Dancing in the streets: West Washington Street may be closed Oct. 3 for for Clarkston Fall Fun Daze festivities./A3

Clarkston crooners: Like: to sing? There's a new 🦠 group of old-style barbershop quartets forming in Clarkston./A13

SPORTS

Everybody likes Sarah: Sophomore Sarah Morgan is making herself more of a presence, and the Clarkston Wolves are beginning to reap the benefits./B1

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t has been quite a while since we last heard from Civil War soldier Edgar Clark. He spent the last part of the summer of 1863 protecting the draft sites in New York City, a large improvement over fighting in battles like Gettysburg, which he had done only a month earlier. He had ample food, comfortable quarters, and he was hoping that he could spend the rest of his enlistment on friendly soil, in relative ease. Unfortunately, that was not to be. By September, his regiment had begun to march South gain. His letter, dated Nov. 22, 1863, is from somewhere near Virginia. where the war has once again caught

up with him.
"My dear wife, I wish that we could whip them so badly this fall that they will be compelled to lay down their arms and come back into the Union. We have been on regimental inspection and I am now cooking beans and pork for dinner. The best I (have) had (lately) are some hard crackers which we have to thump to shake the worms out, which are about an inch long and white with a red streak around their necks. You may be thinking that I am joking, but I am not. You must give my respects to your father and mother and all the rest who wish to hear from me. Tell them to come and help us put down this rebellion and not stay at home and see others and wait to be drafted. They do not know with what contempt a drafted man is looked upon by the volunteers of the U.S. Army. Your loving husband, Edgar W. Clark."

Vintage Clarkston is written by Kim Huttenlocher, vice-president of the Clarkston Community Historical



Plans for new school spark debate



A request to amend independence Township's water/sewer master plan to accommodate a new elementary school led Tuesday night to a discussion between township and school officials over conflicting construction priorities.

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Clarkston Community Schools fears a spout being unable to serve its growing the serve its growing. student population met Independence Township trustees: concerns about how the district's newest building project could impact the community at larges? The discussion arose at Tuesday's

township board meeting , at which

trustees considered whether to approve amending the township's water/sewer mentary school planned at M-15 and Hubbard Road.

which As a condition of the board's

commissioners. Taking issue with trustees position Hubbard Road

Ultimately, trustees voted 4-3 to alter the master plan with Trustees trict had been working to address the Neil Wallace and Larry Rosso and Township Clerk Joan McCrary voting against the resolution.

The project's target date is the begin.

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by township officials and consultants.

During discussions, trustees said business services for Clarkston Constituey might deny the request, not because they had a problem with altering the master plan, but because the school district had failed to address concerns raised by township planning plans for redrawing attendance bounds.

Al Roberts, Clarkston Community Schools superintendent, noted that the district is not required by law to conform with township building stan-

Please see NEW SCHOOL, A6



Colorful creations: Handpainted silk scarves wave in the wind.

Array of color

Hand-painted scarves add new dimension to craft festival

By STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA

artina Dorn uses silk fabric as a blank canvas for her artwork. With a good set of paint and brushes, she can create a colorful handmade scarf

for any outfit. She's been practicing silk painting for 10 years and will display her work at the 22nd annual Crafts and Cider Festival in Clarkston this week-

The festival, hosted by the Clarkston Community Historical Society, will be held 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sun-

day in Depot Park Admission is free. Toni Smith, president of the board of directors of the Clarkston Historical Society, said that the festival is a big undertaking for the organization. The money raised by the Historical Society will again be donated to Clarkston schools for teaching materials.

Please see CRAFT FEST, A2

What: The 22nd

annual Craft and

p.m. Saturday and

Where: Depot

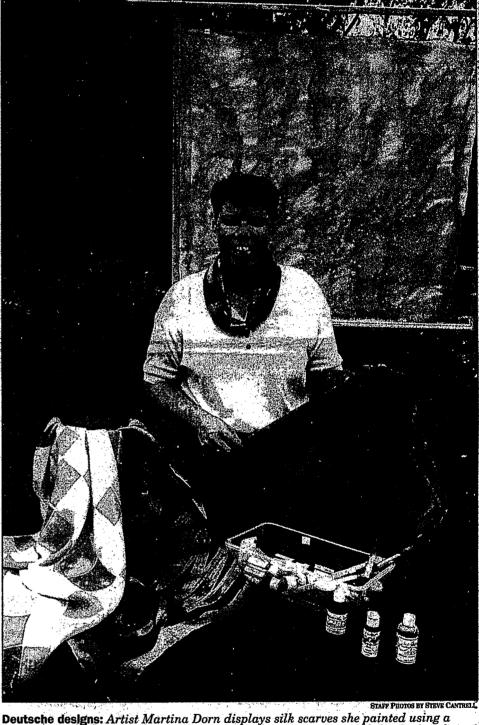
Park in downtown

Admission: Free

Cider Festival When: 10 a.m. to 6

Sunday

Clarkston



technique she learned in Germany. Dorn will be among 100 artists displaying their work in Clarkston's Depot Park this weekend.

'Baby Talk' program to help moms meet infants' needs

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

Translating baby talk may now be a job for certified therapists.

The New Oakland Child-Adolescent and Family Center in Springfield Township is putting the finishing touches on a new program emphasizing better communication between parents

and their infants.

The program, "Baby Talk," focuses on babies and toddlers with emotional and developmental difficulties. Its coordinators aim to strengthen the bonds between these children - who are up

to 3 years old extstyle extstyle - and their parents. Ismail B. Sendi, board psychologist and director of the center near downtown Dayisburg, spearheaded the project, which is free to the public.

"My view is the most powerful programs in mental health are prevention

programs," said Sendi in support of the

Sendi said he would like to see the program operate as a means to reduce parental anxiety and eliminate unnecessary diagnosis of infants and tod-

"As soon as there is diagnosis, (parents) constantly focus on it," he said. 'We have to have a system to reduce

that anxiety. This is that program."
"Baby Talk" was funded by a \$3,700 rant and will serve about 15 families. Children in need of the service are often referred to the center by schools or pediatricians. They are not usually recognized as those in need of service. such as children with learning or physical disabilities.

"You learn how to parent a child that's a little more difficult so the child

Please see BABY TALK, A2



Baby bonding: (Left to right); DebraGorney-Jankowski, Ismail Sendi and ElizabethBoyce hope to strengthen: theemotional ties between infants and their parents in a new preventative program called "Baby Talk."

Baby Talk from page A1

doesn't end up feeling like the outcast, like the one who's always in trouble, said Elizabeth Boyce, director of community relations and marketing for the center. "Studies show that early intervention can help a child become successful in other endeavors later on."

Bather than physical disability

Rather than physical disabilities, the program focuses on more subtle disabilities such as developmental delays. Children who, suffer from incomplete bonding with their parents or those who risk emotional diffi-culties have not traditionally been part of early-on programs, but still need the service, said Boyce. She assisted in designing the program with Debra Gorney:

program coordinator.

When you have a challenging child, the demands are more intense, said Gorney-Jankowski, also a registered nurse and

certified specialist.

Gorney-Jankowski said young parents, like teenage parents, may benefit from the program because they may not be able to pick up on the cues that babies provide. She said part of the impetus for the program was to teach how to parent in a proactive way, and do so early.

"In my estimation; there was a missing piece," she said of the community mental health system in Oakland County. "We're looking at attachment and bond ing between a parent and child."

The program consists of two certified specialist

The program consists of two parts: a parenting support and educational session, and play activity which allows guided interaction between warrant. activity which allows guided interaction between parent and child. While the parents are meeting in group session. Goriney-Jankowski said, the children will be supervised by child care professionals who have a background in psychology.

Charter Township of Springfield

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

SEPTEMBER 10, 1998

SYNOPSIS

PUBLIC COMMENT: Received verbal comments from David Rademacher regarding the bours that builders can work.

Approved minutes of August 11, 1998, Special Meeting as corrected Accepted Treasurer's Report for August Accepted August reports: Building Dept., Litigation, Fire Dept. and

Ordinance Officer
Authorized payments of bills
Authorized expenditure for Assessing Clerk to attend education course
Authorized expenditure for Assessing Clerk to attend education course
Authorized bonus payment for Recording Secretary for extended 2-Day
August Board meeting
Authorized transmitting request to Road Commission for 25 mph speed
limit on portion of Hillsboro Rd.
Consumer. Power Franchise Ordinance: Tabled continuation on First
Reading to December 1998 meeting
Received communications and placed on file

1. Mendowlands Cluster Housing-Special Land Use: received oral comments

1. Extractive Ordinance-First Reading: Tabled pending revision by Township

1. MEADOWLANDS: Special Land Use and Concept Site Plan: Approved;

Susin, Lake: Weed Control: Amended agreement with Aqua Weed to increase budget to \$18,900 and allow use of Hydrothol 191

Established 1998 Millage Rates: General Fund, 1,0655; Fire Fund, ..9810; Police Fund; 7760, 8421 and 3319 Agreed to hold Public Hearing on 1999 budget week of October 26, specific date to be determined.

Amended Parke Budget: Total Revenue, increase from \$341,700 to \$399,650 Total Expenses, increase from \$341,700 to \$381,650

NANCY STROLE, Clerk

with conditions Cam Development Final site Plan: Approved, with conditions

Convened to Closed Session to discuss litigation.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT: 10:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M. by Supervisor Walls.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Ordinance Officer

PUBLIC HEARING:

OLD BUSINESS:

Parents will then join their Parents will then join their children for play activity. Because, she said, children communicate through play, that part of the session will "strengthen the parent child relationship in a different way." She said she urges all parents to intervens certific their children's lives early in their children's lives.

Sendi said that the program will focus on an infant's strengths, rather than weak-nesses. It is an alternative to hospitalization. The center also provides intensive outpatient services for all ages.
Boyce expressed enthusiasm

Boyce expresses annual by the program.
"The goal is for them to be able to gain skills in parenting and for the child to feel the support of their parents and also to feel their parent's love, said Boyce.
She said by bringing together.

She said by bringing together, parents in similar situations, they will learn from one another and help each other through the process. Parents need to learn how to respond to the special needs of their child, she said.

Boyce has personal experience in the matter, One of her children required guidance and special care early on.

cial care early on. "I can see the difference inter-

vention made with him," she said. "I have my own first hand experience. I know how valuable that is." Non-verbal cues are key, she

baby's cry and how to calm a child can make a difference in the emotional well-being of the

"It's important that we pick up on that communication," said Gorney Jankowski. "The relationships will be more rewarding. Clean and stretched taut across and more meaningful. There's a the frame. She then applies dyes tionships will be more rewarding and more meaningful. There's a lot to learn out there about infents and bonding."

The program-begins 6-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 23, and meets twace monthly

through June. The center is seeking additional funding to keep the program going past

T see it as a needed service and I hope people do respond," said Gorney-Jankowski.

Anyone with related questions, or those interested in signing up for the program; may call (248). 634-6303 extension 219 for addi-tional information.

Craft fest

The event includes the work of more than 100 artists from all

Dorn didn't expect to be one of the festival's artists when she visited the Crafts and Cider Festival last fall. The White Lake Township resident considers her work to be a hobby. Along with work to be a nobby. Along with her husband, Falk, and son, Max she moved to the area from Grand Rapids three years ago. But Dorn learned how to paint silk in Germany, where she spent 31 years of her life.

She said the work suits her because she's "not a patient per-

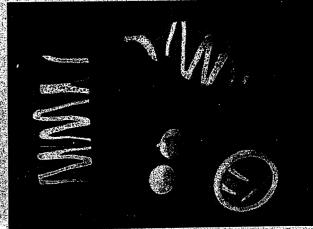
son."
"You cannot make things hap-pen," said Dorn of the craft. "You have to be happy with whatever comes out of it.

She begins by using a plain silk scarf or piece of material. She washes it and then uses waxes and watercolor paints to create shapes and patterns. Dorn's work is mostly geometrical. She does not draw on the silk before painting. The hobby requires a lot of free work space and can be costly to begin. She purchases paints, brushes, silk fabric and frames to hold the works-in-progress. And when complete, Dorn said, a nice scarf just makes you feel better.

"I love the idea that it doesn't have to be perfect," said Dorn. "Sometimes the colors will not work the way you want them to

She described the different techniques she uses to create a scarf. The fabric must first be to wet fabric, which allows the colors to flow freely, until they dry. For some pieces of work, she uses a resist, which has a gellike consistency and prevents colors or patterns from running into one another. Regular paint brushes can be used on the fabric. When the paint dries, the fabric may be ironed, or steamed

to set the colors. To complete a scarf, Dorn may work on it for four hours or for several days, depending upon how elaborate a design she tries to achieve. She favors bright colfrom page A1



Jewelry: Dorn's designs include silk-covered earrings, barrettes and pins.

ors, like blues, yellows and pur-ples, but also works with black and white designs. The intensity of colors varies with each scarf. Adding salt to the dyes, for example, will create a burst of color. Clothing and even curtains can be made using the same method

You have your color scheme and let the colors run," she said. "They are really hand-made."

Last June, Dorn taught the process to a group of 4 and 5-ear-olds at her son's junior kindergarten class at Cedar Crest Academy, 8970 Dixie Highway, in Clarkston. The children painted silk ties as Father's Day gifts. She said they loved it. Some used a lot of paint; others

just dabbed it on. Kathe Jones, of Holly, took a one-hour class from Dorn to learn the techniques of silk painting.

"She was wonderful," said Jones. "She was very easy to work with and knowledgeable.

She's very creative also." Jones had heard about the craft before, but never considered trying it until she picked up a flyer at Cedar Crest Academy. With the material she painted, Jones made barrettes for her

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daughter.

"Martina suggested it," she said. "She's a really nice person. Silk painting is not the only thing she does.'

As a hobby. Dorn's work extends to making carpet bags, jewelry, and she even dabbles in outdoor decorations such as wind chimes and birdbaths.

Silk painting is more popular in Germany than it is here in Michigan, said Dorn. She only knows three other people in the area who know how to do it. She purchases much of the materials from places in California, where the work has caught on.

"It's a very big thing (in Gershe said. "A lot of people many)," like it. It's very popular at craft shows."

This year, at the request of the Clarkston Community Historical Society, Dorn will display her work at the festival and bring the little-known art form into the open.

Smith said the silk painting exhibit is a new addition to the show:

"It definitely sounds to me like something a little bit more upscale," Smith said. "Something really neat."

This is the first area craft show in which Dorn will participate. She said the scarves make a nice gift or token of appreciation. They can be custom-made to match a specific outfit. Dorn will also work on a commission

"The work is just fun," she said. "It gives you a few hours of peace and quiet to contemplate things in general."

Most of her work is inspired by what she observes in her environment. She draws ideas from anything from advertisements to children's paintings. However, Dorn considers it more of a winter hobby. She spends the summer months working outside or gardening. But in the winter, she retreats to the basement where there's plenty of space to spread out the fabrics and materials and work. When making the scarves, she usually has a friend or family member in mind, but she said that they suit

a wide variety of people. At the festival, she'll show about 20 scarves, 15 carpet bags and an assortment of hair pins and earrings. A basic scarf starts at \$25. Look for Dorn's work at booth six at this weekend.

To purchase or inquire about her work, call (248) 889-3575.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC HEARING •

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD will hold a PUBLIC HEARING at, its regular, meeting on Monday, September 21, 1998, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Dayisburg, Michigan to consider the following:

Request by Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, 13000 High Ridge Drive, P.O. Box 2001, Brighton, MI 48116-8001, to rezone 41 acres from RG (Resource Conservation) to PUD (Planned Unit Development).

The purpose of the requested rezoning is to construct a water park proposed to consist of a wave pool, wading pool, endless river tubing ride, water slides, bath house, office and concession building, associated nuc. water sinces, pain gouse, onice and concession building, associated structures, and parking for 540 yehicles.

The property proposed for rezoning to PUD is located within Indian Springs Metropark; which is located south of Big Lake Rd., west of Andersonville Rd., east of Hillsboro Rd. and north of White Lake Rd. P.I. 407-34-300-017.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that information related to the rezoning request may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 650. Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan during regular business hours. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk, P.O. Box 1038, Davisburg, Michigan 48350 until the time of the Public Hearing. Those persons needing a special accommodation at the Hearing should contact the Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk Charter Township of Springfield



Event prompts request to close **West Washington**

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA

Let there be dancing in the street, Clarkston City Council declared Monday night.

West Washington Street, to be

The City Council adopted a resolution to apply for Oakland County permits which would allow the closing of West Washington Street during Clarkston Fall Fun Daze on Saturday, Oct.

The resolution passed 5-0 by all present council members. If a permit is obtained, West Washington Street would be closed to all traffic from Holcomb Street to Main Street between the hours of 2 p.m. and 11 p.m. to provide

room for Dancing in the Streets.
Police Chief Paul Ormiston said that the residents who would be impacted by the closing would be notified ahead of time.

We'll tell them it's going to be closed," he said. "They'll probably park along Holcomb.

The closing would also make room for the 5 K and 10 K runs, which begin on Main Street. The finish line will be located along West Washington Street, Ormiston said.

This year the Clarkston Fall Fun Daze includes the Taste of Clarkston on Saturday between 5-9 p.m., Moonlight Madness shopping hours, and children's activities. It is sponsored by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and Independence Township Parks and Recreation as an effort to promote downtown restaurants and business-

The resolution stated that the city of Clarkston will "faithfully fulfill all permit requirements and shall save harmless, indemnify, defend, and represent (the Road Commission for Oakland County) against any and all claims to bodily injury or property damage, or any other claim; arising out of or related to operations authorized by such per-

mit(s) as issued." Council member Douglas Roeser brought up concerns about rerouting traffic while the

road is closed. Where is the truck traffic

going to go?" he asked. At this time, Ormiston said he

did not know if the Road Com-mission would have to put up a

Mayor Sharron Catallo said she doesn't anticipate much truck traffic on that Saturday

City Attorney Thomas J. Ryan added that Independence Township will probably pass a similar resolution to close White Lake Road for the event.

In other business Monday

■ Catallo raised the issue of school transportation in Clark-ston and said she will look into the possibility of adding three bus stops for students living in the area.

"Students from the village are being picked up at the junior high and being dropped off at the old high school," she said. "I would like to see if it might be possible to add three stops

She recommended that the stops be located on Holcomb, Washington and Middle Lake

"It seems to me ... this could be simplified," said Catallo.

Members of the Inspection Ordinance Committee will speak with Clarkston building inspectors, building owners and the city attorney to get a complete view of the concerns of downtown business owners.

"After that we'll be in a position to make a recommendation to council," said Council member David Savage. "We've tried to cover all the bases."

The committee is working on an ordinance to protect downtown buildings from potential destruction caused by fire.

Catallo reported that she will contact Independence Township to see if Clarkston can be involved in the township's organized hazardous waste collection on Oct. 17.

"There isn't any other place to take it," she said.

Council member Walt Gamble reported that City Clerk Art Pappas, who was not present at the meeting, has been looking into purchasing a computer link to Oakland County's computer system. Gamble said the link could cost \$800 more than expected because the county no longer provides the necessary modem free of charge

POLICE NEWS

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Springfield and Independence townships and the city of Clarkston Sept. 10-14.

Springfield Police

Indecent Exposure

Officers are investigating a report of indecent exposure that occurred at a Hutchinson bus stop on Sept. 11. According to a police report, at about 6:15 a.m., an unknown man called to a 13year-old girl from behind a fence. Thinking it was a friend, she went to the fence to find a man exposing himself.

Thefts

On Sept. 10, golf clubs were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Andersonville Road.

On Sept. 11, a camera and cologne were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Dixie.
On Sept. 12, a sofa, couch,

microwave and portable phone were reported stolen from a residence on Haylock.

On Sept. 12, men's clothing, fishing rods and a coffee maker were reported stolen from a residence on Haylock.

On Sept. 12, a back pack and camera were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Tar-

On Sept. 12, a briefcase was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Clarridge.

On Sept. 12, a camera, radar detector, cell phone, scale and clothing were among the items reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Tartan.

On Sept. 12, tripods and other camera equipment along with papers were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Cherry-

On Sept. 13, a calculator and cell phone were among the items reported stolen from a vehicle

parked on Harbortowne

Independence Police

Thefts

On Sept. 10, jewelry was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Ridgeview.

On Sept. 10, jewelry was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Oakvista.

On Sept. 12, knife sheaths and medicine were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Andersonville Road.

On Sept. 10, it was reported that someone illegally entered a residence on Pear Street.

On Sept. 10, it was reported that someone illegally entered a residence on Kingfisher Street.

Illegal Dumping

On Sept. 10, a resident reported that she saw a woman allegedly dumping tires along Hadley Road.

Vandalism

On Sept. 12, it was reported that an unknown person slashed the right rear tire of a vehicle parked on Clinton.

On Sept. 12, it was reported that someone cut a trampoline at residence on Timber Ridge

Independence Fire

Between Sept. 10-14, firefighters responded to 21 calls. Among them were 11 medical runs, two personal-injury accidents and one building fire. They included:

On Sept. 13, firefighters responded to the scene of a head-on accident on Maybee Road at Timber Ridge. Five people were transported to area hospitals for treatment.

Springfield grants land-use permit for new subdivision on 20-acre site

BY CAROLYN WALKER

A 20-acre subdivision prop for property near Rattalee Lake Road and Dixie Highway met with some citizen concern before it received a special land-use permit from the government of Springfield Township last week.

At a Sept. 10 public hearing, developers Jerome Forster and Lynn Kacy said they plan to build 15 units on land that is south of Rattalee Lake Road west of Sherwood and east of Hidden Trail.

The team presented a conceptual site plan, asking for permission to use a cluster-housing

cluster development, residences are grouped together so that natural areas; trees and wetlands can be saved.
While there was some debate

among board members about shared driveways in a cul-de-sac area; and the need for a cistern to hold emergency water, the board eventually voted unanimously to grant a special land-use permit. They did not vote on the concept

As far as the development fit As are as the development inting the area; it's beautifully laid out, I think," said Trustee Margaret Bloom. Treasurer Lois Stiles concurred. "I think the plan fits the land," she said.

I'm kind of appalled that we would be putting something like that in here.

David Rademacher Springfield Township resident

Before the vote was cast, at least five residents stood up to voice their objections to a subdivision going into their rural set-

They expressed concerns about the preservation of trees and other natural features

Resident David Rademacher, who said he purchased 10 acres for his single-family residence so

said, "I'm kind of appalled that." we would be putting something like that in here.

"I hope that the township als reconsiders this. It is not aesthetically pleasing.

Supervisor Collin Walls told the, audience, For it to be approved by the township, ultimately, it's going to have to be proved the environmental features will be saved that wouldn't otherwise be saved. That's the most important criteria.

"This is a site that would be" better served by cluster."

Final site plan must still be granted before the development can go forward.

Library hosts free college planning program

The Independence Township Library is sponsoring "Planning for College," scheduled for 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 6.

This free program for high school students and their parents, as well as adults thinking of going to college, features speaker Sheryl Krasnow, a nationally certified counselor and licensed professional counselor.

Krasnow, president of College

and Career Counseling Associates, will tell how to find the right college program. She will discuss choosing the right high school courses, getting the most out of college site visits, and the

To register, call (248) 625-2212. Independence Township Library is at 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, just down the

street from the new high school.

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Clarkston alumni group hosts sock hop

ciation will celebrate Home coming weekend with a nostal ić "Sock Hop" 7-11 p.m. Satur. day, Oct. 10, at the old Clark-ston High School gym, 6595 Middle Lake Road, Clarkston. Reservation deadline is Oct.

Alumni are urged to dust off

their blue suede shoes dir the Space is limited so reserve poodle skirt out of the closed tearly! Send your check or and get ready for an evening of money order to Clarkston good old rock h' roll. Not only Alumni Association, Attention will Shindig (a 50s and 60s Public Relations Office, PO group) perform live it will be a 1050, Clarkston MI 48347 great chance to visit with old 1050. friends. Food and beverages

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OBITUARIES

Ervin P. "Wally/Erv" Sievers

Ervin P. "Wally/Erv" Sievers of Clarkston died Sept. 13, 1998, at

Mr. Sievers enjoyed working for City Waste Management in Pontiac and hunting and

He is survived by his wife, Margie; sons, John (April) of Clarkston, James (Ruth) Malone and Jerry (Tammy) Malone, both of Waterford, and Jeff (Cathy) Malone of Pontiac; and daughters Susan and Kathleen Shagenal He is also survived by 16 grandchildren; mother, Bernice

Kayga of Pontiac, sisters Joyce Huntley and Diane (Jim) Slater, Karen (Jim) Davis, Sue Pena,

Funeral arrangements and a service were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston, Interment was at Hillyiew Cemetery Memorials may be made to the family for a marker or for the care of their two young children.

Betty June King

Mrs. King is survived by her Linda (Tim) Kidd Patty Ney and Cynthia of North Carolina and brothers Ray (Carol), Harold Catherine (Tom) Szpond of Livo-Keith (Vicki), Kenny Ney and mia and son, Michael (Debbie) of Pete (Bertha) Waterford. She is also survived Joe (Sandra) Slaughter of Indiana; and sister, Ella (Lloyd)

Funeral arrangements and were entrusted to Lewis Clarkston. Interment was at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials Betty June King, a resident of Health Association, 15920 W. 12 Clarkston since 1941, died Sept. Mile Road, Southfield, MI 48076.





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Audit: School spending income right on budget

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SPECIAL WRITER

The Clarkston School District ended its 1997-98 fiscal year on target with budget projections — and with enough reserve in its fund balance to operate for one additional month.

A healthy result?

"You bet," said Fred Hailer, an accountant from Plante & Moran LLP, during a presentation of the district's 1998 audit report at Monday's school board meeting.

"It's quite an accomplishment, just keeping up with the ever-expanding financial needs that all school districts in the state are going through, Hailer told the board that night. "And then you pile on top of that —in this district —all of the building projects that are going on, and it's quite an array of things that need to be taken care of."

Providing specifics of the district's accurate business planning, P & M accountant Dan Gerard explained that the total revenue budgeted for 1998 was \$45,027,030. The actual

revenue received came to \$45,354,821—less than .10 percent off of the prediction. With expenditures, the district budgeted \$43,501,701. The actual figure amounted to \$42,720,208—a variance of less than 2 percent.

"It really highlights what a great job the school district does on budgeting," Gerard said. "To be within 2 percent on a \$42-million, \$45-million budget is really something to be proud of."

Additionally, Hailer pointed out that Clarkston continues to receive less per pupil funding from the state than most districts in Oakland County, but still remains above the county average in its percentage of operating dollars spent for classroom

"So you're doing an excellent job of taking what limited dollars you have and devoting them as much as you possibly can to the actual instructional operations of the school district," he said.

Hailer also pointed out that the district's \$7.2 million fund balance —17 percent of its expenditure figure —looked solid, providing about one month of operational reserve. He advised the dis-

"While the \$7.2 million puts you in prefty shape" he said 'you have \$3.3 million of this \$7 million that is specifically designated for soid very important projects, including \$1 million the bus fleet and half a million dollars for open the new high school. So there in some things in there that clearly in

some things in there that clearly going to be used up."

Along with financing for spe projects; Hailer also cited and advantage to socking away a sign advantage to cant sum in the district's "rainy day,

He described one major cause of potential showers.

"Many local school districts a now realizing cash flow problems us a result of changes in the way the state is funding the State Aid Ar the P & M accountant said. a lot of borrowing that they had not

"For example, last year your final balance was \$4.5 million and the had \$8 million in cash in your gen al fund. This year your fund balar is \$7.2 million —up almost \$3 mil

lion —and you have \$7 million in cash in your general fund. Why is that? Well, in part, the state owes you \$3 million dollars of state aid that in pr vious years, it had given you by the end of the (school fiscal) year, (or June 30). This year you didn't get it until July. Next year, the state's go to owe you \$6 million because it's going to give you a payment in July and a payment in August.

"One thing this fund balance enables you to do is open the doors in the fall and not have to borre heavily because your first state aid payment of the (school) year doesn't arrive until October."

Hailer said the state decided to change chool payment schedule to fit its own budget y which starts Oct. 1.

That leaves school districts to adjust.

"The old rule of thumb was, 'a fund balan between 5 and 10 percent," Hailer said. "But the heard a lot of people say, "Those days are over the cash flow's going to be the way it is. The f balance will have to be more.' The trend seem be going that way ... I compliment you for alread

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Bloomfield builder lights the way for Lighthouse project

BY PAT MURPHY STAFF WRITER

Sometime this weekend, a group of volunteer workers will put the finishing touches on a new single-family house in Pontiac which will be sold to a family at a bargain price, about

The house was built in a matter of weeks as a project coordinated by a Bloomfield Hillsbased company in conjunction with Lighthouse Community Development, a subsidiary of Lighthouse of Oakland Coun-

ty, Inc.
"This isn't a government project," said David W. Robertson, an executive with Robertson Brothers Co. and president of

level of red tape, enabled the house to be built quickly and efficiently, he said; in about four weeks. Employees from the Robertson company and its suppliers and contractors volunteered their time and services to build the house from the foundation up. "I was a nailer," said Cather-

Township, who was part of the siding team. She's normally a ine A. Calvano of Qakland controller with Robertson.

really enjoyed it," she said. Troy resident Jim Jehle was

part of the framing team.
"These have been good times

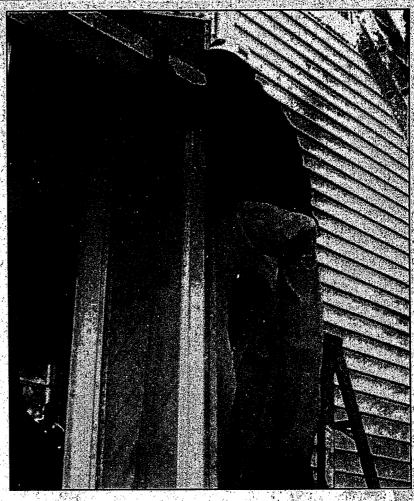
house Community Development. It's something from the private sector?

The lack of government involvement, and the minimum was our own way of contribution. brother Paul, handled a variety ing something back to the community.

For Greg Arnold of Dash Plumbing in Auburn Hills the project had a touch of nostalgia. He grew up within a mile of where the house is located in Pontiac. That area, known as the Lighthouse Unity Park, encompasses about 1,000 structures in central Pontiac.

Michael A. Goddard, executive director of Lighthouse Community Development, estimates building costs at nearly \$75,000. "It' will be sold at a cost that is more affordable for a family that has qualified," he

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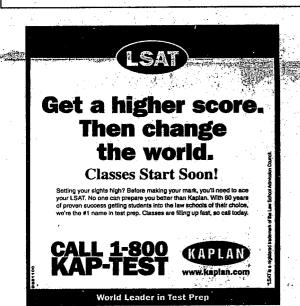


Getting up world: Company President Paul C.: Robertsonclimbs a: and hits a nail at the project house in Pontiac.

II 'These have been good times for the construction industry, and this was our own way of contributing something back to the community.



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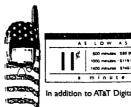
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mon center: The district also schedules spe-cial events for Gold-Card hold-ers. Last year; members enjoyed a tour of the Oakland Technical Center-North West Campus

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Clarkston Community Schoole scape Design, Vehicular Technol-nnounces the continuation of its ogy, Business Services and Man-lenior Gold Card program for utacturing Science. The day's tour ended with a luncheon pre-pared by the OTC Culinary Arts Program students. The seniors holder to free entry to all Clark. Clarkston High School's production home athletic events (mid-stons of The Stuck Data and Stuck Data and Stuck Data. schools and high school) as. Abner, as well as a hard hat I as special discounts at the tour of the new Clarkston High dand Technical Center Bou- School Upcoming special events

> Eligible residents may obtain at Gold Card in the office of any Clarkston school building, including the administrative office, 6389 Clarkston Road Be sure to bring suitable identification such as a current driver's

However, township Trustee Jeffrey McGee believes the town-ship's involvement is critical. "You don't build schools every day," he said. "I think that history, indicates that (township board officials) needs to look at (the project's) issues ... I think we have demonstrated that we can be of benefit to the district." McGee was alluding to problems the community has experienced as a result of the new high school

ultimately had to take responsiing, landscaping, drainage, park-

ing and driveway access

However, communications, trust, cooperation and point of view took center stage during cussion about those concerns.

(OTC), where they were able to dicense or voter's registration that the school district is not witness the students hands-on card. It's also a good idea to call required to comply with townlearning programs, including ahead and avoid the busiest ship building standards. It think Floral Design Agriscience, Land-Wallace said it doesn't matter that the school district is not this is about cooperation," he said. "The schools ought to be

cooperating with us to meet our. building standards and our com-munity standards."

nunity standards."; Given that the township is:

Roberts responded by saying customary. that the district would involve Roberts admitted that district the folks who need to know," but sofficials had not met with the was not aware that approval of the water/sewer extension was linked to those issues.

Furthermore, he said, the district's project timeline didn't call for addressing such specific issues at the moment. "We did not see (that) from our perspective. We need to be clearer with one another about our expecta-

While speaking to the media earlier Tuesday, Roberts also raised the issue of cooperation. "The Board of Education has recognized that we can do so much more for the community if we work in cooperation than we can if we're fighting with the town-

ship board; but history can tend to repeat itself if we don't make sure that that becomes a priori-

willing to alter its water/sewer. Also of importance, Township, master plan, which is "sacro- Planner Dick Christle said/hetsanct," said Township Treasurer, had not had a face-to-face meet-Also of importance, Township Jim-Wenger, the district should ing with the school district about at least address their concerns, the planning issues, which is

township planner, but had scheduled a meeting for Thurs-

Ultimately, trust and the evolving relationship between the school district and township took center stage for what seemed to be a discussion that ended positively. Kurt Shanks, school board

president, assured trustees that the district would fulfill its promise to them, saying, "I'm personally committed to follow-

ing fhrough here. Although Wallace said "perhaps the schools should trust the township," other members of the board stated that they did have

trust in the school district

Township Supervisor Dale Strart, said that he "personally trusted" Roberts and felt that, as the leaders of two cutities that have historically been at odds, they were making significant

Historically, townships and cities and schools have not worked together," Stuart said, perhaps putting the matter in perspective with an eye towards the future. "We are, really, in new territory ... I think that with that (in) regard, ...that there may be (ahead of us) less than the smoothest ride.

Roberts seemed to have the same perspective as Stuart, describing the situation as "one piece of a much bigger picture how we work with our municipal colleagues to get the school up and running without some of the difficulties that occurred with the new high school."

Roberts added, "You know, ground's been broken, but we haven't begun to really do much at the (school) site except to



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Rhino Ride is Kinetic Systems Bicycles of downtown Clarkston. The Clarkston-area SCAMP program is a recipient of a portion of each rider's entry fee for the Back 40 Challenge Tours.

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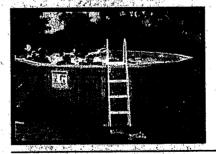
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4 from Oakland **County are United** Way Torchlighters

Ten metropolitan Detroit residents have been selected as the 1998 Torchlighters for United Way's 50th Torch Drive cam-

paign.

Eour of those Torchlighters are Oakland County residents: Don-nagene Call, 74, of Oxford; Michael Czapinski, 38, of South field; Jane Newcomb of Rochester Hills, and Fraser Buddy" Pomeroy, 10, of Water-

Torchlighters represent the more than 1.5 million service recipients who received services from more than 130 United Waysupported agencies in Wayne Oakland and Macomb counties

Torchlighters are selected by United Way Community Ser-vices to make appearances to campaign-related events.

Under the leadership of Edward E. Hagenlocker, vice chair of Ford Motor Company and chair of the 1998 Torch Drive, this year's Torch Drive volunteers have set a \$70 million goal, including funds raised for New Detroit, Inc. and the joint campaign with United Way of Oakland County.

The 1998 Torch Drive campaign runs through Nov. 18. "United Way Community Ser-

vices is dedicated to addressing human service needs and com-



Donnagene Call

munity problems throughout southeastern Michigan," said Geneva J. Williams, chief operating officer, United Way Community Services.

"Thanks to the volunteer support from more than 20,000 men and women who give of their time, talent and energy to the Torch Drive campaign, some 130 United Way-funded agencies can provide the necessary services to more than 1.5 million people throughout the tri-county area.'

Lighthouse

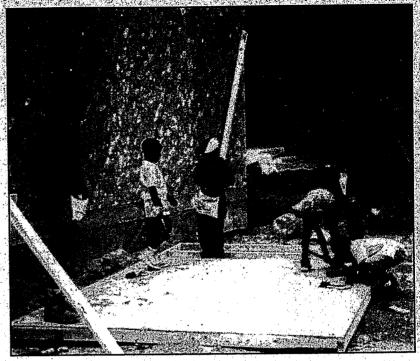
said. "The difference between the cost and the sale price is a direct contribution from Robertson and its contractors and suppliers."

Even at the bargain price, however, the buyers - in this case a husband and wife with two children - must qualify for conventional financing and successfully complete a course in home maintenance and repair.

As part of the purchase agreement, the family must also agree to do community service work, such as home repairs for the elderly.

Goddard said Lighthouse has built two houses within Unity Park and has done repairs for 15 others. It's part of efforts to renovate homes in the area and to rejuvenate the community, he

Mindful that no housing project is complete without landscaping, volunteers this weekend will each bring a flower bulb to be planted to commemorate the occasion. "A year from now when all those flowers bloom, we'll all be reminded of our efforts." said company spokesperson Marilyn Berman.



Plenty of help: Neighborhood volunteers get a carpentry lesson from Tom Csislil (left) as the project house goes up in Pontiac's Unity Park.





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State pares registration list 'deadwood'

By TIM RICHARD Staff Writer

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reported by local election offi- We have eliminated duplicate cials earlier this summer, Miller said

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There are 6.35 million regis-called the 'qualified voter file,' tered voters, not the 6.9 million; which we used in the primary. and people who have passed away, a factor that created the potential for fraud in our elections process," she said in an interview.

Miller said Michigan has seen an increase in deadwood due to the National Voter Registration the reationic voice acquisition and local election officials... Act. (NVRA), which prohibits and local election officials... states from using the lack of yot...... It works two ways. When the

In the early 1960s, Michigan Gov. George Romney signed a law providing for canceling the registration of voters who had been inactive for two years. The courts struck down that law. The 1993 federal law, enacted by a Democratic Congress and signed by President Bill Clinton, kept names on file even when people. had moved.

Under the new qualified voter file (QVF), the state has a statewide voter registration list. All voter information is trans-

■ 'We have eliminated duplicates and people who have passed away, a factor that created the potential for fraud in our elections process.

> Candice Miller -Secretary of State

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ing activity to trigger the cancel. Secretary of State's branch offices receive voter information changes, it forwards them electronically to local city and township clerks. And when local clerks accept new voter registrations, the information is forwarded to Lansing, and the person's previous registration, if any, is canceled.

> The QVF was developed at a cost of \$7.6 million. Miller said. Half the funds went to local units of government.

> The QVF helps local officials with many of their duties including petition and candidate track

ing: an electronic election calendar; and absentee voter process

Bill Ballenger, proprietor of Inside Michigan Politics newslet ter, tells of a petition circulator whose name was found six times on Detroit's voter registration list because of her frequent moves. But to her credit, she voted only once, Ballenger said. Reader's Digest has made much of the failure of govern-ment to cancel the registrations of voters, even when presented evidence the voter has died. In a Baltimore case, a woman said her husband was recorded as having voted months after he actually died, an indication of fraud.

entitled "Dirty Little Secretsi" The Persistence of Corruption in American Politics" argues that the federal law "augment(s) the potential for fraud ... Under the motor-yoter (NVRA) law; it has become more difficult to keep the voting rolls clean of deadwood voters who have moved or died? making fraudulent voting easier and therefore more tempting for those so inclined."

The Michigan Legislature attempted to correct a deficiency by requiring a voter to produce a photo identification card at the polls. Attorney General Frank Kelley called it unconstitutional, saying it smacked of the poll tax?

Michigan's new QVF will make voter turnout percentages look better. The 550,000 deadwood names had the effect of swelling the denominator and making it look as if voter particit pation were declining over the years rather than increasing. "Co

Lathrup Village - down 0.6 percent in

population to 4,302; up 1.2 percent in housing to 1,596 units.

Leonard — up 15.7 percent in population to 413; up 17.4 percent in housing to 142

percent in housing to 17,803 units.

Oakland Township - up 41.6 percent id

population to 11,652; up 41.7 percent in

housing to 3,863 units.
Orion Township – up 40.9 percent in population to 29,611; up 41.7 percent in

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Oxford Township - up 32.6 percent in

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Rochester Hills - up 11.4 percent in pop-

Southfield - down 0.5 percent in popula-

ulation to 68,799; up 11.2 percent in housing to 24,854 units.

tion to 75,372; up 1.8 percent in housing to

to 8,776; up 21.3 percent in housing to 4,185

3,338; up 13.5 percent in population to 1,306

population to 11,938; up 34.0 percent in

up 39.4 percent to 46,206; up 39.7

Outer suburbs adding the most people

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

Outer suburbs are leading the sprawl parade in the seven-county region, as population falls in Detroit and the closer-in suburbs such as Southfield.

That's the story leaping out from the latest study by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments. SEMCOG is a regional plan-ning partnership serving Oakland, Wayne, Macomb, Livingston, Washtenaw, St. Clair and Monroe counties During the 1990s, the region's population

crept up just 3.1 percent to 4.73 million. But households grew by 7.1 percent to 1.8 million as family sizes declined.

Oakland County as a whole grew 10.2 per-cent in population to 1,194,080. Its housing stock grew 11.6 percent to 458,063. Biggest growth area was Livingston County, which had a population growth of 27.4 percent since 1990.

South Lyon was the only Oakland County community in the regional top 10. Its population grew more than 60 percent to 9,386. Its harding standard of 3,894.

housing stock grew 66.6 percent to 3,894. Here, alphabetically, is how other area Oakland communities fared during the

Addison — up 23,6 percent in population TO TO BOOK WITH

to 5,913; up 24.6 percent in housing to 1,989

Beverly Hills - down 1.6 percent in population to 10,442; up 0.3 percent in housing to

4.089 units. Bingham Farms - up 2.3 percent in population to 1,024; up 2.9 percent in housing to

Birmingham - up 0.2 percent in population to 20,042; up 2.9 percent in housing to

Bloomfield Hills - up 1.7 percent in population to 4,363; up 3 percent in housing to 1.562 units

Bloomfield Township - up 3.6 percent in population to 43,671; up 5.3 percent in housing to 16,446 units.

Clarkston – up 2.1 percent in population

to 1,026; up 3.2 percent in housing to 445 Farmington - down 1.1 percent in popu-

lation to 10,020; up 1.1 percent in housing to 4,726 units.

Farmington Hills -up 8.1 percent in population to 80,665, second place in the county; up 10.3 percent in housing to 32,242

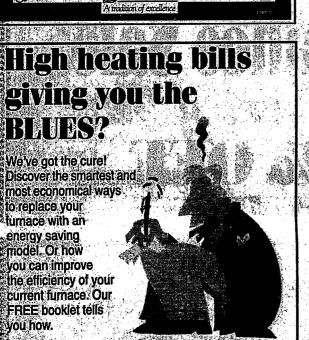
Franklin - up 6.9 percent in population to 2,806; up 8.9 percent in housing to 1,062 Lake Orion – flat population at 3,056; up 1,9 percent in housing to 1,263.

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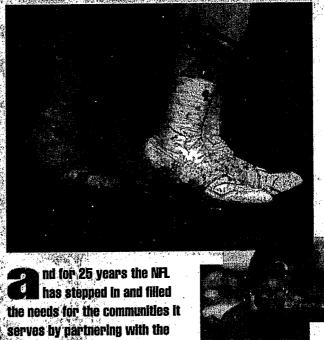
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-West Bloomfield – up 14.3 percent in population to 62,705; up 15.1 percent in housing to 22:266 units.

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County resident appointed to state health commission

Gov. John Engler announced the appointment of Cynthia A. Holland and the reappointment of Dr. Glen Chambers and Michael L. Lucas to the Occupational Health Standards Commission, which assists the Division of Occupational Health in the Department of Consumer and Industry Services in developing occupational health standards.

All these terms expire Aug. 5, 2001. Holland, of Rochester, is assistant director of anesthesia for Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc. She is appointed to replace Patricia Pittenger, of Lansing, and to represent employees.

Chambers, D.O. of Okemos, is an independent contractor

working as an occupational health consultant. She is reappointed to represent the general public. Lucas, of Lowell, is the senior corporate loss prevention consultant for Steelcase North America. He is reappointed to rep-



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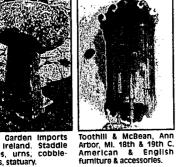
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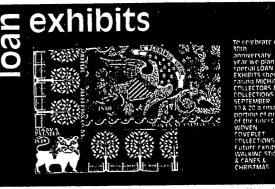






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Simple act can be a life saver

a phone call every reporter dreads making — a call to a hurting family, Sometimes the family members of an acci-dent victim want to talk; other times, they want to be left alone in their sorrow. We try to

respect their wishes. Last week, the family of 17-year-old Ryan Lorion wanted to talk. Especially his mother. She had a message she urgently wanted to share with the Clarkston community. We passed that message along in our news story about Ryan. But it bears repeating here:

Wear your seatbelt. As Donna Lorion kept a vigil at the bedside of her youngest child, not knowing if he would live or die, she unselfishly wanted to prevent another family from suffering the pain her

family was enduring. And so, through a friend designated spokeswoman for the family, Ryan's mother asked that people remember to wear their seatbelts.

Had Ryan done so, he might have been alive today.

A classic car buff who also loved animals, Ryan was riding in the car of a 16-year-old friend to pick up another friend Sept. 4. The boys had a day off school at the new Clarkston High, and they were going to work on an old car in Metamora.

As the boys rounded a sharp curve on

Clarkston Road near Eston, the driver lost control of his 1998 Dodge. The car left the road, rolled over, and Ryan was thrown from the yehicle. He died six days later. The driver survived.

Statistics back up what Ryan's mother says about seatbelts.

Occupants in crashes were 11 times more likely to be killed if they were not wearing their restraints, according to 1996 Michigan Traffic Crash Facts supplied by AAA Michi-

Yet, despite the life-saving qualities of seatbelts and public service efforts to educate motorists, about 30 percent of the state's residents still don't wear them, according to AAA's information. Young male drivers and passengers ages 16 to 25 comprise a large percentage of this group. Only 66 percent of young male motorists wear safety restraints, a 1997 University of Michigan Transportation Institute study showed.

Donna Lorion's message bears repeating. "She wants to specify that there wouldn't be this much damage if they'd had their seat belts on," the friend said, paraphrasing Donna Lorion just days before Ryan died.

'She really wants the message out." Heed the pleas of Ryan's mother. Wear your seatbelt.

Engler owes it to us to debate is nothing wrong or sinful about

debate and disagreement. Those in power today — in corporate oardrooms, in religious conclaves, in public office $\stackrel{...}{-}$ would have us believe that questioning them or their opinions is heresy punishable by calling down the excruciating pain of unspeakable penalties once reserved for the enemies of Zeus and the other gods on Mount Olympus.

Well, this isn't Thessaly. It's the United States, a country founded on the principle that vigorous debate on any issue is not only allowed but encouraged, in a nice loud voice, without fear of retaliation.

We seem to forget that.

Here in Michigan, some say we have a governor's race going on. One of the candidates is John Engler, a product of the central part of our state. The other candidate is Geoffrey Fieger, who grew up in our back yards in Oak Park, West Bloomfield and now Bloomfield

This is not the time for us to try to convince anyone that one candidate is better than the other. Both hopefuls have a right to express their views and be heard.

But one does, indeed, have the added right to call for a debate and challenge the incumbent, in this or any other contest.

The governor seems to think he doesn't have to debate Fieger. That's wrong. Engler is a public servant, not a manor lord. He is beholden to us, not the other way around. He is our elected representative, not our king.

He seems to have forgotten that. If Engler can choose not to debate Fieger, does it follow that he can choose not to talk to a local school board about an issue of importance to the community, but not to him? Does it mean he can favor the mayor of one city and ignore another? Does it mean he has the right to be unresponsive to the electorate?

No, it doesn't. He was elected by some to

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■ The governor seems to think he doesn't have to debate Fieger. That's wrong. Engler is a public servant, not a manor lord. He is around. He is our elected repre-

That's the way it works, or, rather, the way it is supposed to work. It isn't working because we're the ones letting Engler get away with running for public office out of the public eye.

tor is Fieger. Engler is counting on the fact that everyone thinks he is so strange and rabid that any reasonable person can see he

thought enough of Fieger to make him a con-

Engler cannot decide to be above the fray. That's not his privilege. It's his job to stand before us and let us decide for ourselves who might be the better candidate. If one is to vote for him, let it be on the basis of televised

We voters shouldn't let Engler or any other candidate tell us what they will or won't do. It is for us to tell him what he will do and when, and as the incumbent, it is his responsibility it to take on all comers.

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serve all, not just those who agree with him.

We have to do something about that. Forget for a moment that Engler's competi-

isn't worth debating. In fact, it doesn't matter how weird Fieger is or isn't. What matters is that enough people

debates, rather than televised ads.

The debates should be televised because that's how one talks to the masses these days. A debate at The Detroit Economic Club, if it takes place, can hardly be called a debate in the public arena. Unly a few would have access. Most of us would not. Yet most of us will decide who is our next governor, not the few at an Economic Club luncheon.

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LETTERS

Physician assistant story contained misnomer

am responding to your article in the Clarkston Life section of the Eccentric titled "Devoted health care worker learns healing arts" (Sept. 10).

You need to present a better understanding of nursing as a profession and the collaboration within health care. Your comments such as levels between health care employees, and physician assistants practicing medicine that is more advanced than nursing is a misnomer.

Nurses do not practice medicine; they practice the art of nursing. An advanced practice nurse, nurse practitioner, nurse clinician all work in independent roles similar to a physician assistant. That individual holds not only a bachelor's degree in nursing but a master's degree in their chosen area of specialty, plus many hours of clinical training.

I would like to clarify the negative press for the profession of nursing. As an educator of future nurses, we not only attempt to recruit the best and the brightest, but also instill a sense of pride in the profession.

Maureen Tippen, RN, C, MS Lecturer, Department of Nursing University of Michigan-Flint

Article on massage therapy cleared up misconceptions

hank you for your brilliant article! I have read many, many articles on massage some have left me cold and not helped get out the true healing quality of massage to the readers. Yours was superb! It captured the true essence of massage and calmed many of the misconceptions and fears people have regarding it.

Thank you for enlightening the public to a

worthy alternative therapy. I have already had five new clients sched-

uled due to your article. Thanks a bunch!

Ruth Ratcliff

Fieger's plan to cut school funds would be disastrous

here are numerous reasons why many of the people in this state are afraid that Geoffrey Fieger might be elected governor. Many folks are rightly concerned that his reckless name calling hides a fundamental inability to govern. I recently came across a very good example

of this. Our would-be governor proposes to cut \$2.3 billion per year from the state's school aid fund. For Clarkston Schools in the fiscal year 1999, this would mean lost revenue of more

than \$9 million. Waterford Schools would lose more than \$15 million.

And it is the same story in school districts throughout Oakland County — they will be losing an average 28 percent of their funding. This is simply unconscionable.

Even if Mr. Fieger or his handlers come to their senses and back off this devastating proposal, it is a clear demonstration of yet another reason why it is important to re-elect John Engler as our governor.

Russell Schulte Waterford

Cameras can enhance traffic safety at intersections

believe that your Aug. 27 editorial on my Senate Bill 1257, concerning new traffic safety technology at the most dangerous intersections, merits a reply.

As proposed, this technology would be employed at five of the worst intersections in our state for a two-year period, and after that the law will sunset (expire). At that time, we can examine the statistics and see how many accidents and deaths we prevented. Camera technology with much less capability in use in other states has reduced crashes by up to 43

I can tell you firsthand as a former police officer and fatal accident investigator that broadside accidents are among the most deadly on our roads. The number of fatal crashes involving the running of red lights has increased steadily since 1992, now up to 15

Many people think cameras at intersections taking pictures of people is too much big brother. That is why I specifically prohibit taking a picture of the people or occupants of the car running the red light. It will take a digital picture of the license plate and light at the moment of the violation. As I introduced the bill, the ticket will be a non-moving and non-point ticket. Certainly a deterrent, but only a part of the solution.

As a person who has had the terrible experience of pulling dead people out of cars that result from these kinds of crashes, I will do all I can to prevent them. Having said that, I also believe that I have adequately addressed the side issues this proposal raised. I hope vith this additional information you agree

> Michael J. Bouchard **Assistant Majority Leader** Michigan State Senate

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POINTS OF VIEW

Move off of lawn signals true change of life

iey were dressed in every sort of imaginable fashion statement. They were there to hear B.B. King sing. And I was the one who left inging the blues.

Oh baby I used to sit on the hill, 🤚 the buns are a hurtin' I need a pill 🦨 Sore from sitting on dirt the gut now pushes on the shirt Baby why do I have to get old? the night air now makes me cold cigars to the left, pot to the right smoke fills the air this night Baby it's time to join the old folks the ones dressed in sport coats the next gig will be a treat we'll jam from a pavilion seat...

The event was the Blues Festival at Pine Knob. Kids in tie-dyed Tshirts, old guys with floppy leather. hats, long hair and tie-dyed T-shirts. couples of all walks, and the wine-sip-ping folks in the pavilion seats all came out to hear four acts, headlined by B.B. King on a perfect, cool September evening.

The music was great. The Neville Brothers led by big Aaron Neville were a special treat. But I came away well aware of my age.

At 36 I don't consider myself old. but I left this concert thinking I don't fit in anymore with the lawn crowd on the hill. The smoke, whether from the cigar-puffing guy to our left or the joint-passing couples to our right, left



me dizzy. At first the idea of a smoke-free section on the hill — preferably upwind - came to mind. But hev. if someone wants to come out and enjoy a nice cigar and a beer while listening to some blues, who am I to say you

can't? (However drug-store variety cigars should be outlawed based on the premise that no one could possibly enjoy those things.)

So the reality hit me: It's time to join the smoke-free crowd in real seats in the pavilion. It is not a decision to make lightly, I can't remember attending a concert at either Pine Knob or Meadow Brook and sitting anywhere but on the lawn. In a sort of hypocritical way I have always looked down, not just geographically, at the snooty folks who were too good to sit with us on the lawn.

Now it is time to seek forgiveness and ask the sport coat crowd to accept us into their covered and seated clean-air kingdom. The ice cubes and

chicken bones hurled down into the wimpy seats years ago came from someone else, I promise.

Acceptance into the pavilion is a . milestone in life, like the passing of decade-marking birthdays. Soon it will be my 40th and like the wise old , fella that I will be, I too may have the opportunity to welcome a newcomer to the pavilion. Like those who will hopefully welcome me, I will do all I can to make your transition a comfortable one.

Maybe I'll even let you use my seat? cushion ... and please leave the sport coat at home.

Dan Dean is editor of the Troy

Report puts Information Age into perspective

lmost everybody has experienced the Information Revolution in one form or another: personal computers, faxes, pagers, cell phones, robotics, automatic teller machines, the Internet.

But, warns a report released by the blije-ribbon Michigan Information Technology Commission (MITC), Michigan's businesses, communities, schools and government offices are unprepared to take full advantage of the Information Revolution.

Sponsored by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, the Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation and the Council of Michigan Foundation, the MITC brought together 40 leaders from Michigan's business, government, non-profit and media communities for 10 months of fact-finding and deliberation.

was a member of the MITC. I came away from the process very impressed at the sincerity and diligence of my colleagues and enormous ly challenged at the implications of the Information Revolution for every person in Michigan.

The MITC report begins with a

Call to Action: "Abrupt and fundamental leaps in technology are very rare, taking place perhaps once or twice in a century. But they can transform the lives of people, the fate of economic organizations and even the direction of states and nations. The Industrial Revolution of the 19th century was one example; the Information Revolution of today is another.

"History teaches that a society that does not act promptly and aggressively in the face of a transforming technology risks being overtaken by those that do," continues the report. "We do not have the luxury of standing still. We either establish leadership positions in the use and production of information technology or we sit back and watch our economic base shrivel and our children seek their livelihoods elsewhere."

The MITC report points out that Michigan can never lead the world in the production of silicon chips the way Silicon Valley in California has or in the design of software the way Seattle (headquarters of Microsoft) has become. But the report concludes that "Michigan has the necessary elements

him or herself.



to establish a self-renewing and sustaining environment for new generations of information technology.

The dynamics of this process according to the report, involve Michigan's becoming a world leader in applying and transferring this technology throughout our state, thereby creating enormous demand for new products and for talented information workers. "This demand, in turn, can stimulate Michigan's researchers, entrepreneurs and workers to create new products and services to be sold throughout the world," the report con-

The MITC report contains 17 broad

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recommendations and 50 detailed action steps for positioning Michigan to be a leader in information technolo-

Some examples: Educators should use the Internet and other information technology to greatly expand learning opportunities for students and for workers of all ages. For example, the Michigan Virtual University will soon bring together professors from all around the state to offer education and job training via cable TV, CD-ROM and

the Internet.

■ Businesses should create new software and experiment with new forms of organization to increase worker creativity and productivity by maximizing use of information technology. For example, the auto industry is building a data network in metro Detroit that will both save millions and allow companies worldwide to coordinate shipments, design products, transfer funds and communicate. via e-mail and videoconference.

Health care professionals should expand their use of information technology in improving the health of Michigan's citizens. For example, in northern Michigan, doctors are offering long-distance consultation for patients via an advance video network. The days of "computer-assisted ^t! diagnosis" are not far off.

Every thoughtful person in Michigan should read this report. It offers a detailed and concrete wake-up call to our state. You can access the entire report on the web at www.michinfotech.org.

Phil Power is chairman of Home-Town Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@oeonline.com

Early intervention the key to solving behavior problems

f there were one message Clarkston Area Youth Assistance would like to place in the minds of educators and parents as they deal with behavioral problems in children, it would be the importance of early intervention.

Youth Assistance offers an excellent casework counseling service, which has served predominantly youth in the 13-16 age bracket. On the whole the age of youth referred continues to drop, with an average of 13.4 years in 1997. Rarely, however, have referrals come from educators, parents or social workers at the elementaty school level.

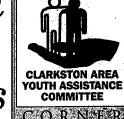
Kristine Daley, a clinical psychologist at

In middle school, by the age of 12 or 13, some youths have already had negative school experiences. This, coupled with adolescent struggles such as figuring out one's identity, makes the process of working out problems more complicated.

Mercy Behavioral Medicine in Clarkston, states that the elementary patients she sees, particularly those in kindergarten and first grade, still have positive feelings about school and themselves. This makes schoolrelated problems easier to work out. In middle school, by the age of 12 or 13, some youths have already had nega-

tive school experiences. This, coupled with adolescent struggles such as figuring out one's identity, makes the process of working out problems more complicated. Kristine adds, "Parents want to see if they can handle things at home so they wait a few years, but if they had come in earlier, we could have worked with the problem in a whole different way."

At the elementary level, educators might be dealing with classroom difficulties or disruptions such as "acting out" behavior, where the child is acting in a way that brings attention to Attendance problems sometimes begin at this



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age as well for a number of reasons. Emotional problems such as anxiety and depression are also not uncommon. These are a small sampling of the types of difficulties for which elementary teachers and parents could benefit from Youth Assistance intervention.

Confidential, short-term family-centered counseling (which is free) is provided by the Clarkston Area Youth Assistance caseworker, Fred Morden. When long-term intervention is required, youths and their families are referred to appropriate local agencies.

Beginning at the middle school level, in addition to casework counseling, Youth Assistance uses community service as a method of dealing with delinquency-type cases. This method is used primarily in cases of retail fraud (shoplifting) of the second degree, which is defined as first-time offenders who have stolen items totaling under \$100. The logic behind this approach is that the youth should do something for the community to repay the offense since he or she has violated juvenile law. Schools, churches, some county parks and libraries are all examples of common community service placements.

It is significant that by the end of August of this year, a record breaking total of 93 cases were referred to the Clarkston Area Youth Assistance office. This is an increase of 29 over the total from last year of 27 over the total from 1996, which was the previous record year for referrals. One possible reason is greater public awareness of the Youth Assistance program and its services. Secondly, the working relationship between Youth Assistance and the Clarkston School administrators continues to strengthen, resulting in more referrals. Finally, the Clarkston Police Department now automatically diverts cases of first-time offenders for minor offenses such as larceny and alcohol or drug possession to Youth Assistance instead of sending them to the courts.

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Clinton vs. Cleveland

Presidents from opposite eras approached scandals differently

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

Once upon a time a presidential candidate was approached by several aides who were concerned about a

from an election — would earn a woman claimed he fathered her illegitimate son, according to the

His aides asked "What do we do?"

His answer: "Tell the truth." Grover Cleveland, who had not yet married, told the nation the story: es, he had had an affair with the

He didn't try to deny it; he didn't about it;" said Lawrence Reed, juxtaposed Cleveland's problems with the current scandal evolving around President Clinton, his affair

■ (Grover Cleveland) didn't try to deny it, he didn't lie about it. it's a stark contrast with what's in the White House today.

Lowrence Reed

Center for Public Policy, a Midland— "These were Victorian times. Peo-based research and educational ple had high standards," Reed said. organization often referred to as a "free market think tank."

Reed, who has a master's degree in history from Slippery Rock State University in Pennsylvania and has written five books, ranked Cleve-land, a Democrat, among his favorites because "it was not hard to make the case" Cleyeland was "the most honest man to hold the office." "He was a mantot great principle. and believed strongly in these prin

from today's Clinton.
But the scandal threatened Cleve-

land similar to the Clinton White

Cleveland indeed had a "lady friend, who was not married. The woman apparently had flings with four men, but out of them, the only unmarried — and eligible — man was Cleveland.

Historians suspect the woman believed Cleveland would marry her. "He didn't marry her because he didn't believe he was the father," Reed

Reed reported Cleveland's presi-

other highlights that would raise eyebrows in today's

■ In 1887, he vetoed a bill that appropriated \$10,000 to drought. stricken farmers in Texas. "Though the people support the government, it is not the duty of govern-

ment to support these people;" Cleve-land once said. Shunned political patronage and appointed who he considered qualified candidates to his cabinet; regardless of political

party. ■ Vetoed twice as many bills as the 21 previous presidents combined. "Sometimes legislators would pad a bill for a project in Buffalo (Cleveland's

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dal reported in a

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argued it was dis honest to stifle competition and consumer choice by restricting imports, Reed said. Reed said the

American public... needs to study historical figures such as Cleveland and

"We may have a lot of... people who wake up and say, 'Character counts.

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It's not easy bridging the generation gap

Dialogue between a mother and her

Boy: What is a "a mistletoe?" Mother: Since you put it like that, I've begun to realize that some words in the English language must sound confusing to a kid. I know you think "a mistletoe" is some kind of toe grow-ing on a mistlefoot, but in reality it's a type of blant and its name is deceiv-

Mother: Skin breakouts are not like jail breakouts. There's not quite the sense of drama. At least, not usu-

Boy: Is the word "pompous" a bad

word.
'Mother: The word 'pompous' is not an obscenity, but it does get reactions out of people.

Boy: Don't you hate it when you get

Mother: I do hate it when I get a hair in my way. But I hate it more when I get a slow-moving, wide-load, mobile home hauler in my way.

Boy: Is it possible you can have an itch all year round?

Mother: I'll admit that some voracious itches seem like they last forever. And, reportedly, there is a sevenyear itch. I'm not aware of any, though, that actually operate on an annual basis.

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Singers out to revive old-style quartet

■ Dedicated to folksy, upbeat sound, foursome start local chapter of barbershop quartet society



BY NICOLE STAFFORD

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Happiness might not come easy, if

But try humming a few easy barbershop chords and "you can't be unhappy," said Lyle Howard, one of the founders of a new local barbershop group, official-

ly to be called the Clarkston area Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America. 🥕 Committed to continuing the American singing tra-dition and educating the public about the form, the

society was founded in 1938 in Tulsa, Okla., and boosts 35,000 members worldwide, Howard said.

"You can have the worst day ever and have a good time singing "said co-founder Ross Ensign

Although there are other barbershop organizations in Oakland County, there isn't one centrally located in Northern Oakland County, and fewer groups are today showcasing the traditional quartet cluster,

Besides, the Clarkston area - well known for embracing Americana – seems the perfect backdrop for a society that is seeking to promote such a clean and distinctly American tradition, Howard said.

The chapter's first informational meeting, open to all male singers of all ages with or without prior musical experience, is slated for 7:30 p.m. Friday at Clarkston United Methodist Church on Waldon

While barbershop choral groups, rooted in the quartet convention, have grown in popularity, in ecent years, some aficionados worry the foursome matrix is losing its rightful place in history.

Consequently, the Clarkston chapter will be a quartet-only chapter," said Howard. "We will only teach quartet-style singing." The form has a unique energy and pacing because

one singer's part is integrally connected to those of Chapter co-founder Tom Tailford describes it as a synergism," saying, "There's not one of us that can

do it without the others." The convention - literally a barbershop tradition

from the late 1800s and early 1900s in which patrons, in line for a shave and trim, broke into har



Sing out: Crooners John Smith, Tom Tailford, Ross Ensign (kneeling) and Lyle Howard. have formed a Clarkston chapter of a barbershop quartet society.

mony to pass time - is also more intimate than a cho-

And since most barbershop tunes walk hand-inhand with another tradition - crooning about women. love and loss – the more intimacy the better, he said. **It's at vary personal thing. We're like the messen

ger of that song," said Tailford. "We're looking he

Down on their knees, clutching an aching heart as they harmonize, the sentiments truly gush in barber-

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Boy: Have you heard the saying, "My heart feels heavy?". . Mother: I've not only heard it,

Boy: When did Will Smith decide to grow a beard? Mother: You'd better ask his

mother that one.

Boy: What does the word injection mean? "Mother: "Injection" is a word that physicians use when they re trying to deceive their pediatric

patients. It's the same as a shot. Oh, horrors! Boy: I wonder why God didn't

give Adam and Eve clothes.

Mother: Initially, he didn't think thếy'd need them.

Boy: What does he mean by a 'nudist?'

Mother: A "nudist" is a person who goes around without clothes. It's a philosophical thing, supposedly. God didn't give that word to Adam and Eventher. Maybe held wat into the either. Maybe he's not into philosophy.

Boy: Don't you just hate it

when you're not really hungry?
Mother: I can literally not remember the last time I wasn't

hungry. Let's do another, less embarrassing question.

Boy: Can you get a disease

from an animal?

Mother: That's less embarrassing? I don't keep track of animal diseases. I have enough trouble keeping human diseases in their places.

Boy: Do you know how much

sugar you have to eat to get

Mother: No. But a little bit of sugar goes a lot farther than even one animal when it comes to making someone sick.

Boy: Mom, what on earth do the words "brother-in-law" and 'sister-in-law" mean?

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Mother: They're relatives you

Boy: How long do most people wait before they have kids? Mother: Some people wait too long. Some don't wait long enough. I know that's not the answer you were looking for. We were thrilled you came when

Boy: Did you know that a jail

oesn't give you good food?

Mother: And, you thought hings were bad at home.

Boy: My question is, where is

your kidney?
Mother: It's lucky that my kidney is growing in my body. Because if it wasn't, by now I probably would have misplaced. it in that catch-all drawer we have in the kitchen. Then again, it might have made its way to the back seat of the van.

Boy: I wonder what causes

asteroids to fly?
Mother: Good question. They don't have propellers.

Boy: Is there any law against spying on people? Mother: There are some laws

regarding that topic that I'm not really in tune with. Then there's the whole moral aspect. It's been

a while since I spied on anybody. Boy: What is a "Rockette?" Mother: A "Rockette" is a woman from Radio City Music Hall who dances around with her legs alternating in the air. Generally, a Rockette likes to be viewed (but not spied on). And, while they are not nudists, they do get somewhat scantily clad. I have never been one. I've been too busy keeping tabs on my kid-

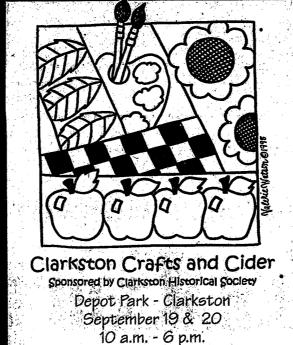
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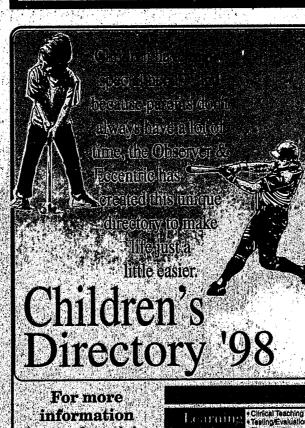
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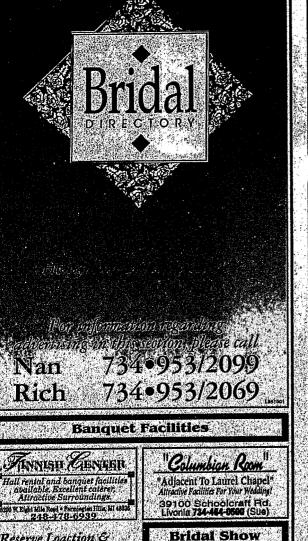
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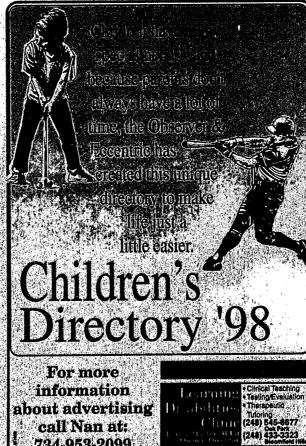
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Some folks don't know when they have it good

ave you ever known someone who is never satisfied? No matter what is done for them, it should have been more. Occasionally, as a parent, it seems that my kids fall into that category. Sometimes trying to please them is a real roller coaster ride.

My husband and I are real amusement park enthusiasts. We love the rides, especially the roller coasters. As a matter of fact, we even spent a day of our honeymoon at Cedar Point. It was a Wednesday in early June and, much to our surprise, the Gemini had virtually no lines. We rode it over and over. After each ride, we would get off the roller coaster and zoom around to the beginning to get right back on. As far as I'm concerned, it just doesn't get any better than that.

Prior to having our kids, we took several trips to Cedar Point and squeezed in as many rides as possible. The only time we weren't riding is when we were walking to the next ride or enjoying a nice chicken dinner in Frontier Town. After our kids were born, the fun slowed a little. We still went to Cedar Point, but the kids were, of course, too small to ride the roller coasters so we were limited to the less-exciting entertain-

As the price of admission started rising, however, we started weighing the amount of fun we were able to have in a day against the amount of money we needed to spend to get our family of four into the park. In recent years our amusement park activities have been drastically curbed. Since Cedar Point park admission costs \$32 per person and a chicken dinner in Frontier Town is priced at \$6 (plus \$2 for a small drink), once you include a miscellaneous drink to quench our thirst and the cost of gas and meals on the way there and back, a day of family fun zooms to more \$200. For the past several years my boys have complained that "we never do anything fun." Each year we've considered a trip to Cedar Point, but each year we've



ROCHELLE SMITH

decided that the day would not produce \$200 worth of fun and have invested that money elsewhere

This year we started feeling guilty. My husband and I both have fond memories of going to Cedar Point as children. In early spring of this year, when my oldest son picked up a brochure advertising Michigan Adventure Amusement Park, just north of Muskegon, my husband and I decided it was time for us to start working on some great childhood memories for our kids. The price of admission was only \$18 each and it included a huge water park. The decision was made. We would go to the amusement park in mid-July. My kids were really looking for-ward to it. After the date was picked and the plans were established, my husband came home from work with good news. His employer's company picnic was to be held at Cedar Point on Aug. 29. Although we tried to convince the kids that we really didn't need two trips to amusement parks in one summer, they had their heart set on the mid-July trip. Expecting them to wait until late August was simply "not fair." We reluctantly

Having never been to Michigan Adventure Amusement Park before, we weren't sure what to expect. As we approached the park, however, our eyes instantly latched onto the wondrous view of the longest and most drastically hilly roller coasters we had seen in years. We were ready! I should say my husband and I were ready. After years of begging and whining, my hove weren't sure they wanted to glump onto the two big, tall

bumpy coasters right away. Patience was difficult, but my husband and I acted mature. We agreed that we should ride some of the smaller rides first. After a few hours of smaller roller coasters and water rides, we were sure they would be ready to tackle the 125-foot tall Shivering Timbers; Although we had a wonderful day, our Timbers never shivered.

Even though our kids had been begging for years to go to Cedar Point, when our day finally arrived, we still couldn't convince them to try the really thrilling rides. Although my husband and I were a bit disappointed, we all had a great day. It had to be a great day, no matter what we rode—the company picnic included admission to the park and an all-you-can-eat chicken dinner for only \$5 per person. Our family of four was able to "Get to the Point" for \$20! Now that's what I call a cheap thrill. How could anyone find fault with that?

We soon learned that some people can find fault with anything. While we were enjoying our chicken dinner (complete with salad, rolls, ice cream, drinks and hot dogs for those who don't like chicken), one of my husband's coworkers stopped by our table. Although she had paid only \$5 for admission and a meal, she was very disappointed with the company picnic. "They with the company picnic. should have provided T-shirts saying 1998 Company Picnic, and why wasn't there anyone at the front gate to welcome us or, at least, someone here in the pavilion handing out company hats or something?

The moral of this story: You can please some of the people some of the time,

But you can't please all of the people all of the time, And some of the people, you

can't please any of the time.

Even if you give them a cheap thrill.

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shop what barbershoppers call the Clarkston area an opportuni-

"selling the song."

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in that song. You wanna get the
audience in there with you."
Howard said.

It brings great joy, said Ensign. "We talk about making others feel good. But we probably feel better than the recipient. We get back as much, if not more than we give"

In addition to offering men in

the Clarkston area an opportunity to perform in a barbershop quartet, the society will likely become a fixture in the community, sponsoring a local charity and regularly putting on performances at church events, holiday parades and other gatherings, Howard said.

Another unique element of the Clarkston chapter will be its emphasis on gospel and spiritual music, Howard said. Clarkston audiences are certain to cherish the society, every body adores the music and performers, said Tailford. "It reaches their hearts."

For more information about the new Clarkston area chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of the Barbershop Quartet of America, contact Lyle Howard at (248) 634-1577 or by e-mail at howardlj@tir.com

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New 'curator of collections' named for Meadow Brook

Ann Friedman Rochester Hills has been named to the newly established position of curator of collections for Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall.

Friedman reports to Lisa Baylis Ashby, executive director of the hall. Her responsibilities include oversight of preservation procedures and interpretation of the hall's extensive Dodge and Wilson family collections.

This includes implementation of a computerized collections management system for inventory of objects in the hall; educa-tional and other interpretive programs for visitors and volunteers; expanded tour options on special interest topics such as architecture, decorative and fine arts, and history of the period; programs for youths and families, exhibitions; and performing arts presentations.

Friedman is currently overseeing plans for "Tiffany, Essence of Light, The Meadow Brook Hall Collection," an exhibition of Meadow Brook Hall's Tiffany collection scheduled for Sept. 26 through Nov. 15, 1998, at the Meadow Brook Art Gallery at Oakland University

Originally the home OU's founders, Alfred and Matilda Dodge Wilson, Meadow Brook Hall is now self-funded as a cultural program of the university, a state and national site for tours and special events, and a rental facility for conferences and meetings.

Listed on both national and state registers of historic places, Meadow Brook Hall attracts visitors from around the world for its programs and special events.

Friedman brings 20 years of experience in museum work, college teaching and interpretive programming, most recently from the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles, where she taught courses on the decorative arts collection, and coordinated lecture, concert, theater, adult course and family programs for a new facility.

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with warm smile, enjoys music, orts,
antiques, car shows, travel, quiet
evonings at home Secking honest
WM, 37-45, N/S, tall, tit, creative, simillar interests. Children/pots okay.
\$\mathbf{T}\$9274
FRIENDSHIP FIRST

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This polite, slander, romantic professional OWF, 30s, brown hair/eyes,
enjoys movibs, theater, dining out and
travel. Seeking tall, professional
S/OWM, 35-42, with similar interests.

129109

PRETTY, FUN, FTT, FREE SWPF, 50, -alim, red/hizzel, SWPPM, 40-50, 6;-N/S, whose structive, fun, romanist, and enjoys dancing, rowles, fleeter, travel, speciator sports, quiet times, for friendship, possible relationship, 27:e393 DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL PH.D. Cultured, mean apple ple, Golf, tennis, and sking eritusiast. Theater addiction, dance fever. Seeking male counterpart, 34-47. CT9728 FUN-LOVING Outgoing DWF, 45, enjoys movies, dinng, videos, dancing and more. Seeking a S/JM, 45+, for friendship and possible LTR. 279501 TALL, ATTRACTIVE Blonde, 510°, 52, of Scandinavian descent, Bixes dancing, biking, golf, walko, boating. Seeking and honest gentleman, 6'+, who wants a microogamous relationship, and has varied interests. T9988 GARDEN CITY WOMAN

retationship, and has varied interests. 19988.

GARDEN CITY WOMAN

DWF. 47, 5', full-figured, likes walks in the park, movies, dining, Seeking a monogamous relationship, with a SM, N/S, no drugs, for a LTR, No games please. 19692

LIGHTHOUSE LOVER

Very independent SF, voung 48, likes sightseeing, lighthouses, Great Lakes, car racing, lightnusses, Great Lakes, car racing, lightnusses, Great Lakes, car racing, lightnusses, Honesty is 11, 179632

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Honest, sincars, linancially secure DBF, 196932

PRETTY, SIAMET, SEXY
Honest, aircaen, financially secure DBF,
39, 50°, 145lba; great legs, one child,
onjoys sports, music, movies and
romance. Seeking caring sincera, phys-cially (is 270bM, 39-48). V/S, social drinker 127693.

SOMEONE SPECIAL
Pretty, educated, active, artistic fengule,
ind-50s, seeks a male, similar attribut-es, for a monogamous, caring relationrip). 179593.

woman with Baggage.

WOMAN WITH BAGGAGE...
(2 kids and a neurolic dog). Seeking a
SM, to wine, dine, entertain and make
me laugh. SF, 57°, fit, tirm, gorgeous,
sexy, dark-hair/green, partially deaf,
sense of humor. 19599

DWF, 44, good sense of humor, seeks S/DM, 40-52, who enjoys music, movies, football, eating out, and who i can enjoy iffe with. T955: A SHOT IN THE DARK Attractive, full-figured, and sincere SWF, 38, 5°5°, hard-working, honest and financially secure. Enjoys outdoors, water sports, travel, and concerts. Seeking fall SWM, 37-45°, honest, outgoing, responsible and goal-orientated. NS, 379547.

NS. 179547

SOMEONE SPECIAL

SWF. 43, 5°5", modium build, smoker, social drinker, enjoys movies, quiet dinners, dancing, antiques. Seeking honest, romantic, financially socure, sensitive man, 48-55, fall statum. 179507

PARTINER IN ADVENTURE

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tive man, 49-55, tall stature. 179507

PARTHER IN ADVENTURE

Attractive, articulate, green-syste sales professionals (regardines) 52-8-8-4, 12884, lovies dancing, theater, salling, flying, nature, people. If you think the future looks bright, let's discuss the possibilities. 179514

HARD-WORKER

SF, 57', 17595, brownblue, likes fishing, bowling, movies, camping, Seeking an honest, shorene, comantic gentleman, for a LTR. 179515

THICK AND HEALTHY
Cute SBF, 24, 5'6', 225/bb, brown skin, no kids, employed college attiefut, seeks nice-looking SBM, 20-29, with no kids, N/S, for friendehip and dating. 179462

LOVES BEETHOVEN
SWF, 37, attractive, petite single mother, loves classical music, theater, gardening, camping, Seeking and dating. 179462

NG GAMES PLEASE!

Attractive, church-going, cancer-minded SBE 37 western on PAR degree senior.

Attractive, church-going, career-minded SBF, 37, working on BA degree, seeks tall, attractive, church-going, career-minded SBM, 35-40, N/S, who enjoys sports, jazz; concerts, and dining. T9452 PRETTY BROWN-EYED ITALIAN Cercing single morn, 38 brown/brown.

SEXY SWPM, LTR. 179450

CLASY LADY
Blonde-haired, blue-eyed, petite SWF,
43, honest, sincere, enjoys dancing,
traveling, dining, walks, romantic
evenings at home, seeks gentleman,
50-50, TP40BLACK FEMALE
SBF, 43, 5°S, medium build, enlova

ATTRACTIVE BLACK TERROLS
SBF, 43, 5'5', medium build, enjoys
travel, movies and the beach. Seeking
honest, sincere, financially secure SM,
5'6'*, with similar interests, for friendship first. TT9368
BLACK, BRITISH, CLASSY
BF, 42, British, classy, lady of principles,
5'4', 128lbs, new to Michigan, seeks
friendship with a gentleman, 40-50, of
good moral standards and principals.
TT9362

friendship with a gentleman, 40-50, or good moral standards and principals. 179362

LIGHT MY FIRE

Passionate, pretty DF, 40, with medium build. Seeking SVM, 39-50, NS, N/D. for dating, mating, and relating. Will you spark my interest? 179398

DELTA BURKE'S ISITER

Southern born, professional nanny, 50 year-old lady, full-figured, enjoys walking, church activities, family-oriented cooking, gardening, short trips, IVS Seeking companion for same, 179390

ARE YOU READY...
For the next chapter? So am I. God was kind to me in the looks department. Inside; fun-forling, compassionate, sensual woman. So, if you're holding out for the best, you may have found her. 179352

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an invitation to meet its atmetive DWF.
44. If you are an attractive S/DWM, 38-,
WS, small of the property of the pro

ATTRACTIVE BLONDE LADY

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ATTRACTIVE BLONDE LADY
European-born, refined, giving, loving,
educated, young 60ths, 55°, good figured, NS, many interests, seeks gentierans, 65°, 75°, while sense of humor, caring, intelligent, secure, N/S, for lasting
relationship. T89349

YOUR SEARCH IS OVER

Attractive DWCF, who's Intelligent, honest, with just about the right amount of
wha and charm, seeks SIDWM, 40°-51,
who's honest, caring, and has strongmoral values. Serious replies onlyRochester area. T9172

SWF. 22, 55°, curry, short brown/green
searching for SIDWM, 16°-27, who's not
into playing games. T90515

WF. ELT'S MEER FOR COFFEE

SPETITE ATTRACTIVE SS

DWF, very settive, enjoys water, outtee, conversation. T99275

PETITE ATTRACTIVE SS

DWF, very settive, enjoys water, outdoore, casual, social fun. Social drinker, out-

FRIENDSHIP FIRST
Thoughtul, considerate SWF, 55, 5'3',
enjoys enimals, gardening, movies and
cooking, Seeking SWM, 50-65, MD,
smoker ok, to friendship limit, 279205
SPARKLING, SPUNKY, STYLISH
Sensuous, gorgeous, fil, 40, 5'7',
130lbs, MA degreed, Into bike touring,
cading, antiquing, giggling, Seeking
SWM, NJS, degreed, fil, outgoing guy,
279203

62 YEAR-OLD ENTREPRENEUR

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HUNEST COMPANION
DVF, 43, modum buld, seeks S/DWM,
43-50, must be employed, N/S, like children, outdoor activities and sports, for
possible LTR. T8884
LOOKING FOR
THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE
SWPF, 51, 573, 1250bs, brown eyes,
financially secure, enjoys outdoors,
travel, quiet at home evenings, seeks,
sincere SWM, gentleman, caring,
romanich, humorous, for a possible
relationship, T8885
BEST FRIEND WANTED
Very classy, atmactive, young PF, 45, 5,
loves travel, day trips, anhiques, dining,
rovies, seeks outgoing gentleman,
40-55, to make my linsh eyes smile
T8889

TR8889
EXCITING CLASSY DWF
Intriguing, attractive DWF, 5'5', 135lbs,
black helred, soys eyes, many interests,
seeks sincere; tall WM, 45+, for monogamous, fun-filled relationship, TR8929

HONEST AND LOVING

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PERSONALSCENE

Patita DWPF, 33, brunette, seeks honest, sincere, tun-loving, responsible guy, who sint straid of a challenge. 17:9365

ALMOST AN ANGEL
Widowed female, 56, 5'6T, blande/blue, tull-figured, seeks a SM, 45-60, tall, cowboy boots a plus, who likes C&W and Harley's. Must be down-to-earth. 17:9690

and Haney's. Must be down-to-earn. T9880

TALL, SLENDER, PROFESSIONAL
Voung-looking, tail, slender DPF, 50, grown child, enjoys golf, college sports, dining, dencing, would like to meet someone halos. Looking for a friend first then?? Children lot. T9111

PRETTY NATURE LOVER
SWF, 43, 57°, 127lbs, studying alternative medicine, into self-growth, woods walking, singing, natural health, laughing, speaking truth, life, im spunky, unique, loving, Seeking NS, soul connection SWM, 38-46, T9723.

GREEN EYES...

GREEN EYES and a great smile tool Full-figured SWF, enjoys rollerblading, alternative rock, and dancing, Looking for a sincere, hard-working, down-to-earth S/DWM, 28-36, whitablue collar, with a sense of humor, 129443 ATTN: SWM, MID-20S

ATTN: SWM, MID-20S
Are you seeking a savvy, successful, spiritual soulmate? Peaked your interest? I am looking for a Fred to dance away with this Gingor. <u>TP9371</u>
ARTIST/PAINTER SEEKS SARE
CHOOLING THE SEEKS SARE
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AN INSTIPMENTER SEEKS SAME
Youngathean, one-man woman SBF.
50, artist/composer, likes country/westemr/folk music, antique/classic cars.
Seek SM, 50e, 179359
ANY LOVE GOING TO WASTE?
Fun, outgoing, professional, DWCF,

SEKING SOULMATE
DWF, 55, 516', brown/blue, N/S, financially/emotionally-secure, likes movies,
sports, dining, travel Seeking SWF, 4555, no dependents, for LTR, 1979.08
CASINO ROYALE
DWF, 39, full-fligured, shy, hard-worker,
smokor, enjoys bingo, Vegas, travel,
and quiet times Seeking employed
male, 309-40s, who is honest and carsing, Nationality unimportant. 178985
ATRACTIVE ASIAN
Non-smoking AF, 37, seeks attractive,
health-conscious, dependent-free WM,
30-40, 510°-, for casual dating, possible
LTR, 179011

ATTRACTIVE VEGETARIAN
SWM, 39, 611, 190ths, athlete, seeks
special Spice Gill Sypty sim ritin,
special Spice Gill Sypty sim ritin,
thoughtful, sincere, tun-loving relationshib. 35731
GOAL-ORIENTED
Hard-working SWM, 39, 512, homeowner, animal lover, romantic, sincere,
tikes movies, dining, sports, reading,
quality time. Seeking SUMY 27-35,
slim to medium, for a LTR. Kids ok.
35792

NO GAMES good-looking male 5'10", European, good-looking male 5'10', likes fun stuff, horses, skating, swimming, trips, back rubs. Looking for that special lady, for LTR. 179019

BEASTIE BOYS

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Matchbox 20, Pumpkins, Zeppelin (my favorties), Good-looking, tall, athietic, outgoing SWM, 22, great personality, enjoys concerts, the outdoors, musicially props), rollerhalding, Seeking sterder SWF, 18-28, with similar Interests. Priendship find: 129730

APPRECIATE OLDER WOMEN!
Hardsome, normatic, athletic, confident,

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A TRUE ROMANCE
Caring, affectionate, loving DWM, 52,
57°, loves lake activities; skim, moves
and quality times together. Soeking SF.
40-50, petite-medium, for iffendship,
possible long-term monogamous relationship. Race unimportant, T9118
ADVENTUROUS
SWPM, 29, 510°, 155bp, considered
good-looking, with dark hair and eyes,
enjoys sporting events, traveling, conversation, working out, rollerblading,
humor, and much more. Seeking an outgoing and fun woman. T9384
REPORD CONNECTIONS

from the western suburbs er/loys music, travel, canoeing, movies, theater, con-versation and N. Michigan. Seeks SVM with similar interests. T2P10 SOULMATE DWF, 55, 5°F, brownblue, NS, finan-cially/emotionally-secure, likes movies.

Trigordship and possible relationship
T9727
NO WHERE
AND EVERYWHERE
SWPM, 42, 578', communicative, curious, humorous, fit, desbib, persevering, no dependents, eclectic taste, movies, music, and more. Seeking fit, emotionally available SWF, to share healthy, happy relationship, T9456
STILL SEARCHING
Attractive SWM, 35, 6', 1951bs. brown/blue, N/S, professionally employed, Quarden, SWF, for dating, intendship, possible LTR, 125361

COCASIONAL COMMITHENT is it possible to have no strings relationship and still be close? Nice-looking, DWM, 5'9', 165bs, financially secure, intelligent, passionate, seeks strong woman, enjoys ocean surrises, spirited conversations, special moments. Smoker OK. 129725 BEST FRIEND WANTED
SM, seeks a SF, 45-50, fit, slender, sense of humor, positive outlook, intelligent. 259784

SINGLE IN LIVORIA
Altractive DWM, 48, 61", 1850s, mustacha, NS, 16gh; donker, financially
secure. Enjoys dancing, gateways,
movies, music of 60s-70s. Seeking;
artactive, siender SWF, 38-50, honest,
sincere, emotionally ready for a friendship, possible LTR. 187924

OCCASIONAL COMMITMENT
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sense of humor, positive outfook, intelligent. 1979:8

LOCKING FOR MS, RIGHT
SWM, 21, handsome, humble, easygoing, promises to make you laugh and
warm your heart, seeks SWP, 18+, for
honest relationship. 2972:1

LOW MANTENANCE MAN
Did-hashloned, mannered SWM, 44, no
dien, dance, movies, emisement parks,
westend ravel. Good things come in,
small pockages. Call, let's chat. 279722

DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION
Physically, mentially, emclorably, and
financially attractive medical doctor,
seeks same in 33-43 year-oid, dependent-free SWPF, for sincere relationship. 373-459.

ship. 179448
BE MY PARTNER

BE MY PASTINER
Spiritual, growth-minded, caring, understanding, happy SWM, 41, seeks statile, proportional, open-minded SWF,
32-42. Mothers are welcome. \$78549
NOT A CLEVER BO
DWM, 50s, with varied interests, seeks
indr-beasted darb, who call enjoys flowers and will take the time to know somebody, for monogramous relationship. Will
answer all. \$78933.

RACE INTO MY HEART RACE INTO MY HEART Widowed WM, 41, 5°8°, 170bs, wavy blond/green, enjoys the cutdoors, cooking, barbeculag, biking, walks, hardworking atternoon shift. Can fix anything! Seeking attractive, intelligent, happy fun-loving SWF, 25-40, with sweet disposition, 379358
VINTAGE WINE...
is always better. SWFM, 45, seeks a very attractive, petits SWF, 50+, for a serious relationship. 37986

serious relationship. \$29689

very attractive, petits SWF, 50+, for a serious reliationship. 379993

FUN & FRIENDSHIP SWM, mid-40s. Seeking SDWF, 35-65, for fun and friendship. Redford, Livonia, Farmington, and Southfield only. Please N/Drugs, or heavy drinkers. 37941

SEEKING LOVE SWM, 33, 5'9'. 1800s, brown/brown, seeks a female, 25-32; to date and for possible LTR, 378853

ULTIMATE MAN

Romantic, honest, extremely attractive, passionate, sery SWM, 25, 6', incredible kisser, seeks dender, pretty, abheric, SWM; 39, 6', incredible kisser, seeks dender, pretty, abheric, SWM; 39, 6', incredible kisser, seeks dender, pretty, abheric, SWM; 39, 6', incredible kisser, seeks dender, pretty, abheric, SWM; 39, 6', incredible kisser, seeks dender, pretty, abheric, SWM; 39, 5', incredible kisser, seeks dender, pretty, abheric, SWM, 22, 5'11' college student. Enjoys biling, rellabilating, Stoney Creek, movies, romance. Seeking sincere, attractive SWF, 18-25, friendship first, possible LTR. 379639

ARE YOU INTO DEPTH

Articulate, spiritual, somewhat meta-hyvisical, sim SJM, enjoys Borders.

Articulate, spiritual, somewhat meta-physical, slim SJM, enjoys Borders, classical, jazz, beaches and art films. Seeking lifetime SF soulmate, 31-45. SEEKING LTR

SEEKING LTR
Kind, caring, affectionate, easygoing
SWM, 31, 575, 1700s, dark browvblue,
N/S, social drinker, whose interests
include: bowling, boating, cdoking,
camping, snowmobiling, seeks fernale,
18-35, 179031

AN ANGEL'S TOUCH?

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Meet this handsome, lovable SVM, 39,
a bit devitish, but cuddly, and loyal
seeking divine inspiration through the
company of a heavenly lady with an
angel's touch T9935

SLIGHTLY HUNDROUS

Caring, stratetive, intendly, stall, lift, and
handsome SWPM, dark blondlarge
opposus blue, NS, seeks attractive,
sillm, monogamous SWF, under 46, for
cessible LTB or more No nome don-

slim, monogamous SWF, under 46, fo possible LTR or more. No prima don nas, please. \$\frac{10}{279636}\$ LOOKING FOR YOU

HEALTHY INDULGENCE HEALTHY INDULGENCE
Peachy WM 34. 62° serumptious
195lbs, yummy in jeans, mouth-watering smile, loves meatless mousak/domathes/baktava, profers candielight
with delectable, low flat, spicy dish, 55°59° Seeking hunkalicious, blue-eyed
blonde 179534

NEW TO THIS

Neo-looking, intelligent, kind. sincern.
affactionate, slender SWM 64 59*
seeka a caring, SWF, under 65, N/S
who can be a fread Possible LTR
179558

SEEKING SPECIAL FRIEMDSHIP
Horsel, hurry SVPM 27, brownforom,
6°3° 250lbs, athlote, enjoys sports,
music, movies Seeking an attractive
SDWF, 22-35, similar interests. Must be
sweet, sincern and romantic. 179595

Intelligent SVM, 5310, 170ba, Enjoys mountain billing working out, dancing, camping, as sports. Basically fun-loving assygoing guy, Seeking SVF, HVV praportionate, tong hair, likes to tak; interested in possible LTH. T9557.

LOOKING FOR A NICE LADY Singer greening nice DVM 40 NVD.

SOMEONE SPECIAL
DWM, brown/brown, two kids, enjoys
camping, fishing, sports. Seeking honest, attractive, faithfut S/DF, 35-45, who
enjoys family activities, for friendship
first, possible LTR. 129553
YOUTHFUL CHARIM

Unique, outgoing, honest, sincere, romante SWM, 48, 61, 185lbs, athlete build, custodial dad. Seeking attractive, open-minded WF, 33-46, who wants run, friendship, sincerity, romance.

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VERY ATTRACTIVE

SWM, 28, 5°11°, 175 bs, brownblue, very outgoing, professionally employed. Seeking attractive SWF, 18-35, fWV proportionate, Must be outgoing and enjoy sports. TES50

proportionate. Must be dittgoing and enjoy sports. \$29550
HOPE IT'S YOU Attractive WPM, 35, 6', 175lbs, athletic build, brown/blus, seeks shapply, sweet, honest, employed SBF, 30-45, for lasting relationship. I hope it's you. \$79164

sweet, nonest, employed SBF, 30-4s, 19-14s for leasting relationship. I hope it's you. TB104

AFFECTIONATE & CARING Active, employed, medium-built DWM, 58, 55°, NS, DVI-free, eighey family outings, country music concerts, craft shows. Seeking special princess, 35-52, who'd like an honest, fustworthy LTR hat might lead to marriage. TB9544

A LOT TO OFFER Humorous, you'll intellectual, outgoing, active SWM, 40, 5°107, 190ths, enjoys outdoor activities, reading, withing, the-atter, and movies. Seeking NIS, friendly, outgoing STDWF, 35-45, petits for medium build, for possible relationship. TB9538

MARRIAGE-MINDED

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SWCM, 50, enjoys dancing, long walks, having fun, playing cards, traveling. Searching for a good woman, 35-50, to share my life, NS. T9535.
COME FOR A DATE

COME FOR A DATE
Stay for a relationship, Good-looking
SWM, 45, open to anything from a date
to a LTR, seeks an optimistic, playful
SWF, 30-50. 379540
LOVAL AND SINCERE
Tall, honest DWM, 53, 64*, NS, stim,
ng ood physical condition, sense of
humor, self-employed. Would like to
renet a selmedr, attractive tady, 41-49,
for companionship, possible LTR,
379541 HANDSOME BUSINESSMAN

HANDSOME BUSINESSMAN
Professional, sincere, romantic DWM,
52, 510°, seeks honeat woman, with
sense of humor, for dining out, danching,
clays, welsend, getaways, travilling,
Seeking' special riserd to share year
times with. 205842.
CHARM SCHOOL GRADUATE
Tall, attractive, silm, adventurous, openminded SBM, enjoys mountain bileng,
bring, working out, and trevel. Seeking,
SWF. 2007 SWF. 2007 SWF.
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cooking, Cadar Point, camping, socialtizing, Seeking DWF, with kids, for
companionable, monogramous relationship. West Bloomfield area. 179538
PASSIONATE
Sensual, intelligent, assygoing, gentle,
hurry, athletic, SWM, 30s, alit, web-buil,
seeks sweet, attractive, sensual lemale
for fur times and possible LTR. 179461

hurny, athletic, SWM, 30s, tall, web-built, seeks sweet, structive, eensual female for fun times and possible LTR. 199461
KRIS DRAPER LOOK-ALINE
KMS JA, looks 27, 59°, 1400bs. light-brownfight-blue, N/S, great sense of hurnor, seeks a SWF, 21-38, who enjoys hockey, footbalt, bising, outdoor, activities, fun conversation and laughter Garden City 179416
DWM, 50, 67; 210bs, blue-collar, enjoys the movies, summer timigs, football Soeking a faithful SVDF, 35-52, that I can talk to, make happy, maybe more. 179506
EMMA PEEL TYPE

EMMA PEEL TYPE by a SWPM, 39, 6', 185lbs, spir-venturesome, romantic, com-

sought by a SWPM, 39, 6. 185bs, spir-ited, adventuresome, romantic, com-municative. Are you very silm, roman-tic, sincere, sensual, willing to develop a monogamous LTR? TP9509 SOMEONE SPECIAL Attractive SWM, 44, average herpit/weight, college graduate, gain-tityl employed Soeking an attractive female, 33–43, Rochester area. TP5512 STEADY, GOOD JOB DWM, 39, two lods, lives and works in

shy, reserved, yet energetic ternale, for a LTR 1T9513 SIMPLE GUY
DWM, 52, 5111 1801bs, blond/blue, N/S, social drinker, seeks simple gri WF, H/W proportionate, open-minded, for a mutually caning, committed LTR 1T9517.

NEW KID IN TOWN
Financially secure fun-loving SWM, 26, 6, 2200bs, seeks a cool girl, 21-30, for laughs and companionship Interests include sports concerts, Etvis Race unimportant, but artibletic, liberal, coffeepeducated a plus 1T9518
Bit TEDDY BEAR
Outgoing, hard-working, tall SWM, 34, 67, engoys woodcraft, mechanics, long walks, romantic evenings, traveling, having land Seeking SF, 20-55, with similar interests, to grow with. All calls answered. 1T9463

-CREATIVE MUSICIAN Handsome, honest SWM, 24, milectan, enjoys writing scope, comartie vernings, music (all types), outdoors, indistriat-ing, seeks music-loving, stender, attrac-tive SWF, 18-33, Musician or singer a plus, not inquired. Rochester, area. 229455

TENDER ROMANTIC Handsome, physically at DWM, 30s

TENDER ROMANTIC
Handsome, physically, fit DWM, 30s, seeks "sweet, jemining, and slender AWF, for a melding of hearts. Left share life a simple pleasures." 29457
ATTRACTIVE DAD, 31
FI DVM, Dad, with, son, age 6. We enjoy sports and quality time. Social drikes who enjoys worthout, out, dring, and hanging, but. Seeking slender, attractive, and caring S/DWF, 24-33.
19459 SEEKING SPECIAL LADY

SEEKING SPECIAL LADY
Outgoing, handsome; degreed SWM,
40, 56°, MS; enjoys disting out, movies,
thester; cidiural; events, long walts,
romance, someone to laugh, Seeking
elender, attractive SWF, who is sincere
and internated in LTH. 279-650

TM A REAL NICE GUY!
Fun, handsome DWPM, 30, 56°,
145lbs; brown/hazel, in shape, seeks
attractive, outgoing, positive SUWF, 2525, for friendship, dating, enjoyment of
ife, possible LTR. 270-52.

GREAT SMILE

DWM, 40, 56°, 1455bs, handsome, attrictive, enjoys gol, softball, friends, workouts, jazz, blues, The River, Red Wings,
seeks attractive, petitle WF, 30-40, simlar intrests; for dating, friendship,
possibly more. 270454

APPROACH AND IDENTIFY
Mid-eged male Belling, from a distant
galaxy, has come to belling an Earthy

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MEALTH CONSCIOUS

Very stractive WWA, romantio, intelligent, nonest, 510°, 1750s, lean, rissoular, atheleto baid, NIS, seaks attractive, furboding, life familia, for friangiship, possible relationship, 259451

ble relationship. TF9451

FINE WINE

A picnic under the stars, you and me.
Long waffe, sercisele, communication.
Friegriship and romance are waiting in
Washteners County. This open-implied,
good-looking DVIM, 49, seels female,
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GOMBITMENT-BINDED

Sincere, thoughthul, articulates, SWPM,
40, 6"1, 1900s, artiseles, values farrilytriends. You're allin, maeligent, sinorrer, tomartic. Seeding LTR. TB445

PASSIONATE & CARING

SWM, 46, husby build, fixes walks, long

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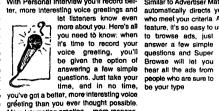
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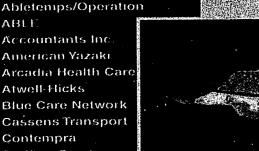
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Wolves' sophomore jinxes Dragons



Passing by: Clarkston's Nicole Fisher gets by Elizabeth Kenneer of Brighton during Saturday's West Bloomfield Invi-tational.

Harriers grab early **OAA** lead

BY DAN STICKRADT STAFF WRITER

Labeled as the double-dual meet of the year in the Oakland Activities Association Division I boys crosscountry circle, Clarkston, Rochester and Lake Orion gathered together at Bloomer Park in Rochester for what should be the pivotal meet in the league race.

When the mist cleared, it was Clarkston that took the early lead with a 24-32 win over defending division champion Rochester and a 24-31 triumph over Lake Orion, the league's newest member. Lake Orion also posted a narrow 25-32 decision over the host Falcons, who were missing their number three runner.

"As expected, this was a great meet," said Clarkston boys coach Mike Taylor. "Three great teams in the same dual meet. I think the meets were actually closer than what the finals indicated, but I think we knew coming in that we had the edge.

Racing in a steady downpour, Rochester senior Sean Second, the defending individual league champion, took the pole position after the two-mile mark and broke the tape in 16:15. Clarkston juniors Matt Haver (16:25) and David Sage (16:34) took the next two places, while classmates Dan Burke (7th) and Kevin Breen (9th) also came in the top ten as the Wolves posted the double win. Lake Orion received top ter

es from seniors Jordan Desilets (4th), Eric Lohr (5th) and Mark Rice (8th).

"The guys came prepared and com-peted very well," added Taylor." I think the guys had an understanding of how important this meet was and

they came through."

Lake Orion coach Stan Ford said his team wasn't at full strength.
"With Jordan not at 100 percent,

and this being his first race of the year, we obviously didn't finish as well as I hoped," said Ford. "When he runs his race, that changes the whole

"I am proud that some of our other guys picked it up and we were able to beat Ruchester," he continued. "I think the number three through six guys made the difference in each of

these meets."

In the girls race, Rochester freshmen Courtney Meeker (20:00) and Leah Christian (20:09) took the first two places, and classmate Julie Austin was fourth (20:25), as the Falcons rolled past Clarkston 22-35 and Lake Orion 21-36. Clarkston, which lost two key runners to injuries dur-

ing the race, edged Lake Orion 25-32.

We are kind of banged up right now, said Clarkston girls coach Deb Zonca, who received solid performances from senior Jennifer Rooding (3rd), junior Nicole Figher (5th) and junior Kristen Orris (9th). We lost two more runners and that hurt us, but I think Rechestes really as well but I think Rochester really ran well

Please see HARRIERS, B3

Clarskton : Wolves were struggling offensively Tuesday night, sophomore SarahMorgan stepped up and led them to

BY BRAD KADRICH

the promised land.

Clarkston girls' basketball coach Ann Lowney has been urging sopho-more Sarah Morgan to get more vocally involved in the offense early in the

Morgan heeded her coach's advice Tuesday night, and the result was sto-rybook: a 59-46 victory over Lake Orion in the first game played in the

new high school gym. Morgan scored 13 points, most of them coming late in the second quarter and early in the first when the Wolves were struggling on offense. She also helped fuel the game-breaking 13-2 fourth-quarter run, scoring three points, but more importantly helping to shut down the Dragons high-scor ing Jennifer Johnson in the process:

"Sarah kept us in the game," Lowney said afterward. "I told the girls at halftime we had to go inside more. And defensively, (Morgan) really did a super job on Jennifer Johnson." Clarkston led 40-38 after Johnson

got loose down the lane early in the fourth. But Morgan hit a free throw, and Rachel Uchman hit a pair of free throws after getting fouled rebounding a free throw miss by freshman Kaye

After Lake Orion's Ashley Thomas made it 43-40 with a 10-foot jumper, the Wolves put together a 10-0 run fueled by the play of senior point guard Deana Kanipe. Kanipe, who fin-ished with a team-high 14 points, only scored one during the run, but had a couple of pretty assists and played

Morgan's layup with 3:20 left made it 53-40, and the Dragons could never

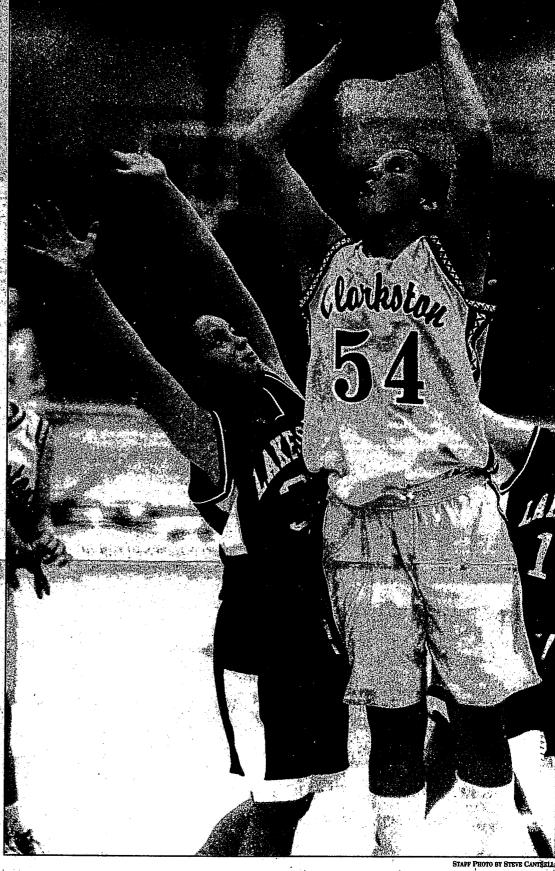
"I wanted to score to help the team," said Morgan, who said she was trying to become more active the way the coach wants. "If I don't go up (for the hoop), I can pass it off and help someone else score.'

Through the first three quarters, the game was a war between rivals. Clarkston's biggest lead to that point was only three points, which they accomplished several times.

The Wolves led 9-6 at the end of the first eight minutes on a 12-foot jumper from Rachel Uchman, a free throw from Christie and a drive down the lane from Kanipe.

The Dragons took a 14-13 lead, but Christie scored on a layup and a free throw around a baseline jumper from Kanipe to put Clarkston back up 18-15. Lindsey Prudhomme put back a Sarah Morgan miss with a minute left in the first half before Lake Orion's Tracy Gawecki gave the Dragons a 21-20 halftime lead

The Dragons led through most of the third quarter. Sarah Morgan helped Clarkston reclaim the lead with a



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTEELL

Up and over: Clarkston's Sarah Morgan (54) goes over Libby Nelson of Lake Orion for two of her 13 see HOOPS, B2 points in Tuesday's 59-46 win over the Dragons.

Playing the nets

Wolves win invite, roll to wins as hot streak continues

BY BRAD KADRICH SPORTS EDITOR

Senior Lauren Bogart gave herself a nice birthday present, and the rest of her teammates celebrated right along with her in a 6-0 prep tennis win over Berkley Monday that kept the Wolves red hot.

Bogart, playing at No. 2 singles, won a tough three-setter, 7-6, 4-6, 7-5 over Julia Dernovskaya, one of four three-set wins the Wolves posted in besting the Bears. ing the Bears.

No. 1 singles player Courtney Schubring was also a three-set winner. She beat Katherine Gurin 6-3, 6-7, 6-3.

The top two doubles teams also had to go the distance. Kristin Atkinson and Alaina Dodds beat Bridget Fulks and Jamie Patt, 6-4, 4-6, 6-0, while Jenny Claus and Lauren Stout stopped Jessica Turkish and Suzanna Shamban 6-3, 4-6, 6-

Kim Lytle beat Marina Polishchuk 6-3, 6-4 at No. 3 singles, and the No. 3 doubles im of Michelle Klotz and Allison Olinger beat Sonya Israetel and Rochelle Yu, 6-0,

Two matches were suspended. Michelle Dodge had split the first two sets at No. 4 singles, and Jenny Linenger and Emily, Tate were down a set when darkness set in.

The win kept the Wolves rolling. They went to the Fenton Invitational Saturday and won it, getting first-place finishes from the Nos. 2, 3 and 4 doubles teams, and second place finishes from Schubring, who played No. 2 singles, and Lytle at No. 3 singles.

"It was a great win for us," Clarkston coach Melissa Kent-ner-White said. "It was so fun to bring home a trophy. It was such a confidence builder for the girls. It gave the team even more recognition, which they

Schubring finished second at No. 1 singles, and Bogart was fifth at No. 2 singles. Claus and Stout, Klotz and Olinger and Linenger and Tate all won.

■ Friday — Clarkston 7, Southfield-Lathrup 1: The Wolves swept the four doubles matches, losing only three games in the process, and took three of the four singles match-

Bogart Beat Sonya Thompson 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1 singles. Schubring stopped Kelly Weertz 6-1, 6-1 and Lytle beat Antonia Sanders 6-0, 6-1 at No. 3 singles.

Atkinson and Dodds beat Laura Kelly and Brandy Stokes, 6-0, 6-0, while Claus and Stout shut out Alayna Bialick and Jocelyn Masthis. Klotz and Olinger beat Allysa Klem and Bianca Roberts 6-0, 6-2, and Linenger and Tate won beat Bridget Williams and Melinda Metcalf 6-0, 6-1.



On a roll: Clarkston's Courtney Schubring goes after a shot during Friday's meet with Southfield-

Springfield cagers remain unbeaten

Aleah Foster took center stage Monday night.

The senior forward from Clarkston Springfield Christian scored eight points and hauled in a game-high 10 rebounds as the visiting Eagles remained unbeaten with a 27-23 nonleague triumph over Flint Valley School.

Senior point guard Missy Bowen dished out seven assists to go along with six points for Springfield (3-0; who host Oxford Christian Friday for an FBAC crossover match

Senior guard Evelyn Lucas scored a game-high 16 points for Valley (3-1)

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Candace Morgan (10 points) then sliced down the lane to score with 1:40 left in the third and canned a jumper from the McIntyre will be healthy for free throw line with 15 seconds tonight's (Thursday) game left to give Clarkston a 40-36 against Madison Heights Bishop.

layup with 3:02 left in the peri-od, then converted a three-point pointed out. "That was a good play with 2:09 left to make it 36-win, and we did it without Corinne."

Senior forward Corinne McIntyre has been playing on an injured foot. Lowney hopes ad at the end of the period. Foley. The game is set for the "We finally started to score new Clarkston gym at 7 p.m.

High energy



Paying off: The Synergy U-12 team, a 15-member team with a coaching 🚈 staff of five parent voluites unteers, saw what hard work, dedication and teamwork can do when they finished their sea-son 13:0: Synergy team members included: Maria Vermeulen, Ana Allingham, Katie Kilmont, Maggie Adams, Amber Shilling, Kelly Boskee, Jennifer Ley, Ashley Bramble, Kelly Hudson, Lindsey Bramble, Kristin Hatfield, Kelly Dougherty, Kristin Horstman, Allison Hillman and Emily Fenton. Coaches included Bob Watson, Mike Alling-ham, Bob Shilling, Pam Dougherty, Rick Boskee and Rob Hillman.

Changes to upcoming deer season aren't all that drastic

Changes in tag allocations for the 1998 Michigan deer hunting season really aren't as drastic as some people think.

The Michigan N a t u r a l Resource Commission, at it's Sept. 9-10 meeting in Lansing,

details of the new combo license. In essence, hunters can still take the same number of bucks that they could last year. The combo license mearly takes away the second archery and the second firearms licenses along with the opportunity for unethical indi-

opportunity for meaning widnals to cheat by purchasing more licenses than is legal.

The combo license allows hunters to harvest two bucks during the 1998 hunting season.

arrow, rifle, shotgun, handgun or muzzleloader - is entirely up to the hunter. One of those hucks, however, must have at least four legal points on one side, which means each point must measure at least one inch.

The two-buck limit was in effect last year as well and the second buck had to have four tines on one side. The major difference is that last year illegal and unethical individuals could have purchased their first archery license, tagged a buck, purchased their second archery license, tagged another buck, then done the same thing with two firearms licenses and there was no way the DNR could keep track of illegal use of the licens-es. This year there are only two buck tags available to each hunter so such illegal tagging should be eliminated. The only knock with the combo

license is for archery hunters. In two-buck limit are good ideas

the past, archery hunters who shot an antierless deer first could tag it with their first archery license and still take two bucks - one with a bow and one with a gun or two with a gun. This fall, archery hunters can still use the first license of their combo license on an antierless deer, but would then only have one tag left that could be used on a buck. In fact, archers may now take two antierless deer with the combo license, but then would not be able to shoot a buck with

a bow or gun. The answer to this quirk is to purchase an antierless permit and use this permit for a bow-killed antierless deer and save the combo license for use only on bucks, Archer should be aware, however, that some deer management units are closed to antlerless deer hunting with an

archery license. The combo license and the

and go along way toward the Commission's commitment to quality deer management.

The DNR is publishing a sup-pliment to the 1998-99 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide. All DNR offices and license vendors will have the suppliments.

Here is a brief look at some other changes in store for hunters for the 1998 Michigan

It is now legal to hunt deer and bear from an elevated platform with a firearm during the designated firearms seasons. Private land antlerless deer

licenses are now valid on all private lands within a deer management unit with permission of the respective landowner. · Acreage for applying for an

antlerless permit has been reduced to five acres in the southern Michigan deer management units. General leftoyer antierless permits will go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, Sept. 25,

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while private land leftover antlerless permits will go on sale at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29. Sixty three DMUs will have unlimited private land permits available throughout the season.

 There will be a late antlerless-only firearms season, Dec. 19-Jan. 3, on private lands only in some areas of the state. Check the 1998-99 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for the spe-cific DMUs which will be open.

• The late archery season will close on January 3 instead of Jan. 1. This date coincides with the late firearms deer season (Dec. 19-Jan. 3) on private land.

• The outbreak of Bovine tuberculosis in the free ranging white-tailed deer herd in northeastern Michigan has resulted in regulations changes in that area. DMU 452 covers all of Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle counties. Check the 1998-99 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for exact boundaries. There is also a TB buffer zone surrounding DMU 452, which falls under the heading of the Bovine Tuberculosis Management Area. Again check the 1998-99 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide.

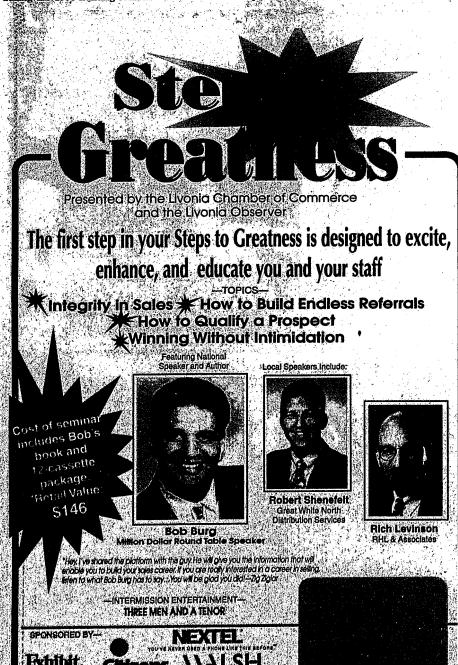
· There will be an early antleriess firearms season (Oct. 17-Oct. 26) on private land only in DMU 452. There will also be a late antierless firearms season (Dec. 11-Jan 3) in DMU 452, which will be open on private or public lands. These special seaons are not statewide and are limited to the boundaries of Deer Management Unit 452.

(Anglers and hunters are urged to report your success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (248) 644-1314, send e-mail to bparker@oe.homecomm.net or call Bill Parker evenings at (248)

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TEAM SCORES - 1. Plymouth Salem 90; 2. Traverse City 91; 3. Redford Catholic Central 106; 4. East Kentwood 119; **5. Clarkston 122**; 6; Utica: Eisenhowser 188; 7. Rochester 192; 8. Livonia Stevenson 203; 9 Ann Arbor Pioneer 223: 10. Rochester Adams 272; 11. Troy Athens 280; 12. Troy 301; 13. Livonia Churchill 306; 14. Sterling Heights Stevenson 338; 15. Warren deLaSalle 362; 16. Traverse City West 488; 17. Walled Lake Western 503: 18. West Bloomfield 529; 19. Kalamazoo Loy-Norrix 623; 20. Jackson NTS.

TOP 20 INDIVIDUALS - 1. Adam Cross (Adams) 16:35.5; Nick Allen (Salem) 16:43.6: 3. John DiGiovanni (Catholic Central) 16:44.6; 4. David Sage (Clarkston) 16:45.6; 5. Dan Jess (Catholic Central) 16:59.5; 6. Sean Secord (Rochester) 17:00.2: 7. Joe Verellen (Livonia Stevenson) 17:03.4; 8. Josh Ruch (East Kentwood) 17:03.9: 9. John Hughes (Traverse City) 17:08.9; Jon Little (Salem) 17:08.9: 11. Rvan DeCook (Athens) 17:14.0; 15. Matt Haver (Clarkston) 17:21.4; 16. Andrew Armstrong (Pioneer) 17:20.6; 17. Eric Bohn (Liv. Stevenson) 17:22.9; 18 Travis Crawford (Traverse City) 17:25.0; 19. Matt Daly (Catholic Central) 17:25.2; 20. Tom Davidson (Eisenhowser) 17:27.6; 21. Brasndon Fisk (Eisenhowser) 17:29.2; 22. Andy Jacobson (Traverse City) 17:30.3; 23. Kevin Vokom (East Kentwood) 17:33.3: 24. Steve Ramsurgh (AA Pioneer) 17:37.8; 25. Josh Lerch (Eisenhowser)

DIVISION II

17:45.9.

TEAM SCORES - White Lake Lakeland 70; 2. (tie) Saline and Grand Ledge 92; 4. Sterling Heights 129; 5. Birmingham Brother Rice 140; 6. W dotte Roosevelt 171:7: Lake Orion 201; 8. North Farmington 231: 9. Walled Lake Central 233; 10. Portage Northern 248; 11. Woodhaven 255; 12. Holly 338: 13. Waterford Mott 359: 14. Taylor Trueman 368; 15. Waterford Kettering 424; 16. Birmingham Seaholm 445; 17. Flushing 461; 18. Ferndale 492; 19. Southfield-Lathrup 546; 20. Southfield NTS.

TOP 25 INDIVIDUALS — 1. Todd Mobley (WL Central) 16:30.7; 2. Anthony Saeger (Lakeland) 16:45.5; 3. Ben Evans (Brother Rice) 16:51.1; 4. Jason Bruscha (Sterling Heights) 16:51.7; 5. Andy Marsh (Grand Ledge) 16:55.8: 6. Jacob Crowe (Grand Ledge) 17:05.0; 7. Joe Borg (Trueman) 17:07.6; 8. Pat Klein (Lakeland) 17:13.8; 9. Rich Oltesvig (Lakeland) 17:13.8; 10. Aaron Fedewa (Grand Ledge) 17:17.3; 11. Nick Stanke (Roosevelt) 17:27.2); 12. Eric Lohr (Lake Orion) 17:28.9; 13. Sean Moore (Saline) 17:34.3; 14. Jim Stactiowiak (Brother Rice) 17:39.6: 15. Ken Beesley (R sevelt) 17:27.2; 16. Jim Brockway (Sterling Heights) 17:42.8; 17. Steve Smith (Brother Rice) 17:43.5; 18. Mike Kushner (Saline) 17:48.1; 19. Justin Rus-

el (Saline) 17:49.0; 20. Chad Finkbeiner (Saline) 17:49.9; 21. Matt Wiegend (North Farming-ton) 17:51.6; 22, Andrew Medley leri (Lakeland) 17:54.0; 24. Jake Hammerle (Woodhaven) 17:55.1; 25. Mark Rice (Lake Orion)

DIVISION I

TEAM SCORES — 1. Ida 49; 2. Big Rapida 56; 3, Jackson Lumen Christi 4; Bloomfield Hills Labser 141; 5. Dearborn Heights Crestwood 151; 6; Bloomfield Hills Andover 179; 7., Harper Woods Notre Dame 204; 8. Oxford 209; 9. Orchard Lake St. Mary's 229; 10. Dearborn Divine Child 248; 41. Sturgis 263: 12. Clawson 290; 13. Farmington Hills Harrison323.

TOP 25 INDIVIDUALS - 1. Justin Blakley (Big Rapids) 16:58.9, 2. Paul Pobursky (Ida) 17:04.6; 3. Rob DeWitte (Labser) 17:26.3; 4. Dan Adler (Ida) 17:30.6; 5. Max McGonegal (Lumen Christi) 17:34.0; 6. Joe Dolson (Lumen Christi) 17:36.1: 7. Taylor Hardin (Crestwood) 151; 8. John Montri (Ida) 17:42.3: 9. Adam Berke (Big Rapids) 17:47; 10. Mike Withee (Clawson) 17:55.0; 11. Marc Michaels (Notre Dame) 18:06.9; 12. Brian McNeilly (Bif Rapids) 18:06.4; 13. Scott Walter (Notre Dame) 18:06.9; 14. Josh Radabaugh (Lahser) 18:90.0; 15. Carl Jefts (Big Rapids) 18:11.0.

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DIVISION III

TEAM SCORES - 1. Sterling Heights Stevenson 51; 2. Ann Arbor Pioneer 53; 3. Brighton 90; 4. Livonia Stevenson 141; 5. Troy 194; 6. Livonia Churchill 201; 7. Rochester 204: 8. Troy Athens 209; 9. Plymouth Salem 225; 10. Clarkston 228; 11. East Kentwood 268; 12. Farminton Hills Mercy 286; 13. Rochester Adams 323; 14. Utica Eisenhowser 380: 15. Walled Lake Western 477; 16. Jackson NTS.

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DIVISION II

TEAM SCORES -1. Jackson Lumen Christi 39; 2, Ida 64; 3. Oxford 87; 4. Bloomfield Hills Andover 91; 5. Clawson 132; 6. Sturgis 162; 7. Bloom-field Hills Lahser 178; 8. Farmington Hills Harrison

TOP 25 INDIVIDUALS 1. Karen Leroy (Oxford) 20:41.1; 2. Kristy Michaels (Lûmen Christi) 21:03.4; 3. Erika Vogelsang (Ida) 21:51.4; 4, Jessie Tarnowski (Lumen Christi) 22:16.1: 5. Catie Marvin (Lumen Christi) 22:28,9; 6. Ashley Jankowski (Clawson) 22:34.4; 7. Kelli Jankowski (Clawson) 22:36.9; 8. Sarah Moin (Andover) 22:45.0; 9. Rachel Mintz (Ida) 22:53.4: 10. Lisa Robinson (Andover) 23:04.8; 11. Cherish Hughes (Ida) 23:05.9; 12. Bethany Rhinesmith (Sturgis) 23:16.3; 13. Laura Rapcka (Lumen Christi) 23:21.3: 14. Jenny Farrell (Oxford) 23:23.4; 15. Erin Nicoson (Lumen Christi) 23:29.7; 16. Stacey Nyland (Oxford) 23:32.5; 17. Amy Engel (Lumen Christi 23:35.4; 18. Katie Riley (Lumen Christi) 23:41.9; 19. Lynn Andrzejewski (Harrison) 23:45.0; 20. Tiffany Stanfill (Ida) 23:53.9; 21. Stacie Flotow (Ida) 23:55.6; 22. Laura Casai (Andover) 23:58.2; 23. Christina Kreger (Ida) 24:09.1; 25. Liliana Richter (Andover) 24:10.0.

SEAMLESS GUTTERS

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and I don't think we could've

caught them." Lake Orion, which struggled in Division II last season, showed is any indication, than Clark-yeast-signs of improvement, ston's boys team is in for a very despite dropping both races. Senior Leah Dubay (6th) and sophomore Cindy Kus (7th) paced the Dragons

"Our girls are making big strides; they are getting better each time out," praised Ford. "Leah Dubay looked very strong and Cindy Kus is doing a great job for a first-year runner.

Rochester, however, looks to be the league's surprise led by its talented freshmen trio.

"We ran really, really well, but we can't be satisfied with just these two wins," said Rochester coach Larry Adams, "Everybody out there knows now that we are a good team, so we can't stop here. We must continue to work hard and improve if we are to

make a run. "As for our boys, we were missing Zach Wincek, our number three runner, and three of our top five finishers today were running their first-ever dual meet, he continued. "We are a little inexperienced, but we'll get better. And if we are healthy at the league meet, we'll make it very

tional — If a top-five finish at the prestigious West Bloomfield

The Wolves placed three run ners in the top 30 Saturday at Kensington Metro Park near Milford and amassed 122 points which landed them in fifth place in the 20-team Division III field.

David Sage took fourth (16:45:6) on the hilly, 3.1-mile course, while junior classmates Matt Haver (15th), Kevin Breen (26th), Chris Webber (37th), and Brett Quantz (40th) followed

"We thought that if we ran hard, that we could crack the top five and we were able to do that," said Taylor. "The guys were very focused and ran very well against some very good

Plymouth Salem won the Division II title with 90 points, while Traverse City (91), Redford Catholic Central (106) and East Kentwood (119) also finished ahead of the Wolves.

In the girls race, Clarkston was missing two key runners and the Wolves placed 10th out of 16 teams with 228 points. Sterling Heights Stevenson

■ West Bloomfield Invita- .edged Ann Arbor Pioneer 51-53. for the meet title, while Brighton (90), Liyonia Stevenson (141) and Troy (194) rounded out the

top five in the standings.
"We thought that if we were healthy, than we might be able to place in the top five," said Zonca: "But we were missing some key kids and we fell back a little bit. But the kids than did

Jennifer Rooding was the lone, medalist for Clarkston, placing 17th with a 21:05.1 clocking In the Division II girls meet

ake Orion was the surprise a the Dragons took fourth in the 18-team field with 137 points 2 Saline was the team champion with 66 points.

"Our girls ran exceptionalis they finished higher than most people expected," said Ford. "I'm". pleased with their effort."

Leah Dubay led the Dragons

y placing 16th in 21:58. Cindy 1. Kus (21st), Sarah Drouilliard; (27th), Aisha Newkirk (36th); and Julia Cummins (23:00) rounded out Orion's team score.

Defending Class A state cham; ion White Lake Lakeland won the Division II boys team title with 70 points, while Lake Origin placed seventh with 201 in the 20-team race.

Dragon kickers play Troy to 1-1 tie

BY DAN STICKRADT STAFF WRITER

Apparently, anything can hap-pen in the Oakland Activities Association Division I boys soc-

The division's six teams completed the first round of league Tuesday and, in an unexpected event, host Lake Orion rallied to tie second-place Troy under a constant drizzle, 1-1.

Senior midfielder Brian Seidel tallied in the first half for the Colts while senior forward Derek Elliott scored late to give Lake Orion the draw — and their first league point.

"It's great to go out and play a

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quality opponent every night," said Lake Orion coach Paul Elder, whose team is in its first season in the OAA Division I. There are no easy games, so you have to come ready to play in this league every time out. I think that is helping this team develop more quickly."

It seems the Dragons (1-6-1, 0-4-1) found some motivation to pull even with perennial power Troy. After sitting back on their heels during most of the first 40 25 minutes, Lake Orion turned the tables and pressured Troy's net which resulted with Elliott's goal at the 68:33 mark.

Elliott headed in a long throw in from junior Scott Ewing past Troy senior Jeremy Wren (seven. saves) from close range.

"I think we have finally found a system and style to fit these players and it is starting to show," said Elder.

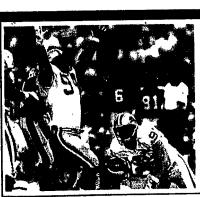
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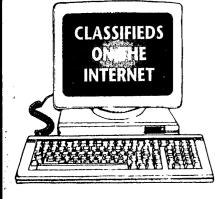
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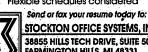
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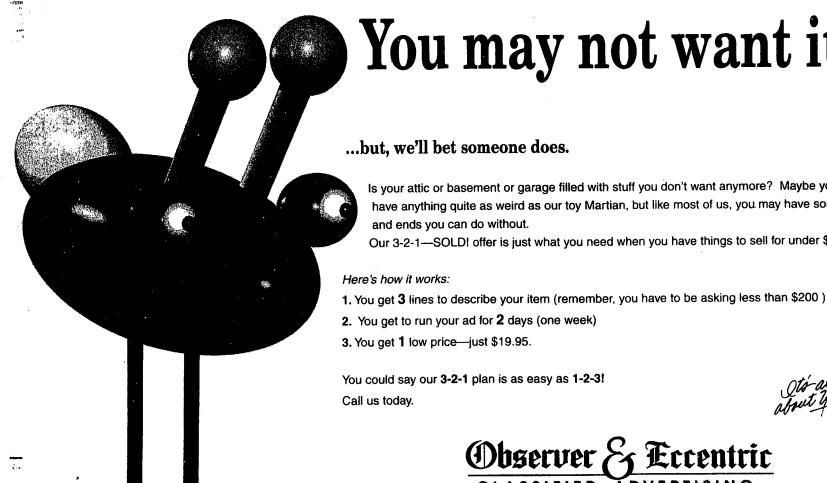
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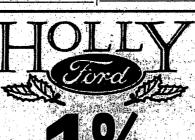
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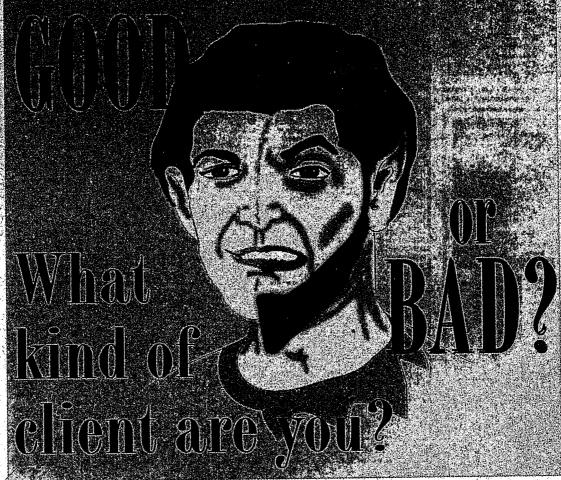
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I believe that Philadelphia has made tremendous strides and the inner city continues to develop with benefits which should be considered here in Michigan.

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By Doug Funke Staff Writer

Realtors love loyalty. It's the one characteristic that almost all agents agree makes for a good client.

People who don't follow advice are at the opposite end of the spectrum. So, too, are non-communicative folks. They can turn out to be clients from

Human relations isn't a major topic in real estate license preparation classes. Realtors learn how to read folks through experience in the field.

And it doesn't take long to separate the wheat from the chaff as far as good and bad clients are concerned.

"The good clients - they're loyal," said Stella Carlyle, a Realtor with Max Broock in Rochester. "They're approved by a mortgage company, motivated, great credit. No problems with the deal going through.

That, ultimately, is what it's all about - doing the deal - and Realtors maintain that good clients are more likely to expedite the process than bad.

Some buyers mistakenly believe that a shotgun approach – working with several Realtors – will result in a quicker purchase. Not necessarily

so, the professionals say.
"If they are loyal to a real estate agent, they will take every minute of the day to work for them," said Charlotte Jacunski, a Realtor with Century 21 Row in Livonia. "They will be on the computer three or four times a

"If they're working with other agents, they get kind of put on the back burner," Jacunski added. "If I have a client I know is working with three other agents and one that is just working with me, I will show a listing to the one that is working only with me first.'

"On the selling end, I guess I like people to be up-front with me: what things are on their mind," Carlyle "The condition of the property, motivation (for selling), what con-

A merger earlier this month between Real Estate One's Johnstone

& Johnstone office and Champion &

Baer of Grosse Pointe results in the

largest real estate brokerage office in

Combined, the offices will bring

in the Grosse Pointe market," said

George "Skip" Baer II, partner with

the Pointes area.

■ Realtors expect loyalty:

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Charlotte Jacunski Realtor with Century 21 Row

cerns are, time frames, price to get out. That way, I can work in their best interests.

Good buyers and sellers are quick studies and pick up on the advice

Realtors give. "A good client would be one because I've made them one," Jacunski said. "We talk, I find out what they want. I get them in touch with a loan officer. I give them a few houses to look

at, show them where the schools, grocery stores, parks are." The same with sellers, she added. Showings can be any time of the day. Get the carpeting changed, paint

nere. It's little things.' However, some clients just won't listen, driving their agents nuts.

"It's usually people living in a notso-nice house that gives me the harder time," Jacunski said. "That's the way they've lived, and they think other people live that way, too. not always so."

Stephen Smith, an associate broker with Real Estate One in Westland, believes that good buyer clients can best help themselves with a mortgage pre-approval.

They will find out exactly what they can buy," he said. "And if another buyer who isn't approved and you both put in a bid, your client will get the house."

Smith gives other examples of good and bad client characteristics.

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Good - "People who go inside hous-

es rather than just drive by."

Bad – "You have to make up your mind at some point. Some look at so many houses, they get confused." Bad - "Unrealistic prices, buyers

and sellers. For \$100,000, you're not going to live in West Bloomfield."

"I don't like to push people into anything," Smith said. "People who want to sleep on it sometimes lose. They give in to the psychological phenomenon called buyer's remorse. More often, though, he says, "Someone snaps it away."

Good buyers and sellers are serious about what they're doing, realistic in their expectations, said Robert Renew, a Realtor with Wolverine

Properties in Redford. 'I look at someone if they're earnest, not just out to pass the time of day looking at houses," he said. "If you look at 15 to 20 houses, they will

"A seller, if they're realistic in their objectives, willing to price their home at what the market says its worth instead of what they think it's worth,

makes it a lot easier," Renew said. Buyers who bad-mouth a house in the presence of a seller, then offer a ridiculously low purchase price may be digging a hole from which there's no exit, he said.

You compliment, then ask, Would you be willing?" Renew said.

Communicative clients are good clients, said Eileen Michalak, a Realtor with Hannett, Wilson and Whitehouse in Bloomfield Hills.

"I can't help them achieve what their goals are unless they tell me what they are," said Michalak, who, like Jacunski and others in the profession, believe a good Realtor will draw out that information.

"Buying and selling real estate is a traumatic thing for most people," she "You have to tell me what your

And the real turn-off for Michalak? "People who aren't straightforward and honest with you," she said.

Real estate firms merge, dominate GP Johnstone, just a few doors from each other on Kercheval now, eventually will share offices under the J&J moniker, said Dan Elsea, general sales manager for Real Estate One.

"It made sense for both organizations," Elsea said of the merger. "We bring 40 agents doing a significant market share in Grosse Pointe. They have 15 agents doing a strong business.

With the recent acquisition, Real Estate One has 30 company-owned offices in southeast Michigan, as well as four in the Traverse City area.

The family of companies projects a sales volume this year of \$2 billion.

Movement by state :Followipg-is-Census-Bureau estimates of net population migration for selected states 3/96 to 3/97.



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FRMs gain refinancing popularity



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A quarterly refinance ing study released last month by Freddie Mac shows 15-year fixed-rate (FRM) mortgages increasing in populari ty among borrowers ... refinancing 30-year

According to the study, 31 percent of borrowers originally holding 30-year FRMs chose to move into 15year FRMs, up from 29 percent in the first.

quarter of 1998, the highest percentage since the second quarter of 1996. Interestingly, borrowers with 15-year FRMs refinanced less often into a new. 15-year mortgage in the second quarter - 72 percent versus 77 percent in the

Holders of 15-year mortgages elected

new 30-year fixed-rate mortgages 24 percent of the time in the second quar ter, up from 21 percent in the first

Loyalty to 30-year FRMs when refinancing remained strong among bor-rowers in the second quarter, but was about 10 percentage points behind that for 15-year mortgage borrowers from new 15-year mortgages. Approximate: ly 62 percent of 30-year borrowers selected a new 30-year FRM in the second quarter, down from 64 percent in

Borrowers who originally held adjustable rate mortgages (ARMs) preferred the 30-year FRM over 15-year FRMs or 1-year ARMs when they refinanced, 27 percent choosing the 15year FRM, up from 25 percent in the first quarter of 1998.

rates have had a major effect on recent mortgage activity. A senior economist for Freddie Mac states, "with interest rates so affordable, it's become easier for more borrowers who had originally held 30-year FRMs to change into 15year instruments without suffering a big increase in their monthly payments.

Among borrowers, refinancing 30year FRMs, 62 percent chose to go into 30-year FRMs, down from 64 percent in the first quarter of 1998. Of borrowers refinancing 15-year FRMs, 24 percent. opted to go into a 30-year FRM product, up from 21 percent in the first quarter of 1998. Lastly, 65 percent of borrowers holding 1-year ARMs refi-nanced into 30-year FRMs, compared to a slightly higher 68 percent in the previous quarter of 1998.

Obviously, mortgage rate conditions; continue to make this an excellent time for homebuyers or for homeowners to consider refinancing.

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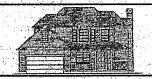
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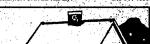
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You'll have a great time with this outgoing, loving SWF, 35, 5'9", N/S, who enjoys church, movies, concerts, sporting events, quiet times and more. If you are a secure SWM, 35-42, N/S, who shares similar interests, call now. Ad#.1963

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Professional, brown-eyed WWWF, 51, 53, who enjoys traveling, the outdoors and quiet evenings at home. She seeks a carnig, romantic SWM, under 58, for a possible relationship. Ad#. 4641 TRUE BLUE

She's an outgoing, attractive SBCF, 45, 5'4", 135lbs., who enjoys personal growth, traveling, reading and is in search, of a spiritual, educated SBCM, 40-53, with similar interests. Ad#.1652 SPECIAL

Inside and out. SBF, 46, 5'4", looking for real SBM, 40-60, intelligent, kind, strong yet gentle, is sure of himself and God, are you special too? If you believe, all things are possible, call me Ad# 2003.

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RESCUE MY HEART She's a SBF, 60, 5'6", who enjoys going to church, jazz concerts, dining out and is in search of a kind, gentle SM, 55-62, for friendship first. Ad#.1221

FAMILY-ORIENTED I'm a full-figured, 34, 5'1". SW mom of one, with blonde hair and green eyes. I enjoy animals, outdoor sports, horseback riding and country music. If you are you open-minded and honest D/SWM, then give me a call. Ad#.5564

CHARMING Here's a friendly DWC morn, 44, who wants to find a humorous N/S, non-drinker DWM of any age. She's 51" and enjoys art, music and the out-doors. Ad#.4283

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DESERVING She's an active, professional SWF, 38, 5'11", who enjoys music, art, church activities and is in search of a SWM, age unimportant, to share life with. age unim Ad#.6755

REACH FOR THE STARS Attractive, professional Catholic DWF, 50, 59°, looking for a retired SWJM, 50-70, 65° plus, who is outgoing and has an good sense of humonal clove dancing, walking in the parks and biking. Ad#.4847

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Here is a sincere, employed SB mom,
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She's a outgoing hardworking. SWF,
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SWM, 40-60, to get to know. Ad#. 9652

A professional, educated SWCF, 45, enjoys reading, long walks, the theatre and dining out, is seeking a SWCM, with similar interests. Ad#.7646

who enjoys picnics, long walks, coaching sports and is seeking an employed, caring SWM, who likes children. Ad#.8369

She's an outgoing DW mom, 42, 5'2",

THE TIME IS RIGHT

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FAMILY-ORIENTED She is a quiet, reserved SW mom. 28.

She's an outgoing, withy SBCF, 42, 5'6", who enjoys outdoor activities, walking and reading, in search of an honorable SM, 46-50, for companionship. Ad#.3154

with red hair, brown eyes, who enjoys outdoor activities, rollerblading, and quiet evenings, in search of a SWM, 37-49. Ad#.7623

Youthful SWF, 38, 5'6", brown hair/eyes, is seeking a handsome, sincere, honest SWM, over 35, to share mutual interests and friendship.

51", with brown hair, who enjoys out-doors, dining out and walks in the park. She is looking for a Catholic SWM, 34-51, to share life. Ad#.3804

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LIVES FOR ADVENTURE Fun-loving, sincere, SWM, 39, 6'2', enjoys skydiving, romantic times and lots, more, He is seeking, a slender SWF, 27-44' for a monogamous relationship, Ad#, 6683

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I'm a well-built SWM, 27, 63, 240lbs.,
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humorous SWF, 23-35, for possible
relationship. Ad#.5150

SOMEONE SPECIAL FOR ME

He is a fun-loving, sincere, passionate, romantic, athletic SWM, 26, 6'2", who enjoys movies, dining out and spending time with friends. He is searching for a slender SWF, 22-45. Ad#.2222 JUST YOU AND I

Catholic SWM, 44, 6', who enjoys youth ministry, seeks a stender, Catholic S/DWF, 25-40, who is marriage-minded, fun-loving and sincere.

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This SWCM, 50, 511, 180lbs., with black hair and blue eyes, who enjoys dancing, movies and children, is in search of a SWCF, 40-50, who is marriage-minded. Ad#.3580

THAS TO BE YOU Handsome SWM, 44, 611, 190lbs, who enjoys outdoor activities, dining out and quiet times at home, is searching for a slender, romantic SWF, 28-44, Ad#.1313

A TRUE GENTLEMAN Hardworking Catholic SWM, 29, 6', is searching for a Catholic SWF, over 23, who is romantic and kind, patient with children and the elderly, loves horses and pupples. Ad#.3208'

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She's a sweet, active, fun-loving SWF, 60, petite, who enjoys dancing, reading and the theatre, wishes to share interests and companionship with an easygoing SWM, 55-68. Ad#.9972

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This Catholic DW mom of one, 26, 5'2", who is shy and reserved at first, enjoys dining out, walks, amusment parks and quiet evenings at home, is looking for a Catholic WM, 25-35, for a possible relationship. Ad#.6969

MAYBE YOU & ME She's a shy, never-married SWF, 34, 5'7", who enjoys baseball games, the outdoors and movies, in search of a athletic SWM, 28-39, for friendship first. Ad#.4211

WAITING TO HEAR FROM YOU I'm a Catholic DW mom, 37, 5'5", pro-fessionally employed, pretty and have a great sense of humor. I'm looking to meet a Catholic SWM, 35-44, who enjoys gardening, the theater, dining out and dancing. Ad#.6844

MOVE QUICKLY SWCF, 56, 5'2", 122lbs,blonde hair, green eyes, seeking a SWCM, 50-60, who is respectful and appreciates a good woman. Ad#.6258

MAKE THE CONNECTION SWF, 34, 56°, full-figured, who is a blue-eyed blonde, enjoys a wide variety of interests, is searching a SWM, 35-45, who has a positive outlook in life. Ad#.3064

SO HOW ARE YOU? Attractive, outgoing SWCF, 41, 5'7', a professional, enjoys outdoor activities, dining out, the theatre and more, seeks a SWCM, 30-45, who is serious about life. Ad#.5656

GET TO KNOW ME Easygoing SWF, 45, 5*7", blonde hair, employed, enjoys being around family and friends, barbecues, working out, bowling and more, seeks a SWM, over 44. Ad#.1952 THIS IS IT

SWC morn, 38, 5' enjoys din-ing out, movies, casinos, Bible study, seeks SWCM, 38-46, with similar interests. Ad#, 1959

JÚST YOU AND I

Handsome SBM, 35, 55°, 155lbs., seeks a SCF, 25-37, with a great personality. He enjoys Bible study, bowling and playing tennis. Ad#.8989

FRIENDLY NATURE

Professional, Catholic SWM, 36, 5'10", with a good sense of humor, enjoys working out and romantic dinners. He is in search of a fit, Catholic SWF, 23-36, with similar interests. Ad#.7001

INFINITE AFFECTION

He's an outgoing, attractive, professional Catholic SWM, 38, 6', N/S, who enjoys sports, music, dining out, the rewards of hard work and the theatre, in search of an above-average, loving Catholic SWF, 23-37, with similar interests. Ad#.6789 OLD-FASHIONED

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Friendly DBC dad of two, 47, 6'4", who enjoys singing in church choir, Bible study, sports and cooking, seeks a family-oriented, honest SBCF, 36-48, who puts God first. Ad#.1115

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if you want to know more about me, respond to my ad. I'm a SWCM, 42, 5'6", with dark hair and eyes. I enjoy a variety of interests. I'm seeking a SWF, for friendship, and companionship. Ad# 5045 Ad#.5245

DON'T PASS ME RV Understanding, professional, Catholic SWM, 29, 6'2", 180lbs., with light brown hair and blue eyes, enloys sports, blking, music and would like to meet an slender SWCF, 23-32, who has good values, Ad#.8868

TIME TOGETHER a professional, educated, outgoing VM, 39, 6'1". I'm seeking a slender VF, for a monogamous relationship.

SBC dad, 20, 6 light complexion, who likes basketball, is 40, preferably ad, but with children, to have good times.

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BORN-AGAIN Outgoing and friendly, he's a professional DBC dad of two, 42, 6'2', 182lbs, who enjoys Bible study, travel; golf, music and seeks an attractive, fir, mature SCF, 28-40, without children, for fellowship which may lead to more. Ad#.1204

NO HASSLES He's an outgoing, hardworking SWM, 27, 5'9', who enjoys making people laugh, going to church, family activities and is in search of an honest SWF, 18-30, who enjoys life. Ad#,2160

BACK TO BASICS
Outgoing SBC dad, 20, 6', who enjoys
music, movies and family activities, seeks a SWF, for friendship and fun.
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Ad#.1564 COMMON BOND

Outgoing and friendly, he's a professional WWCM, 59, 6'2", whose interests include Bible study; golf, reading, theater, dining out and lots of laughter. He's seeking a special SWCF, 50-60, for companionship. Ad#.5845

AWAITING YOU This outgoing, friendly SBCM, 35, 5'5', 155lbs., is searching for a special, professional SBCF, 25-37, never-married, childless, who enjoys sports and childless, who enjoys sports Gospel concerts. Ad#.4949

FRIENDS FIRST This outgoing SBCM, 35, 5'6", 150lbs., seeks a professional SBCF, 26-34, N/S and non-drinker, who enjoys Bible study, for friendship and companionstudy, for friend ship. Ad#.7070

ANGELS WELCOME This attentive Catholic SWM, 44, 510°, who is a good conversationalist and has a wide variety of interests, is in search of a caring, affectionate Catholic SWF, 33-49. Ad#.4455

BACK TO THE BASICS Here's a DWCM, 40, 5'11", looking for a SWCF, 34-50, who enjoys outdoor activities, dining out, movies, and travel. el. Ad#.1001

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GIVE ME A CALL Born-Again, musical SWCM, 35, 5'10', who enjoys volleyball, teaching Sunday school, bowling, golf, bicycling, travel, animals and more, seeks a SWCF, 25-37. with similar interests lea

and we'll talk soon. Ad#.9631 TELL ME ABOUT YOURSELF Never-married SWM, 31, 5'10", medium build, a Catholic, enjoys biking, rollerbiading, going to movies, skiing, and playing tennis, seeking a SWF, 24-35, for friendship first, maybe more.

Ad#.7777 LISTEN CLOSELY SWM, 37, 6'4". 190lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who likes music, movies, dining out and church activities, is seeking a SWF, 30-40, with similar interests. Ad#.3968

LIGHT UP MY LIFE Get together with this Catholic SWM, 39, 6'1". He's looking for a family-oriented, petite, romantic, sincere DW mom, 18-38. Ad#.4111

TRUE BLUE Adventurous Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", hoping to meet a spontaneous, romantic and slender SWF, age unimportant, for friendship first. Ad#.2539

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Self-employed, shy and quiet, SWM, 30, 6'1", looking to share mutual interests, activities and friendship with a SWF, over 25, who enjoys swimming, sunsets and fun times. Ad#.3336 ARE YOU THE ONE?

A professional DWM, 51, 5'6", who is into honesty, spiritual and personal growth, good humor and fitness, is hoping to meet a petitle SWF, under 5'4", 38-50, N/S, non-drinker, with the same heliofs 4df 8614 beliefs. Ad#.6614 I'M LOOKING SWM, 40, seeks a slender, athletic SWF, age unimportant, who enjoys golf, tennis, the outdoors, taking walks, the theatre and romantic times, to share a long-term relationship.

Ad# 8025 TO THE POINT This athletic SWM, 42, 6', enjoys working out and is seeking a slim DW Catholic F, of any age, to spend time with. Ad#.7287

SMILE WITH ME I'm an outgoing Born-Again SWCM, 35, 6'3", who enjoys outdoor activities, sports, boating and am in search of a SCR, 24-40, for a possible relationship.

MUTUAL RESPECT He's a catholic SWM, 30, 5'9", 180lbs., who is athletic, N/S, non-drinker, physically fit and shy at first, seeking a slender, attractive, N/S, SWF, 24-33, who likes the outdoors, motocross, mountain biking and basketball. Ad#.1239

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SMILE WITH ME I'm a SBM, 26, 6'2' with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys playing basket-ball, movies and more, in search of a SWF, 21-29, Ad#,8222

THE ANSWER IS HERE Professional, outgoing SBCM, 33, 6, 185lbs, never-married, enjoys music, concerts, dining out, the park and traveling, He is seeking a SCF, 21+, with similar interests. Ad#.8262

DEEP BELIEFS

He's a tim, muscular, professional SWM, 26, who is involved in church activities. His hobbies are working around his home, riding his motoreycle, going to church and is looking for a SWF, 22-27, who likes a good conversation. Ad# 1234 EASY TO PLEASE

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He's an outgoing, friendly SBM, 25, an employed student, who likes barbecues, spending time with family and 'friends, outdoor sports and is looking to meet a sincere, honest SBF, for good times 'Ad#.7000 THE SEARCH IS OVER

Are you tired of being alone? Well let, me keep you company. I'm a self-employed SW dad, 41, 5'11', who enjoys cooking, outdoor activities, and is in search of an attractive SWCF, 27-35, children welcome. Ad#.7002 LOVING & CARING

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LONG-TERM

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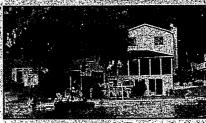
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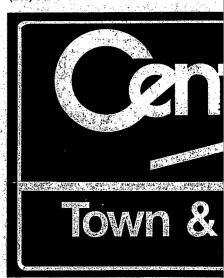
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ometimes I wonder where I'm going with my life and all this media stuff. It seems that every day lately something happens to create new door openings to more and bigger ventures.

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The final stages of paperwork have been completed in putting the radio show into syndication across this country and the fall season starts the period of dozens of personal appearances. Let me give you a few details of why it's an exciting time in my life.,

A service school: A few years ago I wrote about the need for service technicians across this country. Thousands are needed by every source providing appliance service and there are hardly any available. I wrote that I might someday start my own school and as a result I received many inquiries from readers of this column. This past week I had lunch

with Jim Scholz of the Whirlpool Corp., and he assured me that a school would start very soon. There are several manufacturers along with Sears putting this school, together, and it will be announced by several means along with the guy writing this column.

I am so pleased about this for many reasons. It will provide a lifetime job for many people. It will assure that consumers are receiving service from trained technicians and it will help clean up the image of the service industry. The fact that Sears and Whirlpool will be heavily involved lends a touch of First Class to the school. Stay tuned for all the details in the weeks ahead.

I have been asked to be an advisory member of the new Farmington Hills Ethics Committee. This is currently in the planning stages and wait until it gets into operation. They will be setting up a sample of what I hope the rest of the country will follow. Consumers will have a direct contact within the city of Farmington Hills to find out what a certain business is all about. Let the crooks beware - you won't last long.

For the past eight years state Rep. Lyn Bankes and I have been working so hard to pass the Appliance Repair Act in Lansing and today is still not a law. The last few weeks have created some renewed interest by our state government. I'm getting calls from politicians who want to make this happen, and I swear, if they can get it done, I'll vote for them as soon as I become an American citizen. Stay tuned for that part of my

As I mentioned, the personal appearances start big time at this point and I just spent some time with the Five Star Chamber Expo., this year located in Westland. It was a complete success with hundreds of area residents coming to visit and meet the very businesses who serve Westland, Canton, Wayne, Garden City and Dearborn Heights. I was very humbled by the whole thing. There I was signing pictures for consumers and talking with them and being treated like some sort of celebrity. I think that people forget, I'm just a washer dryer repair man. Coming up on Sept. 24, the Novi Home Improvement Show. See you there.

Joe Gagnon is a weekend talk show host on 760 WJR. He can be reached at (313)873-9789



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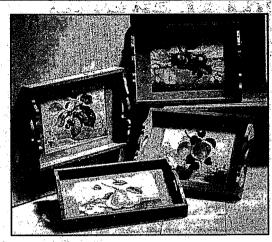
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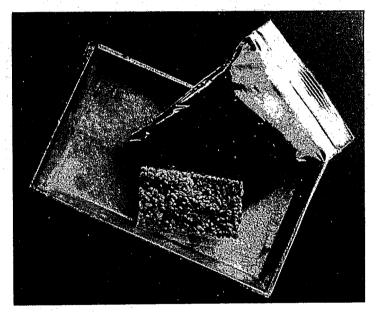
Terrific trays

Harvest home: Scott Shuptrine Fine Furniture in Troy and Novi features these handpainted wood decorative trays from the Homes Co. Each has apples, pears, peaches or cherries in a warm natural painted finish.



Garden picks

Flower power: Decorative faux flowers in fanciful handpainted clay flower pots, offered at Jacobson's, add color year round to any room. The flowers come in four styles: tulip, iris, crocus or cyclamen for \$10 each or three for \$27. Assorted 4-inch flower pots are available for \$16 each.

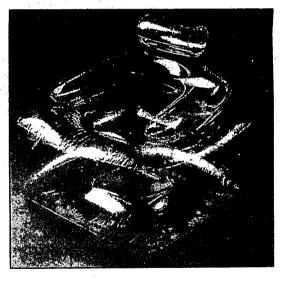


Lawn shot

Grow with it: Cultivate and tend to your own personal desktop terrain with this desktop lawn, available for \$18 at Chiasso at Somerset Collection North, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy. Grass seed and soil are provided, along with a polished aluminum tray. You provide the water and a little care. It can even be trimmed with scissors. Call (248) 643-6550.

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focus on photography

Build a strong photo foundation

By MONTE NAGLER Special Writer

As you know, all good relationships are built upon a solid foundation. In photography, the same often holds true.

Today, I'm going to talk about a smart way to add strength and impact to your photographs by a technique I call "adding foundation to your shots."

It's easy to do and you'll be pleasantly surprised at the difference in your finished prints:

By "foundation," I'm referring to foreground objects that add a basis or footing to your composition.

For example, a dazzling sunset settling on the lake will produce a stirring shot but it will be much stronger if you include a bit of shoreline or that gnarled piece of driftwood as a "foundation."

The distant, snow-capped mountain sure looks dramatic, but don't you think an improvement would be made if you were to add that pile of boulders in the foreground?

The old fishing cove is indeed charm-

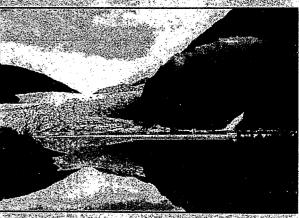
ing, but how about making your shot even better by including some fishing boats or a bit of netting as a foundation?

Adding a basis to your scenic photographs is like adding footing and support to a structure. Your pictures will be esthetically more pleasing and will also help to show a scale of reference. Oftentimes a foundation will help to "complete" your photo by giving more information to the viewer.

The most important way you can add foundation to your pictures is to slow down and really "look." Carefully study your subject and analyze its surroundings. Ask yourself, "How best can I enhance the subject and show it in its best light? What complements it and how can these elements be used effectively in the composition?" It's almost like accessorizing that new set of clothes so that they are worn and shown in the best possible way.

Remember that in adding a foundation to your photograph you must pay

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Sale to help abused children

Abused children will benefit when Birmingham-Bloomfield area interior designers have the Designer's Gargantuan Garage Sale Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25-26, in the former Crowley's building, Old Woodward and Hamilton in Birm-

Proceeds from the sale will benefit CARE HOUSE Children's Center, home of the Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland County and its prevention, intervention and treatment programs for abused children and families.

CARE HOUSE has remodeled a building at 800 S. Woodward in Pontiac to provide treatment for youngsters and community activities to focus on the needs of abused and neglected children, said design team member Jeffrey King.

"Yet, CARE HOUSE needs money to decorate the facility to the child-friendly home it needs to be," King said.

"When children are brought to the center for interviews regarding abuse or

treatment, they will find a very special place in which to feel safe."

Thanks to area designers, the building will be a special place for abused youngsters to begin the important cycle

Donations are still needed for the sale, King said. He and the other designers and their clients have donated generously. But, more is needed to make it the "gargantuan" sale he knows it can be to help children.

Call King's office at (248) 646-3353 to arrange for pickup of your donated furniture and other items.

The volunteer design team of CARE HOUSE also includes Paul Canvasser, Linda Golden, David King, Judee Lewis, Kevin McNanamon, Richard Ross, Sandy Seligman and Amy Weinstein.

Donors will be given acknowledgment of their gifts for tax purposes, King

at home calendar

■ Antiques of Troy Corners displays 19th century indigo blue and white quilts from the Albert and Merry Silber Antique Quilt Collection 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. now through Saturday, Sept. 19, in the shop on the second level of the Merrillwood Building, on Merrill south of Maple between Southfield Road and Woodward in Birmingham. Merry Silber will be available for free verbal appraisals of antique and contemporary quilts 1-3 p.m. daily. Call (248) 594-8330.

■ Canterbury Stained Glass, 1067 E. Long Lake Road in Troy, will have a day of free demonstrations, "Inspirational Ideas for Home and Garden," Saturday, Sept. 19. Learn how to create a mosaic garden bench 11:30 a.m. Meet Catherine Huben, author of "Suntiles," 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. See demonstrations of new tools, glass, paint and outdoor lighting 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Richard Reardon will show Glass Magic 4.0, 1:30-4 p.m.; tuition \$15. Call (248) 619-9172.

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particular attention to depth-of-field. You'll ruin what otherwise may have been a dynamic picture by having the foreground out of focus.

Use your depth-of-field scale on the lens barrel and your depth-of-field preview to make sure everything is going to be sharp. You may want to favor your wide angle lens to not only get more in the composition but to obtain even greater depth-of-field in your shot.

So get the relationship between you and your photography onto a solid basis - by using foundations when you shoot!

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (248) 644-

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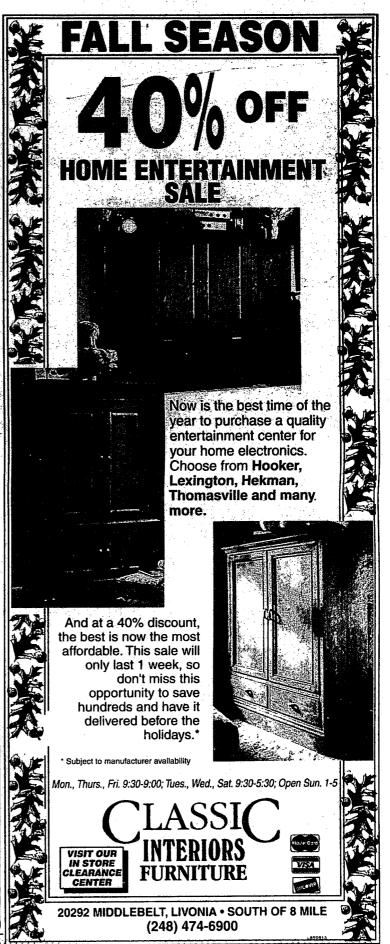
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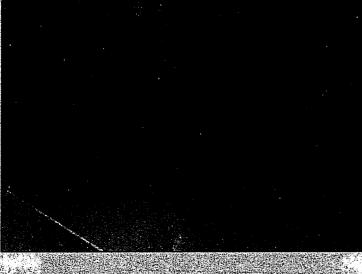
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Floor show: G

BY MARY KLEMIC At Home Editor

The floors in every room of your house shine with wax or polish or are ador with carpeting or rugs. The path leading from the sidewalk to your front door, smaller paths around and through your yard and garden, feature paving attractive designs.

But what about your garage floor? You can bring a lot of dirt and dust into y house after walking on street dirt and moist oil spots in the garage. Plain cond is unattractive and stains. But it's possible to have a decorative garage floor the court of maintain.

Many homeowners aren't stopping floor decoration at the door to the garage house or at paved paths. With a floor coating system by HomePro of Southf surfaces of garage and basement floors can be transformed from plain concrete custom colors, patterns, even images. The floors can be cleaned by mopping williquid floor degreaser.

"People are really excited about it," said Mike Kaneris of HomePro, at the c pany's office at 24455 Telegraph.

HomePro provides an installation service, not just laying down a floor.
"We know concrete,"

Kaneris has worked in the residential and commercial painting and decorating business all his life – with his father's commercial and residential painting company as a student in the 1960s, running his own residential painting firm in the 1970s, heading a larger commercial painting company in the 1980s, helping other contractors with marketing, sales and estimating needs today.

He joined with another entrepreneur and helped him develop a simple waterbase epoxy system the homeowner could install. Then, he teamed with an industrial flooring company entrepreneur to form a residential contracting service.

"Whether I was working in someone's home or place of business, people were frequently asking what would work on their garage or basement floors.

"In the basement, consumers worry about water damage to carpet and tile, yet there wasn't much variety of decorative concrete finishes to choose from. Plain shades of concrete gray or tile red were the two mainstays in colors. For garages, there were not too many products on the market that could hold-up to the environment of automotive fluids and hot tire pickup.

"The real nightmare for consumers was in choosing which prod-

Concrete ideas: A

floor coating system by HomePro of Southfield makes garage and basement floors decorative and easy to maintain. The system offers a variety of styles, even team logos or other custom designs. and

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ucts were best suited to coat the concrete and the laborious work involved for proper installation."

Kaneris' service took the same high performance coatings used commercially and created a variety of decorative finishes for them.

The process takes two to three days, depending on the type of project: dustproofer, standard, classic or premier. The first half-day is preparation, during which a prime coat is put down. Cost is \$1 to \$2 per square foot.

"Every floor is really a custom job.

"We can install team colors and team logos."

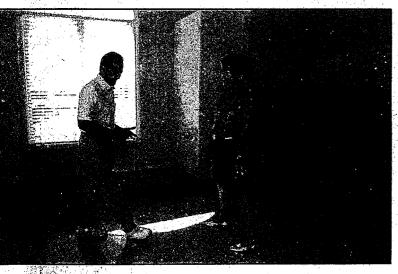
Janet Honess of Shelby Township lives in a new development. The work going on in the development raises a lot of dust that bothered the hardwood floor in the house. HomePro was working on a neighbor's house and Honess decided to have the floor coating done in her garage. She is pleased with the results.

"It's very easy to take care of, real nice looking," said Honess, an interior designer.

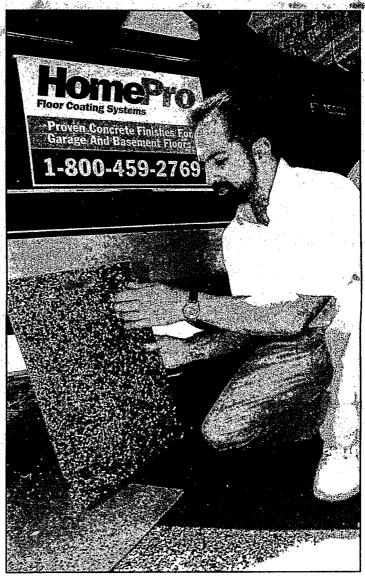
"The workers were wonderful, very tidy and very pleasant."

The project, done in June, covered the floor with a surface of sandalwood paint with flecks of epoxy interspersed in it, "almost like a faux finish," she said.

Call HomePro at (800) 459-2769.







Floor-ishing: Many homeowners are giving their garage floors attractive surfaces. Mike Kaneris of HomePro and customer Ann Tillinger examine the Tillingers' newly finished garage floor (photos at left). Kaneris shows some of the different floor styles available (above). Staff photos by John Stormzand.

Grape idea: Visit Michigan wineries

By MARTY FIGLEY Special Writer

Wine is considered to be "the nectar of the gods" and to enjoy a good glass of

wine is a satisfying experience.

All over our state, luscious ripe grapes are being harvested into Michigan wines for our enjoyment. There are 19 vineyards in Michigan, making grapes an important agricultural crop. said field representative David Creighton of the Michigan Grape and Wine Industry Council.

"From the middle of August through September and October, weather plays an important part on the quality of wine being produced," said Doug Welsch, president, Fenn Valley Vineyards of Fen-

"If the weather is cool and wet, the grapes tend to be less sweet and higher in acidity. Wines from these vintages can make for great wines where fruity characters are emphasized, such as Rieslings, blushes and blends.

Warm and sunny weather, on the other hand, results in sweeter fruit with a lower acidity, which is perfect for barrel-aged dry white wines and big pow-

A frost doesn't make the wine sweeter, he said; actually a freeze damages or kills the leaves that are responsible for the sugars associated with ripening the grapes. Once the leaves are damaged there's no further ripening and the grapes cease to get any sweeter

The vines are prepared for the coming winter at this time also.

In mid-August, veraison occurs when the grapes begin to ripen and the vines stop growing. In early May the welltended vines, which have been growing on long rows of wire for miles and miles, it seems, produce little new shoots that arise from within the tiny buds. These shoots grow in length for a month or so and the tiny flower clusters (resembling tiny bunches of grapes) begin to expand and by mid-June the air is filled with a pungent fragrance.

"June is the time when the winegrower inspects a young grape leaf, attached to its stem to the growing end of the shoot. At the tip of the shoot a tiny new pale fuzzy green leaf is emerging. Farther back down the shoot, every three or four inches, older leaves live," šáid Larry Mawby, Ĺ. Mawby Vineyards of Suttons Bay.

"Leaves and the vine itself play an important part in the life of each plant, nourishing all parts of it from the fruit to the roots.

In July and August the leafy shoots and grape clusters expand and grow. Hot and sunny weather at this time ensures that the vines will grow and establish a large "canopy" with enough leaves to fully ripen a large crop.

"As the winegrower holds in his hand a young leaf, beside it on the shoot other leaves and flower clusters, all growing, he anticipates the fruit to be harvested, the toil in the vineyard in the months ahead," Mawby said.

"But the vine does not anticipate, it merely grows, reaching into the air for the sun and into the earth for nourishment, producing the fruit that will be

This is a good time to visit Michigan wineries to see the production of wine, sample the products and stock the wine cellar. For a map of Michigan wineries and tasting centers, call David

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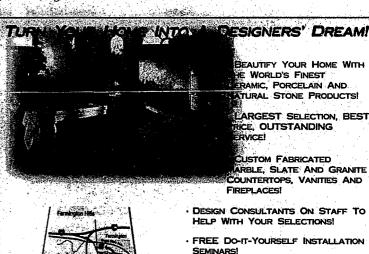
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You can leave Marty Figley a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859.

Linens topic

The Michigan Weavers Guild will present "Reflections from a Flaxen Past," a look at Lithuanian linens, with weaver/author M. Kati Meek noon Thursday, Sept. 17, at the Farmington Hills Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile. Call (248) 625-1904.





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It's 'back to' time so have a party

By Ruth Mossok Johnston Special Writer

With the kids back in school, it's a perfect time to do a "Back To" party – it could be back to school ... or for those of you who do not experience the pitter patter of pencils on the dining room table doing homework – how about a back to the '50s party? ('40s? '30s? Or even Back to the Future?)

Back To The '50s is easy to accessorize - get out all those old vinyl 45s and LPs and string them with fishing line from the ceiling.

Diner-type napkin and drinking sträw holders are aplenty at all of the discount warehouse stores (Sam's Club, Cosco, etc.) New Coca Cola memorabiliaris plentiful at Amazing Savings on Orchard Lake Rd. in West Bloomfield, and their other location, on Greenfield Road in Oak Park. The great old original Coca Cola stuff is still obtainable (very pricey!!) at local antique shops and the Saline Antiques Show (the 3rd Sunday of the month – through early fall.

GERMAN SOUR CREAM TWISTS

(A recipe given to me by Adriana

Kerber of Westland) – Adriana says, "This is an old Betty Crocker recipe from many years ago. These horseshoe twists are almost as rich as Danish Pastry, and they're made with yeast for added lightness and flavor. There's no kneading and this dough does not rise.

"The rolling is easy too, since the dough is first chilled to make it firm."

Yield: about 5 dozen

Ingredients:

3 1/2 cups sifted flour

1 teaspoon salt

1 cup shortening, part butter (Adriana uses all Fleischmann's Original

Margarine)

1/4 cup warm water

3/4 cup thick sour cream

1 whole egg, plus 2 egg yolks, well beaten

1 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup sugar (Adriana doesn't measure, she just sprinkles it on the rolling

surface)

Sift flour and salt into mixing bowl. Cut in shortening. Dissolve yeast in warm water. Stir into flour mixture along with sour cream, eggs and vanilla.

Mix well with large spoon. Cover with damp cloth and refrigerate over night or for several hours.

Roll half of the dough on sugared board into oblong 8x16 inches. Fold into half, folding ends toward the center, ends overlapping. Sprinkle with sugar and roll again to same size. Repeat a third time. Roll about 1/4 inch thick, then cut into strips 1x4 inches. Twist ends into horseshoe shape and place on an ungreased baking sheet – pressing ends to keep shape. Repeat with rest of dough. Heat oven to 375 degrees F.

Bake about 15 minutes or until delicately browned. Take from baking sheet immediately. Cool.

FRUIT AND MACADAMIA NUT OATMEAL COOKIES

These delicious fruited and nut oatmeal cookies can be done minus the fruit.

Add chocolate chunks or chocolate chips instead. If macadamia nuts are not your favorite – add the nuts of your choice or leave them out and double up on the fruit or chocolate. Make sure if serving these nutted cookies to guests,

the nuts are visible and that your guests have no nut allergies!

Yield: about 3 dozen

1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter or margarine, room temperature

1 cup light brown sugar, firmly packed

1 large egg

1 tablespoon fresh orange zest (if you don't have a zester, grate the peel of an orange - only the colored part no bitter white pith!)

1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract

1 cup all purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/4 teaspoon ground ginger

1/4 teaspoon salt

3 cups old-fashioned oats (not the quick type)

3/4 cup chopped Macadamia nuts (leave pieces large enough to taste the nut!)

3/4 cup dried Michigan cherries, cranberries or blueberries

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By LISA LUCKOW-HEALY Special Writer

When your son buys one too many comic books or your daughter begs for another Barbie, you may want to throw up your arms and scream "No more!" In

your mind, you already have too much junk around the house without adding

But think back to your childhood days and the collections you prized until you felt you were too old for them or your parents threw them out. Are you thankful you got rid of that useless junk or do you cringe at the thought of what your prized rookie card would have been worth today?

The Beanie Baby craze has fueled the collectibles market fire. Parents and children will push and shove in fast food restaurant lines just to get their hands on the small gems that are said to fetch a nice price tag some day.

Before you pass judgment on your

child's collectible fetish, consider its value - to your child and the collector's market. Is your child truly attached to the nature of the collection?

Consider your child's age. Is he between the ages of 10 and 17 when many experts say children take their collections seriously? Does he understand that a collection that will be worth something some day needs to be cared for properly?

If necessary, buy two of an item so there is one to enjoy and one to put away in the original packaging to retain its value. For example, professional Barbie collectors generally associate off-theshelf, in-the-box neatness with greater

Popular collectibles on the market today include action figures, Hot Wheels, baseball cards, Little Golden Books, Barbie dolls, comic books, and sports memorabilia.

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baking (cookie) sheets with butter, mar -- fruit of your choice;

garine or non-stick spray With an electric mixer, beat butter and sugar in large bowl until light and fluffy. Add in egg, orange zest (peel) and vanilla

In a separate bowl, mix together: flour, baking powder, ground cinnamon, ground ginger, and salt.

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Add in oats, macadamia nuts and dried

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Daum creative director Christian - West Bloomfield store; 6370 Orchard Poincignon will make a personal appearance noon to 4 p.m. Thursday. Sept. 17, at Neiman Marcus in the Somerset Collection, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy. Poincignon will be in The Galleries on level three to sign select Daum purchases. With any \$750 Daum purchase, customers will receive a Daum Delighted Nature Frog (\$70

English Gardens conducts free weekly seminars in September and October at its four locations. The next topic, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, at the

Lake Road, is "Plant Bulbs Now for Spring Color." Call (248) 851-7506.

Outstanding works of Tiffany art glass will be exhibited for the first time when "Tiffany: Essence of Light, The Meadow Brook Hall Collection" runs Sept. 26 through Nov. 15 at Oakland University's Meadow Brook Gallery, adjacent to the Meadow Brook Theatre box office at OU, off Adams in Rochester. The show is free. The opening preview is Friday, Sept. 25; reservations are \$100 per person and include a reception in the exhibition gallery followed by dinner at Meadow Brook Hall (dress is business attire). Call (248) 370-3140 for dinner reservations, group tour appointments or more information.

■ The Oakland County Michigan State University Extension has developed a six-week master composter course, covering the basics of composting, current legislation and local ordinances, compost systems and equipment, compost chemistry, application to soils, uses of finished compost and reducing yard waste prior to composting. The course will be offered 1-3:30 p.m. Wednesdays beginning Sept. 30 at the Oakland County MSU office's instructional room in the North Office Building, 26 East, 1200 N. Telegraph in Pontiac. The \$35 tuition cost includes a resource notebook and 15 hours of instruction by regional MSU Extension agents, MSU specialists and other local experts. Registration deadline is Monday, Sept. 21. For more information or to register, call the Oakland Extension office at (248) 858-0887.

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Collectibles experts agree that an item that will be of greater value in the future is often associated with a wellknown television or film character. Action figures associated with "Star Wars," G.L. Joe and "Star Trek: The Next Generation" are good examples of figures people will remember 20 years from now

Set aside some time with your children to investigate their interests. If you don't know exactly what they are because your children have a little bit of everything, take the time to clue yourself in on what collectibles they value over others. Suggest the idea of expanding on a given interest. Talk about how a collection may be of some value in the future, if you feel the conversation is going in that direction.

What's important to remember in supporting your children's collectible cravings is their desire to prize what they consider their treasures, whether the items are worth something in the future or not.











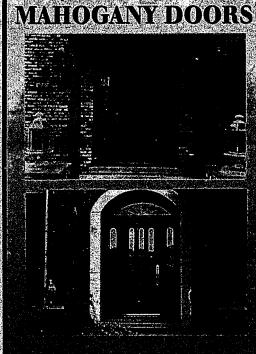
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SATURDAY



The Chenille Sisters kick off the Millennium Centre's 1998-98 season 2 p.m. in a family show designed to delight children ages 3-8. Tickets \$10, available at the box office, 15600 J. L. Hudson Drien Southfield of Ticketmaster, outlets Call (248) 552-3225.

SUNDAY,



Robert Goulet stars in "Camelot" 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Fox Theatre. Tickets \$17.50 to \$42.50, available at the Fox Theatre Box Office, and all Ticketmaster locations, call (248) 433-1515.



Hot Tix: Jazz violinist Christian Howes performs 🦠 12:30 p.m. Sunday, on the Wayne State Stage during the 12th Annual Detroit Festival of the Arts, Friday+ Sunday, Sept. 18-20 in Detroit's Cultural Center area. The celebration of the arts features more than 500. visual and performing artists Admission is free Call (313) 677-5088 for more information.

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Alan Thicke enjoys 'sleazy lawyer' role in Broadway musical

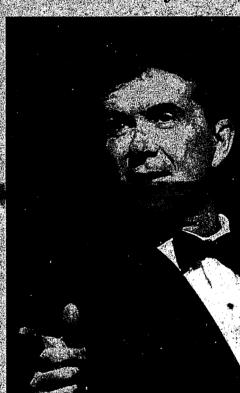


Photo above Stephanie Pope (center) as Velma Kelly, and company perform "All That Jazz' in the sixtime Tony-Award winning Broad

Alan Thicke.

war 8145 a.m. Houston time involved in a musical revue with ber and Gilda Radner But the

ing of radiovacds television interviews to promote his appearance in the fouring company of "Chicago"
"You have to be in a limo" be said by cellular phone; "it's 300 degrees

Thicke, best known for his role as the dad in the hit situation comedy "Growing Pains," is playing slick lawyer and con artist Billy Flynn in the Bob Fosse, Kander Ebb musical that won a new lease on life when it was restaged to critical acclaim on

was restaged to critical acclaim on Broadway a couple years ago.

The touring company opens at Detroit's Fisher Theater Tuesday, Sept. 22, the last stop for Thicke before he joins the New York cast.

Though most remember Thicke as the affable psychiatrist Jason Sever in "Growing Pains" he actually got his start in music, as a rock and roll singer and in musical comedy. singer and in musical comedy

"I had my training in musical the ater in Toronto," he said: "I was

wasn't much call for a singing and dencing psychiatrist dad on a situa-

Thicke said he did a production of "Promises, Promises" last year with "Seinfeld's" Jason Alexander, another sit-com performer who got his start in musical theater. Though he had been offered roles on Broadway, nothing felt right until "Chicago"

came along.

"Chicago" originally opened in 1975 to moderate success, though it featured a lively score by John Kander and Fred Ebb and innovative choreography by Bob Fosse. Two years ago, the musical was revived under the direction of Walter Bobble and with choreography by Ann Reinking in the Fosse style. It won tave reviews and has been drawing rave reviews and has been drawing sell-out audiences.

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COMMUNITY THEATER

Avon Players off to a smashing start with 'Oliver!'

BY LISA BUCZKO SPECIAL WRITER

Avon Players' season opener has all the ingredients for success: a charismatic leading actor; excellent set design, costumes, lighting, choreography; and, an orchestra that's in tune with the play's original music.

If the sold-out opening night performance is any indication of this year's bill, it should be a very good year for community theater in Rochester Hills.

Based on Dickens' "Oliver Twist," the Avon Player's musical rendition was expertly produced by Marlaina Jurco, directed and choreographed by Karen Upchurch (who stood in for Bet on opening night). Margaret Wunschl handed the musical direc-

Overall, the Avon Player's "Oliver!" has the right touch of humor and dramatic pacing. In addition to the well-timed execution, the chorus was in perfect harmony and the

choreography in step. In his acting debut, 9-year-old Dennis Strach's charming and spirited portrayal of this classic ragamuffin orphan stole the show. While most Oliver's are fair of hair, Strach has puppy dog brown eyes and very ■ If the sold-out opening night performance is any indication of this year's bill, it should be a very good year for community theater in Rochester Hills.

dark hair. He was more than convincing and added a breath of fresh air to Dickens' well-loved tale.

Another stand-out young actor making his debut on Avon's stage was 12-year-old Jon Dalton, who played the adorable trouble-maker Artful Dodger with plenty of attitude. His accent was flawless and he more than complemented Avon veteran Rick Gebbie's manipulative,

conniving Fagin. Nancy, played by Kristy North-cote, also a veteran of Avon, gave a fiery, colorful performance as Fagin's love interest. Her well-projected voice combined with her shining

confidence radiated the stage.

John Dejerlein did a wonderful job with the lighting design, which enhanced the scenery, time of day and complemented the ambiance of the production.

The only production element a bit off key was the sound. Considering "Oliver!" is the Avon Players initial production of the season, there's no doubt the system quirks and distracting feedback will soon be ironed-out.

Meanwhile, the orchestra was seamless, made up of Margaret Wunschl on keyboard, Baron Von Korno on trumpet, Lord Nelson on trombone, Lady Anne on flute, Sir Harold DeClarino on Clarinet and Tom-Tom Aston on percussion.

Of course, since "Oliver!" is a musical, the singing is crucial. Avon Players didn't disappoint.

From "Food, Glorious Food", sung by Oliver and the orphans, and "That's Your Funeral" by Mr. & Mrs. Sowerberry (Jeff Schuster and Peggy Jones), to "I'll Do Anything," by Artful Dodger, Nancy, Oliver, Bet, Fagin and the kids and the beloved "Oom-pah-pah" by Nancy and the chorus, the singing was uplifting and hit all the right notes.

Avon Players' production of Oliverl is a show that has something for everyone - from the young to the young at heart.

Avon Players 1998-99 Season

Avon Players is celebrating their 51st season this year. A season highlight is "Children of Eden," a musical from Stephen Schwartz, the composer/lyricist of "Godspeli" and "Pippin," and John Caird, to be presented in Adach

"I think we're the first community theater group in the area to do this fabulous musical," said Jean Garringer.
"It should be spectacular, There's a huge children's

All shows are at 8 p.m., except for Sunday matinees which are at 2 p.m. This year, Avon Players added a 1 p.m. Saturday matinee for its current production, "Oilver!".

TICKETS are \$15 for musicals, and \$13 for nonmusicals with student, senior and group rates available for Thursday and Sunday performances.

SEASON TICKETS are \$65, and includes all five shows. Performances are at the theater on Tlenken Road (1 1/4 miles east of Rochester Road) in Rochester Hills. Call (248) 608-9077 for ticket infor-

- *Oliver!" 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, 1 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20; 8 p.m. Friday Saturday, Sept. 25-26, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27; 8 p.m. Thursday Saturday, Oct, 1-3.
- "The Foreigner" Oct. 30-31 and Nov. 1; Nov. 6-8;
- The Children's Hour March 5-7; March 12-14; March 18-20.
- "Children of Eden" April 30, May 1-2; May 7-8; May 14:16; May 20-22.

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"Chicago" is based on a 1920s Maurine Dallas Watkin's play that was also the basis for the Ginger Rogers' movie "Roxie Hart" Roxie kills her boyfriend and tries to get her husband to take the rap. She competes for tabloid headline space and the services of slickster lawyer Billy Flynn with husband killer Velma

The story as devised by Fosse is told as a fast-paced vaudeville with minimal sets and no costume changes. It is a satirical look at the roaring '20s of fast-talking lawyers, leggy chorines and tabloid journalism.

"The show has wonderful tunes, lots of laughs, gorgeous women in fishnet costumes and ${f I}$. only have to wear one costume in the show, which settled the whole thing," said Thicke

Thicke enjoys it when reviewers describe how "shifty, sleazy and smarmy" he is as Flynn But, he adds, Flynn is also very

"He's a guy who lives for fame women and money. If it took place in the 90s, he'd be a lawyer with his own TV show and collection of power ties," he said.

Indeed, the similarity between recent courtroom cases and the musical is often attributed for

the show's stunning hit status Stephanie Pope will be appear-ing as Velma and Belle Calaway

will play Roxie. "It's a challenging role for. women in those parts. There is lots of technical and precise Bob Fosse choreography required," Thicke, said. "It's also very involved vocally, the Kander and Ebb score is not easy. It requires

laughs, gorgeous women in fishnet costumes and I only have to wear one costume in the show."

> Alan Thicke on 'Chicago'

range, strength and conviction." Despite the minimal setting and costuming, the show has

been praised for its energy. "The appeal of this show is the emphasis on performance talent, musical composition and writing. It's about basic skills without

mirrors and technical gimmicks,

Though he's enjoying the show. Thicke finds traveling can be exhausting. He will have visited more than a dozen cities before going to Broadway. But he does find time to spend with his year-old son, Carter William. Thicke also has two older sons by a previous marriage; Brennan, 23, and Robin, 21.

This has been a wonderful see America in the summer tour," he

Thicke grew up in rural Ontario, attended Western Ontario University in London where he discovered he didn't new son was born have the stomach for medicine "And Leonardo (and joined the "great Canadian show business conspiracy. Thicke is one of the names listed in a humorous Web site detailing the takeover of Hollywood by

"That's where it all starts, teenagers who can't buy beer in all those border towns – Detroit, Buffalo, Sault St. Marie. We hit

those towns first," he joked. Thicke made his first forsy into the United States with 'Growing Pains."

When you're in a hit for that many years, it enables the rest of many years, it enables the rest of your life. I was lucky enough to have a hit like that, it takes eare of the rest of your career. It spoils you, you develop a reputation and are able to work," he said

Thicke said a regular series also teaches "quick study flexi-bility and adaptability" He added that sometimes a hit show is wasted on child actors who easily get bored and want to move on to other things.

Those are noble goals, but you have to be careful about severing those ties. It's a cruel world out there," he said.

Thicke said his sons are about the same age as his "Growing Pains" co-stars Kirk Cameron and Tracey Gold and often came on the set.

Thicke continues to keep in contact with other members of the cast. He said Joanna Kerus remains a close friend and that he and Tracey Gold renewed, acquaintance when she had a baby around the same time his

"And Leonardo (DiCaprio) has had a pretty good year," he said.

Landing in a hit musical like "Chicago" has made it a "pretty good year" for Alan Thicke as



Season opener: King Sextimus (Frederick Shulak, clockwise from left), Queen Aggravain (Maureen Cook), and Prince Dauntless (Karl Miller) wonder if Winnifred (Anne Conlon) will pass the test in Stagecrafters' production of "Once Upon A Mat-

Fairy-tale opens Stagecrafters

Stagecrafters opens its 1998.

99 season with Once Upon A
Mattress, music by Mary
Rodgers lyrics by Marshall
Barer, and book by Jay Thompson, Dean Fuller and Marshall
Barer, The production runs Friday, Sept. 18 through Sunday,
Oct. 11 at the historic Baldwin
Theories 415 S. Lafavette Ave in Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette Ave. in downtown Royal Oak.

"Once Upon A Mattress" is an hilarious retelling of the fairy-tale – "The Princess and the Pea" set to a delightful score.

The domineering Queen Aggravain (Maureen Cook of Beverly Hills) has already frightened the voice from her husband, the mute King Sextimus (Freder ick Shulak of Rochester Hills), and now, anxious to keep her son Prince Dauntless the Drab (Karl Miller of Troy) attached to her apron strings, has rejected a dozen girls for marriage to her

Since the law states no one shall mærry until Dauntless does, the prince's single status poses a problem for the lords and ladies of the small medieval kingdom who are anxious to marry, Particularly distressed are Sir Harry (Vincent DeRita of Eastpointe) and Lady Larken (Kelly Janney of Rochester Hills) who are already expecting a

Harry, after searching far and wide for a princess for Dauntless, returns with Winnifred (Anne Conlon). Winnifred arrives drenched as she was far too eager to wait for the drawbridge and she swam the moat instead, and proceeds to win the heart of Prince Dauntless.

Every potential wife must pass one of the queen's tests. Skepti-cal that Winifred is a true princess, the queen, in cahoots with the wizard (John Miller). decides to place a pea underneath a pile of mattresses. If she is so delicate as to be kept awake by the pea, her royal lineage will

Deborah Landis-Singler, of Clawson is directing the cast of 28. Tickets are \$12 to \$14, all seats reserved. Call (248) 541-6480. Performances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19, Thursday Saturday, Sept. 24-26; Friday Saturday, Oct. 2-3, Friday Saturday, Oct. 9-10, 2 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 20, Oct. 4 and Oct. 11, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27.

The cast also features Amanda Bayly, Eric Kent Franz and Diana Geralt of Beverly Hills; Alonzo Luzod of Farmington Hills, Matt Horn and Rick Par-son of Lathrup Village, Hal Levine of Southfield, Lynn Koch and Amanda Byly of Troy.

Here's the rest of the season schedule:

The Heiress" by Ruth Goetz and Augusta Goetz, suggested by the Henry James' novel "Washington Square" – Nov. 13-15, Nov. 19-22, Nov. 27-29

■ "Promises," Promises," by Neil Simon — Jan 22-24, Jan 28-31, Feb. 6-7, Feb. 12-14 (Dinner theater packages available, call (248) 586-1313)

(248) 586-1313) ■ Light Up the Sky, a comedy by Moss Hart – March 12-14, March 18-21, March 26-28.

"Crazy for You," the new Gershwin musical, music and lyrics by George Gershwin and Ira Gershwin, book by Ken Lud-wig — May 14-16, May 20-23, May 28-30, June 4-6

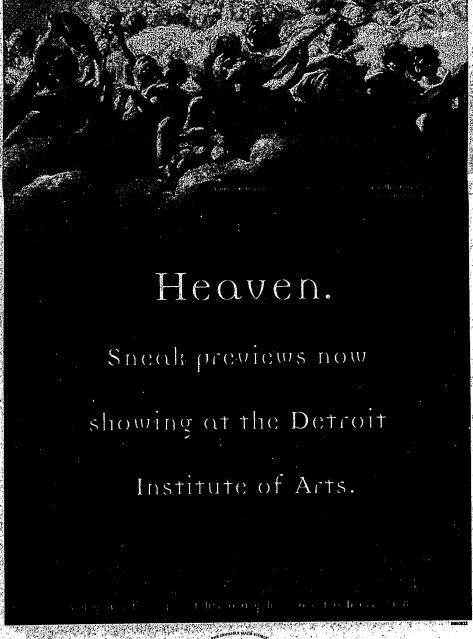
2nd Stage Season on the upper level of the Baldwin Theatre. Call (248) 541-6430 for tickets. Five Women Wearing the

Here is the schedule for the

Same Dress," a comedy by Alan Ball - Oct. 23-25, Oct. 29-31, and Nov. 1. Tickets \$7

Assassins," music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim book by John Weitman, based on an idea by Charles Gilbert, Jr. - April 16-18, April 22-25, April 30, May 1-2. Tickets \$9

■ "After-Play," by Anne Meara
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Directing: Co-directors Sue Rogers and Cynthia Tupper watch as the Farmington Players work on a scene during rehearsal.

Players musical revue a barn burner

"Broadway Barned: A Musical Revue," a lively look back at the Farmington Players past, 8 ne Furmington Frayers pust, 8-p.m. Fridays-Saturdays. Sept. 18-19 and 25-26, and 2 p.m., Sun-day, Sept. 20, 32332 W. 12 Mile, west of Orchard Lake Road; Farmington Hills. \$20, proceeds to benefit the building fund. Call (248) 553-2955

"Broadway Barned" celebrates 45 years of theater by the Farm-ington Players in their venerable former dairy barn on 12 Mile Road. After more than 140 comedies, dramas and musicals, the barn is about to be replaced with a new theater with a barn motif. The stage lights will fade to black for the final time with this production of "Broadway Barned." It is a stylish, spirited entertaining musical revue featuring 25 numbers from eight popular musical comedies performed over the years.

selected songs to provide a mem-orable, fun-filled evening, "Broadway Barned" is a sentimental journey without lapsing into maudlin sentimentality.

Directors Cynthia Tupper and Suzanne Rogers keep things moving, and get in on the act with rousing performances in "Take Back Your Mink" from Guys and Dolls" (1980).

Jan Forhan's beautiful voice is the highlight of "Brigadoon" (1997) along with Ves Spindler, who is also excellent in T Believe in You" from "How to Succeed in Business" (1995). Forhan, incidentally, is scheduled to deliver a baby two days after the show closes. Now, there is a trooper.

Barbie Amann's dancing is sensationally seductive as "Lola" from "Damn Yankees" (1974). And the boys score a hit with the You Gotta Have Heart" number.

The tap dancing routine from "Anything Goes" (1993) is crisp

"Friendship"comic timing superb, "Pajama Game" (1984) is represented by a devilishly sinful rendition of "Hernando's Hideaway" with sultry lighting and special effects

And of course, those womenstarved sailors had a great time with "Nothing Like a Dame" from "South Pacific" (1982) as did the girls with "Honeybun" (and three show stopping guys in hula skirts, coconut bras and yel-

low mop wigs); The whole cast closes out the evening with a luminous performance of "Applause" (1985), which explains why they work so hard, all summer in this case, to

In addition to those above, the outstanding cast includes: Lisa Muscio, Thomas Adams, Ellen Akins, Tim Belanger, Otto Canis, Shaw Currier, Michael DeMott, Beth Egan, Craig Forhan, Dave Gilkes, Katie Gilkes, Kristie Haas, Irene Hengstebeck, Jim Manna, Maureen Mansfield, Jacquie Pouillion, Mary Lou Ryzenga, and Brian Tupper.

Benefit performances "Broadway Barned" continue through Sept. 26. It is among the first of many events designed to raise the \$900,000 required for the new air conditioned barn theater featuring expanded seating (up to 240 from 170).

Ridgedale presents 'Fascinatin' Gershwin'

the 100th birthday of George Gershwin with an evening of song and dance - "Fascinatin' Gershwin," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-29 and Sept. 25-26, 3 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 20 and Sept. 27 at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake Road (between Livernois and Crooks Road) in Troy. Tickets are \$20, \$17 for season ticket holders, call (248) 988-7049. Doors open an hour before curtain time

"Fascinatin' Gershwin," a preseason fund-raiser Ridgedale's Building Fund, is a gala evening, all wrapped around a wonderful night of song and dance. The evening begins with hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, champagne and regular punch. Enjoy coffee and desserts during intermission.

■ Ridgedale has plans for an extensive renovation to the playhouse, which includes a ticket booth, a larger green room, and expanded lobby.

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Dianne Nowland is in charge of the choreography. One specialty number will be a tap dance to "I Got Rhythm" Event proceeds will benefit Ridgedale's building fund. Ridgedale has plans for an extensive renovation to the play-house, which includes a ticket a larger green room, and expanded lobby.

The cast includes Martin Boni of Oxford, Genie Garner and Mary Jo Wilson of Rochester Hills, Diane Dillard and Holly Hellsten of Troy, and Susan Borin of West Bloomfield.

Season schedule

Ridgedale opens its 1998-99 season Friday, Nov. 6 with "Twelve Angry Jurors," by Regi-nald Rose – Adapted by Sher-man Segel. Performances Nov. 7, Nov. 13-15, and Nov. 20-22.

"A View from Here," a comedy by Margaret Dulhaney, will be presented Jan. 8-9, Jan. 15-19,

and Jan. 22-24. "Beau Jest" by James Sherman will be staged March 5-6, March 12-14, and March 19-21. The season closes with Stephen Sondheim's "Into the Woods," based on book by James Lapine, April 30, May 1-2, May 7-8, May 14-16, and May 21-23.

Season tickets are \$41, seniors or students \$37. Individual tickets are \$11, and \$13 for the musical. Call (248) 988-7049.

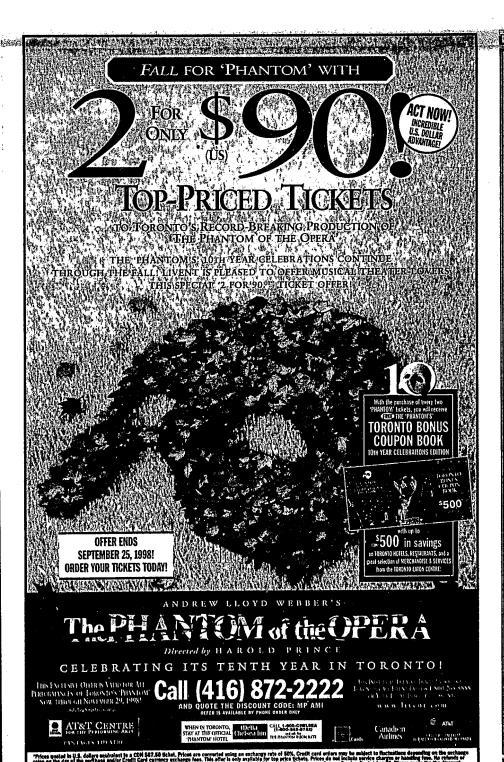
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FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Broadway Barned: A Musical Revue." a lively look back at the Farmington Players past, features many great scores from musicals performed within their intimate barn setting, 8 p.m. Fridays Saturdays, Sept. 18-19 and 25-26, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20; 32332.W. 12 Mile, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$20, proceeds to benefit the building fund. (248) 553-2955

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"The Dining Room" opens 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18 at the playhouse, 21730 Madison (southeast of Monroe and Outer Drive) Dearborn: Performances 8 p.m; Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 19-20, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25 26; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27. Tickets \$11, call (313) 561-TKTS.

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\$20 (248) 988-7049 STAGECRAFTERS

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DINNER THEATER

DAVE AND BUSTER'S

An Act of Murder," a mystery dinner theatre, 8 p.m. Saturdays through Oct 10 at Dave and Buster's, M-59 and M-53, Utica: \$32.95 per person plus tax. and gratuity, includes dinner of Caesar salad, choice of lemon herb chicken with tarragon-lemon cream sauce of dren ages 18 and younger, (810) 930-

GENITTI'S

"Pasta to Paczkis," the story of the marriage of an Italian bride and a Polish groom, through October at the restau-rant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. tant, 108 E. Mall St., Continues \$39.95 includes seven-course Italian dinner, show, tax and gratuity, Special comedy night – Stogles & Standup, Thursday, Oct. 1: Buffet dinner, 6-8 p.m., three premium cigars, Single Malti Scotch and Caribbean Rum Tasting, three hilarious comedians on stage at 8 p.m. The cost is \$40 per person, reservations required, ball (248),349-0522.

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

MARQUIS THEATRE "Reggedy Ann and Andy," 2:30 p.m.



Guest artists: The Swedish folk band Vasen, (left to right) Mikael Marin, Andre Ferrari, Olov Johansson and Roger Tallroth, performs 3 p.m. Saturday on the Center for Creative Studies Stage during the 12th Annual Detroit Festival of the Arts, Friday-Sunday, Sept. 18-20 in Detroit's Cultural Center area, bounded by Warren and Ferry, Brush and Anthony Wayne Drive, Detroit, For information, call (313) 577-5088; A celebration of the arts, the festival features more than 500 visual and performing artists, including stage and street performers, international foods, a children's fair, literary arts festival, arts procession, and youth artists market. Hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Sept. 18-20. Children's fair hours are 11. a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, and noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. Check out the Web site: www.media.wayne.edu/detroitartfest/ 🐃

Saturdays Sundays, Sept. 19:20 and 26-27, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northyille: Children ages 3 and younger not permitted (248) 349-8110 for ticket information and special school performance times and rates.

SPECIAL EVENTS

AUTUMN LEAVES DINNER DANCE 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, dancing the Mike Wolverton Band 7:30-10:30 p.m., at the Italian American Banquet Center, 39200 Five Mile, Livonia \$16.50. (313) 534-5924/(734) 422-

FESTA DEL VINO

Wine tasting and traditional family style dinner presented by Italian American Club Cultural Committee, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, at the Italian American Banquet Center, 39200 Five Mile, between Haggerty and Newburgh, Livonia, \$25 members, \$30 non-men bers, \$10-\$12.50 ages 10-15. (734) MARLBORO COUNTRY NIGHTS

DANCE SHOWDOWN"

Preliminary rounds continue 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, with the Club. Championships at 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, Diamonds and Spurs, 25 S. Saginaw, Pontiac, Winners at the Club Championship level advance to the Regional Championships held Oct. 23 in Fort Mitchell, Ky. (248) 334-4409

Featuring German beer, food and enter-talnment, 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, and noon Saturday Sunday, Sept. 26.27, St. Mary's Preparatory School, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake. (248) 683-0530 PROUD LAKE RECREATION AREA

"Autumn Adventure Walk," 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the park, 3500 Wixom Road, Milford, Free, state motor recommended for children younger than 8. (248) 685-2187 RECORD AND CD MUSIC

COLLECTIBLES EXPO

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main St. (1/2 fille north of 14 Mile Road); A Clawson \$3. (248) 546-4527. WILDLIFE CARVING SHOW AND

SALE This North American show presented by the Waterfowl Preservation & Decoy, Club of Michigan features carvings, flat art, gifts, and exhibitors painting and carving demonstrations, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday Sunday, Sept. 19-20, at the Livenia Helidome, Six Mile and L. 275, \$4, (248) 666-4550

BENEFITS STEWART FRANCKE LEUKEMIA

FOUNDATION

Fundralsing concert featuring unplugged sets by Milton Ryder, Jill Jack and Francke, Minton Ryder, Jill Jack and Francke, Minto was disprosed. With chronic myelogenous leukemia in Juna and will have a stem cell transplent in October, from 69 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4. in the lobby of the Fox Theatre, 2111, Wdoward AVe., Detroit. \$75, C48), 828-2866. undraising concert featuring GOLF FLING

Second annual Detroit Institute of Aphthalmology charity golf outling, 12:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 21, at Walnut Creek Country Club, South Lyon, \$175 (Includes golf, cart, parpe oue lunch, dinner, beverages, and prizes). Proceeds to sponsor activities

for visually impaired children and young NAMES PROJECT

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Performance of musical comedy "I Love You. You're Perfect, Now Change," 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, benefits Names Projects programs and showings of panels of the AJDS Memorial Quilt, at the Gem Theatre, 333 Madison St., Detroit, \$25, \$35, \$50. (248) 691-

NANKIN MILLS

10th annual wine and cheese fundraise 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, sample a variety of Michigan wines while learning about the future plans for Nankin Mills as an interpretive center. Come and hear what the naturalist has been doing with school groups and summer camp during the past year or tour the historic mill, 33175 Ann Arbor Trail, east of Farmington, Westland. \$20 and available 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday at the mill, or at the door. (734) 261-1990

"THE PARTNERS BALL" Featuring performances by Sister Hazel and the Atomic Fireballs, and a strolling supper by Matt Prentice's Unique Restaurant Corp., 6 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, Art Van Furniture, 6500 14 Mile Road, Warren. \$50 afterglow, \$125 friend, \$250 benefactor, benefits The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer

stitute. (800) KARMANOS, ext. 6706 RIDGEDALE PLAYERS

'Fascinating Gershwin," a gala evening wrapped around Gershwin songs, 8 p.m. Fridays Saturdays Sept. 18-19 and 25-26, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 20 and 27, to raise funds for the Players, at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake, Troy. \$20, (248) 988-7049

JOSH WHITE, JR. A benefit concert by the internationally known folk; jazz and blues artist for and Gallery, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, at Central United Methodist Church, 23 E. Adams, at Woodward, Detroit. \$15 advance, \$20 at door, \$7.50 students ivance, \$10 students at door. (313)

RUN WILD 5K run (Wheelchair accessible) and one mile, non-competitive walk to benefit the Detroit Zoo's veterinary hospital, run circle outside the zoo, walk is through the zoo, 9 a.m. Sunday, Sept re-race warm up begins 8:20 a.m. in the Detroit Zoo's south parking 10 Mile and I-696, Royal Oak, \$10-\$20. (248) 541-5717. SUNDAY, SONGS & SYMPHONY.

The Livonia Symphony Orchestra pregram of light and popular music by the orchestra, a taste of 25 area restau-rants, bakeries and food establish. ments, a slient auction, 69 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, at Livonia Mail, Seven Mile and Middlebelt; \$30, \$25 in advance, (734) 421-1111/(734) 464-

FAMILY EVENTS

DETROIT FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS Featuring the works of 125 artists as well as multi-cultural entertainment on

three outdoor stages, street performers, and a children's fair, 11 a,m, to 8 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Sept. 18-20, west of Woodward Avenue, and 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday-Sunday, Sept. 18-20, east of Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 833.

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http://www.detroithistorical.org: And concerts by The Fairfield Four, 5 p.m., and Angelique Kidio at 7 p.m. Saturday Sept. 19, The Hastings Street Revue 3 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, with Lottle "The Body," The Greystone Jazz Orchestra featuring Johnny Allen, Alberta Adams, Bruce Bradley and Otls Brown, Marion Balley, "Downtown" Tony Brown, and Jullette Killough and "The Three Sixes," at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History,

children ages 17 and younger. (313) 494-5800

MAYBURY STATE PARK "Signs of Autumn" kids' hike, 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, farm demonstration building; Horsedrawn hayrides, 1-4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays in September and October, Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck Road, Northville. Free state park motor vehicle permit required for entry to the park. (248) 349-8390

315 F. Warren Ave. Detroit, \$5, \$3 for

MICHIGAN RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL

Runs weekends through September, at the grounds, one mile north of Mount Holly on Dixle Highway in Holly. \$13.95, \$5.95 children ages 5-12, free for children ages 4 and younger. (248) 634-

http://www.members.aol.com/Renfest

NORTHVILLE VICTORIAN FESTIVAL

Kicks off with a parade, 6:30 p.m. riday, Sept. 18, for the next two days the streets will be transformed into a Victorian Village complete with period costumes, free horse and carriage rides, old-fashloned games, medicine man shows, strolling musicians and number shows 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, until 6 p.m. Sunday, music by Jim Talt and the Golden Griffon Stringtet takes place 8 p.m. Saturday, also features Eugene Clark's Punch and Judy, Richard Paul Puppet Show, Geri's Jamboree, magicians Joe Chasney and Jasen Megic, Mary Ellen the Storyteller, Dawn Daniels Minstrel, Jugglers Ken Krakat and Roy Kellerman Rosco the Clown, close up magician Lisa Timeo and Dr. Rudy's Medicine show, (248) 349-7640

SOMEWHERE IN TIME

Featuring recreation of 20th century with historic tours by riverboat and troiley car, classic car show, live entertain-ment, arts and crafts demonstrations, old fashloned games, puppet shows, food, pony rides, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, at Elizabeth Park, Trenton, Free: (734) 261-1990/(734) 675-7300

CLASSICAL .

DEARING CONCERT DUO: Classical flute and guiter duo perform the music of Spain, Italy, France, and the Americas, 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, at the Plymouth Community Arts. Council, 774 N. Sheldon at Junction, lymouth, \$10, \$8 seniors/students. 734) 416-2780/(734) 254-0681

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Opening Week Celebration of Classical Series concerts featuring Neeme Jarvi and Joshva Bell, program includes Mendelsschn, Mahler and Buck, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Sept. 17-18, 8:30 p.m. Sept. 19 and 3 p.m. Sunda Sept. 20 in Orchestra Hall, Detroit, \$17

septs available from \$55 to \$63. (313) 576-5111. Dinner at Duet and an afterglow with the musicians are available through the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Half Volunteer Council, (313)

MICHIGAN CHAMBER PLAYERS

Performs music by Beethoven, Arensky and Smetana, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, Britton Recifal Hall, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Free: All ages.

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY

With the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, at the Italian American Cultural Center, Livonia, \$15: (734) 451-2112

POPS/SWING

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA

9:30 p.m.:Saturday, Sept. 19; Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbo Cover charge, 19 and older, (734) 996-

STEVE LAWRENCE AND EYDIE

8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25-26, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$36, \$32 students and seniors, \$45 gold cir-cle (810) 286-2222

PATTI PAGE AND THE GUY LOMBARDO ORCHESTRA

8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$29, \$22 seniors and students, \$32 gold circle. (810) 286-2222

SWING SYNDICATE 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge, 19 and older, (734) 485-5053 (swing)

ORGAN

DETROIT THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

Charlie Balogh in concert 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Senate Theater, 6424 Michigan Avenue at Livernois, Detroit. \$10. (313) 894

AUDITIONS

ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY

ORCHESTRA Auditions for assistant concertmaster, strings, flute, horn and principal harp, Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 17-19. (734)

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

Auditions for apprentice dancers with modern dance and ballet experience, dancers will train with the company, understudy roles and be involved with production, at Central United Methodist Church, 23 East Adams, on Grand Circus Park, Detroit. (313) 965-3544 **DETROIT SYMPHONY**

ORCHESTRA/BALLET INTERNATIONALE

Open auditions for dancers age 7 through college for "The Nutcracker," 3 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19 (boys) and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20 (girls), at Marygrove College, room 228 of the Liberal Arts Building, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit. For performances Dec. 10-20 at Detroit Opera House.

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS Open auditions for new members, 7

o.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 22 and 29, espe cially needed are tenors, basses and baritones, some openings for altos and sopranos, at First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial Road, rest of Sheldon, Plymouth. (734) 455-

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHOIR

Auditions for new members 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 15 and 22. for season including Vivaldi's "Gloria" and Bach's "Magnificat," in Room 530 of the Forum bullding on campus, on Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (248) 349-8175/(734) 462 4435

CHORAL

MADONNA UNIVERSITY CHORALE Open auditions for the 1998-99 season. auditions consist of an individual meet ing with David Wagner, chorale director The chorale rehearses from 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays for its Christmas and spring oncerts. There is no charge to sing in the chorale but academic credit is given to Madonna University students. The choral consists of stude community members. (734) 432-5708 or send e-mail to wagner@smtp.munet.edu

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CHORUS The group is looking for members and former members to help celebrate its 25th anniversary with a gale ball Fridey, Oct. 2, at Laurel Park Manor, Livonia. (734) 459 6829 of write to P.O. Box 700217, Plymouth, Mich., 48170

JAZZ

DWIGHT ADAMS TRIO 8)p.m. to midnight Thursday, Sept. 24, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free: 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (trumpet/plano/base) SANDRA BOMAR TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 18. Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingnam, Free, 21 and older, (248) 645-2150 (vocal/plano/base) THOMAS BORGMAN TRIC

8 p.m. Seturday, Sept. 19, as part of

the New Music Society Concerts, Henry Ford Community College, MacKenzle Fine Arts Center, 5101 Evergreen Road (south of Ford Road): Dearborn, Cover charge: All ages. (313) 845-9676/(248) 548-9888

KURT ELLING The jazz vocalist opens Eastern Michigan University's 1998-99 Arts Series, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Pease Auditorium, Yosilanti, \$20, (248), 645-

ELLERY ESKELIN

With Andrea Parkins and Jim Black Trio, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, as part of the New Music Society Concerts, Xhedos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale, Cover charge: All ages, (248)

JEFF HAMILTON TRIO

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19, Bird of Paradise; 207 S. Ashley, Ann. Arbor. \$15, 21 and older. (734) 662 BILL HEID TRIO 9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25-26.

Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor, \$5. 21 and older, (734) 662-SCOTT HENDERSON AND TRIBAL

8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, \$15 In advance, 18 and older, (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO 6-10 p.m. Mondays at Too-Chez, 27155 Sheraton Drive, Novi, (248) 348-5555; 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays to Saturdays at r-10 p.m. weanesdays to Saturdays at Encore in the Quality Inn, 1801 S. Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 335-3790; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 305-7333

KIMMIE HORNE 9 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Sept. 18-19 and 25-26, D.L. Harrington's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills, Free, All ages. (248) 852-0550

IRT TRIO 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Sept. 19, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free, 25-cent surcharge on drinks du ing entertainment. All ages. (248) 546-

RON KISCHUK AND THE TARTARSAUCE TRADITIONAL JAZZ

6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, First Baptist Church, Birmingham. Free. All ages. (248) 644-0550

KATHY KOSINS TRIO 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 25, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248)

6645-2150 (vocal/plano/bass) SHEILA LANDIS With Rick Matie and Dennis Sheridan, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Borders

Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn (313) 271-4441

MATT MICHAELS TRIO With trombone player Ron Kischuk, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, and with trumpet player John Trudell, and alto sax player Larry Nozero, 8-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington

Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinnera\$5

drink minimum, (248) 474-4800 MINGUS BIG BAND 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24 open the Detroit Symphony Orchestra's

Ameritech Jazz Series, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$15 to \$46, \$60 box seets. (313) 576-5111 MARK MOULTRUP TRIO

8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Sept. 17, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

KURT ELLING QUARTET 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, Pease

Auditorium, Eastern Michigan

University, Ypsilanti. \$20 in advance. All ages. (734) 99-MUSIC or http://www.99music.com SISTERS IN JAZZ A series of concerts featuring the winners of the annual International Association of Jazz Educators collegiate

competition Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 19-

20 in Detroit at the Serengeti Ballroom

call for times and ticket prices. (610)

the Bird of Para 667-0501 or e-mail to dimedia@earthlink.net

JOHAN STENGARD Sweden's most sought after saxophon ist in concert, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at Bethany Baptist Church, 1375 Hiller Road, Waterford, \$10, \$7 students/seniors/Waterford Cultural Council members. (248) 623-9389 URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY

With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S: Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older, (248) 594-7300

"WOMEN IN JAZZ" Featuring a workshop/clinic with planist Geri Allen and a panel of women

BUDSON

from various areas of lazz with moderator WEMU-FM program director Linda Yohn, 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward Ave. (at Charlotte, six blocks north of the Fox Theatre), Detroit. \$5; A concert with Allen, ragtime planist Taslimah Bey and the 1998 International Association of Jazz Educator's "Sisters in Jazz" collegiate competition winners, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, SereNgeti Bailroom. \$15 or \$20 for workshop/clinic and concert. (313) 832-3010

STEVE WOOD TRIO 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19. Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free: 21 and older. (248) 645:2150

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WORLD MUSIC

IMMIGRANT SUNS With Spy Radio, 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25 Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, \$5, 18 and older, (248) 544 3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com (Eastern European/rock)

immunity 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak, Free, 21 and older. (248) 543-4300; 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Sept. 18, The Rhinoceros, 265 Riopelle, Detroit, Free, All ages. (313) 259-2208; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday; Sept. 19, The Deck at Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cov charge, 21 and older. (313) 965-2222; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept 26, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township

Free. 21 and older. (810) 360-7450 ZIGGY MARLEY AND THE MELODY MAKERS

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, Michigan Theatre, 603 Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (reggae) (734) 668-8397

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

FREIGHT HOPPERS

8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22. The Ark. 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$11, \$10 mem bers, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$17.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

DAVID ROTH

VASEN

RICHIE HAVENS

8 pim. Thursday, Sept. 24, The Ark, 316.S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

REGGY SEEGER 8.20. Thursday, Sept. 17, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or

MARTIN AND JESSICA SIMPSON

With Christine Collister, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$12.50, \$11.50 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$12.50 All ages. (734) 761-1451 on (477) - 100%

http://www.a2ark.org CRIS WILLIAMSON AND TRET FURE

8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

SPOKEN WORD

STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

Detroit Story League's annual event featuring Donald Davis, Elizabeth Ellis and Anne Shimojima, workshops, and family performances, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, and @ a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26. Henry Ford Community College's MacKenzie Fine Arts Bullding and Adray Auditorium, 5101 Evergreen Road, earborn. \$5-\$30. (734) 761-5118/(313) 525-1521

DANCE

CONTRA DANCE: COBBLESTONE FARM DANCERS

8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, at the Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, south of I-94, Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 665-8863 CONTRA DANCING

8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 with Becky Hill and Perfect Match, at the Firs

Baptist Church, 309 N. Main, Royal Oak, \$7. (248) 542-2093 DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

City Arts Concert 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 25-26, at Wayne State University in the Maggie Allessee Studio Theater, Old Main Building, cor ner of Cass and Warrren, third floor \$15, \$10 seniors/students. (313) 965-

ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING 7.9:45 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 22, at Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road, north of Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor. \$4. (734) 662-5158 SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE

Lessons offered 7:30 p.m. Wednesday evenings, no partner needed, beginners welcome, at Madison Heights United Methodist Church, 246 E. 11 Mile, east of John R. \$3, first visit free. (248) 546-5037/(248) 547-9823 SQUARE DANCE

Lessons 6:45-8:15 p.m. Wednesdays you must provide your own partner, at the Livonia Seniors Center, Five Mile and Farmington, Livonia. \$15 for four lessons. (734) 425-8447

COMEDY

JÖEY'S COMEDY CLUB Sout Henry, Keith Ruff and Rich NERInbottom, Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 17:19; Kipp Addotte and Rich Higginbottom (\$14), Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 24-28, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$5), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$12), unless otherwise noted, Third Level Improv and new to ent nights, 8 p.m. Wednesdeys (\$5).

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT

Charlle Wiener, 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18, and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19 (\$8, \$20:95 dinner show Sept. 15 (36, 3,2055 tilline slow package): Steve Bills, 9,p.m. Friday, Sept. 25, and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26 (\$8, \$20.95 dinner show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn, (313) 584

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE

Claudia Sherman, 8:30 p.m. Thurst Sept. 17 (\$7), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 18-19 (\$10): Chris Titus, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Sept. 23'24 (\$7), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday! Sept. 25'26 (\$10), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080 MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE Jenny McNulty and Paul Frisbee. Wednesday Sunday, Sept. 9-13, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak, 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Nednesdays Thursdays (\$6), 9:30 p.m. Fridays (\$12), and 8:15 p.m. and 20:45 p.m. Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6), Prices subject to change. (248) 542-9900 or

ww.comedycastle.com SECOND CITY "Vlagra Falls," 8 p.m. Wednesdays Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 n.m. on Fridays-Saturdays through Ave., Detroit, \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays. (313) 965-

MUSEUMS/TOURS

"REHIND THE SCENES"

Tour of Masco Corp., 6:30 p.m. reception and art tour followed by 7:45 p.m. dinner, 8-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24 at the corporation's headquarters. \$64 Detroit Historical Society members, \$74 non-members. (313) 833-1405 or http://www.detroithistorical.org CRANBROOK

Guided garden tours 1:30 p.n Thursdays through Sept. 24 (\$6, \$5 seniors/students), (248) 645-3147; outdoor sculpture tour noon Saturdays through October (\$7, \$5 students/seniors includes Art Museum admission), (248) 645-3323, on the grounds of Cranbrook Educational Community, 1221 N. Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills.

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AGNOSTIC FRONT

With U.S. Bombs and Dropkick Murphy's, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (punk) **AMERICAN MARS**

10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 485-5053 (pop)

With Absolute and 3rd Storee, 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20, Royal Oak Music Theatre, 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. \$19.98 in advance. All ages. (248) 546-7610 (R&B)

GEORGE BEDARD AND THE KINGPINS

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8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 26; Harpo's, 14238 Harper, Detroit, Tickets at // Ticketmaster, All ages, (313) 824-1700

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The underground high-stakes poker circuit of New York is the canvas for director John Dahl ("The Last Seduction") and screenwriters Brian Koppleman and David Levien (a Û of M grad): These are mean streets. indeed, populated by seedy

denizens with Runyonesque names like Worm, Teddy KGB and Joey Knish.

Our boy Matt - the other fairhaired heartthrob of the moment – is Mike McDermott, a reluctant law student by day and a reformed "rounder" by night. He's a brilliant card-counting shark who can read people like a shark who can read people like a poker hand ("If you can't spot the sucker in the first half-hour at the table, you are the sucker"). Having lost a five-figure stake to Teddy KGB (John Malkovich as an hilarious Russian who twists nied by "Star Wars"-type orches-tration). Mike forsakes the back rooms for the courtrooms, urged on by his perky classmate/room-

Into his life returns Worm (Edward Norton), a high school chum who's been boardin' with the warden, Imagine Eddie Haskell gone real bad. Worm is a mechanic; a cheat ("I see a mark, I take him down"). He's also in even deeper hole, the only way out being a showdown with Teddy in a winner take all match

mate Jo (Gretchen Mol) and "Rounders" and "The Hustier, poker mentor Knish (John Turnot to mention "High Noon," is purely, we're safe to say, inten-

Yet, "Rounders" is true to its turf. Director Dahl, like Scorsese before him, takes us on a tour of New York that you won't find in a Circle Line brochure, Eyes peer out with evil suspicion from behind sliding peepholes of brownstones left over from and his greasy associate Grama brownstones. left over from (Michael Rispoli), who you speakeasy days. Damon's narrawouldn't want to meet in a tion is sprinkled with the wisbright alley. Mike agrees to help dom of his world ("It's a sin to let Worm; but together they dig an a sucker keep his money" and "You've gotta think of it as a war"). And there's one great line that only a Mets fan will loye to its fullest. Describing his re-Any similarity between descent to the dusky bricks and musty smells of the poker dens, Damon says, "I feel like (Bill) Buckner walking back into

Which brings us to the film's two bum cards in an otherwise winning hand. Damon is easy to look at and easy to like, no arguments there. But he comes off more like the Red Sox first baseman referred to above than as a topflight, hardened pokermeister - a "rounder" known in every underground club in the five boroughs. The Massachusetts-born

in the Big Apple. He's a joyous

lout you want to just go away ... or help strangle. His is a won-

drous performance that leaves

you panting for the next one. The other criticism is more a

warning: brush up on your poker.

Try as the narration does to deal

us in, the complexities and

strategies of the game often

leave us clueless, missing the

meaning and folding the hand.

Drama: Matt Damon (left) and Edward Norton in 'Rounders."

Damon, so perfect as Boston Southie Will Hunting, shares the screen with native New Yorkers

Norton, Rispoli, Turturro and

Martin Landau (as his law professor). Against them, images of

in "Midnight Cowboy," with "Everybody's Talkin' At Me" on

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"GOODBYE LOVER" A darkly satirical thriller that follows a cast of interlocking players as each schemes to inherit a \$4 million insurance policy. Stars Patricia Arquette, Dermot Mulroney, Ellen DeGene

Scheduled to open Friday, Sept. 25

"URBAN LEGEND" Urban Legends - Modern folk tales that seem to arise spontaneously and spread by word of mouth and range from the silly to the sinister. When a series of deaths occur on a college campus it appears that they are based on urban Stars Alicia Witt, directed by Jamie

"TOUCH OF EVIL"

Exclusively at the DIA, Friday-Sunday, Sept. 25-27. This classic 1958 film by Orson Wells, restored according to Wells newly discovered notes, tells of a corrupt cop who runs up against a Mexican official investigating drug trafficking. Stars Orson Wells, Charlton Heston, Janet Leigh. *PECKER"

Exclusively at the Main Art Theater, A John Water's "rags to riches" comedy about a young man whose idlosyncratic photograph of working-class life takes the art world by storm. Stars Edward Furlong, Christina Ricci.

"A SOLDIER'S DAUGHTER NEVER CRIES" Exclusively at the Maple Art Theater. This drama is based on the daughter of American novelist James Jone's fictionalized account of family life; both abroad and in America in the 1960s.

Stars Kris Kristofferson, Barbara

Action-comedy: Chris Tucker (left) and Jackie Chan star in "Rush Hour." opening Sept. 18 at metro Detroit movie theaters.

"THE MIGHTY"

Hershey, Leelee Sobieski.

"RONIN" An action adventure of an international team of former intelligence agents hired goes awry. Stars Robert De Niro. Jean

Reno. Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 2

"THE IMPOSTORS" Comedy about two down-on-their-luck actors who stow away on a cruise ship only to find themselves fleeing the frving pan to enter the fire. Stars Stanley Tucci who also wrote and directs.

Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 9.

"PRACTICAL MAGIC" Based on the best-selling novel by Alice Hoffman, a dark and comic fable about two sisters who struggle to use their hereditary gift for guiding fate through practical magic to overcome the obstacles in discovering true love. Stars Sandra Bullock, Nicole Kidman, Dianne

Wiest, Stockard Channing,

"WITHOUT LIMITS" The story of Steve Prefontaine, a charismatic runner who revolutionized his sport in the 1970s with his competitive ferocity and ability to ignite

the crowd. Stars Billy Crudup, Donald

Sutherland Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 16

Based on the acclaimed novel by Rod man Philibrick, a funny, inspiring and adventurous tale of two young outsiders who set off on a mighty "quest." Stars

Scheduled to open Friday, Oct. 23

A dramatic thriller about a high school kid who discovers that his neighbor is an ex-Nazi SS officer and blackmails "HOME FRIES"

An officeat comedy about two brothers

wants to marry her, the other to kill her.

The trio's lives intertwine in unexpected

obsessed with the same woman, on

of settlers on a remote planet and

discovers his own humanity in the

ways that are orchestrated by the brothers' highly eccentric mother. Stars Drew Barrymore, Catherine O'Hara. "SOLDIER" An itinerant warrior of the future, trained exclusively for combat, but now. made obsolete by a new generation of

ON VIDEO

Odd Eye of God' disappointing After they meet up later that a point which becomes ironic they decide to get mar the end.

STAFF WRITER On night in a small Oklahoma town, police a find a teenaged boy walking in the dark. Covered with blood, the youngster isn't able to tell the officers what hap-pened or whose blood has been

shed

That's the opening of "Eye of God"; a low-key drama that moves back and forth in time to reveal the events that led up to that night. The story goes back six months. Martha Plimpton plays Ainsley, a young fast food worker who is waiting nervously in the local diner for a first meet. in the local diner for a first meet-ing with her pen pal — a state prison inmate who is being released that day.

Plimpton and Kevin Anderson who plays the convict Jack, hit all the right notes at that opening scene. They're both shy, awk-ward and sweet with each other.

evening, they decide to get married. The convict has found religion and once he gets a job as a mechanic wants to have the perfect family.

Ainsley seems a perfectly nice but terribly lonely young woman. It's her quiet desperation and naiveté that led her into an illadvised marriage. The local fast food restaurant is closing and Jack assures his new wife that she needn't worry about finding another job. Before long, the situation deteriorates, as Jack demands that she not leave the

house without his knowledge. There's a feeling on inevitability in the violence that results as Ainsley realizes the mistake of her marriage to Jack, who she rather belatedly learns was in prison for severely beating his pregnant live-in girlfriend. The woman auryived, not the baby -

a point which becomes ironic in ne end.

The parallel and eventually. the end.

intersecting story is of a troubled 14-year old boy. Living with an aunt after his mother's suicide, the boy played by Nick Stahl, is in an emotional free fall without anyone or anything to break his fall. There is a nice gentle quality to the brief scenes between Stahl and Plimpton. Written and directed by Tim

Blake Nelson, "Eye of God" is an odd little film overall disappointing. The narration by Hal Holbrook, the local police chieffer seems to want the film Tire address its issues on a deeper philosophical level but fails to doso. Nelson uses an elliptical styles and gradual unfolding of the story, yet very early in the film there is no mystery about what has happened - just some of the details.

Everlast survives heart attack and keeps on rapping



musician/Erik' Schrody, also known as Ever-last, is one man whose feelings are easy to

If he cranks out a couple hits by his previous group, House of Paint at his show this Saturday

at the State Theatre in Detroit, he's in a good mood. It's as sim-

"We do a couple of obscure ones. We don't do like the big joints. We've broken out a couple of them like 'Jump Around' once or twice. I try to stay away from t just because I like this new stuff." Schrody explained.

"But if I am breaking out something more familiar from House of Pain, that means I'm in a fantastic mood. I'm in the moods of all moods. It depends on the mood of the evening. We

expect Detroit to be jumping."
Schrody certainly has a lot to
be happy about. He just released his sophomore solo effort. Whitey Ford Sings the Blues' (Tommy Boy) and fully recovered from

emergency heart surgery. Schrody learned of a congeni-



Erik Schrody - Everlast :

tal heart defect during a physical that was required before he began filming the movie Judg-ment Night" where he played a thug Doctors fold him that the defect probably wouldn't cause any problems until he was in his 50s or 60s. But all that changed.

"I was complaining of chest pains all day. I was recording the album in my house and one of the producers, John Gamble, in the middle of the night heard me moaning and gasping for air and called an ambulance. I didn't

Upon arriving to the hospital, Schrody said he was treated for "just a heart attack," he explained.

"At first, they took one look at me all tattooed up and heard I was a singer in some rap band. I'm sure they thought I was a drug addict or something so they treated me just for a heart attack. I had an angioplasty and they were putting these little they were putting the states in my heart to open up the vein that was collapsing," said Schrody, who sports a Sinn Fein tattoo next to the surgery

A few hours later, when his medical records arrived doctors repaired a torn heart valve caused from a rare congenital, heart defect. Schrody said it was a tough but eye-opening recovery. "The nurses and everybody, the

way they were looking at me, was like I was doing drugs or something. I literally had to leave the hospital after five or six days because they were going to kill me in there. They're really cruel people. They treat old people like (crap). I was in one of the

wheeled me into the emergency surgeons were incredible but the thing like that it's just you can't room. It's a good thing he called; care that they have there. I have be the drunken Irish fool for the ambulance, if not I'd be a hard time calling it care. One severybody forever, I can't be the nurse there that showed me court jester for the rest of my some compassion and I'm not i life. That combined with a few sure she wasn't even an angel in my sleep. I have yet to be able to locate her to thank her."

Now he is ready to hit the road in support of "Whitey Ford Sings" the Blues," a collection of hiphop, rap, and even some acoustic

roots tunes. "I wanted it to be different. I used to always get the mad rapper! label. I'm a musician. I never realized that people never really got to see that. By doing this, it really kind of made me give people an excuse to call me a musician

On "Whitey Ford," Schrody plays guitar and keyboards, and did some "scratching.

"I always personally have been playing guitar for a long time. I ust always wanted to do something I just never knew what it was. I left House of Pain because I was unhappy. I left House of Pain because there was a paycheck at the end of it. I left House of Pain because it was time," Schrody explained.

"You know, I didn't want to be stuck in something that I couldn't grow out of. I'm not ashamed

His former band mates, Danny O'Connor and Leor "DJ Lethal" Dimant, now of Limp Bizkit, are finally understanding:

"We've talked about doing things in House of Pain. Not any time soon. If things go well for Limp Bizkit or for me, we'll come back around and (mess) people's minds up," he said of Dimant. Schrody's performance on Sat-

urday is a far cry from the House of Pain shows where the he and O'Connor were backed by only Dimant. He's touring with a band that includes a keyboardist, slide guitar player, a DJ, and stand-up bass player.

"I was talking at a show the other night in the Viper Room. If I tried to describe this band, you'd never think it would work You wouldn't think it would sound right. Well, in hip-hop we don't think about that.

We just sample stuff and layer it. We approached it with the mentality of hip-hop. Instead of going with what's supposed to work, we go with what sounds Detroiters, he said, will be in a

store for some goodies.

"Everybody's really looking for ; ward to Detroit, Every other; ; court jester for the rest of my life. That combined with a few cities are just a lead up to things within the band (forced Detroit R's our city because they in the leave)? radio," he said of the acoustic fla-

"It's the Motor City, Detroit, 44 We say let's go home, although, h none of us are from there. That's the kind of vibe, I'm sure every one there will be happy too. You kind can watch this band on any or given night at not be unhappy."

Everlast, formerly of House of it Pain, performs at 10 p.m. Satur day, Sept. 19, as part of Club X at 11 the State Theatre, 2115 Wood-ward Ave., Detroit. The show isfree and open to those ages 18 and older. For more information, call (313) 961-5451.

Christina Fuoco is the pop-music reporter for The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. If you have a question or comment for her, you can leave her a message at (734) 953-2047, mailbox No. 2130, or write to her at The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mich., 48150, or cfuoco@ oe.

Pansy Division takes a

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO STAFE WRITER

When Jon Ginoli formed his openly gay power-pop band ansy Division in 1991, he was tolt that having a "gay band" was too limited. But he forged ahead, and Pansy Division became one of the founders of the "homocore" rock movement.

Haying accomplished that, guitatist/vocalist Ginoli — along with band members bassist/ vocalist and co-founder Chris Freeman, guitarist/ vocalist Patrick Goodwin and one-named drummer Luis — embarked on a new chapter of his career with his band's sixth album "Absurd Pop Song Romance" (Lookout!).

We had staked out territory for ourselves. People said having a gay band is limited. People wouldn't say that if you're writing about heterosexuals so why should homosexuals be more limited? We gave ourselves a narrow focus that we felt like we had covered pretty well and we decided to chart some other ter-

and to encompass more musical styles and have a wider lyrical

The change came early last year when guitarist Patrick Goodwin came into the fold. Ginoli and Freeman, who are in their 30s, were inspired by Luis and Goodwin both of whom are

twenty-something. "They're younger so they're inspired by different kinds of music than Chris or I. They're whole coming out stories are different than ours. They come from different places than we do. There's age and experience differences but there's a certain musical ground that we all share.

That attributed to the varied sound on "Absurd Pop Song

Romance."

"We have a lot more variety in sour sound. When we sat down to actually make a record as a four piece, we had new weapons at our disposal. Then we were writing these songs that were more about friendships and relationships than about sexuality. We

something because we have a certain image or want to portray ourselves a certain wav."

Besides new guitarist Goodwin, there was another fresh face in the studio - producer Steve

"It was a joy. He has such a reputation as being irascible. But if his obnoxious reputation were true, he could not work with all the people that he does. He's very smart and very very good at what he does. He knows the studio inside and out. He's never really recorded a record that was as poppy as ours.

"We never had so much fun making a record. I mean, it was hard. We were working 12-14

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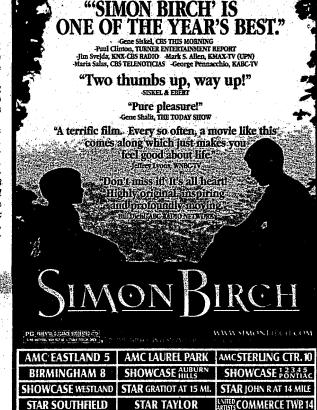
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hour days, but we were very well rehearsed and organized and we nailed the performances. We were really happy with it."

All of that, as well as a feeling of renewal made "Absurd Pop Song Romance" Pansy Division's

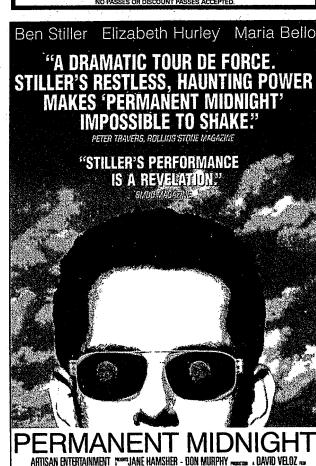
best album yet, he explained.

Pansy Division performs an all-ages show Tuesday, Sept. 22, at the Magic Stick in the Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are available at all Ticketmaster outlets. Doors open at 8 p.m. For more information, call (313) 833-POOL. Pansy Division can be reached at P.O. Box 460885, San Francisco, Calif., 94146-0885 or http://www.pan-





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Old Mexico with restaurants in Livonia and West Bloomfield, and Cascades, a restaurant inside the Embassy Suites in Livonia, are among the partici-

Restaurant owners Vicki and Ramon Castaneda have been participating in Schoolcraft's Culinary Extravaganza for quite awhile. "I love it because everyone is so friendly," said Ramon. "You meet all kinds of people, and sometimes catch some new customers"

Their son, Tim, who manage Old Mexico in West Bloomfield, enjoys "seeing all the people he doesn't get to see throughout the year, because everyone is working. "You get to see what everyone else is doing."

Even though it's work, Vicki says. "it's fun work. It's very well organized. You feel like they want you there."

Open since Dec. 15, 1975 in Livonia, Old Mexico opened a second restaurant in West Bloomfield on May 17, 1986. The menus at the two restaurants are similar, but you'll find more upscale menu, and seafood dishes at the West Bloomfield restaurant, which also offers entertainment on weekends. "Our customers in West Bloomfield have traveled to Mexico, and want omething a little different," said

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Cascades Restaurant inside the Embassy Suites is not for guests only. A tropical paradise, no matter what the season, Cascades is inside a five story tropical atrium with two cascading waterfalls, surrounded by a stream. There are plants galore, and fish inside the pond.

Tim Kelly, director of catering, has served on the Culinary Extravaganza committée for three years.

"It's great for the local community, and gives a lot of people a taste of what's going on, and helps Schoolcraft reach their goal of giving out scholarships,"

Executive Chef Lorenzo Brye of Farmington Hills and executive sous chef Gary Katterson of Redford are planning to serve Mini Beef Wellingtons at Culinary Extravaganza.

"I emphasize traditional items beef, seafood and chicken," said Brye about the menu at Cascades. "Presentation is a major factor - it's simple, basic, but appealing to the eye. Nothing extravagant."

For lunch or dinner at Cas cades, Brye recommends Shrimp "Scampi" Deangelo, Crab & Rock Shrimp Alfredo, or beef tenderloin. "The ribs are going pretty good too," he said. "It's a very comfortable atmosphere, quiet, and we're not expensive." You'll find a variety of appetizers on the menu, including the popular

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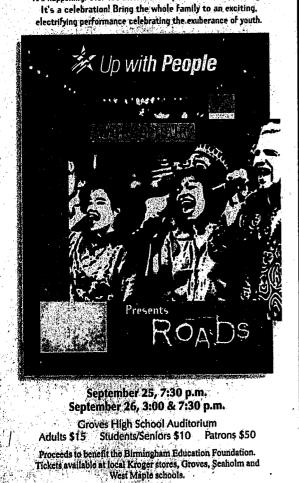
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