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**Water main extension:** Independence Township may extend a water main along Clintonville Road from Maybee Road, providing residents with a chance to hook up. /A4

## SPORTS

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## AROUND



## THE MILL POND

### Deer today, gone tomorrow?

A conversation was overheard at a local eatery, recently, in which a man (we wonder if his name is Lucky) was explaining to rapt listeners that he was, for the second time in his life, involved in a deer/car collision.

Like the deer in accident No. 1, deer No. 2 went aloft.

Our storyteller thought to himself (you know how time seems to stand still during these kinds of adventures), "Oh, no. Not again." And he wondered if this deer would land on him like the first one did.

Fortune smiled on our storyteller. Best two out of three?

### Who goosed the what?

Some of you Baby Boomers out there may remember chuckling over a lame joke from the early 1960s that was patterned after a book title and went like this: "Antlers In The Tree-tops" by "Who Goosed The Moose?"

We're wondering what jokester goosed that little pink bunny into the tree off Sashabaw Road near Stickney?

Hope he makes it down in time for Easter.

## House of healing



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HOFFMEYER

House calls: Dr. Clark Sutherland built his residence at 59 S. Main St. in downtown Clarkston about 1903. He treated patients in his office at the house, which still stands today and has been converted into apartments.



Country doctor: Dr. Sutherland delivered most of the babies in the Clarkston area at the turn of the century.

## The Sutherland House

### Doctor left a living legacy

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

The colorful Dahlias stood tall in Dr. Clark Sutherland's garden, being the older, larger variety that grow away from the earth and up the length of a wooden stake.

"His favorite were Dahlias," said Independence Township resident John Ronk, who, as a child, spent countless hours playing in the garden behind Sutherland's house.

Ronk, 70, is also the doctor's godson. John and his brother Frank practically grew up at the large, Queen-Anne style house.

Frank, a former township supervisor, also resides in the area and is 68.

As children, the Ronk brothers lived only a few doors away from Sutherland, and because their mother worked, spent their days at the house. Their great aunt was one of Sutherland's nurses and supervised the children.

"We used to run through the house and hide," Frank recalled. "Of course, he had a big yard and we used it and the garden. It was a great place for kids to play. ... It was a big house and, to me, in those days it was quite a thing."

Built around 1903, its architectural features

include original diamond-shaped window panes, multiple roof gables and wooden shingles. A wrap-around porch typical of the building style has since been removed.

The house, which today serves as apartments, stands in its original location at 59 S. Main St. in the city of the Village of Clarkston.

Older pictures of the Sutherland House illustrate the impact of development; as more and more buildings came to Main Street, the house's commanding,

Please see SUTHERLAND HOUSE, A2

## Building Memories

### Sutherland House

Current address: 59 S. Main St.

Year built: circa 1903

Original owner: Dr. Clark Sutherland

Current owner: EC Properties

Architectural features: Queen-Anne

house with diamond-shaped window

panes, multiple roof gables and wooden

shingles, wrap-around porch

(since removed)

## Planners: Law isn't halting urban sprawl

BY CAROLYN WALKER  
STAFF WRITER

Rep. Tom Middleton (R-Ortonville) believes the Land Division Act he helped devise and implement through the Michigan Legislature last year will help to curb urban sprawl — despite the fact that it has some flaws.

But while Middleton, who has a farming background, has big hopes for the act and what it will do for Michigan land, especially up north, local officials are wringing their hands in frustration and calling the act a convoluted failure.

Dick Carlisle, planner for both Springfield and Independence townships, summed up on Thursday what most area officials seem to be thinking:

"The Land Division Act accomplished none of the state objectives to stop sprawl. It has done, and it will do, nothing to stem sprawl. It will not preserve open spaces," he said, emphatically.

The act, which Middleton said was whittled down to about 10 or 12 pages from a 110-page document after one-and-a-half years of consulting with such organizations as the Michigan

Department of Transportation and the Michigan Farm Bureau, outlines new state requirements for splitting parcels. It went into effect on March 31, 1997, and replaced the Subdivision Control Act of 1967.

It has created an assessing nightmare for local governments, agree assessors David Kramer of Independence and Judy Shirk of Springfield. In addition, it overrides the authority of local governments and, in the case of Springfield, no longer allows them to enforce an ordinance that requires perk tests on property that is being

sold. "Before, at least in this community, the potential purchaser had some assurance that he had a buildable parcel," said Shirk.

In Independence, perk tests are deferred to county control and not regulated at the township level, Carlisle and Kramer said.

"They wanted to do away with the rules of the old subdivision act and they made a very complex law," said Kramer, who was contacted at his

Please see URBAN SPRAWL, A2

## Violinist, 17, to perform in England

BY JULIANNE SWEENEY  
SPECIAL WRITER

Three years ago, Stacy Fike wasn't prepared for the powerful emotions that a symphony orchestra can evoke. It was her first practice with the Flint Youth Symphony, and Stacy sat in her chair, stunned.

"It blew me away," Stacy said. "I'd never actually been in a symphony orchestra. We just had the strings or the woodwinds, but the symphony has so much power — it was amazing."

Stacy, a 17-year-old Clarkston High School senior, has played the violin for eight years. On March 29, she will travel to England with the symphony, where they will perform at a music school in Repton, England, then do two public concerts in London. She said the concerts are being publicized

throughout London. Stacy was just a preschooler when the inspiration to play the violin struck her.

"One day I saw a girl playing the violin on Sesame Street, and after that I always knew that's what I would do," she said.

She began playing at school in Troy before moving to Clarkston four years ago with her parents,

Suzanne and Randall, and younger brother, Rustin.

This will be Stacy's second trip to Europe with the Flint Youth Symphony. Two years ago they went to Paris to perform with another youth orchestra. The power of the music they played together helped Stacy communicate with her French-speaking host family.

"The people I stayed with in Paris didn't speak English so we couldn't speak a word the whole time," Stacy said. "Then we started playing together and the music was the same — that was really something."

The Flint Youth Symphony Orchestra has 78 members from Flint and the mid-Michigan area, ranging in age from 8 to 18. The group has also per-

Please see VIOLINIST, A2



On tour: Violinist Stacy Fike, 17, will play in England.









# It's snow joke: Pine Knob is open again

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

The proprietors of Pine Knob Ski Resort in Independence Township are giving the ski season one last try.

After a 10-day shutdown at the ski area, the slopes were opened Friday for the weekend. Lift ticket prices were also reduced from \$24 to \$15 in an effort to attract customers.

"It's just us and Mount Holly," said Pine Knob's general manager Robert Shick of the re-opening, which may help him recoup a small portion of the business he has lost this year due to abnormally high temperatures and a lack of snow.

If temperatures remain low, the ski lifts will continue running through the week, he said. "It's just been such goofy weather. ... We're feeling like farmers — just waiting for the weather to cooperate."

While the resort has been open more than 60 days — a relatively normal ski season in Michigan — attendance has been quite low, Shick said, estimating that lift ticket sales were down by about 15 percent.

While between 1,000 and 1,500 skiers and snowboarders take to the slopes on an average, mid-season Saturday, attendance this season has been as low as

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*Robert Shick  
—Pine Knob manager*

500.

It's also been as high as 1,700, he said. Skiers and snowboarders have flocked to the resort on open days for fear the season is about to end.

"It's pretty normal in Michigan to be open and then closed, but this year's been a little worse," Shick said. "If we can open, we will," he said. "Although the natural snowfall has very little effect on conditions, it does affect people's minds. ... If the temperatures stay low, we'll be just fine. If it's 32 degrees or less, people just think skiing."

*Pine Knob Ski Resort is expected to be open 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, March 7, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 8. For additional information, call (248) 625-0800.*

## Storage barn approved for Clintonwood Park

Independence Township trustees on Tuesday approved funding for construction of a pole barn in Clintonwood Park.

The 40-foot by 80-foot barn will be built behind the park's baseball concession stand and serve as a storage facility for lawn mowers, sporting equipment and other large items kept at the park.

Clintonwood Park is on Clarkston Road between M-15 and Sashabaw.

Cost of the project, slated to begin within two weeks, is \$32,500. Construction is expected to be complete by mid April.

The new building will enable the township's Parks and Recreation Department to provide better service and maintain better organization, said Ann Conklin, department director.

Also, three existing park buildings currently used for storage will eventually be vacated and used for other purposes, as a result of the construction, Conklin said.

One building will be converted into a staff office. Another will serve as a shelter where park users can seek refuge from bad weather. A third building will be turned into a workshop for the park's maintenance staff.

The building conversions, however, won't be completed until 1999, Conklin said.

Although \$30,000 was approved for the pole barn's construction during the township's last round of budget sessions, trustees decided to approve an additional \$2,500 in funding so the project could be completed in full.

## Public to review health video

The public is invited Monday, March 9, to review updated video materials being considered for inclusion in Clarkston School District's elementary school health curriculum.

The materials include age-appropriate information on child safety and protection from abuse.

All materials to be reviewed

have been approved by the Clarkston Community Reproductive Health Advisory Committee and will be considered for adoption by the Clarkston Board of Education.

The materials may be reviewed at 5 p.m. in the board of education offices on Clarkston Road east of Main Street.

## POLICE NEWS

The following incidences were reported to police and fire agencies in Independence and the city of Clarkston March 2-5.

### Independence Police

#### Thefts

On March 3, a cell phone, briefcase, books, planner and boots were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Sashabaw Road.

#### Vandalism

On March 3, a jelly-like substance was thrown at the side of a vehicle, breaking off its mirror, as the vehicle traveled down Paramus Drive.

### Independence Fire

Between March 2-5, firefighters responded to 15 calls. Among them were three medical runs, five personal injury accidents, one fuel spill and one grass fire. They included:

On March 3, firefighters issued a warning to a contractor

who was burning construction materials at a site on Deerwood.

On March 3, firefighters assisted an employee who had locked keys in a vehicle at a business on Dixie Highway.

### Clarkston Police

On March 3, officers responded to an accident on Washington Street at Holcomb. In that accident a vehicle driven by a Clarkston woman turned from Washington onto Holcomb into the path of a vehicle driven by a Clarkston man. The woman was cited for failure to yield the right of way.

On March 4, officers stopped a vehicle on Clarkston Road near Robertson Court for a speed violation. The driver of that vehicle, a 30-year-old Clarkston man, was found to be under the influence of intoxicants. He registered a 0.11 on a Breathalyzer test and was arrested. Bond was posted on his behalf and he is to appear March 17 in 52/2 District Court for arraignment.

## First aid



STAFF PHOTOS BY STEVE CANTRELL

**Rescue breathing:** Health teacher Bill Gunther (left photo) watches as student Matt Kunkle prepares to practice rescue breathing on a dummy during class Wednesday at Clarkston's Springfield Plains Elementary School. Elizabeth Eastman (above) blows air into the dummy's mouth.

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# Independence water line proposed

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Dreading the day the water well goes dry may no longer be a concern for some Independence Township residents.

Water quality, too, may disappear from the list of household worries.

"It's always a much better idea to have municipal water," said Greg Christopher, who owns the Clinton Villa Manufactured Home Community, a 174-unit mobile home park in the path of a water main extension that the township may build.

Township trustees Tuesday gave the Department of Public Works the go-ahead to design a 4,000-foot water main that would run south on Clintonville Road between Maybee and Reeder roads.

The project is unique because property developers, rather than the township, typically take on such projects when they build new developments.

While the extension would feed into several proposed developments, it would also provide hook-ups to at least 20 existing houses, a barbershop, church and nursing home, in addition to the mobile home park. The cost of hooking up to the system would be \$1,000 per user, the township's standard charge for use.

Existing occupants along the line could then discontinue use of private wells. Owners of the nursing home would also have the option of installing a fire sprinkler system, said Independence Township Department of Public Works Director George Anderson.

Another gain for residents would be the placement of fire hydrants at the location, which would lower home insurance rates, Anderson said.

Hubbell Roth & Clark will design the water line, which is expected to go out for bids in April. "Hopefully, we could have the project started in April and done by May," Anderson said.

While residents and business owners

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**George Anderson**  
—public works director

currently using well water at the location would not be required to tap into the system, Anderson believes doing so would be wise in the long run.

"Any homeowner whose well goes dead will probably find out that it would be cheaper to hook up with us than fix the well," he said, estimating the cost of a new water well at about \$2,500.

"It's always a benefit to everybody in my opinion," Christopher added. "You have a much more accountable system. ... It's an excellent idea."

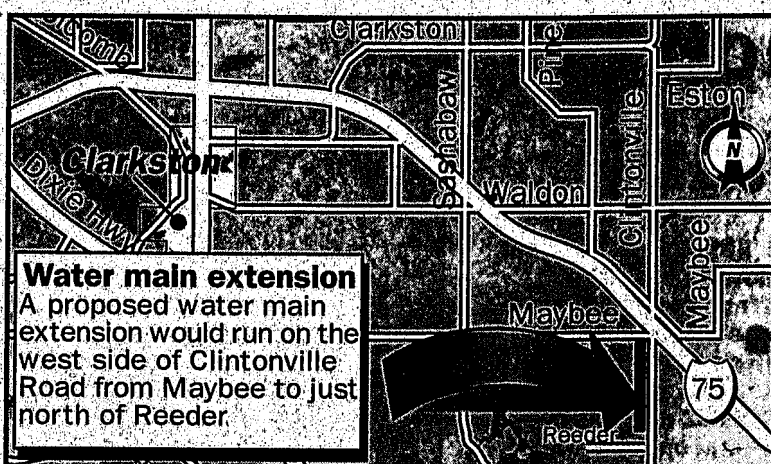
Many homeowners with private wells, for example, don't regularly test their water, Christopher said, citing a common concern about well water consumption. With municipal water services, residents are assured safe water because the municipality handles all testing, he said.

Christopher, too, would have one less responsibility as the owner of Clinton Villa. Monitoring the water to make sure it meets clean drinking water standards isn't easy, he said.

"As the years go by, compliance becomes more difficult. ... I wouldn't have to deal with the more stringent requirements that will typically be added for compliance."

Although Independence Township would have to finance the Clintonville extension, the project will ultimately allow the township to grow its water fund in addition to providing a beneficial service to existing residents, Anderson said.

The township charges \$1,000 per unit (single family house) for use of the water



HELEN FURCEAN / STAFF ARTIST

line and 600-700 units would potentially hook up to the extension.

The result is that the township's water fund would gain \$600,000 to \$700,000. And since building the water line has been estimated to cost \$280,000 or less, the township would accumulate more than \$300,000 for future water projects.

Developers have installed and picked up the tab for about 90 percent of the community's current system, according to Anderson.

However, there are several areas in the community where linking users and filling in the gaps of the municipal water system will require township funds.

The money generated by the Clintonville project would not only fund repairs on existing pipes but also provide capital for these extensions, Anderson said.

"We're rapidly approaching the point where we're going to have to connect the

dots," he said. About five areas in the township will require municipal money because they are too small for large development, and connecting would be too costly for individual homeowners, Anderson said.

One such area, a stretch of land on Clarkston Road east to Clintonville, would require over one mile of pipe to link users to the water main, he said. "And we're going to have to extend a water main across that line at some point."

The projects have also been outlined in the township's water master plan, which is guiding officials towards attaining a comprehensive municipal water system, Anderson added.

"Most townships that have water systems have a master plan, and we've pretty much followed ours," he said. "And when those areas are connected, we would, generally, have a complete system."

## 9 qualify for marketing conference

Nine marketing students from the Oakland Technical Center-Northwest Campus have qualified for the State DECA Conference in Dearborn. DECA is a national, marketing student organization. This competition was at the district level with over 400 students competing.

The students who have qualified to represent Oakland Technical Center-Northwest Campus are:

■ Andrea Blair and Tracy Helms: Team Decision Making Management Level-Travel and Tourism.

■ Nikisha Spence: Apparel and Accessories Management Level.

■ Jacqueline Puroll: Retail Merchandising Associate Level.

■ Pat Purdon: Full Serve Restaurant Level.

■ Sarah Krogsrud: Apparel and Accessories Associate Level.

■ Jeff LaGriff: Technical Marketing Representative.

■ Cristina Sulisz: Quick Serve Restaurant Management.

■ Stephanie Jaynes: Retail Merchandising Management Level.

To learn more about DECA or the OTC Marketing Program, contact Maria Foster at 625-5202, ext. 24.

## AGENDA

### Springfield Township

650 Broadway  
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625-4802, 634-3111

### Board of Trustees

7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 12

### Tentative Agenda:

#### Call To Order

#### Roll Call

#### Agenda Additions and Changes

#### Public Comment

#### Consent Agenda:

a) Approval of Minutes: Feb. 12, 1998 Regular Meeting.

b) Acceptance of February Treasurer's Report

c) Receipt of February Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Litigation, Fire and Ordinance

d) Authorize payment of bills as presented

e) First Reading: Amendment to Ordinance No. 26, Wireless Communications Facilities; authorize Clerk to publish for Second Reading

f) Authorize extension of 1997 contract and rates with Road Maintenance Inc. for 1998 road chloriding

g) Authorize amendment of FY98 SMART credit contract and transfer of additional \$2,411 in credits to Independence Township

h) Accept resignation of Harry Kirk from Zoning Board of Appeals

i) Adopt resolution supporting Michigan Natural Trust Fund Grant application to acquire property

j) Waive Township Board bid process policy to conform to grant application approved and awarded to U.S. EPA

k) Adopt Fire Department Policies: Accident with Fire Equipment, EMS Personnel Only, Personal Injury, Truck and Equipment Maintenance, Incident Command

l) Receipt of Communications:

-Receipt of letter from Oakland County Center for Open Housing

#### Old Business:

1. Bridge Lake Road Paving Project: Bid Award

2. 1998 Susin Lake Weed Control Program

3. Second Reading: Amendment to Zoning Ordinance No. 26: Environmental Performance Standards

4. Erin Estates: Final Plat Changes

#### New Business:

1. Ellis Creek Estates: Replat Lots 16 and 17

2. Lots Split and Combination: Supervisor Plat No. 11, Lots 2-4

3. Sidewalk Maintenance Ordinance: 1st Reading

4. Mallard Information and Financial Projection

5. Phone Michigan Franchise Request

#### Public Comment

#### Adjourn

### Sign of the Beefcarver locations:

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Mt. Clemens

Sterling Heights

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Dearborn

Madison Heights

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### Kerby's

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Haggerty/8 Mile Rd.

03/03 at 10:00 AM

03/05 at 10:00 AM

03/10 at 10:00 AM

03/12 at 10:00 AM

03/17 at 10:00 AM

03/19 at 10:00 AM

03/24 at 10:00 AM

03/26 at 10:00 AM

03/31 at 10:00 AM

### Big Boy Restaurant

Southfield

Grodan/Telegraph

03/10 at 10:00 AM

03/17 at 10:00 AM

03/24 at 10:00 AM

03/31 at 10:00 AM

### Med Max locations:

Orchard Lake

03/02 at 1:00 PM

03/09 at 1:00 PM

03/16 at 1:00 PM

03/23 at 1:00 PM

03/30 at 1:00 PM

Farmington Hills

03/02 at 1:00 PM

03/09 at 1:00 PM

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Taylor

03/04 at 1:00 PM

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03/18 at 1:00 PM

03/25 at 1:00 PM

Westland

03/05 at 1:00 PM

03/12 at 1:00 PM

03/19 at 1:00 PM

03/26 at 1:00 PM

### Macomb Hospital Center 12000 E. 12 Mile Rd., Warren

Executive Office Bldg. Auditoriums A and B (12 Mile Entrance)

03/03 at 10:00 AM Auditorium A

03/10 at 10:00 AM Auditorium A

03/17 at 10:00 AM Auditorium A

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# Health & Fitness

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Sunday, March 8, 1998

## OAKLAND COUNTY HEALTHY LIVING

### Grand openings

Advance Rehabilitation Clinic and Advance Chiropractic Clinic will stage a Grand Opening on Saturday, March 14. The event will run from 12 p.m.-4 p.m. in the Advance Rehabilitation Clinic at 33466 W. Eight Mile Road, Suite 111, in Farmington Hills.

Advance Rehabilitation Clinic is a Medicare, BC/BS certified rehabilitation agency, established in 1988 in Livonia. Today, the 4,000 square-foot facility in Farmington Hills is furnished with state-of-the-art equipment and provides first-rate service.

Advance Chiropractic Clinic was founded and is directed by Dr. Sheila Makool, a licensed female chiropractic physician raised in Farmington Hills. Dr. Makool specializes in, but is not limited to, the treatment of auto accident cases, work-related injuries and slip and falls. She also treats conditions due to accidents, stress, headaches, neck pain, back pain, whiplash, leg pain, scoliosis, and other ailments. People who attend the Grand Opening will have access to various specials. The physical therapists on hand will offer complimentary fitness and postural evaluations and Dr. Makool will present gift certificates worth \$200 that will be good toward an initial visit by anyone who schedules an appointment at the opening.

Brenda & Anya's Aesthetic and Therapeutic Massage opened for business last week. Located at 6405 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Hills, this facility specializes in facials and deep-tissue massage. Call (248) 723-6600 for more information.

### ADD seminar

Family & Classroom Training & Resources reports that John F. Taylor, Ph.D., a prominent authority on Attention Deficit Disorder, will present a day-long seminar for parents and professionals entitled "Beyond Ritalin: Mega-Answers to AD/HD" on Saturday, March 14, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., at the Dearborn Hills Golf Course, 1300 S. Telegraph Road, Dearborn.

This public service/community outreach effort strives to strengthen families, decrease juvenile delinquency and reduce school dropout rates. Hard-to-find information and answers for high-conflict issues are given. Topics include specific and practical methods for improving bedtime and mealtime routines, sibling harmony, cooperation on chores and homework, self-esteem and self-confidence, conscience and self-control, note-taking and studying improvements, friendship and apology skills, and marital and emotional stress reduction for parents. Also included are discussions of treatment options and recent brain chemistry research. CEUs and university credit are available.

Dr. Taylor is the author of "Helping Your Hyperactive A.D.D. Child," the "Answers to A.D.D." audio tape series, "The AD/HD Student at School" and the "A.D.D. School Success Tool Kit" video. A pioneering authority in this field, he wrote the first book providing extensive coverage of AD/HD family relationship issues entitled "The Hyperactive Child and the Family." The registration fee through Friday, March 13 is \$39, or \$49 at the door. For registration information, call (248) 988-0532.

### Nutrition Health Fair

The first step toward leading a healthier lifestyle is to begin with a healthy diet. Crittenton Hospital's Food and Nutrition Services department wants to aid that process by inviting you to attend the 10th annual Nutrition Health Fair from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, March 26 at Crittenton Hospital in Rochester (1101 W. University Drive). This free event is offered in conjunction with National Nutrition Month. This year's theme is "Make Nutrition Come Alive - It's All About You."

The Nutrition Health Fair will feature free food samples, nutrition displays, games, contests, raffles, free waist-to-hip ratio measurements, prizes, cooking demonstrations, and finger stick testing for cholesterol and HDL. Registration is not necessary.

For additional information, call Crittenton's Food and Nutrition Services Department at (248) 652-5630, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

### Dental Assistants Recognition Week

This week (March 8-14) represents Dental Assistants Recognition Week. The Michigan Dental Assistants Association is a non-profit organization based in Lansing.

(Healthy Living spotlights Oakland County-related health and medical news and information. To submit information, write: Healthy Living, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham MI, 48009. Or fax: (248) 644-1314.)

## Low-fat diet requires calcium

A healthy low-fat diet is extremely important to your overall health, but equally important is a balanced diet. By balanced, I mean eating foods from all the food groups every day.

One important nutrient that many people overlook in their quest for a low-fat diet is calcium. Dieters tend to steer clear of dairy foods when they are trying to lose weight and think nothing of the nutrients they are possibly losing by avoiding them.

Calcium is crucial to our health. Without it, we become more susceptible to a crippling disease called osteoporosis. Osteoporosis usually doesn't show up in younger people, but that doesn't mean your youngsters are out of danger. In fact, the more calcium we consume at an early age, the less

likely we are to get osteoporosis when we're older.

Osteoporosis affects over 25 million Americans and porous bones contribute to the more than 1.5 million bone fractures Americans experience every year. These statistics are startling, but you may not have to become one of them. You can start today by adding more calcium to your diet.

Most adults need about 1,000 mg. of calcium per day but some need more. Adolescents, young adults, pregnant women, post-menopausal women and seniors require about 1,200-1,500 mg. of calcium per day.

Milk and milk products are packed with calcium. You don't have to drink whole milk to get calcium either. In fact, a cup of skim milk contains about 300 mg. of calcium. That's almost one third of the recommended daily allowance. A cup of plain yogurt serves up 450 mg. of calcium at approximately 125 calories.

Cheese also has calcium but it is high in saturated fat. Go the low-fat route with cheese to get almost as

much calcium. But if you want to avoid dairy altogether, there are other options. You just have to be a bit creative to get your calcium boost.

There are some brands of orange juice on the market that are calcium-fortified, brining about 300 mg. of calcium to every cup. There is no fat in orange juice and you'll also get the added benefits of vitamin C and other nutrients found in it.

Personally, I prefer to get calcium from greens. They are low-fat, low in calories and rich in so many essential vitamins. Dark green leafy vegetables such as chopped turnip greens, mustard greens and even kale are sure bets. A one-cup cooked serving of these will provide your body with about 200 mg. of calcium.

Almost as good are okra and Swiss chard, which serve up 100 mg. per cup. Add them to your favorite soups for a bone-strengthening meal. Even a cup of broccoli dishes up about 70 mg. and you can add broccoli to just about anything.

So, dieters, don't be dismayed. You can strengthen your bones and main-

tain or lose weight at the same time. There are calcium and other nutrients in other food groups besides dairy. Even with milk products, you can choose the low-fat versions and still bone up on lots of calcium.

Osteoporosis is an all-too-common disease that can often be avoided with a healthy calcium-rich diet throughout your life. Whatever age you are, start taking better care of your body by giving yourself all the nutrients you need. You'll feel better and stronger and your body will thank you for it.

I read every one of your letter and I love your comments! Please keep writing me with any questions, inspirational stories or suggestions for upcoming articles to "Talk to the Mirror." Weight Watchers Corporate Communications, P.O. Box 9072, Farmington Hills, Mich. 48334-2974. For more information on Weight Watchers call 1-888-3FLORINE.

(Florine Mark is an appointee to the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and the Michigan Fitness Foundation.)

### TALK TO THE MIRROR



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William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak is offering an innovative program that can help individuals age 65 and older increase their flexibility, strength and overall endurance.

The popular "Optimal Aging Program" is believed to be the only medically supervised health and fitness program in Metro Detroit designed exclusively for older adults.

Created by a team of Beaumont exercise physiologists, cardiologists and geriatric medicine specialists, the program offers each enrollee a complete medical evaluation by doctors, including a treadmill "stress test" to determine cardiac fitness; an individualized "exercise prescription," including specific recommendations on strength training and aerobic exercise to be performed; access to a fully equipped exercise facility designed and reserved exclusively for older adults; medical supervision by doctors and certified exercise physiologists during all exercise sessions; and ongoing education sessions providing practical information about health, strength training and aerobics for older adults.

People age 65 and older who complete a physical exam and treadmill stress test are eligible for the program. The costs of the services will be billed to medical insurance, while the fee for ongoing physical training is \$53 per month which is not covered by insurance.

### Beaumont Hospital's Helping Hands

If you are an older adult who needs assistance around the house but can't hire full-time help, you can find a helping hand through Beaumont Hospital.

"Helping Hands," a non-profit program managed by Beaumont's Department of Older Adult Services, provides companionship and personal assistance to independent-living and homebound senior citizens in the community. Services provided include assistance with bathing, shopping, meal preparation, light housekeeping and transportation. While Helping Hands workers can provide many types of basic assistance, they do not provide medical care or replace maid service. Helping Hands services are provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Minimum service provided is six hours per week for at least a four-week duration, and clients are billed on an hourly basis.

For more information, call 1-800-328-2241.

For more information about the program, call Beaumont's Physician Referral and Information Service at 1-800-633-7377.

William Beaumont Hospital's Division of Preventive and Nutritional Medicine is seeking volunteers for a research study of high cholesterol. Participants must be over age 18 (male or female) who have been diagnosed with high cholesterol.

Study volunteers will be placed on a special diet and some may receive a new cholesterol-lowering medication. All lab tests, physicals, EKGs and study medications are free of charge. In addition, participants will be compensated for their time and travel.

To volunteer or for more information, call Beaumont's Division of Preventive and Nutritional Medicine at 1-888-807-8839.

Beaumont's Division of Preventive and Nutritional Medicine is seeking volunteers for research studies testing new oral medications to help diabetics lower their blood sugar. Research volunteers must be age 18 or older, in generally good health and currently being treated with either diet or medications.

Volunteers will receive free diabetic information, medications, laboratory tests, physical examinations and EKGs. They will also be compensated for their time and travel.

To volunteer or for more information, call 1-888-807-8839.

Beaumont Hospital is currently seeking individuals with high blood pressure to volunteer for three research studies of new medications. Male or female volunteers age 18 or older are needed for these studies.

Female participants, in addition, must be of non-childbearing potential.

All laboratory tests, physicals, EKGs and study medications are free of charge. For more information, call any of the following: Beaumont Division of Cardiovascular Services at (248) 551-5986 or (248) 551-5580; Beaumont Clinic of Preventive and Nutritional Medicine at 1-888-807-8839; or Beaumont Ferndale Clinic at (248) 544-7614.

Beaumont Hospital's Department of Urology is seeking male volunteers with prostate enlargement to participate in a research study of a medication that may help ease the bothersome symptoms associated with this condition. Prostate enlargement is a non-cancerous condition that typically narrows the urethra, creating difficulty in urination and/or the urge to urinate frequently.

All medical testing and medications are free of charge. For more information, call (248) 551-3355.

Senior citizens with Medicare questions and concerns can get assistance through Beaumont's Department of Older Adult Services. The department's staff of trained retired volunteers can provide counseling on Medicare long-term care insurance and help assess insurance plans that supplement Medicare.

Call Beaumont's Senior Resource Line at 1-800-328-2241 to make an appointment.

## Work together to build family fitness program

Question: Dear Myrna, spring will be arriving soon and everyone in my family is overweight. My children are young teenagers and the usual lazy type. My husband is a little athletic. How can I get everyone moving? Is there something to spark a little interest in exercise?

Answer: A very successful family fitness program can establish healthy, lifelong habits in children. And that's a great gift from any parent. Even if your family members are of different fitness levels, you can still do a number of things to get all family members involved in the healthy habit.

Spend the time together and talk about what activities your family members like the best. Make a list of activities that are aerobically-sound. For example, there is speed walking, jogging, aerobics classes, and aerobic machinery (treadmill, Stairmaster, etc.).

Choose one activity to start with. I suggest speed walking, which is a natural activity. Make sure you all agree on the time of day to take this energetic walk. Everyone might need to be flexible.

Now don't set your family goals too high. If some members of your family want to lose weight, remember that muscle weighs much more than fat - you can't always count on the scale.

It's not a bad idea to have an exercise expert come to your home and instruct your family in proper abdominal exercise

and upper body fitness. The abdominal and upper body muscles respond to exercise more quickly than other muscle groups, so all of you might get faster, positive feedback. When you can actually see results, you are encouraged to keep plugging away. Mental attitude plays a big part here.

Make a commitment for one month. It is not long enough to be too intimidating but just enough to start to see results. You are all looking for a long-term lifestyle change, not just a short spurt.

Another little tip is to tell your friends. Talk about it to others because this will help you stay into it. Nobody wants their friends to know they have failed at something so important.

Remember to reward yourselves constantly. A hiking trip to an interesting place might be fun. Gradually change your activity; you don't want any dropouts. Your family can make that choice to shape up together and take control of your life and then do the same on every successive day. Some days it's easier to keep your promise of exercise than others. Be prepared for those negative workout days and mentally push yourself.

It is called boot-strapping each other. Just think. A happy family that exercises together, stays together.

(Myrna Partrich is co-owner of The Workout Co. in Bloomfield Hills. She is an appointee to the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and the Michigan Fitness Foundation. Send questions or comments for Myrna to: Myrna Partrich, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham MI 48009.)

### EXERCISING OPTIONS



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## Joint venture plans to educate, promote idea of good health

Area residents will soon have the opportunity to spend some quality time with the Beech Woods Wellness Center and Providence Hospital. The two are joining to present a lecture

event entitled "An Hour with Providence" on Tuesday, March 17.

The program represents a joint venture between the Beech Woods Wellness Center and Providence Hospital to educate the community on pertinent topics involved in the promotion of good health. Beverly Cameron, a registered dietician, will conduct an informative seminar entitled "Eating on the Run" in conjunction with the March 17 event.

Cameron will show participants how to make meals in less than 30 minutes that are low in fat, cholesterol and sodium, discover their best fast-food choices and improve their label-reading skills to help cut down on grocery shopping trips. Handouts and sample menus will also be provided.

This seminar is free of charge, but pre-registration is required. The program will run from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. and take place in the activity room at the Beech

Woods Recreation Center, located at 22200 Beech Road in Southfield.

For additional information on the "An Hour with Providence" series or the Beech Woods Wellness Center, call (248) 354-9510.

### Scleroderma meeting

Two subjects of special interest to scleroderma patients will be covered during a program slated for Sunday, March 21 in Southfield.

"Participating Effectively In Your Own Health Care" will be addressed by Dr. Denise Jacob. Janice Kitzman, an occupational therapist, will talk about adapting household tasks for diminished limitations.

The program is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. in the Fisher Auditorium of the Providence Medical Building (22250 Providence Drive) in Southfield. There is no charge.

Scleroderma, also known as systemic sclerosis, is a chronic disease characterized by degenerative changes and scarring in the skin, joints and internal organs, and by blood vessel abnormalities.

For more information about the program, call the office of the Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the Scleroderma Foundation at (248) 443-0858.



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## Say bye-bye to your beauty blues

This month, I have decided to collect your letters and answer the most frequently asked questions about beauty, skin care, and all of the things that make life worth living. Here goes:

1.) As I get older, I find that my complexion color is changing. Where it was all mono-colored, I seem to now appear "blotchy." What can I do?

You must remember that as you age, so does your skin tone. The majority of women appear paler with more yellow in the skin. Make sure that you use foundation/creme

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JEFFREY BRUCE

rouge/blusher colors that have a "blue" base to them as opposed to a "yellow" base. Think more "sun-burned" than "suntanned." Also, there is an old adage that the older you get the lighter the hair should become UNTRUE! There must always be a contrast between the complexion color and your hair color. Always try to have your hair darker than your skin-tone or you will look terribly washed out.

2.) What can I do about the bags under my eyes and the creepiness above the eyes?

This is certainly the most common question asked in my 35 years as a makeup artist, and I have always answered it the same way. For under-eye bags/circles: be sure to apply your makeup base ON the bags. Then take your concealer and apply it just in the line of demarcation (the orbit) NOT on the bags themselves. This was you will eradicate the division line and your circles will disappear. DO NOT put the concealer on under your foundation. It will swim. As far as the creepiness (I call them hangovers), short of plastic surgery, here's your best bet. Use a white eyeliner (yes I manufacture one). The first rule of art is for every shadow you must have a highlight.

3.) Lines around the mouth! How can I prevent my lipstick from bleeding?

Try this: When you apply your base, be sure to put a bit on your lips. Powder your lips. Use a lip liner, fill in with lipstick and gloss, applied simultaneously (and at the same time!) To your lip brush. DO NOT BLOT YOUR LIPS! That will start the movement of your lipstick up your nose!

Try licking your lips. The saliva (sorry) has a tendency to "set" your lip color. Once you become proficient at your makeup, all will have to carry with you during the day are your lips (compact, lip liner, lipstick and gloss).

4.) How much blusher is too much blusher? I never seem to have enough color in my cheeks.

Remember: that blusher is like perfume: YOU may not smell it, but people passing you faint. Trust me, when you apply your blusher in the morning and it looks good to you... that's enough! Ditto on the perfume. If you MUST wear Jungle Gardenia, Youth Dew, or Liz Taylor's latest, a little goes a looong way!

5.) My eyebrows are disappearing with age. Any suggestions?

Eyebrows can make or break your "look." The rule of eye is less is more. I prefer a thinner brow on my clients, since it "opens the eyes."

How? By giving you more room to work with between the brow and the lash line. If you have a vision problem, try folding the temples of your glasses (the "arms"), hold one lens over one eye, and pluck the opposite eye. That will help.

Remember that your brows should always be a 1/2 shade DARKER than the hair on your head. Always use a brush on brow color to avoid the "quotation mark" look a pencil gives you.

I am beginning my seasonal appearances all around the Detroit area. My March appointments will be on Ann Arbor, Northville, Rochester and Royal Oak.

To find out more information, you may call 1-800-944-6588. If you would like to speak directly to me, please E-mail me at [jeff@jeffbruce.com](mailto:jeff@jeffbruce.com).

## Malls aren't just for shopping anymore!



Play time: Wonderland Mall in Livonia becomes the latest shopping center to add a playground to the premises for toddlers. Equipped with Little Tikes toys, the carpeted play pit offers moms a place to take a shopping break and kids the place to make new friends. Themed playcenters are also located at Twelve Oaks, Lakeside and Fairlane malls.

## Summit Place ready for future



Summit Place Mall at Elizabeth Lake and Telegraph in Waterford, is close to a deal which would add a movie megaplex and major restaurant to the regional shopping center, making it more appealing to modern families.

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO, RETAIL EDITOR

Whose afraid of Great Lakes Crossing, the big bad mega outlet mall coming in 14 miles north of them?

Not Summit Place in Waterford. Mall manager Joe Tyree is busy these days, tracking down tenants that offer the merchandise and services his shoppers are seeking, and that includes a multi-screen cinema and a pub-style eatery.

"We're about 90 days away from announcing some major changes at the center," he said. "And it has nothing to do with Great Lakes Crossing opening in November in Auburn Hills. My understanding is that, that center will be more of a tourist destination. At Summit Place, we're a super regional shopping center, the place area residents come to buy their kids shoes, purchase a video, or a pair jeans."

"We're continuing to reposition with a mix of the type of stores you find at Twelve Oaks, Lakeside. We're geared to families. You see lots of double strollers at the center."

Krys Bylund of Star Theatres in Grand Rapids, confirmed that the company was considering Summit Place for a multiplex, but it was looking at other locations as well.

"We're all on the move now," she explained. "AMC and United Artists, are looking for sites, too. It's a good

time to be in the entertainment business."

Within the past year, Summit Place has added to its lineup: Paul Harris (a woman's boutique, fresh out of bankruptcy with clothes for the working woman and the first new store in Michigan) an expanded Victoria's Secret, Lane Bryant, Jarman Shoes, Pacific Sunwear, Corey's Jewel Box, 5-7-9 Shop, Sunglass Hut, Wild Pair, a prototype Imperial Sports (which has seen sales shoot up 70-percent in less than eight months) Java Brew and Bakery, and in the Picnic Food Court, Charlie's Steakery and Motown Chicken.

### Special shoppers

Located less than a mile south of the Oakland County offices complex, Summit Place has decided to offer the 2,000 county employees a VIP card which will feature promotions and discounts throughout the year.

The center is also launching a walkers club. "It's about one-and-a-half miles around the center," Tyree said. "And we're already got dozens of people who walk around here each day."

To welcome Spring, an enticing Shop, Save and Win marketing promotion kicks off at Summit Place in April, where among other perks, shoppers can register to win a \$25,000 family van from Lunghammer.

Summit Place sits in the middle of

2.1 million-square feet of retail over 120 acres owned by a partnership of investors. It is managed by Ramco-Gershenson which also owns and operates Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield, West Oaks in Novi, and many other properties, nationally. Shoppers to the center will also find Target, Farmer Jack, Mervyn's, Best Buy, Circuit City, Media Play, Builder's Square, Pier One Imports, Learning Tree, and a Sam's Club Warehouse, among a dozen more specialty retailers.

### Still cocooning

Like many other shopping malls across the country, Summit Place has watched the decline of women's fashion sales, which once drove the industry, replaced by home furnishing and electronic sales.

"Americans put their money into home-cocooning products, these days," Tyree said.

"People want the comfort and convenience of their own homes, so they're buying products that relax, entertain and amuse them at home. They're not buying fashion. Do you know the name of the store that has become the barometer for measuring the success of a shopping center?"

The Gap. When it comes to leasing space in a shopping center, most new retailers want to know, "How does your Gap do?"

Summit Place was built in 1961, then known as "The Pontiac Mall." In 1987, it expanded to add a Hudson's, and Sears. In 1992, Hudson's remodeled and upscaled its Summit Place store and Matt Prentice opened his Sour Dough Bread Co. Restaurant in the Hudson's wing.

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

### Sunday, March 8

**Puppet show**  
Performed daily at 7 p.m. Saturdays 11, 1 and 3 p.m. Sunday at 1 and 3 p.m.  
Meadow Brook Village Mall  
Adams/Walker, Rochester Hills  
(248) 376-9451  
**Health Expo**  
Sponsored by the American Heart Association, noon to 4 p.m. Registered dietitians offer personal consultations, body fat analysis, blood pressure screenings, and host a recipe contest with prizes and more.  
Twelve Oaks Mall, 12 Mile/Telegraph, Southfield  
(248) 355-4111

### Monday, March 9

**Fashion show/dinner**  
The Michigan Professional Women's Network

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invites those interested to view a spring fashion show from local boutiques, and enjoy dinner and networking with others at 6 p.m. Reservations required. Tickets \$25.  
Birmingham Community House  
380 South Bates  
(248) 642-2587

### Hard of hearing meet

MedMax hosts meeting of Self Help for Hard of Hearing at 7 p.m. Telecoil devices discussed. No charge. Reservations suggested.  
35800 Central City Pkwy.  
Warren  
(616) 595-0194

### Thursday, March 12

**Private fittings**  
Norman Marcus presents the Wacoal Silhouette Analyzer in Intimate Apparel on Level Two through

March 13. Appointments for personal fittings will be taken for the event. The digital imaging machine allows women to see how their silhouettes can be transformed with the correctly-sized undergarments. Free.  
Somerset Collection South  
Big Beaver/Coolidge, Troy  
(248) 643-3300 ext. 2250 or 2251.

### Consignment clothing show

Reruns hostess Linda Janni presents an informal show of career, casual and evening clothes at the Water Club Seafood Grill, noon to 2 p.m. Call for reservations.  
39500 E. Ann Arbor at I-275, Plymouth  
(734) 454-0666.

### Builders Show opens

The 80th annual Builders Home & Flower Show hits Cobo Hall through March 15. Admission is \$6.50 for adults, \$4.50 for seniors. Grand entrance features floral archway leading to a garden with 25,000 spring bulbs. Home improvement experts visit. Hundreds of information booths and displays.  
(248) 787-4478.

## Somerset hosts a spring fling

The sights, sounds and smells of spring have arrived at The Somerset Collection in Troy.

After a one-year hiatus, the mall is back in bloom with their home and garden show through April 11.

Sponsored by Torre & Brughio, GM Card, Air New Zealand, Australia 2000, English Gardens and Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, the show includes a host of special events:

- Elaborate garden displays surrounding the performance stages presented by event contributors: Cebel of Sydney, Christiansen's Plant Center, Post Gardens Greenhouses, Harbour Days, Moonlit Lighting, Planterra Tropical Greenhouses, Ray Wiegand Nurseries, Shemin Nurseries, F&T Hardscape and Unilock.

- Performances of "The World Beyond The Wall," by The Children's Theatre of Michigan, run March 8-April 11 in the North Grand Court. Visits to the Garden Village where Nestor Fairweather, the rabbit, resides for pictures with children, are available March 28-April 11.

- Sale of playhouses to benefit Habitat for Humanity beginning April 1. Information available at the Concierge Desk in Somerset North.

- Informal modeling of spring fashions every Wednesday from noon to 2 p.m. in the Somerset North Grand Court and South Rotunda. (Those attending the informal modeling on Wednesday, April 8, from noon to 1 p.m. in the South Rotunda are invited to don their Sunday-best hats for "Hats Off to Spring." Box lunches are available for \$5 and the person with the most distinctive spring hat will win a \$200 gift certificate.)

- Cabaret Night Series featuring world-class entertainers with performances Thursday nights March 12, March 19 and April 2 at 7 p.m., Somerset North. Among the performers are Kimmie Horn and Randy Scoff.

- Special presentations by local home and garden experts. Saturday, March 21 at 1 p.m., Somerset North, Art and Antique Appraisals by experts from the Frank Boos Gallery, Bloomfield Hills. (Please do not bring coins, stamps, large gemstones and musical instruments.) Reservations are required for this event. Tuesday, March 31 at 1 p.m., Somerset South - Guide to Tree and Shrub Planting. Greg Myers of English Gardens will explain everything there is to know about planting trees and shrubs.

- Tuesday, April 7 at 7 p.m., Somerset North, "The Latest in High-Tech Travel Packs" with experts from Eastern Mountain Sports describing all you will need for traveling with the latest high tech travel packs.

- Special presentations about Australia at Somerset South, reservations are required for these events. Highlights include: Saturday, March 28 at 3 p.m., Somerset South, "Exploring the Gardens of Australia" with Australia 2000 experts. Saturday, April 4 at 3 p.m., Somerset South, "Tahiti, Fuji and Cruises to Australia."

- Saturday, April 11 at 3 p.m., Somerset South, "The Millennium, Sydney 2000 Olympic Games and The America's Cup in Australia."

Reservations are required for many events. Please call the event hotline at (248) 816-5484. Admittance is free.

For a complete schedule of shows and lectures, stop by the mall where kiosks are stocked with special "Journals of Events."



## RETAIL DETAILS

**Retail Details** features news briefs from the Malls & Mainstreets. For inclusion, send information to: Retail Details, c/o The Observer & Eccentric! Newspapers 805, E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, or fax to (248) 644-1314.

**Art of Fashion show set**  
The public is invited to attend a benefit for HAVEN featuring spring's best from the top designers at Neiman Marcus, including Jil Sander and Giorgio Armani, on Thursday, March 12 at 11:30 a.m. The event will take place on the store's Level Two, Somerset Collection South, Troy. Patron reservations are \$100; Friend reservations are \$50. Refreshments included. For more information call (248) 334-2343, ext. 26.

**Tidbits from Somerset**  
There are changes in the wind at the Somerset Collection. On the second level of Somerset North, Bendel's recently stunned mall officials and customers by closing both their Detroit and Chicago stores. Shoppers found a "good-bye and thank you" note taped to the windows and doors. The merchandise was cleared out without much fanfare. Bendel's had 14,000-square feet of retail space at the mall, which officials are scrambling to fill. A few years ago, Bendel's was purchased by The Limited, Inc. Restaurateur Matt Prentice will open Portobello's, a new restaurant in the space vacated by Stelline's on the upper level of Somerset South. His Sebastian's eatery will close and a new food tenant is being sought for that spot on the lower level. Detroit's fashion in-crowd is stunned and disappointed to learn that Kevin Quinn, Nordstrom's midwest fashion director, left town for greener pastures in New York City.

"He took the models and the shows in town to a higher standard," one insider remarked.

Cache is open in a larger space at Somerset South after relocating and remodeling their store. Coming in April: J. Peterman's and a Crate & Barrel furniture store.

**Kmart sponsors walk**  
Kmart invites shoppers to participate in the nation's biggest walking event—the March of Dimes WalkAmerica, to raise funds to help babies and their parents. WalkAmerica takes place in more than 1,500 communities the weekend of April 25-26. Pick up a sponsor form at your Kmart Service Desk and join in to help babies enjoy a healthier start in life.

Kmart stores across the country will also sell paper die-cut sneakers for \$1 during March and April with all proceeds benefiting the March of Dimes. In addition, Kmart is the exclusive retailer to purchase the newest Mattel WalkAmerica Barbie(R) doll. One dollar is being donated to the March of Dimes for every WalkAmerica Barbie doll purchased at Kmart's price of \$14.99.

### RENT cast models at benefit

Hudson's presents a cutting-edge fashion show featuring the cast from the Tony-award winning musical RENT, Monday, March 23 at the Majestic Theatre, 4140 Woodward, in Detroit. The spring collections from Max Studio, BCBG, Lola and DKNY Men will be presented from 7:30 to 8 p.m. The evening kicks off with a cocktail reception at 6 p.m. After the show there will be a cash bar and dancing until midnight. Tickets are \$25 each by calling (248) 988-OFAN by March 16. This event doubles as a benefit for the Fanclub Foundation for the Arts.

### Retailer collects clothing for COTS

The Shirt Box in Farmington Hills will give shoppers \$3 off

every man's shirt purchased in March for each dress or casual shirt brought in to the store. The shirts will be donated to Coalition on Temporary Shelters (COTS). For more details call (248) 851-6770.

### Neiman Marcus has new line

Neiman Marcus at the Somerset Collection South in Troy, introduces Natura Biase's Cytokines, from Barcelona, Spain. It's a collection of products formulated with high concentrations of skin growth factor, a principle component of cell renewal known to provide healing and regenerative benefits to the skin. Naturally derived from complex proteins, skin growth factors renew texture, elasticity and firmness. Priced from \$65.

### Rugrats at Oakland

The Emmy winning Rugrats are coming to the Oakland Mall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, March 14 at the center court in Oakland Mall. Children may have their pictures taken with Chuckie, Tommy and Angelica for a small fee. Proceeds will benefit organizations and human services agencies in Oakland County that focus on improving the lives of children 10 and under. Oakland Mall is at 14 Mile and I-75. For more information, call (248) 682-7288.

### Birmingham Blossoms blooming

Blossoms Floral Design Studio has opened at 33866 Woodward Avenue at Adams in Birmingham. The former site of the Birmingham Cleaners for more than 40 years has "blossomed" with new colors and a fresh new look. Flowers, plants, trees and a large floral mural will be added this spring. Blossoms continues to operate a second retail store in Birmingham at 175 W. Maple. To reach Blossoms, call (248) 644-4411.

## Accent on the home

**East coast style:**  
Leonard Xerri sells gifts with a New England flair at his Laurel Park Place store in Livonia. The items are "connected to the romantic pull of the sea," he explains. "If it doesn't look like it came out of your grandmother's attic in Vermont, we don't sell it." For more information call (734) 462-1840.



## Where can I find?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate sources for hard-to-find merchandise. If you've seen any of the items in your retail travels (or basement) please call Where Can I Find? (248) 901-2555. Slowly and clearly, leave your name, number and message, and you should see your input in next Sunday's column. Thank You!

### What we found:

- Adventures in Toys, 163 Maple, in Birmingham, has the games Pit, Kling and Trio Trax. (248) 646-5550.
- Crochet cotton can be found through Kraft Gallery (508) 744-2334 or (508) 744-6980.
- For Disney movies like Lady and the Tramp or 101 Dalmatians try Buena Vista Home Video (310) 233-3120 or Movies Unlimited (800) 523-0823. Also try any video stores because they might have used copies to sell.
- Little Foot figures can be found at Once Upon a Child in Canton.
- For the Red Wing afghan pattern, you must try the NHL. There are no patterns available for the logo, according to one caller.
- Five-year diaries are sold at Meijer's.

### We're still looking for:

- Girbeau jeans for Pat.
- Creme de Chantilly body spray perfume by Houbigant for Christine.
- Milk Plus by Revlon and a Proctor ironing board cover.
- A stereo record player with changer that plays five or six records at a time. Kay needs her's repaired. It's about 10 years old. "A new or used one would be nice."
- Noxema medicated lather shaving cream and Deep Magic cold cream by Gillette. For Monica of Rochester.

- A replacement ceiling light for a bathroom fan. It is 35 years old, made by Ventrola, with a glass white milk moon light globe for Sandy of West Bloomfield.
- A Rock 'em Sock 'em Robot for Michael.
- M J Carroll jeans (or ones that fit like 'em) once sold by Winkelman's at 7 Mile/Farmington for Jeannie.
- Lori of Westland is looking for a Kemore Zig Zag sewing machine, model #75816030. It has a high bar of a presser foot.
- Kay and Jean are both looking for Z-Brick paint for interior walls. It is a thin paint that when applied to walls looks like brick.
- A dairy milk bottle from the 1930's for Lynn from Plymouth.
- A book that describes how to make doll clothes for the Teeny Tiny Mini Tiny Tots dolls by Geek.
- An old-style single unit roaster on a stand with coasters. It even baked bread for Deborah.
- Poor Pitiful Pearl doll from 1972.
- A dress by Pablo for Lynette.
- A Purple Monster from Space Jam for Dr. Emaline Weidman.
- A Zippo Bar top lighter for Bob.
- A replacement pad for a playpen, 40x40, for Patty.
- Joe is looking for parts to a Sunbeam Master shaver with Coleman blades.
- A game, Kids on Stage, for Linda.
- The movie Hope & Glory for Jack.
- A Farberware counter top convection oven for Julie.
- The game Pivot Pool for Lori.
- Linda is looking for the movie sound track from Rich in Love on CD or cassette.

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# Reddy or not: Longtime newsman retires

BY TIM RICHARD  
STAFF WRITER

His turning point came when he was a 26-year-old Chicago cab driver sitting in a Halsted Street bar with a pal. The pal advised John Reddy to go to college.

"I'll be 30 by the time I get out!" Reddy objected.

"You're going to be 30 anyway," said the friend, and that settled it.

"I went down to the University of Illinois at Navy Pier. I majored in journalism," Reddy recalled.

At 30, married and with one child, Reddy earned a U-I degree and got a job on the Sterling (Ill.) Daily Gazette. The one-time Navy carpenter and cab driver had launched his career in people-oriented journalism.

The working part of his career will end March 31 when Reddy, 65, retires as vice president for editorial of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this and more than 60 other weekly and semi-weekly newspapers in Michigan, Ohio and northern Kentucky.

He'll spend the month of March breaking in his successor, Jeanne Towar.

Reddy wanted to make a difference. Many agree he has.

"I used to get the bulldog edition of the Chicago Tribune. People used to stand around, waiting for the papers, and they always complained about papers," he said. "Many Republicans thought that flaming young liberals were running the (suburban) papers. My view was that anyone has a right to have a position fairly and well represented."

Rich Perlberg, now general manager of the HomeTown Newspapers headquartered in Howell, was among many who absorbed Reddy's message.

"There is one overriding dogma of John's," said Perlberg. "When someone is upset about our news coverage or editorial position of a particular issue, we should be able to ask, 'Was your position fairly and accurately

reported in the paper?'

"If we are doing our jobs, the answer has to be yes. And most fair-minded people, even if they disagree with our overall coverage, will eventually concede that we have done our job if we have hit that standard," Perlberg said.

Next Reddy became a community editor in Palatine, Ill., for Paddock newspapers in the northwestern Chicago suburbs, then moved to the Chicago Sun-Times suburban and city desks. He was impressed by the fact that the woman who interviewed him for the job had helped make journalism — and film — history by spotting a cleaning woman's classified ad that said "Call Northside 777." The paper's investigation freed an innocent man from prison.

"I came here (to Michigan) 30 years ago this month. The National Newspaper Association put my resume in the hands of Henry Hogan (then publisher of the Birmingham Eccentric). By then I had changed my mind about looking for a new job, but Hank said, 'Don't say no until you come over and look.'"

"Joan (his wife) encouraged me. We drove over here with four kids and looked. There was a sense of community here."

"That was the time of the fair housing ordinance fight (following the 1967 Detroit riot). I told him he had to support the fair housing ordinance or I wouldn't come. Hank was very supportive of the editorial department and of me as an editor."

"I was managing editor. We created the Troy edition, then West Bloomfield, Rochester and Southfield. I was managing editor while all that went on."

"Then Hank bought the paper in Cincinnati and needed someone to run it. I was there from 1972 to '75," he said.

In 1975 Reddy was brought back from Cincinnati to be executive editor of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, formed a year earlier by the merger of Hogan's Eccentric group with Phil Power's Observer group.

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**John Reddy**  
—O&E executive

"When John was in charge," said board chair Power, "the company's newspapers won more state and national awards for editorial excellence than any other group of community newspapers in the country."

Reddy likes to make use of graphics — charts, pictures and graphs that tell the "what" of a story. "That frees up the writer to explain the why and how and the implications."

While media critics often deplore USA Today as "McPaper," Reddy praises it for use of charts. "Charts were slow to come into newspapers because no one is driving it. It takes senior management and well-trained young professionals to drive it."

Part of the business of suburban newspapers is helping to build communities.

"We're building communities, not as blind boosters, because they suffer from failed credibility."

There's an implied social contract. We have to fulfill our readers' expectations," he said, hinting at the consequences for an editor if he or she fails to display changes in the trash pickup schedule on page 1 or the rites of passage, such as marriages and deaths.

There's a reward for those who fulfill that social contract: "(Readers) will give you license to talk about the prickly things that disturb their consciences and make them uncomfortable. The single most important distinguishing characteristic is its editorial page and its editorial voice."

At The Observer & Eccentric,

Reddy moved up the ladder to general manager (1977-82) and corporate vice president for editorial (since 1982), with fill-in stints, as Perlberg noted, managing various divisions.

Reddy is blunt about the sometime adversarial role of editorial and advertising people within newspapers.

"There are not enough good editorial people in senior management. The reason is that they refuse to learn anything about management. The only way you can have a free press is to have an economically sound press."

"There's really a strong need for senior management to have an advocate for the editorial department. It's easier for them (management) to remember that if it's personified in their midst."

"I'm not sure how well I did, but at least they had to look at me before they walked all over the editorial department."

Power is sure Reddy did well. "He used the position as a bully pulpit from which to preach the special role and notable successes of community journalism."

"We will miss his constant wise counsel and his unfailing attention to making our craft as community journalists better," Power said.

And soon comes retirement. "I saw a couple of people retire, and they were like fish out of water. That's not going to



So long: John Reddy is retiring from the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers after a long career.

happen to me," vowed Reddy, relating how he arose at 4 that morning to practice on the piano (Albeniz and Chopin).

"Joan has always wanted to go on an archeological dig. I can sit and do water colors while she does that."

"My goal is to write some plays. It's an extension of (a reporter's use) of quotes. There needs to be a chemistry between the playwright, the director and actors. You have to construct it so they (director and actors) have some ownership in a way that won't distort it."

So far he has written three vignettes, but details must wait until opening night.

There was something he failed to appreciate as an 18-year-old in the Navy that he has been correcting — foreign travel. This year he and Joan will see the cave art in France.

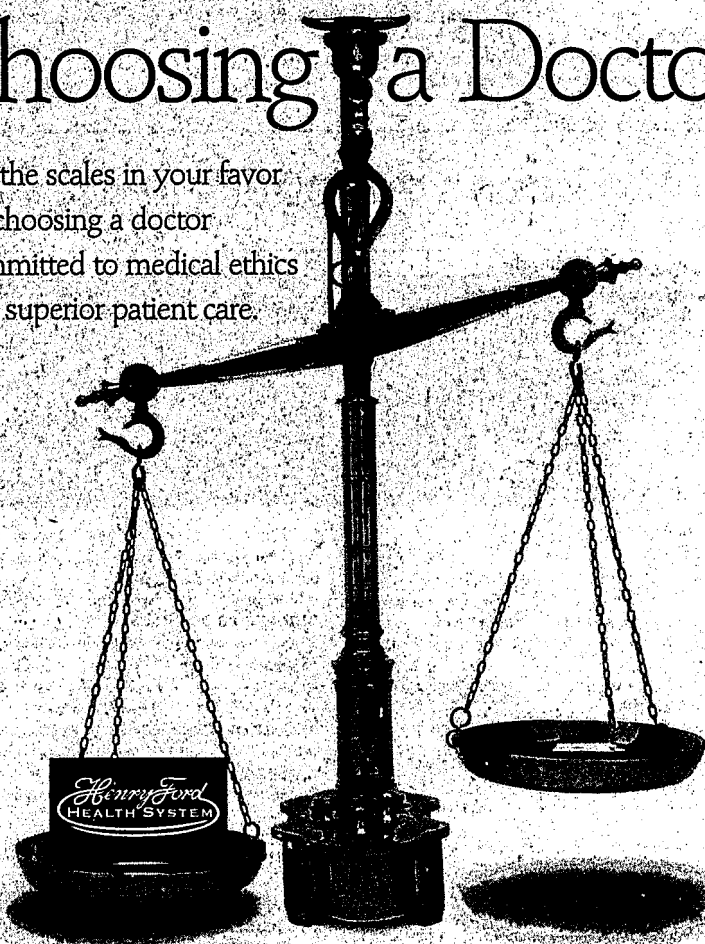
After studying Spanish in high school and French in college, he is working on Chinese. "I'm listening to tapes. If anybody wants to help me talk Chinese, I'd be glad to hear from them," he said.

It's more than just knowing the words. It's understanding how other people think because, said Reddy,

"I truly enjoy knowledgeable and stimulating people."

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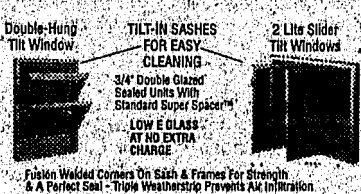
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## There's nothing new about microbrews

**M**y catering class at Schoolcraft College participated in the third annual Winterfest Beer Tasting held in conjunction with the Merchants Fine Wine Stores, John Jonna and John Lossia.

The event at the college on Feb. 25 was a huge success. Microbrewers from Washington to Detroit were present, and sampled their microbrews. I was amazed to see so many varieties all under one roof. As I was passing the tasting tables, I heard terms like, "Its hopiness, stout, oake, evergreen, etc."

This is language that I'm not accustomed to hearing. I'm still in the pairing the right wine with food zone, and now all of a sudden, I think I need to be enrolling in Microbrew 101. I discovered some very interesting things on my micro mission to research information to educate myself and share with you.

### History

Microbrewery is not a new concept. Historians can trace the origin of beer all the way back to the earliest days of civilization. Clay tablets from ancient Mesopotamia, dating back to 4000 B.C. tell about the brewing and consumption of beer.

Archeologists with the United Nations, unearthing the Queen of Sheba's tomb, discovered beer memorabilia and clay tablets inscribed with information on brewing.

From the book of the Dead, the Egyptian kings show records of beer consumption. Beer may have been the beverage of choice for the architects and builders of the great pyramids. A few thousand years later, an Assyrian tablet from 2000 B.C. records Noah stocking beer aboard the Ark.

It is fabled that Europeans stumbled upon brewing by accident when a clay pot filled with grain from the past season's harvest became soaked and fermented spontaneously with wild yeast organisms to produce the first of Europe's home brews. This low alcohol drink became the drink of choice for many men, women and children.

The first white settlers in North America brought with them both commercial as well as home-brew. Historians theorize that the settlers stopped at Plymouth Rock due to their low supply of beer, which was a staple in the Puritan diet.

By 1867 there were 2,600 brewing companies in the United States, and by 1991 the number had fallen to 1,100.

Dave Morgan of Red Hook Brewery shared some enlightening facts. Five years ago there were only three microbreweries in Michigan. This number has exploded to around 70, including Michigan Brewing, Atwater, and Bells Brewery. On a national level, microbreweries have grown from 50 in 1981 to approximately 1,200 today.

When I posed the question to Dave — why all this microbrew hoopla? Will it last, or is it just a passing flash in the pan? His response was quite eloquent.

"Quality endures," he said. "Connoisseurship is not pretentious or snobbish. It is practiced by people of all types, backgrounds and income levels. A connoisseur is a person with an informed and astute discrimination; someone who appreciates and seeks out the best in any given category. Only a few can be connoisseurs of vintage automobiles; almost anyone can be a connoisseur of beer, bread or coffee.

"Connoisseurs are people who notice the subtle differences in the simple pleasure that make life sweet. It is a tradition that is centuries old, and is common to virtually all cultures."

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## LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Focus on Wine
- For the Love of Food

## Golden nutrition nuggets

- Serve high calorie snacks on a plate to control the amount you eat, rather than munching on them straight out of the bag.
- Check the vending machine for lower fat snacks such as pretzels. Even though peanuts are quite high in calories and fat, they are more nutritious than chips or a candy bar.
- Include plant-based foods as your main items as often as possible. Peas, beans and lentils can stand in for meat, poultry or eggs. Try lentil or pea soup with a salad and roll, or beans and rice with a chunky salsa for a nutritious meal.
- Read food labels. Look for high percentage of daily value (%DV) numbers of important nutrients like calcium, and low (%DV) numbers on sodium and fat.
- For lower fat chili, tacos or meatloaf, put cooked ground beef in a strainer and rinse briefly with hot water. Drain and use in your recipe. Better yet, try ground turkey instead. Check the label to make sure it is 100 percent turkey and not skin and fillers.
- Use positive self talk. Tell yourself you are in control of your eating, and that you alone decide which foods you'll eat, and how much.
- Move! Add movement to your day and everything you do.
- Use fruit purees such as applesauce or stewed prunes or mashed bananas as a substitute for half the fat or oil in some of your favorite baked goods.
- Slip healthful ingredients into desserts such as bran cereal, whole grain flour or orange juice concentrate to intensify flavors.
- There are many differences in fats. Animal fats contain cholesterol. "Manufactured" fats such as those found in margarine, shortening and butter replacement spreads are saturated, however, most plant oils such as olive oil, contain antioxidants and are other important elements for good health. Regardless of the type, all oils and fats are at the tip of the Food Guide Pyramid, which means they should be used sparingly.
- Save fat calories by eating reduced fat cheese whenever possible.
- Use tub or liquid margarine rather than stick margarine. If you can't give up butter, try a light, whipped version.
- Choose lower fat processed meats such as turkey hot dogs.
- Watch out for hidden sodium in foods such as frozen dinners, pizza and luncheon meats. Restaurant foods also tend to be high in sodium.
- Plan to eat plenty of fruits and vegetables. Keep dried fruits in your car or desk for munching. They are high in calories, but also contain a lot of nutrients. Microwave a sweet potato for a nutritious foundation to a meal. Steam or sauté vegetables such as broccoli, spinach, green beans, asparagus or cauliflower. Add a touch of oil, honey mustard and/or garlic for flavor.
- Switch from empty calorie, heavily sweetened "liquid candy" (soda pop) to low-fat milk or fruit juice.

## Serving Sizes

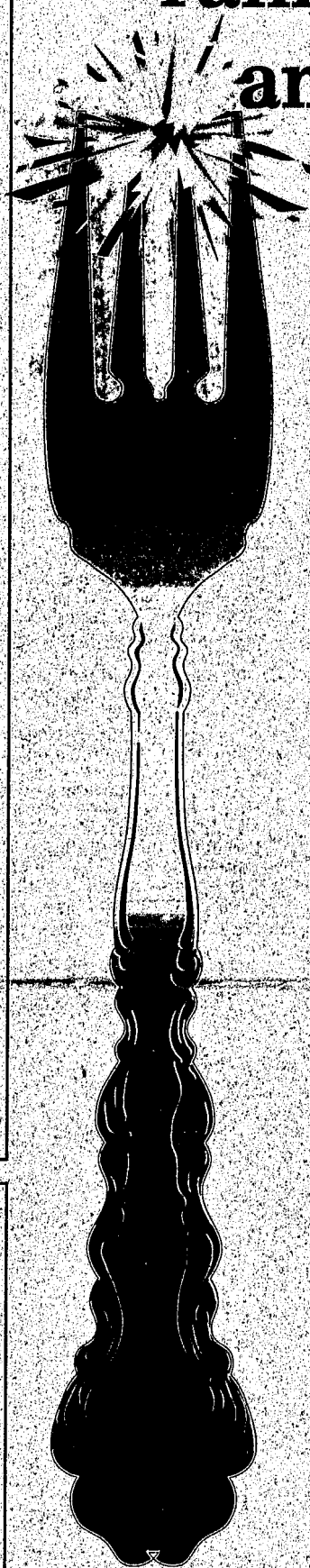
Learning to judge serving sizes takes a little practice. Since carrying around measuring cups and a scale just isn't practical, here are some visual examples to help you make quick estimates.

- 3 ounces of meat, poultry or fish — Deck of playing cards, cassette tape
- 1 ounce of meat, poultry or fish — Matchbook
- 1 cup of fruit or yogurt — Baseball
- 1/2 cup of chopped vegetables — Three regular ice cubes
- 1 medium potato — Computer mouse
- 1 cup of potatoes, rice or pasta — Size of a fist or a tennis ball
- 1 medium orange or apple — Baseball
- 1 standard bagel — Hockey puck
- 1 cup chopped fresh leafy greens — Four lettuce leaves
- 2 tablespoons peanut butter — Golf ball
- 1 ounce of cheese — Four dice or a tube of lipstick
- 1 slice of cheese — 3.5-inch computer disk

One-half cup of cooked vegetables equals:

- 6 asparagus spears
- 7-8 baby carrots or carrot sticks
- 1 ear of corn
- 3 broccoli spears

# Get a glow with a rainbow of fruits and vegetables



By PEGGY MARTINELLI-EVERTS  
SPECIAL WRITER

If we could make one wish under the rainbow many of us would wish for a lifetime of good health. The good news is that it is easy to eat healthy and to make small changes that can result in big differences in your health.

The bad news is that some of you will stop reading this article right now and not learn all the simple and exciting ways to eat smarter and live healthier.

March is National Nutrition Month and making nutrition "come alive" requires a commitment on your part to make healthy choices that fit your lifestyle. Whether you want to lose weight, control diabetes or blood pressure, or generally improve your health, you should know that there is no one magic food or fix. Healthy eating involves a realistic approach of making small changes over time in your food choices.

Don't worry about just one meal or one day. Evaluate your food choices over several days. Try not to think of food as "good" or "bad." Food is not the enemy; it's not about feeling guilty or deprived. Depending on your nutrition goals, you can probably eat and enjoy most foods if you eat sensibly and don't over do it. Be adventurous and expand your tastes to enjoy a variety of foods. There are dozens of ways you can improve your health with food selections.

In 1997, the American Institute for Cancer Research and the World Cancer Research Fund published the report "Food, Nutrition, and the Prevention of Cancer: A Global Perspective." The report suggests dietary changes could reduce cancer incidence worldwide by 30 to 40 percent a year. The report is unique in that it reviewed over 4,500 scientific studies from around the world. The findings of the study are consistent with other recommendations to prevent heart disease and other diseases.

So how can we change our diets to reduce the risk of cancer and heart disease? Eating all the colors of the rainbow can help make our wish for good health a reality.

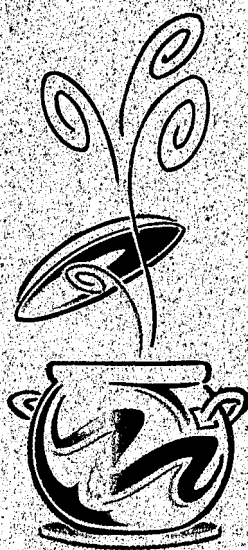
Eat fruits and vegetables in a variety of colors and shapes every day to add eye appeal, fiber, nutrients, and phytochemicals to your diet.

Choose predominantly plant-based meals, rich in a variety of vegetables, fruits, legumes and minimally processed, starchy staple foods such as rice and potatoes. Plant-based foods provide fiber, vitamins, minerals, phytochemicals and antioxidants. By varying the colors of your fruits and vegetables you will be getting a good variety of these nutrients.

The next time you go to the supermarket, think about eating the rainbow. Spend most of your time in the produce section, choosing fruits and vegetables from the color spectrum. Remember, wishing alone can't make good health happen. Enjoy the wonderful bounty our good earth provides for a healthy, balanced diet.

Peggy Martinelli-Everts of Clarkston, is a registered dietitian and director of clinical operations for HDS Services, a Farmington Hills-based food service and hospitality management company. Look for her story on the second Sunday of the month in Taste.

See recipe inside.



# A few changes makes mother's lasagna lower in fat

MURIEL G. WAGNER



REGISTERED  
DIETITIAN

Today is the day of the American Heart Association's "Ask the Nutrition Expert" event at Tel-Twelve Mall, on Telegraph at 12 Mile Road, in Southfield.

I'll be there with 30 other registered dietitians from noon to 4 p.m. to help you get your blood pressure checked, and body fat measured, talk with you about your food intake, guide a mock supermarket tour and help you modify your favorite recipes.

You'll be able to talk to the winners of our Main Dish Salad Recipe Contest winners, and see their winning salads. We've got prizes, balloons and lots of free recipes and pamphlets. But most important, I'll be there to meet and talk with you in person. Will I see you there?

Today, I'm sharing an "Eating Younger" version of a recipe that has fond memories for me. You see, my mother wasn't Italian, but you couldn't tell by her lasagna. Many meals were graced by her casserole of noodle, high-

fat cheese and her homemade meat sauce.

My fat loving taste buds adored her lasagna, but I changed the recipe. Why? Because I didn't want my weight or cholesterol numbers to match hers. But, not to worry. The fat, cholesterol and calories may be lower, but the flavor is still there, helped by freshly grated Parmesan cheese and a zesty ready-prepared tomato sauce.

I exchanged the lasagna noodles for jumbo-sized macaroni shells. They make a pretty presentation and, it's easier to freeze leftovers in portion sizes. The cheeses are non-fat ricotta, mozzarella and Parmesan. The Parmesan cheese is not a low fat cheese, but since 3 tablespoons weigh in at less than an ounce, the aroma and flavor that it adds makes it a taste treat bargain. I like to grate my own cheese. I find that the cheese in those cardboard boxes has lost most of its character by the time I'm ready to use it.

To reduce preparation time, I use a ready prepared spaghetti sauce. If you want to "beef it up," add a little top round beef that you've had trimmed and ground once. Of course you'll cook it well done before you add it to the sauce.

## STUFFED SHELL FLORENTINE

- 12 Jumbo Macaroni Shells
- 1 pound non-fat ricotta cheese
- 1 (10 ounce) package frozen chopped, spinach, defrosted, drained and squeezed dry
- 1/4 teaspoon lemon peel, grated
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon Fleischmann's Fat-Free Spread
- 1/2 cup onion, chopped and sautéed until softened
- 2 cloves garlic, minced and sautéed until softened
- 1 egg, plus 2 egg whites, slightly beaten
- 1/2 cup non-fat mozzarella cheese, shredded
- 3 Tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 (32 ounce) jar low-fat prepared spaghetti sauce (2 grams fat per serving or less)
- Freshly ground pepper to taste

Gradually add shells to 3 quarts rapidly boiling water so that water continues to boil. I like to add a teaspoon of olive oil so that the shells don't stick together. Cook, uncovered, stirring occasionally,

until tender. Drain in colander.

While the shells are cooking, make the filling by combining the ricotta cheese, spinach, lemon peel, lemon juice, Fleischmann's Fat-Free Spread, onion, garlic, egg, mozzarella and Parmesan cheese.

In a 13- by 9-inch casserole sprayed with nonstick spray, place 3/4 of the spaghetti sauce (mixed with optional ground beef).

Stuff cooked shells with cheese mixture. Arrange stuffed shells on top of sauce. Cover with foil. Bake at 350° F for 35-40 minutes. Before serving, heat remaining spaghetti sauce and pour over shells. Serves 6.

**Nutrition facts per serving:** 2 shells, Calories 262; Fat 2.2g; Saturated Fat 0.4g; Cholesterol 30mg; Sodium 583mg.

**Food exchanges =** 1 bread; 1 lean meat; 1 vegetable; 1 milk.

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# Vegetable pie with fresh herbs tasty main dish

See related story on Taste front. Recipe compliments of HPS Services and Peggy Marshall, director of clinical operations.

Here's a recipe that incorporates a few different vegetables for a colorful and tasty main dish.

## VEGETABLE PIE

3/4 cup long grain or brown rice  
1/2 cup bread crumbs  
1/4 cup each firmly packed fresh parsley and basil leaves  
2 tablespoons fresh thyme

leaves  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
Freshly grated nutmeg and ground pepper to taste  
2 shallots (1 ounce) total  
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese  
1 small eggplant (about 7 ounces) unpeeled, sliced thin  
8 ounces sliced mushrooms  
1 medium zucchini (8 ounces), sliced thin  
1 Italian plum tomato (3 ounces), sliced  
3 tablespoons olive oil

3 egg whites

Preheat oven to 450°F.

Prepare rice according to package directions. Spray a 10-inch pie plate with nonstick cooking spray. Pack rice into bottom and sides of pan to form crust.

Using a food processor fit with the steel blade, mince together the parsley, basil, thyme, salt, nutmeg, and pepper. Remove from the work bowl and set aside. Drop the shallots through the feed tube and process until minced. Remove from the work bowl and set aside.

In a heavy 12-inch sauté pan or skillet, heat 1 tablespoon of the oil over medium-high heat. Add the eggplant and half of the shallots. Cook, stirring frequently, until the eggplant is tender, about 7 minutes. Remove from the skillet. Heat 1 tablespoon of the oil in the same pan over medium-high heat. Add the zucchini and, stirring frequently, cook until just tender, about 3 minutes. Remove from the skillet. Heat the remaining 1 tablespoon of oil in the same pan over medium-high heat. Add the remaining shallots and mushrooms and cook, stirring frequent-

ly, until the mushrooms are soft, about 4 minutes.

Position a rack in the center of the 450°F oven. Combine the bread crumbs with half the grated cheese. Sprinkle over the bottom of the rice pie crust. Arrange the eggplant over crust in even layers. Sprinkle with one-fourth of the minced herbs and half of the remaining cheese.

Spoon the mushrooms over pie evenly. Sprinkle with one-fourth of the minced herbs. Pour egg whites evenly over mushrooms, making sure the egg soaks into the pie.

Arrange the zucchini evenly over the pie, overlapping slightly. Arrange the tomato slices in a circle in the center, overlapping slightly. Sprinkle the remaining herb mixture and then the remaining cheese over the vegetables. Bake in the preheated oven about 20 minutes, or until the egg is set and cheese melted. Let cool slightly before serving. Serves 6.

**Nutrition information per serving:** Calories 214, Protein 5 grams, Fat 10 grams, Sodium 241 mg, Carbohydrates 25 grams.

## Splash of beer adds flavor Microbrews from page B1

See related 2 Unique column on Taste front.

### SHRIMP WITH BEER GLAZE

2 pounds (16 to 20 count) shrimp  
1 bottle of ale or lager  
1/2 cup coarsely chopped coriander  
1/4 cup olive oil  
Zest and juice of 1 lime  
2 seeded, diced jalapeño peppers  
Freshly ground black pepper to taste  
Salt to taste  
Tabasco Sauce (optional)  
Clean shrimp, peel if desired, but shrimp has more flavor if cooked with their shells.

Place in shallow dish. Combine all ingredients, except salt and Tabasco, and pour over shrimp. Marinate in the refrigerator for up to two hours, turning once.

Remove shrimp from marinade. Strain marinade into saucepan and boil for 5-7 minutes, until syrupy and reduced to 1/4 cup. Season with salt and Tabasco sauce (if using). Grill shrimp and toss with glaze.

These recipes are compliments of the Schoolcraft College Winterfest.

### BLACK BEAN AND STOUT CHILI

1 cup chopped onions  
3 cloves garlic, chopped  
1/2 cup diced carrots

1/2 cup diced celery  
2 cups diced tomatoes  
4 cups cooked black beans  
1 jalapeño pepper, diced  
1 tablespoon chili powder  
1 tablespoon cumin  
3 cups chicken stock  
1 cup stout beer  
2 tablespoons cilantro  
Salt and pepper to taste

Sauté onions, carrots and celery together until the onions become transparent. Add the garlic and let sweat for 1 minute. Add the remaining ingredients and cook until the chili reaches the right consistency (about 1 hour). Garnish with cheddar cheese and sour cream.

### CHERRY BEER BARBECUE SAUCE

1 gallon barbecue sauce of your choice  
1 pound pork bone (optional)  
2 lemons (cut in half)  
2 teaspoons chili powder  
3/4 cup dried cherries  
1 bottle Sam Adams Cherry Wheat Beer  
1/2 tablespoon minced garlic  
2 tablespoons Worcestershire Sauce

Combine all ingredients into a stainless steel pot (pork bone optional). Simmer for 45 minutes or until sauce reaches desired consistency. Remove bone and lemons, puree cherries if desired. Yields 1 gallon.

tures. It is kept alive today by the growing number of consumers who are willing to pay a premium for relatively inexpensive items that authentically satisfy their search for the good life filled with simple, everyday pleasures.

### Tasting

Here are some tips from Merchant's Fine Wine owner John Jonna.

■ Step 1 - Pour the beer you have chosen into a clean, clear glass. It is always a good idea to taste lighter beers before darker beers.

■ Step 2 - Smell your beer. This is one of the best parts of a good beer. Note the aromas, they can range from citrus, floral, or skunky to roasted, toasted, or malty. The nose in beer is fleeting, so you want to enjoy it while it lasts.

■ Step 3 - Hold the glass up to the light or hold it up against a white background. Notice the color and clarity. The color can range from the pale straw to black depending on the style. If the beer is unfiltered then it will have a hazy appearance. Some brewers do not filter their beer because of the extra flavor the yeast provides.

■ Step 4 - Now you may sip the beer. Take a nice sip - not so much as to fill your mouth, but to coat your palate. Now swirl and chew your beer. Remember the object is to taste the beer so you will want to use every part

of your mouth. Is the beer full-bodied or thin? Is it sweet or bitter? Now swallow. Does the flavor linger (a long finish) or disappear (a short finish).

■ Step 5 - Repeat! Now you know how to successfully taste a beer. As you hone these skills and taste different beers you will develop an appreciation for the great variety of beers in the world.

### Marriage of Food and Beer

There are no set rules about matching beer with food. It's up to individual taste. Here are some ideas from the Michigan Beer Guide. Experiment and have fun.

■ Salads - lambic, kriel, framboise, fruit beer

■ Cheese dishes - pale ale, porter and sweet stout

■ Seafood - pilsner, amber lager or light ale

■ Shellfish - porter, stout

■ Pasta, pizza and spicy foods - malty Vienna or Oktoberfest

■ Poultry - Amber lager, ale

■ Pork, veal and beef - Munich or Dortmund lager

■ Game - Scottish ale, porter, dry stout, Belgian ale

■ Roasts and stews - dark malty lager, porter, stout

■ Desserts - old ale, barley wine, double bock, imperial stout

Try different combinations. For example, try different styles of beer with the same food. Keep a record of ideas and comments. Brewpubs and Micros that serve food are also good sources. Some will print suggestions on their menus on which of their beers pair with each entree. Ask your server.

As I reported in my coffee column in January, there seems to be a resurgence of the past - coffee bars, microbrews and cigars are all the happening thing. Or maybe it is also part of the homegrown, grass roots feeling spreading across the United States this decade. Only time will tell if micro beer is here to stay or just a passing phenomenon of years past.

## Tap into brewer vocabulary

See related 2 Unique Column on Taste front.

Here are some definitions to help clarify common used beer terms.

**Microbrewery** - A brewery that may make and sell its beer for either on or off premise consumption, and through wholesalers to retailers. Total annual production may not exceed 30,000 barrels. Micros are not required to provide food service.

**Brewpub** - A restaurant that may make and sell its beer on premise only, or take out from the licensed premise. Total annual production may not exceed 5,000 barrels. Brewpubs are required to offer food service.

**Beer Terminology:**

**Ale** - traditional style, top-fermented beer with a distinct yeast character. The brewing of ale was first noted in 4,000 year old Egyptian histories, and it remained the most common beer until the 19th century. Ale is still the favorite in England.

**Adjunct** - A supplemental grain often used by large American brewers in addition to malted barley to save costs.

**Barley** - A cereal grass whose grain is used in making barley malt.

**Barrel** - A unit of measurement, precisely 31 gallons - used in discussing brewing capacity. An American keg holds a half barrel.

**Beer** - Any fermented drink made from grain and seasoned with hops.

**Bitter** - A traditional English-pub style of ale. The characteristic dry flavor is from the resins and essential oils in the hops.

**Body** - The fullness of flavor and "feel" of the beer in the mouth, which is affected by carbonation, alcohol content, bal-

ance and structure of the brew. Body may be described as dry, neutral, sweet, bland, vinous, thin, smooth, etc.

**Bottom Fermenting** - A type of yeast and process used in brewing lager, taking place at lower temperatures than top-fermenting.

**Carbonation** - Good in proper balance, but not if the beer is too grassy or too flat, for then it adversely affects taste and body.

**Clarity** - The clearness of a liquid.

**Dry** - Lack of sweetness; crisp not tart

**ESB** - Extra Special Bitter, a traditional name for a brewery's deluxe bitter.

**Head** - A dense, uneven, rocky head of foam indicating that a beer has a natural, not injected carbonation.

**Hops** - An aromatic vine whose female flowers have been used since the 15th century to season and clarify beer. Washington is second to Germany in hop production.

**Lager** - A bottom-fermented beer. This is the style of beer brewed by most American mass producers.

**Malt** - Barley which has been germinated and dried in a process called "malting" which breaks down barley starches into sugars for fermentation.

**Porter** - A classic, London-style beer brewed in England since the 17th century.

**Stout** - A fuller bodied, richer, and traditionally, stronger version of porter, stout gets its distinctive bitter flavor from roasted, unmalted barley.

**Wort** - The liquid created during "mashing," in the mash turn. The wort is boiled, hops and yeast are added, and the liquid is fermented into beer.

Chef Kelli L. Lewton is owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Event Planners in Bloomfield Hills. A graduate of Schoolcraft College's

Culinary Arts program, Kelli is a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month.

## Readers needs help finding recipes

By KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Some of my very favorite recipes are ones I clipped out of newspapers and magazines. Like me, I'm sure you've saved some of the recipes that have appeared in Taste, and perhaps have lost one of your favorites.

Do you have a good system for organizing recipes so you won't lose them?

With good intentions I've tried a number of systems, everything from pasting recipes on file cards, to putting them in a notebook. I have clipped recipes tucked in cookbooks, in folders, and even attached to the fridge with kitchen magnets.

Lost and Found Recipes are the best. Have you ever clipped a recipe, made it, liked the results, and then accidentally misplaced the recipe?

Kim of Westland is looking for a lentil burger recipe she clipped out of the Observer in 1989. "It was really good, but I can't find

the recipe," she said. If you have a good lentil burger recipe send it to me, and I'll make sure Kim gets it.

Mary of Bloomfield Hills is looking for a recipe called Buddha's Delight.

If you can help our readers, please send the recipe to: Keely Wygonik, Taste Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax (734) 591-7279. You can also e-mail me recipes kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net

We'd also enjoy hearing your tips for organizing recipes.

### Holiday

We're also looking for Spring Holiday Celebration recipes to feature in Taste on Sunday, March 29.

What are your Easter and Passover food traditions? Do you have a favorite recipe to share? Tell us about the recipe, and why it's a family tradition.

Send your recipe, and a couple

of sentences, which explain why it's so good, by Monday, March 16. Please include your daytime phone number so we can call you if we need to.

We'll pick two readers to feature in the Sunday, March 29, issue of Taste. In addition to being photographed and interviewed for our story, you'll receive an apron and a copy of "The Passover Table," by Susan R. Friedland or "The Frugal Gourmet Keeps the Feast: Past, Present and Future," by Jeff Smith, in addition to our thanks.

Look for our recipe to share feature on Sunday, March 22.

This month, Laurie Wethington of Farmington Hills shares her Pork Piccata recipes, which is similar in taste and texture to veal piccata, but not as expensive.

We'd like to feature one of your favorite recipes in Taste.

Send your recipes to me at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers at the number listed above.

### NUTRITION MONTH EVENTS

■ Healthy Cooking Demos at Botsford General Hospital's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave., Novi. Beef Recipes, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 12; Tofu: Hot, Spicy, Creamy, and Sweet and Sour, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 26. There is a \$6 fee for other of these classes; preregistration required, call (248) 477-6100.

■ Teen Nutrition Grocery

Tour, presented by Gail Posner, a registered dietitian, 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, March 30 at Shopping Center Market, Maple at Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Cost \$15 per teen, and \$25 for adult and teen. Call (248) 855-4558 to register, prepayment required. Learn how to make healthy choices at the grocery store, includes samples.

■ Crittenton Hospital Nutri-

tion Health Fair, 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, March 26 at the hospital, 1101 W. University Drive, Rochester. Free event features food samples, nutrition displays, games, contests, raffles, free waist to hip ratio measurements, prizes, cooking demonstrations, finger stick testing for cholesterol and HDL (the fee is \$10 per person). Registration is not necessary; call (248) 662-5630 for information.



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## CONVERSATIONS



FRANK PROVENZANO

## Princess Di's legacy: Beating the odds

This sounds all too much like a tidbit that belongs on a supermarket tabloid:

"Five dresses worn by Princess Di now on display."

What next? A world tour of the mangled Mercedes, or a close-up of the bloody clothes she wore on that fateful night last August?

It's easy to be cynical, especially with the commercialization and merchandising of Princess Di's image since her death.

Unfortunately, journalistic ethics and quick-buck merchandising have become synonymous. (OK, some may argue that they've always been.)

The upcoming exhibit of Princess Di's dresses at the Cranbrook Art Museum, however, isn't about crass commercialization.

In fact, once you learn about Ellen Petho, the proud owner of the dresses, you just might renew your faith in human nature.

### Value of profit

Petho, a Port Huron resident, purchased the five dresses of a collection of 79 for about \$150,000 in July.

The auction was held to raise money for children's charities around the world.

After Princess Di's death, the value of the dresses and the five accompanying autographed books (one book has sold for as much as \$100,000) increased six-fold.

An astronomical investment return of about 900 percent, worth approximately \$1.3 million.

With that kind of profit, most people would be busy speculating in the stock market or vacationing in the south of France.

But not Petho, who admits to idolizing the princess for her humanitarian work.

When Petho heard about the auction at Christie's, she traveled to New York. She not only had to enter a lottery to get into the auction, but won a main floor seat.

She came with her checkbook, and expected that the dresses would attract a minimum of \$20,000 each.

"I've never bought a lottery ticket," said Petho. "I didn't think it was a gamble."

The dresses, she said, are part of history. Because of the media swarm that followed Princess Di, photos and video of her in the dresses are easily recalled.

Petho's idea was quite simple. She planned to buy a few dresses, then make them available to nonprofits, such as the Girl Scouts and YMCA. With the dresses as a draw, nonprofits could raise money.

There was even a hokey notion to hang the dresses with a cut-out face so people could take pictures with the dresses.

And then, the tragic events in a Paris tunnel.

"(That night) changed everything in my life," she said.

Suddenly, the dresses became a living monument, a vestige of the woman who didn't hide from her frailties, exuded compassion and died before her time.

### Know the details

"When I put my feet back on the ground, it came down to my original intention, which was to make money for charity."

A more stately and somber venue was needed to exhibit the dresses.

With the assistance of the Orchard Lake-based event coordination group, "Women 2 Women," the exhibit was scheduled at Cranbrook.

From there, the dresses will tour the country before heading to Europe in June.

The dresses will make another local appearance on two occasions: April 23 at the Rattlesnake Club in Detroit, and May 14-17 at the Meadow Brook Museum.

"Princess Di used her prominence to help people," said Petho, who recalled Diana's work with AIDS patients and on behalf of the worldwide movement to ban land mines.

"She'll be remembered as a humanitarian."

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Winning touch: The charcoal drawing, "Oryx," by Laurie Ann Bouley of Bloomfield Hills. (Below left) Marco Garcia's encaustic painting, "Camino Al Futuro," demonstrates technical mastery and a flowing style. The works are among the many highlights in the 17th annual Michigan Fine Arts Competition. (Below right) Barry Avedon's, "Beware of Dog," oil painting.



BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
STAFF WRITER

Naturally, when looking at the finalists in the Michigan Fine Arts Competition, a question comes to mind: Are there any traits that distinguish artists from the Great Lakes state from those who hang out in Los Angeles or New York?

Or for that matter, from artists in Peoria?

And, of course, it's only natural to wonder if any significant art is being created by Michigan artists?

Nearly 50 years ago, a young New York artist named Larry Rivers faced a similar predicament, except he was looking out at a post-war America slumbering in a cultural orthodoxy.

In 1953 at the height of the Cold War, Rivers' painting of the blurry-eyed "father of our country," George Washington, crossing (Or was he retreating?) the Delaware challenged the mainstream attitudes of "patriotic." Until then, few other artists had so directly confronted the status quo.

So, upon hearing that Rivers was

## MICHIGAN Fine Arts Competition reflects 1990s sensibilities

the juror of the 17th annual Michigan Fine Arts Competition, there was an expectation of controversy. Or at least, a hint of rebelliousness.

Ironically, it might be those abstract questions about the role of art that prove to be more provocative than the 60 entrants in this year's show at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association.

### Something for everyone

By its nature, the competition isn't a preconceived exhibit organized around a theme. For the most part, the show reflects Rivers' sensibility, which is clearly, a little of everything.

Typically, statewide art competitions are uneven and diverse. The Michigan Fine Arts Competition is no exception.

The temptation is to look for common, distinguishing traits among Michigan artists. That, however, is missing the point.

The artists are as diverse as the work. Students, academics, professionals and self-taught artists are

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What: 17th Annual Michigan Fine Arts Competition  
When: Through Friday, March 27  
Where: Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association, 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866  
Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday

Note: In conjunction with the show, the Robert Kidd Gallery, 107 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 642-3909, is exhibiting, "The Master's Eye," paintings and drawings by Larry Rivers, Juror of the Michigan Fine Arts Competition.



## EXHIBIT



Buddies: Peter Hackett, left, and Daniel Verni, both of Rochester, share a studio and exhibit space at the Meadow Brook Gallery on the Oakland University campus.

## Communal spirit floats upstream at Clinton River Studios

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
STAFF WRITER

With his long, stringy hair and thick beard, the bespectacled Peter Hackett of Rochester resembles an earthy mountain man. He is, more accurately, a connoisseur of river refuse, and a sculptor with a charming touch and a deep fount of humor.

When the Clinton River is torrentially high, or exceptionally low, Hackett can be seen roaming the banks looking for driftwood, animal bones and scrutinizing whatever has been tossed to its watery grave.

Hackett's delightful found-object sculptures can be seen along with the diverse works of four other artists—Jeff Hale, Mark Rutkowski, Greg Utech and Daniel Verni—in Meadow Brook Gallery's current exhibit, "Clinton River Studios."

The show is as much of a monument to communal spirit as a bountiful look at five artists with tireless energy to create their art—a range of abstract paintings, portrait watercolors, recon-

structed ceramics, and, of course, sculptures with an unmistakable imprint of our disposable society.

For a visitor to the gallery on the Oakland University campus, the impact of the joint exhibit is a bit overwhelming. Too much to see. Not enough room to appreciate it.

But take a cue from the artists. Take some time to live with their art. They've not only got plenty of art, but they have plenty to share.

### What they do

Since the early 1980s, these artists—who've made their home, literally, at a former flare factory on the Clinton River—have been making their way in a market-driven art world that has left them, at times, completely puzzled.

"The real art is selling art," said Hackett, who admits that he doesn't keep up on trends or art world fashions.

Their response to the whims of the art market seems rather innocent: to create art because, well, that's what

What: Come opera by Costano Bonatti, sung in French with English surtitles.  
Where: University of Michigan Power Center, 221 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor  
When: 8 p.m. Thursday, Saturday, March 12-14; Special 75-minute family performance, 2 p.m. Sunday, March 14  
Tickets: \$22-\$44. Call (734) 764-2533. On the web: <http://www.umich.edu>  
What: Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Clinton Township  
When: 7 p.m. Sunday, March 15  
Tickets: \$29-\$32. Call (810) 256-2222. On the web: <http://www.macombcenter.org>  
What: Wharton Center, Michigan State University Campus, East Lansing  
When: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 17  
Tickets: \$28-\$40. Call (800) WHARTON. On the web: <http://www.msu.edu>

## Opera 'Regiment' suits singer

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

This was Wednesday, so it must be Lawrence, Kan.

For the national touring company of the New York City Opera, keeping up with the changing venues can be a problem on their 16-week trek through 28 states and Canada to present Gaetano Donizetti's "The Daughter of the Regiment." The company opens for a three-day stay at the University of Michigan's Power Center Thursday and will also perform at the Macomb Center and Wharton Auditorium at Michigan State.

"Sometimes you get 'bushead,' because you get to the point where you say, 'What town are we in,'" said singer David Ward, by phone from Lawrence. "It's not unusual to go into a store and ask the clerk what town you're in and they look at you funny. But this is an amiable cast, maybe because it's a comedy."

The New York City Opera began its "bus and truck" tours across North America in 1979 with a two-fold mission: to take top-quality opera performances across country and to provide talented young artists with valuable performing experience.

This year the emphasis is on light and playful in a slightly updated staging of Donizetti's opera. The opera will be sung in French with English surtitles.

"It's very interesting, when the curtain goes up you see a small village and it's charming," said Ward, who is one of two singers alternating in the bass role of Sgt. Sulpice. "Then the chorus comes out and it's three times the size of the village. The village becomes furniture for the chorus."

The production also features a real electric car on stage.

"The Daughter of the Regiment" is still a period piece, Ward said, with the soldiers more French Foreign Legion than Napoleonic. Marie is a spirited young woman who was found as an infant on a battle field and raised by the regiment. She falls in love with a

Regimental salute: Robin Blitch Wiper is one of four sopranos who will alternate in title role of Marie, "The Daughter of the Regiment."

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What: Clinton River Studios, an exhibit of five artists: Peter Hackett, Jeff Hale, Mark Rutkowski, Greg Utech and Daniel Verni.  
Where: Meadow Brook Art Gallery, Wilson Hall, Oakland University campus, (across from Meadow Brook Theatre), Rochester Hills  
When: Through Sunday, March 29  
For information: (248) 370-3005

they do.

In the early 1990s, Verni visited the Whitney Museum's biennial exhibit, which sets out to showcase work of the most compelling American artists.

"I was so unimpressed that it inspired me to redo myself to my art," said Verni. "I figure you really can't accomplish anything before you're 40, anyway."

Soon thereafter, Verni, a 1976 graduate of Rochester Adams, moved into Clinton River Studios.

Today, he shares the former loading dock space with Hackett. Each holds

Please see STUDIOS, B4



# Rivers revels in stream of attention

Hours after he performed his final duties as juror in the Michigan Fine Arts Competition on Thursday, Larry Rivers held court.

The occasion was the opening of his exhibit, "The Master's Eye," at the Kidd Gallery in Birmingham, held in conjunction with the statewide competition.

At an informal news conference, Rivers explained how he gains from photographs, sees his influence in the work of today's artists, prefers drawing over painting and loves to play his saxophone as much as stand before a canvas.

Succinct and definitive answers don't flow easily from the artist with a reputation for his rebellious flair.

The enigmatic Rivers, wearing a well-worn jacket held together by threads, strode into the packed gallery filled with media, art collectors and admirers.

Even at 74, Rivers walks with an athletic bounce, and hasn't

lost any luster of his famously intense glare. And he still bears a striking resemblance to Dennis Hopper and Michael Douglas.

With the deaths last year of Willem de Kooning and Roy Lichtenstein, Rivers is one of the few remaining influential American artists from the fertile 1950s.

In many ways, Rivers is a transitional figure. His drawings and paintings reflect the cathartic emotion of abstract expressionism and the contemporary tone of pop art.

But foremost, Rivers is the archetypal bohemian artist, remaining noncommittal about nearly everything, but his art.

And clearly, Rivers isn't interested in history.

"I'm not an evolutionist, I don't think about how art has changed from then to now," he said.

Everything to know about Rivers is in his art. And for the more literal minded, the details of his life are in his scintillating

1992 unauthorized autobiography, "What Did I Do?"

In tone and style, the exhibit at the Kidd Gallery captures the warm energy and sexuality that pervades nearly every Rivers piece.

Often overlooked is Rivers' masterful draftsmanship. He seldom misses a chance to evoke a sensual relationship among his subjects and a palette of bold, yet nourishing hues.

A few of the more familiar images include pieces from his Art and Artist series, featuring Picasso, Gauguin and Matisse as they work. The famous artists are depicted on Rivers' trademark three-dimensional canvas.

With his 12-year-old son at his side, Rivers charmed the crowd with his unpretentiousness. He admitted that he doesn't keep up with current fads or the work of contemporary artists.

When his son was asked to name his favorite artist, he replied, "My dad and a few

artists at Disney."

Rivers shrugged. "At least he considered me."

**Rivers' choices in the Michigan Fine Arts Competition:**

■ First Prize: "She's All Wet," Tom Rice of Kalamazoo

■ Second Prize: "Tablescape," Patrick McCay of Detroit

■ Third Prize: "Oriental Pharmacy," Dianne Burkhardt of Northville

■ Honorable Mention: "Up North," Howard Dombrowski of Redford

■ Honorable Mention: "Acrylic Construction," Jeri Fellwock of Farmington Hills

■ Honorable Mention: "Lola," Leonore Gimpert of Birmingham

■ Honorable Mention: "Contrast & Direction," Pamela Giurlanda of Farmington Hills

■ Honorable Mention: "Man at Piano," Diane Gamerman of Madison Heights

— Frank Provenzano



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**Signature:** Barbara Broad of West Bloomfield, left, waits for Larry Rivers to sign a copy of a book of his drawings and paintings. The reception was held Thursday at the Kidd Gallery in Birmingham.

## Studios from page B3

down a 9-to-5 job. Vernia is a chef at Neiman Marcus.

Meanwhile, Hackett, who is represented by the Cary Gallery in Rochester, prepares exhibits at the Meadow Brook Gallery.

### A beach head

The collaboration among the artists who share Clinton River Studios comes in the form of encouragement, and a healthy dose of peer pressure.

"They kept bugging me to finish my pieces before the show," said Vernia.

Upon looking at the slides of Vernia's work, Hackett suggests that "we take new shots" of Vernia's abstract paintings.

"Your work is all about color," he said. The photos don't quite reflect that, he implied.

Vernia agreed. Collaboration is inseparable from friendship.

In many ways, the artistic activity at Clinton River Studios sounds like club-house vernacular. Stories abound about living the bohemian life.

Clinton River Studios is as much a state of mind and a physical location. A refuge for

the artists to create in a mythic realm of their own making.

Want proof? Hackett offers these directions to the studio: "Along the mighty Clinton River, just downstream from where it is joined by the Paint Creek, beneath the cellular-microwave tower, just before you reach the auto graveyard, beach your kayak on the right bank."

Perhaps the most talented Clinton Studios alumnus is Rutkowski, who is currently living in an Indonesia art colony. (No kidding.)

Rutkowski demonstrates a proficiency in a range of mediums. His realistic paintings of the dilapidated deco district of Ft. Lauderdale hangs in that city's museum.

"When he comes back, he'll have a place," said Hackett. "All we expect is for him to share his stories. He's got some great stories."

As for Hackett, the only artist who lives on the grounds, he, too, expects to continue to travel in his own style — "mostly in my mind."

## Fine Arts from page B3

all represented. Any semblance of a common aesthetic is mere coincidence.

Years ago, a statewide arts competition might have depictions of lighthouses, paintings of the sylvan north, bears, wolves, lumberjacks or images of massive freighters, steaming trains and monotonous assembly lines.

Not today. The Michigan Fine Arts Competition is a reminder that in the cyber age, the notion of regionalism has drifted untethered into the cyber abyss.

Regional artistic differences in a high-tech, Internet-bound America have been stirred into a pluralistic melting pot.

Listen closely, P.T. Barnum can be heard calling. "There's something for everyone." And in the spirit of the day, the buzz word that best describes the Michigan Fine Arts Competition is "eclectic."

### Masterful impressions

The show features masterful charcoal drawings, somber still life paintings, lush pastels, cleverly composed mixed media, a few figurative and daffy pop sculptures, and passing views of a withering Americana in the

form of oil paintings of diners, a corner grocery store and a dingy cafe.

Several pieces stand out: ■ "Camino Al Futuro," a large-scale encaustic painting by Marco Garcia of Ann Arbor. The shadowy images of a man and woman locked into a curvaceous stride captures a neo-expressionist technique with a flowing sensuality.

■ David Rayfield's male/female nude black and white photographs, which not only demonstrate technical mastery of form, tone and composition, but present a provocative simplicity.

■ "Mannequin 2," a triptych by photographer Linda Soberman of Huntington Woods. Despite its similarity to avant-garde artist Cindy Sherman's work, the haunting images reflect Soberman's uncompromising existential vision.

■ "Tablescape II," an acrylic on canvas demonstrates Patrick McCay's ability to combine surrealism with a daunting use of light. McCay is the new dean at the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit.

■ A large-scale, mixed-media by Lenore Gimpert of Birmingham, which demonstrates her emerging confidence and moody

graphic style.

Other noteworthy efforts include:

■ The perfectly executed charcoal drawing, "Oryx," by Laurie Ann Bouley of Bloomfield Hills.

■ The swirling painting of a vintage auto by Tom Hale of Northville.

■ The cardboard wall of houses by Terry Melnick of West Bloomfield.

■ A brass sculpture, "Minyan," by Henry Friedman of West Bloomfield.

■ Dianne Burkhardt's charcoal rendering of a diner and a cafe.

■ The control of the many verdant hues in a painting of a northern Michigan highway by Howard Dobrowski of Redford.

Other local artists in the competition include: Marilyn Gorman of Birmingham; Suzanne Aberly, Danielle Bodine, Liz Mack, Girija Viswanath, Karen Wydra of Bloomfield Hills; Jeri Fellwock, Harriet Gelfond, Pamela Giurlanda of Farmington Hills; Sophia Rivkin of Southfield; Lillian Moran of Troy; and, Elizabeth Crank, Deborah Rader, Darcy Scott of West Bloomfield.

### Creating momentum

Ultimately, the Michigan Fine

Arts Competition is a reminder of the few opportunities for native sons and daughters to show their work in Michigan.

"The BBAA is willing to make a commitment to local artists," said Lester Johnson, Jr., professor of fine arts at Center for Creative Studies and an instructor at the BBAA.

"Artists work in isolation. They must see how their work is received," he said.

Without a contemporary arts museum in the region, many art associations along with university galleries have become the only regular venues to show the work of local artists.

In order to raise the profile of Michigan artists, the BBAA has enlisted the support of a range of corporate sponsors.

With an increase in prize money, and a big-name juror, the exhibit has taken on the appearance of a major social-cultural event.

That translates into the type of excitement indicative of a thriving art scene.

"A lot of artists move away because there's not enough opportunities here," said Johnson.

"This annual show definitely creates momentum."

## Conversations from page B3

Tabloid news be damned.

Pethos' exhibit reminds us that there's substance behind the fashion, glitz and gossip.

Put aside the cynicism. Think of it as beating the odds.

Here are the exhibit details:

**What:** "Five Dresses of Lady Diana, Princess of Wales"

**When:** 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday, March 10-15

**Where:** Cranbrook Art Museum, 1221 N. Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills

**Preview event — Monday,**

March 9: Women 2: Women will co-host tea event, noon, 2, 4 p.m.; and, champagne reception 6 and 8 p.m. A lecture and slide presentation will be given by Ellen Petho. Tickets: \$50 for tea event, \$125 for champagne reception; (248) 645-3361, (248) 645-6666.

**NOTE:** Proceeds from all the exhibits will go to charities benefiting children.

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## Regiment from page B3

young peasant, Tonio, who becomes a soldier to win the support of the regiment (especially Sgt. Sulrice). But the ways of true love do not run smooth when the Marquise of Birkenfeld claims Marie as her niece and wants her to marry someone else. Of course, things work out well in the end. This is a happy comedy and a happy company.

Ward is enjoying the camaraderie on stage and off.

"The great thing is, I get to sing with our principals," he said. "There is a marvelous duet with the leading lady ('In the heat of battle') at the beginning that sums up our relationship. She has all the high notes, and I just get to sing through."

In the second act, Ward sings a trio with the two leads that is playfully set around being pho-

tographed.

"Vocally, it's not that great a challenge, more of a bass role, but it's a hoot," he said.

Ward said he's never sung Sulrice before but the role already seems familiar to him.

"It seems like it would be fun to do over and over again, he's so simpatico," Ward said, who added that he prefers comic roles that fit his optimistic personality.

The opera is famous for Tonio's Act 1 aria ("Since the moment") which contains nine high Cs and helped solidify Luciano Pavarotti's reputation.

The tenor's big moment is always a show stopper, Ward said.

"But it's surprising, he has another aria in the second act in which he expresses his love for

Maria that may be even more beautiful. The tenors we have sing it so beautifully," he said.

Five tenors are being used on tour, including Michigan native Matthew Chellis, who will join the company in Ann Arbor. Four singers are sharing the role of Marie.

Ward is a native of New Jersey who had intended to become a minister of a lawyer until he went to New York and rediscovered music.

"I did 'Pippen' in summer stock and said, 'This is what I want to do with my life,'" he said. "I've always loved opera. As a child I had sung 'Magic Flute' and 'Amahl.' It hooked me," he said.

So now he's on the bus, one of three used by the company, and taking side trips to Graceland and Beale Street in Memphis,

visiting friends and trying to avoid the biggest road danger of all.

"I read, shop, that's a big one, very dangerous. Our luggage seems to grow, little things build up," he said.

The company is looking forward to Ann Arbor, a regular and favorite stop, he said. In addition to performing the company will be offering several educational programs while on campus.

## ART BEAT

### NIGHT AT THE OSCARS

Who'll win at the Oscars? Your guess may be as good as anyone's.

The Friends of the Troy Public Library will offer prizes to winners who guess the Oscars winners correctly. Name the winners will be held 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 12.

Kurt Mayry of the Motion Picture Institute of Michigan and film critic John Monaghan of the Observer & Eccentric Newspaper will be on hand.

The library is located at 510 W. Big Beaver Road, just east of I-75 in the Civic Center Complex. For information, (248) 524-3538.

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## Clarkston rolls into district by routing Ferndale

BY MIKE SCOTT  
SPECIAL WRITER

Clarkston showed no signs of leftover rust following a near loss on Tuesday, pounding host Ferndale 66-40 in the season finale for both teams.

The Wolves (18-2, 11-1 OAA Division I) wrapped up the division championship on Tuesday, but they made sure to head into the state tournament on a high note. Clarkston used a 28-7 run in the late second quarter and early third quarter to put the

game out of reach.

Dane Fife heated up in the third quarter, hitting four of his first five shots from the field after struggling in the first half, and finished with 26 points along with six assists. But it was the outside shooting of Mike Maitrott which put the dagger into the collective heart of the Eagles (9-11, 3-9).

Maitrott's triple with 5:20 to play in the first half started the decisive run for Clarkston. He added a pair of long-range jumpers early in the third quar-

ter and finished with 14 points.

"I'm pretty confident with my shot right now," said Maitrott, who also dove headfirst into the scorer's table, knocking the game clock out of commission for a couple of minutes in the third quarter. "I've been putting more arc on it lately and that has seemed to work."

Ferndale was coming off an upset victory over Pontiac Northern on Tuesday and came out flying from the tip. The Wolves turned the ball over on four of their first six possessions

as the Eagles switched back and forth between man and zone defenses.

Particularly impressive was the play of Ferndale senior forward Damon Lucas, who finished the game with 13 points and 11 rebounds, but in the first six minutes of the game, he was the best player on the court.

Lucas' short jump shot gave the Eagles a 14-11 lead early in the second quarter, but seconds later he committed his third personal foul and had to leave the game, helping to prompt Clarkston's

run. The Eagles trailed 22-14 at halftime and 47-28 after three quarters. They were able to get no closer than 15 points in the final eight minutes.

Ferndale head coach Don McNeal said his team did not maintain the same intensity they had against Northern earlier in the week, and that they were unable to recover from Clarkston's torrid shooting to start the second half.

"They came out with a fire in their eyes in the second half and

our guys could never recover," said McNeal. "We're a pretty young team but for some reason we seemed fatigued out there."

"Our guys need to realize they have to play with a winning attitude every night. You can't play one way one game and then play a different way the next."

McNeal also was displeased with his defense in the second half, particularly on three-point shots. The Eagles defended the perimeter well in the first half.

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DAN STICKRADT

### Last home game ushes out great Wolves' hoops era

This past Tuesday marked an end of an era for the Clarkston basketball team as the Wolves played their final game in the old Clarkston Fieldhouse.

What has been the pride and joy for prep basketball fans in the Clarkston area for decades will be replaced next year by a much larger field house when students attend classes at the new high school a few miles down the road. But I can say one thing for sure — the memories will always be there.

Over the years, there have been many great players at Clarkston — Tim McCormick, Dugan Fife, Dane Fife, to name a few — and many talented teams. But it's not only the talent level that makes Clarkston basketball in the old gymnasium so special. It's the atmosphere.

It doesn't matter who is playing or what kind of talent the opposition has to offer, the Wolves always draw large numbers of boisterous and opinionated fans who adore their basketball team.

Young children dressed in Clarkston jerseys with the last name of their favorite player embroidered on the back, and one of the loudest student sections in the northern suburbs, are just two of the many sights and sounds you see at the games there.

I can remember my first trip to the old Clarkston Fieldhouse back in the late 1970s. My father drove my brother and I up there to see Rochester play the Wolves and "some kid named McCormick." Well, I was only about 6 years old at the time, and with a very short attention span, playing underneath the bleachers with some of my newfound friends seemed more important to me than the game itself. But the image of being there is still pretty fresh in my mind.

I hadn't been back to see a game at Clarkston until this season and it wasn't until then that I recalled the

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## Wolves grab 1st hockey title



■ Clarkston survived rough-and-tumble Grand Blanc, 10-1, Wednesday to claim a Class A district hockey championship

BY MIKE SCOTT  
SPECIAL WRITER

The Clarkston hockey team truly experienced what it felt like to be a champion on Wednesday. The Wolves handily captured the first district championship in school history, but in the process took some bumps and bruises inflicted by a defeated and frustrated opponent.

Grand Blanc was never really in the district final, falling to Clarkston 10-1 at IMA Sports Arena in Flint. Clarkston (18-7-1) battled Flint Southwestern Academy for a regional championship Saturday night, but results were not available at press time.

As they had done in a district semifinal win over Waterford Mott, the Wolves jumped on Grand Blanc early and suffocated the Bobcats with a puck-controlling defense. Although the final tally of shots on goal was 36-15 in favor of Clarkston, the Bobcats did not get their 10th shot on goal or their lone tally until late in the third period, long after the outcome had been decided.

At one point, with Grand Blanc enjoying a two-man advantage, the Wolves managed to prevent a shot on goal for a full two minutes.

But the story of the game may have been that there was no game to report on. After Clarkston jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the first 15 minutes, and an 8-0 lead after two periods, the play of a few of the Bobcat players turned dirty.

"Our kids really kept their heads," said assistant head coach Glenn MacDonald. "I was proud of them. The end of the game was a big fiasco. It wasn't representative of the way high school hockey should be at all."

"It wasn't every player on that team, just four or five," he added. "Coaches should be able to take care of those situations, but they didn't do a thing."

The Bobcats amassed 127 penalty minutes, many of those game misconducts in the final minutes, while the



PHOTO BY BOB KNOSSA

Ice time: Clarkston's Steve Janowiak finds himself loose in front of Grand Blanc goaltender John Scheoducer as Bobcat Dan Haddix moves in to help during the Wolves' 10-1 win Wednesday.

Wolves finished with only 22. But even without the difference in power play opportunities, there was little doubt as to which team possessed the superior talent.

Clarkston had hoped to end the game before 45 minutes expired. In the postseason, if one team leads by 10 goals in the third period, the game is called. Grand Blanc scored its lone goal before Clarkston scored its 10th.

The Wolves suffered no major injuries as a result of the tuggery, but Bret Postal was given a cross-check across the back of the head. MacDonald said he was fine and was going to play in yesterday's game.

Freshman center Steve Janowiak and freshman winger Jon Bemis each scored two goals to lead yet another balanced attack for Clarkston. Junior defenseman Ron Wells had a goal and two assists and Postal added a goal and an assist.

Adam Leech also finished with a pair of assists for Clarkston, which scored on two of their first three shots

on goal. Steve Badger continued to shine in goal, shutting out the Bobcats in the first two periods. Fellow sophomore goalie Pat Cook played in the third period.

In the second period, Grand Blanc controlled the puck in the Clarkston zone for less than two minutes, proving how dominating the Wolves were. All 20 Clarkston players received significant ice time and continued to dominate Grand Blanc late in the contest.

"We told the kids if you play to Grand Blanc's level, we could be in trouble," MacDonald said. "That's what Waterford Kettering did (in the district semifinal loss). But we played great team hockey and were able to stay focused throughout."

For the Wolves, it was also the first hockey championship in any capacity, which made the game a special one to the players and coaches alike.

"It was a great thrill but we know the regional championship is in our grasp," MacDonald said.

### Looking ahead

Pending the outcome of last night's regional championship game, Clarkston's hockey team will have its hands full if it continues to advance through the Class A state tournament.

The winner of that contest will take on the winner of Saturday's afternoon regional final between Grosse Pointe South and Redford Detroit Catholic Central in Plymouth. Catholic Central was the Catholic League champion this year after paying a difficult regular-season schedule.

Grosse Pointe South defeated Birmingham Unified, 6-3, in Wednesday's district final, pushing its record to 23-3-1.

"That game is going to be a test if we get there," assistant coach Glenn MacDonald said. "Those are a couple of very talented teams."

— Mike Scott



Enjoying success: Clarkston's ski team, sixth-best in the state, consists of (front, l-r) Brad Villiere, Laura Pope, Sara McKechnie, Nicole Villiere and Michael Atkinson; (middle, l-r) Tami Mitchell (coach), Jeff Sitko, Dave Whipp, Kelli Morton, Ellie Spinweber, Katie Kennedy, Megan Whipp and coach Bruce Rosengren; (back, l-r) Ryan Srogi, Chris Himburg, Jeremy Parrott, Gretchen Pitzer, John Artello, Kristen Dolzysnki, Kristen Atkinson, Russ Parrott and Rob Allyn.

## '98 results leave skiers with high hopes for '99

BY MIKE SCOTT  
SPECIAL WRITER

Brother and sister teams were a big reason the Clarkston ski squads experienced a great deal of success in their 1998 season.

The girls' team went undefeated in the Pine Knob Division, placed second in the Southeast Michigan Ski League and was first in regional held at Mt. Holly.

The boys team went 5-1 in their Pine Knob Division slate and finished second at regional. Both squads were invited to the prestigious Traverse City Invitational, traditionally pitting the state's top ski programs.

But that success should come as no surprise. After all, Clarkston has had one of the most consistent ski programs in the southern lower peninsula for years.

"We have a lot of talented skiers, and we have an advantage with Pine Knob in our backyard," said Bruce Rosengren, head coach for both the girls and boys teams at Clarkston. "The kids can ski on a more regular basis and there

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are (many) youth clubs in the community."

Skiing seems to run in the family for many of Clarkston's athletes: Junior Kristen Atkinson led the way for the girls squad all season while racing on an injured knee. She plans to have surgery to repair it within the next couple of months and should be 100 percent for her senior year.

Atkinson's brother, Michael, showed great potential this season as a freshman and, with more consistency, should become one of the top skiers in the area, according to Rosengren.

Senior Dave Whipp, who was recognized with post-season honors for his times in SEMSL, the Pine Knob Division, the Oakland Activities Association and for his regional performance, was the top slalom and Super G performer for the boys' team. His sister Megan, a sophomore, continued to

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allowing only one triple. But Clarkston was able to get open looks throughout the second half as Ferndale was unable to challenge the Wolves' shooters.

"We didn't get out on their shooters and we couldn't buy a bucket ourselves," he added.

Justin Dionne had eight points and eight rebounds for Clarkston and Angelo Taylor, who just missed completing a spectacular one-handed tip dunk in the first half, ended with six points and 11 rebounds.

Clarkston head coach Dan Fife did not want to look ahead past the Wolves' first round district game Wednesday against the winner of the Lapeer East/Lake Orion game, but was encouraged by his team's play.

"I was concerned with our defensive intensity after (Tuesday's game).

There were a lot of distractions then and a lot of pressure with it being the last game in our old gym," Fife said. "But the guys played great defense tonight, particularly our guards."

He was not surprised by the changing defenses Ferndale employed, which also included numerous double-teams.

The Wolves have faced nearly every kind of defense throughout the season, and will need to be prepared for anything come tournament time.

"By the 20th game of the season, the kids are able to adjust on the fly."

"We wanted to get the ball more in the middle of the floor today, and we did a good job with that especially in the second half."

Maitrott said the key to Clarkston making a run deep into the

state playoffs is their defense.

"That's what we need to do is play one kind of defense we played tonight," he said. "New-heck, frustrate a couple people and our other guys are there to help all the time."

**District play** — Clarkston will be heavily favored to win yet another district championship, particularly since they are going to receive a first-round bye.

Lapeer East is the only team which has a record comparable to the Wolves.

All district games will be played at the brand-new gymnasium at Lake Orion High School.

The winner of the Lake Orion district will advance to the regional semifinals, most likely to face either Pontiac Central or Pontiac Northern, the only two teams to have defeated Clarkston this season.

## Dragons suffer close loss

BY DAN STICKRADT  
STAFF WRITER

It has often been said that you can't stop Robert Brown, you can only hope to contain him.

Brown, Oak Park's 6-foot-4 senior forward, scored a game-high 31 points to go along with 11 rebounds, four assists and two blocked shots as the Knights dodged several bullets to escape with a nail-biting 65-63 Oakland Activities Association Division II triumph Friday over host Lake Orion.

Following Brown's thunderous, two-handed dunk with 25 seconds left that put Oak Park (11-9, 7-5) 65-61, the Dragons put together a comeback that nearly sent the game into overtime.

A lay-up by Lake Orion 6-5 senior forward Ryan Smith with 10 seconds left cut the deficit to 65-63, and then the Dragons got the ball back thanks to a steal by junior guard Darren Tooley off the in-bounds pass. However, Smith's final shot off Tooley's feed rolled around and off the rim as time expired.

"I thought we played a very good game and so did Oak Park," said Lake Orion coach Dave Collins. "You have to give them credit for the way they played late in the game. But I'm proud of the way we held in there and came back. We gave ourselves a chance at the end and that's all I can ask for."

Oak Park held four point leads on three different occasions inside the final 2:30 of the game, but each time the pesky Dragons (7-13, 4-8) mounted a comeback.

"We made some mental mistakes in the fourth quarter which put us in a deficit, but we never gave up," added Collins. "To be down four points with 58 seconds left and again with under 15 seconds left and to have a chance for a three-pointer or a game-tying field goal at the end shows what kind of character this team has."

"I think Smitty (Ryan Smith) played an outstanding game,"



PHOTO BY LEE SMITH

**I'll take that:** Lake Orion's Ryan Smith protects the ball from Jonathan Oliver of Oak Park during the Knights' 35-33 win over the Dragons Friday night.

praised Collins. "He never hesitated going to the basket and we need him to do that."

"Our guards did a great job handling the ball and getting the ball inside to Smitty," he contin-

ued. "We knew if he could score down low, than we would be in it."

Smith scored 28 points and grabbed nine rebounds to pace the Dragons.

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electrifying experience of attending a prep game at Clarkston. You hear the talk about what a great place it is to watch a game, but there's nothing quite like it, watching from the jammed-packed bleachers.

I've had the pleasure of attending basketball games at Clarkston twice this season — a 79-62 win over Southfield-Lathrup Feb. 25 and just this past Tuesday, a 54-52 triumph over Rochester.

The last game ever at the old

gymnasium boasted its fair share of drama, but like hundreds of times before, it was a Clarkston victory and, not surprisingly, clinched the school's 13th league title in the past 16 seasons. And I, being a die-hard prep basketball fan, can say that I was there.

This year's team, led by 10 seniors, including Oakland County's prep basketball version of the Fab Five — Dane Fife, Angelo Taylor, Mike Maitrott, Justin Dionne and Dan Neubeck

— is the last in the line of legacy of great Clarkston teams to turn heads in the old gymnasium.

For the rest of the season, the Wolves will play their games in hostile territory as they hope to gain their first berth in the Class A Final Four. The old gymnasium, except for practices, will be quiet, with only the echoes of the past.

An end to an era has come. But what an era it was.

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improve throughout the year and will be counted on as one of the top returning varsity skiers in 1999 for the girls.

"Dave was a steady producer who carried a lot of the team's weight on his shoulders," said Rosengren. "He was our leader."

Brad Villiere was named to the All-State team and led the way for Clarkston in the state finals as the Wolves placed sixth. His freshman sister Nicole is another bright spot in the future and is one of a handful of underclassmen who will make their mark on the girls' team next season.

And the brother combination of Jeremy and Russell Parrott were a main reason the boys finished first in the OAA Division I race. The Parrotts, who were also mainstays on the district champion boys soccer team, used their strong athletic ability to post impressive times throughout the year.

"There is definitely a good tradition of skiing here and you see a lot of kids from the same family perform well," Rosengren said.

The girls team also placed first in the OAA portion of their schedule and finished sixth in the state finals and eighth at the Traverse City Invitational. A quartet of seniors — Gretchen Pitser, Laura Pope, Ellie Spinweber and Sara McKechnie — will all be missed come next season.

Pitser was confident her team was going to have a good season, saying the skiers in each class got along well.

"With so many new people, it was a group effort," she said. "Whether it was the seniors or underclassmen, we were all working together."

Two other underclassmen — sophomore Katie Kennedy and

freshman Kelli Morton — figure to play major roles next season after gaining valuable experience on the varsity team.

"A year makes a big difference for a high school kid in skiing," said Rosengren. "The athlete gets bigger, stronger and more experienced."

Rosengren is hoping a handful of the girls on this past season's junior varsity team will become more aggressive in the next nine months, and he expects fierce competition for the open spots caused by graduation.

For the boys, seniors Ryan Srogi and Jeff Sitko placed among the top individual skiers in both the Pine Knob and OAA divisions. Rob Allyn will return next season after displaying an expertise in the giant slalom.

Rosengren said the boys JV team was loaded with talented skiers as well.

"We are fortunate to have great depth," he said. "I think many of our JV skiers could take on most varsity teams from other schools and fare very well. If (the boys team) had more consistent finishes in some of the big races, I think we could have fared even better this year."

The unseasonably warm weather clearly had an effect on the ski season, particularly for programs in the southern portion of the state.

Two of Clarkston's early meets were postponed, and it was difficult to find time to practice at Pine Knob as long as the rain kept the snow away.

"What (the weather) showed this year was that when you get to the bigger meets such as state finals, the schools up north have an advantage," said Rosengren, referring to state powers like Traverse City and Marquette. "They have the proper conditions

up there for a longer period of time, and we suffered in the standings as a result."

Pitser agreed, saying the Clarkston teams were unable to practice for approximately 10 days before the state finals because the warm weather closed Pine Knob.

"That's when it really affected us, just before states," she said. "(The schools up north) definitely had an advantage."

Losing eight seniors from the two teams could hurt the Wolves next season, but Clarkston is used to recovering from attrition.

After the 1997 season, 12 skiers graduated, and there were even more personnel question marks as a result.

"Considering what we lost last year, I think our teams did very well," Rosengren said.

Dry land training for 1999 will start in September, but most of the returning skiers are involved in sports throughout the year. Rosengren said a skill unique to skiing is the amount of lateral movement an athlete must make while on the slopes. As a result, he listed mountain biking and in-line skating as two good ways of training.

"Really, anything to improve your legs and balance is beneficial," he said.

The Wolves ski team will hold its award banquet March 18 at Clarkston Creek. Team and individual awards will be presented at that time.

**Booster efforts appreciated:** Rosengren said the ski teams appreciated the efforts of the Clarkston High School Boosters, who purchased new uniforms and provided other services for the 1998 season.

"We were the best-dressed team on the hill," he said, laughing.

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## Void left by Arrowhead about to be filled

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JIM TOTH

game or hook up with friends for a quick nine or 18. Weekdays you almost assuredly had little or no wait.

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Whatever the motive, Arrowhead could provide.

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Sharing the old Arrowhead site with Cardell Corporation, Auburn Hills Golf Club promises to be, as is the norm these days, "an 18-hole championship facility that plays fair for all kinds of golfers," according to Gordon Marmion, director of golf for the city of Auburn Hills.

"I want this course tailored to as many people as possible and residents of the area," said Marmion, who stepped into his present position a little more than three weeks ago after serving in a similar capacity the past

three years in Flint. "We have nine holes ready for play probably in early July and the other nine set to go maybe later this fall or early next spring."

Auburn Hills Golf Club is another in a line of Arthur Hills design courses, that include such local layouts as Pine Trace in Rochester and Golden Fox in Plymouth.

When completed the par-72 track will measure 7,002 from the gold, or farthest of the five tees.

The others will measure 6,422 (blue), 5,963 (white), 5,435 (green) and 4,780 (red) yards.

"It's a rolling terrain with wetlands coming into play on 12 holes," explained Marmion, who grew up in a golfing family as father Al has held a position as golf professional for some 30 years. "It has five tees to make it fair for everyone and minimal bunkers. There's a little of everything out there."

Marmion said he anticipates a good amount of traffic to flow once the first nine open and even more when 18 become available.

"We have nine all ready to go and another nine seeded and waiting," Marmion said. "Arthur Hills has done some great work in the state and this design flows real nice with the area he had to work."

"You have to be very careful because too much traffic will beat up a course," Marmion said. "We're not going to let that happen here. We're going to be patient. We want people to come out and enjoy themselves."

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### Baseball tryouts

Tryouts for North Oakland Federation Baseball will be conducted March 19 for 12-year-old boys at Scripps Middle School in Lake Orion.

Tryouts go from 6 to 9 p.m. Anyone living in the Oxford-Orion-Auburn Hills area interested in playing a minimum of 30 games for a travel team should call Gary Smith, 814-9523, or Roger Allison, 693-7807.

Weather permitting, tryouts may be held outdoors prior to March 19, so interested players should call one of those coaches immediately.

### Soccer tryouts

June tryouts will be held for the Clarkston Select Soccer Club 1998 Fall season. The club is recruiting girls for the 11-18 year old Clarkston Shadows and boys for the 11-14 year old Clarkston Impact.

The teams will compete in league play and both in- and out-of-state tournaments recognized by the MSYSA and USYSA.

The Independence Township Select Soccer Club provides an environment for both individuals and the team to play at a competitive premier level. Training will come from MSYSA and USYSA-trained and licensed

### SPORTS SCENE

coaches.

Tryouts are open to area amateur soccer players June 23-26 at Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. Sessions are set for 5 to 7 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. as determined by age. It is strongly recommended participants attend both tryout sessions. Tryout registration forms must be turned into the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department by June 1.

Here's the schedule:

■ **June 22** — U-13 boys and girls and U-14 girls, 5 to 7 p.m.; U-14 Boys and U-19 girls, 7 to 9 p.m.

■ **June 23** — U-11 and U-12 girls, 5 to 7 p.m.; U-11 and U-12 boys, 7 to 9 p.m.

■ **June 24** — U-13 boys and girls and U-14 boys, 5 to 7 p.m.; U-14, U-15 and U-16 girls, 7 to 9 p.m.

■ **June 25** — U-11 boys and girls, 7 to 9 p.m.

■ **June 26** — U-15, U-16 and U-19 girls, 5 to 7 p.m.; U-12 girls and boys, 7 to 9 p.m.

### Bomber tryouts

The Bloomfield Bombers North Oakland Baseball Federation baseball team is conducting tryouts for 10-year-olds. Players cannot be 11 years old before Aug. 1. Serious players only should call George Lekas, (248) 641-8097 after 7 p.m.

### Tri-Star Basketball

The Birmingham Optimist Club will conduct its 17th Annual Tri-Star Basketball Contest from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 7 at the Berkshire Middle School gymnasium.

The contest, open to boys and girls ages 8 through 13, consists of three skill events — shooting, dribbling and passing. Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in each of the six age brackets (36 trophies).

In addition, the elementary school and middle school whose students accumulate the highest point total (for their top six scorers) will receive traveling trophies. Contestants must be residents or students in the Birmingham School District (public or private).

Berkshire Middle School is located at 21717 West Fourteen Mile Road in Birmingham.

For more information, call David R. Walker, chairman, at (313) 961-1400.

### In-line at the Dome

If you feel like hibernating for the rest of the winter, but still want to have some fun, try in-line skating at the Pontiac Silverdome.

Skaters of all ages and skill levels are invited to experience the world's largest indoor, in-line skating rink at the Silverdome as part of Roll-in-the-Silverdome. Guests can skate on the Third Level Concourse from 6:30 p.m. on the following dates: Feb. 24-28; March 1, 10-12, 17-22, 24-29, 31; April 2, 7-9, 14-17, 22-26, 28-30; and May 2-3.

The cost to Roll-in-the-Silverdome for rollerbladers is \$6 for adults; \$5 for students with school identification, \$4 for children 12 and under and \$1 for spectators. Non-skaters also may take advantage of the program and use the Club Level Concourse to walk or jog on the same dates as Roll-in-the-Silverdome from 6:30 p.m. only.

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### Picking the winners

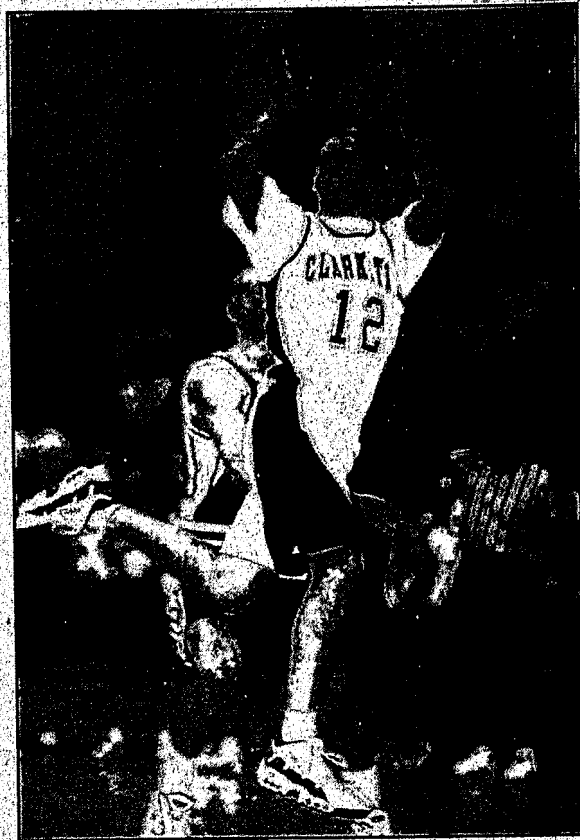


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**District dandy:** Dane Fife is poised to lead Clarkston into the prep basketball state tournament, which begins for the Wolves Wednesday at Lake Orion.

Eccentric sportswriter Dan Stickrad scouts the area's boys basketball districts.

#### CLASS A

■ **No. 31 at Lake Orion (Clarkston, Holly, Lake Orion, Lapeer East, Lapeer West, Romeo):** There shouldn't be too much drama involved in this district. The opener will feature East and Lake Orion, a rematch of the first game last year in which East won by 15 points. However, the winner gets Clarkston in the semifinals and will likely see the end of the road there. The rest of this group doesn't stand a chance. **Pick:** Clarkston.

#### CLASS B

■ **No. 56 at Auburn Hills Avondale (Auburn Hills Avondale, Goodrich, Inlay City, Oxford, Richmond):** This district contains five inconsistent teams, although Avondale and Inlay City have reached the final the past two years with 10 taking the prize. Goodrich is making its first Class B appearance, but shouldn't make too much noise. Oxford and Richmond are capable of winning if the ball bounces the right way, but strength of schedule in the Oakland Activities Association Division III should make the difference and help the host Yellow Jackets survive. **Pick:** Auburn Hills Avondale.

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In addition to the 70 we told you about last year, we've just received 26 more!

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*With all the modesty we can muster, we're going to list them here:*

#### Best Entertainment/Lifestyle Section

First Place—Clarkston Eccentric, Clarkston Life

Second Place—Birmingham Eccentric, Suburban Life

Third Place—West Bloomfield-Lakes Eccentric, Lakes Café

#### Best Editorial Writing

First Place—Oxford Eccentric, Closed Doors

Second Place—Lake Orion Eccentric, Lake Orion Editorial

#### Best Column Writing

First Place—Clarkston Eccentric, Carolyn Walker

Second Place—Rochester Eccentric, Jay Grossman

Third Place—Birmingham Bloomfield Eccentric, Judith Doner Berne

#### Best Editorial Page

First Place—Southfield Eccentric

Second Place—Lake Orion Eccentric, Jay Grossman

#### Best Coverage of Local Business & Economic News

Third Place—Birmingham-Bloomfield Eccentric

#### Best Sports Photo Journalism

First Place—West Bloomfield-Lakes Eccentric, Not Quite Spring Training

Second Place—West Bloomfield-Lakes Eccentric, Riding the Wave

#### Best Sports Section

Second Place—Livonia, Westland Observer

#### Best News Photo

First Place—West Bloomfield-Lakes Eccentric, Watching

Second Place—Garden City Observer, Clinton Rally

Third Place—Rochester Eccentric, Ride Me Down Easy

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First Place—Livonia Observer, Derek's Day

Third Place—Westland Observer, Festival

Third Place—Rochester Eccentric, Handful of Hope

#### Best Breaking News Story

First Place—Plymouth Observer, Fire Destroys Courthouse

Third Place—Birmingham-Bloomfield Eccentric, Bungled Robbery

#### Best Local Election Coverage

Third Place—Farmington Observer

#### Best Young People's Coverage

First Place—Plymouth and Livonia Observer, Life in the 6th Grade

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FOUND CALICO CAT (black in color), on March 3 in Belleville. Call: (734) 699-2875

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Lost Scottie Terrier (black in color) in the Pine Lake Country Club Area. Answers to the name Molly and has a heart shaped tag with the name Scottie on it. Please call immediately if you find Molly at (248) 651-5484. Reward \$100 to the person who finds her.

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Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia, between Newburg & Haggerty Rd., Fri. Mar. 13, 9:30am - Sat. Mar. 14, 8:30am - Noon. 32 bag sale Sat. 9:30am

OPEN FOR BUSINESS - Indoor Flea Market. Spaces available immediately for full & part-time dealers. Open 7 days/week. Dearborn Heights. (313) 274-8318

### 712 Garage Sales Wayne

LIVONIA - HUGE SALE - Appliances, furniture, sporting goods, toys, Auto collectibles, household items, baked goods. Sat. March 14, 9am to 2pm. 7475 Five Mile, 5 miles S. of I-75. St. Paul's Presbyterian Church.

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## Youthful Olds Alero is customer-driven

### CARport



By Anne Fracassa  
Avanti NewsFeatures



**LITTLE ROCK, Ark.** — The 1999 Oldsmobile Alero is yet another chapter unfolding as this nearly forgotten division bounds into the new millennium.

And bound it will.

This all-new entry into the very crowded compact marketplace is a refreshing change for Oldsmobile, one that's very focused, customer-driven, youthful and spells quality all the way around.

"This is an all-new business focus for Oldsmobile," said Robert Clark, Alero brand manager. "Oldsmobile needed to break into this market because there are strong entries in this class. We decided we couldn't make any compromises at any level and decided to make a different and unique offering."

This Alero is not a departure for Oldsmobile. There have been plenty of ad campaigns in years past that show Oldsmobile is getting younger; not to mention the division has tried gallantly to lure the 30- to 40-year-olds into what they've perceived as an old company with not-so-great design (a la "your father's Oldsmobile").

The Aurora was a good beginning. No, I'm sorry, it was actually a great beginning. Intrigue was just that — intriguing. Model makeovers were appealing. Things were changing.

But now, with the Alero, things have really changed. And for the better. No, the best.

The Alero is everything you wouldn't expect of an Oldsmobile — in a good way.



The Alero has lots of interior room and safety features you'd find in more expensive cars, and the rear seat room on the coupe is exceptional for a car of this size.

The focus was so different in the making of the Alero.

It's a car you'll use every day. A car you can depend on.

It has function, lots of interior room and safety features you'd find in more expensive cars.

It had to be fun to drive, have a well-balanced ride and handling package and an upscale interior look and feel.

With the Alero, you've got all that and a little more. Sounds like you can't afford this car, right?

Wrong. Try around \$20,000, give or take a couple, three thousand, either way.

Do I have your attention?

The front-engine, front-wheel drive Alero is available in a coupe or a sedan in three trim levels: GX, GL and GLS.

Let's take a gander at the exterior first.

There's those ultra-bright, crystal-clear lenses for the headlights and liquid

crystal tail lamps, low dual front air intakes (putting it at the bottom makes the breather more effective), 6-spoke wheels in a round wheel opening, a low cowl and flowing, sculptured lines all around.

The coupe is beautiful; the sedan can hold its own in a crowd as well.

The Alero is a welcomed sight for Oldsmobile, even though it still "looks" like a classic Oldsmobile. It's subtle, but it's there.

And it's still not your dad's Oldsmobile, by the way.

This replacement for the Cutlass coupe balances sportiness (which is what the Cutlass was known for many years ago), sophistication (that's where its Aurora cues come in) and refined functionality (something Olds has never lost).

The Alero's interior is similar to the Intrigue and Aurora. But that's good. And the rear seat room on the coupe is exceptional for a car of this size.

You'll love the large, easy-to-read instrumentation. In the center is a stack of controls for stereo, heating and cooling and the other stuff. All of it is pointed toward the driver for easy access. Very smart. Light and wiper controls are on stalks for finger-tip convenience. Besides all this, the Alero has the largest trunk in its class.

And now, the ride. The Alero is very quiet due to its rigid structure. During our test, there was never any vibration, much less any squeaks or rattles. That's because the Alero has become the market leader in structural integrity.

In addition, the car's 16-inch Goodyear touring tires were specifically tuned for this Alero.

When driving, you feel like you're one with the road. Yet there's no punishing ride. The seats, made by Lear Seating, are superb and never let you feel fatigued.

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Weekdays, 8am-5pm. Up to \$8 per hour to start. Good driving record & reliable vehicle. We will pay gas expenses. For immediate consideration call Ken at:  
(734) 525-5200  
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**EXPERIENCED OD'D Surface Grinder**  
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**FABRICATOR/SHOP HELP**  
Laminated & wood shop fabricator & shop help needed. Call today!  
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**FABRICATOR, STRUCTURAL STEEL & LAYOUT PERSON**  
Salary negotiable. Apply at: Simco-Steel, 12584 Inkster Rd., Redford, MI 48239

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**FURNITURE STOCK HELPER**  
Looking for dependable individual for a part-time position at our Novato store to help unload trucks, prep merchandise, maintain showroom display, and assist customers. Good starting wage with clean, smoke-free working conditions. Approximately 15 hours per week, mornings and weekends. Apply in person or call:  
La-Z-Boy Furniture Galleries  
27754 Novi Rd.  
Plymouth 48170  
(on Twelve Oaks Mall service drive)

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**GAGE MARKETING GROUP**  
HI-LOW DRIVERS  
Must have previous hi-low experience and ability to work in a fast-paced environment.  
Workers needed for distribution and fulfillment with ability to match, count, code, measure, read and add.  
Reliable transportation required; positions located in Romulus. Work Mon-Fri, 9:00am-5:00pm. Must be available for overtime on short notice as required.  
Complete benefit package, including medical, dental, vision, 401K, paid vacation, paid sick leave, and more. Applications can be complete 8am-4pm at 101 Union St., Plymouth, MI 48150. Van, car, or Romulus, or fax resume to: (313) 418-2883 or mail to: (313) 418-2883

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**HAIR DRESSER**  
Guaranteed salary plus tips. Paid vacation. Call 8 & 1/2 Lakes Orion. (248) 673-5804

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**HAIR DRESSER**  
Immediate opening! Clientele waiting! Farmington Hills area. Call Cindy at: (248) 471-0140

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**HAIR SALON**  
needs shampoo assistant. Must be reliable & friendly. 12 & Northwestern 248-350-3230 or 248-350-0901

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**HEAD CUSTODIAN**  
BPS Corporate Training & Conference Center in Beverly Hills has openings for full and part-time custodian/maintenance staff. EOE/AA. MARRIOTT MANAGEMENT SERVICES  
Fax resume: 248-203-4205  
Call GM: (248) 203-4518

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**HEATING / AIR CONDITIONING TECHNICIAN**  
Needed to join growing company. Must have experience in refrigerant recovery. Send resume to: A/C, P.O. Box 300, Southfield, MI 48037

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**HOUSING MANAGER**  
PRESBYTERIAN VILLAGES of Southfield, an expanding operation serving older adults, is inviting candidates for future managerial opportunities. Desired candidates will have demonstrated leadership skills, great initiative, excellent interpersonal communication skills, be dedicated to high quality care and have an understanding of the HUD experience desired. Forward resume and salary history to:  
Presbyterian Villages of Michigan  
Attn: K. Harburck  
25300 W. Six Mile Rd.  
Redford, MI 48224  
fax 313-533-6518  
EOE

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Detroit based meat processor with 1000+ ununionized employees is seeking an experienced hands-on Human Resource Manager. This high profile individual must be experienced in the daily shift sleeve operations of Human Resources in this type of environment. The successful candidate will oversee all facets of the department including: benefits administration, employee relations, wage/salary, employment policies and procedures.  
For immediate consideration, qualified candidates should send resume and salary history to: Ron Brannon, Director of Human Resources, 1487 Farmington, Detroit, MI 48211. E.O.E.

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**HUMAN RESOURCES Entry Level**  
We are a National leader in the temporary staffing industry & are looking for internal client Service Representatives to provide human resource solutions to our clients & right industrial clients in our offices in the Western Suburbs. Responsibilities include: daily contact with clients, problem solving, interviewing & coordinating job placement for applicants. If you are looking for a career in a fast paced environment & advancement opportunity, send resume & salary requirements to: CSR/HR Mgr, 26321 Southfield Rd., Lathrup Village, MI 48078 or fax (248) 557-8008

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**HUMAN RESOURCES**  
Excellent opportunity for an individual with experience and an educational background in Human Resources. Must have good interviewing skills. Prior supervisory experience would be helpful.  
Primary responsibilities will include: the selection and training of new associates plus the coordination of all H.R. functions with our general office.  
If you are qualified for this challenging position, please submit your resume or apply in person to:  
Mr. Evan Mamic  
L & L Food Center  
3182 Westland  
Rochester Hills, MI 48309  
(248) 375-1335

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**HUMAN RESOURCE SPECIALIST**  
Professional, motivated individual needed; for fast paced placement office. Good communications skills & extensive interviewing experience plus Fax, salary, and resume to:  
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**H.V.A.C. INSTALLERS & SERVICE TECHS**  
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**I/O/OD GRIND HAND**  
3 yrs. experience required. We offer excellent benefits. Please apply at: Ventura Industries, 46301 Port St., Plymouth, MI 48170.  
(734) 459-3900 or FAX resume: (734) 459-6147

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**INSURANCE AGENT**  
In W. Bloomfield seeks underwriter/CSR for professional liability department. Will train. Must be licensed. Good benefits. Salary commensurate with experience. Call Lou 248-651-3066 or fax resume to 248-651-1205

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**INSURANCE OFFICE**  
Sales, service & secretarial. Full or part-time. Rochester Hills. Fax resume to:  
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**INVENTORY POSITIONS AVAILABLE**  
MATERIAL OPERATIONS CLERK  
Full-time position available. Requires one year inventory experience. Knowledge of bar stock and a C-1 license. Growing building maintenance company has immediate full & part-time positions. Days/evening shifts available. 5:30am & flexible afternoon shift. Competitive wages, free golf privileges. Fox Hills, 8768 N. Teritorial, Plymouth, MI 48170

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**JANITORIAL**  
Accepting applications for janitors on Tues. & Thurs. between 11:00-3:00pm. Afternoon shift. Southfield & Troy areas.  
Lakeside Building Maintenance  
248-352-1494

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**JANITORIAL AREA MANAGER**  
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National franchise company based in Troy seeking energetic person to handle shipping and receiving. Full training, competitive salary and benefits. Call 248-814-3700

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Northwest suburban distributor seeks a full-time shipping clerk. Hours are 10:00 AM to 6:30 PM Monday-Friday. Accuracy, neatness and dependability a must. Good working conditions and benefits. Send resume to: Shipping/Receiving, Zaitoff Sales & Packaging, P.O. Box 400, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-0400. We promote a drug-free environment. Substance abuse testing is part of the pre-employment process. EOE

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Detail oriented person needed for full time shipping/receiving & inventory control. Applicant must have strong organizational skills, good driving record & some shipping background. Must be able to work in a fast-paced working individual willing to grow with company. Please send resume to P.O. Box 51605, Livonia, MI 48151.

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United Way Community Services is seeking an experienced professional to coordinate staff training and development efforts.

The successful candidate will possess a bachelor's degree in Human Resources Management or related field. A Master's degree is preferred. Minimum of 5 years of experience in a Human Resources Department with specific experience in interviewing and placement, staff counseling and development, and developing and administering training plans is required. Applicants should have a strong knowledge of applicable Personal laws and regulations, excellent oral and written communication skills, and the ability to make group presentations.

Send resume with salary requirements to:  
Human Resources

**United Way Community Services**  
1212 Griswold, 11th Floor, Detroit, MI 48226-1699  
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**STAFFING CONSULTANT**  
Computer service & HR skills. Computer literate. Career position. Staffing industry experience helpful. For information call: (248) 377-4342

**STOCK PERSON**  
Experienced stock person. Benefits. Good working conditions. Experience preferred. Must be right person. 24577 7 Mile & Newburgh, Livonia. Call: (248) 377-4342

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Experienced, experienced, 313-41-8063

**SUMMER JOBS**  
Camp Counselors/Supervisors  
Must be at least 17 years old  
Pay Range \$5.25 - \$9.00  
Call: (248) 738-2500

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**SUMMER RECREATION POSITIONS**  
Canton Township is accepting applications for the following Summer recreation positions:  
• \$5.50-\$6.50/hr. and Sr. Park Leader: \$5.50-\$6.50/hr. Coordinates and supervises summer recreation programs. Applications must be picked up at the Personnel Division, Canton Township, 15000 E. 14th Ave., Suite 100, Canton, MI 48105. All applicants must complete a Canton Township application form, be at least 18 years old, and be a resident of Canton Township. The Canton Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or marital status in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

**SUPERINTENDENT**  
Progressive/Expanding construction firm is seeking a Superintendent for commercial and industrial projects. At least 6 years' experience. Please call: (248) 358-8820 or fax resumes: (248) 358-8830

**HEAD SWIM PROFESSIONAL**  
For Spring of 1998 at a 600 member private country club. Responsibilities include supervision of pool operations, swim meet and swim lessons. Must have 2-4 years experience in coaching and supervising. Inquiries can be mailed to: Head Swim Professional, 25501 John Road, South Lyon, MI 48178. Fax: (248) 437-9787

**Assistant to Director of Education / Instructor**  
Full-time position. Teaching certification required. Teaching/testing/other duties as assigned. Please send resume to: Director of Education, 37727 Professional Center Dr., Livonia, MI 48154.

**TEACHER ASSISTANT**  
Position available. Full-time. Quality Private Child Care Center. O.E.O. 25501 John Road, South Lyon, MI 48178. Fax: (248) 437-9787

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**TEACHERS**  
With Science Background and related degree to travel to schools to present programs with live animals. Call (734) 202-0298. Fax: (734) 202-0298

**TEACHERS ASSISTANT**  
Southfield credit union, part-time/full-time. Must have banking or credit union experience. Call: (248) 448-5600

**TEACHERS**  
NEED full-time for private progressive preschool for 2 & 3's. Certification of Associate in Early Childhood Education required. Summer employment opportunity. Fabulous opportunity. (248) 357-1740

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Substitute Teachers. Individuals with current Michigan Teaching Certificate and at least 60 credits or a four year degree without teaching certification can be considered for a special permit.

**High School Math Teacher**  
Individual must possess a current secondary teaching certificate in Michigan and any other certified minor.

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Phoenix Group, a unit of Moore Communications, Inc., currently has an outstanding career opportunity for a Telecommunications Administrator to work in our Farmington Hills, Michigan headquarters. Phoenix Group is a premier supplier of relationship management and strategic consulting services to major corporations around the world.

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**TRAVEL AGENTS**  
Needed for locations in Oakland County area with at least 2 years domestic experience & good experience a plus. Full time, benefits & growth potential. Send resume to: Human Resource Director, 1441 E. Maple, Troy, MI 48063 or Fax to: (610) 528-3342

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Local distributor of beauty supplies has job openings in packing and shipping. Full time, benefits & growth potential. Hours: Full time 1-5:45, Part time 5-9pm. Good overtime and Saturday pay. Please send resume to: Human Resource Director, 1441 E. Maple, Troy, MI 48063 or Fax to: (610) 528-3342

**WAREHOUSE**  
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