook offers tips for quick, diabetic meals

Here are some quick meal ideas from "Express Lane Diabetic Cooking" by Robyn Webb, American Diabetes Association.

Grab a bag of combination frozen vegetables and:

■ Add to pasta during the last 3 minutes of cooking time. Drain. Toss with reduced-fat salad dressing and cooked diced chicken for an easy salad.

■ Cook and pile on cooked pizza crusts. Drizzle with reduced-fat salad dressing and top with low-fat mozzarella cheese. Bake to melt the cheese.

■ Stir-fry with cooked chicken or seafood. Add in lite soy sauce. Serve over rice or noodles.

Open some flour tortillas and:

■ Cut into wedges and spray generously with nonstick cooking spray. Bake at 400° F until crisp. Sprinkle with dried herbs before baking if desired.

■ Spread reduced-fat cream cheese onto tortillas. Top with thinly sliced meat or vegetables. Roll up, wrap in plastic wrap, and chill. Stick toothpicks into roll 1-inch apart. Cut between the toothpicks for an easy snack or appetizer.

■ Do the same as above, except use 4 tortillas and spread with cream cheese. Add on meat or vegetables and stack the tortillas on each other until all ingredients are used. Cut into wedges to serve.

Use a can of tomatoes and:

■ Drain and toss with hot pasta, herbs, and a dash of Parmesan cheese.

■ Add one 14-1/2 ounce can undrained diced tomatoes in place of 1/2 cup water when preparing instant rice.

■ Add to a slow cooker with chicken recipes in place of 1 cup water.

■ Add drained, diced Italian-style tomatoes on top of turkey meatloaf during the last 15 minutes of baking instead of tomato sauce.

■ Add 1/2 cup drained, diced tomatoes to a bowl of hot tomato soup for extra flavor.

Select a bag of frozen corn and:

■ Make Quick Succotash. Combine 1 box frozen lima beans with 1 cup frozen corn kernels, a thinly sliced onion, 1 cup milk, and a pinch of honey in a saucepan. Bring to boil and cook on a simmer for 20 minutes until limas are tender and milk is reduced to a few tablespoons. Increase the heat and stir constantly until milk is just glazed over the vegetables.

■ Make Easy Corn Chowder. Combine 1 tablespoon olive oil with 1 medium onion in a medium saucepan and cook until onion is golden. Add 2 diced medium potatoes and toss for a few minutes. Add 2 cups fat-free (skim) milk and fresh ground pepper. Simmer for 15 minutes. Add 2 cups frozen corn and return to a simmer.

Buy a carton of eggs or egg substitute and:

■ Make Quick Spanish-Style eggs. Scramble eggs in a nonstick skillet with diced onion and peppers. Pile into a warmed whole-wheat or corn tortilla. Roll up. Top with canned salsa.

■ Make Indian-Style Eggs. Add hard-boiled eggs to cooked brown rice. Add a few drops of olive oil and raisins or currants and lightly sautéed chopped apple.

Try a package of dried mushrooms and:

■ Toss rehydrated mushrooms with shaped pastas with olive oil and sautéed garlic.

■ Fill an omelet with rehydrated mushrooms and bean sprouts and top with a little soy sauce.

■ Top any homemade pizza with rehydrated dried mushrooms.

■ Rehydrate 1 cup dried mushrooms and sauté in a little olive oil. Add a clove of minced garlic and pile high on 4 pieces of toasted French bread (1 ounce each) for a delicious appetizer.

Find a jar of roasted red peppers and:

■ Puree 2 roasted peppers with 2 teaspoons olive oil and 1 teaspoon capers. Spread on 4 slices of toast for a nice appetizer.

■ Toss roasted peppers with pasta and rehydrated sun-dried tomatoes.

■ Slice into strips and place on homemade pizzas.

■ Toss chopped roasted red peppers into chicken soup.

Take a package of reduced-fat cream cheese and:

■ Soften 1 cup cream cheese and mix with 2 tablespoons sugar-free strawberry jam. Spread on 6 slices of whole-grain toast.

■ Mix 3 tablespoons into 1 pound of hot mashed potatoes. Add minced chives for extra flavor.

■ Spread 2/3 cup of softened cream cheese over 4 slices French bread. Place under the broiler for 2 minutes. Top with slices of ripe tomato and sliced cucumber.

M-Fit culinary, nutrition classes continue

The M-Fit culinary school and nutrition education class schedule continues with Dazzling Holiday Desserts 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15, by Kathy Goldberg and Lizzie Burt. Dishes include cranberry apple crisp, poached pears with rasp-

berry sauce, fragrant orange bundt cake, pavlova with custard filling and fruit and chocolate-dipped berries.

Energize Your Holidays, a nutrition education class, will be taught 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6.

Classes are held at the East Ann Arbor Health Center Demonstration Kitchen, 4260 Plymouth Road, in Ann Arbor.

Call Nicole Goyarts at (734) 975-4387, Ext. 236 for more information or register online at www.mfitnutrition.com.

Liven up apple pie with cheddar

Recipe courtesy of Kellie Lewton. See related column on Taste front.

CHEDDAR-CRUST VERMONT APPLE PIE

- 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup shredded grated extra sharp cheddar cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3 tablespoons shortening
- 1/2 cup and 2 tablespoons margarine or butter
- 6 large Granny Smith apples (about 3 1/4 lbs)
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 2/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

In medium bowl, mix 2 1/4 cups flour with cheddar cheese and salt. With pastry blender or two knives used scissor-fashion, cut in shortening and 1/2 cup margarine or butter (1 stick) until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Sprinkle 4 to 6 tablespoons cold water, 1 tablespoon at a time, into flour mixture, mixing lightly with a fork after each addition until dough is just moist enough to hold together.

Shape dough into 2 balls, 1 slightly larger than the other. Flatten smaller ball into a disk; cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate until ready to use.

On lightly floured surface, with floured rolling

pin, roll larger ball of dough into a round 2 inches larger all around than inverted 9 1/2 inch deep-dish pie plate. Gently ease dough into pie plate; trim edge leaving 1-inch overhang. Cover and refrigerate at least 30 minutes.

Clean and peel and slice apples into 1/8-inch thick slices. Place apple slices in large bowl; toss with lemon juice. In small bowl, mix sugar and cinnamon with remaining 1/4 cup flour. Add sugar mixture to apple slices; toss well to coat. Spoon apple mixture into chilled piecrust; dot with remaining 2 tablespoons margarine or butter.

Preheat oven to 425° F. Roll remaining dough for top crust into 11-inch round. Center round over filling in bottom crust. Trim edge, leaving 1 inch overhang. Fold overhang under; bring up over pie-plate rim and pinch to form decorative edge. Cut short slashes in top crust to allow steam to escape during baking.

Place sheet of foil underneath pie plate; crimp foil edges to form a rim to catch any drips during baking. Bake pie 1 hour and 15 minutes or until apples are tender when pierced with a knife and pie is bubbly. To prevent overbrowning, cover pie loosely with a tent of foil during last 10 minutes of baking. Cool pie on wire rack 1 hour; serve warm.

(Note: Dough can be prepared a couple of days ahead or even made and frozen.)

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Soup, pasta healthy for diabetics

Recipes courtesy of Robyn Webb, author of "Express Lane Diabetic Cooking." See related story on Taste front.

CURRIED SHRIMP AND BUTTERNUT SQUASH SOUP

- 2 8-ounce packages frozen pureed butternut squash (called "cooked squash" or "cooked winter squash")
- 1 12-ounce can evaporated fat-free milk
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 8 ounces frozen, peeled medium shrimp (cooked or uncooked), rinsed under cold water for 2-3 minutes
- 1 tablespoon curry powder
- salt and fresh ground pepper to taste
- 2 teaspoons flaked coconut

In a medium saucepan over medium-high heat, bring the squash and milk to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer for 5 minutes. Add sugar and pumpkin pie spice and continue to simmer for 5 minutes more. Add the shrimp, curry powder, salt, and pepper and cook 1 more minute. Add the coconut and serve.

Ladle the butternut squash soup into individual bowls with equal portions of the shrimp spooned on top.

- Serves 4 Serving size: 1 cup
- Preparation time: 10 minutes
- Cooking time: 10 minutes
- Exchanges: 1 starch, 1 fat-free milk and 1 very lean meat.

Nutritional information: calories 180, calories from fat 10, total fat 1 g, saturated fat 0 g, cholesterol 95 mg, sodium 233 mg, carbohydrate 25 g, dietary

CREAMY PARMESAN-BASIL HAM AND PENNE

- 8 ounces uncooked penne pasta
- 1/2 cup frozen peas
- 2 teaspoon olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 pound ham slices, cut into bite-sized strips
- 1 8-ounce container light sour cream
- 1/2 cup shredded fresh Parmesan cheese
- 3/4 cup fat-free milk
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 tablespoon fresh basil or 3/4 teaspoon dry

Prepare pasta according to package directions, adding peas during last 2 minutes. Drain and keep warm.

Meanwhile, in large nonstick skillet, heat oil and garlic over medium heat 1-2 minutes or until garlic is light golden brown. Add ham; cook and stir for 1 minute.

In small bowl, blend sour cream, Parmesan cheese, milk, and flour. Stir into ham mixture. Cook and stir until bubbly and slightly thickened. Reduce heat to low.

Add pasta and basil; toss to coat. Cook until thoroughly heated.

- Serves 4 Serving size: about 1 1/4 cups
- Preparation time: 15 minutes
- Cooking time: 10 minutes
- Exchanges: 3 1/2 starch, 2 lean meat, 1/2 fat.

Nutritional information: calories 408, calories from fat 111, total fat 12 g, saturated fat 5 g, cholesterol 37 mg, sodium 630 mg, carbohydrate 53 g, dietary fiber 3 g, sugars 8 g, protein 22 g.

Mashed cauliflower adds variety

Dr. Larry Wolf of West Bloomfield made this dish recently for his wife, Jo Ann. She says it has the consistency of mashed potatoes, with more flavor, and it goes great with beef or pork.

See related story on Taste front.

MASHED CAULIFLOWER

- One 2-pound head of cauliflower, broken into florets
- 1 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 small red onion, finely chopped
- 1 teaspoon fennel seeds
- Salt and freshly ground pepper

In a large nonstick skillet, bring 1 inch of lightly salted water to a boil.

Add the cauliflower, cover and cook over high heat until tender, about 12 minutes. Drain cauliflower, reserving liquid in a bowl and transfer the cauliflow-

er florets to a separate bowl.

Heat 1 tablespoon of the olive oil in the skillet. Add the onion and cook over moderate heat, stirring occasionally, until golden. Add the cauliflower, fennel seeds and a pinch of salt and pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the cauliflower is very tender, about 8-12 minutes. Add a few tablespoons of the cooking liquid if it begins to look dry, but be careful not to add too much or the consistency will be too loose when mashed.

Mash the cauliflower to the consistency of mashed potatoes and season with salt and pepper. Makes 8 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: calories: 54; protein: 3 grams; fat: 2.5 g; sodium: 16 mg; and carbohydrates: 7 g.

Recipe courtesy of HDS Services.

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Blankets campaign

Thousands of people will be forced to take refuge in shelters this winter when they find themselves suddenly homeless. With more than 100 shelters in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, there is a desperate need for blankets. The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross hopes to collect 7,000 blankets for these shelters between Nov. 8 and Dec. 31.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is proud to be a designated Blanket Days drop-off site. The community is asked to bring new and gently used blankets, preferably twin-size, to the Five Mile lobby.

The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile Road in Livonia. For more information, please call (734) 655-2302.

Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support offers support for young widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday night of each month. The group meets 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Kenneth Catholic Church on Haggerty Road in Plymouth. Professionally led children's groups meet at the same time for children between the ages of 4 and 12.

New Hope also offers groups for widows and widowers of all ages and a group for bereaved teens. For more information, call (248) 348-0115.

Dyslexia and math

Don't let dyslexia stand in your way of learning your math facts.

Dr. Dutch Weidlich, director of the Michigan Dyslexia Institute's Flint Rotary Center and a Fellow of the Academy of Orton-Gillingham Practitioners and Educators, will explain strategies to help students of any age to learn and remember basic math facts 6:45-9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15. Parents, professionals, students and adults with dyslexia are invited.

The Michigan Dyslexia Institute-Detroit Metro Center is located at 30230 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 130, Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 737-0044.

Holiday stress reduction

If the pressures of the upcoming holiday season are beginning to weigh heavily on your mind, let Botsford's Health Development Network help you escape the stress. The first in a series of four stress management classes, "The Art of Meditation," will be held 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 14 at 39750 Grand River Avenue, Novi.

The Art of Meditation class focuses on lowering stress responses and blood pressure and calming your mind by finding a quiet place between thoughts. Various forms of meditation will be presented, such as mindfulness, one-pointed meditation and moving meditation.

"Botsford's stress management program will not only help some people get through the chaos of the holidays, but the principles and techniques can be incorporated into your everyday life," said Caroline Smith, Health Programs Coordinator for Botsford's Health Development Network.

Other classes are:
 ■ Reiki: Energy for Health and Wellbeing, Monday, Dec. 1, 2000
 ■ Flower Power: Bach Flower Remedies, Monday, Jan. 29, 2001
 ■ Acupressure, Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2001

The cost of each class is \$45. To register or for more information, call (248) 477-6100.

Laser EYE SURGERY

■ 'If you're over 40, no matter how good the surgery, it's not going to take care of your vision needs completely. When you get in your 40s, you're going to need glasses for one thing or another.'

—Dr. Paul Kenzie
 Plymouth Optometrist



Many patients acquire 20/20 vision

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With LASIK growing rapidly in popularity (analysts estimate 1.5 million procedures in the U.S. this year), it appears to be the wave of the future in vision correction.

LASIK is an acronym for "laser-assisted intra-stromal in-situ keratomileusis," a vision correction procedure in which a flap is cut in the front of the cornea and folded back to expose the stroma of the cornea. An excimer laser then reshapes the exposed stroma, and the flap is folded back down.

The surgery corrects myopia (near-sightedness), hyperopia (far-sightedness) and astigmatism.

Not everyone qualifies, however. Dr. Stephen C. Kaufman, the division head of laser vision correction with Henry Ford Eye Care Services, said he will turn LASIK applicants away if their prescription is greater than -10 diopters for myopia, or greater than +5 diopters for hyperopia. Astigmatism greater than 4.5 diopters should not be treated with LASIK either, he added. "Some people get mad when I tell them they're not a good candidate."

LASIK candidates must have stable vision, which rules out most young people, including everyone under the age of 18. Eye diseases, keratoconus, or retinal problems, also disqualify you for surgery.

Preparing the eye

When you arrive at your laser center, a map, called a corneal topography, will be made of your eye. This map is used to help the laser select a program, called a nomogram, to tell it how many pulses to deliver to various spots on your cornea to produce the intended correction.

You will be given drops to anesthetize your cornea, and measurements will be made by tapping your cornea with a pachymeter to determine your corneal thickness. After more numbing eye drops, your face will be washed with an antibiotic cleanser. You'll also receive antibiotic eye drops and a tranquilizer such as Valium.

Lying in the motorized operating chair, you will be drawn up under the operating microscope and laser. The eye not being treated at the moment will be taped shut, and your operative eye will have its lashes taped back with a surgical drape. You'll then

receive more powerful anesthetic drops - usually Tetrocaine, a cocaine derivative - and the surgeon will insert a speculum to hold your eyelids open.

A couple of reference marks will be made on your cornea with a soluble ink so that the surgeon can properly realign the flap when he's done. Afterward, he will place a suction ring on your eye. It surrounds your cornea and applies pressure to your eye so that the cornea is easier for the microkeratome to cut.

Cutting the cornea

About 60mmHg of pressure is applied, and your vision blacks out. Your vision returns as soon as the suction is released, which is only 10-30 seconds after it is applied. The flap on your eye is cut by the microkeratome during this period.

Now the flap is pulled back and the laser goes to work, following a pre-programmed pattern to give you the correction you need. When the laser is done, the surgeon will rinse your cornea, then smooth the flap down with a tiny sponge.

While the cornea "beds down" (usually a few minutes), you'll get more antibiotic drops. The surgeon removes the speculum when he is satisfied that your cornea is smoothly in place. Then the procedure is repeated on your other eye.

Healing

The tricky part comes later when you're waiting for the flaps to heal. You aren't supposed to rub your eyes for five days, and you'll sleep in goggles. Your vision should be much better in a couple days, but the flap won't finish healing for two years, Dr. Kaufman said. In fact, Kaufman has reopened three-year-old flaps without cutting a second time as they are never as strong as they were before surgery.

Many LASIK patients end up with 20/20 vision, and the vast majority end up with 20/40 vision or better. "The reason we can't get everybody to 20/20 is because everybody heals differently," Dr. Kaufman said. In fact, under-aggressive and over-aggressive healers are usually rejected as LASIK candidates.

Some LASIK patients assume they will never need glasses again, but nearly all of them will need reading glasses after age 40. This is a condition known as presbyopia, which affects everyone as they get older. As eyes age they no longer can adjust for near

vision. Essentially the eye lens gets stuck in the distance position, prompting the need for reading glasses. The only surgical alternative is to correct one eye for distance vision and the other one for near vision.

"If you're over 40, no matter how good the surgery, it's not going to take care of your vision needs completely," said Dr. Paul Kenzie, a Plymouth optometrist who had LASIK surgery himself three years ago. "I tell people it reduces their dependence on glasses. When you get in your 40s, you're going to need glasses for one thing or another."

The risks

Not all LASIK patients have good outcomes. Kaufman estimates that 0.5 percent of LASIK patients end up with worse vision.

The biggest risk is a chance of induced irregular astigmatism from an irregularly-healed flap. This complication can cause permanent loss of one to four lines of best-corrected visual acuity, or BCVA (i.e., if you saw 20/15 with your glasses before surgery, then even though you may see 20/70 unaided after surgery, you might not see any better than 20/40 with glasses after surgery.)

For more information on bad outcomes, visit the Web sites www.surgicaleyes.org and www.psy.ucsd.edu/~mm/eyeknowwhy/#sitehighlights.

Kenzie said it's difficult to tell who the best LASIK surgeons are, but it behooves one to steer clear of the lowest prices. Cut-rate operators are apt to be the least experienced, Kenzie said. A careless LASIK surgeon can permanently damage a patient's eyes by cutting too deep or mistaking one patient for another.

Kaufman said your best bet is to go to a center that does a lot of LASIK surgery. In many cases you can speak to the surgeon beforehand and get a sense for how experienced he is.

Coming soon

If you're leary about LASIK, just wait a couple years. New lasers are in the pipeline that may eliminate the need to cut a flap in the eye, Kaufman said.

Another new laser and a system that uses radio waves are designed to treat mild hyperopia by shrinking the collagen in the periphery of the cornea. In addition, two companies are working on correction procedures for presbyopia that could be commercially available soon.

LASIK: See what it's really like

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Walking into Royal Oak's William Beaumont Hospital on the day I was to have LASIK eye surgery, I could feel my knees quiver. After reading all the positive things that could be wrong in attempting to correct my nearsighted eyes, I was nervous.

The doctor who was to perform the surgery was calm and practically forgot to breathe when the doctor is taking blood. The kind who curls her toes so tightly when getting a shot that they actually cramp up and cause much more pain than the needle itself.

I am not the sort who would choose to try with her vision. After wearing glasses and later contact lenses for more than a decade, the doctor began researching LASIK surgery for a story I wrote two years ago. In the process, he met many delighted patients who spurred my own interest in the procedure. It took me 14 months of contemplation to seek out a doctor and

Dr. Greenberg, a member of the Greenberg Laser Eye Center in Troy became the chosen one. On my first, free consultation, Greenberg exhibited complete

confidence and even a little humor to set me at ease. With seven years experience and a license in the U.S. as well as Canada, I felt he was qualified.

After going through a series of simple tests, he told me I was a "perfect candidate" for surgery and he would be happy to improve my vision. I went into the office a second time to have my eyes dilated and measured and set the date for surgery.

Oddly enough, I wasn't too concerned about it until it was time to go to my appointment. My mother accompanied me to the hospital, knowing I needed the moral support as well as a ride home afterward. We were escorted to a private waiting room where a few other patients were sitting, and I was given the first of two Valium.

The surgery

I took my clunky glasses off my face for the last time and sat in the reclining chair, my face freshly washed. Beginning with my left eye, Doctor Greenberg placed what felt like a hard plastic clamp on my eyelids to keep them from closing. It felt like a steady hand holding back my eyelashes. Eye drops were administered to numb my eye. Then came the scene out of a sci-fi feature film:

Please see LASIK D7

County-wide flu vaccine shortages are common

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If you're looking for a local flu clinic, good luck. They're few and far in between these days. Both the Wayne County Department of Public Health and the various Visiting Nurse Associations, which sponsor clinics with area supermarket chains, recently announced the postponement of flu clinics due to influenza vaccine shipment delays. St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia also suspended its flu clinic until further notice. When vaccine becomes available, Health Department officials will promptly notify senior centers and other service sites so that notification can be sent to clients.

"We want to make our residents aware that this is only a delay and not a shortage," said Dr. Donald Lawrenchuk, medical director of the Wayne County Department of Public Health. "We will work closely with vaccine manufacturers to ensure the availability of flu vaccine to minimize." The Visiting Nurses Associations have suspended their vaccination campaign with Farmer Jack Supermarkets as of Nov. 7, said Kathleen Romberger, flu manager for the Greater-Oakland VNA. "There will be vaccination in December. That's what the companies are telling us," said Romberger, who ordered the vaccine last February. "We're all in this together working with the Health Department."

Oasis
However, there's good news for those not yet immunized. Livonia Urgent Care, located in the Mission Health Building at Seven Mile Road and Newburg in Livonia, recently received their second shipment of vaccine, according to Marge Browne, the facility's administrator. While other clinics are requesting the public to reserve vaccinations for those most at risk during this time of temporary shortage, Livonia Urgent Care is not discriminating. "We're vaccinating everyone," said Browne, who has received many calls from senior citizens and those at high risk worried they would not be immunized before the flu season strikes this winter.

Dr. Mohammed A. Arsiwala, a physician at the facility, said he wants to be vaccinated himself; he wants to make sure his senior patients are taken care of first. The clinic is open 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day all year long. Flu shots are \$10 and pneumococcal vaccine shots are \$30. The clinic also has a supply of "split" vaccine that can be used for both at-risk children under 12 and adults.

Under-immunized
"We have horrible immunization rates in Michigan," said Romberger, citing a 42 percent vaccination rate for influenza and a 32 percent rate for pneumonia. And while last year's flu season was considered mild, it is difficult to predict the severity of this year's season, she said.

The threat of influenza shouldn't be taken lightly, said Lawrenchuk. It has a 90 percent attack rate, he emphasized. In other words, if you come in contact with bodily fluids of an infected person, or if you shake their unwashed hand, you have a nine-in-10 chance of getting the flu. And for those at highest risk, influenza is the fifth or sixth leading cause of death, said Lawrenchuk. "Of all the 20-30,000 people who will have their lives lost to influenza, 90 percent fall into a high-risk category." The yearly reported cases of meningitis pale in comparison with those of influenza, he added. "Compared to influenza, if you were to do mouth-to-mouth resuscitation on someone

with a full-blown case of bacterial meningitis, your chance of getting the disease is one in a 1,000." Lawrenchuk also stressed one of the best preventatives against influenza: Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands. To contact Livonia Urgent Care, call (734) 542-6100. The Wayne County Department of Public Health will provide the names and telephone numbers of flu sites sponsored by private businesses and/or providers who have vaccine available to share. Anyone in need of a flu shot can call the Health Department's Disease Control Unit at (734) 727-7036. The Visiting Nurses Association flu-site hotline is 1-888-862-4FLU.

CDC addresses flu shot inquiries

HEALTH ALERT

In a recent press release, the Centers for Disease Control answered the following questions about flu vaccine distribution:

1. Does the government control distribution of flu vaccine in the United States?
No. All influenza vaccine for use in the United States is produced in the private sector, and more than 90% of influenza vaccine is distributed in the United States through private-sector distributors for use by health care providers. CDC has no control over the distribution of the private-sector influenza vaccine. Companies have been urged to target providers who serve persons at high risk of complications from influenza. State health departments have purchased 2 million doses of influenza vaccine through a CDC-negotiated contract with two vaccine manufacturers. State and local health departments may purchase vaccine through other mechanisms as well. For this season only, CDC has contracted for the production of an additional 9 million doses of vaccine to help make sure there is enough vaccine for people at highest risk of complications from flu. CDC and the manufacturer of this additional vaccine have agreed on a process to prioritize orders from public and private providers for these doses. Highest priority will be given to distribute the 9 million doses to unvaccinated persons who are at highest risk for complications from influenza and health care

workers who care for such persons.

2. Have you received reports from doctors who say they have not yet received influenza vaccine for their high risk patients?
Yes, we have heard reports like this and understand their concern. We want to reassure health care providers that a substantial amount of vaccine will be distributed later into the season than usual, including approximately 42 percent of this year's supply in November and 30 percent in December. Flu vaccine distribution nationwide will not be uniform this season. For that reason, we are urging those at high risk of complications from influenza to be patient but persistent in obtaining the vaccine as soon as it becomes available in their community. It is important to remember that it is still early in the season and the virus is not circulating widely.

Questionable
3. There are reports that some vaccine distributors are breaking contracts with private providers in order to provide vaccine to mass immunizers, such as chain pharmacies or grocery stores - and that in many instances, by doing this, they can charge more money for vaccine. What is the CDC doing about this practice?
The CDC strongly discourages practices that might divert influenza vaccine away from those who need it the most, or that would take advantage of the current situation to make additional profit at others expense. The CDC recommends that when influenza vaccine first

becomes available, vaccination efforts should be focused on persons at high risk for complications associated with influenza disease, as well as health care workers.

4. What are you advising people at high risk for complications from influenza or providers to do if they are having difficulty obtaining vaccine?
We are encouraging people at high risk to contact their health care providers, local public health clinics or state health departments to inquire about the availability of vaccine. They can also check media outlets such as newspapers, radio stations, or other public information sources for information on clinics in their community. CDC has established a website to help providers locate influenza vaccine in their area. The website is located at <http://www.cdc.gov/nip/flu-vac-supply/>, and lists State Health Departments who have agreed to assist callers with information on providers at the local level who have reported they have surplus vaccine that they are willing to provide to other health care providers in need.

5. What is CDC doing to minimize the impact of the delays?
CDC has contracted for 9 million additional doses of vaccine to be produced this year, which will be available in December. These additional doses will be used to help fill some gaps to vaccinate people at highest risk of complications of influenza. The vaccine can be obtained by contacting the company directly. Information on how to apply to purchase from this vaccine sup-

ply is provided in the MMWR, dated November 3, 2000.

6. What is CDC doing to educate providers and the public regarding the recommendations for this year's influenza season?
CDC is implementing a public education and media campaign to inform those at high risk for influenza to get their influenza shots as soon as the vaccine becomes available and to educate those not at high risk about the importance of getting influenza vaccine later than usual in the flu season. CDC has also issued information to health care providers and organizations to help minimize the adverse impact of delays.

7. There are many reports of grocery stores that are providing influenza vaccine to anyone willing to pay. What is CDC doing about this, given the recommendations that vaccine available in October should have been focused on persons at high risk for complications associated with influenza disease, and health care workers?
CDC does not have any legal authority over these stores, and is relying on voluntary efforts from vaccine providers and members of the public to ensure that persons at highest risk are vaccinated first. CDC also encourages physicians who do not have sufficient vaccine yet for their high risk patients to refer them to sites in the community where vaccine is available, and encourages persons at high risk who cannot get it from their physician to seek other sites in their community where vaccine is available.

Who's at risk for influenza?

Although flu shots are indicated for all people of any age, immunization is strongly recommended for:

- People over the age of 50
- Residents in long-term care
- Individuals with serious long-term health problems such as heart, lung or kidney disease
- People with weakened immune systems
- Women in the third trimester of pregnancy
- Medical personnel

Oakwood plans programs on advance directives

What if you have an accident or serious illness and become unable to make your wishes known? Will your loved ones know what decisions you would want to make about your health care? They will if you have an advance directive, a legal document that describes the types of medical treatments you do or do not want and names a trusted family member or friend who can make difficult decisions for you. A durable power of attorney for healthcare is the type of advance directive recognized in Michigan. Preparing a durable power of attorney form can be confusing. That's why Oakwood Healthcare System is not only making advance directive forms available, it is also holding a series of meetings in the community to explain the process. In "My Voice-My Choice," an award-winning advance directive educational program, an Oakwood nurse, physician, social worker or other healthcare provider will explain the purpose of advance directives and help participants prepare their own personal durable power of attorney forms. There is no charge for the program. Oakwood has designated November "Advance Directives Month." Anyone interested in scheduling a program for a church or community group can call Oakwood's Clinical Ethics Center at (313) 436-2267. The remaining November programs include:

- 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 21 - Adray Conference Center, Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center
- 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29 - Oakwood Annex, across Oakwood Boulevard from Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center
- 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3 - St. Joseph Catholic Church, 2565 3rd Street, Trenton (register through church office (734) 676-9082, ext. 12).

Anyone who is unable to attend one of the programs can schedule a free, one-on-one session with an Oakwood nurse or social worker. Call the Oakwood Health Line (800) 543-WELL to request a durable power of attorney for health care forms.



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ONGOING

AA & ALANON
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 Mercy Hospital, Marian Professional Building, 14555 Levan, Livonia (Pavilion Conference Room A). For information, call (734) 462-5858.

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.

FREE PROSTATE SCREENINGS
Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital will offer free prostate screenings on the fourth Thursday of each month in the radiology oncology department at the McAuley Cancer Care Center in Ypsilanti. To register, call the saint Joseph Mercy HealthLine at 1-800-231-2211.

MANIC DEPRESSIVE
The Manic Depressive-Depressive Association (MDDA) 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.

ADULT ADD
The Adult Attention Deficit Disorder Support Group meets 7 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road (at Taft), Northville. Call (734) 427-5692 or (248) 553-2923.

ANXIETY DISORDER
Ward Presbyterian Church, corner of Six Mile Road and Haggerty, Northville, sponsors a Panic Attack & Anxiety Disorder Support Group meeting 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month. Call (734) 420-8175.

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STOP SMOKING
St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will hold four two-hour sessions on smoking cessation 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Pavilion A. Pre-registration requested. Call (734) 655-8940 or 1-800-494-1650.

MON, NOV. 13

THYROID
The Michigan Thyroid Support Group will meet 6:30 at the Plymouth Library on Main Street in Plymouth. The speaker will be Brad Mallard, P.A. of Farmington Medical Center. Free. Respond by e-mail at mitag@mediacore.net or call 734-453-7945 for reservations and questions.

TUES, NOV. 14

HEALTHY HOLIDAYS
Learn how to make your favorite holiday recipe more healthy without losing that great taste. St. Colette Parish Health Ministry in Livonia will hold a "Happy Healthy Holidays" seminar presented by Fay Fitzgerald, a Heart Smart dietitian and educator 7 p.m. The church is located at 17600 Newburgh Road. Call (734) 464-4436.

WED, NOV. 15

OBSTETRICS INFORMATION
Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center-Dearborn will host an informational evening in the hospital's obstetrics unit for expectant moms and dads 6-8 p.m. Physicians will answer questions, and participants will receive a packet of information, including a diaper bag. To schedule a consultation, call the Oakwood Health Line toll free at (800) 543-WELL.

DOCTOR VISITS
Senior Health Services of Saint Joseph Mercy Health System will present "How to get the most from your doctor visit" 1:30-2:30 p.m. at Canton Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Discussion includes feelings of intimidation, fear of medical results, and embarrassment of not understanding what is being explained. Free. Registration required. Call (734) 397-5444.

THUR, NOV. 16

HEADACHE
Oakland Physical Therapy will present "Headache: Physical Therapy Management and Prevention" at 7 p.m. in the Providence Medical Center, 47601 Grand River Avenue, Suite B124, Novi (at the intersection of Grand River and Beck). The class will provide an overview of current concepts in the prevention of Chronic Headache and TMJ pain. No charge. RSVP required. Call (248) 380-3550.

MON, NOV. 20

FIBROMYALGIA
Michigan Specific Chiropractic, located at 7276 N. Sheldon Road in Canton, will offer a free fibromyalgia lecture by Dr. Barry Hobbs 7-8:15 p.m. Topics will include fibromyalgia symptoms, risk factors, treatment and prevention. Pre-registration required. Call (734) 416-2442.

BLOOD DRIVE
St. John's Episcopal Church, 574

S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth, will hold a blood drive 2-3 p.m. in the church's gathering area. For more information, call Shelly Meinhardt (313) 255-4919 or Bob Wolf (734) 421-1682.

THURS, NOV. 30

BLOOD DRIVE
A Red Cross Blood Drive will take place 2-3 p.m. at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road (near Haggerty), Northville. For more information, call (248) 374-5956.

MON, NOV. 27

DIABETES WORKSHOP
Michigan Specific Chiropractic, located at 7276 N. Sheldon Road in Canton, will offer a workshop on "Diabetes and the Nervous System" 7-8:15 p.m. Nervous system screening will be conducted with lecture. Cost is \$25.

Pre-registration required. Call (734) 416-2442.

TUES, NOV. 28

QUACKERY VS. NUTRITION
The U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center will offer "Nutrition Information: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" 6-7 p.m. at the U-M Cancer Center, 1500 E. Medical Center Drive, Ann Arbor. Learn how to recognize Web sites that promote quackery vs. sound nutrition information based on scientific research. Call (734) 615-4012 or e-mail erika@umich.edu.

NOV. 28-DEC. 5, 12 & 19

DIABETES CLASSES
St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will offer "Taking Charge of Living With Diabetes," a series of classes on self-care and man-

agement of diabetes 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Series cost is \$100, or \$90 for people 65 and over. Pre-registration is required. Call (734) 655-8940.

MON, DEC. 18

St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia will offer "Mental Health vs. Mental Illness: How to recognize it and get treatment" 6-7:30 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B. Use South Entrance off Levan Road. Pre-registration is requested. Call (734) 655-2944.

MON, JAN. 15

ADDICTION
St. Mary Mercy Hospital will offer "Physiology & Medical Complications of Addiction" 6-7:30 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B. Pre-registration is requested. Call (734) 655-2944.

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the rotating blade descended toward me.

As the blade painlessly cut through layers into my cornea I could see the light appear like the circle of an eclipse over my eye. I felt nothing, but I could hear the quiet buzz of the blade. The most difficult part of the procedure was attempting to keep my other eye open while faced up toward a group of bright white lights.

The doctor opened the flap of cornea and asked me to look at a red light. The laser evaporated a layer of my cornea, reshaping my eye. I waited three minutes after the flap was replaced and all attention turned to my right eye. Before I knew it, the procedure was complete.

Nurses cleaned me up and affixed hard plastic goggles onto my face. They gave me a pain pill and a sleeping pill and instructed me to go home and sleep.

Through the plastic, I could tell my vision was on its way to improvement. But it was hard to see through the distortion of the goggles. I never felt an ounce of pain or real discomfort. I never took another pill.

The day after

The next morning I awoke and showered with my goggles attached, excited to visit the office and check out my new eyes. The nurses at Greenberg Laser Eye Center helped me take off the plastic goggles - probably the most painful part of the ordeal since I had gotten the tape wet and it was sticking to my face like glue.

My vision correction wasn't instant. I spent about two weeks frightened it wouldn't improve to a level I was comfortable with. I was so used to relying on contacts that now that I needed time to heal, I could hardly bare the shifts in my vision. I couldn't focus very well for the first few days. My vision close-up seemed to deteriorate for the first week. But outdoors, in bright summer sunlight, I could see better than I ever thought possible. Sunlight didn't play tricks on my vision like fluorescent lights did.

Driving at night was almost impossible for two weeks. All I could see was glaring lights speeding past and spreading out ahead of me. My friends were wonderful escorts during this, my healing period. It just takes

time for your brain to adjust to your new vision, that's all. And everyone's different.

I felt pretty helpless the first few weeks. I stayed away from television, movies and books. I tried to give my eyes a rest from the computer screen at work whenever possible - this was quite difficult as a writer. But each day I got a little better and a little happier with my decision.

In one month the doctor told me my eyesight was 10/15, better than perfect. Even now, five months later, I revel in the fact that I don't have to put my contacts in and take them out every night. I am free and I can see better than ever.

I may need reading glasses when I'm older, but that was no reason to stop me from the technology available to help me today. The surgery boosted my confidence and made my life altogether better. I would recommend it to any other "perfect candidate."

If you have questions about the procedure, contact your eye care specialist. If you'd like to know more about my experience, send an e-mail regarding LASIK to scasola@oe.homecomm.net.

Read the HomeTown Life section Thursday

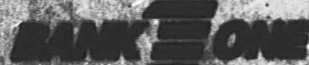
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Ask about cost to heat and cool the house. Inquire about the age of the roof, furnace, water heater and air conditioner. Verify when the house was last painted or when the siding was installed. Check for cracks in walls and foundation, water problems, slanted floors and squeaks.

Don't look at the cosmetics that are easy and less expensive to fix, such as the interior painting, wallpaper or draperies. Look instead at the kitchen cabinets, bathroom fixtures and counters.

Look for evidence of pets. If you or your family has specific animal allergies, you may want to steer clear of homes that have been shared by pets.

Look at the outside of the house. Does the foundation have any cracks? Check the gutters, bricks and siding. Is the lot flat or sloped? Check to see if the driveway is in good condition. Think about shoveling snow off the driveway in winter months. Make sure water can drain off your property during rainy seasons.

Observe the neighborhood. Meet some and see if these are people whom you want living close to you.

Observe the amount of traffic that flows down the street. If you want a private, low-traffic area, make sure it couldn't become a major thoroughfare.

We built our house on a dead-end street next to a large field. We didn't give much thought to the very busy street far across the field until a furniture store was built in the field facing the busy street.

When the issue of cutting our quiet street through to the larger one was raised, we had to take some drastic action to preserve our little enclave.

Purge closets, drawers and cabinets while you are looking for your house. Put items in boxes for charity or a garage sale. This will make packing for the move less stressful.

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Quiet subdivision provides 99 lots

A quiet location in the western part of Canton, access to Plymouth-Canton schools and lots of amenities at base price bring prospective buyers to Kirkway.

The planned single-family community of 99 lots is off Cherry Hill west of Beck.

"We knew we had a lot of competition," said Melvin Menuck, vice president for Curtis Building.

"We put in an entrance with waterfalls. The layout is unique. There's no through streets that intersect. There's two cul-de-sacs and a semi circle that curves around. There's a lot of open space and park area," he said.

"Setbacks vary from 25 to 40 feet. That gives character to the community. It doesn't look like a cookie-cutter sub," Menuck said.

The location also is a big plus, said Virginia Cox, sales manager.

"It's close to the Canton community center ... Heritage Park, the library," she said. "It's also close to the airport ... close to all the major freeways, M-14, 94, 96, 275. It's easy access to get wherever you need to go."

Then there's the houses, themselves. "They (visitors) are impressed with the quality, impressed with design," Cox said. "A lot of people are familiar with Curtis when they come through."

"We try to give more service, try to meet the customizing tastes of potential purchasers," Menuck said. "We sell people more by word of mouth and repeat customers, second- and third-time customers."

"We've been in business since 1945. We're third generation now," he said.

Curtis offers nine different floor plans including two story, ranch and story-and-a-half.

Base prices range from \$333,900 for a ranch of 2,000 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths to \$449,900 for a two story of about 3,950 square feet with four bedrooms, three full baths and two half baths.

Standard features include air conditioning, fireplace, three-car garage, first-floor laundry, basement, Kohler plumbing fixtures, ceiling lights in bedrooms and the Nelson energy seal package.

All nine plans also include at base price double oven, cooktop, microwave and dishwasher in the kitchen, separate tub and shower in the master suite, wood flooring in the kitchen/nook, wood or ceramic flooring in the foyer, hall and half bath and carpeting throughout.



Augusta III: This story-and-a-half of nearly 3,000 square feet features a luxury first-floor master suite and a loft upstairs.

Brick and vinyl siding are primary exterior materials. Dimensional shingles are standard.

Three models have been built.

The Augusta III is a story-and-a-half of 2,967 square feet. It features a two-story foyer, den with cathedral ceiling, great room with two-story ceiling, dining area and kitchen/nook with island and pantry.

The master suite with pan ceiling, two-sink vanity with make-up area, a pair of walk-in closets and compartmentalized commode also is on the first floor.

Two bedrooms, a full bath and a loft area are upstairs.

Base price is \$374,900. The model with upgrades is priced at about \$400,000.

The Pinehurst III is a two story of 3,519 square feet. It contains two staircases - one at the foyer, the other off the family room.

The home showcases a den, living room, dining room, kitchen/nook with island and a mud room off the laundry.

All four bedrooms, including step-up master with cathedral ceiling, two walk-in closets, two separate vanities and compartmentalized commode, are upstairs.

An optional bath with shower

(\$6,500) in one of the bedrooms makes for a guest suite. A full bath also is upstairs.

Base price is \$399,900. The model with upgrades goes for about \$435,000.

The Grand Cypress III is a two story of 3,275 square feet. It features a two-story foyer, den, open living room/dining area separated by columns, kitchen/nook with island and a family room with volume ceiling.

All four bedrooms, including step-up master with pan ceiling, two vanities, compartmentalized commode and a large walk-in closet are upstairs. A full bath also is up.

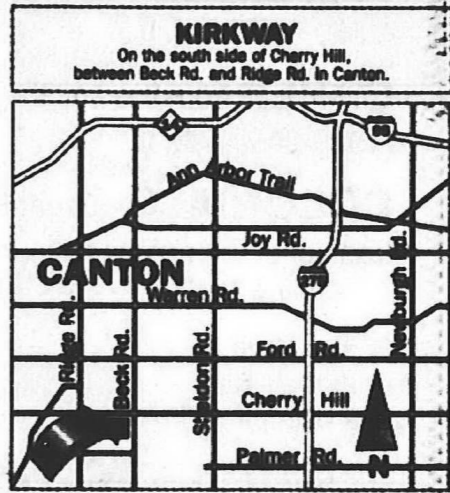
Base price is \$385,900, the model as is about \$428,000.

The annual association/maintenance fee is \$400. Some base lots are available, with premiums ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Kirkway is serviced by city water, sewers and sidewalks.

The property tax rate is \$31.57 per \$1,000 of state taxable value, half of market value for new construction. That means the owners of a \$375,000 house there would pay about \$5,900 the first year.

Ed and Andrea Switkowski ordered a Cape Cod because they wanted a first-floor master.



"We liked the builder," Ed said. "We were looking at homes he was building in Fairway Pines. We've lived in Canton for 25 years. We wanted to stay, wanted something newer."

"This building has been great," he said. "Virginia is super to work with. We made some changes to the model."

The sales models/office at Kirkway, (734) 844-2230, are open noon to 6 p.m. daily.

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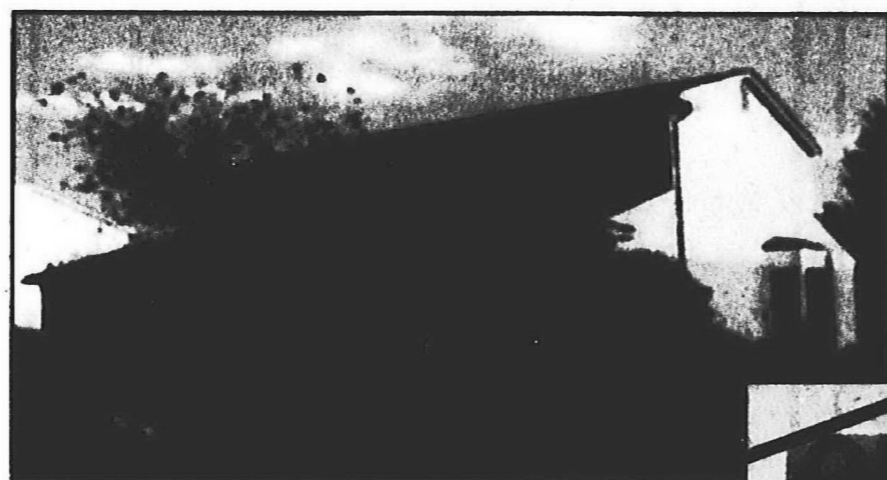
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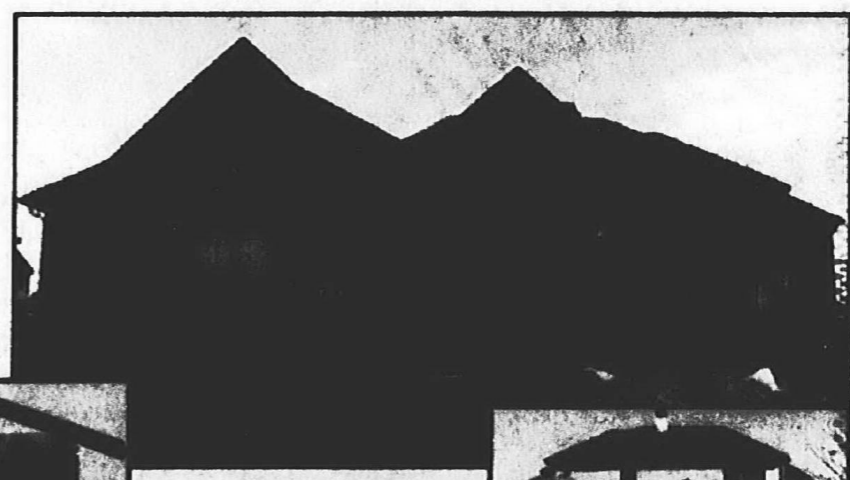


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Get a clear view of window replacement

BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY
FOR AP NEWSFEATURES

James recently expanded his home office. A big decision he had to make was to choose the right windows for the job. The wall that was being "pushed out" contained a window and a sliding door.

James wasn't sure whether he should nix the window and replace the smaller sliding door with a larger one, or go with just windows or reuse what he had. He anguished over the choice. He wanted it to be just right. Whichever he chose he knew he had to

select something that was going to be consistent with the shapes and sizes of the windows and doors along that same exterior wall. Also, he didn't want to modify the type of window frame - the new had to match the existing - exactly. Since his house is relatively new, and because the windows were modern and energy-compliant, he had no thoughts of changing the overall window theme.

Windows a key element in promoting natural ventilation, and modern ones can conserve energy.

The view

Shopping for windows involves several important decisions. Some rules of thumb:

■ You don't want your remodel to look like one. If you aren't going to change all of the windows, consider matching the frame of the new window type as closely as possible to the frames on the ones you already have.

■ Regardless of the frame type, consider upgrading to insulated glass. One, two or three sheets of glass? They all look the same at a glance but the better the insulative value, the more comfort. R-value measures energy efficiency of the glass. The higher the R-value, the more efficient the glass. U-value measures the efficiency of the glass and the frame together. The lower the U-value the better.

■ Each type of window has advantages and disadvantages.

Wood-frame windows are more energy-efficient and reduce condensation, but they are maintenance-intensive and expensive. Metal-frame windows are low maintenance and inexpensive but transmit heat and cold, and condensation can be a really big problem. Wood windows that have plastic or metal exterior covers are a good bet - less maintenance on the exterior side (where wood is most often in need of maintenance) and top energy efficiency.

Unfortunately, metal or plastic over wood is the most expensive kind. Vinyl windows are low maintenance and better suited to resist condensation than are metal ones. However, plastics have a tendency to become brittle.

■ Most folks are "light conscious." The brighter it is, the more natural light available in it, the more a home is appreciated. If you are upgrading, don't downsize. If anything, you might want to upsize. This will add value to your home.

■ Expect guarantees that extend from 10 years to life. Since even the best of insulated windows fail, warranty is essential. Smaller companies might offer a good warranty but might not be there to honor it later.

■ If you intend to use wood interior windows, look for wood that will complement other wood on the interior of your home - cabinets, wainscot, chair rail, door trim, etc.

■ Be sure the window you choose is easy to operate. Sliding windows are among the easiest to operate. However, a large window with a heavy wood frame that you have to reach over a counter to get to can be hard to open. With just about any type of window, large moving panels can be tough to open as well.

Keep operating sections manageable in size. Casement windows are easy to operate, but require interior screens - a design element you might not wish to have in your home. If you do decide on casement, make sure the operating assembly is smooth and easy to use.

■ Low-E glass is more energy-efficient and will cut your heating and cooling bills.

The Weekly Do-It-Yourselfer



Split-level deck

Adding a deck will increase the value and improve the appearance of your home - while expanding your living space. The stair and railing plans are included, as well as plans for an optional trellis and serving bar. You may decide to build the 10' x 14' upper deck for next spring and add the 10' x 16' lower deck later. Two complete sets of the plans are included: one for you or your builder and one for the building department.

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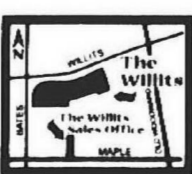
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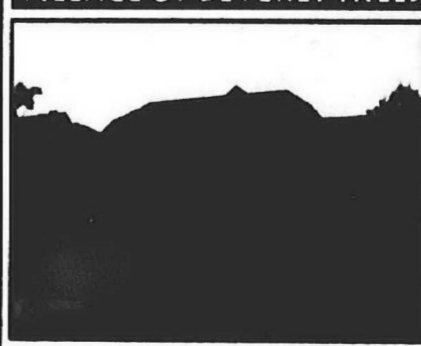
New gas bill

Beginning this month, bills from Consumers Energy will give more information to customers. The new bills will show the previous 12 months' energy use and other data. The new, more detailed format also incorporates a number of customer suggestions.

- The new bill shows:
- amount of electricity and/or gas used during the billing period
 - energy purchases from alternate suppliers
 - 12-month history of energy use
 - energy use per day
 - charges for products and services such as the Appliance Service Plan
 - messages about safety, new products and services, rates and refunds.

Consumers Energy's 22,000 large industrial customers and a few residential customers first saw the new bills in July. The change affects 2.4 million residential customers.

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Is your home prepared for a visit from Old Man Winter?

Burst pipes, frozen gutters and wind-driven snow cause over a billion dollars in weather-related damage to homes each winter, according to the Insurance Information Institute.

It is when the leaves start to turn and not when the snow is beginning to fall that homeowners need to get ready for severe winter weather. A little time and effort in November can prevent the heartache of burst pipes and other disasters when Old Man Winter brings snow, freezing temperatures and winds.

The I.I.I. suggests that homeowners take the following precautions:

■ **Maintain gutters.** Remove

leaves, acorns, sticks and other debris from gutters, so melting snow and ice can flow freely. This can prevent ice damming - a condition where water is unable to properly drain through the gutters and instead seeps into the house causing water to drip from the ceiling and walls.

You may also consider installing "gutter guards." Available in most hardware and home stores, gutter guards are screens that prevent debris from entering the gutter and direct the flow of water away from the house and into the ground.

■ **Trim trees and remove dead branches.** Ice, snow and wind could cause weak trees or

branches to break - damaging your home, car or injuring someone walking on your property.

■ **Check insulation.** Add extra insulation to attics, basements and crawl spaces. If too much heat escapes through the attic it can cause snow or ice to melt on the roof. Water can then re-freeze, causing more snow and ice to build up. Ideally, the attic should be five to ten degrees warmer than the outside air. Well-insulated basements and crawl spaces will also help protect pipes from freezing.

■ **Maintain pipes.** Wrap pipes with heating tape and insulate unfinished rooms such as garages that frequently have

exposed pipes. Also, check for cracks and leaks. Have them repaired immediately to prevent much costlier repairs.

■ **Keep the house warm.** The temperature in the home should be at least 65 degrees. A temperature lower than 65 degrees will not keep the pipes from freezing.

■ **Check heating systems.** The proper use and maintenance of furnaces, fireplaces and wood-burning stoves can prevent fire and smoke damage. Have furnaces, boilers and chimneys serviced at least once a year. Make sure that smoke and fire alarms are working properly.

■ **Make sure steps and handrails are in good shape.**

Broken stairs and banisters can become lethal when covered with snow and ice. Make repairs now to prevent someone from falling and seriously being injured.

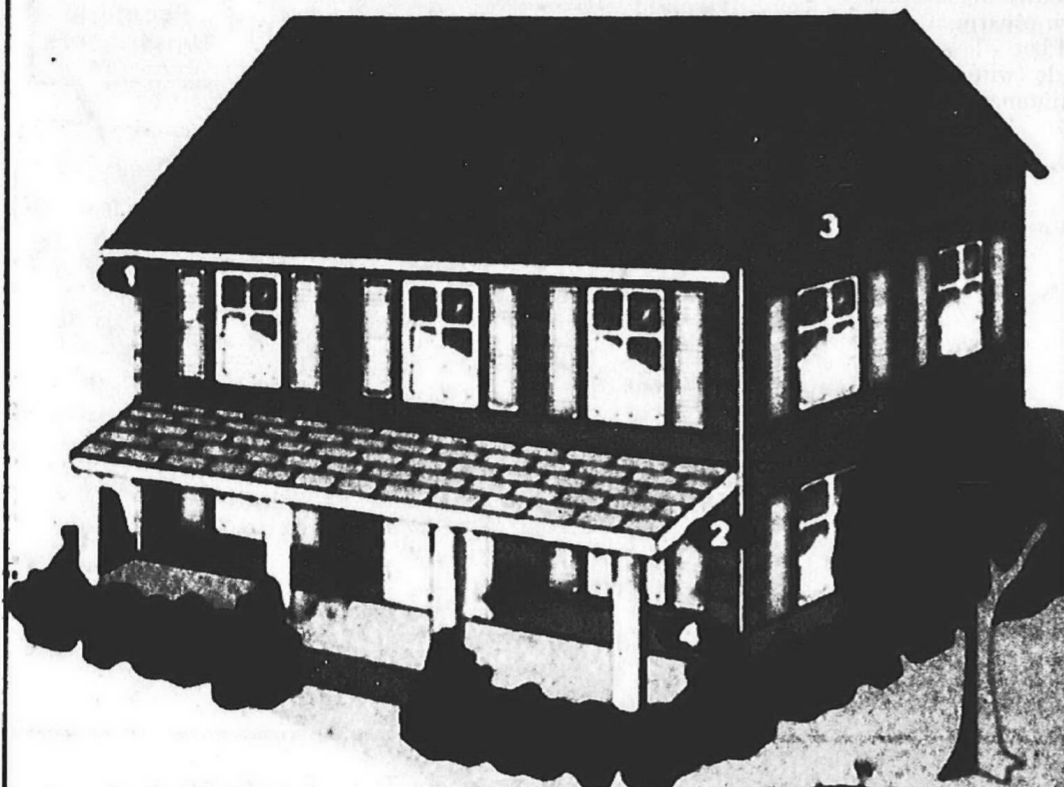
■ **Get to know your plumbing.** Learn how to shut the water off and know where your pipes are located. If your pipes do freeze, time is of the essence. The quicker you can shut off the water or direct your plumber to the problem, the better chance you have to prevent pipes from bursting.

■ **Hire a licensed contractor.** Have a professional survey your home for any structural damage. If damage is discovered, have it repaired now so further damage

will not occur during the winter. Also, find out about ways to prevent water damage due to snow-related flooding. Plastic coatings for internal basement walls, sump pumps and other methods can prevent damage to your home and belongings.

■ **Take special care if you plan to be away from home.** If you are not going to be in your home this winter for an extended period of time, have the water system drained by a professional to keep pipes from freezing or bursting. Also, hire someone to check on your home on a regular basis. Activity at your home will also reduce the likelihood that it will be burglarized.

Mildew-prone Areas



1. Eaves
2. Porch Ceilings
3. North Walls
4. Behind Shrubs or Other Shaded Areas

Where to look:

The accompanying illustration shows the most common areas for exterior mildew growth. The Zinsser Co. is selling an exterior paint guaranteed to keep mildew away for 15 years.

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The fresh, clean look of newly painted siding can be preserved for longer, thanks to chemists who have come up with a revolutionary new mildew-proof exterior house paint.

The paint, called Perma-White, from the Zinsser Co., is a premium-quality all-purpose exterior house paint that offers a five-year mildew-proof guarantee. It also features a 15-year durability guarantee, which means it resists cracking, fading, peeling and blistering.

This new paint contains long-lasting mildewicides and an advanced resin system that pro-

vides a harder, slicker film than commonly found in other 100-percent acrylic house paints.

The hard, smooth film and satin sheen fight mildew and resist dirt pick-up, reducing the chance for soil particles to attach to the paint film and become nutrients for mildew. These attributes, among others, make Perma-White mildew-proof as opposed to being merely mildew-resistant.

Perma-White is for wood, concrete, stucco, stone, vinyl or aluminum siding, brick, and other typical exterior surfaces, and on most surfaces, it's self-priming.

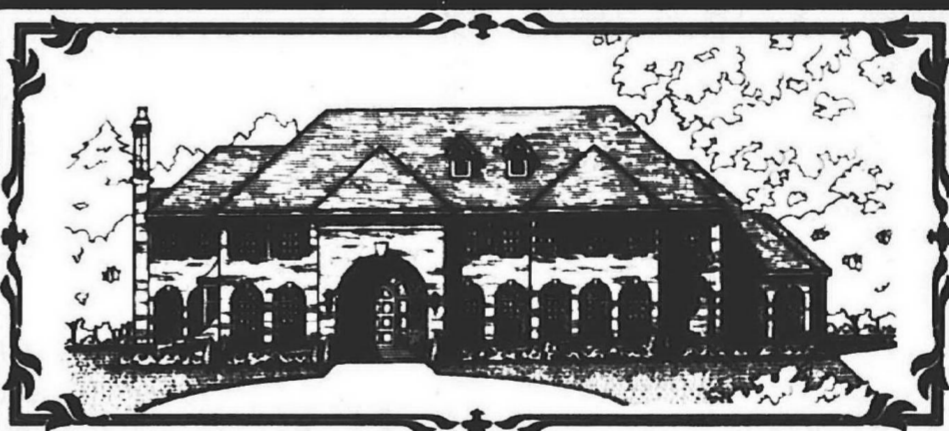
It comes in a bright white formu-

la that can be tinted to create almost all light or medium-tone colors. Before application, existing mildew should be killed with a commercial cleaner.

Perma-White Mildew-Proof Exterior Paint is available at paint stores, hardware stores, and home centers.

An interior formula is also available for bathrooms, basements, closets, and other moisture-prone areas inside the home.

For more information, visit the company's Web site at www.zinsser.com.



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Fight rising winter heating bills

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Petty soon you probably will hear a news report that goes something like this: "As temperatures begin to fall, residents are becoming more concerned about fuel costs - costs that are so high it will make it hard for some Americans to keep their furnaces running this winter."

Higher fall and winter heating bills are expected. In some areas heating prices are expected to rise as much as 50 percent.

According to the Department of Energy, no matter what kind of heating, ventilating or air conditioning system you have in your home, you can save money and increase personal comfort by properly maintaining or improving your equipment.

To determine the condition of your furnace you might be able to rely on your local utility company. Often they offer free inspections that will help you determine whether your next step needs to be cleaning and oiling or replacement. You might also check with your local building department to see if they have a program. Heating and cooling contractors often offer year-round maintenance programs that will ensure smooth, cost-efficient operation.

The person who looks at your furnace will check for carbon monoxide leaks and signs of wear and tear. Part of the inspection will include a check of the fan system. Burner operation, blower, gas and blower motor prevent proper operation of the fan

and trap dangerous combustion gasses in your home.

All safety circuits must be checked as well. During the winter, when your storm windows are in place and all doors are closed, there is more fresh air outside than inside. That's why it is important to change your filter. Changing your furnace filter will cost \$3 or \$4 but can reduce your heating bill between 1 to 4 percent. A clogged filter can reduce airflow and reduce the efficiency of the furnace. Changing your filter is not a major contributor to energy savings, but the filter change results in increased furnace life as a result of reduced stress on the blower motor.

Modern American homes are required to have setback thermostats, but some are complicated and difficult to operate. A setback thermostat can switch the furnace on when heat is needed and then turn it down to a lower temperature when everyone is snuggled in bed for the night. The same thermostat can also be programmed to shut the furnace off completely when no one is home and back on again before everyone gets home.

Turning the temperature down just 1 degree can reduce your heating bill by 2 to 5 percent. Turning the thermostat down from 72 F to 68 F can reduce your heating bill by up to 15 percent. And lower temperatures don't have to be uncomfortable. December is not the time to test around the home in light-colored cotton pajamas or a flannel shirt. A

long-sleeved, loose-fitting jogging outfit can keep you warm and comfortable. If you are in good health, you can save more than \$100 a year with the flick of a wrist at your thermostat.

If your furnace is more than 15 years old, you will probably want to look carefully at replacement. Modern appliances are far more energy-efficient than older ones. Older gas furnaces waste 50 percent or more. Modern furnaces burn fuel at a rate of 70 percent to 96 percent. Replacing a furnace can save you 20 percent to nearly 50 percent on your heating bill.

According to a recent survey by a major heating equipment retailer, 70 percent of those polled are aware that heating costs will increase as much as 50 percent in some areas of the country.

Sixty-three percent of those aware are planning to do something to make their home more energy-efficient.

Thirty-five percent are planning to check their home-heating system.

Twenty percent are planning to upgrade their system.

Thirty-five percent are not planning to do anything to make their home more energy-efficient.

Twenty-seven percent have furnaces that are over 15 years old.

We leave you with this thought: According to the Department of Energy, home heating makes up about 44 percent of home energy use.

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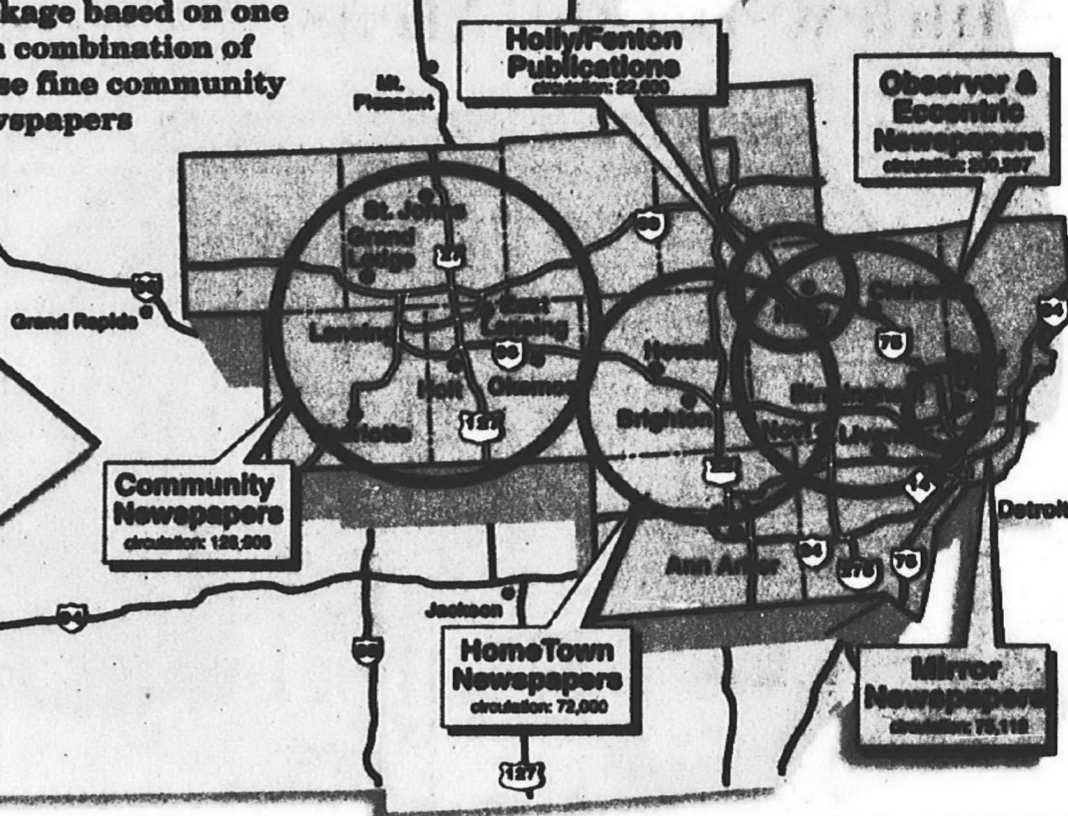
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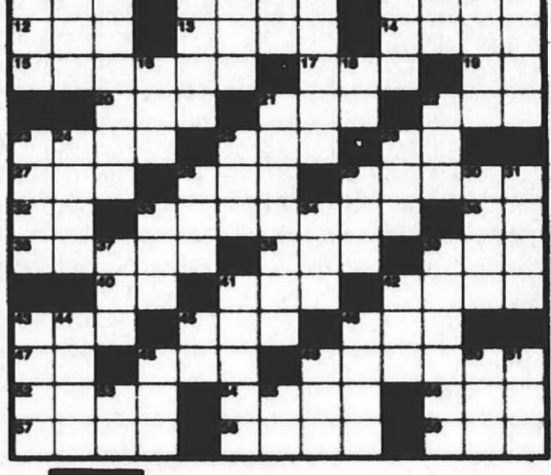
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The 395,000 square foot building houses the company's operation center and executive offices, which was formerly housed in three leased facilities. The move involved the relocation of more than 850 employees.

Additionally the Bank moved its Corporate Banking Center to the Troy location. The new banking center is a full-service facility and includes a drive-up window, which was not available at the old location.

Lobby hours for the banking center are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday. Drive-up hours are 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

"We are pleased to be in this new facility. The consolidation of all of our Detroit area support operations will provide a great deal of efficiencies for our staff and allow us to better service our customer base," stated Thomas J. Hammond, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "This is an exciting time in the history of the company. Our expansion to over \$5 billion in

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The Flagstar banking centers are located throughout southern Michigan and in Indiana. Flagstar also operates 38 retail loan origination centers located predominantly in Michigan and 15 correspondent lending offices located across the United States. Flagstar Bank is one of the largest originators of residential mortgage loans in the United States.

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The Wildrose is a great empty nester home. It has 1,307 square feet on the main floor and an unfinished basement totaling 1,298 square feet.

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The exterior has a country feel with a covered porch and a small accent gable. The windows have shutters and provide great appeal from the front.

Open beams in a vaulted living room greet the eyes of a guest upon entering the Wildrose. The center of the home is open and has a fireplace on the back wall.

The dining room with its special decor ceiling is separated from the living room by a half wall.

The corner kitchen has double sinks facing the rear with a ledge for knick-knacks and flowers. The eating bar faces the formal dining area. The utility room with a washer/dryer is off the kitchen.

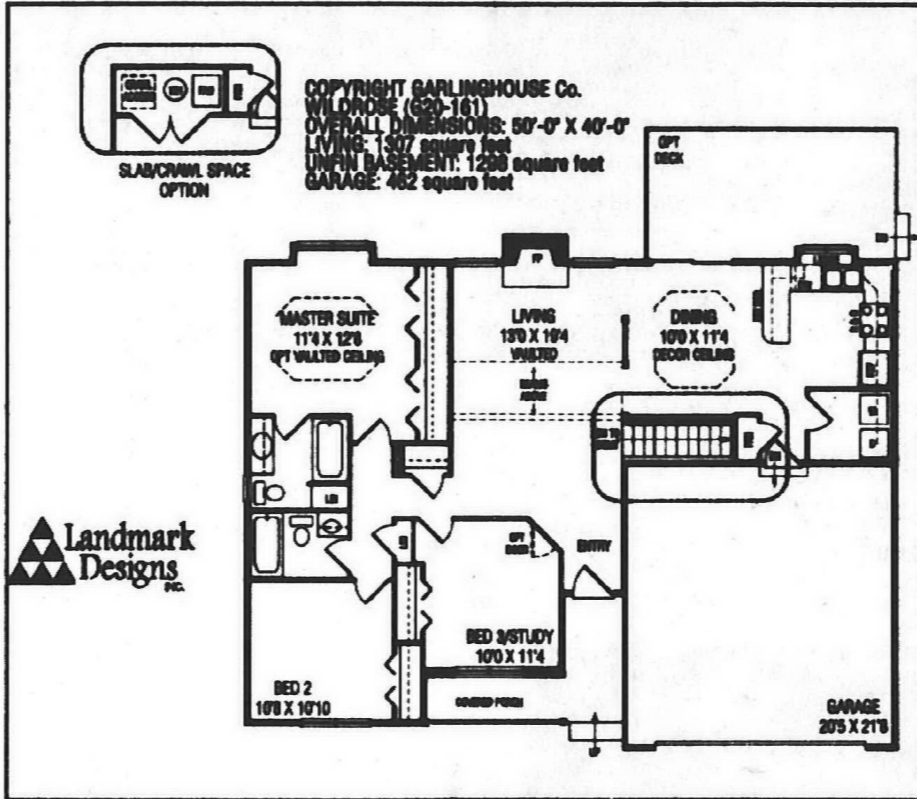
The left side of the Wildrose is dedicated to bedrooms.

In the rear is the master suite, with an option to have a vaulted ceiling or a regular ceiling. Two large windows bathe the room with light. Along one wall is all closet space. The bath has a single sink, tub and a linen closet. A coat closet is outside the suite.

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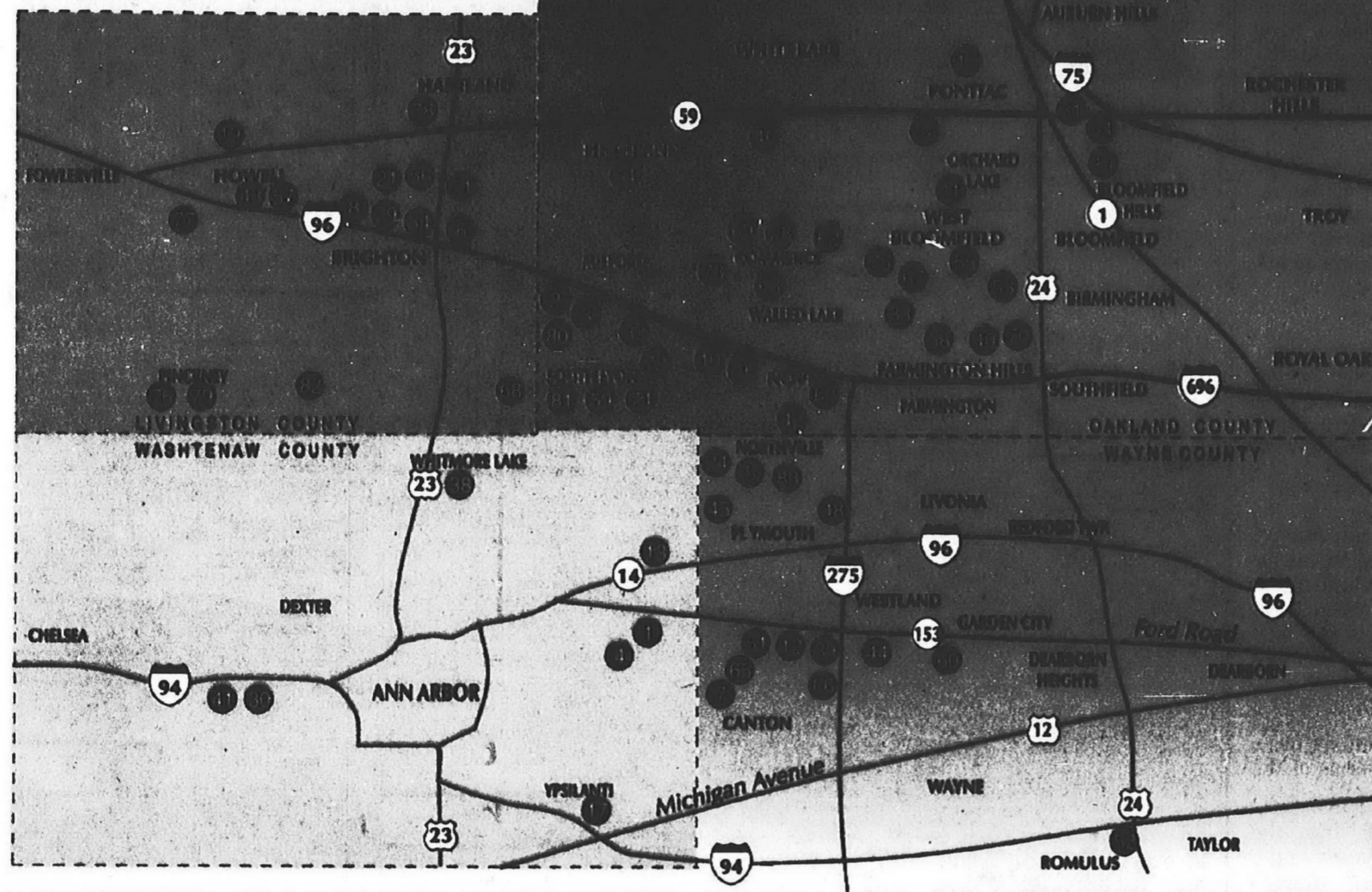
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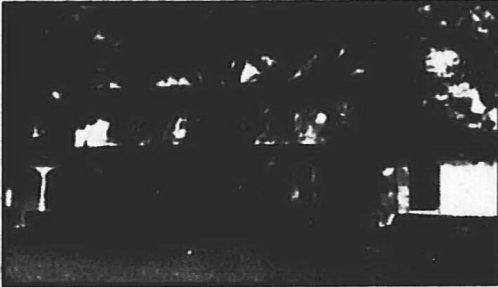
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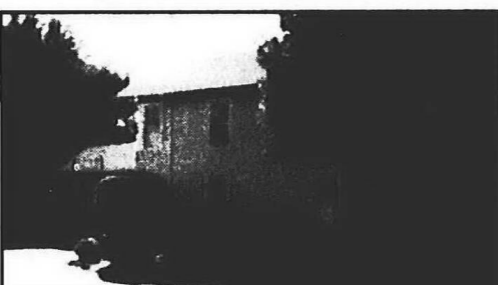
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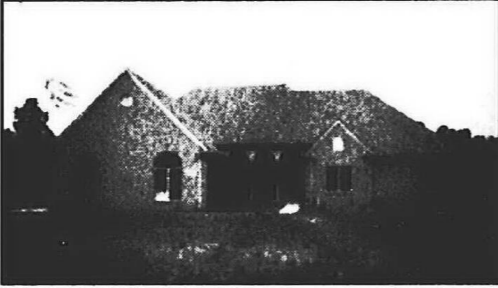
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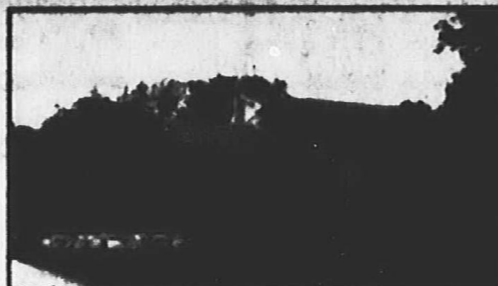
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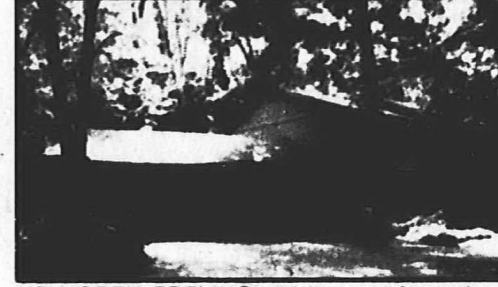
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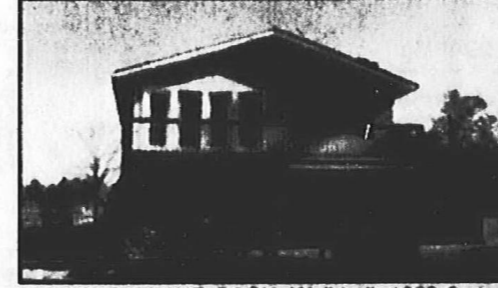
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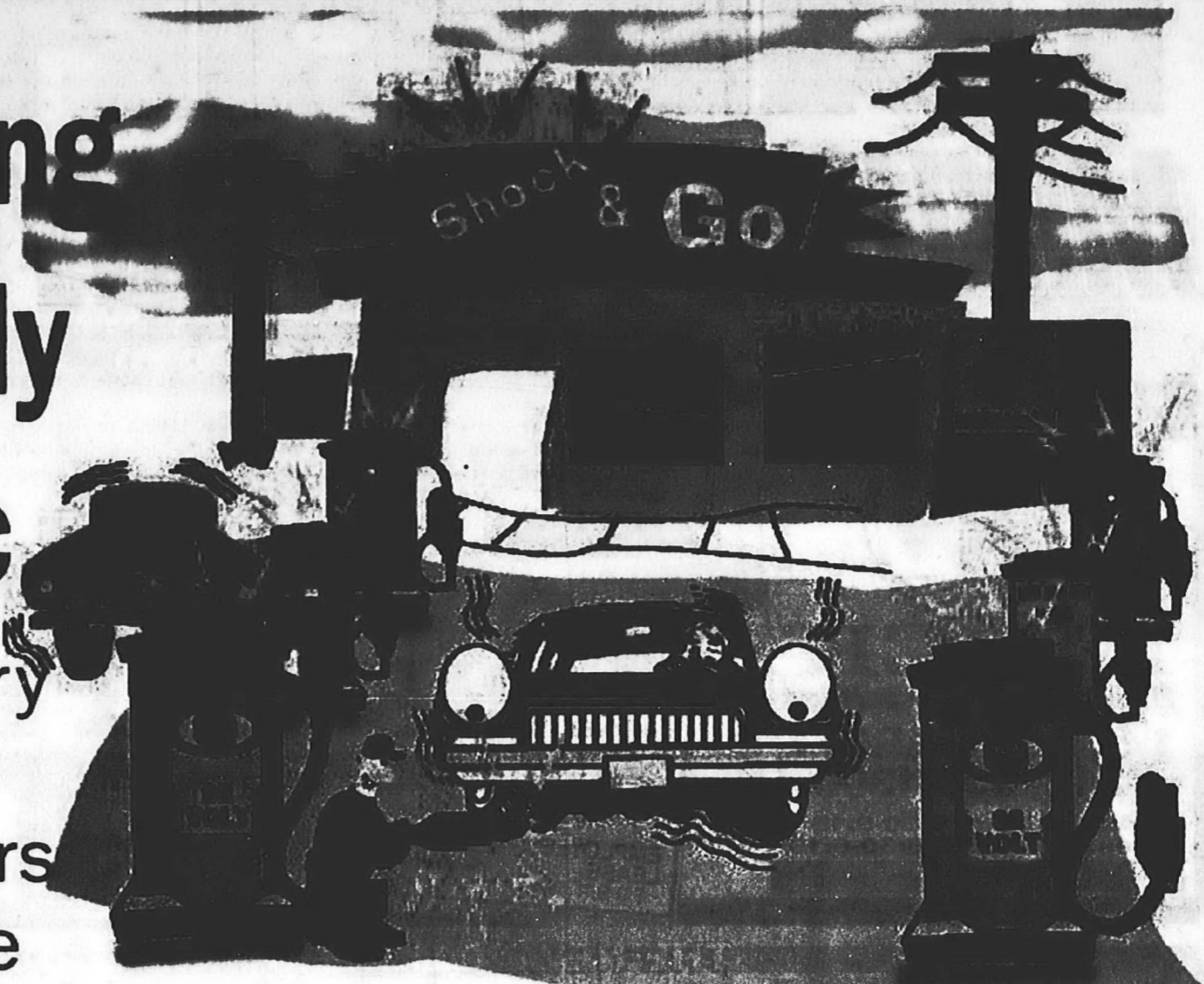
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Electric vehicles are closer to being in local dealerships, thanks to the development of a high-powered, long-life battery developed right in our own backyard.

A "tiny little Troy business" — that's how Subhash Dhar puts it — has invented and patented nickel metal hydride (NiMH) batteries that can sustain a charge for up to 160 miles. A subsidiary of Energy Conversion Devices, Inc., Ovonic Battery Company, Inc. of Troy creates the batteries for both electric and hybrid vehicles.

Electric vehicles are those which rely solely on electric power, while hybrid vehicles use both electricity and fossil fuels (gasoline), Dhar, president of

Ovonic, said.

Although at present electric vehicles are available only in California and Arizona, hybrid vehicles are now sold at Japanese/American companies like Honda, which markets the Insight, and Toyota, which sells the Prius, Dhar said. But, the day of the all-electric vehicle is coming.

Dhar explained the differences between the two.

The electric vehicle can usually travel about 400 miles a day, depending on terrain, city and highway combos, he said. "You have to stop at least once a day to recharge the battery," he said. "You plug up to a service station, or a coffee house and plug it in to any standard 220-volt plug." It takes about four to six hours to recharge a battery, admittedly a drawback. But, he added, if you're not plan-

ning on driving that far, you can easily charge it overnight.

"Or you can use a fast charger, which can charge it in less than an hour," Dhar said. A consumer would need to purchase the battery charger separately, he added.

Although the vehicle isn't currently available outside the two Western states, "I believe eventually these cars will be available across the nation, for the general public," he said.

A hybrid vehicle, which relies on both electricity and fuel, makes more sense at present. "One reason is it's completely transparent. You don't have to change your driving habits," Dhar said. The vehicles look like most others on the road, he said. It's hard

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to fill the void there.

Bikes can fuel up at a gas station, the same way they do now — but not as often. The hybrid car includes a smaller gasoline engine, supplemented by an electric motor which runs on batteries, Dhar explained. "It's charged using excess energy from the electric engine, through the generator. Automatic timing from the computer figures out all the complications.

"The other spectrum of hybrid vehicles is they also have the capacity of charging externally," he said, like electric cars.

"The difference (between cars of today and the hybrid car) is you don't have to go to the gas station as frequently. The typical driver will go once a week. With this, you're needing to go only once every two weeks." This naturally helps with the fuel shortage, he added.

Pontiac is currently under contract with General Motors and an electric company to develop the all-electric vehicles. Some GM vehicles were on display at his year's International Electric Vehicle Symposium and Exposition. EVS-17, in Montreal, Canada. To drive the concept home, several participants traveled via electric vehicles powered with the Onvonic batteries. Some made the 3,000-mile trip from California in seven days.

The cars were driven on interstate and secondary roads, at normal highway speeds consistent with traffic flow. The cross-country drive used about \$60 worth of electricity or two cents per mile.

"We believe the hybrid electric vehicles will be a very big impact and probably a large component of the transportation mix within the next few years," Dhar said.

Red Holman Pontiac/Toyota in Westland currently offers the Prius vehicle for sale and lease. It runs about \$20,000 to purchase, but General Sales Manager Steve McGowan said residuals aren't up to par for the little hybrid yet, so leasing doesn't present "a good bang for your buck."

He's sold eight to 10 cars since it was introduced in April. "People who have been buying them are fairly knowledgeable. They're pretty well researched before they come in."

McGowan says, although the Prius gets good mileage, it's not as good as the Echo, the current gasoline-energy-efficient vehicle it parallels which is similar in size.

"(The Prius) generally goes up to 30 mph before that (electric) engine will engage," McGowan said. It's an eerie experience to drive a car that's not revving up and grumbling, he said. "It's pretty weird to sit down ... in the dead quiet. You put your foot on it and it takes off. It's an experience to drive it. When it comes to a light, it's completely quiet."

He foresees the hybrid to be a real fuel-saver in the future, as it progresses and improves. "When you're talking about alternative fuel, I think it's the next generation of vehicles to come."

Ed Rogin, general manager of Al Dittich Oldsmobile-GMC-Aurora in Waterford, said electric cars are "street-legal" in Hawaii, and he's already driven one, a Gem, which he describes as "bigger than a golf car but smaller than a VW."

He's looked into bringing electric cars to his dealership someday, when the time is right. He's not ready, as glitches haven't been ironed out, such as sustained driving and heaviness of the batteries. Nevertheless, he's keeping his eye on the marketplace.

"I'm just a lay person," Rogin said. "I've got an interest as a retailer. How long do I want to sell gas cars when electric cars start breaking into the marketplace? I've got to put pressure on my manufacturer to make electric cars. I don't want to be selling yesterday's news when the time comes to convert ..."

"One of the nicest things I've seen is a lot of people experience golf carts, so we know the ride can be very pleasing," Rogin said he wants to bring one of the little Gem cars on board as a utility vehicle. If anything, it could be used to drive potential customers around the lot to look at cars.

When transition comes, it will be a major change, he said. "Fossil fuels, their days are numbered. But it might be 40-50 years before they fall by the wayside. Battery technology has improved greatly over the years." If video batteries can improve, so can car batteries, he quipped.

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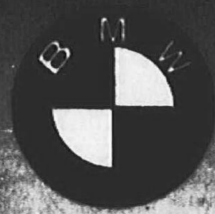
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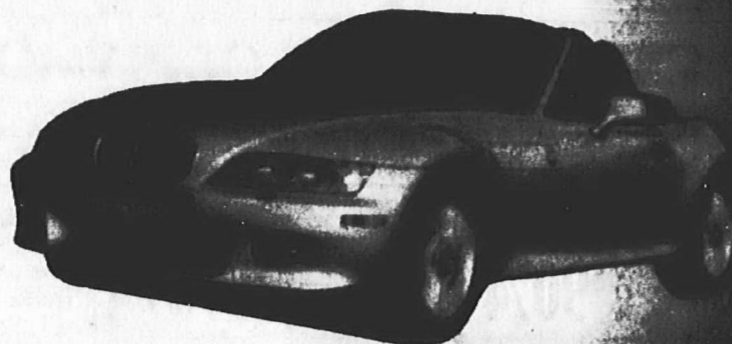
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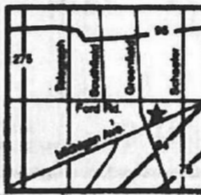
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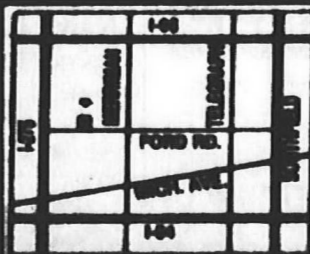
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