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early November, the men in Civil War soldier Edgar Clark's regiment were given a chance to re-enlist in the army for an additional three years. Many chose to do so, even though they still had over a year to go on their original tour of duty. Edgar chose not to re-enlist, hoping that they would soon send him home. However, the army did not tell Edgar what he would lose by not re-enlisting. Here is his letter, dated Dec. 26,

"My dear wife, your letter with a box and contents was very gladly received last night. I was pleased with those pictures. If you carry out your determination in what you are resolved to learn, I think you will feel more enjoyment in writing to me than you will in telling others what to write. Yesterday (Christmas Day) was a very quiet day for me. The sun shone all day and it was quite warm. I must again express the wish that I could see you. I have written that sen tence so much that I presume you are tired of hearing it. I would like to see you very much, but I would rather see this rebellion closed. I will have only one year and two months to stay from the 11(th) of January. I think the war will close before my time is out. A number of the boys re-enlisted for three years longer and they are expecting to start for home any day on furlough of 35 days. A person cannot calculate on anything in the army unless he has it in his hand and sometimes not then. I hope our health continues to be good while we are separated in this cruel war. I am thankful that my life has been spared through so many dangers. Your loving husband, Edgar W. Clark."

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





Shopping buddles; Clarkston Eccentric reporters Stephanie Angelyn Casola (left) and Nicole Stafford leave Great Lakes Crossing mall after an exhausting day of shopping

# **Great Lakes Crossing**

### New mall suits 2 types of shoppers

### Classy buyer finds her style

Shopping type: Prefers classy retailers, often spotted at Somerset Col lection in Troy

Taste: Trendy in neutral tones Necessary preparation: Dresses like she already owns everything worth

wearing Biggest priority: Style of clothing

Favorite clothing Item; Shoes Favorite stores: J. Crew, Bebe, Abercrombie and Fitch, M.A.C. Cosmetics, Aveda, Barnes and Nobles, Pier

Favorite brands: Steve Madden and Dr. Martens shoes

Most money ever spent shopping for self: Approximately \$600 in one trip

By Stephanie Angelyn Casola

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it's shopping, Not to sound cliché-ish or superficial, but as the youngest of three daughters, I was raised to view shopping as art form, rather than a necessity. When faced with a pletho-

reat Lakes Crossing. just a freeway exit away for most Clarkston-area residents, is a shopping mall quite unlike anything anyone's seen in Michigan. During all the hoopla over its opening last week, we wondered what type of shopper will go there regularly when the excitement dies down. Our two reporters have distinctly different shopping habits so we sent them to Great Lakes Crossing on Monday with a budget of \$250 each. Here are their first-person reports.

ra of stores and products, I realize that I never really adopted the concept of thrift. My sisters call me "frivolous," even "impractical." I rarely buy clothes for comfort and I too often spend money on whatever is new or unusual.

Don't get the wrong idea; I pay off



Perfect fit: Stephanie search-

my bills monthly and I try to act responsibly. Limitless shopping is a habit I inherited from my mother — I just can't change that, ...

In my family, shopping was what you did in preparation for a special

Please see CASOLA, A2

### Bargain hunter cashes in on designer deals

Name: Nicole Stafford

Shopping type: Frequents designer discount stores, often seen in TJ Maxy
Taste: Simple, leaning-towards classic cloth-

ing in primarily dark colors

Necessary preparation: None Biggest priority: Item's fabric content

Favorite clothing item: Jackets Favorite stores: TJ Maxx / / / / Favorite brands: Moderately-priced (Jones New York) to higher/end (DKNY) designer

labels Most money ever spent shopping for self: \$300 in unplanned purchases in one trip

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

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A blend of excitement and trepidation came over me as I walked from the parking lot of Great Lakes Crossing mall towards

Shopping, as in browsing window displays and meeting a friend for lunch in the food court, well, just isn't my thing.

More importantly, I detest shopping

Hands full: With an armful of clothes and a cup of coffee



Please see STAFFORD, A2 in hand, Nicole searches for more discounts.

### Boundary' decision expected in January

BY JAN BAKER SPECIAL WRITER

The citizen's committee that is redrawing attendance lines for Clarkston's elementary and middle schools expects to give the Clarkston School Board its final recommendation in time for the board's Dec. 14 meeting.

However, the plan will appear on that night's meeting agenda as a dis-cussion item only. Trustees are not expected to vote on the new map until

January.
That was the word from Dr. Mike LaBay, the realignment committee's administrative liaison, during a phone

interview Monday.

After two public liearings were held. on the issue, LaBay said the committee met twice — for three hours each time — to review community members' com ments and assess possible changes in the initial map. They left those meet-ings with no final decision, but they'll

"We're carefully analyzing the polyplot (the computer generated map that shows where Clarkston students live or are predicted to reside in the district), LaBay said.. "We're checking and rechecking the latest attendance num-bers and the community's input from the public hearings. We're not targeting individual family concerns, but we are making headway. I hope everyone understands that the committee is not doing this as a whim. We're taking this matter very seriously."

LaBay said that when the committee meets Dec. 1 to tweak the details of its final recommendation to the board "my guess is that we'll be done that night: I expect board members will receive it (the realignment plan) in their packets for the Dec. 14 meeting. But it won't be on the agenda as an action item. It'll just be for discussion. The board won't vote on it until Jan-

(Člarkston's school board will meet at 7 p.m. Dec. 14 in the district's administration office building. The building is at 6389 Clarkston Road.)

### Springfield law restricts developers

BY CAROLYN WALKER

An ordinance that would regulate the removal of soils from land in Springfield Township was unanimously adopted by the township board Nov. 12.

The purpose of the document is twofold, said Supervisor Collin Walls, who noted that the ordinance was conceived, primarily, to prevent developers from clearing land or performing land bal-ancing before they have completed the site-plan process. In recent months, some developers have begun preparing land for building purposes before receiving the necessary permits.

In addition, Walls said, the ordinance

will release from having to obtain a per-mit residents who wish to move less than 1,000 cubic yards of soil per year either onto or off from their property. Walls gave examples such as landscap-ing, or the installation of driveways or septic systems as being times when private residents might wish to move soil onto or off from their property and not need a permit:

need a permit.
Also, no permit will be required for excavation for buildings where the site-plan process has been completed and a building permit has already been

"You don't need a permit (for) up to

1,000 cubic yards per year," Walls said. Items falling under the regulation of the ordinance include topsoil, subsoil, sand, gravel and other materials, involved in land clearing or filling. Permits can be obtained through the

planning coordinator's office and can be extended after a year's time by a vote of the township board.

According to an ordinance document referred to at the board meeting, violating the property of the control of th

tion of the ordinance will be considered a municipal civil infraction punishable by a fine of \$75 for the first offense and a \$150 fine for a repeat offense. Subsequent offenses could result in increased fines and punishments,

### Casola from page A1

event, such as buying the perfect prom dress. It was the preferred pastime on all vaca-tions. For example, I can't leave a city without some sort of souvenir. Most of all, shop-ping was a reward for good behavior and a cure for all allments

So, when my editor sent me to the newly opened outlet mall, Great Lakes Crossing, to shop I was armed with my

credit cards and ready to work. Pulling into the massive parking lot that surrounds the mall was less painful than I had expected. Luckily, I missed the opening-weekend rush. I gazed at the pastel-splashed structure before medical achild exterior an imagilike a child entering an imaginary world.

Walking in, I felt unpre-pared, I hadn't dressed in my usual over-the-top shopping garb. And I wasn't sure just what stores to check out in the two hours allotted for the trip...

Rather than grab a map, or fight my way past the crowds surrounding the mall directories, I decided to wing it. Being more of a free-minded shopper, I picked a direction and set out on my way. My theory? Shop-ping is meant as indulgence, so

cast all rules aside. Without hesitation, I strutted into Bebe, a fashionable-yet-pricey little store that puts a trendy spin on classic clothes. It's the kind of place you can walk into and feel like you're inside the pages of Vogue magazine. It's also the kind of place where you'd buy a sassy T-shirt bearing the store's moniker and not truly mind that you're advertising to the world where you shop.

In minutes, I found a stretchy lavender button-down shirt that's the perfect complement to a black suit. Made of stretch-nylon and regularly priced at \$59, the outlet special reduction dropped the cost to \$39 — and besides, I really wanted it. When the salesper son suggested I try it on, I agreed and discovered that "true-to-size" translates into "too-small-for-me." I purchased

the next size up.

Displayed not too far away was a sleek, charcoal gray suit. Technically the color was "gun," but whatever you want to call it, the suit was beautiful. A four-button medium-length jacket paired with an "Ally McBeal" short skirt cost about \$178 together.

Moving on from my first suc-cessful venture, I walked purposefully down the corridors and into other "districts" where I was bombarded by tourist-type shoppers. My patience wore thin.

My mental calculator said I'd spent about \$217 in one store, a typical occurrence for the impulsive shopper. The next place that caught my eye was F.Y.E, "For Your Entertain-ment." I've recently been on a ment." I've recently been on a compact disc purchasing binge and I couldn't resist a peek through the store. I bought the "Swingers," the movie sound-track, as a gift for a friend. It cost \$16.99. Shery! Crow's newest CD, "The Globe Sessions," was on sale from its regular \$17.99 to \$12.99. not a regular \$17.99 to \$12.99, not a

huge bargain, but enough to save me a few dollars for a cup of slushy chocolate cof-fee. I grabbed the music and hit the closest coffee shop for a refreshment.

My \$2.75 cup of icy coffee was overly-frozen so I spent next hour traipsing about with purchases in one arm, shaking the cup of coffee in my other hand (in the hopes that it might melt into

a more drinkable form).

I took a deep breath and set off with just 27 cents left to spend from the \$250 total. I stopped at an incense stand and bought 15 sticks of assorted holiday scents for \$2.12. The aroma of vanilla and evergreen filled my shopping bags. A warm-fuzzy feeling came over me. And I was \$1.85 over the

limit. Oops. From my view, Great Lakes Crossing is something of an all-encompassing thrill ride for kamikaze shoppers like me. Though the overall

ambiance didn't convey much of the "bargain-shopper" sentiment I expected, there were enough stores and eateries to spark my

The mall looks, sounds nate necklace name tags like

ent shopping styles were sent to Great

For \$250, Stephanie Angelyn Casola purchased: One cup of slushy coffee for

Incense sticks for \$2.12 Compact discs including "Swingers," the movie sound-track, for \$16.99 and Sheryl Crow's "The Globe Sessions" for \$12,99

■ Gray sult from Bebe for Lavender shirt for \$39

For \$250, Nicole Stafford pur-

chased: DKNY black, wool dress pants from TJ Maxx for \$70 One cup of coffee for \$1.25

■ Suede, Jean-style pants In brown by XOE New York for \$100 at Nelman Marcus Last

■ Black, swinging lid garbage can for \$10 at Bed, Bath and Beyond Únisa leáther/suede loáfer-

sleeved shirt for \$19 at Ann Taylor Loft

members of an exclusive club. Lines at the cash registers wrap around several yards of roping, like the waiting area for a roller-coaster ride. Along the partially carpeted hallways of the single-level building are stands where chefs create unusual dishes to dazzle the

Shoppers scurry about, ask-ing directions as if it were Dis-ney World. And employees shrug curiously as if to say, "When you find the Donna Karan store, be sure to tell me where it is."

. Unless a shopper goes to the mall on a specific mission, the best way to experience Great Lakes Crossing is to take a and feels like an amusement .. relaxed run through Finding a park. Employees wear lami- good bargain is simply an added incentive.

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mails.
They're overbearing. The merchandise is too well-organized and exhibited. And, I can't stand that happy music they pipe in.
"They" are the great mall creators who received their MBAs in marketing and manipulation from Ivy

keting and manipulation from Ivy

League schools. I trek to the mall only when necessary and keep my eyes glued to

the ground as to not be lured into making any extra purchases.

But – and this is where the mixed emotions come in – I get a real kick out of chasing bargains, especially when it comes to clothing.

It goes like this: Big mall - yuck. Beautiful, expensive clothing for cheap – oh; yeah!
So; while Great Lakes Crossing is

monstrosity of a mall - and the "Miami Vice" color scheme hurts my eyes – the possibilities are looking good at "Entry 2," wedged between my personal favorite, TJ Maxx, and a clearance center for an emporium known for costly clothing, Neiman

"Neiman Marcus Last Call," reads Neiman Marcus Last Call, reads the store sign. "I like that idea," I tell my shopping partner. "Last call is my call." I'm nervous so I try to say something witty. A creature of habit, I head first for TJ Maxx. I'm pleased to find

that the store is arranged exactly like all others. It also has a healthy share of discounted designer items. I was a little worried because this store, unlike most TJ Maxx outlets,

has attractive window displays.
Perusing the racks, I hone in on the ambient conversations of other keen consumers. Like me, they feel the need to assess the bargain, potential of the mall

oriental of the mail.

"TJ Maxx will make the other stores really compete." I hear one shopper tell her husband. "I don't want to buy the first thing I try on at the first store I'm at." I hear another shopper declare. as she another shopper declare, as she looks over a silk, knit cardigan that,

in my opinion, is quite nice.

"That's what's hard about this place," she says. "There are so many other stores. You don't feel like an informed shopper; you don't know what you're missing around the cor-I couldn't agree more. On the one

hand, with stores like TJ Maxx, Bed, Bath and Beyond, as well as outlets and clearance centers, good deals will be in abundance.

On the other hand, maybe there's too much territory to cover. Feeling a bit overwhelmed, I

make my first purchase and get out of TJ Maxx. At \$70 with a suggested-retail price of \$350, my new DKNY dress pants in basic black

are a serious bargain. At this point I could have easily

left the mall, since, as I said, I don't really like shopping.
But I am pleasantly diverted.

The great mall creators have strategically placed an inviting, cafe-style, coffee court before my yery eyes. And, within seconds, Tm yery eyes. And, within seconds, I'm in line and ready to order; I dawdle away 20 minutes sipping coffee, but am rejuvenated, and consequently, ready to take on "Neiman Marcus" Last Call" - just to browse.

Abiding my directive, I walk the store's circular pathway for as long

as I can. But, I just have to touch.
"This is great," I say, shaking my
head in disbelief, as I frantically
survey price tags and fabric labels, rummaging through Channel, Ralph Lauren, Calvin Klein, Richard Tyler, Prada and DKNY in a matter of seconds.

Because I am a bargain shopper, the assumption made by my coworkers was that I would return to the office with armfuls of mer-

chandise.

However, if I had not already pur-chased those DKNY pants, my resources would have gone towards one item – a claret red, knit wool suit by DKNY at a total cost of \$294. A littlé over budget, I know,

but worth every penny.
Since I didn't want to disappoint my coworkers, I opted for a less expensive bargain at Neiman's — a pair of brown suede pants for an even \$100:

And. I left. Reeling from my Neiman's experi-ence, I cruised over to Bed, Bath and Beyond to buy something inex-

pensive and practical — a garbage can for my kitchen. An easy \$10 and the place where I cook is all the Also impressive in the bargain category was Sak's Fifth Avenue "Off 5th" outlet, where I purchased

a pair of black leather and suede,

loafer-style pumps for about \$50. The store, however, didn't seem to contain as many alashed price tags or designer labels as Neiman's, Time and money running out, I decided to check out Ann Taylor Loft, which caused me – low and behold – to enter "Shopping District

The mall is divided into nine districts with different themes like Sporting Life and Town and Country. Having truly explored only one district, I hadn't even seen 1 per-cent of the place.

""Oh, well," I thought, and made my final purchase — a ribbed, all-cotton, long-sleeved shirt to wear with jeans on sale for \$19 at Ann

Taylor Loft.
I guess another trip was warrant.
ed, even if I got trapped in Bar-



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### Church prepares for holidays with auction

### First Congregational to hold second annual 'Festival of Trees'

By Stephanie Angelyn Casola Staff Writer scasola@oe.homecomm.net

At Clarkston's First Congregational Church, the holidays are a time designated for area youth.

For the second year, the church will host its Holiday Festival of Trees. This year's event runs from noon to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21. More than 60 decorated Christmas trees will be available for purchase. And the proceeds benefit the

church's youth programs. "We're in the process of look-ing for a youth director for our youth ministry," said James G. Keough Jr., minister.

The youth program is divided into two groups, one for middle school and one for high school students. The church is seeking another youth director. Also, Keough said they are trying to expand the youth ministry, which now has 70 members. The church sponsors a Girl Scouts program, but is seeking a leader for a Boy Scouts program. The festival is expected to raise money for all of these objectives.

Though Keough said there is no set goal in mind, he expects the festival to raise about \$1,000 toward the programs, after

This year the festival will feature a larger variety of items to purchase, said co-chairperson of the event, Nancy Shoup. She has been decorating trees, ornaments and keepsakes since last January in preparation. The trees range in size from miniature and table-top trees to 7-feet

"I enjoy doing it," she said.
"It's creative. I sew and I paint so I thought, I could do this."

Every tree is different. They each exhibit a festive theme, such as an angel tree, a bird tree, a poinsettia tree, or a Victorian-decorated tree. When decorating the large trees, Shoup said, it was difficult to decide

When you do a tree, you can't really get too wild for the average person," she said.

Leanora Brackett, co-chair of the event, assisted with ideas for tree themes and choice of decorations. Some ideas for tree decorations started with a single strand of ribbon and a spark of imagination.

"We work good together," Brackett said.

The festival itself will include visiting Santa Claus — sure to be available for pictures — as well as a sweet shop, gift store, face-painting booth, personalized ornaments and several auctions. Those taking part in the auc-tions can win dinner and movie packages provided by local busi-

"Every one of our trees is paid for by a sponsor," said Edgar Gillies, a volunteer in charge of sponsorship.

According to Gillies, local florists have donated wreaths for the festival, and 40 local businesses and restaurants have offered gift certificates for auction, or paid for a large tree. With those contributions, the church will be free to raise funds for the youth.

Visitors will also find wreaths and swags for sale. Large trees will be sold by silent auction. They range in price from \$150 to \$300 and will be delivered to the new owner's home the following

Visitors at the festival can take advantage of the pie walk; an event similar to the game "hot potato" where participants walk around a table. When the music stops, they receive a pie' gift certificate for the particular one they stop near. Real pies were not used, Shoup said, because they would spoil before Thanksgiving.

Volunteers at the church this week were in a cheerful mood, carrying yards of decorative net-





ting and ornaments.

Betty Cole, a volunteering decorator, said she's had fun preparing for the festival.

You can see it really coming

together," said Cole, who was working with her husband,

O Christmas

Tree: Here is

one example

(above) of the

kind of deco-

rated tree

that will be

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Cole (left)

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Sally Gillies said she particularly enjoyed seeing the trees



Taking charge: Nancy Shoup works on a Victorian-style tree for the festival. She's spent the past 10 months creating ornaments and decorative additions for the annual event.

after they are finished. But she added that working alongside friends made the work enjoyable. The First Congregational

Church is at 5449 Clarkston

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### Task force asks township for funding

By NICOLE STAFFORD

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Responding to recent events in the community, representatives of the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth encouraged trustees in Independence Town-

ship to contribute to their cause. Cindy Dixon, administrative coordinator for the organization, spoke to the township board about the need for substance abuse prevention programs prior to making the request at a meeting Tuesday.

Dixon said funding for the volunteer organization was slated to decrease and hoped that the township board would agree to include the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth among those it annually supports.

The board did not vote on the matter, delaying a decision until further consideration.

Board members only need look month's headlines,"

see the need for community outreach programs to prevent substance abuse, Dixon said, referring to recent events involving Clarkston area youth.

Two weeks ago, a former Clarkston High School student who was attending Michigan State University died after con-suming 24 shots of alcohol. Also, police recently discovered that brownies laced with marijuana were being sold at Clarkston High. Three students were suspended in connection with the

"We want to recoil from these news stories," said Dixon, and doing so takes community-wide efforts that include substance abuse prevention events, she

The task force, which was formed in 1995, receives funds from the Oakland County Health Department. However, the department has informed the task force that funds will be

Among other activities, the task force sponsors a "Parent-to-Parent" drug and alcohol pro-

gram.
The organization was formed after a Western Michigan University drug use survey showed that Clarkston students were using drugs and alcohol at rates that exceeded national average in nearly all categories of the

Parks and Recreation Director Ann Conklin said the township regularly contributes to the task force and that she would provide an accounting of those direct payments and in-kind contribu-

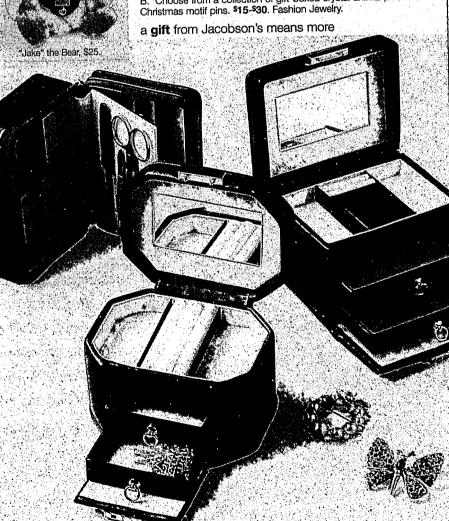
tions, if desired. "The bottom line is that Clarkston is not alone in facing these challenges of the 1990s," Dixon

Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart said the board would revisit the matter at a later date.

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#### **Springfield Police**

Grass Fire

On Nov. 12, police assisted Detroit Edison when a power pole caught fire on the Dixie Highway exit from northbound 1-75. Portions of the highway was blocked off until the fire were blocked off until the fire was extinguished and power lines deemed safe.

Vandalism

On Nov. 16, a mailbox was reported broken and a turkeyshaped lawn ornament smashed at a residence on Debby Jo.

Home Invasion

On Nov. 15, a Hickory Hallow residence was broken into through an unlocked kitchen window. A purse was stolen and later found behind the residence. Nothing was reported missing from the purse,

#### **Independence Police**

Vandalism On Nov. 11, a mailbox on

**POLICE NEWS** Deerhill was reported shat-

tered. On Nov. 13, a car was reported keyed while parked at Flemings Lake Road.

On Nov. 13, mailboxes were reported damaged and coverings for shrubs were found on Oakforest Drive.

On Nov. 13, residents on Deer Park Trail reported that their custom-made mailbox had been smashed, ground lights damaged, and a cement bird bath

shattered. On Nov. 14, a car window was reported damaged from a large rock while parked on Rattalee Lake Road.

On Nov. 15, residents of a Dark Lake Drive home reported that trees in their yard were covered with toilet paper.

Thefts

On Nov. 12, the driver of a white Chevrolet pickup truck was reported as failing to pay \$18.34 for gasoline pumped at a gas station on Pine Knob

On Nov. 14, two headlight covers were reported stolen from a vehicle while parked on Dixie Highway. On Nov. 14, a license plate

was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Ashwood Court.

### **Independence Fire**

Between Nov. 12-15, firefighters responded to 13 calls. Among them were seven medical calls, three personal injury accidents and one grass fire.

On Nov. 12, a 40-year-old Independence Township woman was reported as having an anxiety attack at a Parview residence. She was evaluated on the scene and released.

#### **Clarkston Police**

On Nov. 10, police responded to a three-car accident involving three high school students at 2:30 p.m. While traveling on Clarkston Road, east of Main Street, a 16-year-old Clarkston girl was rear-ended by a 17-yearold Clarkston girl, who was then hit by an 18-year-old Clarkston man. Minor damage was done to the vehicles and no one was

On Nov. 14, police responded to a Surrey Lane residence where an 8-month old baby who had swallowed a pistachio nut shell and could not breathe. Independence Township firefighters were on the scene, but the object was dislodged. Fire-fighters recommended the child be checked out by a doctor.

### Clarkston High is site of canine training session

Clarkston Community Schools conducted a training exercise for its administrators Nov. 12, with the help of canine units from area police departments. The training, which took place at Clarkston High School, demonstrated the trained dogs' ability to search swiftly and thoroughly for narcotics and/or firearms.

Moving quickly through designated areas of the high school but not the entire building — the highly trained German and Dutch Shepherds and their handlers instructed the administrative staff on effective ways of locating and confiscating hidden substances and weapons. Even residual odors alert the sensitive canines that drugs may have been present at an earlier time. The dogs are also able to identify odors in parking lots. Once a locker is identified, administrators conduct a search. No drugs were found during the training

"We care too much about our youngsters to look the other way when it comes to illegal substances and weapons," said Superintendent Dr. Al Koberts.

We prefer to take a preventive and positive approach. The purpose of this and any future search will be to protect our kids because their safety always comes first. Substance abuse has destroyed too many students across this nation. As far as weapons are concerned, all schools must have a zero toler-

The canine training is one of a series of strategies aimed at eliminating student possession of illegal materials on any school site. During the procedure, the dog walks by each locker and uses its powerful sense of smell to identify drugs or firearms. If the dog identifies a locker, a search is later conducted by the school administration, not the dog håndler.

CHS Principal Brent\_Cooley noted that after the training session a few students who were in the building talked with one of the dog handlers. "He told me later that they were respectful and thanked him for being there. He also said he had never had that response before from a high school student.

### St. Daniel collects for Honduran relief

To collect donations for the Honduran relief effort, a storage trailer will be set up in the parking lot of St. Daniel Church beginning Friday, Nov. 27, and running until Dec. 5. All donations must be placed in cardboard boxes with the contents listed on the outside of the box (bold print, preferably). No glass, please

Residents are being asked to donate rice, pinto and refried beans, corn flour, canned tomatoes, powdered milk, evaporated milk, condensed milk, coffee, sugar, water, purified water, pasta, spaghetti, cooking oil or baby food.

Clothing items needed include

waterproof footwear, summer shoes (no boots), socks, diapers wipes, baby pacifiers, pre-mixed baby formula, baby bottles and nipples, baby bonnets and bibs, lightweight baby sweaters, baby clothes, all sizes and ages of underwear, summer cotton clothing, shorts, T-shirts, pajamas, nightgowns, robes, lightweight slacks, jeans, shirts, dresses, and lightweight jackets, ranging from infants to adults.

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cooking supplies, utensils, forks hygiene items, kleenex, toilet paper, amoxicillan, biocillan, any antibiotic for malaria, and

herbicides and pesticides. On Dec. 5, the goods will be transferred to a truck that will haul all boxes to World Relief Hunger. They will be taken to Miami International Airport and flown from there to Hon-

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#### **NOTABLES**

Shannon M. Medley of Clarkston, a senior at William Tyndale College, was inducted into Alpha Chi, a co-educational society whose purpose is to promote academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students and to honor those who achieve such distinction.

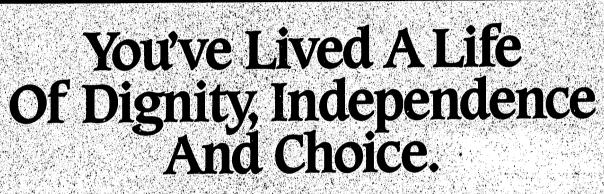
Ms. Medley was among 10 students honored at a college ceremony Oct. 17.

We are delighted to recognize Shannon for her academic and service achievements," said Dr. James C. McHann, president, William Tyndale College. "She truly demonstrates the academic and service values promoted by

the college." William Tyndale Collège is a non-sectarian Christian liberal arts college located in Farmington Hills. The school offers 20 associate and bachelor degree programs in arts and sciences, professional studies and Christian studies, and the accelerated

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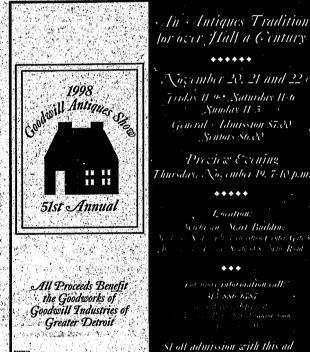
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### Courthouse expansion

### County ready to move to next phase

BY BARB PERT TEMPLETON

A plan to put a \$99 million addition onto the Oakland County Courthouse by the year 2004 could take shape very soon if county officials approve a contract with an architectural firm in early December.

"We can see that we are at the point where a decision has to be made," Charles Palmer, chairman of the Planning and Building Committee said. The fact that the plan may have to be rehashed if it's not moved along prior to the January swearing in of new county commissioners makes board approval that much more urgent, said Palmer, a Repub-lican County Commissioner representing District 16.

A review committee, appointed by the Planning and Building Committee, has been considering bids from several architectural firms. They will bring a recommendation to the Planning and Building Committee on Dec. 1. If all goes well the matter will go the board of commissioners on Dec. 10 for approval of a contract for a design firm.

#### The Plan

Nearly 18 months ago the county began a study that involved updating the master plan to address overcrowding at the courthouse. They hired the consulting firm of Harley

Right now the current court building is composed of more than just the court rooms. ...Our consultants told us it is overutilized.'

> Charles Palmer County Commissioner

Ellington Consultants, of Southfield, and in early Octo-ber they brought a plan to the Planning and Building Com-mittee. The full plan is laid out for the new courthouse is addressed in two separate

The first phase calls for a 30,000-square-foot addition to the county structure at an estimated cost of \$99 million. Those dollars are to include cost of construction, equipment for the new space and updates to parking including surface repairs to existing lots, Palmer

"Right now the current court building is composed of more than just the court rooms there are lots of departments and our consultants told us it is over utilized. It's at 125 percent capacity now," Palmer

The existing 400,000-squarefoot courthouse has 17 circuit judges, four probate judges and one visiting judge filling

up 21 court rooms. The new space will allow for a total of 32 court rooms and the possibility of adding the family court to the site in Phase Two of the project.

"An additional plan for expansion in the future is to leave the fifth floor of the new area open so that the family court might be moved there by the year 2010," Palmer said.

The second phase calls for a 70,000-square-foot addition with an estimated cost of \$50 million. That part of the project wouldn't be looked at until the first phase is completed and operational, Palmer said.

While officials would expect to see the courthouse occupied 2004 Palmer pointed out that if the job can be completed sooner it's all the better for the county's pocketbook.

"We could save \$250,000 per month if we can expedite the building of it quicker," Palmer said. "And of course this is a considerable undertaking and if and when it's approved we want to do it right."

How to pay for the project is still under discussion. Palmer said he doesn't think the board will seek a tax increase to pay for it.

If a contract with an architectural firm is approved they will then begin designing and planning the addition. Palmer estimated their portion of the project could take 18 months

### OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAPSULES

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May has a degree in business management from Indiana University; and a master's degree in educational leader-ship from Wayne State University. He succeeds Diann

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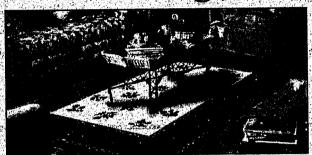
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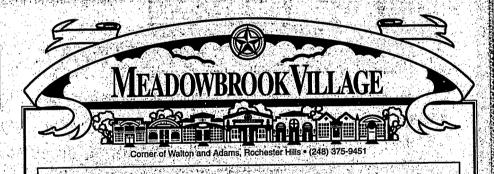
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### OSM Tech program to continue — with changes

BY DEBRA PASCOE

While the details have yet to be worked out, the Clarkston-based Oakland Science Math and Technology (OSMTech) pro-gram will continue.

Oakland Schools Superintendent James Redmond said the district's board of education is currently reviewing the proposed OSMTech structure and making revisions; one being opening the program to all 28 Oakland Coun-

ty school districts.
The program was originally offered to students in the Lake Orion, Clarkston, Oxford, Waterford, Brandon, Holly and Pontiac school districts.

Oakland Schools officials con-sidered abolishing the five-year program late last school year when results of a survey indicat-ed the program, which appeals to students whose interests lie in to scudents whose interests he in mathematics and science, failed to meet all its goals. Specifically, the teaching techniques and knowledge garnered from the lab-type setting were not being brought back to the classrooms of participating districts as

An uprising from parents and

students opposing abolishing the program and interest from the majority of the then-participating districts to continue it prompted Oakland Schools offiprompted Carland Schools officials to take another look. After much discussion, the school board then voted to continue the program with some variations,

program with some variations.
"It won't be vastly different,"
Redmond said. "We're looking at
streamlining and upgrading the
current offerings of OSMTech."
Redmond said the OSMTech
program will be run under the
watch of the yet-to-be-appointed
dean of the Northwest Technical
Center and taught by teachers Center and taught by teachers from the Clarkston Community Schools in accordance with other programs at the technical center.

While Redmond lauded parent involvement for influencing the school board's decision to continue the OSMTech program, he said input from participating districts and interest from Oak-land Schools administrators further influenced the board's deci-

"They certainly played a very important role," Redmond said of

"All of it came together quite

With the additional students, Redmond said the board is now

deciding how it will dole out the 45-plus available spaces in the program to Oakland County's 28 districts. He, however, was neither ready to confirm nor deny reports that school districts currently participating in the program may lose some of their

spots. The board, however, has set the program's funding mechanism and will require each participating school district to pay a tuition equal to one-half the foundation grant awarded to participating students plus \$100. For example, if the foundation. grant is \$6,000 per student, that school district will be required to send Oakland Schools \$3,0000

That, however, won't be the only cost school districts will have to consider before enlisting their support and participation

Redmond said each school district will be responsible for transporting their students to the Northwest Technical Center in Clarkston.

Redmond said the school board will continue to work out details of the OSMTech program and expects final details will be released in late December or early January.

#### **OBITUARIES**

Alma L. Allen

Alma L. Allen of Clarkston died Nov. 15, 1998, at age 76.
Mrs. Allen is survived by her

husband, Älbert; daughters, Josephine Ivey of California, Mary Jane (Lawrence) Yoder of Pontiac, Nancy (Fred) London of Pontiac, Alma (Jon) St. Croix of Midland; sons, Frank of Clarkston, Albert (Doris) of Ortonville, Tom (Cathy) of Clarkston, Rod-ney (Penny) of Holly and Mike (Linda) of Waterford. She is also survived by 15 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren as well as a sister, Ethel Huemiller.

Funeral arrangements were made by Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. today, Thursday, at the funeral home at 5929 S. Main Street in Clarkston, Interment will take place at Acacia Park Cemetery.

Teresa "Rose" Puzerski Teresa "Rose" Puzerski of spirit.

Clarkston died Nov. 15, 1998, at. age 92, ending a healthy, active life.

From 1944-69 Mrs. Puzerski lived in Troy where she enjoyed driving a school bus and super-vising children on the local school playground. In 1969 she and her late husband, Ed, retired to Fountain, Mich., where they owned and operated a small resort.

She is survived by two daughters, Clare Alexander of Ferndale and Mary Sloan of Davisburg, as well as grandchildren Melissa (Chris) Gedraitis and Chip Sloan.

Funeral arrangements were made by Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral in Clarkston. Interment took place at St. Mary's Ceme-tery in Custer, Mich. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to a charity of choice or that a flower ing plant be planted to serve as: an annual reminder of Mrs. Puzerski's simple and gentle

James E. Warner

James E. Warner of Clarkston died Nov. 12, 1998, at the age of

Mr. Warner worked as an accountant at Midwest Audit in Troy and was previously employed by Beaver Precision

Products in Troy.

He was a member of the Royal Oak Elks Club and an active member of St. Trinity Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife. Karen; sons, Bradley of Clawson and Matthew of East Lansing and mother, Mary, of Detroit. He is also survived by parents-inlaw Charles and Lillian Dunn of Detroit.

Funeral arrangements were made by Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Funeral services were held at St. Trinity Lutheran Church in Clarkston with Rev. Michael A. Klafehn officiating,

Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery

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# OCC fire simulator puts firefighters to the test

By Tim Richard Staff Writer

As Sgt. James Katona of the Metro Airport fire department took off his helmet, his face was lobster red and sweaty.
"Conditions in there go from

tolerable to intolerable in a matter of seconds. You can see the heat and fire over the top of your head," said the 14-year veteran Wayne County fire-

By "in there" he meant the new Swedish Flashover Simulator, a training device in dealing with building fires. The Auburn Hills Campus of Oakland Community College has one.

To the untrained eye, the Flashover Simulator looks like a modified railway boxcar or shipping container. It is. The \$35,000 room was developed by a Swedish company to intro-duce modern firefighters to a phenomenon few have seen or, if they've seen it, haven't lived to tell about it.

Matt Sabol, director of the fire technology program at OCC, explained "flashover."

In a building fire, heat mounts until all combustibles including glues in particle board - ignite. "The gases rise and come behind the firefighters. It takes two to five minutes for flashover to occur

"Firefighters used to get to the scene after flashover occurred. Now they're getting to the scene before flashover hits. Firefighters were getting hurt. Indianapolis, Denver, Dallas — all lost firefighters to flashover."

He pointed to the dark red simulator that was blackened near roof level by flames. For the first time, they (students) can see how a flashover happens," Sabol said. "These are very safe, controlled condi-tions."

So far, OCC is training chief and officers from departments in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. They wear clothes, boots and helmets that are fire-resistant to 400 degrees and carry SCBA gear (self-con tained breathing apparatus), that looks similar to scuba gear.

About a dozen trainees at a

time go into the simulator for about 15 minutes. An instructor ignites a trash barrel of kindling wood at one end. The blaze then spreads to the particle board in the ceiling.

Heat rises, as any science stu-dent knows. In the simulator, temperatures at the ceiling are 1,500 degrees Fahrenheit and 200 degrees at the floor, "This is mostly for structural fires," added Nels Olsen, site director. Trainees work on their knees in a lowered floor area. They take turns "penciling" a hard stream of water on the walls. But when the going gets too hot, they're

told to get out.
"My hands got so hot," said Dennis Lappin, a one-month veteran of the Metro Airport department, "that I had to put them behind my back to cool."

"We have the only one in Michigan," said Dr. Joe Macri, OCC dean and director of public safety, "and I think there are only five in the country."

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The Swedish Flashover Simulator has become particularly important since a 1993 fire drill on an old house killed three Milford Township firefighters. The state severely restricts the. use of old buildings in firefighter training. Besides, they take days to prepare for burning and

can be used only once.
Using the Swedish device is cheaper, faster, safer and more instructive. The useful life of the simulator is 10-15 years.

All equipment is technologically advanced, but the teach-ing principle is elementary: "hands-on experience

Altogether, Oakland County has about 2,000 firefighters, Wayne 3,700 and Macomb 1,000. Watching the Oct. 27 demonstration, to see what their staffs will go through, were chiefs and officers from Bingham-Franklin, Rochester Hills, Bloomfield Township, Walled Lake, Waterford, Ponti-ac, Auburn Hill, Mount

Clemens and Ecorse.
In addition to offering noncredit courses for 2,000 employed firefighters a year OCC enrolls 50 full-time and some part-time students in its Fire Fighting Technology program, Sabol said. "Michigan requires they have 255 hours of training to become a firefighter. We give them 480 hours of training."

raning."
About 75 percent of the full-time students will seek jobs with fire departments. "About 89 percent get hired," Macri

OCC's curriculum has 10 three-credit courses, ranging from FFT 151, Introduction to Fire Protection, through Fundamentals, Arson Investigation, Hazardous Materials, Administration and so on to FFT 254, Tactics and Strategy. The Flashover Simulator can be used in four of the courses, he

The simulator is used far

away from other OCC buildings, at the southwest corner of the Auburn Hills Campus. It is a former Army Nike missile site. Except for the simulator, a visitor sees only aged concrete and weeds.

But OCC officials have high hopes to develop the acreage into "Sim City," for Simulation City - a series of structure for training not only firefighters but police and emergency medical technicians

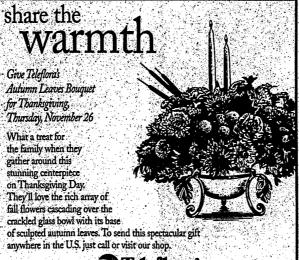
"This," said Macri, "is the. first stage.

The department has developed a business plan to expand the program.

A business plan is needed because general governments will be asked to help with the capital costs. Costs won't come out of OCC's millage.

Early indications are that Sim City will become a reality.





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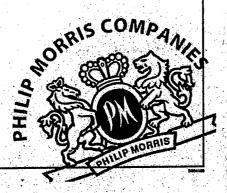
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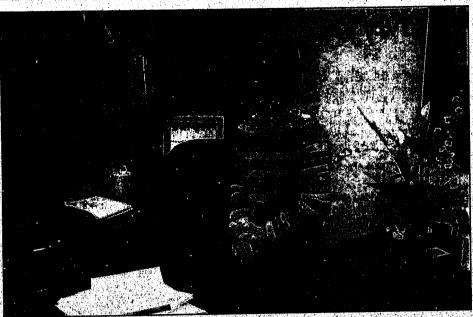
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Legally speaking: Sherry L. Martens is awaiting her license to work as an attorney for the firm of Kacy & Associates in Clarkston.





### Clarkston's newest attorney looks to bright future ahead

By Stephanie Angelyn Casola Staff Writer scasola@oe.homecomm.net

It started with one phone call. "They're out," a friend said on the other line.

With those words, Sherry L Martens knew the answer she was waiting for had arrived.

The results of her State Bar Exam were perched in the mail-box of her Royal Oak home as she worked in her Clarkston office.

"It was pretty nerve-wracking when you realize that everything you've worked for for the last seven years is all right in this little envelope," said Martens, who will be sworn in as an attor-

ney on Monday. Martens, the Clarkston area's newest attorney, works for Kacy & Associates, 21 S. Main St., in Clarkston as a law clerk and will now stay on as a full-fledged

"I like to debate and analyze things," said Martens, 25.

She can't quite pinpoint why, but Martens always thought she would pursue a career in law. As an undergraduate at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, she studied Spanish, but knew she wanted to become an attorney. At the time it seemed a second language would be an advantage. After graduating sev-enth in her class of more than 200 students at Wayne State University Law School last May, Martens chose to work in a smaller town, rather than a large metropolitan area where fluent Spanish might be neces-

sary. Since 1996, she has been working in general practice law for local attorney Dennis Kacy. Martens quickly adapted to the small-town atmosphere of Clarkston. She grew up in Vicksburg, a similar small town outside of Kalamazoo. Martens didn't know very much about the area before working in Clarkston.

"I came up here and I really liked it a lot," she said: "I had. always been more interested in working in a small office."

The law office granted her opportunities she might've missed out on at larger firms.

She said she was given the chance to get more hands-on experience. As a law clerk, it was Marten's job to learn. She wrote briefs, researched cases, met clients, and worked closely with her employer, Dennis Kacy. Even as an attorney, she said she will still go to Kacy for advice. Now she will begin to represent clients of her own, sign legal briefs, and truly begin her

law career.
"You have a lot more independence in the eyes of the court," she said. "But you still utilize (the experience) of the older: attorneys around you."

In general practice, Martens works on a variety of cases. Among them are probate and estate planning, divorce and custody proceedings, real estate transactions, and personal

"I'm lucky to have had a lot of experience with all of that," she

The most difficult cases to handle, Martens said, are those dealing with a death in the family or a divorce or custody battle.

"Those are hard," she said. "They aren't the kind of cases you walk away from feeling good

"I think it just helps you grow as a person. It puts your own life

into perspective."
As a lawyer, she said, it's

important to keep some distance from the more emotional cases. "It's an attorney's job to be the objective one," she said. "But you can't ignore (the situation)."

Some of her favorite cases involved estate planning. Martens said she feels she's able to help those individuals go on with their lives after a family member or friend has died.

"I'm not only learning about law, I'm learning about business," Martens added. "Dennis is. an excellent teacher."

He always emphasized that her education should be placed above her duties as law clerk. Martens said that Kacy was especially understanding when she needed time to study.

Kacy said Martens will contribute a sense of direction and doesn't get old. There is focus to Kacy & Associates, and "more out there to learn."

she'll provide a different perspec-

"She'll bring vitality and conti-nuity that will assist in all lev-

els," Kacy said. He specified that her work in estate planning and trusts will allow the law office to specialize

in more areas. In addition to her employer, Martens said her parents were instrumental in fostering her

"My parents — my whole family has been so supportive in everything I have done," she said. "I certainly wouldn't be where I am (without their sup-

Deborah Martens, Sherry's mother, expressed pride in her daughter's accomplishments. Both Deborah and Sherry's

father, Bruce, will attend the swearing in ceremony.

"She's very objective and also compassionate," said Deborah Martens. "She can see both sides of the coin." of the coin."

Deborah Martens said that this step did not come easily to her daughter.

"She's worked really hard to get there," she said. "She put herself through law school,"

Martens' college roommate. Katie, Sergeant, witnessed Martens work ethic first-hand.

"She's always been very focused and driven by what she does," said Sergeant. "She cares a lot about her work." Sergeant and Martens roomed together for more than four years. Sergeant said that her for-

mer roommate's listening skills and thoughtfulness will serve her well as a lawyer.

"She's definitely someone you can confide in," Sergeant said.

"Clarkston is fortunate to have

her as an attorney. Looking to the future, Martens will begin working on building her own clientele. She said that Kacy's 28 years in Clarkston will be beneficial as a new attorney in the area.

"One thing I do know is that there is a lot to know, there's a lot to learn," said Martens. "This profession doesn't get boring. It doesn't get old. There is always.



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# New technology may solve 20-year-old mystery

BY PAT MURPHY STAFF WRITER

They were devastated more than 20 years ago when a preda-

tor murdered their youngsters. But the mothers of the four children abducted and murdered by the Oakland County child killer may yet play a role in bringing him to justice.

At the request of investigators, those mothers recently gave samples of their blood to be DNA tested by the FBI laboratory in Washington, D.C. While the testing will not identify the killer, it could help investigators narrow the list of suspects and

### OAKLAND COUNTY CHILD KILLER

enable them to close in on the person considered the prime

The blood samples will be compared with strands of hair found on or near the bodies of the murdered youngsters, said Lieutenant Ted Monfette of the Michigan State Police Post in Northville.

Monfette, who is formally in harge of the investigation, declined to elaborate but his comments confirmed the investigation into the deaths of the four youngsters from February,

1976, through March, 1977, is far from closed.

Abducted and murdered were Mark Stebbins, 12, of Ferndale; Jill Robinson, 12, of Royal Oak; Kristine Mihelich, 10, of Berkley and Timothy King, 11, of Birmingham. Each was kidnapped near his or her home, kept alive for some time and subsequently killed. Each was discarded where the body could be easily

Investigators hope the DNA testing will help them implicate or exonerate — a man believed to be a prime suspect. He is a man imprisoned in Arizona on a child molesting charge

"The prime suspect extremely poor health, and is not expected to survive much longer," wrote U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, who last month wrote a letter to the FBI urging the agency to expedite DNA

"Mike (Bouchard) brought it to my attention," Knollenberg said Wednesday, referring to the State Senator from Birmingham. "And I was happy to help out. This won't guarantee that the case will be solved, but it will move things along.'

Bouchard contacted Knollenberg after conferring with Deta Sgt. Ray Anger of Berkley, one of the original investigators assigned to the case and a key figure in the task force formed to find the killer. That task force with hundreds of officers from various communities - is considered the largest and most intense investigations ever in southeast Michigan.

Anger confirmed that the mothers of the slain children were contacted recently and, at the request of investigators willingly gave blood samples to E investigators hope the DNA testing will help them implicate — or exonerate — a man believed to be a prime suspect in the Oakland County child killer case. He is a man imprisoned in Arizona on a child molesting charge.

tested at the FBI lab. "Beyond that, I have no comment," he said

Birmingham Police Commander Donald A. Studt, who worked on the original case, said the blood samples from the mothers were needed to conmothers were needed to com-struct a DNA profile on the murdered youngsters. "We don't know where this will lead, but we're hopeful," Studt said Wednesday

Another one of the original police investigators, Jerry J. Tobias, who is also a clinical psychologist, also declined to comment on the latest develop-ments in the case. "The case was never closed," he said, "and we have never given up on finding the killer.'

DNA testing was not available at the time of these killings, noted Bouchard, who was a rookie police officer in Southfield Township at the time, "Not a person in this area was unaffected by these killings, and it

will be a blessing if this technology can bring it to closure."

Thousands of tips were processed during the investigation, and many theories were considered. While hundreds of suspects — including clergymen, police officers and school offi-cials — were identified and either cleared or kept on file.

Eventually, the investigation. generally focused on two men although some investigators still believe others could be the

One of the prime suspects was killed in a 1981 car crash. The other remains in an Arizona prison, where he has refused to cooperate with investigators. Over his objections — but on the authority of a court order — blood samples have been taken from the suspect and submitted to the FBI laboratory for DNA testing.

### DNA tests take time says FBI

STAFF WRITER

It's hard to believe the FBI would not expe dite laboratory testing on evidence connected with the Oakland County child killings, undoubtedly the most intense investigation and manhunt in the history of Southeast Michigan.

But that's apparently what happened, according to two Michigan law makers Rep. Joe Knollenberg and state Sen, Michael J. Bouchard, who said FBI cooperation is essential in bring the case to closure.

A spokesman for the FBI Wednesday said the time lapse in DNA testing is not unusual. So delays are common, according to Chris Warner, congressional liaison to the FBI in Washington, D.C.

"We're the clearinghouse for DNA testing for the entire country," said Warner. "Our labs are very busy," he said.

DNA testing wasn't available in 1976 and 1977, when four youngsters from the Birming-ham and Royal Oak area were murdered. But that technology could help investigators identify the killer and bring closure to the case, said Bouchard who was a rookie police officer at the time.

Here's a timetable on what did — or did not happen, according to letters from Bouchard and Knollenberg sent at the request of local investigators.

June, 1997: the hair samples were sent to the FBI laboratory in Washington, D.C., to determine if DNA testing could be done to

June, 1998: One of the original investigators assigned to the Oakland County child killings, Detective Sgt. Ray Anger of the Berkley Police Department, was notified by the FBI that DNA testing was possible

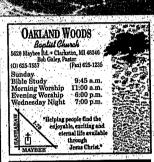
Oct. 12, 1998: After no further word from the FBI, Bouchard contacts Knollenberg asking him to help expedite the testing. "My office and Detective Sgt. Anger have been in touch with Mr. Chris Warner, congressional government liaison to the FBI in Washington, without results," Bouchard writes.

Oct. 20: Knollenberg writes an "Urgent" letter to A. Robert Walsh, FBI chief for Congressional affairs, asking for expediting the DNA testing, with the results forwarded to Anger.

Nov. 16: Anger confirms that mothers of the victims willingly supplied blood samples for additional DNA testing.

Nov. 18: Warner said the FBI lab had, at his request, expedited the DNA testing.

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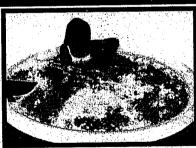
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### Where's the trust?

### Decision makers have community interests at heart

rust is a funny word to use in connection with politics these days. There might have been a time when citizens trusted their elected officials, but with the events in Washington of late, few would be so naive as to do so today. When the president the highest elected official in this country

wonder if anyone in politics can be trusted. However, there's a difference between politics at the national level and politics at the grass-roots level in a community like Clark-

- lies to the American people, one begins to

People who serve on the school board, planning commission, township board, school committees, etc., are not in their positions for money or power. If they are paid at all, they receive just nominal amounts, mere stipends for each meeting they attend or each year they serve — certainly not enough to compensate them for the time they invest. Usually, they don't aspire to higher office, they simply want to serve their community because they believe it's the right thing to do.

These folks are ordinary people. They have families and careers in fields unrelated to politics. They worly about the same things you do, including how much traffic is on the roads and how long their kindergartner has to ride the bus to get to school.

Recently, two issues have drawn residents en masse to community meetings. One is the redrawing of attendance boundaries for Clarkston schools. The other is a proposed auto parts warehouse for the Sashabaw/I-75 area.

It is good that residents attend these meetings and voice their concerns. Certainly, residents should point out any problems they see with the proposals. But then they should trust the committee members, school board members and planning commissioners to make the best decision given the information they have. They should also trust them to follow the law. when necessary and consider the needs of the entire community. That is their job.

about the intentions of committee members accusations so ridiculously untrue that we

Our reporters and editor have been watching the decisions made by the school board, planning commission and other governing bodies in the Clarkston-area for more than three years.

The folks sitting on these boards are decent people who care deeply about the community. They have repeatedly shown that they can be trusted to make good decisions, even if every-body doesn't always agree with them. Let's

### We have heard accusations and innuendoes would be remiss in repeating them here.

trust them to do so in this instance as well.

### Method of electing judges needs revision

you know about Maura Corrigan? Clifford Taylor? Martin Doctoroff? Wendy Potts? Linda S. Hallmark Joseph Longo: Preston Thomas? Michael Batchik?

The common thread is they're all judges. Furthermore, they are all recently elected

judges — in contested races. And yes, it was this last election.

Corrigan and Taylor are Michigan Supreme Court judges. Martin Doctoroff is a state Appeals Court judge. Potts is a new Oakland County Circuit Court judge. Linda S. Hallmark is a new Probate Court judge. Longo, Thomas and Batchik are all new district court

If you memorize the above paragraph, you probably know more than most people do already and yet thousands, in some cases tens of thousands, of voters pulled the lever in

these non-partisan races to pick a candidate. Normally, we find ourselves chastising voters for not getting out to the polls, but in this case we wonder if uninformed voters are perhaps worse than no voters at all — just admitting that gives us a cold chill.

Judges are important officials. They can alter the destiny of a community by their rulings; particularly in the higher courts where land use and zoning disputes can result in significant burdens to a municipality.

How many cases between developers and your local municipality were determined by one man or woman? Or in the case of an appeal, by three men or women? Or, if the case actually made it to the supreme court, seven men or women?

And with little more than name recognition,

we put them there.

One of two things has to happen: either voters need to become more informed or we need

a different way of picking judges. We would, of course, prefer the former, but realistically such a preference is probably unlikely.

Judicial candidates rarely debate. They grant interviews to the media, but the judicial canon of ethics (the ethical code that guides judges) prevents judges and potential judges from discussing cases or hypothetical cases. Ultimately, they say they stand for good

how many employers hire an employee on a resume alone?

The other option — appointing judges — is equally thorny, but it is an issue that we can no longer ignore. It is time we honestly and openly debate the notion of appointing judges in Michigan

We admit, the idea of appointing judges is anathema to anyone who espouses democracy. Understand, we are not saying judicial appointment is the desired course of action.

The notion of appointing judges is fraught with peril. We need look no further than the incidents of appointments now in use. At present, when there is a vacancy due to resignation or death, the governor of Michigan makes an appointment to fill the seat until the next election. This has at times become a highly politicized process used by governors – Democrat and Republican — to further their own agendas.

Not every appointment made by Gov. John Engler or his predecessors has been political, but we've wondered whether the choices were sound even when a local favorite such as Hilda Gage was selected. Gage was appointed to the appellate court by Engler last year.

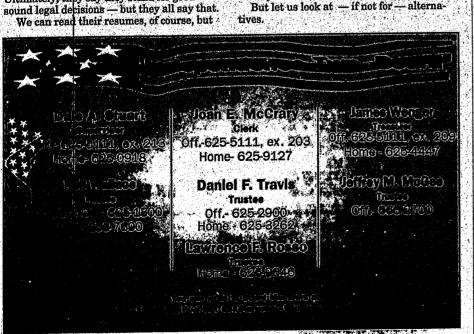
Judicial appointment advocates make a number of arguments, including the point that "making the retention of judicial office dependent on the popularity of the judge inevitably affects the decisional process in high-visibility cases, no matter how competent and how conscientious the judge may be" (that from U.S. Supreme Court Justice Andrew Stevens).

More ardent constitutionalists would argue that voters should always be the ultimate arbitrators of who serves and who does not, but remember federal judges are named for life. The constitution's framers believed that the judiciary would be weak and easily intimidated, and thought only permanent appoint-

ments could ensure judicial independence. We're not saying lifetime appointments are a good idea, but we think that an informed electorate, or perhaps a representative group of the electorate might make a wiser choice than the uninformed mass.

Elitist? No. Until we can devise a better system than electing judges by all means let us stay with the current system.

But let us look at - if not for - alterna-



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### Thanks, Clarkston, for caring

We wish to thank the Clarkston communi-ty for their kindness, Our thanks go to Monsignor Robert Humitz for his comforting words and to Greg Zell for his eulogy, "The Brighter Side of Brad's Short Life.

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Brad was always smiling, a very loving and caring grandson. He had a special way with everyone, from the young to the elderly

Catherine McCue, Harold and Joan Phalor, Grandparents of Bradley John McCue

#### Library director was key

he Friends of the Springfield Township Library would like to recognize the efforts of Cathy Forst, library director, regarding the passage of the bond proposition for the library/civic center.

For several years, Cathy has taken the steps necessary to research and design a building which would adequately serve the needs of our growing community. With the ongoing support of the library board, the more recent support of township officials and their responsible use of our tax dollars, her dreams for this community were put before the public on Nov. 3.

Recognizing that only a small percentage of voters were aware that the issue would be on the ballot, Cathy organized the Springfield Civic Center Committee, a citizens group, to provide accurate information to the public, allowing them to make an educated decision on election day. With the help of many generous citizens in the community, the committee was able to print and distribute informational brochures, letters, lawn signs, hold open hous es and have a crew of volunteers at the polls to answer any last minute questions voter may have presented.

Cathy gave up her personal time to share information through presentations to community PTA meetings, senior's groups, open houses and a local pancake breakfast.

Thanks to Cathy Forst's foresight, leadership and determination, and the support of a well-informed public, Springfield Township will now have a facility which will meet the

needs of its growing community.
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#### School staff did great job

would like to commend the Andersonville Elementary School staff regarding their han dling of the 1998 Kid Vote event.

In conjunction with the 1996 Kid Vote effort, Andersonville students were taught about the democratic process and discussed the candidates for various offices in the classrooms, culminating in an in-school election run by the older students, featuring the actual candidates. While providing a wonderful, hands-on opportunity to expose our children to what will ultimately become their most precious right as citizens of this country, it also caused a lot of information to filter into the classroom which was not appropriate for elementary children.

This election year, to preserve the innocence of childhood while encouraging political responsibility, the Andersonville staff decided itself to instructing the children about the election process, then allowed the in-house election to be based on issues about which the children could make an informed, responsible decision: For example, the kindergartners voted on whether juice should be offered at snack time, along with the usual milk. It was then the parents' choice whether or not their children were exposed to the actual issues on this November's ballot.

Many thanks to the Andersonville staff for. their caring approach to our children's education. Sharon R. Parke

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#### Be heard on boundary issue

hese new school boundaries should concern all of us. As a parent my children will no longer be allowed to attend the closest school to our home. Instead they will be bused past that school approximately 7.5 miles to fill another school. Since there is no direct route, I-75 may be a possibility. This would affect the market value of our homes, if a close school is important to the buyer.

I was told by Dr. Roberts' office that we can write a letter to the committee to reiterate our concerns. More important, a copy of this letter is to be given to the board along with the boundary proposal.

The first possible date this would be on the board's agenda is Dec. 14. The next board meeting is on Jan. 11. You can call the Friday before to find out if it is on the agenda.

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#### POINTS OF VIEW

## Middle school options: Part 1 — Where are we going?

ecently I had the opportunity to tion crews who are doing extensive speak with a group of parents from both of our middle schools during a joint meeting of the Parent Teacher Associations. There are a variety of changes coming up for these children as our construction plans progress so it's extremely important to keep information flowing.

Although most readers may not realize it, the construction timeline of our new elementary school will affect our middle school youngsters, too. I've planned this column to cover the bond plan and completion dates, and the next one in the series will fully explain the challenges ahead and the plans that are being developed for our sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

#### The bond plan

Most residents already know that the old high school will become Clarketon Middle School in the fall of 1999. The building itself is standing empty this year to accommodate construcremodeling to old systems.

Much of the remodeling will not be obvious since it involves replacement of old electrical, heating, and ventilation systems, as well as the public address system. While ceilings are torn out, new technology cabling will be added to create the same voice, video, and data links now available at the high school.

When the work is finished next fall, the building will contain 44 classrooms, three computer labs, and nine science labs, as well as a renovated kitchen and expanded cafeteria. It will also house a media center, counseling offices, music rooms, and art rooms. With this kind of capacity, we plan for the new CMS to house 1,000

The decision to keep the building vacant during construction will protect our kids and speed up the work. Because the remodeling stretches from corridor to corridor throughout



#### AL ROBERTS

the building, it is easier — and safer to tear out old ceilings and conduit when students are not in session.

Over at Sashabaw Middle School, construction plans are much different. There will be extensive upgrades to heating and ventilation systems in addition to new windows, casework, and lockers, a new entrance and vestibule, renovated offices, barrierfree ramps, and new bleachers in the gym. And, of course, there will be added technology for voice, video, and

When completed, SMS will house 26 classrooms, seven science labs, a renovated media center, technical and vocational areas, art rooms, and a stage in the cafeteria. It will also include a computer lab large enough to house two individual labs. New redistricting will reduce the SMS population to 700 students.

#### Completion dates

Although our plans are firm, our dates for completion remain a juggling act. We do expect the redistricted CMS to be ready in August but construction on SMS cannot begin until children leave the building in June. Because the work requires at least eight months, we know we will have to house our new SMS population somewhere for at least one semester, and possibly more. The old CMS building gives us the flexibility we need to house these pupils appropriately since it is already working as

However, the equation is even more complex than you might think. 🚎 What if the new elementary school is not ready? An alternative plan must : be in place. The challenge would be to accommodate the needs of the children assigned to our newest building. As you can see, any problem we encounter with the construction timeline has a domino effect. The good news is that we remain absolutely committed to the building program as approved by our voters and we are pressing our construction crews to . complete the various projects on time. Our focus is directed at what we can do to offer our middle school students= — and all of our students — the best : possible education

Next time: Middle school options: Part II — The challenges ahead and 🤏 developing plans.

Al Roberts is superintendent of Clarkston Community Schools, His hotling number is 623-5454.

### constituent groups greater voice emocrats

caller was a well-known columnist for a Detroit daily newspaper.

"Things can scarcely get worse for the Democratic Party," he started off. "First, Fieger gets whomped by Engler. Then Democrats lose the House and their working majority on the Supreme Court. Come New Year's, the Republicans will be in control of the entire apparatus of state government. When are ordinary people going to take the party back from

Good question. It's especially good because the folks atop organized labor in Michigan continue to refuse to speak to reporters from either Detroit daily newspapers on the grounds that the newspapers conducted unfair labor practices in winning the strike. "No scab newspapers" conveniently means not having to answer potentially embarrassing questions from curious reporters.

Those Democrats who do speak to reporters are generally unanimous in asserting that their party needs to be "revitalized." a code word meaning easing organized labor's stranglehold. Non-labor party activists have been complaining for years that organized labor would rather control the party apparatus top-to-bottom rather than share power and win elections.

It was not always thus. Way back in the 1950s, Democratic Party Chair man Neil Staebler, Gov. G. Mennen Williams and UAW President Walter Reuther worked out a kind of collective leadership for the party. Organized labor had a seat at the table, to be sure, but other groups – blacks, women, farmers, even business and professional people – also sat in. Discussions might be contentious, but no one group dominated.

It worked. Democrats experienced great success for more than a decade. Then gradually for organized labor and especially in the UAW, the idea got around that it was more "responsible" for labor to run things directly without going through the inconve



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nient process of consultation

The problem now for reform-minded Democrats is that they lack a suitable forum in which to discuss their grievances and work out a plan to take back their party.

The traditional way political parties reach conclusions is by holding conventions, ostensibly a gathering of all party members whose decisions would be binding on the leadership. But organized labor still dominates party conventions - often by paying members to attend and busing cadres

to convention sites and putting them up in hotels.

One method might be to adopt a system used in England to great effect by Prime Minister Tony Blair while he was wrenching the Labor Party out of the thrall of organized labor and converting it into a successful, middle-class party.

The Labor Party operates through conventions, much like our own parties, but there is also something called the Parliamentary Labor Party, consisting of all Labor members of Parliament. Unlike the British trade unions, Labor Party MPs have a common and compelling interest in winning elections. In the English system, that's the only way they get the power to form a government.

Maybe Michigan Democrats should hold a convocation of all elected Democratic officeholders. Their overriding common bond — an interest in reforming the party so as to win elections – would provide them a good starting point to analyze what's going wrong with the Democratic Party. Their collective standing as Democra tic officeholders might immunize them against retribution by organized

Moreover, many Democratic Party officeholders are themselves members of unions. Their presence at a convocation would serve as proof that, as a practical matter, any move to reform the Michigan Democratic Party must include organized labor as an important part of the coalition.

For years now, organized labor has been at the center of the Michigan Democratic Party. The problem is that it has been a center without any? circumference. Figuring out how to include other folks is the essential first step in any process of reform. 🥡 🕏

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Each year the the Clarkston Foundation awards between \$9,000-\$10,000. Grant awards for this semester alone total \$5,2251 Eleven programs will delight, instruct and educate the students in our community in a way their teachers find particularly appropriate for them.

all back, doesn't it? Because you saw it, felt it and participated in it, you will always know the basics of a roller-coaster.

Now think of the teacher with a classroom full of eager students who have never seen a roller-coaster or don't understand the science of spinning or an art medium or a music composition. He or she finds a great program, perfect to help the lesson make sense but there is no money in the budget to pay for it. Now what? There are no "academic booster

clubs," but there is a

source to turn to: the Clarkston Foundation. Each year the CF awards between \$9,000-\$10,000, Grant awards for this semester alone total \$5,225| Eleven programs will delight, instruct and educate the students in our community in a way their teachers find particularly appropriate for them. Did a teacher ever inspire you like that? Go out of his or her way to find a

**Foundation** sentation that helped you truly

understand?

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#### CLARKSTON

Ups and downs: Youths and adults are spinning new tricks out of an old toy, the yo-yo. / A13

#### SPORTS

Down and out: Clarkston let an early lead slip away, drew even, then slipped late and dropped a 40-35 decision to Oxford in the opening round of the girls' district basketball tournament Tuesday./**B1** 

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early November, the men in Civil War soldier Edgar Clark's regiment were given a chance to re-enlist in the army for an additional three years. Many chose to do so, even though they still had over a year to go on their original tour of duty. Edgar chose not to re-enlist, hoping that they would soon send him home However, the army did not tell Edgar what he would lose by not re-enlist ing, Here is his letter, dated Dec. 26,

"My dear wife, your letter with a box and contents was very gladly received last night. I was pleased with those pictures. If you carry out your determination in what you are resolved to learn. I think you will feel more enjoyment in writing to me than you will in telling others what to write. Yesterday (Christmas Day) was a very quiet day for me. The sun shone all day and it was quite warm. I must again express the wish that I could see you. I have written that sentence so much that I presume you are tired of hearing it. I would like to see you very much, but I would rather see this rebellion closed. I will have only one year and two months to stay from the 11(th) of January. I think the war will close before my time is out. A number of the boys re-enlisted for three years longer and they are expecting to start for home any day on furlough of 35 days. A person can-not calculate on anything in the army unless he has it in his hand and sometimes not then. I hope our health continues to be good while we are sep-arated in this cruel war. I am thankful that my life has been spared through so many dangers. Your loving husband, Edgar W. Clark."

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





Shopping buddles: Clarkston Eccentric reporters Stephanie Angelyn Casola (left) and Nicole Stafford leave Great Lakes Crossing mall after an exhausting day of shopping,

### Great Lakes Crossing

### New mall suits 2 types of shoppers

### Classy buyer finds her style

Name: Stephanie Angelyn Casola Shopping type: Prefers classy retailers, often spotted at Somerset Col-

Taste: Trendy in neutral tones Necessary preparation: Dresses like she already owns everything worth

Biggest priority: Style of clothing Favorite clothing Item: Shoes

Favorite stores: J. Crew, Bebe, Abercromble and Fitch, M.A.C. Cosmetics, Aveda, Barnes and Nobles, Pier One Imports

Favorite brands: Steve Madden and Dr. Martens shoes

Most money ever spent shopping for self: Approximately \$600 in one trip.

By STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

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If there is one thing that brings the women in my family together,

it's shopping. Not to sound cliche-ish or superficial, but as the youngest of three daughters, I was raised to view shopping as art form, rather than a necessity. When faced with a pletho-

reat Lakes Crossing, just a freeway exit away for most Clarkston-area residents, is a shopping mall quite unlike anything anyone's seen in Michigan. During all the hoopla over its opening last week, we wondered what type of shopper will go there regularly when the excitement dies down. Our two reporters have distinctly different shopping habits so we sent them to Great Lakes Crossing on Monday with a budget of \$250 each. Here are their first-person reports.

ra of stores and products, I realize that I never really adopted the concept of thrift. My sisters call me "frivolous," even "impractical." I rarely buy clothes for comfort and I too often spend money on whatever is new or unusual.

Don't get the wrong idea; I pay off



Perfect fit: Stephanie searches for shoes at Nine West.

my bills monthly and I try to act responsibly. Limitless shopping is a habit. I inherited from my mother — I just can't change that.

In my family, shopping was what you did in preparation for a special

Please see CASOLA, A2

### Bargain hunter cashes in on designer deals

Name: Nicole Stafford

Shopping type: Frequents designer discount stores, often seen in TJ Maxx

Taste: Simple, leaning-towards-classic clothing in primarily dark colors
Necessary preparation: None

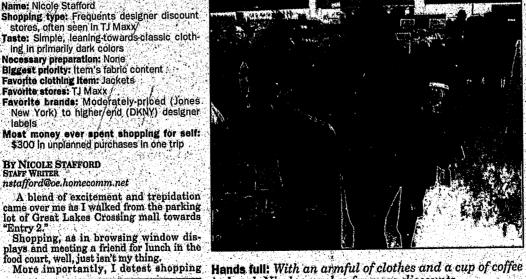
Biggest priority: (tem's fabric content : Favorite clothing item: Jackets Favorite stores: TJ Maxx /

Favorite brands: Moderately-priced (Jones New York) to higher/end (DKNY) designer

Most money ever spent shopping for self: \$300 in unplanned purchases in one trip

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER nstafford@oe.homecomm.net

A blend of excitement and trepidation came over me as I walked from the parking lot of Great Lakes Crossing mall towards



Please see STAFFORD, A2 in hand, Nicole searches for more discounts.

### Boundary decision expected in January

The citizen's committee that is redrawing attendance lines for Clark-ston's elementary and middle schools expects to give the Clarkston School Board its final recommendation in time for the board's Dec. 14 meeting.

However, the plan will appear on that night's meeting agenda as a dis-cussion item only. Trustees are not expected to vote on the new map until

January. That was the word from Dr. Mike LaBay, the realignment committee's administrative liaison, during a phone interview Monday

After two public hearings were held on the issue, LaBay said the committee met twice — for three hours each time to review community members' comments and assess possible changes in the initial map. They left those meetings with no final decision, but they'll

"We're carefully analyzing the polyplot (the computer-generated map that shows where Clarkston students live or are predicted to reside in the district)," LaBay said... "We're checking and rechecking the latest attendance num-bers and the community's input from the public hearings. We're not targeting individual family concerns, but we are making headway. I hope everyone understands that the committee is not doing this as a whim. We're taking

this matter very seriously." LaBay said that when the committee meets Dec. 1 to tweak the details of its final recommendation to the board, "my guess is that we'll be done that night. I expect board members will receive it (the realignment plan) in their packets for the Dec. 14 meeting. But it won't be on the agenda as an action item. It'll just be for discussion. The board won't vote on it until Jan-

(Člarkston's school board will meet at 7 p.m. Dec, 14 in the district's adminis-tration office building. The building is at 6389 Clarkston Road.)

### **Springfield** law restricts developers

An ordinance that would regulate the removal of soils from land in Springfield

Township was unanimously adopted by the township board Nov. 12.

The purpose of the document is two-fold, said Supervisor Collin Walls, who noted that the ordinance was conceived, primarily, to prevent developers from clearing land or performing land bal-ancing before they have completed the site-plan process. In recent months, some developers have begun preparing land for building purposes before receiving the necessary permits.
In addition, Walls said, the ordinance.

will release from having to obtain a per-mit residents who wish to move less than 1,000 cubic yards of soil per year either onto or off from their property. Walls gave examples such as landscaping, or the installation of driveways or septic systems as being times when pri-vate residents might wish to move soil onto or off from their property and not

need a permit.
Also, no permit will be required for excavation for buildings where the siteplan process has been completed and a building permit has already been issued.

188ueci. "You don't need a permit (for) up to 1,000 cubic yards per year," Walls said, Items falling under the regulation of

the ordinance include topsoil, subsoil, sand, gravel and other materials involved in land clearing or filling.

Permits can be obtained through the planning coordinator's office and can be extended after a year's time by a vote of

the township board. According to an ordinance document referred to at the board meeting, viola-

tion of the ordinance will be considered a municipal civil infraction punishable by a fine of \$75 for the first offense and a \$150 fine for a repeat offense. Subsequent offenses could result in increased fines and punishments.

### Casola from page A1

event, such as buying the perfect prom dress. It was the pre-ferred pastime on all vacations. For example, I can't leave a city without some sort of souvenir. Most of all, shopping was a reward for good behavior and a cure for all ail-

So, when my editor sent me to the newly opened outlet mall, Great Lakes Crossing, to shop I was armed with my credit cards and ready to work.

Pulling into the massive parking lot that surrounds the mall was less painful than I had expected. Luckily, I missed the opening-weekend rush. I gazed at the pastal-splashed structure before me like a child entering an imaginary world.

Walking in, I felt unpre-pared. I hadn't dressed in my usual over-the-top shopping garb. And I wasn't sure just what stores to check out in the two hours allotted for the trip.

Rather than grab a map, or fight my way past the crowds surrounding the mall directories, I decided to wing it. Being more of a free-minded shopper, I picked a direction and set out on my way. My theory? Shopping is meant as indulgence, so

cast all rules aside.
Without hesitation, I strutted into Bebe, a fashionableyet-pricey little store that puts a trendy spin on classic clothes. It's the kind of place you can walk into and feel like you're inside the pages of Vogue magazine. It's also the kind of place where you'd buy a sassy T-shirt bearing the store's moniker and not truly mind that you're advertising to

the world where you shop.

In minutes, I found a stretchy layender button-down shirt that's the perfect complement to a black suit. Made of stretch-nylon and regularly priced at \$59, the outlet special reduction dropped the cost to \$39 — and besides, I really wanted it. When the salesperson suggested I try it on, I agreed and discovered that true-to-size" translates into "too-small-for-me." I purchased

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the next size up. Displayed not too far away

was a sleek, charcoal gray suit. Technically the color was "gun," but whatever you want to call it, the suit was beauti-

for all it, the suit was beautiful. A four-button mediumlength jacket paired with an "Ally McBeal" short skirt cost about \$178 together.

Moving on from my first successful venture, I walked purposefully down the corridors and into other "districts" where I was bombarded by tourist-type shoppers. My tourist-type shoppers. My patience wore thin.

patience wore thin.

My mental calculator said I'd spent about \$217 in one store, a typical occurrence for the impulsive shopper. The next place that caught my eye was F.Y.E. "For Your Entertain-ment." I've recently been on a compact disc purchasing binge and I couldn't resist a peek through the store: I bought the "Swingers," the movie soundtrack, as a gift for a friend. It cost, \$16.99, Sheryl Crow's newest CD, "The Globe Sessions," was on sale from its regular \$17.99 to \$12,99, not a

huge bargain, but enough to save me a few dollars for a cup of slushy chocolate cof-fee. I grabbed the music and hit the closest coffee shop for a refreshment.

My \$2.75 cup of icy coffee was overly-frozen so I spent the next bour traipsing about with purchases in one arm, shaking the cup of coffee in my other hand (in the hopes that it might melt into a more drinkable form).

a more drinkable form).

I took a deep breath and set off with just 27 cents left to spend from the \$250 total.

I stopped at an incense stand and bought 15 sticks of assorted holiday scents for \$2.12. The arrange of varilla \$2.12. The aroma of vanilla and evergreen filled my shopping bags. A warmfuzzy feeling came over me. And I was \$1.85 over the

limit. Oops. From my view, Great Lakes Crossing is something of an all-encompassing thrill ride for kamikaze shoppers like me. Though the overall ambiance' didn't convey much of the "bargain-shopper" sentiment I expected, there were enough stores and eateries to spark my

The mall looks, sounds and feels like an amusement park. Employees wear lami-nate necklace name tags like. ent shopping styles wore sent to Great

For \$250, Stephanie Angelyn Casola purchased: One cup of slushy coffee for

■ Incense sticks for \$2,12 Compact discs including "Swingers," the movie sound-track, for \$16.99 and Sheryl

Crow's "The Globe Sessions" for \$12.99 Gray sult from Bebe for

■ Lavender shirt for \$39

For \$250, Nicole Stafford pur-

DKNY black, wool dress pants from TJ Maxx for \$70

■ One cup of coffee for \$1.25 ■ Suede, jean-style pants in brown by XOE New York for \$100 at Neiman Marcus Last

■ Black, swinging lid garbage can for \$10 at Bed, Bath and Beyond

Unisa leather/suede loafer-

style pumps for \$50 All-cotton, beige, longsleeved shirt for \$19 at Ann Taylor Loft

members of an exclusive club. Lines at the cash registers wrap around several yards of roping, like the waiting area for a roller-coaster ride. Along the partially carpeted hallways of the single-level building are stands where chefs create unusual dishes to dazzle the

Shoppers scurry about, ask-ing directions as if it were Disney World. And employees shrug curiously as if to say, "When you find the Donna Karan store, be sure to tell me where it is.

Unless a shopper goes to the mall on a specific mission, the best way to experience Great Lakes Crossing is to take a relaxed run-through Finding a good bargain is simply an added incentive.

### Stafford from page A1

They're overbearing. The mer-chandise is too well-organized and exhibited, And, I can't stand that

happy music they pipe in.

They are the great mall creators who received their MBAs in marketing and manipulation from Ivy League schools.

I trek to the mall only when necthe to the man only when her essary and keep my eyes glued to the ground as to not be lured into making any extra purchases.

But – and this is where the mixed emotions come in – I get a real kick

emotions come in - 1 get a fear atta-out of chasing bargains, especially when it comes to clothing.

It goes like this: Big mall - yuck.
Beautiful, expensive clothing for cheap - oh, yeah!

So, while Great Lakes Crossing is

a monstrosity of a mall – and the "Miami Vice" color scheme hurts my eyes — the possibilities are looking good at "Entry 2," wedged between my personal favorite, TJ Maxx, and a clearance center for an emporium known for costly clothing, Neiman

"Neiman Marcus Last Call," reads Neiman Marcus Last Call, reads the store sign. "I like that idea," I tell my shopping partner. "Last call is my call." I'm nervous so I try to say something witty. A creature of habit, I head first for TJ Maxx. I'm pleased to find.

that the store is arranged exactly like all others. It also has a healthy share of discounted designer items. I was a little worried because this store, unlike most TJ Maxx outlets,

has attractive window displays.

Perusing the racks, I hone in on the ambient conversations of other keen consumers. Like me, they feel the need to assess the bargain potential of the mall.

potential of the mall.

"TJ Maxx will make the other stores really compete," I hear one shopper tell her husband. "I don't want to buy the first thing I try on at the first store I'm at," I hear another shopper declare, as she looks over a silk, knit cardigan that, in any onlyion, is quite nice.

in my opinion; is quite nice.

"That's what's hard about this place," she says. "There are so many other stores. You don't feel like an informed shopper; you don't know what you're missing around the cor-I couldn't agree more. On the one

hand, with stores like TJ Maxx, Bed, Bath and Beyond, as well as outlets and clearance centers, good deals will be in abundance. On the other hand, maybe there's

too much territory to cover.
Feeling a bit overwhelmed, I make my first purchase and get out of TJ Maxx. At \$70 with a suggested retail price of \$350, my new DKNY dress pants in basic black

e a serious bargain. At this point I could have easily

left the mall, since, as I said, I don't really like shopping.
But I am pleasantly diverted.

The great mall creators have strategically placed an inviting, cafe-style, coffee court before my very eyes. And, within seconds, I'm in line and ready to order, I dawdle away 20 minutes sipping coffee, but am rejuvenated, and consequently, ready to take on "Neiman Marcus Last Call" - just to browse

Abiding my directive, I walk the store's circular pathway for as long

as I can. But, I just have to touch.

"This is great," I say, shaking my head in disbelief, as I frantically survey price tags and fabric labels, rummaging through Channel, Ralph Lauren, Calvin Klein, Richard Tyler, Prada and DKNY in a matter of seconds.

Because I am a bargain shopper, the assumption made by my coworkers was that I would return to the office with armfuls of merchandise.

However, if I had not already pur-chased those DKNY pants, my resources would have gone towards. one item – a claret red, knit wool suit by DKNY at a total cost of \$294. A little over budget, I know,

but worth every penny.
Since I didn't want to disappoint
my coworkers, I opted for a less
expensive bargain at Neiman's – a pair of brown suede pants for an even \$100.

And, I left. Reeling from my Neiman's experience, I cruised over to Bed, Bath and Beyond to buy something inexpensive and practical — a garbage can for my kitchen. An easy \$10 and the place where I cook is all the

Also impressive in the bargain category was Sak's Fifth Avenue "Off 5th" outlet, where I purchased a pair of black leather and suede, loafer-style pumps for about \$50. The store, however, didn't seem to contain as many slashed price tags or designer labels as Neiman's. Time and money running out, I

decided to check out Ann Taylor Loft; which caused me – low and behold – to enter "Shopping District

The mall is divided into nine districts with different themes like Sporting Life and Town and Country. Having truly explored only one district. I hadn't even seen 1 percent of the place.

"Oh, well," I thought, and made my final purchase — a ribbed, all-cotton, long-sleeved shirt to wear with increase or sole for \$19 et Ann

with jeans on sale for \$19 at Ann Taylor Loft. -- r. I guess another trip was warrant.

ed, even if I got trapped in Bar-



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### Church prepares for holidays with auction

### First Congregational to hold second annual 'Festival of Trees'

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER scasola@oe.homecomm.net

At Clarkston's First Congregational Church, the holidays are a. time designated for area youth.

For the second year, the church will host its Holiday Fes-tival of Trees. This year's event runs from noon to 8 p.m. on Sat-urday, Nov. 21. More than 60 fully decorated Christmas trees will be available for purchase. And the proceeds benefit the church's youth programs.

"We're in the process of looking for a youth director for our youth ministry," said James G. Keough Jr., minister.

The youth program is divided into two groups, one for middle school and one for high school students. The church is seeking another youth director. Also Keough said they are trying to expand the youth ministry, which now has 70 members. The church sponsors a Girl Scouts program, but is seeking a leader for a Boy Scouts program. The festival is expected to raise money for all of these objectives.

Though Keough said there is no set goal in mind, he expects the festival to raise about \$1,000 toward the programs, after

expenses. This year the festival will feature a larger variety of items to purchase, said co-chairperson of the event, Nancy Shoup. She has been decorating trees, orna-ments and keepsakes since last January in preparation. The trees range in size from miniature and table-top trees to 7-feet

high. "I enjoy doing it," she said. "It's creative. I sew and I paint

so I thought, I could do this."

Every tree is different: They each exhibit a festive theme, such as an angel tree, a bird tree, a poinsettia tree, or a Victorian-decorated tree. When decorating the large trees, Shoup said, it was difficult to decide

how "wild" to get.
"When you do a tree, you can't really get too wild for the aver-

age person," she said. Leanora Brackett, co-chair of the event, assisted with ideas for tree themes and choice of decorations. Some ideas for tree decorations started with a single trand of ribbon and a spark of imagination.

"We work good together," Brackett said.

The festival itself will include a visiting Santa Claus — sure to be available for pictures — as well as a sweet shop, gift store, face-painting booth, personalized ornaments and several auctions. Those taking part in the auc-tions can win dinner and movie

"Every one of our trees is paid for by a sponsor," said Edgar Gillies, a volunteer in charge of sponsorship.

packages provided by local busi-

According to Gillies, local florists have donated wreaths for the festival, and 40 local businesses and restaurants have offered gift certificates for auction, or paid for a large tree. With those contributions, the church will be free to raise funds for the youth.

Visitors will also find wreaths and swags for sale. Large trees will be sold by silent auction. They range in price from \$150 to \$300 and will be delivered to the new owner's home the following

day.
Visitors at the festival can take advantage of the pie walk, an event similar to the game "hot potato" where participants walk around a table. When the music stops, they receive a pie gift certificate for the particular one they stop near. Real pies were not used, Shoup said, because they would spoil before Thanksgiving.

Volunteers at the church this week were in a cheerful mood, carrying yards of decorative net-





ting and ornaments.

Betty Cole, a volunteering decorator, said she's had fun

preparing for the festival.
"You can see it really coming

together," said Cole, who was

**O** Christmas

Tree: Here is

one example

(above) of the

kind of deco-

rated tree

at Satur-

day's festival. Dale

Cole (left)

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Sally Gillies said she particularly enjoyed seeing the trees

working with her husband,

annual event. after they are finished. But she added that working alongside friends made the work enjoyable.

Church is at 5449 Clarkston

Taking charge: Nancy Shoup works on a Victorian-style tree for the festival. She's spent the past 10 months cre-

ating ornaments and decorative additions for the

Call 394-0200 for more infor-The First Congregational

### Task force asks township for funding

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

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Responding to recent events in the community, representatives of the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth encouraged trustees in Independence Town-ship to contribute to their cause.

Cindy Dixon, administrative coordinator for the organization, spoke to the township board about the need for substance abuse prevention programs prior to making the request at a

meeting Tuesday.

Dixon said funding for the volunteer organization was slated to decrease and hoped that the township board would agree to include the Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth among those it annually supports.

The board did not vote on the matter, delaying a decision until further consideration.

Board members only need look

**Springfield Police** 

lines deemed safe.

Vandalism

from the purse,

Grass Fire
On Nov. 12, police assisted
Detroit Edison when a power
pole caught fire on the Dixie

Highway exit from northbound I-75. Portions of the highway

were blocked off until the fire

was extinguished and power

On Nov. 16, a mailbox was

reported broken and a turkeyshaped lawn ornament smashed at a residence on Debby Jo.

see the need for community outreach programs to prevent substance abuse, Dixon said, referring to recent events involving Clarkston area youth.

Two weeks ago, a former Clarkston High School student who was attending Michigan State University died after con-suming 24 shots of alcohol. Also, police recently discovered that brownies laced with marijuana were being sold at Clarkston High. Three students were sus-

news stories," said Dixon, and doing so takes community-wide efforts that include substance abuse prevention events, she

task force sponsors a "Parent-to-Parent" drug and alcohol pro-

The organization was formed versity drug use survey showed that Clarkston students were using drugs and alcohol at rates that exceeded national averages in nearly all categories of the

Parks and Recreation Director Ann Conklin said the township regularly contributes to the task force and that she would provide an accounting of those direct payments and in-kind contribu-

"The bottom line is that Clarkston is not alone in facing these challenges of the 1990s," Dixon

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Home Invasion On Nov. 15, a Hickory Hallow residence was broken into through an unlocked kitchen window. A purse was stolen and later found behind the residence. Nothing was reported missing

#### Independence Police

Vandalism

On Nov. 11, a mailbox on

pended in connection with the "We want to recoil from these

The task force, which was formed in 1995, receives funds from the Oakland County Health Department. However, the department has informed the task force that funds will be

Among other activities, the

after a Western Michigan Uni-

tions, if desired.

Independence Supervisor Dale Stuart said the board would revisit the matter at a later date.

### **POLICE NEWS**

Deerhill was reported shat-The following incidents were reported to police and fire agen-cies in Springfield and Indepen-On Nov. 13, a car was reported dence townships and the city of Clarkston Nov. 12-15. keyed while parked at Flemings Lake Road. On Nov. 13, mailboxes were

> for shrubs were found on Oakforest Drive. On Nov. 13, residents on Deer Park Trail reported that their custom-made mailbox had been smashed, ground lights dam-

reported damaged and coverings

aged, and a cement bird bath shattered. On Nov. 14, a car window was reported damaged from a large rock while parked on Rattalee

Lake Road. On Nov. 15, residents of a Dark Lake Drive home reported that trees in their yard were covered with toilet paper.

On Nov. 12, the driver of a white Chevrolet pickup truck was reported as failing to pay \$18.34 for gasoline pumped at a gas station on Pine Knob Road.

On Nov. 14, two headlight covers were reported stolen from a vehicle while parked on Dixie

Highway. On Nov. 14, a license plate was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Ashwood Court.

#### **Independence Fire**

Between Nov. 12-15, firefighters responded to 13 calls. Among them were seven medical calls, three personal injury accidents and one grass fire.
On Nov. 12, a 40-year-old

Independence Township woman was reported as having an anxiety attack at a Parview residence. She was evaluated on the scene and released.

### **Clarkston Police**

On Nov. 10, police responded to a three-car accident involving to a unree-car accident involving three high school students at 2:30 p.m. While traveling on Clarkston Road, east of Main Street, a 16-year-old Clarkston girl was rear-ended by a 17-year-ald Clarkston girl was rear than old Clarkston girl, who was then hit by an 18-year-old Clarkston man. Minor damage was done to the vehicles and no one was

On Nov. 14, police responded to a Surrey Lane residence where an 8-month old baby who had swallowed a pistachio nut shell and could not breathe. Independence Township firefighters were on the scene, but the object was dislodged. Firefighters recommended the child be checked out by a doctor.

### Clarkston High is site of canine training session

Clarkston Community Schools conducted a training exercise for its administrators Nov. 12, with the help of canine units from area police departments. The training, which took place at Clarkston High School, demonstrated the trained dogs' ability to search swiftly and thoroughly for parcetics and/or firearms.

Moving quickly through designated areas of the high school but not the entire building — the highly trained German and Dutch Shepherds and their handlers instructed the administrative staff on effective ways of locating and confiscating hidden substances and weapons. Even residual odors alert the sensitive canines that drugs may have been present at an earlier time. The dogs are also able to identify odors in parking lots. Once a locker is identified, administrators conduct a search. No drugs were found during the training

"We care too much about our youngsters to look the other way when it comes to illegal sub stances and weapons," said Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts.

"We prefer to take a preventive and positive approach. The purpose of this and any future search will be to protect our kids because their safety always comes first. Substance abuse has destroyed too many students across this nation. As far as weapons are concerned, all schools must have a zero toler-

The canine training is one of a series of strategies aimed at eliminating student possession of illegal materials on any school site. During the procedure, the dog walks by each locker and uses its powerful sense of smell to identify drugs or firearms. If the dog identifies a locker, a search is later conducted by the school administration, not the

CHS Principal Brent Cooley noted that after the training session a few students who were in the building talked with one of the dog handlers. "He told me later that they were respectful and thanked him for being there. He also said he had never had that response before from a high school student.

### St. Daniel collects for Honduran relief

Honduran relief effort, a storage trailer will be set up in the parking lot of St. Daniel Church beginning Friday, Nov. 27, and running until Dec. 5. All donations must be placed in cardboard boxes with the contents listed on the outside of the box (bold print, preferably). No

Residents are being asked to donate rice, pinto and refried beans, corn flour, canned tomatoes, powdered milk, evaporated milk, condensed milk, coffee, sugar, water, purified water, pasta, spaghetti, cooking oil or

Clothing items needed include

To collect donations for the raincoats (adult and children), waterproof footwear, summer shoes (no boots), socks, diapers, wipes, baby pacifiers, pre-mixed baby formula, baby bottles and nipples, baby bonnets and bibs, lightweight baby sweaters, baby clothes, all sizes and ages of underwear, summer cotton clothing, shorts, T-shirts, paja-mas, nightgowns, robes, lightweight slacks, jeans, shirts, dresses, and lightweight jackets, ranging from infants to adults.

Shelter materials include lanterns (battery operated), folded beds, mattresses, sheets, lightweight blankets, pillows/pillow cases, sleeping bags, tents, plastic for roofing,

and knives, soap, Clorox, bowls, pans, kettles, dishes, plastic glasses, paper plates, paper cups and jugs to hold water,

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cooking supplies, utensils, forks hygiene items, kleenex, toilet paper, amoxicillan, biocillan, any antibiotic for malaria, and

herbicides and pesticides.
On Dec. 5, the goods will be transferred to a truck that will haul all boxes to World Relief Hunger. They will be taken to Miami International Airport and flown from there to Hon-

duras. For information, call St. Daniel Christian Service office at 625-4583. The church is located at 7010 Valley Park Drive, near 1-75 and M-15 in Clark-

The donations are needed to help the victims of Hurricane

#### **NOTABLES**

, Shannon M. Medley of Clarkston, a senior at William Tyndale College, was inducted into Alpha Chi, a co-educational society whose purpose is to promote academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students and to honor those who achieve such

Ms. Medley was among 10 students honored at a college cere-

"We are delighted to recognize Shannon for her academic and service achievements," said Dr. James C. McHann, president, William Tyndale College. "She truly demonstrates the academic and service values promoted by

William Tyndale College is a non-sectarian Christian liberál arts college located in Farmington Hills. The school offers 20 associate and bachelor degree programs in arts and sciences, professional studies and Christian studies, and the accelerated

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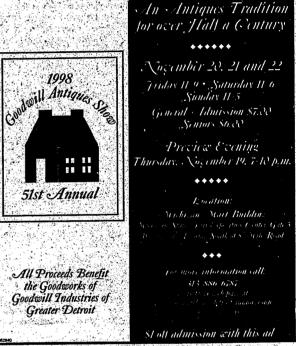
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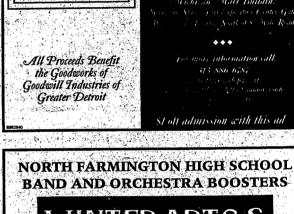
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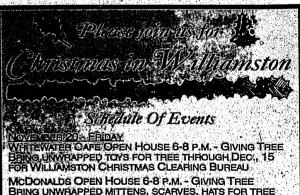


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### **Courthouse expansion**

### County ready to move to next phase

By Barb Pert Templeton

A plan to put a \$99 million addition onto the Oakland County Courthouse by the year 2004 could take shape very soon if county officials approve a contract with an architectural firm in early December.

"We can see that we are at the point where a decision has to be made," Charles Palmer, chairman of the Planning and Building Committee said. The fact that the plan may have to be rehashed if it's not moved along prior to the January swearing in of new county approval that much more urgent, said Palmer, a Republican County Commissioner representing District 16.

A review committee, appointed by the Planning and Building Committee, has been considering bids from several architectural firms. They will bring a recommendation to the Planning and Building Committee on Dec. 1. If all goes well the matter will go the board of commissioners on Dec. 10 for approval of a contract for a design firm.

#### The Plan

Nearly 18 months ago the county began a study that involved updating the master plan to address overcrowding at the courthouse. They hired the consulting firm of Harley

Right now the current court building is composed of more than just the court rooms, ...Our consultants told us it is overutilized.

> Charles Palmer County Commissioner

Ellington Consultants, of Southfield, and in early October they brought a plan to the Planning and Building Com-mittee. The full plan is laid out for the new courthouse is addressed in two separate

The first phase calls for a 30,000-square-foot addition to the county structure at an esti-mated cost of \$99 million. Those dollars are to include cost of construction, equipment for the new space and updates to parking including surface repairs to existing lots, Palmer

"Right now the current court building is composed of more than just the court roomsthere are lots of departments and our consultants told us it is over utilized. It's at 125 percent capacity now," Palmer

The existing 400,000-square foot courthouse has 17 circuit judges, four probate judges and one visiting judge filling

32 court rooms and the possi-bility of adding the family court to the site in Phase Two of the project.

"An additional plan for expansion in the future is to leave the fifth floor of the new area open so that the family court might be moved there by the year 2010," Palmer said.

The second phase calls for a 70,000-square-foot addition with an estimated cost of \$50 million. That part of the project wouldn't be looked at until the first phase is completed and operational, Palmer said.

While officials would expect to see the courthouse occupied by 2004 Palmer pointed out that if the job can be completed sooner it's all the better for the county's pocketbook.

We could save \$250,000 per we could save acceptance with the building of it quicker," Palmer said, "And of course this is a very considerable undertaking and if and when it's approved we want to do it right."

How to pay for the project is still under discussion. Palmer said he doesn't think the board will seek a tax increase to pay for it.

If a contract with an architectural firm is approved they will then begin designing and planning the addition. Palmer estimated their portion of the project could take 18 months to two years.

### OAKLAND:COMMUNITY COILEGE CAPSULES

Thompson said:

Gordon F. May has moved to the presidence office of Off's Auburn Hills: Campus as the search goesomiot a new chief Chancellor Richard Thomp-son told the board of tourtees Nov. 16 that he had assigned

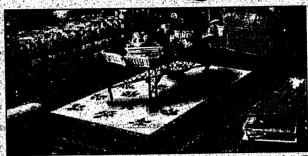
May, for several years the executive director of OCC's smaller Pontiac Center, effective Nov. 9 at a salary of \$97,752.

May has a degree in business management from Indiana University and a master's degree in educational leader-ship from Wayne State University. He succeeds Diann ind college communications

Clarence Buentley, vice chancellor for sdministrative.

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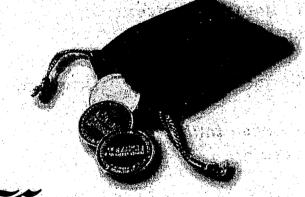
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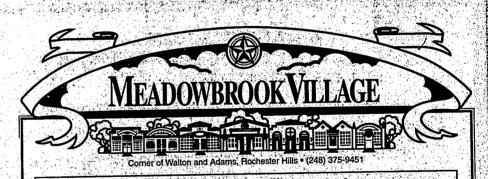
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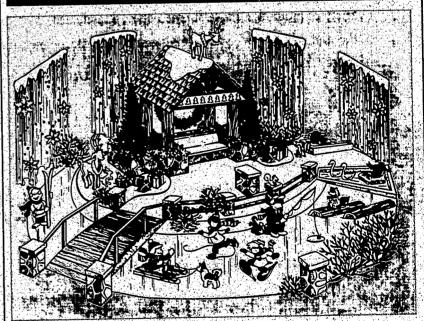
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### OSM Tech program to continue — with changes

BY DEBRA PASCOE STAFF WRITER @oe.homecomm.net

While the details have yet to be worked out, the Clarkston-based Oakland Science Math and Technology (OSMTech) pro-gram will continue. Oakland Schools Superinten-

dent James Redmond said the district's board of education is currently reviewing the proposed OSMTech structure and making revisions; one being opening the program to all 28 Oakland Coun-ty school districts.

The program was originally offered to students in the Lake Orion, Clarkston, Oxford, Waterford, Brandon, Holly and Pontiac

school districts. Oakland Schools officials considered abolishing the five-year program late last school year when results of a survey indicat-ed the program, which appeals to students whose interests lie in mathematics and science, falled to meet all its goals. Specifically, the teaching techniques and knowledge garnered from the lab-type setting were not being brought back to the classrooms of participating districts as

An uprising from parents and

students opposing abolishing the program and interest from the majority of the then-participating districts to continue it prompted Oakland Schools offi-cials to take another look. After much discussion, the school board then voted to continue the

program with some variations.
"It won't be vastly different,"
Redmond said. "We're looking at streamlining and upgrading the current offerings of OSMTech."
Redmond said the OSMTech."

program will be run under the watch, of the yet-to-be-appointed dean of the Northwest Technical Center and taught by teachers from the Clarkston Community. Schools in accordance with other programs at the technical center. While Redmond lauded parent

involvement for influencing the school board's decision to continue the OSMTech program, he said input from participating districts and interest from Oakland Schools administrators further influenced the board's decision

"They certainly played a very important role," Redmond said of the parents.

"All of it came together quite

With the additional students, Redmond said the board is now

45-plus available spaces in the program to Oakland County's 28-districts. He, however, was neither ready to confirm nor deny reports that school districts cur-rently participating in the pro-gram may lose some of their

The board, however, has set the program's funding mechanism and will require each participating school district to ticipating school district to pay a tuition equal to one-half the foundation grant awarded to participating students plus \$100. For example, if the foundation grant is \$6,000 per student, that school district will be required to send Oakland Schools \$3,0000

plus \$100. That, however, won't be the only cost school districts will have to consider before enlisting their support and participation

in the program.

Redmond said each school district will be responsible for transporting their students to the Northwest Technical Center in Clarkston

Redmond said the school board will continue to work out details of the OSMTech program and expects final details will be released in late December or early January

#### **OBITUARIES**

Alma L. Allen

Alma L. Allen of Clarkston died Nov. 15, 1998, at age 76. Mrs. Allen is survived by her

husband, Albert; daughters, Josephine Ivey of California, Mary Jane (Lawrence) Yoder of Pontiac, Nancy (Fred) London of Pontiac, Alma (Jon) St. Croix of Midland; sons, Frank of Clark-ston, Albert (Doris) of Ortonville, Tom (Cathy) of Clarkston, Rodney (Penny) of Holly and Mike (Linda) of Waterford. She is also survived by 15 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren as well as a sister. Ethel Huemiller.

Funeral arrangements were made by Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. today, Thursday, at the funeral home at 5929 S. Main Street in Clarkston, Interment will take place at Acacia Park Cemetery.

Teresa "Rose" Puzerski Teresa "Rose" Puzerski of

Clarkston died Nov. 15, 1998, at age 92, ending a healthy, active

From 1944-69 Mrs. Puzerski lived in Troy where she enjoyed driving a school bus and super-vising children on the local school playground. In 1969 she and her late husband, Ed, retired to Fountain, Mich. where they owned and operated a small resort.

She is survived by two daughters, Clare Alexander of Ferndale and Mary Sloan of Davisburg, as well as grandchildren Melissa (Chris) Gedraitis and Chip Sloan.

Funeral arrangements were made by Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral in Clarkston. Interment took place at St. Mary's Cemetery in Custer, Mich. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to a charity of choice or that a flower ing plant be planted to serve as: an annual reminder of Mrs. Puzerski's simple and gentle

James E. Warner

James E. Warner of Clarkston died Nov. 12, 1998, at the age of

Mr. Warner worked as an accountant at Midwest Audit in Troy and was previously employed by Beaver Precision Products in Troy.

He was a member of the Royal Oak Elks Club and an active member of St. Trinity Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife, Karen; sons, Bradley of Clawson and Matthew of East Lansing and mother, Mary, of Detroit. He is also survived by parents-in-law Charles and Lillian Dunn of

Funeral arrangements were made by Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Funeral services were held at St. Trinity Lutheran Church in Clarkston with Rev. Michael A. Klafehn officiating.

Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery.

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# OCC fire simulator puts firefighters to the test

By TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

As Sgt. James Katona of the Metro Airport fire department took off his helmet, his face was lobster red and sweaty:

Conditions in there go from tolerable to intolerable in a matter of seconds. You can see the heat and fire over the top of your head," said the 14-year veteran Wayne County firefighter.

By "in there" he meant the new Swedish Flashover Simulator, a training device in dealing with building fires. The Auburn Hills Campus of Oakland Community College has one.

To the untrained eye, the Flashover Simulator looks like a modified railway boxcar or shipping container. It is. The \$35,000 room was developed by a Swedish company to introduce modern firefighters to a phenomenon few have seen or, if they've seen it, haven't lived to tell about it.

Matt Sabol, director of the fire technology program at OCC, explained "flashover."

In a building fire, heat mounts until all combustibles including glues in particle board - ignite. "The gases rise. and come behind the firefighters. It takes two to five minutes for flashover to occur.

"Firefighters used to get to the scene after flashover occurred. Now they're getting to the scene before flashover hits. Firefighters were getting hurt. Indianapolis, Denver, Dallas – all lost firefighters to flashover.

He pointed to the dark red simulator that was blackened near roof level by flames. "For the first time, they (students) can see how a flashover hap-pens," Sabol said. "These are ery safé, controlled condi-

So far, OCC is training chief and officers from departments in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. They wear clothes, boots and helmets that are fire-resistant to 400 degrees and carry SCBA gear (self-contained breathing apparatus), that looks similar to scuba gear.

About a dozen trainees at a

time go into the simulator for about 15 minutes. An instructor ignites a trash barrel of kindling wood at one end. The blaze then spreads to the parti-cle board in the ceiling:

Heat rises, as any science stu-dent knows. In the simulator, temperatures at the ceiling are 1,500 degrees Fahrenheit and 200 degrees at the floor. "This is mostly for structural fires," added Nels Olsen, site director. Trainees work on their knees in a lowered floor area. They take turns "penciling" a hard stream of water on the walls. But when

of water on the wails. But when the going gets too hot, they're told to get out.

"My hands got so hot," said Dennis Lappin, a one-month veteran of the Metro Airport department, "that I had to put them behind my back to cool."

"We have the only one in

"We have the only one in Michigan," said Dr. Joe Macri, OCC dean and director of public safety, "and I think there are only five in the country."

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The Swedish Flashover Simulator has become particularly important since a 1993 fire drill on an old house killed three Milford Township firefighters. The state severely restricts the. use of old buildings in firefighter training. Besides, they take days to prepare for burning and

can be used only once. Using the Swedish device is cheaper, faster, safer and more instructive. The useful life of the simulator is 10-15 years.

All equipment is technologically advanced, but the teaching principle is elementary: "hands-on experience

Altogether, Oakland County has about 2,000 firefighters, Wayne 3,700 and Macomb 1,000. Watching the Oct. 27 demonstration, to see what were chiefs and officers from Bingham-Franklin, Rochester Hills, Bloomfield Township, Walled Lake, Waterford, Ponti-ac, Auburn Hill, Mount

Clemens and Ecorse.
In addition to offering noncredit courses for 2,000 employed firefighters a year, OCC enrolls 50 full-time and some part-time students in its Fire Fighting Technology program, Sabol said. "Michigan requires they have 255 hours of training to become a firefighter. We give them 480 hours of

About 75 percent of the full-time students will seek jobs with fire departments. "About 89 percent get hired," Macri

OCC's curriculum has 10 three-credit courses, ranging from FFT 151, Introduction to Fire Protection, through Fundamentals, Arson Investigation, Hazardous Materials, Administration and so on to FFT 254, Tactics and Strategy. The Flashover Simulator can be used in four of the courses, he

added. The simulator is used far

away from other OCC buildings, at the southwest corner of the Auburn Hills Campus. It is a former Army Nike missile site, Except for the simulator, a visitor sees only aged concrete and weeds.

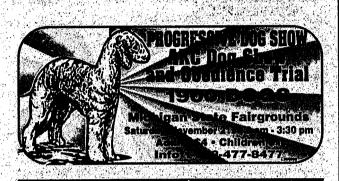
But OCC officials have high hopes to develop the acreage into "Sim City," for Simulation City - a series of structure for training not only firefighters but police and emergency medical technicians.

"This," said Macri, "is the first stage.

The department has developed a business plan to expand the program.

A business plan is needed because general governments will be asked to help with the capital costs. Costs won't come out of OCC's millage.

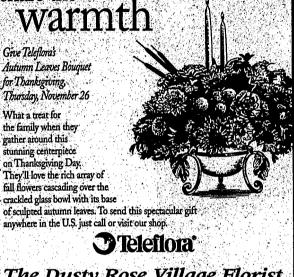
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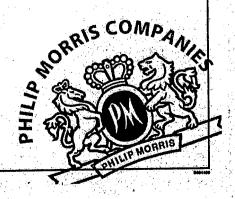
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### Clarkston's newest attorney looks to bright future ahead

By Stephanie Angelyn Casola Staff Writer scasola@oe.homecomm.net

It started with one phone call. "They're out," a friend said on the other line:

With those words, Sherry L. Martens knew the answer she was waiting for had arrived.

The results of her State Bar Exam were perched in the mail-box of her Royal Oak home as she worked in her Clarkston

"It was pretty nerve-wracking when you realize that everything you've worked for for the last seven years is all right in this little envelope," said Martens, who will be sworn in as an attor-

ney on Monday.

Martens, the Clarkston area's newest attorney, works for Kacy & Associates, 21 S. Main St., in Clarkston as a law clerk and will now stay on as a full-fledged

"I like to debate and analyze

things," said Martens, 25. She can't quite pinpoint why, but Martens always thought she would pursue a career in law. As an undergraduate at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, she studied Spanish, but knew she wanted to become an attor-At the time it seemed a second language would be an advantage. After graduating sev-enth in her class of more than 200 students at Wayne State University Law School last May, Martens chose to work in a smaller town, rather than a large metropolitan area where fluent Spanish might be neces-

Since 1996, she has been working in general practice law for local attorney Dennis Kacy. Martens quickly adapted to the small-town atmosphere of Clark-ston. She grew up in Vicksburg, a similar small town outside of Kalamazoo. Martens didn't know very much about the area before working in Clarkston.

"I came up here and I really liked it a lot," she said. "I had always been more interested in

working in a small office."

The law office granted her opportunities she might've, missed out on at larger firms.

She said she was given the chance to get more hands-on experience. As a law clerk, it was Marten's job to learn. She wrote briefs, researched cases, met clients, and worked closely with her employer, Dennis Kacy. Even as an attorney, she said she will still go to Kacy for advice. Now she will begin to represent clients of her own, sign legal briefs, and truly begin her

law career.
You have a lot more independence in the eyes of the court," she said: "But you still utilize (the experience) of the older.

attorneys around you," In general practice, Martens works on a variety of cases. Among them are probate and estate planning, divorce and custody proceedings, real estate transactions, and personal injury,

"I'm lucky to have had a lot of experience with all of that," she

The most difficult cases to handle, Martens said, are those dealing with a death in the fami-

ly or a divorce or custody battle.
"Those are hard," she said. "They aren't the kind of cases you walk away from feeling good

"I think it just helps you grow as a person. It puts your own life into perspective."

As a lawyer, she said, it's

important to keep some distance from the more emotional cases.

'It's an attorney's job to be the objective one," she said. "But you can't ignore (the situation)." Some of her favorite cases

involved estate planning. Martens said she feels she's able to help those individuals go on with their lives after a family member or friend has died.

"I'm not only learning about law, I'm learning about busi-ness," Martens added. "Dennis is an excellent teacher."

He always emphasized that her education should be placed above her duties as law clerk. Martens said that Kacy was especially understanding when needed time to study.

she'll provide a different perspec-

tive.
"She'll bring vitality and conti-nuity that will assist in all lev-els." Kacy said.

He specified that her work in estate planning and trusts will allow the law office to specialize

in more areas. In addition to her employer, Martens said her parents were instrumental in fostering her

'My parents — my whole famihas been so supportive in everything I have done," she said. "I certainly wouldn't be where I am (without their sup-Deborah Martens, Sherry's mother, expressed pride in her

daughter's accomplishments. Both Deborah and Sherry's father, Bruce, will attend the swearing in ceremony. "She's very objective and also compassionate," said Deborah

Martens, "She can see both sides of the coin." Deborah Martens said that

this step did not come easily to her daughter.

"She's worked really hard to get there," she said. "She put herself through law school."

Martens' college roommate

Katie Sergeant, witnessed Martens work ethic first-hand. "She's always been very focused and driven by what she does," said Sergeant. "She cares a lot about her work." Sergeant and Martens roomed

together for more than four years. Sergeant said that her for-mer roommate's listening skills

her well as a lawyer. "She's definitely someone you can confide in," Sergeant said. "Clarkston is fortunate to have her as an attorney."

and thoughtfulness will serve

Looking to the future, Martens will begin working on building her own clientele. She said that Kacy's 28 years in Clarkston will be beneficial as a new attorney in the area.

"One thing I do know is that there is a lot to know, there's a lot to learn," said Martens, "This Kacy said Martens will contribute a sense of direction and focus to Kacy & Associates, and some out there to learn.



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# New technology may solve 20-year-old mystery

BY PAT MURPHY STAFF WRITER

They were devastated more than 20 years ago when a predator murdered their youngsters.

But the mothers of the four children abducted and murdered by the Oakland County child killer may yet play a role in bringing him to justice,

At the request of investigators, those mothers recently gave samples of their blood to be DNA tested by the FBI laboratory in Washington, D.C. While the testing will not identify the killer, it could help investigators narrow the list of suspects and

### OAKLAND COUNTY CHILD KILLER

enable them to close in on the person considered the prime

The blood samples will be compared with strands of hair found on or near the bodies of the murdered youngsters, said Lieutenant Ted Monfette of the Michigan State Police Post in

Monfette, who is formally in charge of the investigation, declined to elaborate, but his comments confirmed the investigation into the deaths of the four youngsters from February,

1976, through March, 1977, is far from closed.

Abducted and murdered were Mark Stebbins, 12, of Ferndale; Jill Robinson, 12, of Royal Oak; Kristine Mihelich, 10, of Berkley and Timothy King, 11, of Birmingham. Each was kidnapped near his or her home, kept alive for some time and subsequently killed. Each was discarded where the body could be easily

Investigators hope the DNA testing will help them implicate or exonerate — a man

believed to be a prime suspect. He is a man imprisoned in Arizona on a child molesting

charge. "The prime suspect extremely poor health, and is not expected to survive much longer," wrote U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, who last month wrote a letter to the FBI urging the agency to expedite DNA

testing.
"Mike (Bouchard) brought it to my attention," Knollenberg said Wednesday, referring to the State Senator from Birmingham. "And I was happy to help out. This won't guarantee that the case will be solved, but it will move things along."

Bouchard contacted Knollenberg after conferring with Det. Ray Anger of Berkley, one of the original investigators assigned to the case and a key figure in the task force formed to find the killer. That task force with hundreds of officers from various communities considered the largest and most intense investigations ever in southeast Michigan.

Anger confirmed that the mothers of the slain children were contacted recently and; at the request of investigators, willingly gave blood samples to

them implicate — or exonerate — a man believed to be a prime suspect in the Oakland County child killer case. He is a man imprisoned in Arizona on a child molesting charge.

Investigators hope the DNA testing will help

be tested at the FBI, lab. "Beyond that, I have no comment," he said.

Birmingham Police Commander Donald A. Studt, who worked on the original case, said the blood samples from the said the blood samples from the mothers were needed to construct a DNA profile on the murdered youngsters. "We don't know where this will lead, but we're hopeful," Studt said Wodnerday." Wednesday.

Another one of the original police investigators, Jerry J. Tobias, who is also a clinical psychologist, also declined to comment on the latest develop-ments in the case. The case was never closed," he said, "and we have never given up on finding the killer."

DNA testing was not available at the time of these killings, noted Bouchard, who was a rookie police officer in Southfield Township at the time. "Not a person in this area was unaf-fected by these killings, and it

will be a blessing if this technology can bring it to closure."

Thousands of tips were processed during the investigation, and many theories were considered. While hundreds of suspects — including clergymen, police officers and school offiwere identified and either cleared or kept on file.

Eventually, the investigation. generally focused on two men although some investigators still believe others could be the 1,2 killer.

One of the prime suspects was killed in a 1981 car crash. The other remains, in an Arizona prison, where he has refused to cooperate with investigators. Over his objections — but on the authority of a court order — blood samples have been taken from the suspect and submitted to the FBI laboratory for DNA testing.

### DNA tests take time says FBI

BY PAT MURPHY STAFF WRITER

It's hard to believe the FBI would not expedite laboratory testing on evidence connected with the Oakland County child killings, undoubtedly the most intense investigation and manhunt in the history of Southeast Michigan.

But that's apparently what happened, according to two Michigan law makers — U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg and state Sen. Michael J. Bouchard, who said FBI cooperation is essential in bring the case to closure.

A spokesman for the FBI Wednesday said the time lapse in DNA testing is not unusual, So delays are common, according to Chris Warner, congressional liaison to the FBI in Washington, D.C.

We're the clearinghouse for DNA testing for the entire country," said Warner. "Our labs are very busy," he said.

DNA testing wasn't available in 1976 and 1977, when four youngsters from the Birming-ham and Royal Oak area were murdered. But that technology could help investigators identify the killer and bring closure to the case, said Bouchard who was a rookie police officer at the time.

Here's a timetable on what did — or did not happen, according to letters from Bouchard and Knollenberg sent at the request of local

Turn Back

June, 1997: the hair samples were sent to the FBI laboratory in Washington, D.C., to determine if DNA testing could be done to identify the owner.

June, 1998: One of the original investigators assigned to the Oakland County child killings, Detective Sgt. Ray Anger of the Berkley Police Department, was notified by the FBI that DNA testing was possible

Oct. 12, 1998; After no further word from the FBI, Bouchard contacts Knollenberg asking him to help expedite the testing. "My office and Detective Sgt. Anger have been in touch with Mr. Chris Warner, congressional government liaison to the FBI in Washington, without results," Bouchard writes.

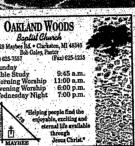
Oct. 20: Knollenberg writes an "Urgent" letter to A. Robert Walsh, FBI chief for Congressional affairs, asking for expediting the DNA testing, with the results forwarded to Anger.

Nov. 16: Anger confirms that mothers of the victims willingly supplied blood samples for additional DNA testing.

Nov. 18: Warner said the FBI lab had, at his request, expedited the DNA testing.

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ust is a funny word to use in connection with politics these days.

There might have been a time when cit-izens trusted their elected officials, but with the events in Washington of late, few would be so naive as to do so today. When the president the highest elected official in this country lies to the American people, one begins to wonder if anyone in politics can be trusted.

However, there's a difference between politics at the national level and politics at the grass-roots level in a community like Clark-

People who serve on the school board, planning commission, township board, school committees, etc., are not in their positions for money or power. If they are paid at all, they receive just nominal amounts, mere stipends for each meeting they attend or each year they serve — certainly not enough to compensate them for the time they invest. Usually, they don't aspire to higher office, they simply want to serve their community because they believe it's the right thing to do.

These folks are ordinary people. They have families and careers in fields unrelated to politics. They worry about the same things you do, including how much traffic is on the roads and how long their kindergartner has to ride the bus to get to school.

Recently, two issues have drawn residents en masse to community meetings. One is the redrawing of attendance boundaries for Clarkston schools. The other is a proposed auto

It is good that residents attend these meetings and voice their concerns. Certainly, residents should point out any problems they see with the proposals. But then they should trust the committee members, school board members and planning commissioners to make the best decision given the information they have. They should also trust them to follow the law when necessary and consider the needs of the

about the intentions of committee members accusations so ridiculously untrue that we would be remiss in repeating them here.

Our reporters and editor have been watching the decisions made by the school board, planning commission and other governing odies in the Clarkston-area for more than

The folks sitting on these boards are decent people who care deeply about the community. They have repeatedly shown that they can be trusted to make good decisions, even if everybody doesn't always agree with them. Let's trust them to do so in this instance as well:

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entire community. That is their job. We have heard accusations and innuendoes

Method of electing judges needs revision how many employers hire an employee on a

hat do you know about Maura Corrigan? Clifford Taylor? Martin Doctoroff? Wendy Potts? Linda S. Hallmark? Joseph Longo? Preston Thomas? Michael Batchik?

The common thread is they're all judges. Furthermore, they are all recently elected judges — in contested races.

And yes, it was this last election. Corrigan and Taylor are Michigan Supreme Court judges, Martin Doctoroff is a state Appeals Court judge. Potts is a new Oakland County Circuit Court judge. Linda S. Hallmark is a new Probate Court judge. Longo, Thomas and Batchik are all new district court iudges.

If you memorize the above paragraph, you probably know more than most people do already and yet thousands, in some cases tens of thousands, of voters pulled the lever in

these non-partisan races to pick a candidate.

Normally, we find ourselves chastising voters for not getting out to the polls, but in this case we wonder if uninformed voters are perhaps worse than no voters at all — just admit-ting that gives us a cold chill.

Judges are important officials. They can alter the destipy of a community by their rulings, particularly in the higher courts where land use and zoning disputes can result in significant burdehs to a municipality.

How many cases between developers and your local municipality were determined by one man or woman? Or in the case of an appeal, by three men or women? Or, if the case actually made it to the supreme court, seven men or women?

And with little more than name recognition,

One of two things has to happen: either voters need to become more informed or we need a different way of picking judges.

We would, of course, prefer the former, but

realistically such a preference is probably

unlikely. Judicial cardidates rarely debate. They grant interviews to the media, but the judicial canon of ethics (the ethical code that guides judges) prevents judges and potential judges from discussing cases or hypothetical cases.

Ultimately, they say they stand for good sound legal decisions — but they all say that. We can read their resumes, of course, but

resume alone?

– appointing judges – is The other option equally thorny, but it is an issue that we can no longer ignore. It is time we honestly and openly debate the notion of appointing judges in Michigan.

We admit, the idea of appointing judges is anathema to anyone who espouses democracy. Understand, we are not saying judicial appointment is the desired course of action.

The notion of appointing judges is fraught with peril. We need look no further than the incidents of appointments now in use. At present, when there is a vacancy due to resignation or death, the governor of Michigan makes an appointment to fill the seat until the next election. This has at times become a highly politicized process used by governors -Democrat and Republican — to further their

Not every appointment made by Gov. John Engler or his predecessors has been political, but we've wondered whether the choices were sound even when a local favorite such as: Hilda Gage was selected. Gage was appointed to the appellate court by Engler last year.

Judicial appointment advocates make a number of arguments, including the point that making the retention of judicial office dependent on the popularity of the judge inevitably affects the decisional process in high-visibility cases, no matter how competent and how conscientious the judge may be" (that from U.S. Supreme Court Justice Andrew Stevens).

More ardent constitutionalists would argue that voters should always be the ultimate arbitrators of who serves and who does not, but remember federal judges are named for life. The constitution's framers believed that the judiciary would be weak and easily intimidated, and thought only permanent appointments could ensure judicial independence.

We're not saying lifetime appointments are a good idea, but we think that an informed electorate, or perhaps a representative group of the electorate might make a wiser choice than the uninformed mass.

Elitist? No. Until we can devise a better system than electing judges by all means let us stay with the current system.

But let us look at — if not for — alterna-

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e wish to thank the Clarkston community for their kindness. Our thanks go to Monsignor Robert Humitz for his comforting words and to Greg Zell for his eulogy, "The Brighter Side of Brad's Short Life.'

A special thanks goes to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, to Mr. and Mrs. William Tate, to Joe McMillen and to all the friends and neighbors who stepped in and cared for our family's every need.

We especially want to thank the ladies of St. Daniel's for preparing and serving the beautiful lunch. Clarkston is truly a fine community. We have never seen a community take care of their neighbors like people do in Clarkston.

Brad was always smiling, a very loving and caring grandson. He had a special way with everyone, from the young to the elderly. Catherine McCue,

Harold and Joan Phalor, Grandparents of Bradley John McCue

#### Library director was key

The Friends of the Springfield Township Library would like to recognize the efforts of Cathy Forst, library director, regarding the passage of the bond proposition for the

library/civic center.
For several years, Cathy has taken the steps

necessary to research and design a building which would adequately serve the needs of our growing community. With the ongoing support of the library board, the more recent support of township officials and their responsible use of our tax dollars, her dreams for this commu-nity were put before the public on Nov. 3.

Recognizing that only a small percentage of voters were aware that the issue would be on the ballot, Cathy organized the Springfield Civic Center Committee, a citizens group, to provide accurate information to the public, allowing them to make an educated decision on election day. With the help of many generous citizens in the community, the committee was able to print and distribute informational brochures, letters, lawn signs, hold open houses and have a crew of volunteers at the polls to answer any last minute questions voter

Cathy gave up her personal time to share information through presentations to community PTA meetings, senior's groups, open houses and a local pancake breakfast. Thanks to Cathy Forst's foresight, leader-

ship and determination, and the support of a well-informed public, Springfield Township will now have a facility which will meet the needs of its growing community.

Officers, Friends of the Springfield Township Library

### School staff did great job

would like to commend the Andersonville Elementary School staff regarding their handling of the 1998 Kid Vote event.

In conjunction with the 1996 Kid Vote effort, Andersonville students were taught about the democratic process and discussed the candidates for various offices in the classrooms, culminating in an in-school election run by the older students, featuring the actual candidates. While providing a wonderful, hands-on opportunity to expose our children to what will ultimately become their most precious right as citizens of this country, it also caused a lot of information to filter into the classroom which was not appropriate for elementary children.

This election year, to preserve the innocence of childhood while encouraging political responsibility, the Andersonville staff decided itself to instructing the children about the election process, then allowed the in-house election to be based on issues about which the children could make an informed, responsible decision. For example, the kindergartners voted on whether juice should be offered at snack time, along with the usual milk. It was then the parents' choice whether or not their children were exposed to the actual issues on this November's ballot.

Many thanks to the Andersonville staff-for. their caring approach to our children's education. Sharon R. Parke.

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#### Be heard on boundary issue

hese new school boundaries should concern all of us. As a parent my children will no longer be allowed to attend the closest school to our home. Instead they will be bused past that school approximately 7.5 miles to fill another school. Since there is no direct route, I-75 may be a possibility. This would affect the market value of our homes, if a close school is important to the buyer.

I was told by Dr. Roberts' office that we can write a letter to the committee to reiterate our concerns. More important, a copy of this letter is to be given to the board along with the boundary proposal.

The first possible date this would be on the board's agenda is Dec. 14. The next board meeting is on Jan. 11. You can call the Friday find out if it is on the agenda.

Please let the committee and the school

board know how you feel. Pamela Becker Clarkston

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#### **POINTS OF VIEW**

## Middle school options: Part 1 — Where are we going?

ecently I had the opportunity to speak with a group of parents from both of our middle schools during a joint meeting of the Parent Teacher Associations. There are a variety of changes coming up for these children as our construction plans progress so it's extremely important to keep information flowing.

Although most readers may not realize it. the construction timeline of our new elementary school will affect our middle school youngsters, too. I've planned this column to cover the bond plan and completion dates, and the next one in the series will fully explain the challenges ahead and the plans that are being developed for our sixth, seventh and eighth graders.

#### The bond plan

Most residents already know that the old high school will become Clarkston Middle School in the fall of 1999. The building itself is standing empty this year to accommodate construcremodeling to old systems.

Much of the remodeling will not be obvious since it involves replacement of old electrical, heating, and ventilation systems, as well as the public address system. While ceilings are torn out, new technology cabling will be added to create the same voice video, and data links now available at the high school.

When the work is finished next fall. the building will contain 44 classrooms, three computer labs, and nine science labs, as well as a renovated kitchen and expanded cafeteria. It will also house a media center, counseling offices, music rooms, and art rooms. With this kind of capacity, we plan for the new CMS to house 1,000 students.

The decision to keep the building vacant during construction will protect our kids and speed up the work. Because the remodeling stretches from corridor to corridor throughout



the building, it is easier — and safer to tear out old ceilings and conduit when students are not in session.

Over at Sashabaw Middle School, construction plans are much different. There will be extensive upgrades to heating and ventilation systems in addition to new windows, casework, and lockers, a new entrance and vestibule, renovated offices, barrier free ramps, and new bleachers in the gym. And, of course, there will be added technology for voice, video, and

When completed, SMS will house 26 classrooms, seven science labs, a renovated media center, technical and vocational areas, art rooms, and a stage in the cafeteria. It will also include a computer lab large enough to house two individual labs. New redistricting will reduce the SMS pop-ulation to 700 students.

#### Completion dates

Although our plans are firm, our dates for completion remain a juggling act. We do expect the redistricted CMS to be ready in August but construction on SMS cannot begin until children leave the building in June. Because the work requires at least eight months, we know we will have to house our new SMS population somewhere for at least one semester, and possibly more. The old CMS building gives us the flexibility we need to house these pupils appropriately since it is already working 23

However, the equation is even. more complex than you might think. 🖂 What if the new elementary school is not ready? An alternative plan must . be in place. The challenge would be to accommodate the needs of the children assigned to our newest building. As you can see, any problem we encounter with the construction timeline has a domino effect, The good news is that we remain absolutely committed to the building program as approved by our voters and we are pressing our construction crews to complete the various projects on time. Our focus is directed at what we can do to offer our middle school students: - and all of our students — the best ? possible education.

Next time; Middle school options: Part II — The challenges ahead and developing plans.

Al Roberts is superintendent of Clarkston Community Schools, His hotline number is 623-5454.

### constituent groups greater voice emocrats

caller was a well-known columnist for a Detroit daily newspaper.

"Things can scarcely get worse for the Democratic Party," he started off. "First, Fieger gets whomped by Engler. Then Democrats lose the House and their working majority on the Supreme Court. Come New Year's, the Republicans will be in control of the entire apparatus of state government. When are ordinary people going to take the party back from

Good question. It's especially good because the folks atop organized labor in Michigan continue to refúse to speak to reporters from either Detroit daily newspapers on the grounds that the newspapers conducted unfair labor practices in winning the strike. "No scab newspapers" conveniently means not having to answer potentially embarrassing questions from curious reporters.

Those Democrats who do speak to reporters are generally unanimous in asserting that their party needs to be "revitalized," a code word meaning easing organized labor's stranglehold. Non-labor party activists have been complaining for years that organized labor would rather control the party apparatus top-to-bottom rather than share power and win elections.

It was not always thus. Way back in the 1950s, Democratic Party Chair-man Neil Staebler, Gov. G. Mennen Williams and UAW President Walter Reuther worked out a kind of collective leadership for the party. Organized labor had a seat at the table, to be sure, but other groups - blacks, women, farmers, even business and professional people – also sat in. Discussions might be contentious, but no one group dominated.

It worked. Democrats experienced great success for more than a decade. Then gradually for organized labor and especially in the UAW, the idea got around that it was more "responsible" for labor to run things directly without going through the inconve-



PHILIP POWER

nient process of consultation:

The problem now for reform-minded Democrats is that they lack a suitable forum in which to discuss their grievances and work out a plan to take back their party.

The traditional way political parties reach conclusions is by holding conventions, ostensibly a gathering of all party members whose decisions would be binding on the leadership. But organized labor still dominates party conventions - often by paying members to attend and busing cadres

One method might be to adopt a system used in England to great effect by Prime Minister Tony Blair while he was wrenching the Labor Party out of the thrall of organized labor and converting it into a successful, mid-

dle-class party. The Labor Party operates through conventions, much like our own parties, but there is also something called the Parliamentary Labor Party, consisting of all Labor members of Parliament. Unlike the British trade unions, Labor Party MPs have a common and compelling interest in winning elections. In the English system, that's the only way they get the power to form a government.

Maybe Michigan Democrats should hold a convocation of all elected Democratic officeholders. Their overriding common bond - an interest in reforming the party so as to win elections – would provide them a good starting point to analyze what's going

wrong with the Democratic Party. Their collective standing as Democra tic officeholders might immunize them against retribution by organized labor. Moreover, many Democratic Party

officeholders are themselves members of unions. Their presence at a convocation would serve as proof that, as a practical matter, any move to reform the Michigan Democratic Party must include organized labor as an important part of the coalition.

For years now, organized labor has been at the center of the Michigan that it has been a center without any circumference. Remarks include other folks is the essential first step in any process of reform.

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### Foundation furthers education for many individuals, groups

his is our favorite time of year, and not just | because the leaves are changing or school is back in full swing. This is grant season for the Clarkston Foundation, a time when dreams come true.

Imagine a science teacher trying to describe physics from a book or an art teacher explaining how three colors combine to make white light. It would be like trying to describe a roller-coaster to someone who has never seen one.

But close your eyes and think back to that day at Cedar Point when the wind rushed by our face and your stomach turi just at the moment that you saw the track disappear in front of you, and you were hurling to the ground and feeling out of control. Brings it

■ Each year the the Clarkston Foundation : awards between \$9,000-\$10.000. Grant awards for this semester alone total \$5,2251 Eleven programs will delight, instruct and educate the students in our community in a way their teachers find particularly appropriate for them.

all back, doesn't it? Because you saw it, felt it and participated in it, you will always know the basics of a roller-coaster.

Now think of the teacher with a classroom full of eager students who have never seen a roller-coaster or don't understand the science of spinning or an art medium or a music composition. He or she finds a great program, perfect to help the lesson make sense but there is no money in the budget to pay for it. Now what? There are no "academic booster clubs," but there is a

source to turn to: the Clarkston Foundation. Each year the CF awards between \$9,000-\$10,000. Grant awards for this semester alone total \$5,225! Éleven programs will delight, instruct and educate the students in our community in a way their teachers find particularly appropriate for them. Did a teacher ever inspire you like that? Go out of his or her way to find a

The Clarkston **Foundation** program or presentation that helped you truly

understand? Helping kids through arts and science grants is the No. 1 goal of the Clarkston Foundation, an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable trust organization. Simply put, we fund innovative cultural arts and science programs, in total or in part, that could not otherwise occur due to financial constraints.

Donations come in all amounts from individuals to businesses and civic groups. Combined, these contributions are prudently invested and awarded to applicants in the form of grants. Besides our public schools, Independence Township Library's Laser Light Show, Music! Music! Music! and Symphony Concert have all been beneficiaries of our grant awards,

Want to do something wonderful, unusual and lasting this holiday season? "Buy" someone you love an honorary seat in the new Clarkston High School Performing Arts Auditorium. At a tax-deductible \$200 each, your investment will fund a new and special Clarkston Foundation endowment fund. Only the interest from this endowment will be used each year, making it an everlasting fund for K-12 fine and performing arts. Of course, donor names will be engraved on a permanent dedication plaque in the new CHS theater lobby along with other perks (tickets to the inaugural musical and reception, name listed in theater program and a numbered certificate suitable for framing).

Already the endowment has raised over \$28,000 while reaching for a goal of \$50,000 by spring 1999.

Educational dreams do come true in Clarkston and you can be a part of them!

For more information on the Clarkston Foundation, call or write us at: Clarkston Foundation, P.O. Box 711, Clarkston, MI 48347. Telephone: (248) 625-7500 or send a fax: (248) 625-

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CAROLYN WALKER

### Obstacles or not. nothing deterred music-making mom

s it happened, it was during din-A ner at a local restaurant last week that a long-faded memory came rushing back.

The memory danced across tables and time and an assortment of diners and found its way to me, pirouetting on the melodic notes of an old-fashioned song that issued from a single

"Did you know Grandma used to play the accordion?" I asked my son, who was seated in the chair across from me, addressing a piece of bread on his plate and still wearing his winter coat. He has only one living grand-

"Oh, my gosh!" he replied, aston-ished at the image my words had con-

I pictured him picturing Grandma (white-haired, as now, even all those eons ago) seated in a stiff-backed chair, maybe a little thinner, maybe wearing a white blouse and a skirt. her fingers hurrying up and down the keys, her arms pumping in and out, a toe tapping out a vigorous beat

Mother was a high-schooler in the late 1930s, probably about age 16, she says, when her mother somehow raised the money to purchase the accordion for her, at a price that is

now long-forgotten. You must know that my grand mother worked hard all her adult life as a cook. Sometimes for other people, Sometimes for the public schools.

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### AN OLD FAVORITE SPRINGS BACK 4040 FEUER

BY NICOLE STAFFORD

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s fedious as a day of shopping with mom can be for a 13-yearold boy, it's never a painful experience for Clarkston Middle School student Kevin Murphy.

When boredom strikes, Kevin retrieves a yo-yo from his pocket and starts spinning,

After pulling off a few tricks, like "Rock the Cradle Behind the Back" — a variation Kevin invented — there might even be a crowd of onlookers

"It's fun accomplishing all the tricks," said Kevin, who has mastered about 45 vo-vo maneuvers and is currently trying to conquer an advanced move called "Shoot the Moon," and to manipulate two yo-yo's at once

"Sometimes, you need a little chal-lenge. It's fun trying to take it further, going the distance and stuff," he said.

Fortunately for Kevin and other members of the Champion Spinners Yo-Yo Club, which meets on Sundays at the McMath-Hulbert Solar Observatory in Lake Angelus, there are plenty of yo-yo zeniths to reach.

There are 300 known yo-yo according to Dennis Grzesiak, a yo-yo expert from Oxford who has been spinning for 42 years and founded the Champion Spinners Yo-Yo Club a year and a half ago

With about 500 variations on existing moves and new tricks being invented every day, the yo-yo promises round-the-clock triumph and, of course,

Bruised knuckles and generalized damage (the walls in Keyin's living room tell a lot) come with the territory in yo-yoing, an activity that transcends the boundaries of art, sport and science.

"It's more of an art," said Kevin, as he gently pitches a yo-yo, one of about 13 in his collection, from palm to carpet. Coming from the ye-ye is a soft, constant buzzing sound.

Kevin, who picked up the activity last January and practices at least 30 minutes a day, prefers to unwind with his yo-yo

while listening to 89X on the radio.
"It helps keep the rhythm while doing inside loops," he explained, throwing a few for demonstration purposes, his eyes never straying from the yo-yo's quick-moving

While yo-yo throwing is a competitive sport — it requires excellent hand-eye coordination and dexterity — Kevin, who took third in his division at a recent Champion Spinners world competition, has difficulty placing it in that category.

"In a sport, you're just going for some-thing, but yo-yo doesn't really have that reputation," he said. "It' more for fun."

It's also an activity for show, both Kevin and Grzesiak say. "The tricks themselves are very visually appealing to other peosaid Grzesiak.

Today's yo-yo competitions even allow contestants to incorporate music and dance into freestyle routines.

Science enters the picture, as one advances with his or her yo-yo, essentially a double circular object made of wood or plastic with ball bearings that cause recoil:

In fact, Kevin, who neither likes science nor finds it to be one of his best subjects; has found such knowledge essential to the ways of the yo-yo.

They have a mind of their own," said Kevin of the yo-yo.

Consequently, he's come to be more inquisitive about concepts like centrifugal force and gravity, even to the point of using his lunch hour to practice with his science teacher, along with other science savvy kids at school.

"You've got to know these things," he insisted



STAFF PHOTO BY STEVE CANTREL

Let's get projectile: Clarkston Middle School student Kevin Murphy, 13, deftly throws a series of

> While yo-yo's are extremely portable and inexpensive, perhaps the best thing about the yo-yo + what Grzesiak calls "the almost immortal toy" — is its: verisimilitude

Even computer games won't wash out the yo-yo,

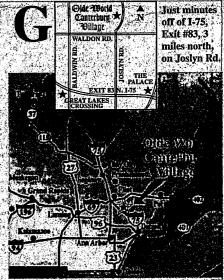
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Always for her family. Always walking to where the hungry

And usually under a variety of constraints,

Scraping money together for loving, albeit frivolous, purchases between the Great Depression and World War II was, I'm sure, a far more arduous task for her than scraping the grease from the old black pots she used to cook in.

"We had great expectations," Mother fondly remembers to Father's, "She was never a threat to Lawrence Welk."

What I remember is how Mother could break the dead tedium of an agonizingly-long Sunday afternoon by bringing out that accordion. Long after church and the best of the day's television movie had ended, and before a good dinner could quiet our stomachs — Mother would take the accordion from its case, strap it to some short have an assembly," Mother adds. innocent's shoulders and stand. (Leave it to a speech teacher to

back while a wheeze of incom-

prehensible notes came forth.

For my sister and me the musical possibilities seemed as endless as the rows of buttons, the miniature keys, the elegant marbling on the instrument's dark but lustrous frame.

"I don't know why, but for some reason I went to (the music store) and got 10 lessons," Mother says pensively, recalling how it was that she came to own an

at was that she came to own an accordion. "So my mom bought it for me. It weighed 20 pounds. I was thrilled when I got it."

Mother, who estimates that she weighed about 92 pounds at the time, says she used to cart the accordion approximately 10 Pontiac blocks to receive her free lessons — pausing every so. lessons — pausing every so many steps to put it down and eatch her breath.

"I can remember in high school, for some reason or other, the speech teacher wanted to have an assembly," Mother adds.

plant grandiose ideas!)

She can't remember whether the assembly ever came to pass, only that she walked and carried and paused-to-rest her way to class that day with visions of an entertainer's life cluttering her

She remembers, too, that the only song she ever learned to play was "La Cucaracha."

At a dinner during this year's gales of November," fantasies of Mother playing that Mexican favorite on her old accordion — with her short-but-proud mother listening in the background as she prepared yet another family

meal — gave new meaning to the words "the sound of music." We can't help but wonder what the restaurant's cook was think-ing, way off in the kitchen. And where that blessed accor-dion is now.

Carolyn Walker is a free-lance columnist who lives in the city of Clarkston.

### Yo-yo

from page A13

Grzesiak said.

"It's more intense and more active than a computer game," he said. "It forms more camaraderie than sitting before a computer."

Kevin describes it as "actually playing with something, actually doing it" — perhaps a foreign concept to most of today's kids.

Yo-yo aficionados won't miss out on any computer time: yo-yo web sites abound on the Internet, said Kevin.

Besides, he added, "It's just fun.

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Portable fun: Unlike computer games, television and movies, yo-yo's go anywhere and are always a challenge, according to local yo-yo aficionado Kevin Mur-

### Auction to benefit leader dog organization

Lead In The Holidays, an auction and fashion show to benefit Leader Dogs for the Blind, will be held 5 p.m. Sunday at Oakland University's Shotwell-Gustafson

Pavilion. The event includes a silent auc-

tion, cocktails and hors d'osuvres. An estimated 400 auction items will be on display, including golf and ski packages, tickets to sporting events, dinner packages from area restaurants, jewelry, and other items. Prizes include time-

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share vacations and air fares to Sanibel Island, Fla., and Nags Head. N.C. The live auction will begin at 7:30 p.m. WDIV-TV news reporter Mike Lewis will be the host.

dion is now.

A holiday fashion show, spon-sored by Mitzelfeld's will follow at 8 p.m. WDIV television personali-8 p.m. WDV television personali-ty Jill Washburn and state Rep. Penny Crissman, R-Rochester, will be among the models. An afterglow will follow, There will also be a drawing for

a 1999 Pontiac Montana, donated by General Motors.

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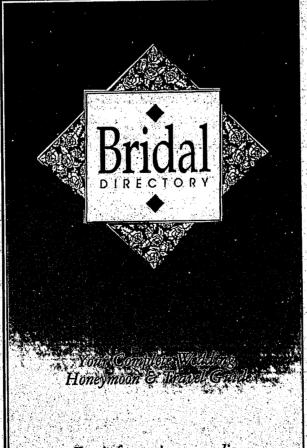
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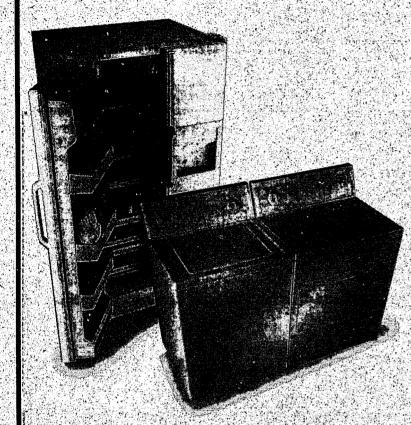


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### OCC gets ally in effort to get training center

By year's end, the state Jobs Commission is expected to announce who will get a total of \$30 million for five technical training programs. Competition

ticipate with government and education in the successful launch and development of this project," Kelly President Terence E. Adderley in a letter to the col-

Focus:HOPE in Detroit will get one grant because Gov. John Engler's administration likes the

Macomb Community College

Some institutions already have been bypassed by the Jobs Commission, which will award the grants, Scott said. But OCC apparently is still in the running because the state department asked for more information from Cheryl Kozell, OCC's executive director of workforce develop-

Asked for advice on how to

mission's decision will be a bid-ding institution's ties to business. Here OCC thinks it has a strong case.

been supplying carpenters-framers in a partnership with the Southeast Michigan

By Tim Richard Staff Writer

Kelly Services is ready to give Oakland Community College a \$100,0000 boost in its effort to woo a state Information Technol-ogy Training Center to the Auburn Hills Campus.

"I believe it is important for the employer community to par-

pledges a cash contribution of \$100,000 to help underwrite the development of the Information Technology Training Center at the Auburn Hills Campus."

The political scuttlebutt is that organization and wants to tap a private institution.

Trustee Anne Scott of Royal Oak told board members Nov. 16 that neighboring doing a big business blitz" of let-ter, writing to the Jobs Commis-

organize support for OCC's bid, Kozell summed it up in five words: "Business first, everybody else second." A key factor in the Jobs Com-

"Our own business and industry contracted services unit has Builders Association for a halfyear now," said Chancellor Richard Thompson, "And a new degree program, construction management, is under development at the Orchard Ridge Cam-

pus." Kozell said, "OCC has received \$15 million in state grants over the last five ears for the training of new and current Michigan employees in modern technologies, such as computer-aided design (CAD) and computeraided manufacturing (CAM),

OCC proposes a nearly 36,000 square foot facility with 12 computer laboratories, faculty and staff offices, a Michigan Works outreach center, other classrooms and seminar rooms.

It proposes a four-acre site in the southeast section of its Auburn Hills Campus, near the intersection of Squirrel and Hamlin roads, and near M-59 and I-75. It would be contiguous to the Oakland Technology Park.

Also part of the local consortium are Oakland University; Oakland Intermediate School District, IBM, Chrysler Corp., Kelly Services and EDS. They. along with Microsoft, Kmart, Inca Computers and county gov ernment - hire OCC graduates.

Kozell said OCC could train 16,000 graduates over five year for high-paying, high-tech jobs.

Making the decision will be Doug Rothwell, director of the Jobs Commission, an Engle administration super-depart ment that absorbed many functions from the old Commerce Labor and even Education departments.

Gov. John Engler's fiscal 1999 budget proposed a \$50 million initiative - \$20 million for 10,0000 scholarships to community college students enrolled in technical programs, and \$30 mil-lion to establish "at least five new technical training centers," plus equipment.

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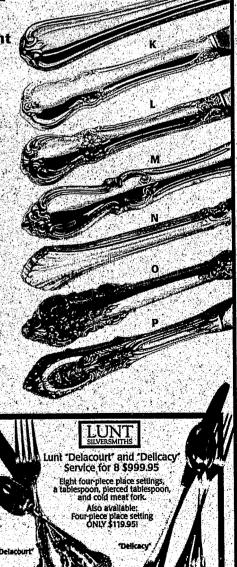
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## Suburbs balk at revenue sharing that hurts cities.

BY TIM RICHARD

<sup>10]</sup>Sen. Bill Bullard Jr., R-Mil-"ford, voted last June for a drastic change in the state's revenue -sharing formula to favor town ships, And Bullard refused to back down when 10 southern Oakland County mayors visited

him in Lansing.

"Any change will take away
"from Detroit," the first-term
"senator and former township supervisor said in the polite Nov. 12 confrontation in the State Capitol.

"I have a track record of symmathy to Detroit and older urban areas," he said, citing the tax program to help Detroit expand its Cobo Hall convention "center.

 The mayors, however, urged Bullard to work for a new for-mula that doesn't shift money afrom Detroit and Pontiac to

rural townships, thus subsidizing urban sprawl.

Townships don't pave roads," said Novi Mayor Kathleen

McAllen. And we serve as a regional center, with a regional content of the said co mall, exhibition center and commuter traffic."

""We're concerned about Detroit and Pontiac," said Farmington Hills Mayor Aldo Vagnozzi. "In the long run, we

will become an older city, too."

"They (townships) don't have the same costs," protested Southfield Mayor Donald Fracassi, whose city's population triples as people from many towns come to work in offices there during the day.

"Two-thirds of townships don't provide anything in the way of police protection," said Dan Gilmartin, lobbyist for the Michigan Municipal League and former Livonia resident

"Troy is anxious for money, but not at the expense of its neighbors," said Mayor Jeanne

The cities argue that most townships provide little more than volunteer fire departments, rarely police departments, more rarely libraries and parks. So townships don't need the money.

Moreover, say the mayors, cities find it costlier to replace 70-year-old water mains, Giving the money to townships would

encourage paving of greenfields. But Bullard said legislators are looking at other ways to help Detroit besides giving it the lion's share of state shared revenue. "Detroit is a big win-ner under Proposal C (the voter approved \$675 million environ-

mental bond issue)," he said. "Look at West Bloomfield



Township in my Senate dis-trict," Bullard added, "It's almost indistinguishable from a city. I'd like to help urban areas in other areas — not necessarily revenue sharing."

State revenue sharing began in 1971. Chief revenue source is 15 percent of the first 4 percent of the sales tax. Total pot is \$1.4 billion.

The Senate in June passed SB 1811 by Glenn Steil, R-Grand Rapids, to correct what outstate Michigan considers a rank injustice: Detroit with 10 per-cent of the state's population gets 25 percent of the pot Steil and the GOP argue that

the 1971 formula, still in effect, rewards "relative tax effort" –

subsidizing cities that impose high taxes for inefficient bureaucracies

Steil's SB 1811 shifts to a percapita formula. It won 30-6 Senate approval, winning all Republican votes and more than half of the Democrats. But Steil's bill has received no action in the House Tax Policy Committee, controlled by Democrats and chaired by Kirk

Profit, D-Ypsilanti.
Detroit lawmakers support House Bill 5989, sponsored by Nick Ciaramitaro, D-Roseville, It follows population by awarding growth in revenue on a per-

capita basis. Ciaramitaro's bill was introduced just before the House's

summer break. It hasn't emerged from committee.

No action on either bill is expected in the Legislature's lame-duck session, scheduled for three days after deer hunting season. Republicans take control of both chambers Jan. 1.

Here is how the bills would impact various kinds of local units, according to the indepen-

dent Citizens Research Council: ■ Townships — \$91 million more under Steil; \$41 million more under Ciaramitaro,

■ Cities - \$96 million less under Steil; \$45 million less under Ciarimitaro. The Steil bill would cost Detroit \$143 million, but help many suburban and outstate cities. Steil calls Farmington Hills, in particular, a Bullard.

winner under his bill.

■ Villages - \$5.1 million more under Steil; \$4.7 million more under Ciaramitaro,

The mayors held a news conference that morning in Farmington Hills before boarding a bus for Lansing. But because both chambers were in lengthy sessions, they got only two law makers to attend their meeting in the Capitol Building — Bullard and Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township.

"I agree with you 100 percent," Peters told the mayors. "If you pull that revenue sharing from older areas, you pull the meant from under them."

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Then Peters sat back and smiled as the mayors piled on

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BUSINESS OWNER WANTED by very pretty, full-figured, blue-eyed, blonde SF, youthful 48,56°, sroker, lives in Troy, seeks warm, intelligent man, for friendship, 271472. FRIENDS FIRST

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FRIENDS FIRST
DWF, 31, red/graen, size B, snjoys some sports, Nascar, dending, gulet nights, and time with son. Seeking S/DWM, 28-38, HW proportionals, with same interests; for friends first, possible LTR. TH473

5 ALARM FIRE
Calling all firefighters, 30-43, to help mere beautiful, blue-eyed blonde; in putling out my fire, 21166

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT Educated, financially secure SPP, erfoys travel, reading, intelligent conversation. Seeking intelligent conversation of three, 57; HW proportionate, brown/blue, eriloys hockey, dialing in/out, music, dancing, movies. Seeking sincere, honest, fun-loving, stable S/DWM, 34-45; 58°+, HW proportionate. Musi, love kids: T192

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT
Easygoing SWF, 31, 57°; medium build, darit/hazel, never married, two daughters (4 and 9), Seeking, clean; SWM, 25-35; for friendship, possible more. Musi enjoy being around children and animals. T1252

WOMAN WITHOUT BAGGAGE.

Attractive, Rij. degreed, honest SWF. 27-257. ble more. Must enjoy being around children and animals. 17:1825.

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Attractive, Iti. degreed, honest SWF.
30, 5221 no dependents, parely trinks, N/S, enjoys animals, sports, outdoors, humor, the zoo, romance-Seeking similar qualities in a SWM.
28-40, for LTR. 17:183.

CARAMEL COMPLECTED
College-educated African American female, 35, financially secure, no children, enjoys dining, movies, concerts. Seeking SM. 28-37, 6-847, for at LTR. 17:1055

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SWF. 34, 547, 145lbs, brown/ brown, seeks a. n.co., sweet, personable

male, who likes sports, reading and music. 27161
PRETTY, FIT, AND HONEST. Humorous, romanile tady, 44, 54", 125lbs; brundte/blue; with a big heart, but not leafous or controlling. Seeking a very handsome; iff, and honest gentlemen. 271116
BEAUTIFUL, BLUE EYES
SWF, 28, seeks mature, responsible SWM, 28-35, for LTR only must enjoy music, romance and enimals. Serious replies please. 271017
GETTING TO KNOW YGU
Petitis SWF, 29, 51, 30lbs, short brown/brown, enjoys dancing, dining, movies; theatre, concerts, out door summer activities, seeks. SWM, 25-35, with no games, for friendship, relationship, possible marriage. Lef's talk. 271007 marriage. Let's talk. \$\Pi.1007\$
ARE YOU THE ONE?.
SBF. 25, enjoys movies, concerts, bowling. Seeking professional male, 25-30. If you're out there, give me a call. \$\Pi.915\$

a call. #19915
SWF, 35,521,250bs, enjoys bowling, dancing, dining out, quiet evenings at home. Seeking SM, 35-39, for friendship first. #19940

ATTRACTIVE DOCTOR
SWF, 36, never married; worked
hard, has time now for sincere relationship with similarly educated.

PUN & FLIRTY
SWF, 26, 5°C, who likes all outdoor sports, 4-wheeling, fast care, anowmobiling, seeks SWM, 25-30, who likes quiet evenings and fun times, Give me a calt. 79558
GOOD COMPANIONSHIP
Pretty, understanding, financially secure, young single, professional lady, beautiful inside/outside, pityscally fit, healthy, enjoyr shatter, phigong, tennia: and good music. Seeking energetic, educated teman, for friendship lirst, post relationship. \$29545

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HEALTHY RELATIONS

Classy, brown-eyed blonde SWF, slender, youthful, playful, intelligent, professional, homeowner, no dependents, N/S, social dinker, seeks educated PM, 45+, emotionally financially secure. Lef's meet for coffee and see what happens.

LOOKING FOR THAT GENTLEMAN
DWF, 5/8", full-figured, reddishbrown hair, smoker, social dirinks, enjoys movies/theater, quiet dinners, Seeking Lai, financialy secure gentleman, 48-55, who knows how to treat a lady, Westland area, 271441

SEEKING GOOD MAN DBF, 36, enjoys being herself, watching movies, dining, shopping, cooking. Seeking a mature SBM.

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ask anyone do anything that I couldn't do imaginative, educated S.F. mid-50s, 80's blord-forest, alm everal disposition, self-supported, Bakes good Tooty Fruity conferentiation. Commitment if right. Typ873

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ALMOST AN ANGEL

Widowed female, 56, 5'e', blonde/
blue, full-floured, seeks a SM, 4560, fall; cowboy boots a Julis, wholikes C&W and Harley's. Must be
glown-to-sarth. 179660

GEMINI- ROCHESTER AREA
I'm a DWF, 51, blonde/blee, whodesires a romartic, humorous, sifectionate handyman, camper, animal lover, 50 - . T9628.

COMPANION a BEST FRIEND
SWF, 54', 1381bs, blonde, 1975,
seeks SWM, 45-58; young-looking
and energetic, like myself. A little bit
rountry's fille bit rock-not); car be
numorous as well: as serious,
11298

GENTLEMEN ONLY

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In pretty, siender, tall, very intelligent, refined, fun, smoker, 52.
Seeking intelligent, tall, articulate, classy, confloart gentleman, 52-85, wanting someone for cozy dinner dates laced with good ponversallon.
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PRETTY PROFESSIONAL\*
WF, 39, 5'5', elirit, long aubum/ green, with warm snile, enjoys ma-sic, aris, antiques, car shows, trav-el, quiet evenings. Seeking honest, reattley, tall, fill WM, 37-45. WS, similar interests. Children/pets ok-

similar interests. Children/pets ok.
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LET'S HORSE AROUND...
Urban cowgin, 40, 57, 145lbs,
brunetta/brown, horse owner, N/S,
loves vollelyball, wally ball, crosscountry sking, biking, hiking, travel, Seeking tall, fill male, 35-45,
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SOULMATE SEARCH
Attractive, passionate BF, seeks,
one special man, 35+, to be friend,
lover, and companion. I know you
are out there seeking me. ##1346
R U SELECTIVE?
Tall, eltractive lady, HW proportionate, with great seense of humor
and lots of TLC to share. Seeking
tall, intelligent, romantic, quality
male, 55+, with high standards, who
enjoys various activities. ##1379/28

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enjoys various activilies. \$\pi 97.28\$

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with tall, ftW proportionate; secure, ethical, nice-looking guy, 474, with hair, Pretty, dark-hared. SWPF, 40ish, 54\*, 115lbs, with varied intersits, great legs and good heart, would like to talk with you. \$\pi 1378\$

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European-born, refilred, giving, loving, educated, young 60lah, 55°,
good figured, N/S, many interests,
seeks gentleman, 65-75, with sense
of humor, caring, intelligent, secure,
N/S, for lasting relationship: 271297
an invitation to meet this attractive.
DWE: 44, If you are an attractive
strown, 38+, N/S, smart, sincero,
fun, no games guy. Let the party
begin! 271299

LOOKING FOR A WALKS.

begini #1299.
LOOKING FOR A WALK...
in the clouds with you. SWF, 55, 53\* enjoys dining out, casinos; live entertalnment. Seeking SM, 50-63, a good listener, for dating and companionship. #1290

ALMOST HAVE IT ALL Everything going for you, but some-one to share life with? I'm looking for someone. like myself. Pro-fessional, attractive, articulate, spir-fuel, adventurous. I'm physically fit, 37, 55°, long, dark halirdark eyes.

T1289

PRETTY NATURE LOVER.
SWF. 43, 577, 127lbs, studying alternative medicine, into sell growth woods welking, singing, natural health; laughing, speaking truth, life. I'm spunky, tinique, joving, Seeking YVS, soul connection SWM, 38-48, T5723

TIRED OF BEING LONELY?
Attractive DWF, young 50, 54, Attractive DWF, young 50, 64, browrblue, NS, financially/emotionally secure, enloys movies; dining, sports, travel, and romance. Seeking attractive, honest, caring, compassionate SWM, 45-55, financially secure, for friendship, jeading 16 LFR 27108

I AM WHO ! AM
Full-figured DF. 40, brown/green,
amoker, hard-worker, seeks an eth-ployed male, age/race unimportant,
kind caring, for dining, travel, quiet-times, 22 1068 ENTREPRENEUR

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Prefty, successful, humorous, chaming, interesting, plving female, 52, anloys movies, plays, concerts, fine-dining, cooking, boating, loves people, Seeling southeate in a successful, sincere VMI, 45-70, Please risply, 71162.

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DRAWN TO WIDOWERS

Real (prefty, ymart, attractive female, 51, redobus, educated, values
tamily, horgesty, morals, dignity, interests: sports, dining, gardering,
reading, wells. Seeling family-oriented male (TEL) 09. (2.5)

ARE YOU READY TO SOAR.
on eagles wings? Do you believe all things are possible including finds in the special someone? It you dure to believe God call- and let's fly opether, Seeking SEGM, 40-46, 27(195)

LADY IN WATING
Good-locking 48, DBCPF, 557,
140bs, N/S, enjoy traveling; movies; reading, exercising, outdooractivities, Seeking SCPM, N/S, with
similar interests, for friendship, posably more. TI 1098
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silly more. 171098

COFFEE, TEA, AND ME

SWF. 44, 575, brown/hazel, N/S, enjoy sports, jazz. C&W, quiet limes at hories. Seeking momantic, honest, family-oriented S/DWM, 88-54, 57-4, N/S. All calls will be answered. 179108

INTRIGUING, IMPETUOUS

WF, 509, 50°, seeka a fall VM, 55+, impulsive, creative, kind-hearted, who enloss the river, mountains.

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Big and beautiful DUF, 46, N/S, exculsite tastes and light-hearted attitude describe you and i, so let's meelt \$1,016

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Altractive, 'tull-figured' DBF, 45, 511', enjoys travelling, and avadentures, Seeking honest, caring, sincere, intelligent, tun foving, open minded, SM, 47-59, NS, drug free, for possible LTR. #1011 wanted: MAN IN UNIFORM Lald-back, caring SWF, 24, enjoys movies, dancing, concerts, walks, dining out. Seeking, uniformed S. DWM, 22-30, for friendship, possible LTR. Kids ok. #1008

DWM, 22-30, for friendship, nossible LTR. Kids ok. \$\frac{\text{TION8}}{\text{LONELY IN LIVONIA}}

Shapely, adventurous, romantic, down-to-earth DWPF, 38, 5', brunette, N/S, one son, homemaker type. Seeking, someone who can appreciate a fun, committed, family-oriented LTR. \$\frac{\text{TION9}}{\text{RESIDENT}}

PHYSICIAN/ENGINEER

...\text{Wanted. Seeking down-to-earth, respectable gentleman, under 35, single-never married. I'm youthful, 56', MBA greduate, natural beatury, classy yet down-to-earth, tenjoys-tennis, walking, movies; theater, cultural events. \$\frac{\text{TIOM8}}{\text{TIOM8}} \text{SEKING SENSE OF HUMOR.}

DWF, 43, mödlum bulid, N/S, seeks a S/DWM, 43-50, N/S, employed, who likes children, outdoors, sports, for a possible LTR. \$\frac{\text{TIOM9}}{\text{TIOM9}} \text{SEKING SENSE OF HUMOR.}

NITERESTING GEMINI

SWPF, 605, N/S, N/D, no dependents, sense of Humor, spirifula, spontaneous, easygoing, seeks tal, politahed gentleman, 58-65, intelligent, honest, Must be interesting.

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FEMININE EUROPEAN-BORN
Fretty, 54 years young lady loves
illé, travels, oceans, earth, good
poople. Still believes in kindness.
Seeking tall, intelligent, emotionaly/linancially secure, healthy gentieman for sharing, the wonders of
illé. TS123

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TWILIGHT
Attractive BF, 50, 5'6', 150lbs, N/S, educated, 'smployed, no dependrs, seeks one great male, 49-55, H/W proportionate, N/S a must, for monogamous, relationship. Race open, must live atone. No hamp-ups or baggage. T9678

A TOUCH OF JUNGLE FEVER Complex preference, not novelty, DWF, 39, pretty, Independent, happy, sensual woman of substance, seeks black gentleman, late 3054, financially/emotionally secure, for monogaments in hysical and spiritu-

al happiness. \$\pi\)880.

SHORT AND SWEET
Classy petite DWF, red/brown, N/S
social drinker, loves country music
bowling, boating, gambling, raveling, cooking for someone special:
you are humorous, thoughful and
controls. \$\pi\\$.600. (index 5). [In 1.0] you. #19822

CHAMPAGNE AND CAVIAR
SEF, 47, attractive, likes, jazz, trav-eling, classic cars, dining, Seeking, SM, sense of humor, financially secure, honest, race unimportant.

WF, 18, seeks a.SM, 18-25, for friendship and conversation. Give me a call, 179787. DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL PH.D.

DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUE PH.D. Cultured, mean apple pie. Golf, tennis, and skiing entimisast. Theateraddiction, dance fever. Seeking male counterpart, 34-47, 29728.

FUN-LOVING
Cutpoing DWF, 45, enjoys movies, dining, videos; dancing and more. Seeking as S/DM, 45+, for friendehip and possible LTR, 129601.

GARDEN CITY WOMAN.
DWF, 47, 5, full-figured, likes watts in the park, movies, dining, Seeking a monogamous relationship, with a SM, NS, no drugs, for a LTR. No games please.

LIGHTHOUSE LOVER LIGHTHOUSE LOVEN
Very Independent SF, young 48,
likes sightseeing, lighthouses, great
akes, car rading, flishing, and walking; Seeking friend, 45-60 to shard
waskands doing above. NDrugs,
no games, Honesty is \$1, 279632
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DBF, 93, 95°, 145lbs; great legs,
one child, enjoys sports, muser,
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Fraity, educated, active, artislo remale, mid-50s, seeks a male, simjiar attinutes, for a monogamous,
caring relationship, ±19586
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28 kids and a neurolic dog). Seeking

WOMAN WITH BAGGAGE.

(2 kida and a neurolic dog). Seeking a SM, to wine, dine, entertain and, make me laugh. SF, 57, ilit, trim, go-gous, sexy, dark shar/green, partially deat, sense of humor. \$75599

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DWF, 44, good sense of humor, esteks SrDM, 40-52, "who, enloys music, movies, tootball; eating out, and who I can enjoy life with. \$79552

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Attractive, full-figured, and sincere SWF, 28, 56°, nard-working; honest and financially secure. Enjoys outdoors, water sports, travel, and concerts. Seeking tall SWM, 37-45, honest, outgoing, responsible and goal orientated. N/S. 129547.

DOINTMONE TO THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE SWPF, 51, 523, 125lbs, brown eyes, financially secure, enjoys outdoors, travel, quiet at home evenings seeks sincere SWM, gentleman, caring, meantic, humorous, for a possible relationship.

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AD OF THE WEEK

OPEN BOOK In the encyclopedia I'm under s ro Shy, SWM, 32, enjoys windsurt-ing, snowskying, dining out, quiet, times, Seeking SWF, NS, 32-38, stress, similar interest.

possible LTR; 231471

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Irland/lover, IT9461

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Artistic, creative, 'photographyfocused SWM, 40, charming, wil,
style, seeks free-spirited lady, intersted in creative arts, photographyvideo, etc. IT1487

A\*1 BUSINESSMAN
SWM, 44, loves doing business,
who seeks attractive, warm, SWF
for business functions, friendshigand long-term partner possibilities,
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Kind, caring, affectionate, easygoing SWM, 31; 5'8'; medium build,
dark brownbue, NS, social drinker,
whose interests include: bowling,
boating, cooking, camping, snowok. 111015.

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AVID SPORTS FAN Athletic, outgoing SWM, 35, likes all Athletic, outgoing SWM, 35, likes all sports and the outdoors. Seeking SWF, 25-45; with similar interests, for possible LTR. 21348

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I AM WHAT I M.

DWM, 50, 65, 210bs, blue-collar, enjoys the movies, summer things, football. Seeking a faithful SOF, 35-52, that I can talk for, make happy, maybe more. 175508

TIME FOR A CHANGE SWPM, 42, 567. Communicative, currous, humorous, fit, flexible, persevering, no dependents, eclectic taste, movies, music, and more. Seeking fit, emotionally available SWF, to share healthy, happy relationship. 179456

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ADVENTURE MEMORIES
Sincere, caring, fit, active SWM, 6',
170lbs, N/S, college graduate, fos-trayer, culture, humor, and good conversation. Seeking retured SWF, 50s, LTR, to share life, adventures, T1014

INDEPENDENT
SWM, 34, 5'2', seeks an independent, splittual, emotionally/physically fit SWF, 25-35. Nice half a plus, Tri295

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TO BEHOLD
Handsome SWM, 43, seeks unhappy, unfullfilled lady, of any circumstance, for adoration, nurturing, and a better tomorrow. 27,255
HEDDY BEAR
Romantic, affectionate, witty, Intelligent SWM, 39, 510°, brownhazel, tows travel, moviestinester, music, laughter, Seeks to laugh, Race open.

LOYAL
Tall, honest, sincere DWM, 54, 64\*
N/S, slim, in good physical condition, sense of humor, self-employed.
Would like to meet a slender lady, would like to meet a slender lady, when the self-employed is the companionship, possible

ADVENTUROUS, CREATIVE Exceptional, practical, playful, caring, tall, handsome SWPM, darkblonde/large-blue, seeking attractive, silm SWF, NS, under 48, with
similar qualities, who's seriouslyinterested in a relationship. See youscon. \$\pi\$954

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Good-looking, honest, infelligent
SWCM, 44, 510°, 165lbs, blond,
blue, N/S, never married, with good
sense of humor. Appreciates: class/

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Handsome SWPM, 39, 5\*10\*,
170lbs, frifn, in great shape, enjoys
outdoors, voletyball, rock music, biking, dancing, comedy, custodial
dad of 12 year-0d son, Seeking attractive, siender, independent lemale, with similar interests. 729818
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TO BEHOLD
Handsome SWM, 43, seeks unhap-

cally fit SWF, 25-35. Nice hair a plus. Tri295

ANN ARBOR AREA & BEYOND Friendly, philosophical SWPM, 33 attractive. International rolations Ph.D., ethicic and physically fit, likes travel, tennis, sking, art, music., Seeking strong-minded, ind., degreed, attractive SWF, with similar interests. Tri291.

USED GUY, CONNECTION This tresh handsome trade-in is an incredible, bargain, loaded with options, ready for delivery. Divorced? Bad credit? No problem-quick approval. Tri297

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Vol'I'd op ist finel Handsome, successful SWM, 45, tired of Prima Donnas, seeks settled, sociable, sincere lady, age open. Tri288

LOCKING FOR FRIENDSHIP Honest, hardworking, outgoing.

Honest, hardworking, outgoing, easygoing SWM, 52, likes to have special times with special people. Seeking S/DWF, 40-52, under 5.7°. H/W proportionate, for LTR, 22 1003

HW proportionate; for LTR. #1003

SINGLE IN DETROIT

Honest, down-to-earth SBM, mid30s, would like to meet special SBF,
25-45, for friendship, possible relationship. I. like movies, concerts,
special times together; #1288

ALL AROUND GUY

Sincere, sharp, intelligent: SWM,
with resourcefulness and fix-it ability, seeks, female companionship.
Let me play an integral and caringrole in your life, #1200

SEEKING SOMEONE SPECIAL
Fun, attractive, intelligent, romant-

A QUALITY QUY.
Sincare, romantic DWM, 52, 510; seeks honest woman with sense of humor, for dining out, fall concerts dancing, plays, weekend get-ways, traveling. Seeking special friend to share quality times with, 1993.

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TAKE A CHANCE
Caring, kind-hearted SWM, 35, 6', brown/brown, with various interests. Seaking SF; 20-40, for friendship, possible LTH. Kids ok. \$\pi\$1165

A VERY SPECIAL GUY...

34, 5°, 230ibs of muscle, handsome, affectionate, good listener, caring, very athletic and outgoing, loves life, travel. Seeking SF for possible relationship. Race unimportant. 371(88

possible relationship, Haco unimportant. 27.1(88)

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DWCM, 37, 82", 220lbs, brown
graen, dislikes politicians, enjoys
blues, fast cars, rock-r-foll. Seeking
easygoing, passionats SPF, 27-40.
silim/medium build, honest, independent, stable, who loves sunsets,
beaches. Likes kids, but doesn't
want anymore. 27.1251'.

ONE OF A KIND WOMAN
Sincere, cutgoling, rilee, pleasant
DWM, 40, N/D, N/S, enjoys bike riding, rollerblading, movies, relaxing,
nice sunsets. Seeking full-figured
S/DWF, 35+, for friendship, and
relationship, Plymouth area. 279551.

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PLEASE CALL MY DAD:
Warm kind, sensitive, down-toearth DWPM, 39, 59°, brown/bazel,
cutstodial: parent of 'two, social
drinter, enjoys cooking, Cedar Polnt,
camping, socializing, Seeking DWF,
with kids, for companiorship, seniors
relationship. West Bloomfield.
279538

PICK A WINNER
Problem solving SWM, 48, handsome, successful, enjoys being,
helpful. Seeks friendly, filtralibus
lady, for romance, companionship,
and mysterious encounters. 27:1262

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Beside meeting this way, cut friends
wouldn't believe us amyway. SWPM,
36, 811°, 190bs. Seeking slim, romantilo, attractive blonde. 27:1198

JUST FOR YOU, DEAR.
Compassionate SWM, 45, varied interests, ready to be enjoyed by template SWF. Will slow dance and sing in your ear. \$\tilde{T1199}\$

LETT'S HARE 1999+
Financially stable, handsome, til. WPM. 54, seeks very attractive, thin, educated lady, 25-42, for movies, travel, heatre, art fairs, and more for LTR. \$\tilde{T1194}\$

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Novi, seeks 30lsh, warm-hearted
female's smile to fill our day, takes,
travel, snowmobiling, and workouts: T1198

ARE YOU INTO DEFTH
Articulate, spiritual, somewhat metaphysical, slim SJM, enjoys Borders,
classical, lazz, basches, and, art
slims, Seeking lifelime SF soulmate,
31-45, T1197

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SNIPM; 29, 510\*, 155lsb, considsred, good-looking, with dark hair
and syar, anjoys sporting avents,
traveling, conversation, working
out, rolletblading, humor, and much
more, Seeking an outgoing and fun
woman. T25304

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Caring, attentive, friendly SWPM,
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it; and handsome; N/S, seeks
attractive; slim, monogamous SWF

fili, and handsome, NJS, seeks attractive sim, monogamous SWF, under 46, for possible LTR. No prima donnas, please. 79838 NOU SEEK AN... Attractive, professional SWM, 39, 6', 165lbs, who listens to your dreams and helps make them a reality, who knows who he is, and loves who you are. 71191

you'are, #1191
WORTH THE CALL
HUMDOUS, yet intellectual, outgoing, active SWM, 40, 5-10\*, 190bs, enjoys outdoor activities, reading, writing, theater, and movies. Seeking NS, friendly, outgoing SVDWF, 35-45, petite to medium build, for ossible relationship. #9598
LOOKING FOR YOU

possible relationship. T9538

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Attactive, outgoing, very caring, olving SWM, 46, with a variety of Interests, loves to be romantic and cook. Seeking same in petitic SWF for intendship, maybe more. T9363.

Fun to play with, you might become attached to me lovable, affectionate, DWM, 47, 5117, you can take me for a walk, or show-off, to your triends, colleged degree, and papers available upon request. T1107.

CAUTION: DONT MISS OUT.
WM, 51, secure, honest, 6' gray, blue, if, seeks an honest female, 38-50, for a LTR. T1163.

A KEEPER
DWM, 46, 556, 142(bs, NS, brown, green, fit, easygoing, likes movies, etc. Seeking a WF, 33-45, NS, slimmedium, for LTR. Clarkston area. T1110.

LIKE THE OUTDOORSE.

medium, for LTR. Clarkston area.

T110

LIKE THE OUTDOORS?

DVM, 40, seeks a slender S/DWF,
55-43; for Irfendship and dating,
Must enjoy the outdoors, weekends
up north, and anownobiles. T1111

POSITIVE, HANDSOME
SVM, 34, 61, 2101bs, funny,
sports-minded, romantic, N/D, N/S,
Ilinancially secure, homeowher, no
dependents, seeks a cute woman,
27-35, for a LTR. T21113

TLL WAIT FOR YOUR CALL
SBM seeks honest, ambilious, fun,
excliting woman, 20-30, who loves
to travel, take long walks, sports,
dencing, movies. T21115

FRESH ON THE SCENE
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# Citizens group speaks out on traffic snarls

BY BARB PERT TEMPLETON STAFF WRITER

We all have a horror story about traffic in Oakland County.

At least that's the way Dick Gampbell figures it. He and a small group of area residents away hosted a press conference last week to show state and county officials that they are anxious to have the "horror" go

Campbell, of Waterford, is President of the newly founded committee, Oakland United Residents Speak-Out (OURS). The group was formed four months ago to address topics that concern people who live and work in Oakland County. They decided to take on roads at their first

major issue.

"We haye 42 members so far mid the idea is that we want to add a voice to issues that we feel are important in the county," said Campbell, who is a parther in the Clarkston law firm, Campbell, Keenan, Cooney, Karlstrom and Steckling. "There's no real structure to the organization it's just a bunch of friends and business people."

Despite his "President" title,

Campbell said the committee is very loose knit and in fact they have only held two breakfast meetings so far. OURS had a good turnout for

OURS had a good turnout for their press conference which was hosted at the offices of a Troy manufacturer, Control Power Reliance. The firm decided to move much of it's business out of

Oakland County due to traffic problems at peak times of the

"I thought the press conference went very, very, well," said Campbell. "There continues to be a major congestion problem with traffic in Oakland County and we want to let our legislators know that we are concerned."

OURS would like to see more, of the funding that goes to Lans-

ing for road improvements via Oakland County being brought back for use locally.

"We are a principal donor to Lansing for road improvements and we are only getting 65 percent back," Campbell said. "I'd also like to see us getting more federal funds too."

Incidents of traffic snarls abound across the county and many of the problems are connected to the I-75 corridors,

Campbell said. The area near Oakland Mall is particularly problematic with traffic being bottled necked for long stretches during morning and afternoon rush hours.

"My wife, (Mary) called me the other day when she was at Square Lake and I-75 and said she had moved about 15 car lengths in 15 minutes," Campbell said. "The surface streets are getting cramped too. It used

to take me 15 minutes to get the court house but now it's taking 35 to 40 minutes."

While acknowledging that steady growth in the county has of course created lots more traffic, Campbell said it's important to realize that OURS is not an organization that is against expansion. For example, the new mega mall, Great Lakes Crossing, is expected to add thousands of cars to the freeways in

the coming months but Campbell hopes the venture is a huge success.

"With Great Lakes Crossing they have already tried to resolve the potential for problems by putting in a number of different entrances to their site." Campbell said. "And we aren't anti-growth and we certainly hope Great Lakes Crossing

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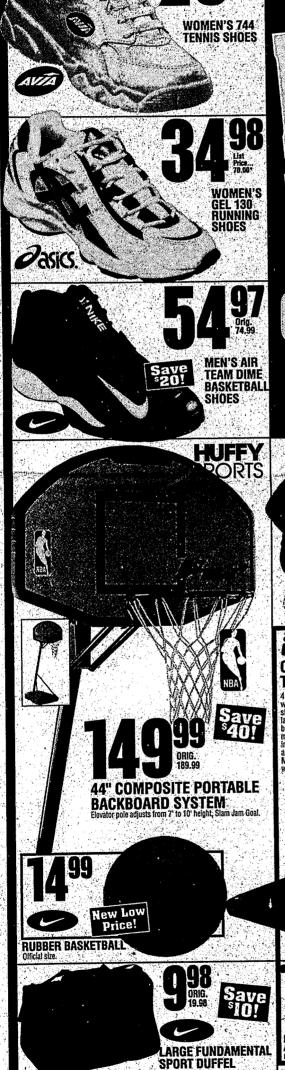
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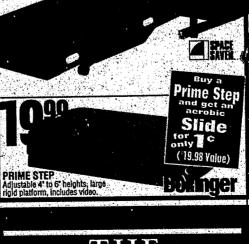
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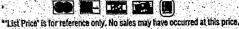


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I'm a DWF, 51, blonde/ble, who
dosires a romantic, humorous, affectionate handyman, camper, animal lover, 504, T99820

COMPANION & BEST FRIEND

SWF, 54°, 138lbs, blonde, NS;
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bite, enjoys movies, restaurants,
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# Citizens group speaks out on traffic snarls

BY BARB PERT TEMPLETON STAFF WRITER

We all have a horror story about traffic in Oakland County. At least that's the way Dick Campbell figures it. He and a small group of area residents even hosted a press conference last week to show state and county officials that they are anxious to have the "horror" go

Campbell, of Waterford, is President of the newly founded committee, Oakland United Residents Speak-Out (OURS). The group was formed four months ago to address topics that concern people who live and work in Oakland County, They decided to take on roads at their first

Oakland County due to traffic problems at peak times of the

day.
"I thought the press conference went very, very, well," said Campbell, "There continues to be a major congestion problem with traffic in Oakland County and we want to let our legislators know that we are con-

OURS would like to see more. of the funding that goes to Lans-

ing for road improvements via Cakland County being brought back for use locally.

We are a principal donor to Lansing for road improvements and we are only getting 65 per-cent back," Campbell said. "I'd also like to see us getting more federal funds too."

Incidents of traffic snarls abound across the county and many of the problems are connected to the I-75 corridors,

Campbell said. The area near Oakland Mall is particularly problematic with traffic being bottled necked for long stretches during morning and afternoon

rush hours. "My wife, (Mary) called me the other day when she was at Square Lake and I-75 and said she had moved about 15 car lengths in 15 minutes," Camp-bell said. "The surface streets are getting cramped too. It used to take me 15 minutes to get the court house but now it's taking 35 to 40 minutes."

While acknowledging that steady growth in the county has of course created lots more traf-fic, Campbell said it's important to realize that OURS is not an organization that is against expansion. For example, the new mega mall, Great Lakes Crossing, is expected to add thou-sands of cars to the freeways in

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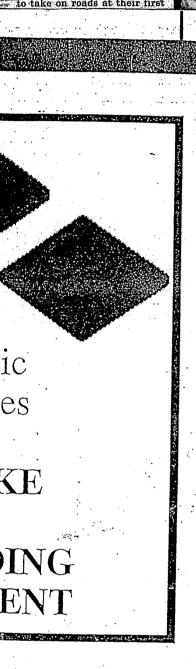
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"With Great Lakes Crossing they have already tried to resolve the potential for prob-lems by putting in a number of different entrances to their site," Campbell said. "And we aren't. anti-growth and we certainly hope Great Lakes Crossing

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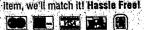
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family, honesty, morale, dignity, interests; sports, dining, gardening,
reading, walks. Seeking family-oriented male, 221109

Personal Interview

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ARE YOU READY TO SOAR... on eagles wings? Do you believe all. things are possible including finds that special someone? If you dare to believe God call and let's fly logether. Seeking, SECM. 40-46.

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LADY IN WAITING
Good-looking 46, DBCPF, 5'5',
140lbs, NJS, enjoy travelling, impvies, reading, exercising, outdoor
activities. Seeking SCPM, NJS, with
similar interests, for friendship, possibly more. T1098.

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COFFEE, YEA, AND ME
SWF, 44, 57°, brownhazel, N/S,
enjoy, sports, jazz. C&W.; quiet,
lines at home. Seeking promatilic,
honest, family-oriented S/DWM,
35-64, 57\*, 1/S. All calls will be
answered. 279198

WITRIGUING, IMPETUOUS
WF, 50e, 56°, seeks a tall WM, 55+, impulsive, creative, kind-heared, who enjoys the river, mountains, pine, trees, Chopin and Yanni, 11064

BEAUTIFUL
Big and beautiful DuF, 49, WS,
exquisite tastes and light-hearted
attitude describe you and I, so jet's
metil 27:1016

LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH
Attractive, full-figured DBF, 45,
6117, enjoys travelling, and newadventures. Seeking honest, caring,
sincere, Intelligent, fun loving, open
minded, SM, 47-69, NS, drug free,
for possible LTB, 72:1011

WANTED: MAN IN UNIFORM
Laid-back, caring SWF, 24, enjoys
movies, dancing, concerts, walks,
dining out. Seeking uniformed S/
DWM, 22-30, for friendship, possible LTR. Kids ok. 72:1038

LONELY IN LUVONIA
Shapely, adventurous, romantic,
down-to-earth DWPF, 39, 5°, brunette, NS, one son, homemaker
type, Seeking someone who can
apprisolate a fun, committed, familyy-oriented LTR. 72:1009

RESIDENT
PHYSICIAN/ENGINEER
...wanted. Seeking down-to-earth,
respectable gentlement, under 35,
single-never married. In youthful
55°, MBA graduate, natural beauty, classy yet down-to-earth, Enjoytural events. 72:104.

SEEKING SENSE OF HUMOR:
DWF, 43, medium build, NS, seeks
a S/DWM, 43-50, NS, employed,
who likes children, outdoors, sports,
for a possible LTR. 72:1000

NTERESTING GEMIN
SWPF, 50S, NS, N/D, no dependents, sense of humor, spiritual
spontaneous, easty, good,
seeking tell, intelligent, enders,
life, travels, coeans, earth, good
people, Still belleves in kindness,
Seeking tell, intelligent, emotional
by/linancially secure, healthy gentenma for a haring the wonders of
life, T89123

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Attractive BF, 50, 56°, 150lbs, N/S, educated, 'amployed, no dependents, seeks one great male, 49-55, HW, proportionate, N/S a must for monogamous relationship. Flace open, must live alone. No hang-ups or baggage. T9878

A TOUCH OF JUNGLE FEVER
Complex preference, not, novelty.

A TOUCH OF JUNGLE FEVER
Complex preference; not novelty,
DWF, 39, pretty, independent, happy, sensual woman of substance,
seeks black gentleman, late 3094financially/emotionally secure, for
monopamous physical and spiritual happiness. #19880

SHORT AND SWEET.
Classy petite DWF, red/brown, N/S,
social drinker, loves country music,
powling; boating, gambling, traveling, cooking for someone special. If
you are humorous, thoughtful and
romantic, 55-80, under 6, I'm, for
you, #19822.
CHAMPAGNE AND CAVIAR.

you. IT9822
CHAMPAGNE AND CAVIAR
SBF, 47, attractive, likes, jazz, traveling, classic cars, dining. Seeking, SM, sense of humor, financially secure, honest vrace unimportant, 179820

TRUE FRIENDSHIP
WF, 18, seeks at SM, 18-25, for friendship and conversation. Give me at call, 19787

DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL PH.D., Cultured, mean apple pin. Golf te-

DVNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL PH.D.,
Cultured, mean apple pie, Golf, tennis, and skiling enthusiast. Theater,
addiction, dance fever. Seeking
male counterpart, 34-47, 229728

FUN-LOVING

Outgoing DWF, 45, enjoys movies,
dining, videos; dancing and more,
Seeking a GOM, 45+, for frendship
and possible LTR; 229801

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. \$25992

LIGHTHOUSE LOVER
Very Independent SF, young A8, tikes sightseling, lighthouses, great lakes, car racing, lishing, and walk ing. Seeking friend, 45-50 to share wakends doing above. N/Drugs, no games. Honesty is \$1.72682.

PRETTY, SMART, SEXY
Honest, sincere, financially secure DBF, 39, 5'5', 145lbs, great legs, one child, enjoys sports, music, movies and romance, Seeking carring sincere, chysically \$118 J/DBM, 38-48, N/S, social drinker \$78633

SOMEONE SPECIAL
Pretty, educated, active, artistic fermale, mid-50s, seeks a male, similar attributes, for a monogamous, carring relationship. \$79598

WOMAN WITH BAGGAGE.
(2 kids and a neurolit 600). Seeking, a SM, to whe, dine, entertain and make me lauch, SF; 5'7', fit fitm, ooc goous, sexy, dark-hair/green, partially deaf, tenser of humor. \$79599.

LOOK NO MORE

DWF, 44, good senses of humor, seeks: S/DM, 40-52, who, enjoys music, movies, football, eating out.

We'll give

you all

the credit

A SHOT IN THE DARK
Attractive, full-figured, and sincere
SWF, 38, 56°, hard-working, hon-est and financially secure. Enjoys outdoors, water sports, travel; and concerts, Seeking tall SWM, 37-45, honest, authoror, responsible, and

concerts, Seeking tall SVM, 37-45; honest, outgoing responsible and goal orientated. N/S. 725547

LOCKING FOR THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE SWFF 51, 537, 125bs, brown eyes, financially sectire, enjoys outdoors, travel, outed at home evenings, seeks sincere SWM, gentleman, caring, comantic, humorous, for a possible relationship. 178885

MEN SELKING WOMEN

AD OF THE WEEK

OPEN BOOK In the encyclopedia I'm under S for Shy, SWM, 32 enjoys Windsurf-ing, enowskying, dining out, quiet times. Seeking SWF, N/S, 32-38, HW procent/Arets

possible LTR: #1471 To Place Your Free Ad, Calls 1-800-518-5445

STRONG,
HEALTHY, HAPPY
DWM devoted dad, 5111, 235lbs, resembles Alon Tool Time, NS, ND, seeks S/DF, 35-47, race/relljoin open, NS, who likes to laugh and be treated well. 121438
SINGLE IN LIVONIA

and be treated well. 171439

SINGLE IN LIVONIA
Attractive, financially secure DWM,
49, 611, 185lbs, N/S, light drinker,
brown/blus, mustache. Enloys
dancing, movies, musto of 80s.
Seeking attractive, stenden honest
SWF, 38-50, smoltionally ready for
a LTR. 179724

YOU

deserve.

ADVENTUROUS Intelligent, passionate; sensual, intelligent, passionate; sensual, incontruit, funny god-looking, tall, well-buit SWM, mid-30s, looking for sweat, easygoing, decent looking, eensual, passionate; SF, for best

GET INTO THE PICTURE! THE PICTURE!

Artistic, creative, photographyfocused SWM, 40, cherming, wit,
style, seeks free-spirited lady, intersted in creative arts, photography,
video, etc. 27:1457

AVAILABLE

A-1 BUSINESSMAN
SWM, 44, loves doing business,
who seeks stractive, warm, SWF
for business functions, friendship,
and long-term partner possibilities.
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A KEEPER
Kind, caring, affectionate, easygo-

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ADVENTUROUS, CHEATIVE
Exceptional, practical, playful, carIng. tall, handsome SWPM, dark
blonde/large blue, seeking; attractive, slim SWF, IVS, under 46, with
similar 'qualities, who's seriously
interested in a relationship. See you'
soon. 19554

ANIMAL LOVER:

Very attractive SM, 35, enjoys alternative silm, music, ilterature, and vegetarian food. Seeking woman who likes animats and hersell, for friends and see what happens?

71101

SEARCHING
FOR THE ONE
Good-looking, honest, intelligent
SWCM, 44, 510\*, 155lbs, blond
blue, N/S, never mamed, with good
sense of humor. Appreciates: class'
style, walks, ifre sides, music, and
small towns, For LTR. No games,

HEART

OF GOLD
Handsoms SWPM; 99, 510",
170lbs, triin, in great shape, enjoys
outdoors, volleyball, nock music, biking, dancling, comedy, custodial
dad of 12 year-old son. Seeking attractive, slender, independent female, with similar interests. #39818
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TO BEHOLD
Handsome SWM, 43, seeks unhapstance, for adoration, nurturing, and a better tomorrow. \$\oldsymbol{\pi}\$1255

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DWM, 50, 6, 210bis, blue-collar, enloys the movies, summer things football. Seeking a faithful SOF, 35-20, that I can talk to, make happy maybe more. TI5598.

TIME FOR A CHANGE SWPM, 42, 56°, Communicative, curious, humorous, fit (faible, persevering; no dependents, eclectionate, envolves, music, and more. Seeking fit, emotionally available SWF, to share healthy, happy relationship. TI545°.

ADVENTURE MEMORIES

Sincere, caring, fit, active SWM, 6', 170lbs, IVS, college graduate, loster parent, enjoys outdoor activities, travel, culture, humor, and good conversation Seeking retired SWF, 50s, LTR, to share life, adventures. TI014'

INDEPENDENT

SWM, 34, 59°, seeks an indepen.

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INDEPENDENT

SWM, 34, 5'9", seeks an independent, spiritual, emotionally/physically it: SWF, 25-35, Nice hair a pius, T1295

ANN ARBOR AREA & BEYOND Fiscally, ablica poblace SWDM, 33

plus. T1295

ANN ARBOR AREA & BEYOND

Friendly, philosophical SWPM, 33, attractive international relations Ph.D., athletic and physically fil. likes travel, tennis, skiling, art, music. Seeking strong-minded, lind, degreed, attractive SWF, with similar interests. T1291.

USED GUY CONNECTION

This fresh handsome trade-in is an incredible bargain, loaded with options, ready for delivery. Divorced? Bad credit? No problem—quick approval! T2257

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You'll do just finel Handsome, successful SWM, 45, lited of Prima Donnas, seeks settled, sociable, sincere ladd, age open, T2288

LOOKING FOR FRIENDSHIP Honest, hardworking, outgoing swy, 52, likes to have special times with special people seeking SWM, 45, Lited of Prima Donnas, lardworking, outgoing swygoling SWM, 52, likes to have special times with special people. AUX proportionate, for LTT, 2003.

SINGLE IN DETROIT

Honest, down-to-earth SBM, mild 30s, would like to meet special SEF, 25-45, for friendship, possible relationship. I like movies, concerts, special times together. T1286

ALL AROUND GUY

Sincere, sharp, intelligent, SWM, with resourcestimes and fix.Nt ability, seeks remale companionship. Lot me play an integral and carring role in your life. T1200

SEEKING SOMEONE. SPECIAL Fun, attractive, intelligent, romanic, incling or commitment/love, please call. T99544 for com

A QUALITY GUV.
Sincere, remantic DWM, 52, 510°, seeks honest woman with sense of humor, for, dining, out, fall concerts, dancing, plays, weekend get-aways, trayeling. Seeking special friend to share quality times with, 129919.

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TAKE A CHANCE
Caring, kind-hearted SWM, 35, 6', horw/horwin, with various interests. Seeking SF, 20-40, for friendship, possible LTR, Kids ok. 4T165

A VERY SPECIAL GUV...

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4, 5'6', 230lbs of musdle, handsome, affectionate, good listener, caring, very athielic and outgoing, loves life, trayel. Seeking SF: for possible, relationship. Race unimportant. Title3

SEEKING\_FILENDA.OVER
DWCM, 37, 8'2', 220lbs, brown/green, dislikes politicians, enjoys blues, fast cars/pcck-n-roll. Seeking easygoing, passionate SFF, 27-40, silim/medium build, honest, independent, stable, who loves sunsets, beaches. Likes kids, but doesn't want anymore. Tit251

ONE OFA KIND WOMAN
Sincere, outgoing, nice, pleasant DWM, 40, WO, Nis, enjoys bike fide, rollerbalding, movies, relaxing, nice sunsets. Seeking full-figured S/DWF, 35-5, for friendship, and relationship. Pigmouth area. 27551

relationship. Plymouth area. \$\textbf{TPS51}\$

PLEASE CALL MY DOJ.

Warmi, kind, 'sansitiv', down-toearth DWPM, 39, 50'; brown/nazel,
cutstoidlar, parent of 'two, social,
drinkler, enjoys cooking. Cedar Point,
camping, socializing, Seeking DWF;
with kids, for companionship, serious
relationship. West 'Bloomfield,
\$\textbf{TPS536}\$

PICK A WINNER

Problem solving SWM, 46, handsome, successful, enjoys being
helpful. Seeks 'triendly, 'fliratious
lady, for romance, companionship,
and mysterfous enbounters. \$\textbf{T1CS}\$

BIG TEDDY BEAR ROmanic, affectionate, with, intelligent SWM, 38, 5-10°, brown/hazel, oves travel, movies/healer, muslo, laugher, Seeking gusen-azad beauty, who to views to laugh. Race open. and mysterious encounters. 171202 R U "PLUM CRAZY"

Beside nation this way, gur friends wouldn't believe us anyway. SWPM, 38, 6'1", 190ibe. Seeking slim, romantic, attractive blonde. 221198 CALL 1-800-518-5445 OR HILL OUT THE COUPON BELOW TO PLACE YOUR FREE AD!

JUST FOR YOU, DEAR Compassionate SWM, 45, varied interests, ready to be anjoyed by feminine SWF, Will slow dance and sing in your ear. 1999 LET'S SHARE 1999+ Finandally stable, handsome, lit WPM, 54, seeks yery attractive, thin, reducated lady, 25-42, for movides, travel, theatre, art fairs, end more for LTR. 201194

SEND ME AN ANGEL Open-minded, warm-hearted, full-time father of gorgeous little glid, by Novi, seeks 50isn, warm-hearted, travel, snowmediling, and work outs. 21186

ARE YOU INTO DEPTH Articulate, spiritual, somewhat melaphysical, slim SJM, enloys Borders, classical, jazz, beaches and art films. Saeking lifetime SF soulmate, 31145, 21197

ADVENTUROUS

SWPM, 29, 5107, 155lbs, considered good-looking, with dark hair and ayes, enjoys sporting events, traveling, conversation, working out, rollerblading, humor, and much more. Seeking an outgoing and fun. woman. 27934

SOMEWHAT HUMOROUS

Caring, attentive, friendly SWPM, dark blond/large gorgeous blue, tall, filt, and handsome; 1/N, Seeks attractive, slim, monogamous SWF, under 46, for possible LTR. No prima donnas, please. 27938

VOU SEEK AN.

Attactive, professional SWM, 39, 61 185lbs, who listens to your dreams and helps make them a reality who knows, who he is; and loves who, you are. 21191

WORTH THE CALL
Humorous, yet ittellicatus), outgoing, active SWM, 40, 5107, 190lbs, enjoys outdoor activities; reading, writing, heater, and movies, carefully, free possible reading, world, or outgoing, very canning gly-

Attractive outgoing very caring giving SWM, 46, with a variety of interests, toyes to be romantic and cook. Seeking same in petitie SWF, for friendship; maybe more: \$\overline{\text{T}} 9383\*\*

USE ME

Seeking same in petitic SWF. for infendship, maybe more. 19383.

USE ME
Fun to play with, you might become attached to me lovable, affectionate, DWM, 47, 511, you can take me for a walk. or show off to your friends, college degree, and papers available upon request. 21107.

CAUTION: DON'T MISS OUT!
WM, 51, seclire, honest, 6, gray blue, fit, seeks an honest female, 38-50, for a LTR. 21183.

A KEEPER
DWM, 46, 567, 1421bs, N/S, brown/green, fit, seeks an honest female, 38-50, for a LTR. 21183.

DWM, 46, 567, 1421bs, N/S, brown/green, fit, seeks an slender S/DWF, 38-43, for friendship, and, dating, Must criply the outdoors, weekends, up north, and snowmobiles. 21111

POSITIVE, HANDSOME
SWM, 34, 617, 2101bs, funny, sports—infend, romantic, N/D, N/S, financially secure, homeowner, no dependents, seeks a cute woman, 27-35, for a LTR. 21113.

TLE WAIT FOR YOUR CALL. SSM seeks honest, ambilious, funny, sports—infended, romantic, N/D, N/S, financially secure, homeowner, no dependents, seeks a cute woman, 27-35, for a LTR. 21113.

TLE WAIT FOR YOUR CALL. SSM seeks honest, ambilious, funny, sports—infended, romantic SWM, 38, 6, 185ibs, never married, seeks a stractive woman with good values, for dating, friendship, possible LTR. Please call. 271103.

BUILT, BRIGHT, SENSTIVE
Athletic/outdoors type SWPM, 37, 510°, dark/blue, enjoys dancing, cudding, weekend getaways. Seeking, fit SWF, 30-42, N/S. For LTR. 271104.

BWM, 33, 579°, 1800bs, brown

Ing fit SWF, 30-42, NS: For LTR.

##1104

LIFE'S TOO SHORT

SWM, 33, 59' 180lbs, brown/
brown, seeks a female, 25-32, to
date and for possible LTR. ##1105

KIND.,
sincers SWM, 37' enjoys music,
movies, laughter, and, speciator
sports. Seeking SWF, 27-38, for
inendship, possible LTR. Kindness,
honesty, and straightforwardness,
are important. ##1106

LET'S GET TOGETHER:
Altractive, upbeat SWM, 25, 59',
brown/brown, still believes in tove,
music and more; dining out, quiet
evenings. Seeking romantic, faithful SWF, to share life's pleasures.

##2881

evenings. Seeking jomanuc, falthful SWF, to share life's pleasuries,
T9281

MR. MOM
No fancy lines, Just an honest, sincere SWM, 37, nice-looking, hardworking, family-oriented father of
two kids. Seeking a SWF, 25-45,
who's fit and ready for a LTR. All
calls answered. T9630

CALIFORNIA MAN
Fun-loving, outspling SWM, 33,
6'5', fit 235ibs, enjoys motoroycles,
music, dancing, Seeking eweet,
honest, attractive SWMF, 28-32, for
possible LTR. T1102

LOVES POP-TARTS
Handsome, athletic, amotionally,
secure DWPM, 48, 5'10', great
sense of, humor, seeks alnocraby,
attractive temale, 38-46, for LTR.
Free for divense Ficksy night? T100
INTELLECTUAL PURSUITS
Tall, intelligent, with, warm DWPM,
39, dark, browingreet, seeks, 5',
DVY, females 30, 2-0, or movies,
music, boostal and simulating conversalion, T9625
Seeking singe attractive female, 02
40, for friendship and possible
LTR. T1015

OLD-FASHIONED

AU, 10r triendship and possible LTR. 271018

OLD-FASHIONED
Down-to-earth and secure WCBM, 47, 64°, 200bs, faither of twins, likes movies, cooking, martial arts and welking, Seeking an attractive SPF, 36-49, for pessible LTR. Must have God.first. 271097

ATHLETIC
Easygoing SWPM, 28, 57°, 1555bs, seeks mature SWPF, 24-32, who enloys movies, music, the out-doors, quiet evenings, sporting e-vents, and is not atraid of commitment. 279978

### Pretty. Smart.

It sure was pretty smart to call.

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Indisone, fun, clean-cut, old-fashoned, firiancially, secure, independent DWM, 38, 64\*, 220bis, seeks,
a LTR with the right lady, 73:1063.

COME FLY WITH ME

Financially secure, honest, eindere,
ill SWPM, 36, 65°, 215bs, with a
good sense of hume, einloys in/outdoor events. Seeking an eitractive,
intelligent, fill SF, for dating, possible LTR, 73:1013.

BRAD PITT TYPE!

Handsome SWM, 34, 6°2", 195lbs,
blue/long blond, well-proportioned,
fun, confident, intelligent, Seeking,
sender SWF, 55°, 59°, for more
than just a quest appearance.
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BLUEJACKET

seeks lady-bluestocking, Semil

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BLUEJACKET

seeks lady bluestocking. Semi
retired SM, 44, 56\*, medium build,
averaged tooks, kind heart, hoping
to find: a woman, whom afready
loves herself, or would like to learn.

T 1008

NEW TO AREA
Laid-back, good-looking SWM, 32, 5'8'. 165lbs, very lit, enloy's mountain biking, outdoor activities, Nascar racing, Seeking like-minded, it 5F, for friendship (first, maybe more. 27 1010

SEEKING AFRICAN PRINCESS
SWM, 27, 5'8', 150lbs, blond/blue, enloys movies, ovenings at home cudding. Seeking SBF, 20'-30, NIS, NID, for friendship and/or relationship. 27 1005

NO. (or iriendship and/or relationship. 27 1005

NEDFORD CONNECTIONS

SWM, 35, 6", 140lbs, brown/bue, enjoys movies, sports, dining, bowling, humorous, seaking SF, attractive, garing, with same qualities in Redford's, for friendship and possible relationship. 37972:

SUAVE

Handsome BM, 33, who has a nice smile, GQ style, is looking for a formantic, attentive, full-figured WF, 30-45, 271377

SEARCHING

FOR LOVE OF LIFE

Handsome SWM, 6", HW proportionate, with a good lob, enjoys dining, biking, music, Seeking sweet, sincere, romantic, adventurous SWF, for LTR, Children welcome, Calling, 31299.

PHILOSOPHERICYCLIST?
Love my Ille, home, ideas, work.
Seeking passionate lady, with pen-rhent for outdoors and tolerance of my off-center, pooch, Lefs, watch autumn, colors. I'll tall! your about Kalibab Trail. 72124

AFFECTIONATE MAN
SWM, 32,56°, 180bs, enjoys mu-sic, sports, walks, travel. Seeking attractive, sender, passionate SWF, 25-50, N/S, Lefs get together soon. 71286

attractive, alendor, passionate SWF, 25-50, N/S. Let's get together soon. 371298.

GOWBOY SEEKS COWGIRL. This DWM, 30, 5'10', 165lbs, brown/green, loves country music, concerts. Red Wings, drag racing, friends and family, Searching, for a potite, Shania Twain type SWF. Will respond to all, Children ok. 329357.

LOOKING FOR 70U?

SWM, 28, that consider, myself-spontaneous and funt to be with, 1910 outdoor, activities and all sports. If you like humor, then I don't think! Tack in that area, 37:192.

SEEKING BI-RACIAL FEMALE, SWPM, 38, adventurous, attractive, sinciere, warm, seeks a slim, affectionate

SWYM, 39, adventurous, attractive, sindere, warm, seeks a silm, articulate, romantic, playfus, affectionate fermale, for a LTH, 27157

OLDER, BUT YOUNGER
Ratired WM, widower, 56°, 140lbs, social drinker, N/S, seeks an attractive, vibrant WF, 48-65; for daling, movies, travel and more. 271112

SINCERE, INTELLIGENT
Romaguic, witty, athletic DWM, 42, 6°, degreed, M/S, dark, half/eves, into trivia, dops, warm weather. Seeking SF, bright, honest, passionate, for mutual enjoyment, LTR, Brunette, N/S a plus. 271114

Seniors

Healthy, sincere, widowed WM cuddle bear, N/S, N/D, seeks dependable, fustworthy, affectionate dream woman, for LTH. Lake Orlond area. T1437

Pretty, outgoing DWF, 58, 51, no dependents, enjoys reading, dining out and house remodeling. Seeking kind; compassionate, home loving, financially secure S/DM, for companionship. T1201

SWF, 61, 51", 142/bs, average looks, great personality, high morals/values, enjoys travel, movies, long water, single to meat romanitic SWM, 80+, for companionship, possible. LTT. 27912

ROUND TWO

SWF, 57, widow, friends say attractive, blonde/blus, enjoys everything; seeks WM, 58+, N/D; who kives dancing, good books, long difficulty seeks with the seeks water of the seeks with the seeks water. HV ravel. T9697

WHOOWER

Successible CPA, 60, medium build, blonde/blue, with valied interests. Seeking a very attractive lady to share life's offerings, is of not believe that you'll be disappointed. T9819

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BY BARB PERT TEMPLETON STAFF WRITER

We all have a horror story about traffic in Oakland County.

At least that's the way Dick Campbell figures it. He and a small group of area residents even hosted a press conference last week to show state and county officials that they are anxious to have the "horror" go

Campbell, of Waterford, is President of the newly founded committee, Oakland United Residents Speak-Out (OURS). The group was formed four months ago to address topics that con-cern people who live and work in Oakland County, They decided to take on roads at their first

\_major issue. === "We have 42 members so far and the idea is that we want to add a voice to issues that we feel are important in the county," said Campbell, who is a partner in the Clarkston law firm, Campbell, Keenan, Cooney, Karlstrom and Steckling. There's no real structure to the organization it's just a bunch of

friends and business people." Despite his "President" title, Campbell said the committee is very loose knit and in fact they have only held two breakfast meetings so far.
OURS had a good turnout for

their press conference which was hosted at the offices of a Troy manufacturer, Control Power Reliance: The firm decided to move much of it's business out of

Oakland County due to traffic problems at peak times of the

"I thought the press conference went very, very, well," said Campbell. "There continues to be a major congestion problem with traffic in Oakland County and we want to let our legislators know that we are con-

OURS would like to see more, of the funding that goes to Lans.

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ing for road improvements via Cakland County being brought back for use locally.

"We are a principal donor to Lansing for road improvements and we are only getting 65 per-cent back," Campbell said. "I'd also like to see us getting more federal funds too.

Incidents of traffic snarls abound across the county and many of the problems are con-nected to the 1-75 corridors,

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While acknowledging that steady growth in the county has of course created lots more traffic, Campbell said it's important to realize that OURS is not an organization that is against expansion. For example, the new mega mall, Great Lakes Crossing, is expected to add thousands of cars to the freeways in

the coming months but Campbell hopes the venture is a huge

With Great Lakes Crossing they have already tried to resolve the potential for problems by putting in a number of different entrances to their site," Campbell said. "And we aren't anti-growth and we certainly hope Great Lakes Crossing

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# Q&A: What does utility deregulation mean?

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER

Q. There's a lot of talk about allowing "competition" in the electricity industry. Does that mean the giants like Detroit Edison and Consumers Energy will get direct competition?

A Not quite Competition, if any, will-come at the generator level, not the dis-tributor level. You'd still get your power off Edison lines, for example, but another company could be generating it.

Q. Is it true – are local governments trying to get into the utility deregu-lation act by saying they want to grant franchises to electricity suppli-

A. True. The Michigan Municipal League and Michigan Townships Association are telling their members to attend seminars and learn how to grant franchises beginning next February

Q. How do the cities, villages and ownships figure they have that

right? A. They held a news conference in Lansing last week and pointed to Art. VII (local government) sec. 29 of the Michigan Constitution. It says: No company operating a public utility has the right to use roads and alley rights of way for wires or to transact local business therein without first obtaining a franchise from the township, city or village." Q. What's a franchise?

A. It's the privilege of doing business that a government gives to a company. Other examples are operating a ferry or

■ The Michigan Chamber of Commerce's view is that electric energy is a major cost of doing business - \$3.8 billion per year versus just \$2 billion for the single business tax. The chamber has long said Michigan's high electricity costs are an impediment to attracting business.

Q. Can a government grant more than one company a franchise?

A. Yes. The length is limited to 30 years

Q, Presumably the government will ask for fees?

A. Yes, but the local governments will prefer to call it "an application fee...a one-time charge to cover the legal costs of the municipality incurred as a result of entering into a contract with a public utility," according to the MML and MTA

Said MTA's Pat McAvoy: "We've heard local governments are potential obstructionists. It's not our intent."

Q. Will I as a homeowner get to pick and choose?

A. It doesn't look that way. Customers would work through an "aggregator" to join their electric loads in order to have a load big enough (at least one megawatt) to negotiate a better rate. It would take 500 households to require one megawatt.

An aggregator must obtain a franchise from each local unit in order to transact business, according to the state Public Service Commission. Aggregators look on local franchises as a barrier to competi-tion, according to MML and MTA.

An aggregator could deal with a class of customers - say, all the downtown retailers, or the government itself, especially cities that operate a sewage treatment

and the army the control of

Q. Where is the Michigan Legislature in all of this?

A. It's hard to say. There has been no. public debate in the lame-duck session. Environmental groups say Rep. Barbara Dobb, R-Union Lake, and Sen, Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion, are crafting legislation "behind closed doors" with

of environmental or residential customer protection. Q. Why are environmental groups

Goy. John Engler and "make no mention

sounding off? A. Michigan United Conservation Clubs and friends say, "Competition in electrici-ty markets will create additional markets for old, dirty coal plants, which are the largest single source of harmful air pollution in the country and responsible for about 40 percent of human-caused mercury emissions in Michigan.

Former Sen. Lana Pollack, D-Ann Arbor, now president of the Michigan Environmental Council, said, "We could vault to the top of the states trying to pro-

tect the environment by reducing coal burning, or tumble to the bottom and become a dirty-coal state."

Environmentalists warn against the Legislature's taking hasty action in two or three days of a lame-duck session.

Q. Where's the Michigan Chamber of Commerce stand?

A. The chamber on Nov. 16 released its own study that concentrated entirely on prices – with no mention of the environment or dirty coal.

The chamber's view is that electric energy is a major cost of doing business — \$3.8 billion per year versus just \$2 billion for the single business tax. The chamber has long said Michigan's high electricity costs are an impediment to attracting business. Michigan rates are 15 percent higher than states like Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, the Carolinas and Wisconsin.

The chamber blames one utility - which it doesn't name – for administrative costs that "are double the industry average."

A major issue still is "stranded costs" that is, the investments utilities have made in plants that it couldn't recover if customers switch to another generating company. Utilities want to recover those costs at customer expense

Edison, for example, said residential customers could pay 8 percent less in a competitive environment, but it wants to collect 13 percent more to recover stranded costs. In other words, you'd pay more to switch than you would save.

Q. What happens next?
A. It's anyone's guess. A lot of the discussion is going on in back rooms.

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works out. But we know that as the county grows the roads have to grow

OURS doesn't anticipate putting together some half baked plan about how to solve Oakland County's traffic problems but hopes to get the attention of those who can make things happen.

"We really just want to attract the attention of the MDOT officials and let them know there are a number of politically motivated people in the county who are concerned about this," Campbell said.

If OURS doesn't get a response from MDOT or state legislators soon they intend to "call them to hold a meeting."

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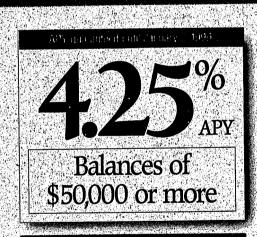
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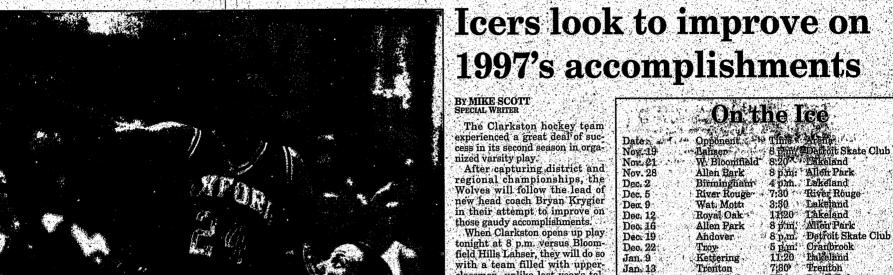


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Krygier, a former college hockey player at the University of Connecticut, will stress defense this year and hopes to keep opponents to lower scores, a trait which hindered Clarkston at times a year ago. "It all starts on the defensive

classmen, unlike last year's tal-

ented but less experienced team.

end," said Rrygier, who was invited to the Boston Bruins training camp and played a few years of minor league hockey before suffering a career ending injury, "We need to be defensively sound."

The Wolves will look to junior goalie Steve Badger to be the last line of defense. Badger started the last half of the season and played well during his squad's postseason run.

"There is no question right now that Steve is our goalie," Krygier said.

The top returning defensemen are seniors Ron Wells and DJ Thomas: Wells, a football player, is coming off an injury which kept him off the field for much of the pigskin season.

Clarkston returns three of its top four scorers along the front from last year, including playmaker Adam Leech and wingers Derek Hool and Bill Kalush. The large class of juniors also have valuable experience and will allow Clarkston to go three or

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four lines deep. Krygier is still getting to know his players and just completed tryouts in the last 10 days after practice was first allowed to begin the first week of November. He is unsure of line combinations but is counting heavily on his seniors to carry the load and the leadership role in the early going.

"These guys definitely need to set the tone," he said. "I think our seniors are pretty good lead-ers," he said. "Many of our play-

ers are two of three sport athletes and it's a matter of getting them in hockey mode."

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On defense, Krygier plans to use a disciplined structure which can open up depending on the opponent. But he prefers low scoring rather than high scoring

"I think any time you score three or four goals you should win,' said Krygier, who coached the varsity "B" team at Cranbrook Kingswood, a traditional hockey power in the state last year. "We can't afford to give up penalties and need to be focused. If we play with focus and limit our penalties and mistakes, our

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High flying: Clarkston's Sarah Morgan (right) waits for Oxford's Liz Holbrook to go flying by before launching a shot during the Wolves', 40-35 loss to the Wildcats in the district tournament Monday.

# 2nd-half blues drop **Wolves from district**

smoothly for Clarkston until Oxford's Liz Holbrook helped put together a second-half stretch that propelled the Wild-cats into a district semifinal and ended Clarkston's season on a disappointing note.

By Brad Kadrich \ SPORTS EDITOR

couple of months ago, Deana Kanipe scored 21 points and her Clarkston Wolves ham-mered Oxford 66-45 in the season-opening

Lady Wildcat basketball invitational. Two months later, the Wildcats formulated applan, then executed it to perfection and used it to advance in the state basketball tournament with a 40-35 win over the Wolves Tuesday at The Field

Kanipe was held scoreless, and Oxford's Liz Holbrook exploded in the second half as the Wildcats advanced to Wednesday's semifinal against Lapeer West. Results of that game were not available at press time. Oxford routed Lapeer West twice dur-

ing the regular season. In the other half of the draw, Romeo routed Holly and advanced to a Wednesday semifinal against tournament favorite Lapeer East. The win-

ners meet Friday at 8:15 p.m. in the district final. Oxford coach Ian Smith was happy with the lefense his team played as a whole, but was par-icularly pleased with senior Andrea Fedorinchik's fort against Kanipe.

"We told Andrea she had the job of a lifetime hiddwing Kanipe)," Smith said. "We told her if Kanipe roos for a drink of water, go with her. afensive concept as a team was outstanding,

The Wildcats put the win together with a strong start to the third quarter. They went into halftime trailing 20-16, but used an 11-3 spurt immediately following the intermission. And Holbrook, the junior center, was the biggest contributor, scoring nine of the points after being held to six first-half

Holbrook (23 points, 15 rebounds, 5 blocked shots) wrapped an offensive putback and a free throw around a 3-pointer from Clarkston's Kaye Christie. She rebounded her own miss and converted a three-point play, and Dana Millard's short jumper gave Oxford its first lead, 24-23 with 4:41 left in the third quarter.

Holbrook finished the burst by converting a three-point play after being fouled by Christie. Holbrook chased after the ball, rebounding it three times before finally getting the shot to fall.

Holbrook was much more a force in the second half, a fact that didn't escape the notice of Clarkston coach Ann Lowney.

"We got a little tired (chasing her)," Lowney said. "I don't think they went to her that much in the first half, but then they figured it out and got her the ball more often. The more touches she gets,

Lindsey Prudhomme hit a tough hook shot over Holbrook with 1:08 left in the third, and Corinne McIntyre outfought Holbrook for an offensive putback with 6:23 left in the game to pull the Wolves within 31-30, But Oxford's Melissa Dopirak scored inside and Holbrook took a feed from Fedorinchik to put Oxford back up 35-30.

McIntyre, who played a very strong game (eight points, 11 rebounds), hit a pair of free throws, and Christic buried a 3-pointer that tied the score 35-35 with 2:13 left. But Oxford got a short jumper from Tonya Seidl 30 seconds later, and Holbrook closed it out with a layup and a free throw.

"We just didn't take care of the ball," Lowney said. "It's been our pattern all year."

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# Area's top runners put together outstanding seasons

BY DANIEL STICKRADT STAFF WRITER dsuckredt@oe.homecomm.net

Spectators of Michigan prep cross country this past autumn witnessed one of — if not the most — competitive seasons in state history.

Unbelievable performances at all levels were commonplace from mid- August to early November, Take the Boys Lower Peninsula Class A State Meet held at Michigan Speedway in Brooklyn, for example. Spectators watched a total of 15 run-ners break the course record of 15:39 set two years ago, while an incredible 38 runners were able to eclipse the 16-minute barrier,

A pair of those runners hail from the Eccentric North Oakland region, and headline this annual year's all-area team. So let's not waste any time and let's salute the very best from our litfle neck of the woods

FIRST TEAM 📕 Jordan Desilets, Lake Orion, senior — A three-time state qualifier, Desilets saved his best for last as he placed third at the Class A state meet with a blistering 15:16 clocking, eclipsing the Lake Orion school record by 21 seconds in the process. Desilets, who missed the first three meets of the season, also won three dual meets, captured the Holly Invitational, Oakland Activities Association Division I, Oxford Invitational and Holly Regional, and placed second at both the Redford Catholic Central/Shamrock Invitational and Oakland County meet. Eastern Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota are just three of many schools recruiting Desilets. "Jordan is one of the

most talented runners that I've had to pleasure to coach," said Luke Orion coach Stan Ford. "He has the mentality that he can do almost anything. He has great endurance and leg speed and I think he could be a great runner in college.

Eric Lohr, Lake Orion, senior - Although Lohr competed in the shadows of many great runners in Oakland County throughout most of the sea son, he was able to join the elite group himself at the end of the season by placing fifth at the regional and 38th at the state meet with a career-best time of 15:59, helping the Dragons place eighth. A three-year varsity per-former who also carries a 3,9 GPA, Lohr also took third at the Rochester Adams Invitational, fifth at the league meet, seventh at the Oxford Invitational, 10th at the Holly Invitational, 12th at the West Bloomfield Invitational and 14th at the county championships, "Eric brings to the table a 3.9 average and he is a very good runner, so I think that he will be able to contribute to a college team i the near future," said Ford. "This past season he came in prepared and just kept getting better and better as the season went along. His performances at the end of the season were key for us doing so well.

Pete Minton, Lake Orion, senior — Consistency was the key ingredient for success in 1998 for Minton, a two-year letterman after transferring from Rochester. "Pete was consistently our No. 3, 4 or 5 guy all season long, but he really stepped up big at the state meet," said Ford. "If he didn't run that type of race, then we might not have fin-ished in eight place. Pete really

had a fine season." Minton's highlight reel included placing ninth at the Oxford Invitational 12th at the Adams Invitational, 14th at the Shamrock Invite, 17th at the OAA championships 20th at the Holly Invitational, 30th at the regional and 33rd at the county meet, His best time came at the state meet, where he placed 74th and clocked a careerbest time of 16:25.

■ David Sage, Clarkston, junior — Sage was able to gar-ner all-state accolades again this season by finishing 20th at the state meet for the second straight year. A three-time state qualifier, Sage also won three dual meets, won both the Chesaning and Flint Carmen-Ainsworth invitationals, took third at both the Oxford Invita tional and league meet, fourth at the West Bloomfield Invitational, fifth at both the county and Michigan State Spartan Invitational, and sixth at the regional His best effort was 15:40. "There's an awful lot to say about a kid like David Sage, beamed Clarkston coach Mike Taylor, "He's a quiet kid but he leads by example. He knows how to compete and he is very confi-

dent in his abilities."

Matt Haver, Clarkston, junior — Haver was Clarkston's second state meet qualifier this season, where he went on to place 39th with a career-best effort of 16:01. A three-year let-terwinner and two-time state meet representative, Haver was consistent throughout the sea-son, taking fourth at the Carmen-Ainsworth Invite, sixth at both the Chesaning and Oxford invitationals, seventh at both the OAA and regional meets

Spartan Invite and 15th at the Nest Bloomfield Invitational. "Matt really improved this sea-son," said Taylor, "He came into the season which a much more serious attitude and it showed. I don't think he really had a poor performance all season long. He was consistent all the wav

through. n Kevin Breen, Clarkston, junior — This three-year letterwinner was a member of the Wolves' school-record setting 3,200-meter relay quartet last June and he more than carried that success into the cross-country season. "Kevin is a very talented kid who became kind of our emotional leader this season," said Taylor, "I see him con-tinuing to get getting better and better in the future. I wouldn't be surprised to see him set another record in track and become a standout in cross-coun try." This season, Breen cracked the top 35 at eight invitationals, including ninth at Oxford, 10th at the league, 14th at Chesaning, 21st at Carmen-Ainsworth, 26th at West Bloomfield, 27th at the regional, 28th at county, and

32nd at Michigan State. ■ John Stein, Oxford junior — One of the most improved harriers in the area Stein started slow but finished strong, posting a career-best 16:22 effort at the Flint Metro League Meet, where he placed fourth. Stein, the Wildcats' Most Valuable Runner, also took second at the Ortonville-Brandon Invitational, 23rd at the Oxford Invite, 32nd at the Adams Invite, 35th at the Chesaning and 46th at the regional. He also carriers a 3.5 GPA. "John really came on strong at the end of the year," said Oxford coach Ray Sutherland. "He really wanted to improve and he was able to accomplish that with a lot of hard work and dedication.

COACH OF THE YEAR Stan Ford, Lake Orion -In 1998, Lake Orion never won an invitational, but this was still one of their most successful seasons to date. The Dragons, under the guidance of Stan Ford, finished 4-1 in dual meets, losing only to Clarkston in the season opener, and finished second overall in the OAA Division I with a second place showing at the league meet. Lake Orion also took second at the Shamrock Invitational, Holly Regional Oxford Invitational, and Holly Invitational, third at the Rochester Adams Invitational, seventh at the West Bloomfield Invitational and eighth at the Class A state meet. "It's funny, except for dual meets this team actually never won a single race all season long, but they still had a great season," said Ford. "We lot of depth. I would take this

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type of season, qualifying for the state meet and out of the toughest regional in the state and taking eighth at the state meet anytime. This group of guys were a pleasure to coach. They worked hard and accomplished

a lot." SECOND TEAM ■ Mark Rice, Lake Orion, enior — Despite having an off senior day at the state meet, where he placed 160th, Rice still had a fine encore campaign. A threeyear letter-winner, Rice posted his top time of the season at the OAA meet by placing 15th in 16:52. He was also 11th at both the Holly and Oxford invitationals, 13th at the Shamrock Invitational, 14th at the Adams Invi-tational, 25th at the West Bloomfield Invitational, 28th at the regional and 35th at the county meet. "Mark was right." there as part of our pack," said Ford. "He was consistently there as one of our top five runners He was always working hard and I think he was one of those keys that we qualified for the state. He was always coming

through for us." Spencer Aston, Lake Orion, junior — After placing 11th at the Adams Invitational to open the season, a hip injury sidelined Aston for the month of eptember. But he regained his old form down the stretch to salvage his second varsity campaign. Aston, who posted his top time of the season at the league meet, where he was 18th in 17:01, also took 15th at the Oxford Invite, 26th at the regional, 42nd at the county and 236nd at the state meet. "Once he got over his injury, he really came on strong at the end of the year despite and off day at the state meet," said Ford. "He ran through the pain, worked hard



Stan Ford

gave us a big lift at the end of the season.

🖪 Adam Frezza, Lake Orion, sophomore — After showing some promise in track as a freshman, Frezza gave cross-country a try this fall and it turned out to be a beneficial decision: Frezza consistently was among the Dragons top 10 runners and had his best effort at the league meet, where he gar-nered all-league honors by plac-ing 14th with a best effort of 16:48. Frezza also shined at the Adams Invitational (25th), Holly Invitational (37th), Shamrock Invitational (39th), regional (47th), county (54th) before plac-ing 157th at the state meet out of 285 runners. "Adam was the new guy on the block, but he developed quickly to become part of out varsity lineup," said Ford. I really thought he could contribute after watching him in track. He was able to step in and kept doing better and better all

junior — Like Breen, Quantz was a member of the that recordsetting 3,200 relay foursome, but never tried cross-country until this season. We knew Brett had talent, we just finally talked him into coming out for croos-coun-try," said Taylor. I think he is going to be another kid that blossoms into a fine runner." This fall, Quantz was 16th at the league, 19th at the Chesaning Invitational, 22nd at the Oxford Invitational, 23rd at both the regional and Carmen-Ainsworth Invitational, and 37th at the county mee

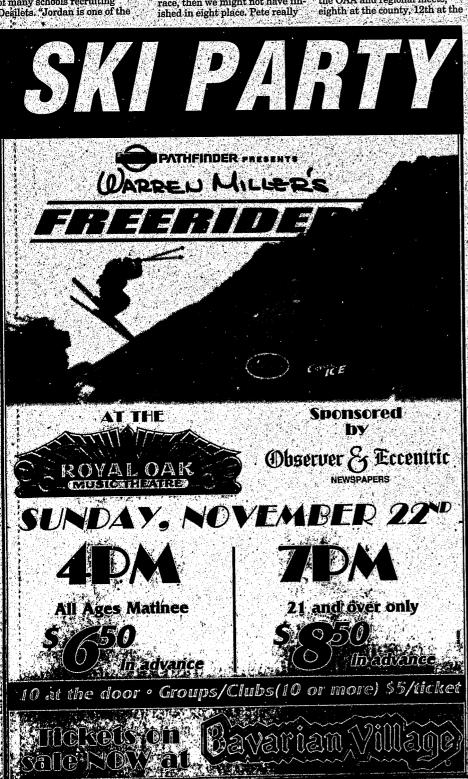
n Brett Quantz, Clarkston,

Daniel Burke, Clarkston, **junior** — Burke, in his third varsity campaign, continued to excel for the league champion Wolves. Consistently among Clarkston's top five, Burke took 12th at the league meet in a sea-son-best 16:47, 16th at both the Oxford and Chesaning invitationals, 29th at the Carmen-Ainsworth Invite, 40th at the regional, 41st at the West Bloomfield Invitational, 50th at the county and 62nd at the Spartan Invitational. "Dan got muchbetter as the season moved along," said Taylor, "He was a little inconsistent at first, but then he gained some confidence and wound up having a good sea son, earning all-league."

Dan Nelder, Oxford,

sophomore — In his second varsity campaign, Nelder improved leaps and bounds over his freshman campaign. As the Wildcats' No. 2 performer this year, Nelder earned all-FML honors by placing seventh at the league meet in 16:42. He was

and remained focused. He really Special Guesti Detroit Vipers Fri., Dec. 4 Tues., Nov. 24 7:30PM VIPERS VALUE MIGHTS d Servi On Sale at The Palace Box Office Gall (248) 377-0100



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When the state tournament begins. every team is supposed to be given a clean slate and the regular season is supposed to mean absolutely nothing. But there was something awfully familiar about Monday's district match-up between Lake Orion and Pontiac Central

The Dragons and Chiefs hooked up for the third time this season, but the result was the same as Lake Orion rolled past winless Pontiac Central 67-25 at Waterford Mott.

"Everybody begins 0-0," said Lake Orion coach Eve Claar. "I know Central didn't win a game all year and we had beaten them twice handily, but we couldn't approach this game like we were going to walk all over

them. We still had to come out and game play hard to win this game."

my thoughts of a first round upset by Central were erased in a flash as the Dragons (7-13) scored the game's first 10 points and led 15-7 by the end of the first quarter. By halftime, Lake Orion held a commanding 35-17 advantage.

We came out and executed very well," praised Claar. "I think the girls very focused on what they had

Perhaps senior Sherikia Humes was the most motivated as she poured in a game-high 18 points to

lead Lake Orion. "I think Sherikia knew some of the girls on the other team; in fact she knows kids on everybody's team," said Claar. "She really was motivated to play today. She played a very good

Jennifer Johnson, a 6-foot senior center, added 17 points, seven rebounds and four steals for Lake Orion, while senior guard Libby Nelson had seven points, seven rebounds and four steals, and 5-11 junior forward Somer George supplied six points and eight rebounds for the

Dragons.
"Jennifer also played a great game," said Claar, "It's nice to see your seniors step up in a state tour-nament game. That's what we'll need all the way through."

Central, which turned the ball over 34 times and shot a dismal 19 percent (9-46) from the field, was led by freshman forward Shalise Teasley who notched nine points and 10 rebounds. Junior guard Erica McFadden added nine points and four supplied four points, four blocks and four rebounds for the Chiefs.

By the end of the third quarter, Lake Orion was up 50-22 and Claar emptied her bench, playing several junior varsity players who were recently promoted.

Among them was freshman guard Dawn Maynard, who scored four points with two boards and two steals in her varsity debut. "That was a lot of fun, giving a

bunch of reserves and some JV players a lot of playing time," said Claar. "They played a little rushed, but you saw some athleticism and a little poise out of them."

In Monday's other district opener, Rochester raced to an 18-2 lead over host Mott and rolled to a convincing 56-32 decision over the Corsairs.



Up and under: Freshman Jodi Dempsey (23) goes to the basket Monday in a district win over Pontiac Central.

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scoring opportunities, will media.

And Clarkston will be challenged throughout the year. Recently a new league was formed which the Wolves are a part of, but some of their rivals are the same as the past two

Once again, Royal Oak will be the team to beat in the conference, with Birmingham and Troy also offering stiff competition. The Wolves had success with another conference foe, Waterford Mott, last season including a victory in district play. The newcomer to the conference is

West Bloomfield.
But the Wolves also have a challenging non-league slate which includes such powerhouses as Cranbrook, Trenton, Livonia Stevenson and Birmingham Brother Rice, Each squad has been ranked in the top 10 in their respective classes by some members of the state and local

PARENT'S NAME

The schedule doesn't scare Krygier though. He feels the Wolves will once again be better served with a more difficult schedule once the postseason

"I'd rather lose a 2-1 game to a great team than beat some of the (lesser) teams 8-0," he said. "As long as our guys give 110 percent effort, we'll be fine."

Although he acknowledges the success the program achieved last year, he is taking this season as a new beginning.

"Since I wasn't around, I'm not looking at what they accomplished last year," Krygier said.

"I think we match up good with other teams but we'l; have to be able to implement all of our systems depending on the type of

team we are playing." Once again Clarkston will play the majority of its home games, at least six, at Lakeland Ice Arena. They also will play once

at Cranbrook. And as the season progresses, Krygier will increase the amount of sets his squad uses. In the first couple of weeks at least, the plays will be "con-densed."

Krygier will be assisted by Ralph Humthlept, who is the assistant coach of the club team at the University of Michigan, widely considered to be one of the top club teams at the college vel in the country.

Success has come quikely for Clarkston hockey, but Krygier said with the program still being so young, it would be wrong to place lofty expectations on the

"This program is still in its infancy and now there's an adjustment period with new coaches," he said. "But I think we'll be ready."

Tonight's game will be played at the Detroit Skate Club.

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also fourth at the Brandon Invitational, which Oxford won, 24th at the West Bloomfield Invite, 28th at the Holly Invite, 32nd at the Oxford Invitational, 45th at the regional, 63rd at the Chesaning Invite and was Oxford's top finisher at the county meet, taking 69th. Dan made excellent progress this year," said Suther land. "He is the type of runner that never leaves anything back. He gives it his all in each race and I think that will help him become a very good runner in the future

■ Mike Banachowski. Oxford, sophomore - Perhaps nobody in the area improved more this season than Banachowski. "Mike is a kind of kid who has a lot of potential," said

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Sutherland. "He started the year running in-between the 19 and 20-minute mark and all of the sudden his times just started drastically. I think he learned how to compete this year and it helped him become on of our better runners. I look forward to seeing how much more he can

improve in the future." Banachowski, who posted his top time of 17:00 at the FML meet, As where he placed 12th, also went on to take fifth at the Brandon 😘 Invitational, 43rd at the Adams, 577 Invitational, 51st at the regional, 70th at the Holly Invite and 71st 🚓 at the Chesaning Invitational.

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# **ARCHERY**

Detroit Archers will hold a bowhunter 3D shoot beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 21-22, on its walk-through range in West Bloom-field. Call (248) 661-9610 for more information.

### TOYS FOR TOTS

The Western Wayne County Conservation Association will hold a 30-target 3D shoot on Sunday, Dec. 6, on its walk-through course in Plymouth. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Toys for Tots program. Call (313) 453-9843 for more informa-

### JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

### JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

# CLUBS

# SOLÁR

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

# CLINTON VALLEY BASS

Clinton Valley Bass Anglers club is seeking new members (boaters and non-boaters are welcome.) The club meets monthly at Gander Mountain in Waterford. Call Mike Daly at (248) 666-8910 for more information.

# METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS

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

# MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livo-nia Clarenceville Junior High School, Call (810) 478-1494 for more information.

### FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month at the avonia Civic Park Senior Center. Refreshments will be served, and visitors are welcome. For infor mation call Jim Kudej at (784) 591-0843.

# FISHING BUDDYS

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### BASS ASSOCIATION

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

# **MEETINGS**

The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 9-10 at the Lansing Center (Wednesday) and the Steven T. Mason Building (Thursday) in Lansing, Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 one week in advance.

# SEASON/DATES

The firearms season runs Nov. 15-30 statewide. The second archery season runs Dec.1-Jan.3. The muzzleloading season runs Dec. 4-13 in Zone I (Upper Peninsula) and Dec. 11-20 in zones II and III (Lower Peninsula). There are several other special seasons. Check the 1998-99 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for details.

The open season on ducks, mergansers, coots and gallinules is Oct. 3 - Dec. 1 in the North and Mid-dle zones and Oct. 10-Dec. 8 in the South Zone.

# ELK

The late elk season will be held Dec. 8-14, by special permit and in designated elk management units only.

# SHOOTING RANGES

## **BALD MOUNTAIN**

Bald Mountain Recreation Area in Lake Orion has shotgun (skeet & trap, sporting clays, 5-stand), rifle, pistol, and archery shooting facilities. Range hours through Dec. 31 are 10 a.m. to sunset Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays. On Mondays and Tuesdays only the sporting clay course is open, noon tosunset. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

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Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

# ORTONVILLE RECREATION

Ortonville Recreation Area in Ortonville has rifle, pistol and shotgun shooting facilities. Range hours

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are 12 -5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday. The Ortonville Recreation Area is located at 5779 Hadley Rd. Call (248) 693-6767 for more informa-

## METROPARKS

# METROPARK REQUIREMENTS

Most Metropark programs are free while some : require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers; Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-

### **1998 PERMITS**

The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens), Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

### TIDEWATER TO PLATEAU

Take a slide-illustrated journey along the Potomac River with retired research associate for the Cranbrook Institute of Science James Fowler during this program, which begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, at Stony Creek.

# WINTERIZE

Find out how reptiles and amphibians live through the cold winter months during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at Kensington.

### FIRESIDE FABLES

Ages 4-6 accompanied by an adult can sit around a fire and hear stories about Native Americans, Aesop and others during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at Stony Creek

# OAKLAND COUNTY PARKS

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Advanced registration is required for all nature programs at Oakland County Parks. Call (810) 625-6478 to register or for more information.

# CHRISTMAS TREE SAVY

Learn what's available in holiday trees and greens during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at Independence Oaks.

# STATE PARKS

# STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS

Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

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# SPORTS BRIEFS

# Gridiron honors

State playoff qualifiers Clarkston and Lake Orion were well represented on the Oakland Activities Association Division I All-Association Football

Adams had seven players named to the squad while Troy garnered six spots. In addition, Birmingham Seaholm (Division II), Birmingham Groves (Division III) and Bloomfield Hills Lahser (Division IV) had six players selected to their respective

Here are all four OAA All-Association Teams for the 1998 football season:

### Division I

Lake Orion - Darren Tooley, Adam Eldridge, Tim Clouse, Zak Keasey, Dave McKay, Matt Wohlge-muth; Rochester Adams - Andy Avery, Tony Crib-ari, James Pack, Anthony Bean, Lee Ritter, Jeff Shane, Jeff Franklin; Clarkston - Tim Loveless, Jeff Oliver, Nick Upchurch, Ron Wells; Troy - Brian Ottney, Michael Clinton, Tim Fralick, Josh Dean, Matt Graves Mark Rochms, Troy Atlans - Nick Matt Grayes, Mark Boehms; Troy Athens - Nick Dentry, Nick Pappas, Dustin Weber, Rob Ferns; Rochester - Vito Ciaramellano, Matt Ott, Eddie Hillery.

### Division II

Birmingham Seaholm - Asa Sherwood, Bill Schuerman, Scott Ripmaster, Bill Pappas, Cory Vann, Russell Dobson; Waterford Kettering - Jon Buckley, Jason Bodmer, Ron Ritchie, Nathan Brace, Kyle Walker, J.R. Zapata, Nathan Davis, Justin Dyer, Waterford Mott – Jimmy Wagner, Zack Behler, Joe Hajj, Brian Dubrish; Hazel Park – Jason Moskwa, Tom Gildon; Femdale – Anthony Reeves, Rodney Hughey; Royal Oak Kimball – Joe Doman, Joe Peart, Mike Allen, Chad Roberts, Lennon Jones; **Berkley –** Ryan Anderson, John Burks, Anthony Jones.

### Division III

Birmingham Groves - Noah Heilbrun, Jamal Lamb, Ryan Lewin, Gabe Hemmingway, Ron Ramirez, Jacob Lesson; Southfield - Nick Schrock, David Holmes; Ortonville-Brandon - Matt Dura, Anthony Lapp, Joe Reese, Adam Butrynski, Brian Bowen, Matt Harlan; Pontiac Central - Roger Med-lock, Antawian Ball, Edward Carey; Pontiac Northem – Jimmy Landrom, James Cooper, Eugene Gonzalous, Berry Cummons, Torey Coleman, Corey Coleman, West Bloomfield – Cordney Patty, Brett Dibble, Winston McGee; Southfleld-Lathrup - Joe Tate, Brandon Edwards.

## Division IV

Oak Park - Ronnie Lilly, Bryan Weathersby, Carnell Lockler, Walter Wadley, Columbus Mann III, Silvon Lee, David Shaw, Mike Nunn; Bloomfield Hills Lahser - Jeff Campion, Michael Cohen, Sean Thornton, Justin Dalgleish, Dustin Holder, Jason Lee; Madison Heights Madison – John Berna, Justin Kowalski, Ricky O'Dell, Shawn Goodwin, Jason DeShais, Lee Giffen; Clawson - Kyle Lindsey, Jason Lapla, Christian Davis, Matt Brown, Ryan Shumaker, Gil Stark; Bloomfield Hills Andover - Amir Emami, Joe Tigay, Dominic Degrazia, Alex Ayiar, Seth Gold; Auburn Hills Ayondale - Brandon Jezdimir, Brad Tiernan, Matt Bartkowiak; Madison Heights Lamphere – Neil Laws, Mike Maluzhinski.

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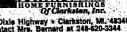
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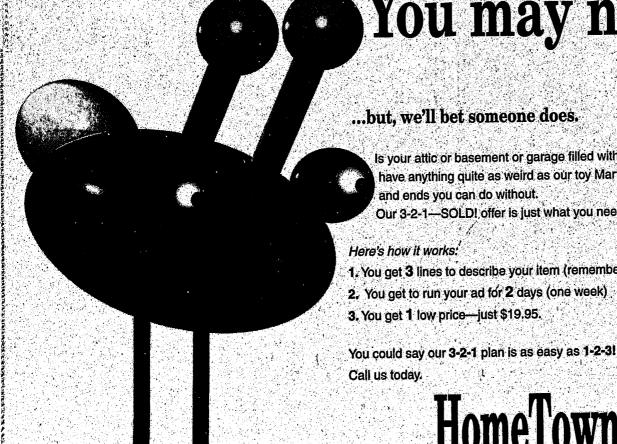
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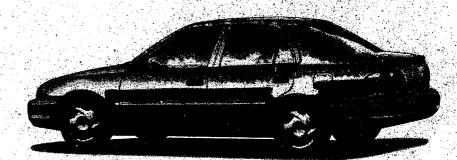
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# Grizzlies christen new arena

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It wasn't for a lack of hustle, or a lack of determination, that Dakland University's men's basketball team came up short in successfully christening its new basketball facility Tuesday

The Golden Grizzlies just came across too many talented athletes on the side of No. 5ranked Michigan State Universi-

Giving the highly-regarded Spartans all they could handle through the first 20-plus minutes of the home opener at the newly-remodeled OU Athletics Center Arena, the home-standing Golden Grizzlies simply ran out of gas over the last half of the contest in dropping a 96-66 decision to the Spartans before a standing room only crowd of

"Obviously we're pleased with the night as far as everything but the final score," said OU head coach Greg Kampe breathing a sigh of relief after an emo-tional night of basketball. "This

was a dream come true tonight because we want Oakland University to be more than just a local university. We want it to become a regional university and I think we took a major step toward doing that."

With a host of notables looking on, including OU's own Karen Newman serving up her rendition of the national anthem, the Golden Grizzlies turned a lot of their pre-game emotion into a lot of first-half points.

Freshman Brad Buddenborg and sophomore Dan Champagne, were the catalysts behind the first-half attack by draining 16 and 13 points, respectively. Bud-denborg, who played his high school basketball at Garden City, displayed his long-range shooting talents by canning 4-of-7 three-point attempts, while Champagne powered himself in the paint for four field goals and four free throws.

The fast-paced first 20 minutes of play saw the Spartans holding a 52-43 lead.

"You have to give OU a lot of credit because I thought we did a lot of good things and led by only nine (at the half)," said MSU

coach Tom Izzo after the game. "We knew they had four great shooters and they certainly showed that. I just think we were able to wear them down in the second half."

That's exactly what happened as Izzo's luxury of running eight to 10 players into the game turned a single-digit advantage to 14 with 11 minutes remaining. MSU junior point guard Mateen Cleaves, sophomore shooting guard Charlie Bell and senior front-court star Antonio Smith were instrumental in the charge that saw the Spartans nearly double up the Golden Grizzlies 44-23 in the second

"OU put on a class show tonight," said Izzo, whose Spartans improved to 2-0 on the season. "It wasn't a case of we played badly, they just played that good.

"You have to give a lot of credit to Greg Kampe and the administration," Izzo went on, "What they have done speaks very highly of the program. They should have a good program for

Bell paced the MSU victory

with 26 points. Cleaves followed with 21 and Smith scored 20.

Champagne poured in a gamehigh 30 points for OU, including 17 in the second half. Buddenborg chipped in 18 points, 16 coming in the opening 20 min-utes, thanks in part to four

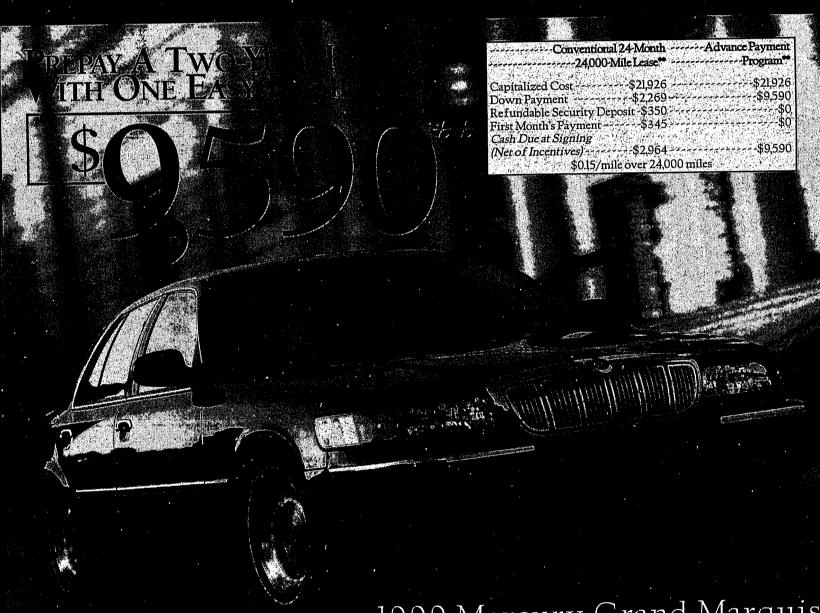
For Kampe and the Golden Grizzlies, the final score didn't mean as much as proving that the program belongs part of NCAA Division I competition.

We believe in ourselves now. said Kampe, whose squad proved two nights earlier it could play with Division I competition by surprising Illinois State, "We have a team now, that with a few other players added to it the next few years, could be pretty good. What we have to do now is be prepared to play next year when the games count (in the Mid-Continent Conference). We talk about playing every game and getting better. I think we're doing that.

"Tonight was everything I wanted it to be. The score I didn't worry about. I wanted to have it an enjoyable celebra-

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A: Assuming you have a legitimate basis to establish that there was a misrepresentation, based at least upon a recent California Court of Appeals decision, a homeowner is responsible if he sells his house to a relocation company who then sells it to a third person when the homeowner fails to disclose in the statutory disclosure statement material facts regarding the home.

The court in the California case indicated that an owner could be liable for "indirect deception" where the person making the fraudulent misrepresentation "intends or has reason to expect" that his statements will be repeated to or

relied upon by others. While I'm not aware of a case on direct point in Michigan, it appears that the reasoning of the California case could well be applicable to this state.

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# Developers need good will

BY TIM RICHARD STAFF WRITER trichard@oe.homecomm.net

Peter Burton has two big bits of advice for commercial developers: Get the residents and local government on your side, and be prepared to change the scope of your project in midstream.

"Resident input and local government go hand-in-hand," said the president of Burton-Katzman Development Co. in Bingham Farms, a recipient of one of "Five for the Future" awards at the University of Michigan Real Estate Forum Nov. 13 in Ann Arbor.

"There's way too many (local units)," Burton said to much laughter from an audience of several hundred industrial, commercial and housing developers and financiers.

"It becomes continuously more complicated. They control building, even regulate architecture, fees and taxes, schools and zoning:

"For every development, you have to go to one, two, five or 10 times before government in public. If you don't have the residents on your side; it's an uphill battle. If you do, 90 percent of your problems are solved."

He cited a Brighton Township development called Pine Creek with 360 upscale home sites. He wanted cluster development, but "we temporarily scrapped the project – there was so much pressure to build something we believed wouldn't sell."

For a project near the entrance to Oakland University, Burton said, the city of Auburn Hills "made the process so complicated that government actually controlled it.

Land assembly is tough, Burton said. "In the 1950s, you could pick up 500 or 1,000 acres. Today you don't find large pieces of land," he said, citing a project at I-275 and Ford "that could have been a jewel for Carton." But assembling parcels took so long that by the time he got the last option, the first had expired. "We now have downscaled," he

Burton drew murmurs of assent when he turned to finance. "Banks seem to have tightened lending practices. There's less speculation. They have bosses in Holland and Australia. They require more equity," he said.

'If you don't have the residents on your side, (getting a development approved) is an uphill battle. If you do, 90 percent of your problems are solved."

Peter Burton Burton-Katzman Development Co.

"Lot sizes are growing," he said of residential development. Even for industrial and office projects, larger arking lots are needed.

As a teenager, Burton, now 44, advo-cated socialism and lived in an Israeli commune but abandoned that point of view when he found "there's a lot of slackers," according to his interview with Commercial inc. magazine, which honored the winners.

Today Burton is co-owner of a company that develops \$100 million in projects a year His premier office complex is the Arboretum, eight buildings with one million square feet of space in

Farmington Hills. The five top leaders were picked for ommercial inc. magazine, which is in Royal Oak and specializes in commercial real estate. The magazine submitted 20 nominations to the U-M Real Estate Forum's planning committee of business and government people.

Other winners and their comments:

■ Chuck Forbes, 69, Detroit preservationist known for saving and then moving the Gem Theater. 'I won't say never take an old building down. But we can be more careful."

Forbes nominated the Statler Hotel (in use from 1914-70) as a building that could be loft or a residential development": the Michigan Central Raili station (in use from 1913-74), which could be residential – it has a marvelous view of the river"; the United Artists Theater and the National Theater, both of which have been closed 20 years. He said cities need to demand that cornices, elevators and roofs be examined and repaired to keep build-

ings from deteriorating. Detroit will be 300 years old in

2001. We're all part of that heritage. We have to treat architectural masterpieces like endangered species," Forbes

■ Tom Landry, president since 1985 and co-owner since 1989 of A.J. Etkin Construction in Farmington Hills. It built the new Clarkston High, AAA's headquarters expansion and the Kellogg Cereal Museum.

"A construction company can't just construct. Design and construction are merging," he said, "to offer full in-house service to clients." Major firms also must plan to handle financing, mainte nance and even renovation as clients' needs change. Landry urged great ttention to workplace safety.

Asked from the audience about future prices, Landry said that with inflation there will be more work in renovation, less in new construction, and it's gonna continue, with worker

■ Patricia Kalmbach, president of AvisFarms Research and Business Parks in Ann Arbor, Starting as an accountant, she rose to head the off-shoot of the rental car company that has 20 corporate tenants with 1,600 employees at South State Street and Textile Road.

Kalmbach deplored national media reporting on a potential economic downturn. "America's fine. It couldn't be better. It's an unstoppable freight train. It's the most stable nation on earth, It's not that we're smarter or harder working (than other people),

but we are a country of opportunity."
She quoted her mentor, Warren Avis, as saying, "Only a moron couldn't make money in this country."

■ Dennis Archer, mayor of Detroit. Unable to attend, Archer sent his new director of planning and development, Paul Bernard, a recent hire from Philadelphia, "It's premature to say we've arrived, but we're in positive transition," Bernard said.

In 1996 the city had 25 projects "in the pipeline" and now it has 186. The Archer administration has pledged to reduce permit time from 18 months to six. Best sign: "Investor confidence has increased" to the tune of \$7 billion excluding the three forthcoming casi-

# **Easiest payments**

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Here are the 10 metro areas — plus selected midwest communities — with the lowest average monthly fousing payments based on 1997 purchases.

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# In search of the Right Score



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Most lenders today are using credit scor, ing or considering tusing some form of scoring in mortgage origination, quality control, or portfolio analysis.

There are many benefits of scoring: improved risk man agement, greater efficiency, reduced cycle time, and quicker loan

approvals for borrowers. Yet one important question looms: "What score is the right score?"

Just as golfers might take great care in finding the right set of clubs, lenders should consider which scoring system best fits their purposes. Perhaps, in the end, multiple scores may be needed.

The staple in the mortgage market today is the traditional borrower credit score produced by a model developed by Fair, Isaac and Co. FICO scores, as they are called, range from 350 to 900; with higher scores indicating less risk of default.

FICO scores are widely used to approve and deny loans in the credit card, installment loan, and auto loan industries. It has only been in the last three years that FICO scores have become prevalent n the mortgage industry, as well.

In June 1995, Freddie Mac issued s letter addressing FICO, indicating that applications from borrowers with scores of less than 620 should undergo a comprehensive underwriting review

Freddie Mac's letter also identified other levels of underwriting — "normal" for borrowers with scores rangil from 620 to 659 and "basic" for borrowers with scores above 660.

Freddie Mac's letter was important for three reasons. First, it represents the mortgage industry's first recogni tion that traditional borrower credit scores are highly predictive of mort gage performance. Second, it endorsed the concept of using scores to differentiate underwriting processes. And third, it compelled the credit risk experts in the mortgage finance industry to quicken their attempts to develop scoring models that could be even more predictive of mortgage perfor-

While EICO is the most widely recognized score in the mortgage industry, it isn't the best predictor. The FICO model was developed using data from all kinds of consumer loans (credit card, installment loan, auto loan, revolving credit, etc.) – information typically found on borrower credit reports. It was developed to predict. the likelihood of a consumer loan going into default within two years of origi-... nation.

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# State best for brownfield development

A new study on brownfield redevelopment in the United States — the National Comparative Analysis of Brownfield Redevelopment Programs - has concluded that the state of Michigan has the most successful program in the country. The study was prepared by the Consumers Renaissance Development Corporation (CRDC), a Michigan non-profit corporation.

The study analyzed the following areas in determining Michigan's status as the national leader: liability protection, cleanup standards, financial incentives, and government sup-port at both the local and state levels.

"Michigan can take great pride in this comprehensive review's finding that our state does the hest job in the

country in encouraging and facilitating brownfield redevelopment," said John W. Clark, chairman of CRDC and senior vice president of Consumers Energy and its holding company, CMS Energy Corp.

"Michigan voters resoundingly indicated their support for strong environmental protection and continued brownfield redevelopment by their passage of the Clean Michigan Initia-tive," noted Clark. "This Initiative will direct \$335 million toward response activities at contaminated sites and further the redevelopment of urban sites," he said.

To obtain a copy of the report, National Comparative Analysis of Brownfield Redevelopment Programs, contact the Consumers Renaissance Development Corp. at (517) 788-7201, or by e-mail at: crdc@cmsenergy.com

Consumers Renaissance Development Corp was created by Consumers Energy with support and encourage-ment from the Michigan Jobs Commission and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

Since its formation, CRDC has conducted numerous educational seminars for local governmental officials and economic development profession-

According to Greg Northrup, CRDC vice president, "Michigan's progressive, environmentally responsive brownfield redevelopment climate has resulted in \$459 million of private sector investment and the creation of over 5300 new jobs, since 1995."

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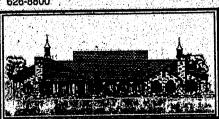
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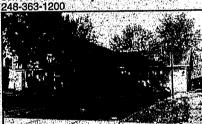


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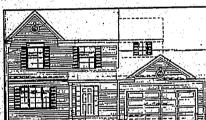
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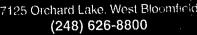


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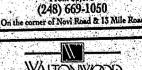
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It is that time of year when there are more service calls performed on kitchen ranges than any other time. More parts are sold and more panic is created in these few days before Turkey Day than even before Christmas or Easter. Restaurants

love this day because they basically have to prepare one item and the servers take care of customers who are in a generous mood. Turkey farms are shipping them out in truckloads and grocery stores gobble this up. Everybody seems ready to repeat what they did last year and before, but are you?

All these years in the service business and I'll tell you folks, I've made many friends because I was there when they most needed me. The period was Thanksgiving. I've made a few enemies as well when I couldn't possibly get the

part in time to repair the old cooker. There are many stories I could write about customers and their stoves, and let me give you one of the most common ones that has happened to many.

Susie has the whole family coming over for dinner which includes the in-laws, the church pastor and his wife and the dry cleaner who lives alone. She gets up early in the morning and starts getting things ready. She spent the day before cooking pumpkin pies and cookies and she made sure her stove was nice and clean when she was all done.

It's now the middle of the morning on this Thanksgiving Day and that big bird with all the trimmings is ready for delivery onto an oven rack. She puts it in there and sets the temperature and closes the door and turns her energy to polishing the fine silverware. A half hour later she walks by the front of the range and brushes her hand across the front of the door. She takes about two steps and stops in her tracks. The oven door didn't feel hot so opens it and there is only the slightest amount of heat

inside

She screams for her husband, Mike, who comes running down the stairs. In her state of panic she explains and shows him that the oven temperature selector is on, the thermostat is set for 300 degrees; the indicator light is on, but the oven is only about 160 degrees. Poor Mike makes the statement, "Well, it just will take longer to cook," and is suddenly in pain as she removes the roller pin from his head.

Mike, who can't even replace the rubber washer in the garden hose, grabs the yellow pages and starts calling the Appliance repair Company. He's just running down the list and calling anybody, but none of them are answering the phone. After two hours and no results on the phone, Susie takes over. She realizes that Plan B must be put in action and she knows that her neighbor is going over to relatives for dinner. The neighbor proves to be her salvation and by allowing Susie to come over to their house and cook the turkey, the day is saved.

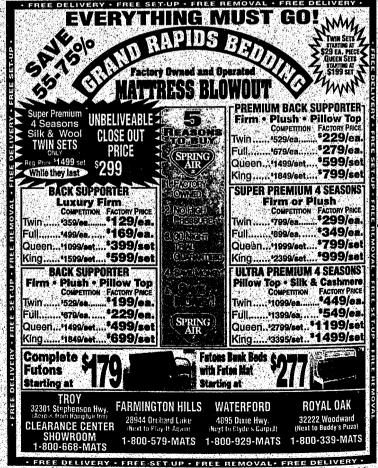
The next day, Joe, the service man, arrives and Susie tells him what happened. Joe asks her when she last cleaned the console of the range where all the controls are located. "Just the night before when I was done cooking the pies," she replies. Joe slowly reaches across the stove and asks her to watch what he's doing. He turns a little knobone little click and says, "There, your stores fixed."

He explains to Susie that her stove has a keep warm feature, which will keep the food at serving temperature should Mike decide to call home and say he will be late for dinner. When she was cleaning the console, she accidentally hit that particular knob. I ask you my dear friend and reader, are you ready for Thanksgiving?

Joe Gagnon was the president of Carmack Appliances for 20 years and is today a weekend talk show host on 760 WJR. He can be reached at (313)873-9789. His book "First Aid on Appliances" is available in book stores

and Damman Hardware.







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# Teeny tiny teapots

Artsy: The French were the first to make enamel miniatures in the 17th Cen-



tury. The English learned the skills in the 18th century and applied them to copper boxes and created the hand-painted bibelots. These enameled teapots are 100 percent handmade and are available at \$28 from The Print Gallery, 29173 Northwestern Hwy,, Southfield.



# Crafty collection

Snowman: This happy chap is one of the many new holl-day items offered at the Mechant Cellar Collection/Whole Foods, 254 W. Maple, Birmingham. The store also is featuring hand-crafted Santas, picture frames, hand-painted lamps and candlesticks, gift baskets and holiday cards. For more information, call (248)433-3000.



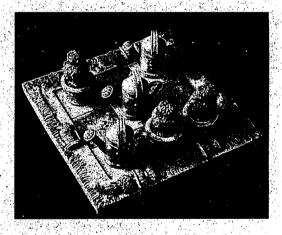
# Remembering

Nostalgic views: The recent demolition of the downtown Hudson's store has sparked interest in art prints of the much loved emporium. This view by James Williams of streetcars passing Hudson's during the Christmas season sells for \$60 at The Print Gallery, 29173 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. The stores is also selling other Hudson's prints priced from \$16 to \$100.

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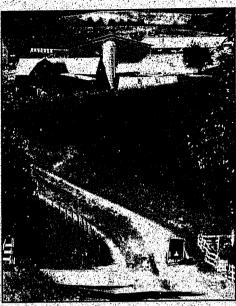
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focus on photography



No problems: Monte Nagler shot this charming country scene in Holmes County, Ohio.

# Helpful hints out of photo jams



MONTE NAGLER

shot a roll of film. begun to rewind it into the cassette and then - you guessed it - found the film had never advanced through the camera? Don't feel lonely; it's happened at some time in almost every photographer's

But did you know there's a way to assure that your film always advances through the camera? In fact, there are a number of helpful hints to keep you out of a jam and improve your photographs. Here are some:

career.

■ To resolve the film advance problem, simply watch the film rewind crank as you advance the film. If the crank turns, everything is OK. If not, the film isn't going through the camera. It's that simple.

■ Use a skylight or haze filter on all your lenses. They will not only warm up colors and cut through haze, but they will protect your valuable lenses.

Thoroughly read your camera owner's manual. Carry is in your camera bag for quick reference. It contains valuable information on your camera and useful information on photography.

To be safe, especially with electronic cameras, change batteries in your camera once a year, even though it still appears to be functioning properly. Pick a day you'll remember, such as Jan. 1 or your birthday

■ Tape the label from your film box on the back of your camera (some cameras have slots for this purpose) as a reminder of what kind of film you are shooting. If you don't take many pictures, it's easy to forget what's in your camera.

Don't always use fast film (high: ASA ratings). I recommend using the slowest speed film that conditions and lighting will permit. You'll get finer grain, more vivid colors, and save

money on film, too.

■ When is it safe to hand hold your camera? Shoot as the shutter speed that comes closest to the focal length of your lens - not slower. For example, with your normal 50mm lens, shoot at 1/60 second or faster. With a 135mm lens, use 1/125 second or faster. When limited light demands a slower speed, use a tri-

■ If your meter should fail, all is not lost, Simply set the shutter speed to the number closest to the ASA of the film you are using. Example: with Kodacolor 100, the shutter speed should be 1/125 second. Then set the aperture at f/16 on a sunny day, f/11 on a bright overcast day, f/8 when it's overcast and so on.

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 mallbox number. 1873.

# Adopt-a-pet



Kitty: This adorable 8-month-old car loves everyone she meets. She is a curious girl and wants to introduce herself to all the other cats in the shelter. Kitty (No. RO88943) and other pets are available for adoption at the Michigan Humane Society Rochester Hills shelter, 3600 Auburn Road, (248)852-7420, noon to 7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thursday-Safurday.

# A sunroom to fit your style

"We wanted to bring an open feeling in," explains Connie Mack of Huntingdon Valley, Pa. Mack and her husband Ed added a glassed-enclosed three-season room to their 40-year-old ranch house and now enjoy nature from the comfort of their own home.

The Macks are joining a national trend. According to Qualified Remodeler, more than 500,000 people add sun spaces to their homes each year. In fact, a national survey by Traditional Home Magazine ranks sunrooms as one of the top three home amenities desired by women and top six by men.

When creating your own sunspace, Patio Enclosures Inc., the nation's largest manufacturer and installer of custom sunrooms, offers several suggestions. Typically, sunrooms are used for relaxation and bringing the outdoors closer to home. However, new uses for sunrooms are springing up all of the time.

Consider using a sunroom as a bright and sunny spot for a home office or a comfortable and airy place for an exercise room. Dori Smedley of Wooster,

Ohio added a sunroom to her home to. create more room for the family during the holidays. "We all eat together in the sunroom at family gatherings, it's so bright and cheerful. Everyone loves it," said Smedley.

A sunroom can be an all-screen room, unheated three-season room made of single pane glass, or an insulated yearround glass enclosure with a solid roof. Solariums are another form of sunroom made of all glass including a curved or straight eave glass roof. When selecting a type of sunroom, be sure it blends with your home's architecture, and work with a qualified sunroom supplier.

Fifty-one percent of today's home buyers identified a sunroom as a most desirable design element in a home, according to a 1997 study by The National Association of Home Builders.

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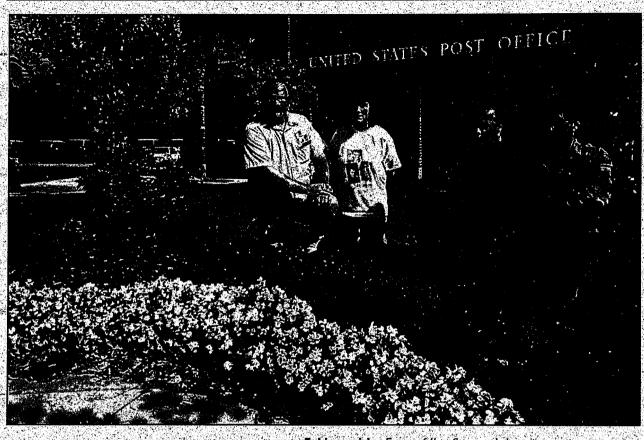
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Taking pride: Four of the five maintenance workers that care for the garden at the Post Office in Birmingham, pause to admire their handlwork. They are, from left, Mike Smith, Nancy Manninen, Mike Kurkowski and Arnold Osgan, At left, Mike Smith checks on the petunias spilling out of a tilted half-barrel.



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## On the Cover:

The healthy, hearty pink bego in the environment created by Office maintenance crew. The are a morale boosters for both fomers and the employees . So by Jerry Zolynsky.

# stal workers eliver lovely ndscape

ic has issued a stamp of approval and posted its delight to to the U.S. Post Office on Bowers in Birmingham for the beauty ds around the building.

e employees really delivered when postmaster Gary-Skelton tify the landscaping five years ago. Every year, they have been lanting and maintaining colorful cultivations in front of the nich is east of Adams between Maple and Lincoln.

dy loves it," said Nancy Manninen, one of the five maintenance he post office who care for the flowers.

of work but the customers enjoy it."

oyees have received complimentary postcards about the landstomers ask them for advice about their own yards and gardens. ers now try to hire my maintenance people," Skelton said.

of the post office features white and red wax begonias, pink olden lilies, hostas, peonies and moss roses placed by the flagrrangement resembling spreading wings. Wood chips serve as in Two small wooden and wrought-iron benches are nearby.

els turned on their side are placed along the windows, seemingut soft purple petunias. White hanging baskets, also containing ung at the windows, one basket was home to baby birds this

form brightly colored mounds on the side of the building. The ear to be on small hills, but actually grew to the rolling levels on

r employees who work on the landscaping are Connie Mike Kurkowski, Arnold Osgan and Mike Smith.

"Connie and I ... looked at different things, and came up with these plants," Manninen

Possible plans for next year include adding more moss roses.

"They do all the work," Skelton said. "I kill my plants in (my office)."

The employees also painted a yellow smiley face on the bottom of a pole in the parking lot this year. Skelton didn't like it at first, but has changed his mind.



Labor of love: Maintaining the garden is a lot of hard work; but Nancy—Manninen feels it is worth it. "Everybody loves it," she says. Below, the brilliant colors and the neat rows show the results of skilled hands.



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# It's time to go on a mousse hunt



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

Hunting season has begun - it's that time of year. Opening day for this season's game goers was the same weekend that Randy Travis (the ultra talented deep-voiced country singer) was here in town at the Palace. As I sat among my friends

(one of which didn't even know that Randy Travis was a guy, not a gal—some country fan she is!) waiting for the concert to start. I heard chatter among the crowd regarding "hunting widows" and that many women were at the performance, solo – my mind wandered off to mousse (not moose) – how's that for word association ... definitely food on the brain. Last year I mentioned in one of my columns that "the only mousse we are seeing is in our hair" – that

whole raw egg thing is enough of a concern, that those of us who write for a living, are not using recipes with raw eggs (or at least the ones that are published)—so here I am eating concession junk food at The Palace of Auburn Hills thinking of how I can keep mousse on my menu (and yours) for the holidays. This thought process continued through my cotton candy and the beginning of the first set—I pretty much finalized the recipe concept and ideas by the time Randy was accepting roses from his adoring female fans, and taking his bows.

Here are some moussey ideas:

Serve mousse in individual ramekins – simply topped with a dollop of fresh whipped cream.

■ Make a parfait out of layers of chocolate mousse, kahlua flavored whipped cream (or plain whipped cream) and fresh raspberries.

■ Transform your mousse into a torte

- use the mousse as layers between your

favorite cake - white or chocolate batter.

■ Serve mousse inside an eclair or cream puff shell – top with your favorite melted chocolate – drizzled across the top.

■ Invite guests for a Coffee Soiree and have them bring flavored or favorite coffees to accompany your mousse.

■ Make mini mousse graham cracker crust pies – place graham cracker crust in a ramekin – bake with no filling (doesn't need rice, beans or pie weights) add your mousse and chill:

■ Pair your coffee-flavored mousse with your favorite coffee to drink – add a side cookie or biscotti.

■ Use mousse as a filling between layers of a layered cake – or use as a nontraditional layer for a Napoleon.

Make a biscotti pie crust and use mousse as the pie filling.

■ Make the mousse – have guests bring edible containers to use as the bowl (wafer cone bowls, chocolate cups

(dessert size), etc.

■ Decorate your coffee-flavored mousse with whipped cream and garnish with chocolate covered coffee beans or chocolates that look like coffee beans.

■ Serve mousse in a hollowed out fruit shell – keep it seasonal – chocolate mousse looks great in a hollowed out mini-white pumpkin (they can be found at specialty produce markets – we grew our own this year – a thought for planning your next garden).

### NO-EGG KAHLUA CHOCOLATE MOUSSE

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4-1/2 teaspoons powdered gelatin 12 ounces chocolate chips (standardsize bag is 11 ounces)

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# Plan now and avoid holiday gridlock



LISA LÜCKOW-HEALY

People seem to thrive on chaos from T han k s g i v in g through New Year's day. You drive to the mall, kids in tow, to subject yourself to overcrowded parking lots, rude

parking lots, rude shoppers, long lines and sale signs promoting out-of-stock merchandise. Back in October,

friends, relatives and acquaintances verbally began inviting you to holiday festivities. Your clients expressed interest in going out. Your children expected you to volunteer for each of their holiday parties. To compound your commitments, your in-laws decided they would rather have the traditional, elaborate holiday meal at your house.

One full calendar, 75 holiday cards, and 12 dozen cookies later, you catch a cold as a result of all the stress you are experiencing. Why do you do it?

You equate the entertaining anguish

■ Simply your gift list. Often, it means more to the recipient when a gift is hand-made.

of the holidays with the pain of childbirth. In the time leading up to the big day, the excitement begins to build. As the date gets closer, you find yourselfbecoming more and more tired and anxious. The day arrives and you don't have time to enjoy it because you are in so much pain (your back and feet hurt from all the running around you are doing for your guests) and discomfort you just want to get it over with and go to bed. Several days after the big event, you feel well rested and forget all about the pain. You actually tell yourself you are ready to go back and do it all over again.

It's time to avoid the gridlock and enjoy the magic of the holiday season with your family. Start by saying "no." When invited to a social gathering, graciously thank your host for the invitation and consult your calendar before responding. Is it your intention to commit to two back-to-back functions in one weekend when they do not include your kids? If you feel you must fulfill certain obligations, try to spread them out. Plan one for a weeknight and one for the weekend. In doing so, you give yourself time with the family over the weekend.

Shop locally and let your fingers do the walking. Years ago you laughed at your neighbor who declared her holiday shopping was complete in September. Now you are beginning to realize she knew what she was doing. With your personal calendar full, why subject yourself to overcrowded mall turmoil?

Plan your gift shopping. If you must go to a busy shopping center, avoid peak hours if at all possible. Arrive when the mall opens or around the dinner hours. If you live in or near a quaint downtown shopping district, try to

patronize your local merchants. Even shop-at-home catalogs and the internet allow your to select merchandise at your convenience and save on travel time and fuel consumption by having items delivered right to your doorstep.

Nix the crowds by allowing younger children to shop at the Santa shop at their school or within your community. Plan your children's visit to see Santa Claus for an off-peak hour.

Simply your gift list. Often, it means more to the recipient when a gift is hand-made. Your family will spend more time together creating thoughtful gifts than they will buying them. In doing so, you are also setting the tone for a family tradition that can be passed on from generation to generation.

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# Try foliage plants for low light areas



tions in our homes can present a problem when we wish to grow pretty house plants successfully, but rather than despair trying to grow those that flower, why not choose a beautiful plant that doesn't need so much light?

Foliage plants are perfect and have an astonishing array of leaf forms, color and interest that could rival most any bloomer. There are many that fit this category. I've had great success with foliage in a couple of rather dim places in our home that I'd like to share with

At one time a Ficus, F. benjamina, stood tall and proud in the southwest corner of our living room, but it now has a special spot in the northwest corner of the family room, where it is growing as happily there as it did in the living room. We keep venetian blinds closed in that area, so the light can get very dim.

This Ficus began life in my posses sion when I bought it as a 10-inch plant at Cranbrook's fall plant sale many years ago. I twisted the two flexible stems together when I repotted it to add interest; and it is now a 6-foot tall beau-

Many years ago, hubby surprised me with an anniversary gift of a large Boston fern, which, I'm not kidding, took up the space of a chair! Again, this plant had its turn in both the corners I mentioned and was a lovely addition to the decor. It was so healthy and large, my neighbor's relative came to see it and, seeing the little rows of "dots" on the underside of the fronds, reported that the fern has scale! Much to her chagrin, I told her that they were the spores from which new little plants would grown! Boy, was I glad I had read about the spores in a book long before I began writing this column.

I divided that fern several times

growing the pot. Alas, after a while, the fern declined and had to be replaced.

The replacement was a Dallas fern given to me at a Garden Writers' meeting. It, too, required low light, of course, so it was put in the living room spot where it still graces the corner. Soon that fern will need to be divided and I will do my best to preserve it for many

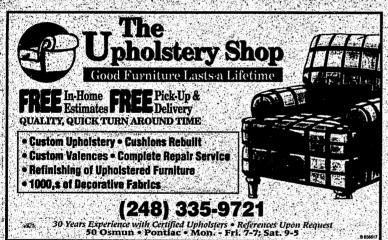
I've also had good fun with a couple of ivy plants, training them to grow up wire forms. They are very low maintenance and give me great satisfaction to see their progress. They live near the Ficus and the fern.

Three new Ficus plants are now available that also require low light levels. Look for Ficus "Midnight," which has dark green ovate leaves very much like F. benjamina; a miniature, Ficus benjanmina "Too Little," with very compact

Ficus tree: The Detroit Zoo's conservatory sports this large ficus tree.

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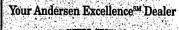
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- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter, melt-
- 2 3/4 tablespoons Kahlua or any other coffee flavored liqueur (divided)
- 3/4 cups well chilled heavy whipping cream
- 31/2 tablespoons superfine sugar

In a small bowl sprinkle the powdered gelatin over 1/3 cup cold water. Let soften for 5 minutes; place in a small saucepan, heat and stir the mixture over medium heat until the gelatin dissolves (it does this very quickly). In a double boiler over simmering water, melt chocolate chips, stirring with a mini whisk until smooth. Whisk in gelatin mixture; whisk in melted butter and 2

tablespoons Kahlua until mixture is satiny smooth. Remove from heat source, keeping van over the hot water.

In the chilled bowl of an electric mixer (with a chilled whisk), beat the whipping cream and adding the superfine sugar a little at a time. Add remaining 3/4 tablespoon Kahlua, and beat mixture until it holds stiff peaks. Remove whipped cream from the mixer bowl and set aside briefly.Remove chocolate chip mixture from over the hot water and let cool for a minute or two. Place in bowl from the whipping cream (bowl doesn't need to be washed, you will be adding whipping cream to the mixture). Incorporate whipped cream with mousse – mixture by land, a little cream at a time (you don't want the mousse to separate). With the mixer gently beat until

Gently pour mousse into 6 Champagne or Martini Glasses - cover with plastic wrap and let chill thoroughly until well set (about 45 minutes). Top with more whipped cream or leave plain and top with a dollop of raspberry ice cream.

Cook's notes: Kitchen Glamor stores carry a great powdered gelatin - works like a dream.

Waffle-cone bowls can be found at Hiller's Food Emporiums (Shopping Center

Markets).

NUTTY COOKIE CRUST

This crust is great with anything in it – cheese cake, ice cream, frezen yogurt, or fruit!

Yield: 1 (9 or 10-inch) pie or springform pan crust

1 cup chocolate or vanilla wafers

2 cups your favorite ground nuts (almonds, walnuts, pistachios, etc.) 1 stick unsalted butter, melted

Grind wafers in a food processor to fine crumbs (comparable to graham cracker crumbs).

In a bowl, combine wafer crumbs, nuts and melted butter; mix thoroughly. Press into pie plate or springform pan. Let rest for a few minutes - bake in a low 275 degree F. oven for 25 minutes: cool and fill with desired filling.

# **Figley** from page D10

growth and small curled leaves, is ideal for bonsai and topiary; and Ficus binnendijkii "Ailii," a completely different look for a Ficus, with long, slender

leaves, tree-like in appearance. These were given to me at last vear's Garden Writers' meeting by the Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association and I hope to have as much success with them as with the other plants. When you purchase a foliage plant it more than likely came from a Florida grower, as they produce 65 percent of the U.S. total foliage mar-

I've learned that Ficus come in many sizes. On a recent visit to the Detroit Zoo's conservatory we were surprised to find a huge Ficus tree, the likes of which I had never seen. The tree has white bark and new plants emerge from the branches with roots

reaching toward the ground. It reminded me of the banyan trees that grow in Hawaii, which I have learned are also Ficus, F.benghalensis.

Take a look around your house and see where a new plant would make an impact and give you pleasure. Some plants also help provide a healthy atmosphere by helping to reduce the level of harmful chemicals such as TCE (tricholroethylene), benzene and

formaldehyde, found in our homes, according to tests conducted by NASA. This organization suggests "eight to 15 plants well-placed will improve the air quality in an average home." Suitable ones include: spider plant, English ivy, marginata, bamboo palm and spathiphyllum.

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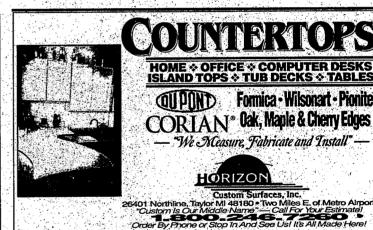
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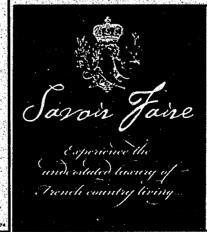
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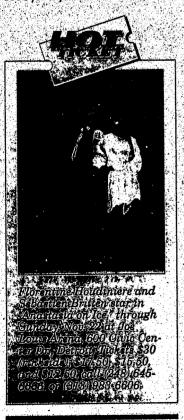
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Coming home: The Christian pop act the Newsboys features keyboardist Jeff Frankenstein (far right), a Sterling Heights native and 1992 graduate of Bethany Christian School in Troy. The band, which plays The Palace of Auburn Hills on Saturday, Nov. 21, also includes, from left, drummer/percussionist Duncan Phillips, lead vocalist/guitarist Peter Furler, guitarist/vocalist/bassist Jody Davis, and bassist/vocalist/guitarist Phil Joel.

# NEWS DOWS

# delivers Christian pop to Palace

By Christina Fuoco Staff Writer

When Jeff Frankenstein attended a Christian high school, it was practically a crime to listen to Christian modern rock bands like DC Talk and the Newsboys.

"Kids have been kicked out of the school for going to Newsboys concerts," he said with a laugh. We couldn't listen to music like that. We could only listen to hymns and classical music. So I'm probably the underground here at the school," said Frankenstein, a Sterling Heights native.

For the past four years, the 1992 graduate of Bethany Christian School in Troy has been breaking that rule, In 1994, Frankenstein was recruited to join the Newsboys as their keyboardist.

Frankenstein met the members. of the Newsboys, most of whom hail from New Zealand and Australia, in 1991 while he was working as a runner for one of the

He mentioned that he was a keyboardist and if they ever needed one to give him a call.

"They just said, Yeah, OK. Whatever, A year and a half later. WHO: Newsboys, Third Day and The

WHEN: 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 WHERE: The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (1-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills.

HOW: Tickets are \$20 reserved. Groups of 10 or more receive a \$5 discount. For more information, call (248) 377-0100 or visit http://www.palacenet.com, The News

boys' website is http://www.newsboys.com.

I was coming home from a night class at Wayne State and my mom said this guy with this accent called and wanted to know if I'd play keyboards," explained Frankenstein, who was studying public relations and journalism.

He was invited to rehearse with the band during its soundcheck prior to a show in Holland, Mich., that weekend.

"Needless to say I stayed home from school the next three days and learned the songs. I played along with them during soundcheck and they said it was pretty good. Why don't you play tonight?"

The quartet was impressed with Frankenstein and offered him a

"I went home and told my folks what was happening. I had three days to leave school and pack everything."

His parents, he said, have been "actually pretty cool about it."

, "My mom's a choir director at Oakland Christian Church in Rochester so obviously there's music around the house all the time. They tell everyone that they knew I was pretty much destined

to do that," he said: That was in January 1994 and shortly thereafter he returned to area to open for Steven Curtis Chapman in front of 12,000 fans at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

# **Grassroots following**

Things have changed for the Newsboys since the first Palace show, The Newsboys are headlining the arena on Saturday, Nov. 21. Despite virtually no airplay, they have been able to sell almost as many tickets as Depeche Mode and labelmate J this year at The Palace of Auburn

"The tour's been great. It's real-Please see NEWSBOYS, E2



Thursday, November 19, 1998

Dedicated musicians: The Emerson Quartet, (left to right), Lawrence Dutton, Philip Setzer, Eugene Drucker and David Finckel is dedicated to music and social causes.

# String quartet supports classics and causes

By Hugh GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER bgallagher@oe.homecomm.net

Next year the four members of the acclaimed Emerson Quartet will celebrate 20 years together. It's a rare accomplishment that violinist Philip Setzer credits to luck and a good sense of humor.

"It's not that we haven't had problems or don't have arguments," he said. "It's not always easy to work together. We've been lucky to be successful."

The Emerson Quartet with Setzer and Eugene Drucker on violin,

WHAT: Emerson String Quartet, with planist Menahem Pressier, per-forms works by Mozart, Shostakovich and

WHERE: Rack ham Auditorium, 915 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor on University of Michi-

WHEN: 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, TICKETS: \$18 \$32. Call (734) 764-2538 or out-side the 734 and 313 area codes, call 800-221-1229.

Lawrence Dutton on viola and David Finckel on cello will perform Sunday at the Michigan's Rackham Auditorium.

The quartet -will perform Mozart's Quartet in D Major, K. 575 and Shostakovich's Quartet No. 2 in A Major, Op. 68: and will be joined by pianist Menahem Pressler on Brahms' Piano:

minor, Op. 34. The quartet

Quintet in f

has been hailed internationally as one of the finest in the world. Setzer and Drucker, who take turns on first violin, started playing together in 1970 in what Setzer; calls "a pretty good student quartet." The Emerson, named after Ralph Waldo Emerson, was founded in the Bicentennial year of 1976. Dutton joined the group in 1977 and David Finckel joined in 1979.

For the past 10 years, the group has recorded for Deutsche Grammophon and has recorded the complete Bartok and Beethoven quartets and are currently working on the complete Shostakovich.

programming the concerts, working with the venue and his fellow quartet members. The Ann Arbor program is an attempt to balance the heaviness of the Shostakovich and Brahms' pieces with

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# COMMUNITY THEATER

# 'She Loves Me' nothing but fun and romance

BY MARY JANE DOERR SPECIAL WRITER

Nobody is familiar with the musical "She Loves Me" now playing at the Village Players in Birmingham. No won-der! This 1963 production is by the same creative team who wrote "Fiddler on the Roof" (Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick) and "Cabaret" (Joe Mas-teroff). It wasn't until a 1994 revival won the Drama Desk Award that the

show finally got any attention.

Too bad! "She Loves Me," taken from the movie "Little Shop Around The Corner" with Jimmy Stewart is hardly a cross between "Fiddler" and "Cabaret. It has none of the realism, cynicism, or lessons to be learned. It is a soap opera tale about life in an Eastern European perfumery where life resembles the used-to-be cosmetic department of downtown Hudson's in its heyday, before downsizing and implesions. While this show is not the On Stage

WHAT: Village Players of Birmingham, 752 Chestnut St., Birmingham, presents the musical "She Loves Me" WHEN: 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov.

20-21 and 27-28, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov

TICKETS: \$14, \$12 students, cell (248) 644-2075.

Chanel No. 5 of musicals, it isn't the

drug store variety of Charlie either. Jeanne DeLong and Y. Jamie Mistry, as leads Amalia and Georg, keep this perfumery from being perfunctory. They make perfume out of this cologne of musicals and turn their music into

sweet smelling Hungarian fragrances. DeLong has a voice that is easily sustained for easy listening to many touching solos including "I Don't Know his Name," "Dear Friend," and "Ice Mistry's diverse acting skills have earnest appeal. When the two are on stage together, there is magic.

stage togetner, there is magic.

The story begins with an accentuated "Good Morning" by Mark Maccagnone and Jason Groh as Ladislav Sipos and Arpad Laszlo who are contemplating a day of hooky from their work at Maraczek's Perfumery. The inimitable Holly G. Hellsten joins them as clerk Ilona Ritter, who is playing around with Kodaly another clerk. Kevin Edwards is the sleazy Kodaly, which comes through in his provocative song Come with Me."

In the story, Amalia who is searching for a little romance in her life, answers a "personal" ad in the paper. When she applies for a job at the perfumery, she doesn't know that the manager, Georg is her amorous pen pal. Their relation-ship is further complicated by the irritable perfumery owner Maraczek. John

Please see FUN, E2



On stage: Jeanne DeLong as Amalia and Y. Jamie Mistry as Georg in "She Loves Me."

# Injury breaks director's knee, but not 'Chorus Line' spirit

Livonia Redford Theatre Guild, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford, presents "A Chorus Line," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 20-21, Nov. 27-28, Dec. 4-5, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29 Tickets \$12 adults, \$11 seniors and students, call (313) 531-0554

BY KEELY WYGONIK STAFF WRITER kwygonik@ce.homecomm.net

"Break a leg" isn't something you'll hear Stephanie Stephan

say to her cast when the curtain rises Friday on the Livonia Redford Theatre Guild's production of "A Chorus Line." She's all ready done that, well sort of if you count a knee as a leg.

"It happened three weeks ago during rehearsal," said Stephan who is directing and choreographing the show, which also features Christine Maurer of Troy as Cassie. "I was doing the opening combination and when my foot landed it went out to the side." But the show must go on,

and Stephan is getting along on crutches, "She'll take someone to be her body and explain to them how do something," said John Luther who's in the show. "She hasn't given up, that speaks to

the show, you just don't give up." Marci Urbaniak, a Churchill High School grad, is one of Stephan's "bodies. "She explains it to me step-by-

step and works me through it, then I'll break it down into steps for everyone else," explained Urbaniak, "It's a lot easier than I

Talking to the cast isn't as good as being able to show them. but Stephan is optimistic. "Things are coming together," she said. "It's been a challenge. We've got limited space, and had trouble getting guys to fill the roles. One of the guys just joined the cast three weeks ago."

"A Chorus Line" is one of Stephan's favorites. She's performed in it three times, and played the parts of Bobbi, Judy

thought it would be, and it's gone and Sheila. "It's a musical the-smoothly." and it's gone and Sheila. "It's a musical the-ater dancer's dream show," she said, "It's a wonderful piece of theater, and having the opportunity to do is a dream come true. I've seen the show a zillion million times, but I still laugh at

things today." Stephan joined the Livonia Redford Theatre Guild two years ago believing that she could make a difference. This show is her chance, "They've worked so hard," she said about the cast. "It will be such a pay-off when they get an audience, I've really enjoyed working with them. They're great."

Luther worked in New York City as a dancer until he turned 30, and decided to go to college to become a psychotherapist. After attending Hunter College, he moved to Michigan to attend the University of Michigan and now works in Ann Arbor as a thera-

Still, he loves the theater, and performing in "A Chorus Line" is a real kick.

# Newsboys from page E1

ly been above our expectations. Most people haven't really heard of us outside of our fan base. Then here we are playing to 7,000-8,000 people while the top 40 band with the hits is playing the little theater down the road. The beauty of not being well known and having a good follow-

ing, Frankenstein said.
"The last time we played The Palace, there were 12,000 people there. After the show we went and saw Seal play at the State Theatre to 2,000 people. He's the

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Frankenstein chalks up his band's ability to sell a respectable amount of tickets to the Newsboys' grassroots follow-ing, which helped push sales of 1996's "Take Me To Your Leader"

(Virgin) past the 500,000 mark.
Thanks to active Christian youth groups and the return of pop music, the Newsboys haven't had to rely on commercial radio, which isn't exactly supportive of

Christian music. With the exception of MXPX,

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which plays Detroit's St. Andrew's Hall on Saturday, Nov. 21, Amy Grant and Jars of Clay, few Christian acts have weaseled their way into commercial radio. Frankenstein said he sees that as a start.

There's a lot more quality stuff out there," he said of cur-rent Christian music bands. "There is good stuff. There's no reason why it shouldn't be played. Seventy percent of the United States is Christian. I'm not sure why radio programmers are hesitant about playing it," he

"I think it scares radio pro-

grammers. But what, it doesn't scare you to play half the rap bands that you do?" added Frankenstein who's been listening to The Cardigans, Fatboy Slim and Soul Coughing lately.

For its latest album, "Step Up to the Microphone" (Virgin) the Newsboys went with the DIY (do-it-yourself) work ethic. Instead of working under the constraints of a commercial studio, they recorded at lead singer

Peter Furler's home studio.
"Step Up to the Microphone" is the band's first since the departure of lead singer John James, who decided to pursue

"We decided that on the previous record we didn't have enough time to get it right. Plus we're always on the road. It's good to be in the comfort of a home. We have unlimited studio time. We had an engineer on call."

Furler acted as producer and the quintet – which also includes guitarist/vocalist/bassist Jody Davis, bassist/vocalist/guitarist Phil Joel, and drummer/percussionist/vocalist Duncan Phillips mixed the album themselves.

Pete was steering the ship, and we just went for it. We learned a lot of things. We wanted to have a record that had continuity. The guys in the band grew up in different parts of the world. This is the first time we got all those influenced to mold into different sounds."

The modern pop record blends

Frankenstein's keyboard samples with crunchy guitars and funky bass, while focusing on a strong sense of melody.

To us, if Virgin breaks a single it's like icing on the cake. We've had eight long years of really good success. When you're on MTV, people get sick of you. When we roll into town, it's the fans only chance of seeing us.

Frankenstein rolls into Detroit as often as he can.

"I still call it home," said Frankenstein who now lives in Nashville. "It's a good city, actually Detroit is pretty cool. People are just real. The south has a lot of hospitality and a lot of southern kind of love. But in Detroit people tell you what's going on."

"It's really been a huge rollercoaster ride for me, You hear. about these things and you you. I can't believe I do what I do." never think it would happen to



"Mozart has written an unusual work that gives a larger

responsibility to the cello," Setzer said in a telephone interview from his home in New Jersey. It's not just a bass line but a character in the piece. He also gives more responsibility to the second violin and the violist, a more equal role than in quartets before this. It's a real equality, a conversation, like a mini opera and each instrument is a character in the opera."

Setzer said the piece was more "purified and pristine," a work distilled down to the essentials.

The Shostakovich piece, on the other hand, was written in 1944 and conveys the grimness of those times in Russia. Setzer said the work has a symphonic quality to it.

"Also Shostakovich was fighting tyranny at home. Composers there worked under such scrutiny, but they were given more freedom during the war," Setzer

Setzer said Shostakovich defied Soviet authority in many ways, including using Jewish folk music in the quartet's second movement.
"The third movement is a

waltz, one of the most demonic

waltzes I've ever heard. ... It's a

danse macabre," Setzer said. On the Brahms, Menahem Pressler joins the quartet, a group he helped in their early

"He was a mentor to us and one of the first people we record-ed with," Setzer said. "Everytime we play with him it's wonderful."

Setzer said it's been interesting over the years to watch how the relationship with Pressler has developed from teacher-student to musical equals.

The Brahms' piece is dramatic stormy and "in a very dark key." Setzer said the slow movement is one of Brahms' most beautiful creations.

This year the quartet has been playing Beethoven works with 20th century pieces. The record-ing of the Beethoven cycle was one of the group's most ambi-

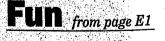
tious projects.
"Beethoven, especially for us, it's like an actor doing the com-plete works of Shakespeare. Beethoven is the most important part of what we do," Setzer said. "We did a lot of performances, taping performances, analyzing what was working and what wasn't. A lot of people don't listen to themselves enough."

The violinist said he is an optimist about the future of classical music despite the decline in clas-

sical recording. "There will always be people who will fight for it," he said.

The Emerson Quartet also fights for social causes they support from nuclear disarmament to fighting AIDS and world

"My feeling is that everyone should be involved. We all have responsibilities. We are all responsible for social issues," Setzer said. "We're very fortunate to be in a position where we can play concerts to raise funds and sign our names to add sup-



Picho plays him more like a nice guy than a stressful boss and sings about love in "Days Gone By."

Jane Pfeifer directs this charmer that is nothing but romance and fun. Musical director Joan Bowes plays the piano, accompanied by a musical ensemble, hidden back stage. The singers on stage follow Bowes' lead via a TV screen mounted on the ceiling.

Lively choreographer Patty Ward creates the amusing "Cafe Imperial" and "Where are my shoes" scenes. The best scene has to be the finale, the "Twelve Days of Christmas."

Maraczek's motto for this perfumery is "everything is attractive to the ear and the eye." The Village Players got it right







# Detroit Rep raises veil on Catholic liturgy mystery

of God)," a two-act play by John E. Shea. Through Thursday, Dec. 31 at the Detroit Repertory Theatre, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit, Times: 8:30 p.m. Thurs-day & Friday; 3 & 8:30 p.m. Sat-urday; 2 & 7:30 p.m. Sunday; (313) 868-1347, e-mail; detrepth@

BY FRANK PROVENZANO STAFF WRITER fprovenzano@oe.homecomm.net

In "Ad Altare De (Unto the Altar of God)," playwright John E. Shea sets forth an interesting idea for a spirited drama about a priest's reluctance to say the liturgy in English, shortly after the reforms of Vatican II. A topic

that allows Shea to traverse ancillary subjects such as good, evil and redemption, while defending the need for faith to be espoused in a mystical language.

Overall, "Unto the Altar of God" is an ambitious play per-formed at the Detroit Repertoire Theatre, one of the few regional venues producing contemporary work. In fact, this season Detroit Rep features premiere performances for all four of its plays.

Few other theatres have demonstrated the commitment to the tradition of theatre and the healing power of setting contemporary dramas upon a stage

as Detroit Rep.
Yet in the case of "Unto the Altar of God" even a talented

one too many quick turns and superficial subplots.

The Monsignor Rene LaFarve is played by Robert Grossman, a versatile actor who shows up frequently in Meadow Brook The-

atre productions. Grossman plays the role with an impious swagger and sarcasm, and from scene to scene, seems to be trying to figure out the emotional intensity of the story. Not an easy task since the playwright forsakes dramatic pacing for preaching, and worse, attempts several plot twists to set up the ultimate metaphor whereby the play's 13 characters assume positions at a modern-day Last Supper.

While the topic of faith, language and the mystery of life make for a fascinating idea for the drama, the application of the idea comes off as a tiresome gim-

For instance, Monsignor La Farve is threatened with dismissal if he doesn't conform to the Church's mandate to say the mass in English. The dictum comes from the archbishop takes on added melodrama when it's vealed that the holy patriarch is also La Farve's childhood

Throw in a prostitute whose mother had amorous intentions for the crusty monsignor, two adolescent boys fighting against their abusive father, and an

African-American priest who is a combination of Sydney Portier and Otis Redding, and the dramatic mix is more like a sampling from predictable tornfrom-the-headlines movie-of-the-

week fare, It even gets more implausible when La Farve's long-time secre-tary has the type of "secret" that wouldn't even make it into a soap opera script.

What the story needs most is what it has the least — intimacy and mystery. The melodic whis per of Latin is an ideal vehicle to enter the spiritual realm of the newly reformed apostolic church.

Yet the set design of a long, bulky table, a desk and chairs

with the audience.

But in fairness to the playwright and Detroit Rep, the ambitious production of "Unto the Altar of God" shouldn't dis-suade audiences. The play offers several compelling issues.

In addition, the cast, especially Grossman, Dee Andrus, and Roy Dennison wring the most pathos from their roles.

And for any Catholic who recalls the sudden change when the mass began to be recited in English, the play will likely inspire memories when the veil began to be raised on the mystery of the liturgy.

# 'Heiress' awakens from sleepy 1st act

"The Heiress" continues through Sunday, Nov. 29 at the historic Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. Perfor-mances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, with additional performances 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19; 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29. Tickets \$10 and \$12, all seats reserved, call (248) 541-6430.

# BY JON KATZ SPECIAL WRITER

Catherine's life was doomed from birth, for she would always bear the burden of her mother's death in delivery. That burden includes an impossible task, as her stern and unloving father has been waiting for this plain young woman to "approach the perfection of your mother." How perfect was she? She even tuned her own piano!

Stagecrafters presents "The Heiress" as its season's prerequisite drama. Set near the turn of the century when New York's Washington Square was populated with the genteel upper crust in pillared brownstones, the play glides along well, genteelly. The final scene, however, packs a wallop that could qualify Catherine for an appearance with Sally Jesse Raphael.

Who amongst us hasn't felt like the proverbial square peg in life's round hole? Painfully shy, Catherine (Robin Thomas) is without charm or poise. She crumbles like a cracker when-

company comes into the parlor. Why isn't she getting married like cousin Marian (Michelle Held)? "Someone must love me she declares. "Someone must tell me he wants me."

Her new brother-in-law's cousin Morris (Tony Castellani) eagerly applies for the job. This oily cad, having gone through his own inheritance, sets his sights on Catherine's, and it seems there's not much he's unwilling to do to get it, short of breaking into a chorus of "On the Street Where You Live."

To her father (Pat Reid), Mor-ris' motives are "pitifully clear." Catherine, as expected, is dazzled by their first kiss, and suc-cumbs to his quick proposal. Is Morris' love true? Will father cut her off if she marries him? How much of herself is Catherine willing to sacrifice to meet the expectations of others - or can she summon the courage to tell the world where to go?

Robin Thomas is a woeful caterpillar and an even more glorious butterfly, her metamorphosis a superb accomplishment. Like her Venetian crystal so desired by Morris, Thomas' Catherine is delicate and easily shattered, yet durable and, yes, beautiful in ways that her rela-

ives and suitor can't see. Pat Reid's Dr. Sloper is the living embodiment of every Victorian-era portrait. Have you ever seen a smiling face in one? You won't on this man, either, his bit-

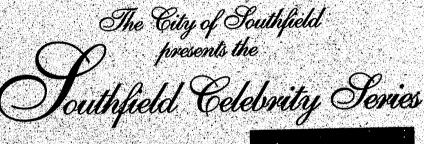
terness is so deep it stays with him right into the grave. Reid plays the doctor as your most intimidating college professor, only he happens to be your father, too: "There are some things one cannot give to others;

one cannot give eyes or under-standing if they have none."

Tony Castellani is a wolf in chamois gloves. His Morris skulks outside the hen house licking his chops, even winning over the doctor's two sisters: sympathetic, somewhat-vacant Aunt Lavinia (nicely played by Jeanine Matlow) and no-non-sense Mrs. Almond (Linda Ham-mell, a five-foot tornado who'd make Carrie Nation a wimp).

"The Heiress" suffers from a sleepy first act that doesn't awaken until the closing line; but it rolls to its "what's she gonna do?" conclusion with vigor and much audience interest. The set is rich with velvet and French Provincial, but could have used a background flat to add to the authenticity, rather than go for the abstract. Costuming is a Stagecrafters' strength; lavish dresses and handsome waistcoats abound. Sound reinforcement was lacking in conversations between Catherine and

"The Heiress" has much contemporary relevancy; it's intriguing to see a woman at the close of the last millennium demanding the same right of self-determination



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THEATER DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

Ad Altere Del (Unto the Alter of God), form Shea's play about faith, beauty and a priest who uses a hockey stick to straighten out sinners, through Dec. 31, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit, 8:30 p.m. Thursdays Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30: p.m. Sundays, \$15. (313) 868-1347 or DetRenTh@aol.com

A HUEY P. NEWTON STORY" Created and performed by Roger Quenyeur Smith, and live sound design by Marc Anthony Thompson, 8 b.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 19-21, Trueblood Theatre in University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, \$25. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

FISHER THEATRE Joison" The Musical," 8 p.m. Thursday Saturday, Nov. 19-21, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 21, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22st the theater in the Fisher. Building, 8 p.m., Tuesdays-Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. Sundays, and 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. \$36-\$60, (313) 871-1132/(248) 645-6666

GEM THEATRE
\*I. Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," through Jan. 3, at the the ater's new location, 333 Madison Ave. Detroit. 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays. (\$27,50), 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$27,50), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$32,50), 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays (\$32,50), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$27,50) and 6 p.m. Sundays (\$19.50). (313) 963-9800 MACOMB CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

Fiddler on the Roof, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at the center, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township, \$30, \$27 students and seniors. (810) 286-2222 MASONIC TEMPLE

The 20th anniversary production of Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Evita," through Nov. 22, at the the ater, 500 Temple Avenue, Detroit. \$30-\$55. (248) 645-6666/(313) 871-1132/(313) 832-2232

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE
"A Christmas Carol," Saturday, Nov. 21
to Sunday, Dec. 27, at the theater: \$25-\$86. (248) 377-3300

# OPERA

"THE 3 BARITONES" With Pablo Elvira, Dino Valle and Quinto Milito, 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, Orchestra Hall, Detroit (313) 791-8867/(313) 576-5111 or visit http://www.dino-valle.com

# COLLEGE

OU THEATRE SERIES "Artist Descending a Staircase" and,
"Albert's Bridge," 8 p.m., Thursday
Saturday, Nov. 19-21, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, Varner Studio Theatre, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10, \$8 seniors and OU employees, \$5 students. (248) 370-3013

UD MERCY THEATRE COMPANY An evening of the compelling work of the masterful Russian playwright Chekhov," through Dec. 6, 8 p.m. Thursdays Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays, at the Earl D.A. Smith Studio Theatre on the McNichols Camous. Detroit. \$10, \$8 students/seniors/UD Mercy employees, alumni. (313) 993-

UM SCHOOL OF MUSIC The Department of Theater and Drama presents "Blood Wedding" by Federico Garcia Lorca, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 19-21, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22. at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre. Ann Arbor. \$18, \$14, \$7 students. (734) 784-0450

WSU HILBERRY THEATRE 'Scapin," Mollere's tale of intrigue and slapstick runs in rotating repertory to Feb. 3, at the theater, 4743 Cass Avenue, Detroit. \$10-\$17. (313) 577-

AWSU STUDIO THEATRE Sam Shepard's psychological mystery "Geography of a Horse Dreamer," Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 19-22, at the theater located downstairs at the Hilberry Theatre, 4743 Cass Avenue, Detroit, \$6-8. (313) 577-2972 ,

# COMMUNITY THEATER

BIRMINGHAM VILLAGE PLAYERS The musical "She Loves Me," 8 p.m., Frideys Saturdays, Nov. 20-21 and 27-28, and 2 n.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at the theater, 752 Chestnut, Birming \$14, \$12 students, (248) 644-2075

FARMINGTON PLAYERS

"A Tuna Christmas" comedy by Ed Howard, Joe Sears and Jaston Williams, R n.m. Fridays Saturdays, Nov. 20-21 and Nov. 27-28; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22 at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, (1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington Hills. Tickets \$12, call (248) 553-2955 PLYMOUTH THEATRE QUILD

Cole Porter's "Anything Goes," 8 p.m. Fridays Saturdays, Nov. 20-21 and 27-28, and 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at the Water Tower Theatre, 41001 West Seven Mile Road, west of 1-275 between Haggerty and Northville Roads on the Northville Psychiatric Hospital), Northylle, \$11 advance, \$12 at door. (248) 349-7110

DALE PLAYERS Twelve Angry Jurors," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 20-21, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake Road, between Livernois and Crooks roeds, Troy, \$11, \$10 seniors/stu-



On a mission: The charming con man Dimitri (Canadian champion Sebastien Britten) arrives on the scene in St. Petersburg determined to find a young girl to play the part of Anastasia so he can collect the reward offered by the Downger Empress Marie in the figure skating spectacular, "Anastasia on Ice."

# 'Anastasia on Ice' brings movie to life

Canadian figure skating champion Sebastien Britten misses his family and friends misses in lamily and memory in Montreal, but is enjoying the role he plays in "Anastasia on Ice," continuing through Sunday, Nov. 22 at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit.
"He's a really interesting character," said Britten who portrays Dimitri in the ice. skating spectacular based on the 1997 animated film "Anastasia." "It's basically the same thing as the movie. This show is not only for kids, it's really a skating

Britten earned 12 out of 14 perfect scores to win the gold

medal at the 1998 Profes-sional Figure Skating World Championship, and top honors at the American Open, also in 1998. In 1994 he took 10th place at the Olympic

Games in Lillehammer. "Anastasia on Ice;" based on the story of the lost Russian princess, the fabled last surviving member of the Romanov family, blends action, adventure, comedy and romance. Heading up an international ensemble of figure skaters are Florentine Houdinière of France as Anya/ Anastasia, Simon Aldridge of the United King-dom as the wickedly wonder-

ful Rasputin; Scott Irvine of the U.S. as Dimitri's hefty henchman, Vladimir; and the acclaimed Russian pair team

Accamed Russian pair team Marat and Marina Akbarov. "Anastasia on Ice" is a first-time collaboration between Feld Entertainment and 20th Century Fox. Performances are scheduled 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Sat-urday, Nov. 20-21, with addi-tional shows at noon and 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22. Tickets are (\$80, rinkside, \$17.50, \$15.50 and \$12.50). Call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 983-6606.

dents for Sunday performances. (248) 988-7049 ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

"The Sisters Rosenweig," the hilariously philosophic tale of three Brooklyn-born sisters in staid London and their roman-tic escapades, 8. p.m.Friday-Saturday, Nov. 20-21, at the Upstage Theater, 21728 Grand River, east of Lahser, Old Redford. \$10; all seats reserved. (313) 537-7716/(313) 532-4010

STAGECRAFTERS THEATRE

"The Heiress," by Ruth and Augustus Goetz, runs on the Main Stage, through Nov. 29 at the Baldwin Theatre, downtown Royal Oak. Performances 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and Thursday, Nov. 19; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22. Tickets \$10 and \$12 reserved Senior/student discounts Thursday and Sunday performances, call (248) 541-6430

Sister Camille's Kaleidoscopio

Cabaret," 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays through Nov. 22, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile Road. Livonia: \$10 non-members, \$8 members. The show contains language and subject matter that may be inappropri-ate for children. (734) 464-6302

PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN

"Mame" 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday through Nov. 28, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22 and 00 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22 and 29, 21730 Madison (near the southwest corner of Monroe and Outer Dr.)
Dearborn. Tickets \$14, call (313) 561-

# YOUTH

EMU THEATRE

st of the River House," an 11-year old and her grandfather search fo adventure in this play by Max Bush of Michigan, for ages seven and up, 2:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 21-22 and Dec. 5, and 8 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Dec. 4-5, at the Oulrk Theatre, on the Eastern Michigan University campus In Yosilanti, \$7 Thursday, \$12 Friday-Saturday, \$10 Sunday matinees. (734) 487-1221 KIDS KONCERT

"Odd Bodkins," a full stage, life-size pupper production presented by Hip Squeak Productions, for children ages 4-10, 1:30-2:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road. \$3.25. (248) 424-9022

MARQUIS THEATRE

"Cinderella," Nov. 14-Jan. 3, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northvilla, 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 14, 21 and 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19 and 26, and Jan. 2; 2:30 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 15, 22 and 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20, and Jan. 3; and 2:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Dec. 28-31. \$6.50. (248) 349-8110 NEW MILLENNIUM YOUTH THEATRE

Hans Christian Anderson's fairy tale
"The Snow Queen;" 2 p.m. Saturdays,
Nov. 21 and 28 and Dec, 12 and 19, at
the Millennium Center, 15600 J.L.
Hudson Drive, between Eight and Nine Mile, Southfield (248) 552-7000/(248)

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS Cinderella," Saturdays Sundays through Dec. 20 with holiday performance Friday, Nov. 27, Historic Players Club, 3321 E. Jefferson, between Mount Elliott and McDougal, Detroit. Saturday programs start with lunch at noon and performances at 1 p.m., Sundays with lunch at 1 p.m. and performances at 2 p.m. \$7.50, \$6.50 groups of 20 or more. (810) 662-8118

WILD SWAN THEATER collaboration with Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village presents The Cricket in Times Square," 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at Townsley Auditorium, Morris Lawrence Building, Washtenaw Community College. Performances continue at Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village Wednesday, Dec. 2 to Saturday, Jan. 2. \$8, \$6 children/ (734) 763-TKTS/(734) 995-0530/(248) 645-6666

SPECIAL EVENTS ASTROLOGY/PSYCHIC FAIR

10 e.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at the Troy Marriott Höte, on Big Beaver hetween Livernois and 1-75, \$5, \$15 readings. (248) 528-2610 "CANDLELIGHT HOLIDAY DINNER" Featuring Italian dinner of Penne with Marinara Sauce, Linguine with White Clam Sauce, Chicken Piccata, antipas to, soup, salad, and spumoni, 5-11 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at the Italian American Banquet Facility, 39200 Five Mile, Livonia, \$36, (248) 349-8880 "DEEP LISTENING FESTIVAL 3: MICHIGAN AVANT-GARDE MUSIC"

Featuring Ben Bracken (9 p.m.), Tribe 2 with Mikhai Caldwell (9:45 p.m.), Music Color Composers Orchestra (11 p.m.), and immigrant Suns with Eugene Chedbourne (midnight) Thursday, Nov. 19: Ren Hall and Jason Shearer (9 p.m.). Street Band (9:45 p.m.), Vizitors 711:15 p.m.), and Remote Viewing Ensemble (12:30 a.m.) Friday, Nov. 20; and Little Princess (9 p.m.), Frank Pahl (10 p.m.), Northwoods Improvisors (11 p.m.), and Farud Z. Bey and Speaking In Tongues (12:30 a.m.) Saturday, Nov. 21; and free improv ism session, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 22, Gold Dollar, 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$8 per evening, \$24 for Thursday-Saturday shows, \$5 for Sunday. (248) 645-6666 or

http://www.golddollar.com (variety) GREENBERG'S TRAIN AND TOY SHOW 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 and until 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at the Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Drive, Novi. \$5, \$2 children ages 6-12. (248) 348-5600 or www.green-

bergshows.com

KWANZAA FEST Featuring a black inventors museum, author's pavilion, Kuumba family center keynote speakers, health, beauty and fitness pavillon, international soul food center, an African wedding center, a technological center and a Kwanzaa marketplace, Friday-Sunday, Nov. 27-29, Cobo Hall Detroit. (248) 557-4713 LINEN THREADS AND BROOM

TWINES" er is William Ruddock (author of "Unen Threads and Broom Twines") whose ancestors came from Gilford, Ireland to work in the linen thread mill in New York, at the Gaelic League/Irish American Club. 2068 Michigan Avenue west of Tiger Stadium, Detroit. Free. (248) 879-9352/(248) 478-8496 SOUTHFIELD AMERICANA ANTIQUES

SHOW AND SALE Featuring fine American antiques, coun-try furnishings and folk art, 2-9 p.m. try turnishings and tolk art, 29,000.
Friday, Nov. 20, noon to 8 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 21, and noon to 5 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 22, Southfield Civic
Center, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield, \$4 with any ad or listing, \$5 regular admission. One paid admission s good for all three days, (810) 469-1706/(810) 465-9441 or http://www.antignet.com/M&M...

6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3, Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Fermington Hills, \$45, (248) 471-7786

BENEFITS

AMERICA'S THANKSGIVING PARADE arade activities are 7:15-8 a.m. with the parade beginning at 9:15 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, along Woodward, Mack and Jefferson avenues, Detroit. Free, \$15 grandstand seating available at Ticketmaster. (248) 645-6666 COBO CARNIVAL

Featuring a full-scale midway including games, rides and family entertainment noon to 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Friday-Saturday, Dec. 45, and Saturday, Dec. 12, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, 2-9 p.m. Sunday, Dec.

and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center, Detroit. Free admission but a charge for rides and games. \$15 ride all-day wristband. (313) 877-8111 HOB NOBBLE GOBBLE

\*Hob Nobble Gobble: A Decade of

Delights, a black-tie fundralser for America's Thanksgiving Parade featuring a dinner buffet, music by The Temptations, a full-scale midway, complete with games, rides and family entertainment, 6-10 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center, Detroit, \$350 for adults, \$200 children ages 6 and younger, \$500 patron tickets. (313) 923-7400

ROYAL OAK KIWANIS CLUB Holiday Magic show with magician Don Jones, Saturday, Nov. 28, the Royal Oak Kimball High School Auditorium, (248) 569-4670/(800), 348-0112. TEDDY BEAR BRUNCH

TEDDY BEAR BRUNCH Featuring The Amazing Clark, Clownin' by Flutterby, magician Chris Linn, ven-triloquist Richard Paul, and The Festival of Trees, 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center, Detroit. \$10, \$8 children younger than 12, includes admission to The Festival of Trees. Benefits Children's Hospital of Detroit. (248) 650-8733

# FAMILY EVENTS

FESTIVAL OF TREES" Festival of trees Features 100 exquistely designed trees, all for sale, opens 10 a.m. dally Nov. 22-29, at Cobo Center, Detroit. \$7 \$5 seniors 60 and over, \$3 children ages 2-12. Gala black-tie optional prew party 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 (\$125), complimentary cham reception 6-7 p.m. Nov. 21 (\$175, \$225). (313) 966-TREE or http://www.metroguide.com/fot NATIVE AMERICAN FESTIVAL AND POW

**wow** Dancers, musicians and singers from several tribes perform, crafts, cuisine,10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22; at the Novi Expo Center, at 1:96 and Novi-Walled Lake exit. \$6, free for ages two and under. (248) 352-0990 MINIATURES & DOLL HOUSES SHOW

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at Weber's Inn, 3050 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor, \$4, \$1.50 children under 12, (502) 423-STAR TEDDY BEAR SHOW AND SALE

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at Weber's Inn, 3050 Jackson Road, Ann Arbor, \$4, \$1,50 children under 12. (502) 423-STAR

CLASSICAL

NOONTIME CONCERT Mezzo soprano Barbara Alexander sings songs from the musical "Ragtime, 12:15 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, at the Livonia Civic Center Library Atrium, 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington. Free: (734) 466-2491 OAKLAND UNIVERSITY

Student chamber concert, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 in the Varner Recital Hall, on the campus in Rochester. Free. (248) 370-3013

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA "All American" concert with guest conductor Anthony Jannaccone in a premiere of his composition "Recollections," also performances by vocalists Glenda Kirkland and Conwell Carrington, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. In Pease Auditorium at Eastern Michigan University, \$12, \$10 seniors/students. (734) 451-2112

# ACCORDION

JEAN-LOUIS NOTON

Concert of classical, jazz, Latin, French, and Rock and Roll by the French accordion artist, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at Arriva Restaurant, 6880 East 12 Mile, between Mound and Van Dyke Warren: \$15, \$10 students. (313) 563-

POPS/SWING

THE BIRD OF PARADISE ORCHESTRA 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Mondays. Bird of radise 207 S Ashley St. Ann Arbor \$3. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310 (blg

ARETHA FRANKLIN With the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$30-\$125. (313) 576-5111 IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA

With Big Barn Combo, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, 24 Karat Club, 28949 Joy Road (two blocks east of Middlebe Road), Westland, \$7 in advance, \$10 et the door. Benefits National Cance the goor, Benefits National Carlo Society, 18 and older, (734) 513-5030; Celebrates release of CD with party and performance; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor, \$6, 19 and older, (734) 996 8555 (swing) PAUL KLINGER'S EASY STREET

SWINGTET

5-8 p.m. Fridays, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$2, 21 and older, (734) 662-8310 JOHNNY KNORR

With his 12-piece orchestra and vocal-ists, 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Italian merican Club of Livonia, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia, \$25, includes dancing, and dinner of chicken breast marsala, twice-baked potatoes, two pastas, sugar snap peas, salad, rolls, coffee, tea, and chef's choice dessert. (313) 534-5924/(734) 422-3415 STARLIGHT DRIFTERS

9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, Karl's, 9779 Gotfredson Road, Plymouth, Free. 21 and older. (734) 455-8450 (swing)

AUDITIONS/WORKSHOP

AVON PLAYERS "YOUTH THEATRE" Workshop on "How to Audition" 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Youth Theatre is open to all 6th to 12th graders, \$20 membership fee, \$3 for lunch; auditions for "The Wizard of Oz," 7 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Dec. 8-9, at 7. p.m. Tuesday-wednesday, Dec. 89
the playhouse, 1185 Tineken Road,
éast of Rochester Road, Rochester
Hills: For performances Jan. 29-31.
(248) 693-9392
FARMINGTON PLAYERS

Auditions for six mend and two women for "The Fantasticks," 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, at the Barn, 32332 West 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 356-8904
FULL CIRCLE DANCE COMPANY
Holds auditions 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20
In the Dance Studio on the lower level
of the Athletic Building at Henry Ford

Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. (313) 845-6314 YOUTHEATHRE Youtheatre needs eight volunteer ushers for children's programs at the Music Hall in Detroit, Call Larry Loyer (313)

962-4214 or http://www.youtheatre.org CHORAL/

BARBERSHOP

AN EVENING OF BARBERSHOP Featuring the Huron Valley Harmonizers

Chorus, The Detroit Sound Company, Lyric, Chordiology, and Boy's Night Out, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10, All ages. (734) 761·1451 or :

http://www.a2ark.org OAKLAND CHORAL SHOWCASE Featuring Oakland University's Oakland Choral and University Chorus, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10, \$8 seniors and OU employees, \$5 students, (248) 370-3013

DWIGHT ADAMS TRIO 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150

ALLEN BARNES TRIO Performs during Sunday brunch, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 29244 Northwestern Highway, at 12 Mile Road, Southfield, (248) 351-2925

Performs during Sunday brunch, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays, Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 23722 Jefferson Ave., at Nine Mile Road, St. Clair.

GÁRY BLUMER TRIÓ 8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Nov. 19, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (plano/bass/drum)

9 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, Bird of Paradise; 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$3, 21 and older. (734) 662-

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA With Aretha Franklin, performs works from Leonard Bernstein, William Grant Still, Duke Ellington and Dizzy Gillespie, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$30 upper balcony, \$50 mid balcony, \$75 main floor B and the dress circle, \$125 main floor, \$150 box seats, (313) 576-5111 or

http://www.detroltsymphony.com PAUL FINKBEINER'S JAZZ JAM 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sundays, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. Free, 21 and older. (734) 662-8310 **FUNKHOUSE TRIO** 

9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward Detroit. \$10. (313) 832-3010 FUNKTELLIGENCE p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, as part of

Mood Indigo night, Bird of Paradise 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310 CHARLIE GABRIEL ! Performs during Sunday brunch, 10:30

a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays, Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 400 Monroe St., in the International Center Building. Detroit's Greektown. (313) 965-4600 HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO 6-10 p.m. Mondays at Too-Chez, 27155 Sheraton Dr., Novi, (248) 348-5555; 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays 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., Noyl. (248) 305-7333

JAZZHEAD 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, Free: 21 and older. (248) 223-1700 (acid jazz) KATHY KOSINS TRIO

(vocal/plano/bass)

8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, Duet, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Free, All ages. (313) 831-3838

SHEILA LANDIS With Rick Matie, 8-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills.

Free. All ages. (248) 737-0110 MASCHINA With Funktelligence and Polgnant

Plecostomus, 9 p.m. Fridey, Nov. 20, Alvin's, 5756 Cess Ave., Detroit. \$5. 18 and older. (313) 832-2355 or http://www.alvins.xtcom.com

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TUENS ENVERY

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Continued from previous page HAROLD MCKINNEY

Planist performs 4-7 p.m. Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 29244 Northwestern Highway, at 12 Mile Road, Southfield. (248) 351-2925 MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY

(M.A.S.) 8 p.m. Thursday Saturday, Nov. 19-21 and Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Duet, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Free. All ages, (313) 831-3838 SHAHIDA NURULLAH TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Fridays, Nov. 20 and 27, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free, 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/plano/bass) OU VOCAL JAZZ ENSEMBLE 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov, 24, Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University, Walton

Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10, \$8 seniors and OU employees, \$5 students. (248) 370-3013 DANILO PEREZ TRIO 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$15 in

advance. 21 and older, (734) 662-8310 ROBERT PIPHO DUO 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23, Duet, 3711 Woodward Aye., Detroit. Free. All ages.

(313) 831-3838 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

\$35, \$27.50 and \$21.50, reserved caparet seating. All ages. (313) 961-5451 SPYRO GYRA 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Orchestra

Hall 3711 Woodward Ave. Detroit. \$15-\$46, \$60 box seats. (313) 576-5111 or

http://www.detroltsymphony.com URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300 PAMELA WISE

Planist performs, 4-7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 29244 Northwestern Highway, at 12 Mile Road, Southfield. 248) 351-2925 PAUL VORNHAGEN QUARTET

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 20-21, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-**ALEXANDER ZONJIC** 

9:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 20-21, and Nov. 27-28, Baci, 40 W. Pike ., Pontiac. Free. All ages. (248) 253-

# WORLD MUSIC

AFRO-RICAN ENSEMBLE IN STREET 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$11, \$10 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org

ANTHONY B. AND HALF PINT 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15 in advance. 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 (roots and culture reggae)
MARY BLACK

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Michigan Theatre, Ann Arbor. \$36 gold circle. \$26 and \$21. (734) 763-TKTS or (248)

JIM BUCKINGHAM 9 p.m. Fridays, Nov. 20 and 27, Innistree Irish Pub and Grill, 5327 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Free, 21 and older, (734) 425-2434 (Irish folk)

GERARD EDERY ENSEMBLE Presents a "Mosaic of Sephardic Song," 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, at the Birmingham Temple, 28611 West 12 Mile between inketer and Middlebelt. Farmington Hills. \$18, \$15 seniors, \$12 students, (248) 788-9338/(248) 288-IMMUNITY

10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lak Commerce Township, Free, 21 and older, (248) 360-7450; 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Bogey's, 142 E. Walled Lake Dr., Walled Lake. Free. 21 and older. (248) 669-1441; 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Library Pub. 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-9110 (reggae) LUDDITES

9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. Free. 21 and older (248) 223-1700 PINO MARELLI

7 p.m. Thursdays, Nov. 19 and 26 and 8 p.m. Fridays, Nov. 20 and 27, and 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, at Luciano's 39031 Garfield, Clinton Township. (810) 263-6540; 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, at Benedetto's 15505 15 Mile, Clinton Township. (810) 790-1010 (Italian/Spanish)

# FOLK/BLUEGRASS

BLUE TANGO 8-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, Free, All ages. (734) 668-1838 JOHN GORKA 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, The Ark. 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages, (734) 761-1451 or

http://www.a2ark.org Performs 8-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20 to promote this thrid album "places," at Borders Books and Music, Farmington

THE LEWIS FAMILY 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Oakland Community College's Student Center Arena, 7350 Cooley Lake Road,

Waterford, \$10, (248) 360-3186 (bluegrass/gospel) PETER OSTROUSHKO

With Dean Magraw, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, \$12.50, \$11.50 members, students, seniors. All ages, (734) 761-1451 of http://www.a2ark.org

# POETRY/SPOKEN WORD

"AN EVENING OF IRISH MYTHS, LEGENDS AND FOLKTALES" Featuring Richard Marsh and the music of Inis Ceol, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22 AOH Hall, 24242 Grand River Ave. (one block west of Telegraph Road), \$8. (248) 542-5800 or http://indigo.le/~legends RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Featuring the Rockettes, 70 performances from Friday, Nov. 27-Wednesday, Dec. 30, Fox Theatre 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit, \$10-\$52.50. (248) 645-6666

### DANCE

AFRICAN DRUM & DANCE ENSEMBLE 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 23, at Oakland University, Rochester, Free. (248) 370-

"COUNTRY CLASS" Country/Western Dance, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, Plymouth Elks, 41700 East Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. .50. (734) 425-2207 DANCE PARTY

Hosted by the Detroit Opera House Young Professionals and Hour Detroit, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, featuring the . 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$100. (313) 961-FOURTH FRIDAY FLING

Advanced contra dance with callers Peter Baker and music by Debbie Jackson, 7-11:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road (1/2 mile south of I-94), Ann Arbor, \$8. (734) 665-8863 "THE HARLEM NUTCRACKER" Friday-Sunday, Nov. 27-Dec. 6, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit.\$15-\$50 for Friday-Sunday per formances, \$12-\$45 for Wednesday and Thursday performances. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229 or

# COMEDY

http://www.ums.org

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB Lowell Sanders, from the movie "Jungle to Jungle," Tim Lilly and Rich Higginbottom, Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 19-21 (\$12): Leo DuFour, Chris Zito from radio station WPLT (8 p.m. Saturday only), Tim Rolands and Rich Higginbottom, Wednesday, Nov. 25 (\$12), and Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28 (\$12), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia, 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Sundays (\$5). (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S Chas Eistner, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 20-21 (\$12, \$24.95 dinner show package), and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22 (\$8, \$20.95); Mike Green, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28 (\$10, \$22.95 dinner show package), and 7 p.m, Sunday, Nov. 29 (\$6), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313)

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE Lewis Black, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19 (\$10), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday Nov. 20-21 (\$12); Darwin Hines, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25 (\$8), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28 (\$10), at the club 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE Thursday, Nov. 19; and The Amazing Jonathan and J.R. Remick, Friday-Sunday, Nov. 20-22 (\$17.50 Friday-Saturday, \$15 Sunday); John Bizarre and Tim Lilly, Wednesday-Sunday, Nov. 25-29, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak, 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays-Thursdays (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices subject to change. (248) 542-9900 or http://www.comedycastle.com SECOND CITY

'Daimlers are a Girl's Best Friend," a fifth anniversary celebration show retro-spective, 8 p.m. Wednesdays Sundays with additional shows at 10:30 p.m. on Fridays-Saturdays through Feb. 7, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays. (313) 965-2222

# POPULAR MUSIC

AHADA

9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, and Wednesday, Nov. 25, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free, All. ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues) BACK DOOR BLUES BAND 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Bad Frog. 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624.9400 (blues)

BLACK BEAUTY BLACK BEAUTY 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, 24 Karat Club, 28949 Joy Road (two blocks east of Middlebelt Road), Westland. Cover charge. 18 and older. (734) 513-5030

With The Peasants, Maggi Pierce, E.J., and Cylinderhead, 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 24, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St. Ann Arbor, Free, 19 and older, (734) 996-8555 (variety) BONNE TEMPS ROULLE

10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester, Free, 21 and older, (248) 650-5080 (R&B) THE BOOGIEMEN

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Duggan's Irish Pub, 6722 Dixie Highway, Clarkston. Free, 21 and older. (248) 625-3900 CALLIN' MARVIN

10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, Mount Chalet, 32955 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak, Free. 21 and older. (248) 549-2929 (rook) SUSAN CALLOWAY

With Michelle Penn and Barb Payton, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Megic Bag, 22920. Woodward Ave., Ferndald. \$6, 18 and older, (248) 544-3030. or http://www.themagicbag.com (pop) PAUL CAREY'S BLUE BAND 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Thursdays

Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe. 23722 Jefferson Ave., at Nine Mile Road, St. Clair Shores. (810) 498-3000 CENTRIFUSE With Superfiction, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov.

27, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac Cover charge, 21 and older, (248) 334-CHEAP TRICK

6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, and 8 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 28-29, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, \$20 in advance, \$23 at the door; \$75 three-day pass includes ticket to all three concerts, participation in a question and answer session with the band on Nov. 26, and a limited edition souvenir laminate and commemorative poster, All ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (rock) DI AKE CHEN With The Gentlemen, 8-9:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 20, Angel Caravan Coffeehouse, 1420 Hill St., Ann Arbor. Free, \$5 suggested donation for adults students. (734) 327-2041 CHICAGO RHYTHM AND BLUES KINGS Formerly known as the Mellow Fellows, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, First Street Grill, 102 St First St., Ann Arbor, \$8 in advance, \$10 day of show. 21 and older. (734) 213-6000 (jump blues) CHRONIC STREET

10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (734) 421-2250

CIRCUS MCGIRKUS With Taproot and Face, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5, 19 and older. 734) 996-8555 (rock)

THE CIVILIANS 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21. Mount Chalet, 32955 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak, Free, 21 and older. (248) 549-

GEORGE CLINTON AND THE P-FUNK ALL 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cancelled. (313) 833-9700 or

http://www.99music.com (funk) JAMES CLOYD GROUP Hosts electric blues jam, 9 p.m. Thursdays, Sisko's, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 278-5340 (blues)

JOANNA CONNOR 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, First Street Grill, 102 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$8 in advance, \$10 day of show. 21 and der. (734) 213-6000 (blues)

CRACKER 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac, \$15 in advance. All ages. (248) 333-2362 or http://www.99music.com (rock)
THORNETTA DAVIS AND THE CHISEL

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Taylor, Cover charge, 21 and older. 313) 278-5340 (blues) DAYS OF THE NEW

5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontlac. Cancelled. (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com (rock)
DEMOLITION DOLL RODS

With The Light Strikes and The Go, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$7. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com (rock)

Keyboardist for Robert Bradley's Blackwater Surprise, 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Free, 21 and older. 9313) 886-8101 (rock) DRIZZIE

With Terrapin, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, ID's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (810) 913-1921 (rock) DUNGBEATLES
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Bo's

Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 332-6200 (pop) GLEN EDDIE 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 20-21, Duggan's Irish Pub, 6722 Dixle

Highway, Clarkston, Free, 21 and older. (248) 625-3900 (blues) 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Local

Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free, 21 and older, (248) 349 2600; 8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Smitty's, 220 Main St., Rochester, Free, All ages. (248) 652-1600; 10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms, Free. 21 and older. (313) 886-8101

With Eloise, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, 7th House, 7 N, Saginaw, Pontiac, \$6. All ages. (248) 335-8100 or http://www.961melt.com (rock) THE REV. MARC FALCONBERRY 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free, 21 and older. (248) 349-9110, Hosts acoustic blues jam. 9 p.m. Wednesday Nov. 25, Sisko's, 5855 Monroe Boulevard, Taylor. Cover charge, 21 and older, (313) 278-5340 or /www.siskos.com (R&B) PETÉ "BIG DOG" FETTERS S:30 p.m. Friday Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free, All ages. (248) 652-1600 (R&B)

FroeLish Morrals

10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Library Pub.
42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free, 21
and older. (248) 349-9110; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Local Color Brewery 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600; 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free, 21 and older, (248) 349-9110 (rock) FORCE OF HABIT

With Krank, 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, JD's Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens, Cover charge, 18 and older: (810) 913-1921 (rock) FOUR GUYS DRINKING BEER 9 p.m, Saturday, Nov. 21, Innisfree Irish Pub and Grill, 6327 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Free, 21 and older, (734)

**FOURTH FUNKTION** With Switch and Sunday Afternoon, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge 21 and older. (248) 334-9292 (rock) GANG GREEN 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, The Shelter

below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door, All ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (punk) THE GHETTOBILLIES With Quasar Wut-Wut and Gravity Well, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19

l older. (734) 996-8555 (rock) COREY GLOVER Former lead singer of Living Colour, with Mr. Freedom X and 60 Second Crush, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit, \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door, 18 and older

http://www.alvins.xtcom.com (rock) GODSMACK 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$6 in advance, \$8 day of show. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (rock)

'AMY GRANT CHRISTMAS" With Grant, Michael W. Smith, CeCe Vinans and the Nashville Symphony Orchestra, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, The Palace of Auburn Hills 2 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills, \$24.50, \$27.50, \$34.50, and \$39.50. All ages. Groups of 10 or more receive \$3 off the ticket price. (248) 377-0100 or

http://www.palacenet.com (Christian) GRAVITY KILLS With Econoline Crush, 7:30 p.m. Friday. Nov. 20, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (rock)

9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Mr. B's Roadhouse, 6761 Dixle Highway, Clarkston. Free. 21 and older. (248) 988-1357: 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free, 21 and older. (248) 349-2600; 7:30 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 24, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600; 10 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, Bogey's, 142 E. Walled Lake Road, Walled Lake. Free. 21 and older. (248) 669-1441 (rock)

8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Royal Oak Music Theatre, 318 W. Fourth St. Music Theatre, 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. **Cancelled**. 21 and olde (248) 546-7610 (pop) LISA HUNTER

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Lonestar Coffee, 207 S. Old Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (248) 642-2233; 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 737-0110; 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Borders Books and Music, 43075 Crescent Boulevard, Novi. Free, All ages. (248) 347-0780 (acoustic rock)
JIMMIE JACKSON AND THE BLUES

CONNECTION 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 27-28, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248)

644-4800 (blues) NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS

10:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080; 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Nov. 25, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (R&B) 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, The Palace of

Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lepeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$38.50. All ages. (248) 377-0100 (god navinb-onsig) BIG JACK JOHNSON Formerly of the Jelly Roll Kings, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, First Street Grill,

102 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$8 in advance, \$10 day of show, 21 and older. (734) 213-6000 (delta blues) MIKE KING

8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester, Free, All

ages. (248) 651-1600; 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Second City's 5 Hole, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge, 21 and older, (313) 965-2222

KING SWEAT 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free 21 and older, (248) 360-7450 (R&B) KUNG FU DIESEL

10 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake. Free, 21 and older. (248) 683-5458 (rock)

MD & TOIN Celebrates release of CD \*Joy Box\*

with party and performance, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or http://www.a2ark.org (boogle-woogle) MUDPUPPY 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25,

Rochester Mills Beer Co.: 400 Water St., Rochester, Free, 21 and older, (248) 650-5080 (blues) 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, St.

Andrew's Hall. 431 E. Congress Detroit. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com (punk)

MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM MCCARTY 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Bobby J's Music Cafe, 29 Front St., Lake Orlon

Free. 21 and older. (248) 814-8550; 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Bogey's, 142 E. Walled Lake Road, Walled Lake, Free. 21 and older. (248) 669-1441; 9:45 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, The Cavern, 210 S. First St., Ann Arbor, Cover charge, 21 and older, (734) 332-9900

KAREN NEWMAN Detroit Red Wings national anthem singer performs songs from her new hollday CD, 8-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20. Borders Books and Music, 34300 Woodward Ave., Birmingham, Free, All ages. Portion of the proceeds from the sales of the CD benefit the trust fund for the injured Detroit Red Wings. (248) 203-0005 (pop)

NEWSBOYS With Third Day and The Walting, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr., Auburn Hills, \$20 reserved. Groups 10 or more receive \$5 off. (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com (Christian rock)

OPIE'S DREAM With Trauma Coil, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov 19. JD's Macomb Theatre. 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Co charge. 18 and older. (810) 913-1921

ROBERT PENN

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 20-21, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free, 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

POP O.D." CD RELEASE PARTY Featuring Twitch, Spati, Forge, Kristiva with Skinhorse, Red September, Culture Bandits, The Immortal Winos of Soul, Down Boyz, Passenger to Nowhere, Agent 009, The Impaler and Cindi St. Germain playing iggy Pop songs, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. \$5. 21 and older. (313) 875-6555 or http://www.detroitmu-

sic.com/static (variety)
PROFESSORS OF FAITH With You and Maggi, Pierce and E.J., 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit, \$5, 18 and older, (313) 832-2355 or

http://www.alvins.xtcom.com (rock) PUSHMONKEY 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Blind Pig. 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 19 and older. (734)

996-8555 (rock) GARY RASMUSSEN AND VAL VENTRO 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms Free. 21 and older. (313) 886-8101

THE RAT PACK

Featuring Mark Pasman, 10:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (blues) RED MERCURY BLUES BAND 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Fishbone's Rhythm Kitchen Cafe, 23722 Jefferson Ave., at Nine

Mile Road, St. Clair Shores. (810) 498-3000 (blues) KRISTIN SAYER BAND

10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Library Pub. 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (734) 421-2250 (R&B) SENSITIVE CLOWN As part of "Handmade" acoustic show, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Gargoyle's

Coffeehouse, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. 9248) 745-9790 (pop) IO SERRAPERE JO SERRAPERE 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester, Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (acoustic blues)

SEVENDUST With Clutch, Stuck Mojo and Ultraspank, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Harpo's, 14238 Harper Road, Detroit.

Tickets at Ticketmaster, All ages. (313) 824-1700 (rock) SOULSTICE 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern

Highway, Southfield, Free. 21 and older. (248) 223-1700 (funk covers) SPEEDRALL With the Twistin' Tarantulas and Alien

Feshion Show, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 25, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, \$5, 18 and older (313) 961 MELT or http://www.961melt.com (rock/rockabilly) JERRY SPRAGUE

10 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Tuesdays, Mitch's Place, 1301 S. University, Arin Arbor, Free, 21 and older, (734) 665-2650 (acoustic pop covers) THE STILL

9 p.m. Thursdey, Nov. 19, Bad Frog. Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham, Free, 21 and older, (248) 624-9400 (blues)

CURTIS SUMPTER PROJECT

9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, 24 Karat Club,
28949 Joy Road (two blocks east of Middlebelt Road), Westland, Cover. charge, 18 and older, (734) 513-5030

SUN MESSENGERS 9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, Karl's, 9779 Gotfredson Road, Plymouth, Free, 21 and older. (734) 455-8450 (R&B) TANGERINE TROUSERS 9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, Cadleux Cafe, 4300 Cadleux, Detroit, Free, 21 and older, (313) 882-8560 (pop)

THOSE DELTA RHYTHM KINGS 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 20, Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern. Highway, Southfield, Free. 21 and olden. (248) 223-1700 (blues)

With Whale, 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit, \$16, All ages. (313) 961 MELT or http://www.961melt.com (avant garde/pop) TWISTIN' TARANTULAS

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# 'I'll Be Home for Christmas' offers some fun

For your holiday planning convénience, let's eliminate those of you who won't care if Jonathan Taylor Thomas makes it home for Christmas.

Teenage girls will likely pass, having decided that the middle son from TV's "Home Improvement" has peaked as an idol. Likewise adolescent boys, who don't know what the girls saw in him in the first place. Most adults won't buy Thomas as a college student - not while his

voice is still changing.
"So who does that leave? Only kids who can't read this anyway, and their grandmothers. But there are lots of kids and grandmas who'll want to see-not rent-a

family film, and there is enough in this reverse "Home Alone" plot to make it a "could-see," if not a must-see.

Instead of an eight-year-old being left home alone to battle burglars on Christmas Eve, Thomas is a wiseguy freshman at a West Coast school who's left alone in the desert to battle a three-day deadline: he must make it home to suburban New York for Christmas Eve dinner.

Is he that homesick? Not hardly. In fact, he cashed in his airplane ticket to rent a condo in Cabo San Lucas for him and his too-trusting girlfriend Allie (Jes-sica Biel). But dad (Gary Cole of "The Brady Bunch" movies) wants son Jake home so badly that he promises him the keys to the vintage 1957 Porsche they rebuilt together if the deadline is met.

To which we ask; why? Jake is a first-class heel, the school's scam artist who sells fake IDs and test answers to dumb jocks. The girlfriend's got it right when she tells him, "you don't have one decent chromosome in your DNA." But every few minutes they cut back to his family moping around the Christmas tree in hopes that son Jake soon will be

Meanwhile Jake, as noted, has been stranded in the southern California desert in a glued-on Santa suit, the object of revenge by the jocks after one of his schemes was sabotaged by rival, Eddie (Adam LaVorgna). In the

ensuing cross-country trek, Jake meets up with all manner of weirdoes, from a car-full of elderly Vegas-bound Tom Jones fanatics (including the wonderfullycranky Kathleen Freeman, who's been doing this forever) to a Sad Sack singing cop, All the while, Allie and Eddie are heading east also, barely a step ahead in his Pathfinder, and their ride together suggests that he-Eddie-is a much better match for Allie than out-for-himself Jake.

Thomas has obviously learned much by hanging around Tim Allen, but attempting to copy Allen's style of off-hand quips is like a kid trying on dad's pants when they're still too big Macauley Caulkin carried "Home Alone" in large part because the character was written so well. Jake's conversion from rat to loving son and boyfriend is far out even for Disney, and Thomas is in over his head as the male lead.

That said, the youngest movie-goers will still find some fun stuff here, from trained buzzards to a 5k run with hundreds of Santas to a Christmas parade

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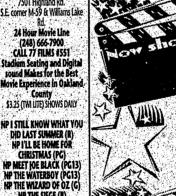
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time for is another preview of Backstage Pass on Detroit Public Television. This is a must-see show that you are definitely not going to want to miss, so either use your VCRs or remember to tune in.

On this week's show we have a trio of musicians that can appeal to just about any age group and a legendary trumpet artist who was one of the first to ever introduce jazz and funk together. Also a behind the scenes look at the 27 Detroit area kids that will be performing with the Harlem Nutcracker Troupe as well as the chost from Christmas future will stop by to give us all a show from "A Christmas Carol." Medeski, Martin and Wood

three names that can pretty much stop traffic in the world of jazz, and we have them on the show. The tight knit group hailing from New York has often been called more funk than jazz, but either way there is not a soul debating that these guys are getting international praise

PARAMOUNT PICTURES AND VIACOM INTERNATIONAL INC. Animated feature: Lil (left), Chuckie, Tommy and Phil star in "The Rugrats Movie.

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Scheduled to open Friday, Dec. 18 "JACK FROST"

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"YOU'VE GOT MAIL"

A romantic comedy about two book store owners, rivals who accidentally fall in love in cyberspace with Tom

# Medeski, Martin and Wood perform on Backstage Pass

PASS

Hello again! It for their music, Medeski, Martin and Wood, more often referred to as MMW, have created their newest record, "Combustication," and so far it has received rave reviews from critics.

In the group's bio Martin says that the key to MMW's success is band chemistry. "We admire each other. It's like a family. We're here to play music, but we're also friends. All of our compositions are collaborations that we spontaneously develop on the road or in the studio. Everyone contributes and everyone balances each other out. But what's really important is that we feel comfortable trying new things together. Medeski added, "That's right. We could settle for just being a grooving organ trio. But that would be too easy. We not only like the challenge, but we're seeking new ways to express ourselves

Backstage Pass' music produc-er Ron Pangborn offered, "The jazz organ trio of Medeski, Martin and Wood has something curious about them, and that is the fact that they can appeal to a much younger generation. Those that can appreciate the Grateful Dead and the Dave Matthews Band can also appreciate MMW. These guys are on a

but for their Backstage Pass show they are going to so an acoustic show for us. They are really excited about that because they can really get into this especially since they haven't had many chances to do that on this tour.

major electric tour with a DJ

Also stopping by to do a live studio performance is Donald Byrd. Donald is a Detroit jazz legend and he is going to debut 'A Voyage of Discovery, The Collection of Donald Byrd" at the Focus: Hope Gallery. This will be the first time Donald will display his extensive personal collection of African American and African art for the public to Ron Pangborn has set up an

awesome ensemble to accompany Byrd in our studio, "We have a great group to back up Donald. Teddy Harris is going to be on the piano, Marian Hayden on bass and drummer George Davison."

This week's show is just going to blow the roof off any house that is tuned into Detroit Public Television. You can catch this week's show Sunday at 7:30, Thursday at 5:30 and once more Friday at midnight.

# STREET SCENE

# Glover shares a labor of love



Glover, former lead singer of Living Colour, that he has a

is eager to let people know new album out, "Hymns" (LaFace Arista). You can't really blame him.

"The record's been done for 2-1/2-3 years. I was on another label. I got off that label because I didn't think they had what it takes to make it work We moved to another one and tried to find someplace else that was a lot more friendly, Glover explained.

Hopefully this label will work out for him. "Hymns" is an incredible album that brings Glover's powerful voice into modern R&B, soul and pop are nas. Songs like the unabashed sexuality of "Do You First, Then Do Myself," the ballad "April Rain," and the slow groove of "Sidewalk Angel," make this one to listen to. The soulful bal-lad "Little Girl," if released to radio, could be an instant hit.

"Hymns" takes Glover in a different direction than Living Colour. While the rock band experimented with a variety of sounds, Glover sticks close to modern R&B, soul and pop with "Hymns."

"With Living Colour, we were trying to be cutting edge. I wanted something very warm and intimate and very much like the songs themselves. It's very introspective," Glover

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"A lot of the stuff was done very organically. There are no synthesizers on this record whatsoeven It's all real sounds. It was very much a band process. We all sat in the same room with no special guests for the most part."

The songs are intensely per sonal, many of which were written soon after the death of his father. Glover is still uncomfortable singing some of

"Some of the songs are hard in that they were very intimate things that I wasn't sure if I wanted to talk about," Glover

explained. "When I was in Living Colour, I had to express my emotions in a group context. But with this record, I was really able to dig down inside The ability to emote in music helps transform anything bad into something good, and it keeps me alive and happy."

Glover is coming to town on Saturday, Nov. 21, to play Alvin's in Detroit,

"It's an album that literally I've been working on for three years and now many people know about it. It's a true labor of love. It's something I'm married to and born to."

Corey Glover with special guests Mr. Freedom X and 60 Second Crush, perform Saturday, Nov. 21, at Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Doors open at 9 p.m. for the 18 and older show. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. For more information, visit any Ticketmaster outlet, call (313) 832-2355.

Home Jour Ment you!

# Reggae band wins Miller support

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO

Tom Wall specifically remem-

bers the day he was entranced by reggae music. "I always really liked Bob Marley. Back when I was really young, in my teens, I saw him play live. I thought, This is too much.' He just captivated the crowd. It was unbelievable," said Wall, a graduate of Seaholm High School in Birmingham,

So inspiring, in fact, that it motivated him to start a reggee band. Now, 11 Detroit Music Awards nominations, two wins, and a Miller Genuine Draft sponsorship later, Wall has a new goal with his band Immuni-

ty. "We want to become teen

Thanks to Miller Genuine Draft, the faces of Immunity – lead guitarist/ percussionist/ vocalist Wall, rhythm guitarist/percussionist Tom Varga, bassist Bill Koggenhop, a graduate of Lahser High School in Bloomfield Hills, singer Jonathan Pettus of Royal Oak, and percussionist/vocalist Tony Mitchell of Pontiac – can be seen on posters plastered around

Immunity is the first reggae band to be sponsored by the Miller Genuine Draft Michigan Who: Immunity

When: Performs from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, Nov. 20 Where: Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road,

Commerce Township, How: The show is free and open to those ages 21 and older. For more information,

call (248) 360-7450. Other upcoming perfor-

From 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 21, Bogey's, 142 E. Walled Lake Dr., Walled Lake. (248) 669-1441; From 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 27, The Library Pub. 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. (248) 349-9110; and from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 28, at Union Lake Grill and open to those 21 and older.

Music Network.

"We didn't have a reggae band and they are playing a lot of the best young adult clubs in a lot of the key young adult areas. Plus they have a great stage personal-ity," said Kraus, event manager for GMR Marketing, Inc., in New Berlin, Wisc.

Kraus said that the bands are chosen based on research by "the people working the streets for

through local publications as well. We look and see what names are playing, which places they play frequently, and ask around," he said.

In the past 19 years, the Band Network project has sponsored the Fabulous Thunderbirds, The Del Fuegos, The Producers, Roomful of Blues and Johnny Clyde Copeland.

Locally The Rev. Right Time and the First Cuzins of Funk, Johnny "Yarddog" Jones, Kung Fu Diesel and the Killer Flamingos are also sponsored by Miller. Immunity's sponsorship runs through 1999:

As a benefit, the bands receive signs, posters, band-specific banners, clothing and an incentive bonus.

"They produced 2,000 posters with the band's likeness that we can put up where the band is going to play. We also receive a good discount on equipment; said Immunity's manager Terri Koggenhop.

"I worked on Miller for a year. Once they saw us, it was a done deal," she added:

Immunity's live shows are energetic, bringing over the band members' trademark senses of humor. Impromptu jam sessions are common-place, with Wall trading his guitar for percussion.

The showpiece, he said, howev-

Miller. We find these bands er, is lead singer Jonathan Pet-through local publications as tus, a Trinidad native who now, lives in Royal Oak.

"Jon gets out and moves. I can't do what he does. He moves in a way that nobody else moves. He's quite dynamic and very hyper," rhythm guitarist/percus, sionist Tom Varga.

Immunity formed three years ago, spending its first year play, ing on the west coast of Michigan. The band broke into Detroit in 1996. A year later, it was nome inated for the outstanding reg gae group, outstanding world music group and outstanding, live performance Detroit Music Awards. Bassist Bill Koggenhop was up for outstanding jazz. bassist in 1997.

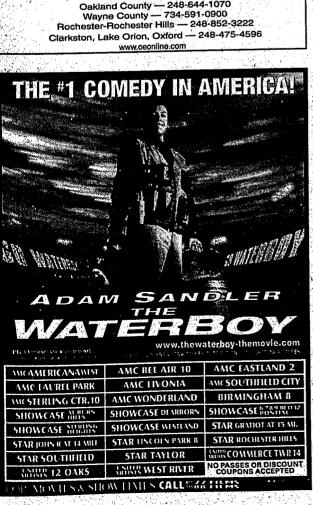
This year, of the seven nominations, Koggenhop won the out-standing reggae/ska instrumentalist prize, while Pettus landed the outstanding reggae/ska vocalist award. Wall was also up for the same award.

"It was cool to have two people in the band nominated for the

same awards," Wall said. Besides the Miller sponsorship. Immunity has upped its visibility by playing 120 gigs a year, sometimes two in one day. This summer, the band performed at a private party for Janet Jackson in Joe Louis Arena's Olympia Room prior to her show at the arena.



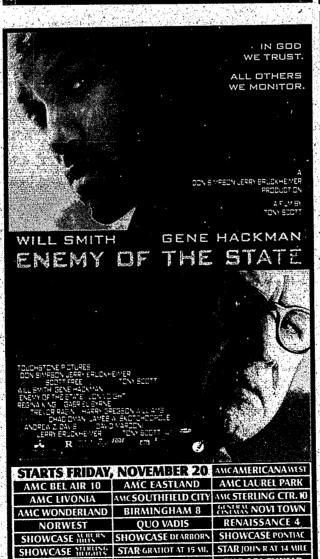




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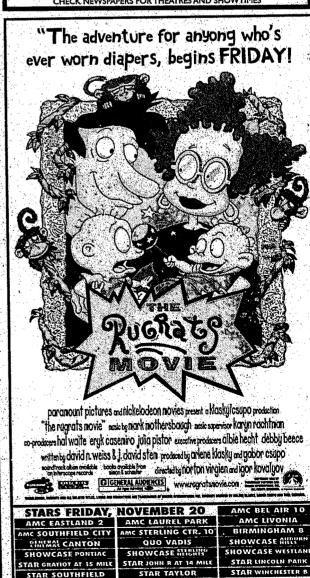
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# LEBRATING BIRTHDAYS AT RESTAURANTS

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BY MARY QUINLEY

Smile - it's your birthday! And to help celebrate the occasion, many local eateries offer their customers a variety of incentives for birthday dining, Here's a sampling:

# SWEET AFTON TEA ROOM

450 Forest Ave., Plymouth, (734)

We offer a complimentary birthday shortbread wrapped in a doily with a ribbon. People are tickled and surprised when we serve it," said Cindy Belanger, co-owner. Restaurant personnel are happy to accommodate birth-day patron. If requested, adds Belanger, "we will send the ladies from the kitchen to sing."

# KYOTO JAPANESE STEAK HOUSE

1985 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy, (248) 649-6340; 21150 Haggerty Road, Farmington Hills, (248) 348-7900

Does a quarter slice of fresh pineapple topped with vanilla ice cream entice you? Perhaps a piece of frozen strawberry ice cream cake sounds more appealing. The choice of a complimentary dessert is yours at local Kyoto

Here's a list of some other local eateries which cater to the birthday person. Be sure to call first for specific

- Bill Knapp's (all locations)
- Blakeney's Ranch House, Farmington (248) 477-8545
- Chi-Chi's (all locations)
- Golden Mushroom, Southfield, (248) 559-4230 Hawthorne Gardens Restaurant, Westland, (734) 422-
- 3440 Max & Erma's (all locations) Mountain Jack's (ali loca-
- tions) ■ Peabody's, Birmingham, (248) 644-5222
- M Station 885, Plymouth, (734) 459-0885

restaurants if it's your birthday.

### Fox & Hounds

1560 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 644-4800

This 1927 landmark offers a festive birthday package which includes multi-colored helium balloons, a 6-inch "Best Wishes"

cake, and a "Congratulations" banner hung over the booth. The charge is \$20.

Looking for a little less fanfare? Then order the cake for \$10. With advance notice the cake can be personalized.

### EASTSIDE MARIO'S

31630 Plymouth Road, Livonia. (734) 513-8803; 2273 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills, (248) 853-9622; 29267 Southfield Road, Southfield, (248) 569-9454

Get ready for some silly shenanigans and lots of laughs. At a recent birthday dinner, the guest of honor was asked to stand up and hold a large green pepper in his hand (some celebrants hold an onion or a tomatol) while the staff clapped and sang an upbeat version of "Happy Birthday." Complimentary dessert follows the playful performance.

### MR. B'S FOOD & SPIRITS

423 Main St., Rochester, (248) 651-6534; Mr. B's Troy, 3946 Rochester Road, Troy, (248) 689-6070; Mr. B's Plymouth Grill, 1020 W. Ann Arbor Road, Ply-mouth, (734) 459-4190; Monterrey Cantina, 2601 Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, (248) 853-

6800; and Mr. B's Spectadium, 2511 Livernois, Troy, (248) 362-

Birthday celebrants of all ages receive a complimentary entree priced up to \$8 at any Mr. B's eatery (there are a total of 13 restaurants in metro Detroit). Proof of birth date is required.

"Birthdays help our business because the birthday person comes in with other people," said Mark Menendez, manager Ply-mouth Mr. B's. "We probably get 10-15 (celebrants ) a day."

### BENITO'S PIZZA

8129 Middlebelt Road, Westland, (734) 458-5130; Shell Foodmart, corner of Farmington and Six Mile Roads, Livonia, (734) 425-3933; 33447 Ford Road, Garden City, (784) 427-2830; locations also in Canton, Southgate, Sumpter, Belleville, Wayne and Rockwood

Show ID (birth certificate for kids) and pick up a free small pizza with cheese and one item. on the day of your birthday.

To avoid disappointment, call the restaurant before finalizing your plans, Happy Birthday!

# THANKSGIVING DINNER

Check out these Thursday, Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Day dinner options available at the following restaurants. Reserving in advance is strongly advised and in some cases essential.

### BOTSFORD INN

2800 Grand River, Farmington Hills (248) 474-4800.

Seatings for a Thanksgiving buffet in the main dining room. begin at noon and can be scheduled on the hour until 4 p.m. In the coach house, seatings are on the hour between 1 and 4 p.m. The bountiful buffet includes salads, relishes, vegetable with dip in addition to roast turkey, savory dressing with all the trimmings, sliced roast beef with mushroom sauce, smoked cider-baked ham or baked cod fish. Cost is \$19.95 per person plus \$1.50 beverage. Children age 10 and under half price.

# STEVE & ROCKY'S

43150 Grand River Avenue, Novi (248) 374-0688. Chefs Steve Allen and "Rocky" Rachwitz have

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a memorable experience planned with their limited sit-down menu. Turkey with all the trimmings is \$14 and \$8 for children, In addition, 10 choices, some of them autumn favorites such as goose and venison, range \$14-22.

# MARVIN'S BISTRO & PIANO BAR

15800 Middlebelt, Livonia (734) 522-5600, Thanksgiving Day Buffet, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Menu includes Roast Turkey, Honey Baked Ham, Roast Beef Au Jus and Baked Cod Fish served with Marvin's Turkey Stuffing, Sweet Potatoes, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, pasta, vegetable stir-fry and an assortment of desserts. The cost is \$12,95 adults, \$5.95 children under age 5. Chuck Shelby plays piano 3-8 p.m.

# WATER CLUB GRILL

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evolution of the famous Coca-Cola Santa. All proceeds benefit

children and charities in Southwestern Michigan this Holiday

season. So, please join us and experience the gift of giving.

39500 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, (734) 454-0666. Thanksgiving Buffet 1-6 p.m. Menu includes Roast Turkey, Glazed Ham, Lemon Encrusted Scrod and Pasta Primavera with a

variety of side dishes - house salad with strawberry vinaigrette, mashed potatoes and gravy, sausage and cornbread stuffing, cranberry relish, and fresh vegetables. Pumpkin pie for dessert. The cost is \$13.95

# CHARLEY'S CRAB

5498 Crooks Road, Troy, next to Northfield Hilton, (248) 879-2060. From noon to 9 p.m., in addition to favorite Charley's Classics from the dinner menu. roast turkey with traditional side dishes \$13,75. Children's portion is \$6.75. Also offered

adults, \$6.95 children.

there's traditional fresh Amishwith fresh autumn side dishes. are Canadian goose with Port wine demi-glace \$18.75; braised Colorado lamb shank with mushroom au jus \$14.50; and panko crumbed Lake Superior

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# 18 S. Main, Clarkston (248) 625-5660. From noon to 6 p.m., the Clarkston Cafe offers a traditional turkey dinner with stuffing, yams, cranberry sauce, veg-etable, mashed potatoes and gravy \$15.95. Children under five years old get a free turkey dinner with purchase of an adult

entree. Other choices include, prime rib, pork loin or whitefish Prices range \$15-20. All come with choice of soup or salad and bread basket.

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CLARKSTON CAFE

28875 Franklin Road, (corner of 12 Mile Road and Northwestern Highway), Southfield (248) 358-3355. Open for dinner 2-10 p.m. Service will be from the dinner

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# HISTORIC HOLLY HOTEL

110 Battle Alley, Holly (248) 634-5208. From 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. a traditional Thanksgiving Dinner along with entrees such as garlic-roasted leg of lamb, poached Norwegian salmon or grilled New York strip steak, for those wanting to skip turkey. Included are cream of butternut squash soup, harvest greens salad and an assortment of desserts. Cost is \$20 per person. Children \$9.

### MERIWETHER'S

25485 Telegraph Road, South-

field (248) 358-1310 from 2-8 p.m. Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings, \$16 and \$6 for kids 12 and under. Selections of seafood, pastas and steaks from the regular menu range \$14-17.

### ROCHESTER CHOP HOUSE

306 North Main, Rochester (248) 651-2266. "Thanksgiving at our home" is the special theme from 12:30-6:30 p.m., Fresh Tom turkey served with buttered mashed potatoes, giblet gravy, spaghetti squash and cranberry relish is \$15. Children's portion for ages 13 and under \$6. Other dishes also available.



Children \$395 under 10..... Dinner includes Turkey Noodle Soup, Honey Baked Bread, Cream Mashed Pointoes, Gibel Gravy, Vegetable of the Day.

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