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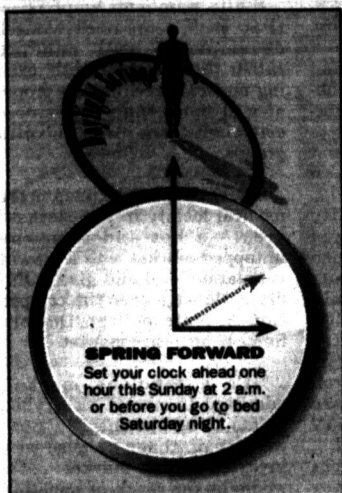
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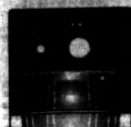
In our final segment on the history of women in journalism, we will look at the work of Dorothea Lange. Born in 1895, Lange was a photographer who focused her World War II work on what was happening here in America. She was especially concerned about the ethnic groups and workers uprooted by the war. She was hired by the War Relocation Authority, shortly after President Franklin Roosevelt ordered the relocation of Japanese-Americans into armed camps in the West, to photograph Japanese neighborhoods, processing centers and camp facilities. Though Lange had earlier captured the sorrow of displaced farm families and migrant workers during the Depression, even that work did not prepare her for the disturbing racial and civil rights issues raised by the internment of the Japanese. Her sympathy for her subjects soon put her at odds with her employer, the U.S. government. Her photographs showed the courage and dignity of her subjects while they struggled with the indignities of their imprisonment.

Because her view of the prison camps was at odds with U.S. policy, her work was not widely known until years after her death. In 1972 the Whitney Museum displayed 27 of her photos, prompting a New York Times critic to say that the pictures were "documents of such a high order that they convey the feelings of the victims as well as the facts of the crime."

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



POH eyes ER room in Clarkston



Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital officials say they gave up their fight to build an in-patient hospital in the Clarkston area last year, but they haven't abandoned their plan to develop a medical campus that will include a 24-hour emergency room.

Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital has revived plans to build a comprehensive medical campus in Independence Township. And the \$25 million project calls for construction of an assisted living facility for the elderly and a 24-hour emergency room.

The health system will likely submit a proposal for the first phase of the project — a \$3 to \$5 million ambulatory care and medical offices center — to

the township's Planning Board this month, according to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital (POH) President and CEO Patrick E. Lamberti.

"We have a multi-dimensional project in mind," Lamberti said of POH's latest proposal for the 50 acres of property they own at Dixie Highway and White Lake Road across from the Mid-Oakland Medical Center, a \$12 million project spearheaded by local doctor

James O'Neil, M.D., slated to open this month.

The proposal is sure to draw attention since POH's initial plans for the site — construction of a 112-bed hospital estimated to cost \$65 million — drew significant opposition from other metropolitan Detroit health systems, Gov. John Engler and the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH).

The hospital proposal, like others in Oakland County, met opposition because inpatient bed utilization studies indicate the county doesn't need additional hospital beds. And with cutbacks in costly inpatient services a

health care industry trend, experts predict even fewer beds will be necessary.

However, POH's latest plan circumvents that argument because it doesn't call for inpatient beds.

POH's efforts to build a Clarkston-area hospital and opposition to the plan have been an issue in the Michigan court system for 15 years and revolve around the hospital system's application for a certificate of need — a permit required by the state for new hospital construction.

Currently, the state attorney general's office, on behalf of the MDCH, is

Please see POH, A2



Tapping sap: Naturalist Sandy Dunigan uses a twig to clean a hole in a maple tree at Indian Springs as (left to right) Christopher Adams, Rachel Domagalski and Rob Eichhorn watch.

Nature's candy

Time to make maple syrup

Approximately 1,500 people took advantage of the ancient technique of maple syrup tapping at Indian Springs Metro Park during March.

According to Karen Blake, a naturalist at the park off White Lake Road in Springfield Township, maple syrup tapping is unique to the northeastern section of the United States and the

Ontario region of Canada.

The technique was probably discovered by people who migrated here from Alaska and who were the forerunners of local Native Americans, she said.

"As they came into this country, everything was brand new. And somewhere along the way someone discovered that if you used the sap of a maple tree, you got this wonderful thing."



Good to the last drop: One tree can provide 20 gallons of syrup.



Back to nature: Indian Springs naturalist Sandy Dunigan takes a group through the woods to show them how to select healthy trees, tap into them, collect sap and boil it down to make maple syrup. The park has been conducting maple syrup tapping tours since about 1985.

2nd cellular tower approved for I-75

INDEPENDENCE

Residents can expect to see, not just one, but two cellular phone towers along I-75 in Independence Township.

The township's Planning Commission on Thursday unanimously approved Air Touch Cellular's plans to erect a 165-foot tower near Mt. Zion Church on the east side of I-75.

One other tower stands by the highway in the township at Sashabaw Road.

Air Touch Cellular does, however, need approval from the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) before it can erect the structure on Maybee Road between Clintonville and Bald-

win. The 0.31-acre site of the tower abuts two wetland areas, and therefore, requires a DEQ permit or approval.

The property is also owned by Mt. Zion Church and being leased to Air Touch Cellular for the project. The telecommunications company did not wish to disclose the terms of the lease agreement because the land is privately owned, according to Terri Hattar, public relations coordinator, Air Touch

Cellular.

Construction on the project is expected to start by May or June with completion within 60 days, Hattar said.

The tower itself will be 150 feet in height with additional apparatus elevating the structure another 15 feet. The project includes construction of a 300-square-foot accessory structure for storage and a 14-foot gravel road for vehicle access to the facility.

The gravel road will originate from the Mt. Zion Church parking lot. According to a report compiled by

Please see CELL TOWER, A2

Federal allotment for M-15 'a joke'

A recent \$500,000 federal allotment for preliminary engineering work that could lead to the widening of M-15 north of Clarkston was called "a joke" by Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart last week.

Stuart said the money would account for little more than a drop in the bucket toward a planned \$40 million project that would provide boulevards or parkways up portions of M-15 and would widen the heavily traveled, two-lane road to three or four lanes, depending on the area and the need to maintain rural character.

The \$500,000 is earmarked for a preliminary engineering study that would begin on M-15 at I-75 and run to the Oakland/Geneesee county border.

The figure is part of a U.S. House of Representatives Transportation

Committee allotment, but it would need to be approved by the U.S. Senate, House and President Clinton before it would be transferred to the Michigan Department of Transportation for dispersal, said Christopher Mansour, chief of staff to U.S. Rep. Dale Kildee (D-Flint).

Kildee was instrumental in securing a \$13.7 million commitment for roads in Oakland County. The \$500,000 is a portion of the \$13.7 million.

"I'm very disappointed with Kildee's determination of where to ask to have the money placed," Stuart said during a telephone interview. "I just think it's very short-sighted that they're not spending more money where it can serve and benefit the most people. It's a joke. It's almost tokenism. I think M-15 has a significantly higher need than where he's asked to spend the money."

Please see M-15, A2

Home delivery rate goes up this month

Justin Wilcox, North Oakland associate publisher of The Eccentric Newspapers, said the home delivery rate for all Observer & Eccentric newspapers will increase to \$3.95 per month.

The change goes into effect with the April collection.

Single copies will still be available at news stands for 75 cents. Wilcox said "the price has been held down on the home delivery despite increases in cost."

Mike Warren, circulation director, noted the home delivery rate will still be 39 percent lower than the single copy price.

M-15 from page A1

Kildee has asked that the money be distributed to six construction sites — including M-15 — with the largest single allotment, \$5 million, going for widening of a two-lane, quarter-mile section of Baldwin Road, south of I-75 in Auburn Hills, where the new mega mall is being constructed.

Mansour agreed in part with Stuart's assessment and said that after conferring with Road Commission for Oakland County Chairman Brent Bair, Kildee determined that the Baldwin Road interchange "was their (the road commission's) top priority."

"Mr. Kildee listened very closely to that," Mansour said, adding that the inevitable traffic expected at the mega mall was a consideration.

"Mr. Stuart is correct," Mansour said. "Five million dollars is going to the mall (area) because there's a major bottleneck. I understand Mr. Stuart's frustration."

Mansour also said that because M-15 is a state highway, the major responsibility for funding improvements should fall to the Michigan Department of

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Chief of staff to U.S. Rep. Dale Kildee (D-Flint)

Transportation. Kildee's \$500,000 contribution should help draw state attention to the problem and help make it a state priority, he said.

According to Mansour, who said he did not expect the allotment to have any difficulty passing Congress, the matter should be before President Clinton by May 1.

Mansour added that while there are long-range plans to improve M-15 from I-75 to I-69 near Davison, only the Oakland County portion has an active proposal and preliminary design and that is why the money was designated for that portion.

On Tuesday, Brandon Town-

ship Supervisor Pat Alexander, who has been instrumental in seeking the M-15 improvements, and who has made it a focus of her term in office, said she was "excited" to learn that M-15 would be receiving some money, a first for the road.

"It's not by any means going to do the project, but I was very excited to get the money," she said. "I was excited that we had gotten that much. Now we have to continue with our state funds."

Mansour said that over a six-year period, the state should receive more than \$800 million in federal funds for use on state roads.

"MDOT is going to have a tremendously huge amount of money to use in Michigan," he said. "And they're going to have to make some decisions."

Other sites scheduled to receive a portion of the \$13.7 million are in Pontiac, Waterford Township and Auburn Hills.

Close to home, \$2 million has been allotted to finish the widening of Walton Boulevard from Sashabaw Road to Dixie Highway.

POH from page A1

waiting to hear whether the Michigan Supreme Court will hear its petition of a decision by the Michigan Court of Appeals that granted POH a certificate of need.

How the petition will be resolved is a matter only time can tell, Lamberti said. POH, however, is committed to developing a medical campus in Independence Township, he said. "That's our desire. ...POH has promised that it will do this for the community and it will stay its course," he said.

While POH can move forward with the first two components of the new plan — an ambulatory and medical offices center and an assisted living facility — without a certificate of need, they would require the permit to build an emergency room and complete the third phase of the project, according to Lamberti.

The third component is a \$20 million project that not only calls for an emergency room but also a birthing center, diagnostic unit for overnight stays and observation and outpatient surgery facilities, Lamberti said.

"There is still a significant void between Pontiac and Genesee," said Lamberti. While Oakland County might not need additional inpatient beds, the Clarkston area does need emergency care and other hospital services that would be provided

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by POH's proposed third facility, he said.

"This is an amiable solution that everybody is going to benefit from, including the community," Lamberti said. "We want to move forward. ...We understand the changes that have taken place in health care."

POH's first-phase facility would be located at the corner of Dixie Highway and White Lake Road and is expected to be about 30,000 square feet. It would house an after-hours care center, diagnostic services and offices for medical specialists, like cardiologists, OB/GYNs and neurologists, to which patients are commonly referred by primary care physicians, Lamberti said.

Lamberti, who has been consulting with Independence Township zoning officials about the plans, also said he hopes to

start construction of the facility this summer. Construction on the proposed assisted living facility, estimated to cost between \$3 and \$4 million, is likely to begin within the year, he said.

"We're working with them (zoning officials) and they're providing us with a lot of assistance," he said. "Independence Township and Clarkston are trying to retain an image of community and we're trying to maintain that."

While Lamberti emphasized that POH's medical campus development will enhance, rather than compete with, existing medical services, the proposal will more than likely draw criticism from other hospital groups.

Operating a comprehensive medical facility in the Clarkston area — a hot and somewhat untapped market with a growing population — would give POH a dramatic edge over the competition in metropolitan Detroit's fierce health care market.

"It's a fabulous market," admitted Lamberti. "Everybody wants to be out there. ...But if we prevail, that's because we've invested in this market. ...This would be the result of something that POH believed in for 15 years."

Cell tower from page A1

Township Planner Richard Carlisle, road construction at the site will disturb approximately 300 square feet of wetlands.

Air Touch Cellular also plans to build a 6-foot high chain-link fence and 4-foot wide gate around the tower and building.

Although the monopole structure will be 175 feet away from I-75, the top will be visible from the highway, Hattar said. The tower, which will be set back 165 feet from all other property lines, will be light gray in color.

The tower itself will be 150 feet in height with additional apparatus elevating the structure another 15 feet.

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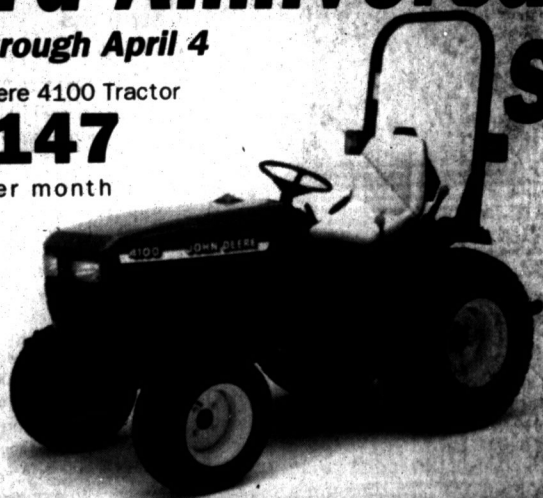
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Clarkston youth earns Air Force Academy slot

Clarkston High School senior David Trollman has been appointed to the United States Air Force Academy, becoming the first Clarkston student to receive such an honor in recent memory.

Trollman, 17, co-captain of the high school's tennis team, was appointed to the post by U.S. Rep. Dale Kildee (D-Flint) during a successful and productive high school career that included a 3.86 grade point average, four years on the tennis team and posts as president of the high school's student council and national honor society.

"You have to be a good student, a good leader, a good athlete," Trollman said of the reasons he was selected for the position. He will be one of 1,250 fresh-faced cadets when he heads to basic training June 30, after his high school graduation. The Air Force Academy is in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Kildee picks

According to Christopher Mansour, Kildee's chief of staff, Kildee has an academy screening committee that helps select students for academies. Kildee then picks from the committee's recommendations, and the academies have the final say.

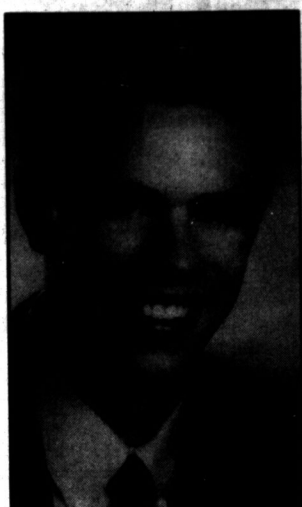
All agree that being appointed to an academy is a privilege.

"The honor is there, but I'm more interested in my country," Trollman said of his desire to serve the United States while attaining his education.

"I wanted to serve my country. The prestige is a fringe benefit," he said. "Serving in the military is a real service to the country, in my opinion."

Trollman said he is not sure yet whether he will study engineering or economics and admitted he is considering a career in politics.

"I'm kind of anxious to get started," he said. "I would like to be a pilot. I think that would be



David Trollman

a good way to serve. I'm pretty proud of the fact that I've done it on my own."

Trollman, son of Bruce and Maria of Independence Township, chose to go into the Air Force Academy after planning for a college career at the University of Michigan.

Counselor helped

He was encouraged to consider a military academy by his high school counselor, Victor Hart, who recognized the young man's abilities.

"When I see a student that has really been accomplished, right away it's a red flag to mention an academy," Hart said, noting that Trollman has drive, character and enthusiasm — important ingredients for those who consider academy life. "He has those qualities that say he'll stick with it."

"You like to think that those people who are in leadership positions are quality people."

According to Hart, Trollman is the first Clarkston graduate to be accepted into the Air Force

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David Trollman
—Academy appointee

Academy since at least 1974, possibly longer. Several students from Clarkston have gone to West Point and one to the naval academy in that time, he said.

After he has completed his four years at the Air Force Academy, Trollman will be expected to serve at least five years of active duty, Hart said. After four years, he will receive a commission as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force.

"The big day was (during) my sophomore year," Trollman remembered. "I came in and told Mr. Hart, there's nothing you can tell me, I'm going to U of M."

The summer following his sophomore year, Trollman headed west for a tennis camp and realized he would like living in Colorado Springs. It was a thought that only complements his career goals and Hart's urgings.

Love it

"I pretty much fell in love with it. When you land at the airport, the first thing you see is flat prairie and the plane turns and you see the mountains. It's like walking into a postcard."

Trollman, who previously worked on campaigns for Kildee, said he feels his interest in politics and a military background could help launch him into a career as a congressman someday.

"I'd rather give out appointments, instead of getting one," he joked.

Airborne ranger



Awesome: Spring must be here because the dare-devil bikers of Clarkston are out performing feats that their parents probably cringe to see. In this shot, taken on Clarkston Road at I-75, Darren Staszak gets his machine way up in the air.

Capsules found in school food non-toxic

Tan and yellow capsules found in Clarkston High School food March 23 contained a non-toxic lubricant, according to Deputy Bill Evans of the Oakland County Sheriff's Independence Township substation.

"There's no toxic substance, no drugs," Evans said during a telephone interview Tuesday. The capsules were evaluated by the sheriff's crime lab and the results issued Tuesday, he said.

The capsules were found in 10 cups of fruit, in the serving line, by a school cafeteria employee. Sheriff's officers still do not know how the capsules got into the food, where they came from or whether anyone ingested any before they were discovered. Police have no suspects, Evans said.

Evans said there are capsules sometimes used in the operation of machinery that release a lubricant when squeezed. He said school officials were trying to determine whether such capsules are used at the school.

On Tuesday afternoon, Principal Brent Cooley confirmed Evans' remarks.

"We're looking at it as we speak," he said, indicating that school officials do not know how the capsules got into the building. "I've not found anything that shows we have them in the building."

Cooley said that last week's incident was the first such tampering incident at CHS that he knew of.

POLICE CALLS

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Springfield and Independence townships and the city of Clarkston March 25-30.

Springfield Police

Vandalism

On March 26, a window was reported damaged at a residence on **West Bart Court**.

On March 26, light fixtures were reported damaged at a residence on **Nicole Court**.

Thefts

On March 26, a trailer was reported stolen from a residence on **Kelly Lake Road**.

On March 29, guns and a ring were reported stolen from a residence on **Waumegah Court**.

Independence Police

Thefts

On March 25, a bracelet, portable cassette disc player and pager were reported stolen from a building on **Pine Knob Road**.

On March 26, tools were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Greenview**.

On March 26, an air compressor was reported stolen from a construction site on **Flemings Lake Road**.

On March 27, a cassette disc player and cassette disc case were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Sashabaw Road**.

On March 27, a motor was reported stolen from a watercraft parked along **Maybee Road**.

On March 27, tools were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Oakhurst**.

On March 28, a snow plow was reported stolen from a residence on **Deer Hill Drive**.

On March 28, a cell phone and cassette disc player were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Meyers**.

On March 29, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Clintonville Road**.

On March 29, an air conditioner cover was reported stolen from a residence on **Mann Road**.

Breaking and Entering

On March 28, unknown persons attempted to break into a vehicle parked on **Mann Road**. Nothing was taken.

On March 26, unknown persons reportedly entered a business on **Eston Road**. Nothing was reported taken.

Vandalism

On March 27, graffiti was reported scratched into the paint of a vehicle parked on **Sashabaw Road**.

On March 28, graffiti was painted on the side of a business on **Sashabaw Road**.

Underage Consumption

On March 29, three minor were issued appearance tickets for consumption of alcohol at a site on **Tappon Drive**. A fourth youth was issued a ticket for disorderly conduct.

Independence Fire

Between March 25-30, fire-fighters responded to 13 calls. Among them were eight medical runs, one personal-injury accident and one fuel spill.

Clarkston Police

The following incidents occurred in the city of Clarkston March 23-30.

On March 24, officers stopped a vehicle in the area of **Main Street** and **Washington Street** for a traffic offense. The driver, a Waterford Township woman, was found to be driving with a suspended license and improper plates. She was cited for those offenses and turned over to White Lake Township police, where she was wanted on a warrant for driving with a suspended license.

On March 27, officers stopped a vehicle at **East Church Street** and **Main Street** for a traffic offense. The driver was cited for driving with a suspended license and released.

On March 31, officers stopped a vehicle on **Main Street** near **Washington Street** for erratic driving. The Waterford Township driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol. He tested a 0.14 on a Breathalyzer test and was arrested. He was released from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department after bond was posted on his behalf. He is scheduled to be arraigned April 14 in 52/2 District Court.

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Candidates have until April 6 to file

Residents of the Clarkston School District who are interested in running for the Clarkston School Board have until 4 p.m. April 6 to file nominating petitions.

The four-year term of board secretary Sheila Hughes will expire June 30 and that seat will be up for grabs in the June 8 school election. Hughes recently indicated that she will seek reelection. At press time, she is running unopposed.

Nominating petitions are available at the

Clarkston Board of Education Administrative Office, 6389 Clarkston Road in Independence Township from 7 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

When returning petitions, it is no longer required that candidates present a certificate proving their U.S. citizenship. That state law has been revoked and the candidate's signature on an affidavit of identity is now considered sufficient proof.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Walsh College in Troy recognized the academic achievement of 810 students during the Fall 1997 semester who attained a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or better, and completed at least 12 semester credit hours at Walsh College.

Students with a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or better are placed on the President's Honor Roll, and students with a cumulative GPA between 3.749 and 3.5 are on the Dean's Honor Roll. The following local students were on the President's Honor Roll: Brian Rogos and Michael Carter from Clarkston and Aleksey Beylin from Davisburg. The following local students were on the Dean's List: Marlene Aiken, Terri Calvano, Karen Kuffert, Sara Lajovic, Jonathan Maule, Gerald Pokriefka, Lynn Pudlo, Linda Reiter-Neumark, Joseph Romzek, Mark Scher and Brant Wright of Clarkston and Christine Black, William Gottschalk, Sue Anne Lake and Rosalind Robinson of Davisburg.

The following Walsh students were awarded scholarships based on merit and/or financial need for the winter 1998 semester. The Walsh College Merit or Presidential scholarships are based solely on merit, and students who qualify must maintain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or better. Other scholarships are also based on merit or a combination of merit and need.

The following students from Clarkston received scholarships: Christina Villarreal and Rena LaCroix, Carl W. McConkey Memorial Scholarships; Constance Plummer, Kenneth Septer, Leslie Smolen and

Sara Lajovic, Walsh College Merit Scholarships. Rosalind Robinson of Davisburg received a Walsh College Minority Scholarship.

Walsh College announced that the following students recently graduated with an undergraduate or graduate degrees:

Clarkston — Denise Pesta, Master of Science in Taxation; Lynn Pudlo, Master of Science in Information Management & Communication-Cum Laude; Timothy Vandermark, Bachelor of Business Administration; Brant Wright, Master of Science in Finance-With Distinction.

Davisburg — Aleksey Beylin, Master of Science in Information Management & Communication-Summa Cum Laude; and William Gottschalk, Master of Science in Management-Cum Laude.

The following students from Clarkston were honored for their academic achievements for the first semester 1997-98 from Notre Dame Preparatory in Pontiac. Receiving Highest Honors (4.0-3.75) were seniors Adam Boggemes and Kathy Kotzan; juniors Brandon Griffith and Matthew Hollis; sophomores Stephen Boggemes, Mary Fabrizio, Meghan O'Donnell, Marty Rathsburg Jr. and Amber Sage; and freshmen Karen Kotzan, Shannon Nugent, Michael Pasco, Sandra Richardson, Joseph Rumph and Ann St. Louis. Receiving High Honors (3.749-3.5) were junior Tessa Burley; sophomores Erin Hearn and John Schwartz; and freshmen Nicholas Denis and April Downs. Receiving Honors (3.499-3.0) were seniors Brant Lamers and Pamela Newkirk;

juniors Elizabeth Baker, Ryan Courter, Camilla Ferreira and Adam Paulson; sophomores Rebekah Beyer, Dennis DeMeyer, Schuyler Edwards and Jamie Sliwa; and freshmen Lia Burley and Ana Williams.

Amanda E. Allen of Clarkston was named to the Dean's List at the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio, for the fall semester of the 1997 academic year. To be named to the Dean's List at UD, a student must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Kammy Powell of Clarkston is on the Dean's List at Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, where she is a freshman.

First Honors, known as the Dean's List, are awarded to full-time students who have a grade point average of 3.5 or above in a minimum of 12 hours or more of graded credit in any semester. Part-time students are eligible for inclusion on the Dean's List if they complete 12 hours or more of graded credit and achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above during a year commencing with the fall semester of any given year.

Sandra K. Smith of Clarkston was among 284 students who received degrees from Saginaw Valley State University during the fall semester ending December 1997. Sandra received a MSN in Nursing Client Care.

The following students from Clarkston have been named to the Dean's List for Fall Term 1997 at University of Michigan College of Engineering in Ann Arbor: Zachary L. Bell, Jason P. Kachorek, Matthew P. Little, Jeffrey M. Roselli and Matthew J. Wenger.

Lawmakers seek to reign in jet skiers

Pending legislation that would raise the required age for personal watercraft drivers to 16 — and that would require them to take boating and marine safety education classes — is being welcomed by Oakland County Sheriff's Department deputies who patrol local lakes even though that legislation doesn't target the worst offenders: Those who are in their 20s and early 30s.

The legislation comes as a reaction to public outcry about congestion, noise and carelessness on lakes, said Sen. Mat Dunaskiss (R-Lake Orion). "The time has more than come to get this passed," he said.

According to Lt. Berry Zeeman of the sheriff's marine division, legislation now before the Michigan Legislature would restrict the age limit of personal watercraft drivers to 16 years of age or older and would make a marine safety class mandatory for 16- to 19-year-olds and for anyone born after Dec. 31, 1978.

In July 1996, a 16-year-old Holly resident was killed on Dixie Lake in Springfield Township when she accidentally drove a personal watercraft into the bow of a boat.

Youths who wish to drive personal watercraft before age 16 would not be allowed to do so after the legislation is enacted.

Michigan legislators are currently considering bills in the Senate and House and expect to have a joint committee meeting on the topic and fine-tune language before it is passed this summer, said Dunaskiss.

Dunaskiss said he hopes to have the age modified down to 14 when it reaches the committee for consideration. The 16-year age limit is too stiff, he believes, because 12- to 16-year olds do not represent the biggest part of the problem.

"The young riders are not the problem. The uneducated drivers are the problem," he said.

Currently, 12- to 16-year-olds may operate the vehicles, similar in size and maneuverability to motorcycles, if they have obtained a boater safety certificate from the sheriff's department.

According to Rep. Tom Middleton (R-Clarkston), anyone possessing a boater's safety certificate who is age 12-16 when the legislation is enacted would be "grandfathered in" and allowed to drive on their existing certificate.

Zeeman agreed with Dunaskiss in his assessment of young drivers. Twelve-year-olds do not pose near the threat on personal watercraft devices that 18-year-olds to 30-year-olds do, he said. He attributed that observation to the fact that older drivers are not required to have boater safety classes.

"The majority of our violations that we've issued — and the complaints — are of an older age group," Zeeman said. Complaints are often related



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Tom Middleton
—State representative

to noise levels and the recklessness of drivers who circle the same areas for extended periods of time.

"Most of it's education. As we looked around at the problem, a lot of people didn't know the rules of the lake," said Middleton, who explained a two-year effort to develop legislation. "I think it's a good package."

While the new legislation, if passed, would make the classes mandatory for 16-19 year olds, participants of any age are eligible to attend classes, Zeeman said.

Among other language that is still being fine-tuned, the pending legislation would also restrict the hours that personal watercraft could be used on lakes to 9 a.m. to sundown. And all riders would be required to wear personal flotation devices.

"One thing we do really like is the mandatory education," Zeeman said, referring to sheriff personnel and their response to the new rules. "So many people look at the machine not as a boat but as a toy."

Zeeman said most of the complaints received by the marine division, which patrols and responds to calls on all lakes within Oakland County, including those in Independence and Springfield townships, come from residents who live on large lakes that are heavily populated.

He said personal watercraft complaints account for about 50 percent of the calls placed to the marine division and that surprisingly few are related to alcohol use.

For residents of Independence Township, Springfield Township or the city of Clarkston who are interested, nearby boater safety classes are scheduled in cooperation with Springfield Parks and Recreation Department for May 18 and 21. To register for the classes, call (248) 634-0412. Classes are also planned through the Brandon Township Community Education department and calls to that facility may be made to (248) 627-1872.

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Bands go on to state competition

Several Clarkston School District bands qualified for upcoming state competition during the District 4 Michigan School Band and Orchestra festivals last month.

The Clarkston High School Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band and Symphonic Wind Ensemble earned superior ratings during district competition March 7. They qualified for the state festival April 24-25.

The Sashabaw Middle School Cadet and Symphony Bands and the Clarkston Middle School Cadet and Symphony Bands

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earned first division ratings during district competition March 13-14. They qualified for the state festival May 2. Earning second division ratings were the Sashabaw Middle and Clarkston Middle school concert bands.

Each band was evaluated in both concert performance and sight reading by a panel of MSBOA adjudicators from throughout the state in the categories for tone, intonation, tech-

nic and rhythm.

The high school bands are under the direction of Cliff Chapman. The Clarkston and Sashabaw middle school symphonic bands are directed by Douglas A. Doty. The Clarkston Middle School Cadet and Concert Bands are directed by Julie Mathews and the Sashabaw Middle School Cadet and Concert Bands are directed by Michael Lewis.

Assisting with all bands is Frederick Lowe, an instrumental music teaching intern from the University of Michigan.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

John Schorsch of Clarkston High School and Aaron Larson of Oakland Technical Center-Northwest won awards in the MADD Oakland County Poster/Essay Contest held in March.

The contest was open to all

schools in Oakland County, both public and private. Students in grades 1-12 entered posters and/or essays using an anti-drinking and driving theme provided by the national MADD organization. This year's theme was "Stand Strong. Stay Sober."

There were more than 40 entries received.

Aaron took first place and John second in the poster category for grades 10-12. Aaron will advance to the state-level competition.

ON THE AGENDA

Clarkston Schools
6389 Clarkston Road
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Board of Education
7 p.m. Monday, April 6
Tentative Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Consent Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda
2.2 Approval of Minutes: March 9, 1998

2.3 Approval of an OTC-NW Health Occupations Student Organization Overnight Trip to Traverse City, April 6-7, 1998

3. Citizen Requests to Address the Board

Protocol procedures for addressing the Board:

3.1 You are given two opportunities to address the board

■ Under Item 3.1 you can request to address the board following board discussion on a particular topic, or

■ Under Item 8 you are welcome to address the board on any topic

■ When asking questions or making comments, please state your name and then direct your comments to Mrs. Karen Foyteck, President, Clarkston Board of Education

4. Reports/Presentations

5. Action Items

5.1 Approval of bid for computers: Matt McCarty

6. Discussion Items

6.1 Redistricting

6.2 School District Properties

6.3 Naming of Facilities

7. Information Items:
7.1 1998 Regional Meeting & Awards Ceremonies-Oakland Schools

■ Registration at 4:30 p.m.

■ Welcome Reception from 5-6 p.m.

■ Program starts at 6 p.m.

■ Dinner from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

■ Awards from 7:30-9 p.m.

7.2 Durant Hearing-May 11, 6 p.m.

8. Citizen Comments:

Citizens are welcome to address the board on any topic at this point on the agenda.

9. Closed session is provided under the Open Meetings Act: None

10. Adjournment

Independence Township
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Township Board
7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 7

Tentative Agenda

Call To Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Opening Statements and Correspondence

Approval of Agenda

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Approval of Accounts

Payable Check Run

Approval of Purchase Orders

Public Forum

Report — Post Board of Review, Assessing Department

Old Business

1. First Reading of Housing for the Elderly Ordinance

2. Permission to Hire — Parks & Recreation

3. Consideration of Resolution Regarding Circuit Court Action for Woodhull Lake Subdivision

4. Historic Structure Survey Proposal

5. Resolution in Support M-15 Improvements

6. Bid Award of Brush Truck — Fire

7. Investment Policy Compliance

New Business

1. Repaving Contribution Request — Birdland

2. Natural Feature Setback Appeal

3. Selection of Architect for Remodeling of Fire Station 3

4. American Legion Floating Retail Sales License

5. Appointments to Election Board of Canvassers

6. Approval of Merger Agreement New Inter-local GPAC Agreement

7. Renewal Approval — Library Millage

8. Consideration of Request to Extend Sewer District

9. Permission to Bid for Spring Clean-Up

10. Road Funding

11. Cable Franchise Extension

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The seminar will be held 8 a.m. - noon Saturdays, April 25 through May 16, at Clarkston

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The pre-license class is designed for people who want to subcontract the construction of their own homes, for building trades people who want to work legally as well as for real estate investors and developers.

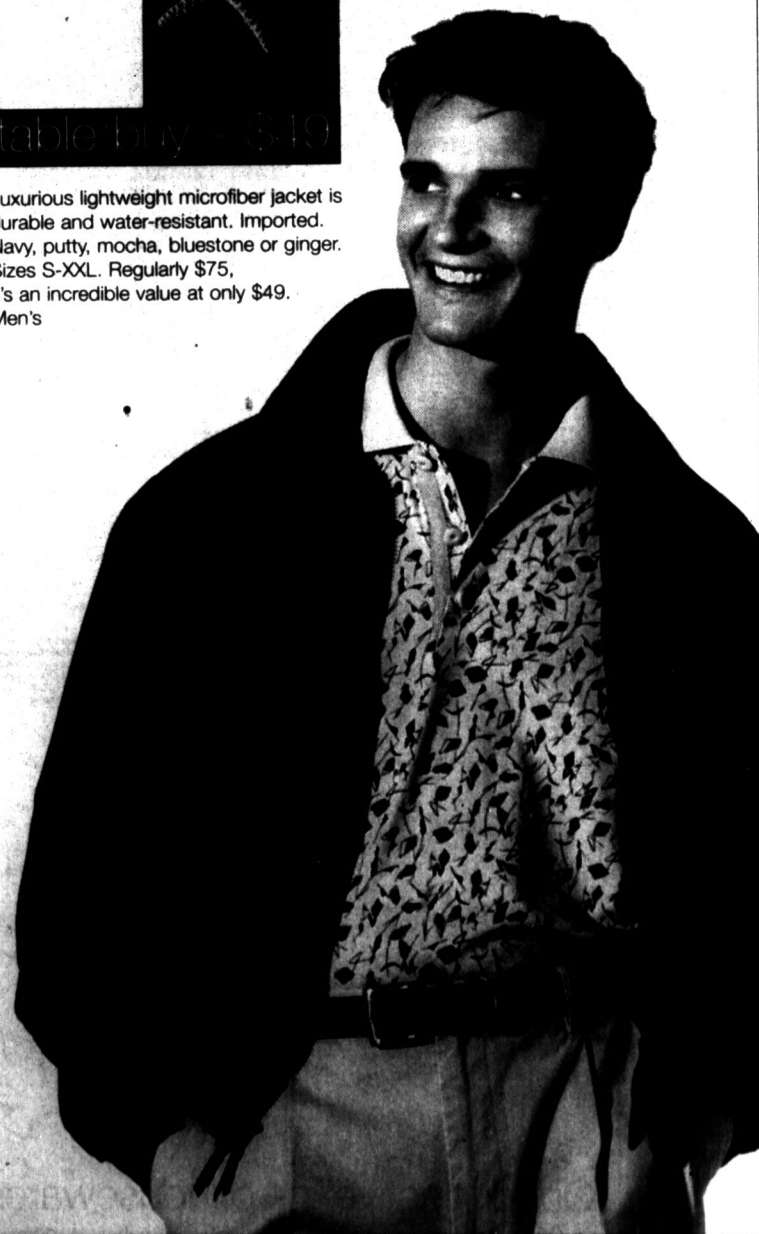
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Feds approve money for Oakland roads

The U.S. House of Representatives Transportation Committee has allocated \$13.7 million for various road construction projects throughout Oakland County.

"I was very pleased when I received the call about this," said Brent O. Bair, Road Commission for Oakland County managing director. "This money will allow the continuation of critical projects that have been in the pipeline for years."

The money is earmarked for 6 projects on RCOC roads and state highways including:

- \$5 million for widening the remaining two-lane segment of Baldwin Road, south of I-75 in Auburn Hills and Lake Angelus;

- \$3.7 million to extend Telegraph Road from Dixie Highway in Waterford Township to Walton Blvd. in Pontiac to four lanes;

- \$2 million to widen Walton Boulevard from two lanes to five from Sashabaw to Dixie Highway in Waterford Township;

- \$2 million to widen Walton Boulevard from two lanes to five from I-75 to Squirrel Road in Auburn Hills;

- \$500,000 to provide immediate congestion fixes, such as turns lanes, traffic lights and signs on M-24, from I-75 north to the county line; and

- \$500,000 to perform preliminary engineering work for improvements to M-15 from

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Brent O. Bair
—Road Commission

Clarkston north to the county line.

The Baldwin, Telegraph and Walton Boulevard projects are part of RCOC's long-standing Walton Boulevard corridor improvement plan.

"This money will allow us to eliminate critical bottlenecks," said Richard Skarritt, chairman of the RCOC Board of Road Commissioners. "We're extremely excited about the possibility of receiving this money and being able to complete these projects."

Board Vice Chairman Rudy Lozano said the money will provide funds to finish important projects.

"The projects identified are not frivolous or something we just dreamed up," Lozano said. "They have been in the works for a decade or more. We just haven't had the money to complete them. The improvements are needed today."

The bill still has to pass the full House and Senate version of the transportation bill and the president.

County seeks to boost tornado awareness

With tornado weather around the corner, Oakland County officials hope residents will take the initiative during Severe Weather Awareness Week to make plans in case a damaging storm hits.

"This week is an ideal time for every Oakland County resident to become familiar with the steps that should be taken to protect themselves, their families and their property in the event a tornado warning is issued," County Executive L. Brooks Patterson said of the observance which ends April 4. "It is essential that every man, woman and child be prepared to deal with severe weather when it occurs."

Although they are most likely to happen during hot spring afternoons, tornadoes have occurred in every month at all times, Patterson added.

Leann Robinson, coordinator of the county's emergency management unit, said most injuries occur because people don't take shelter quickly enough.

"Tornadoes usually come at

the end of a thunderstorm, so people have plenty of time to think about what they should be doing," Robinson said. "You should never wait until you hear an emergency siren to start grabbing supplies. Plan ahead and take responsibility for your safety."

Since 1950, 27 tornadoes have been reported throughout the county, including one that touched down in Springfield and Groveland townships last July. The devastating storm, which resulted in one death and over \$2 million in damages, has prompted both townships to purchase their own tornado sirens.

Both Groveland and Springfield, like most other townships throughout the county, rely on the sirens from neighboring cities.

Groveland Township Fire Chief Marilyn McGee said the township has authorized the purchase of 9 tornado sirens. The township pays for 75 percent of the siren, which costs about \$17,000 while the county

pitches in 25 percent.

"We are working really hard to put in enough sirens to protect the whole township," McGee said. "Although we only have about 5,000 residents, nearly 35,000 people are here each day during the summer months at the summer camps, golf courses or the Renaissance Festival — not to mention the drivers on I-75."

A siren, donated by the owner of Heather Highlands Golf Course, was installed at the golf course Tuesday to service a portion of Springfield Township. A siren was also installed at Granger and Kent roads in Brandon Township.

Robinson said the sirens are only a part of the entire warning system that also relies on television and radio broadcasts and common sense.

"In the first place, people need to be aware that there is a watch (issued when conditions exist for the development of a tornado) out there and they can do that by watching TV or listening to

the radio," Robinson said. "Sirens are only designed to be heard within a mile radius if you're standing outside. Sirens can be effective, but common sense, along with being prepared, will probably save more lives."

Emergency Management offers these tornado safety guidelines:

- A basement offers the greatest safety. Seek shelter under sturdy furniture if possible. In a home without a basement, take cover in the center of the house on the lowest floor in a small room.

- If you live in a mobile home, leave immediately and go to a substantial structure. If there is no shelter nearby, lie flat in the nearest ditch, ravine or culvert with your hands shielding your head.

- During work or school hours, follow plans to move into interior hallways or small rooms on the lowest floors. Avoid areas with glass and wide free-span roofs.

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Soup's (almost) on: Michael Piontek prepares to open Uncle Buck's in Lake Orion.

Chef turns historic eatery into rustic, 'northwoods' restaurant

BARBARA BATTISTILLI
SPECIAL WRITER

When Michael Piontek began washing dishes in a restaurant at age 15, little did he know that he would be the proprietor of a fine restaurant establishment of his own someday. But Piontek's natural abilities in the culinary arts, as well as his personal ambition, eventually led him to an apprenticeship program of the American Culinary Federation offered through Schoolcraft college.

From there it wasn't long before Piontek was working along side of and gleaming the professional secrets of some of the finest chefs in the state.

Hands-on experience in the kitchens of the famed London Chop House as well as personal instruction by Chef Milos during a five-year span at the renowned Golden Mushroom of Southfield served to set Piontek's career like the perfect soufflé.

As the former owner/operator of Lake Orion's Lakeview Grill, the chef won multiple awards in both statewide and local competitions. "Restaurant of the Year", "Best Caesar Salad of Oakland County", as well as "Best Recipe" (sponsored by the Pork Producers Association) were among the many accolades Piontek received.

When the Lakeview Grill was destroyed by fire, the chef was forced to seek an outlet for his talent elsewhere. A real estate ad for the former Vanelli's restaurant building in Lake Orion grabbed his attention and set his plan in motion.

As the new owner of the soon-to-be-opened Uncle Buck's restaurant, Piontek appears undaunted by the challenge of creating a new dining hot spot where the very reputable Vanelli's had stood for some 18 years.

"This building has been a restaurant since 1856 when it first opened as Gus", Piontek said. "In fact, we inherited a rusty old spike from the original

'This building has been a restaurant since 1856 when it first opened as Gus'. In fact, we inherited a rusty old spike from the original Gus' restaurant that was also displayed in Vanelli's. Great food has been served at this location for years, and we hope to continue the tradition.'

Chef Michael Piontek
Owner of Uncle Buck's

Gus' restaurant that was also displayed in Vanelli's. Great food has been served at this location for years, and we hope to continue the tradition."

The chef envisions Uncle Buck's atmosphere to be a bit more relaxed than that of Vanelli's.

Having enjoyed many popular small inns and roadhouses while vacationing in northern Michigan, chef Piontek aspires to capture the charm of a rustic lodge for his latest enterprise.

The venture has also given Piontek the opportunity to showcase his skills as an interior designer and decorator.

The comfortable "kickback" northwoods ambiance is complemented by a newly-constructed fieldstone fireplace, quarter-sawn beams and a corrugated steel-face mahogany bar. A wall-paper border of pine boughs encircles the handsome green-hued walls. Warm weather will permit the outdoor landscaping to be completed with the planting of pine trees and an old-fashioned herb garden. The parking lot will be repaved.

And who exactly is this "Uncle Buck?"

"Uncle Buck is the nickname of a friend who lives in an authentic log cabin in the Bloom-

field area," Piontek explains with a grin. It's so unique because the cabin is quite incongruent with the rest of the vicinity. When we thought of the mood we were trying to establish here, we knew it had to be "Uncle Buck's."

While the atmosphere may be informal, Piontek emphasizes his own uncompromising standards when describing Uncle Buck's specialties.

"We'll offer fresh fish and wild game, including venison, duck, pheasant, and so on. Our wild mushrooms will be coming from Oregon, which produces some of the best available in the States.

"Some of our entrees will feature morels. Everything will be homemade," he added. "Our soups, salads and dressing will be made from scratch. Desserts will be baked right here on the premises and we are going to serve our own home-baked fresh bread."

A glance at the menu reveals well-varied options.

For example, diners may select from Fred Bear's Bar Bar-Que venison meatballs (4.95), Veal Picatta (\$16.95), Chicken (\$11.95), the House Special Prime Rib (\$12.95 and up) or steak (\$15.50 and up). (All prices approximate.) For dessert, consider Chocolate Turtle Torte, Triple Berry Cobbler, or (Chef Piontek's Mom's own recipe) Giant White Chocolate Chip Cookie with pecans — served warm with vanilla ice cream.

Uncle Buck's will be employing approximately 40 people and will be opening after staff training is completed. During the first week of operation, they will open for dinner only. Live Blues and Jazz groups will be presented on weekends in the near future.

Chef Piontek says he'd like to sample the wares of some of the great chefs of Europe someday. Till then, however, the ambitious young chef says that general public satisfaction at Uncle Buck's will be his dream come true.

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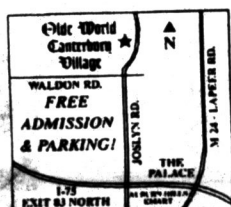
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OCC authorizes operations tax levy

When residents living within the Oakland Community College district pay their 1998 city or township taxes, they will also pay a property tax assessed to pay for the college's operating expenses.

Originally, a one-mill property tax was approved by college district voters in 1964 when OCC was established but the Headlee Amendment limited the collectable amount to 0.8522 mills. In June 1995, the voters approved collection of an additional 0.8 mills limited to seven years bringing the total levies to 1.6522 mills.

The OCC Board of Trustees, Monday, voted unanimously to levy all current operating mills.

"These taxes shouldn't surprise anyone," said George Cartsonis, director of college communications. "It has been appearing on their tax bills for some time. (The renewal) is a standard annual event."

The OCC district has boundaries similar to the Oakland County Intermediate Schools.

Residents living in the OCC district are charged a lower tuition rate than other residents, Cartsonis said.

"It is because of their 'local

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George Cartsonis
—director of communications

contributions' that district residents pay a lower tuition," Cartsonis said. District residents pay \$46 per credit hour compared to \$78 paid by other Michigan residents and \$109 paid by out-of-state and foreign students.

"(District) residents have always been extremely willing to help support this college."

Along with the property tax, OCC operations are funded through tuition and fees paid by students and annual appropriations from the state.

During the 1996-97 fiscal year, OCC collected \$56 million from property taxes, which was about 55 percent of the college's \$101.3 million income.

City and township taxes are collected in July or August and again in December, Cartsonis said.

Schools to get fine arts consultant

Schools across Michigan will have access to a fine arts consultant after State Sen. Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township, successfully added funding to the Department of Education budget.

Peters said the request for this position grew out of discussion in the bipartisan Senate Arts Caucus. Peters is the founding member and co-chair of that caucus.

His district includes Southfield, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms, Franklin Village and Lathrup Village, among other communities.

"Art education develops critical thinking skills which strengthen a child's ability to problem solve and make decisions," Peters said. "Art education is a critical part of our children's education."

The Michigan Department of Education has completed a working draft of a fine arts curriculum. The fine arts consultant will work with the department to

'Statistics show that students who study the arts do better in school.'

Gary Peters
—state senator

complete that curriculum and help schools implement it.

"Statistics show that students who study the arts do better in school," Peters said. "Standard Achievement Test (SAT) scores for 1995 bear this out. Students who had studied the arts scored 59 points higher on the verbal portion of the SAT, and 44 points higher on the math portion than students who had not done course work in the arts."

"We owe it to our students to give them the best possible education by making arts courses available throughout their school years. Fine arts courses will give our students the additional skills they need to be better students and successful people."

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SECOND HAND SALE

Mom's Second Hand Sale, sponsored by the Farmington Area Community Women, will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 4 at the Farmington Hills Activity Center located at 11 Mile Road between Middlebelt and Inskter. Children's clothes, toys, maternity items and much more will be available. There is a \$1 admission fee.

JEWISH SINGLES MISSION

Singles ages 25-40 are invited to join an informational meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, April 6 at Moosejaw Mountaineering, 34288 Woodward, Birmingham. for the 1998 United Jewish Appeal Summer Singles Mission to Israel. The trip, with others from throughout the U.S. from July 8-19, includes parties, jeep rides in the Golan, tubing down the Jordan, a Shabbat mission or the meeting, call Marc Berke at the federation at (248) 203-1458.

QUILT CELEBRATION

The Oakland County Quilt Guild at the Western Wall and visits to religious and historic sites. For

details about th presents it's 1998 Quilt Celebration. A quilt exhibit and contest will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, April 17 at Lutheran High School Northwest, located on Livernois, south of M-59. A merchants mall, refreshments, workshops and lectures will also be featured. Admission is \$5.

FREE WOOD CHIPS

Free wood chips for yard beautification projects will be available for pick-up from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, Aug. 29, Sept. 26 and Oct. 31 at the Orion Oaks County Park. Residents must bring their own shovels, wheelbarrows and buckets and can enter from the Clarkston Road entrance. For more information, call (248) 858-0906 or 1-888-OC PARKS.

USED COSTUME SALE

Hundreds of period costumes, modern and vintage clothes, fabrics and accessories will be available at Meadow Brook Theatre's costume sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 2. Prices range from 50 cents to \$50. The theatre is located on th campus of Oakland University near the corner of Squirrel and Walton Blvd.

SENIOR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Oakland County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) seeks volunteers 55 years and older to become involved with community agencies that need assistance. Opportunities are available at schools,


hospitals, libraries, human service agencies and cultural institutions throughout Oakland County. Benefits include supplemental accident and liability insurance, mileage reimbursement and the chance to make a difference. For more information, call Kimberly Thomas at (248)

559-1147.

HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS

Heartland Hospice in Southfield is looking for volunteers to provide services to terminally ill patients and their families. To learn more or volunteer, call Kim Davids at (248) 948-1019.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1998

Candidates wanted

Schools election needs competition

Past. Hey, readers, there's a school board election coming up, and so far only one person has filed petitions to run for office.

Since there's only one seat coming open on the board, there'll be no contest unless more candidates come forward.

We're not trying to stir things up so we have something to write about. There are plenty of other news and feature stories to report on. In fact, it would be easier for us at the Clarkston Eccentric if we didn't have endorsement interviews to conduct, election stories to write, candidate profiles to publish and endorsement editorials to anguish over.

We also don't have anything against the only candidate who's filed so far — incumbent Sheila Hughes.

Nor do we object to any major decisions the Clarkston School Board has made.

We just think it's a good thing for a community to have a number of candidates to choose from. This is America, after all. Remember all that stuff you learned in school about government by the people, for the people, etc.?

We're kind of partial, but we think Clarkston represents Americana at its best — hilly countryside, small-town ambiance, family values. And a significant part of the Americana scene is hotly contested elections with campaign kick-offs, candidate debates, door-to-door canvassing and long lines at the polls.

Also, remember that if you don't throw your

■ If you don't throw your hat into the ring, or support a candidate whose views match your own, you don't really have a right to complain.

hat into the ring, or support a candidate whose views match your own, you don't really have a right to complain.

Don't like the textbook your son is reading? Too bad.

Don't like how long your elementary student rides on the bus? Too bad.

Unless you become involved, you can't really criticize those who do and the decisions they make.

Fortunately, there's still time to file. But you'd better act quickly.

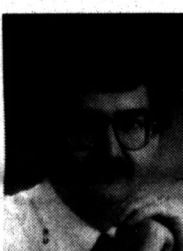
Nominating petitions can be picked up from the Clarkston Board of Education Administrative Office, 6389 Clarkston Road, 7 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

They're due by 4 p.m. Monday, April 6, and they have to include at least 26 signatures from registered voters in the district. (It's a good idea to get twice that number in case some signatures are invalid.)

Good luck, candidates. (And, we'll make sure we have plenty of coffee on hand for those endorsement interviews.)

Jonesboro: Not far from home

The news crackling over the car radio was horrifying — a playground full of school children and teachers who were shot, bleeding and, in some tragic instances, dead. But it was the date line that drove it home. It happened in Jonesboro, Ark.



WAYNE PEAL

It's a place that may seem remote to you, but not to me. I've been a northerner all my life, but, through marriage, I now have relatives who call Jonesboro home. Up until three years ago, one of them even taught in a school district not far from the incident.

News reports categorize the Jonesboro area as small, rural and southern. Maybe. The area served by Westside Middle School is all that. But I've been to Jonesboro and can tell you it's also home to a good-sized university and a major interstate trucking company. Its downtown is decaying, while malls and chain stores thrive along its outskirts. It has Arby's for lunch and HBO on the cable box. After work, its residents return to older homes and newer subdivisions.

When tragedy strikes, we seek distance. But Jonesboro, Ark. is neither as remote nor as different as we might wish.

It's reassuring to think of it as a small, rural hamlet, not a suburbanized city.

It's comforting to explain this tragedy away by blaming it on a "Southern gun culture" than by remembering how gun-related violence has claimed the lives of at least two Rochester Hills youngsters already this year.

It's less disturbing to think that this unspeakable tragedy could only occur in some remote, far off place, not here. Not within walking distance of downtown Birmingham,

where a fast food manager was shot to death just a few days ago.

In all these tragedies, we seek an explanation. But one isn't forthcoming, not from Nightline, 48 Hours, or New York Times, which all decamped to Jonesboro in the wake of last week's shooting spree. Not even from your home town Eccentric newspapers in the tragedies we cover daily. Not from your neighbors. Not from your friends.

Not one of us can offer any explanation that makes sense, any solution that would prevent any of this from happening.

In Jonesboro, children died because a young teen was angry over his break up with a girl friend. It's a tragedy we can't comprehend. But today, other children will die over a perceived insult at a party, or over a jacket or a pair of basketball shoes, or because they merely were in the wrong place at the wrong time. We can't comprehend that, either.

Some cry for justice. But we can't agree on what punishment is just.

Others scream for vengeance. It sickens us when youngsters kill youngsters, but we recoil in horror when we consider allowing the state to do the same.

Still others plead for solutions. But we can't solve what we can't explain.

Yet, our search for justice and for answers must begin somewhere. Maybe it begins when we no longer seek to distance ourselves from the unthinkable. Maybe it begins when we realize that a place that could once seem so remote, could suddenly become the home of family.

Maybe it begins when we look to those things which bind us to the victims of tragedy, instead of seeking the false protection of those things that don't.

Wayne Peal is editor of the Southfield Eccentric.

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

Are you surprised that the allegations against President Clinton haven't hurt his popularity?

This question was asked at the post office on M-15 in Clarkston.



'I sure am. I'm really surprised people haven't questioned his values more.'

Dave Ford
Independence Township



'No. Because of the immoral attitude of the general public.'

Rex Egres
Independence Township



'No. The economy's going well. We're losing our moral values.'

Laura Burmeister
Brandon Township



'No. He's done so well running our country, I believe people don't want to ruin that.'

Tracy Adams
Ind. Township

LETTERS

Wrong time

The Jerry Springer show does not belong on television in the early afternoon.

This is prime time for schoolchildren who might be coming home to an empty house to watch television. The subject matter is totally inappropriate for young viewers.

Brenda J. Thomason
Plymouth

Support preservation efforts

The Michigan Senate Finance Committee is now considering bipartisan legislation which would provide many owners of older commercial and residential buildings with an incentive to restore their properties, and in the process, create new jobs and businesses while protecting our valuable historic resources.

Before the Senate Finance Committee are Senate Bills 105 and 106, sponsored by Sen. John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek, which would provide a 25 percent state tax credit for people who restore or renovate their historically significant homes, barns, commercial buildings or industrial property.

The Senate Finance Committee also has before it parallel legislation, sponsored by Representative Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti, which recently passed the Michigan House of Representatives by a vote of 106-1 and picked up an additional 55 Democratic and Republican co-sponsors.

Imagine what this legislation will do to boost urban and rural areas of Michigan. People owning homes, barns and farmhouses will have a strong incentive to fix up their properties. The owners of commercial buildings or industrial property in large or small towns of Michigan will find the prospect of restoring their resources very appealing. In addition, property which will be eligible to receive these tax credits will be very attractive to private developers.

Besides protecting many of our most historically significant resources for future generations and revitalizing our neighborhoods, downtowns and small towns, the legislation would also create new jobs and businesses in the building construction and materials fields; boost small businesses which traditionally provide services and materials to historic preservation projects; improve Michigan's neighborhoods and downtowns and rural communities and their surrounding farmsteads, reversing urban decay, and preserving historic areas as features of our multi-million dollar tourism industry; and attract private development and return long abandoned properties to the tax rolls.

Some 85 percent of the work done on restoring the State Capitol came from Michigan companies, especially small businesses. Imag-

ine how busy contractors, tradeworkers and building supply companies would be if people began restoring their properties as a result of the tax credits!

The legislation is supported by the Michigan Association of Home Builders, Michigan Historic Preservation Network, Michigan Association of Realtors, Small Business Association of Michigan and the Michigan Barn Preservation Network.

Chairing the Senate Finance Committee is Sen. Joanne Emmons, R-Grand Rapids. Sen. Emmons has not yet set a date for a hearing or vote on the legislation.

Anyone desiring to see these bills pass should call Sen. Emmons at (517) 373-3760. Letters can be faxed to her at (517) 373-8661 or mailed c/o State Capitol, Lansing, MI 48909. Using the same address, please also let Senate Majority Leader Dick Posthumus and Gov. John Engler know that you support this legislation as well.

For more information on the bills, please feel free to call me at (248) 625-8181.

It is important that this legislation passes so we can improve our downtowns, neighborhoods, and villages while we boost businesses, create new jobs, and protect our historic resources.

President Jennifer Radcliff
Michigan Historic Preservation Network

Too much testing

Iwant to object strongly to Philip Power's March 5 op-ed page column on (school) testing. The overemphasis on testing, it seems to me, is misplaced. There are a lot of other skills besides academic skills that are important in the job world and life in general — people skills and teamwork skills — and a lot of things that go into success in the world of work and the world of life.

I think testing detracts from that broader picture and puts an overemphasis on academic skills to the detriment of everyone.

Richard Lieberknecht
Garden City

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POINTS OF VIEW

A good topper used to make a statement

In a couple of weeks the people in New York and Chicago will be humming about their Easter bunnies as they march in their Easter parades.

It is a festive occasion to mark the end of Lent and the beginning of spring.

In this day and age it is one of the few times you see people wearing formal headwear.

When I was a child, everyone wore a hat all the time, not just on Easter Sunday.

Women wore hats as part and parcel of their attire.

They never would be seen in church without a chapeau.

I remember my father always wearing a homburg — one of those big bowl-like hats.

Macho men wore fedoras. You hardly ever saw Dick Tracy without a hat.

During the World War II many Air Force pilots had a balding problem because they never removed their caps while flying and their heads never had a chance to breathe.

Wearing a hat in cold weather is a healthy thing to do because it keeps body heat from escaping. Your body is like a chimney, and body heat rises through your head.

But the world has become more casual, and macho men have discard-

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HANK HOGAN

ed their hats, and women on the go have given up their beautiful hats, unless they were trying to create an image or didn't have the time to wash

their hair.

A few professional women who want an image of sophistication still wear hats and you can always spot them in a crowd.

Now hats have come back, but not the formal kind. Every teenaged boy seems to have a baseball cap attached to his head. But it is not worn like a baseball player, except maybe for the catcher. As you know the kids are wearing their hats backward.

Not only are they wearing hats, they are never taking them off. Their mothers apparently have never told them that you take your hat off when you go inside a building and you never see them tip their hat in an ele-

vator. These backward hats are so common that every teenage boy looks the same. Blue jeans, sloppy shirt and hat worn backwards.

I suppose it is better than other alternatives, but it will be interesting to watch the metamorphosis from peer group uniform to coat and tie.

Maybe we could have an Easter Parade around here to encourage people to look their best at least once a year.

Hank Hogan, former publisher of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, lives in Independence Township. He works as a Realtor on Main Street in downtown Clarkston.

Insurance companies should cover addiction

Those of us unlucky enough to experience addiction up close and personal, but lucky enough to see it treated successfully, were heartened by what we viewed on PBS this week.

The series, "Close to Home — a Bill Moyers Report on Addiction," aimed at presenting a composite picture of addiction in America. Like many of us who become interested in one cause or another, Moyers didn't come up with this televised treatise on addiction out of the blue.

The series, co-produced by his wife, Judith Moyers, stems from the addiction of their son, William Cope Moyers, now in recovery and director of public policy for Hazelden Foundation. Located in Minnesota, it is probably the pre-eminent drug and alcohol rehabilitation center in the United States. And, in fact, the series was timed to have political as well as educational and emotional impact.

It comes as Congress is considering a bi-partisan bill to force health-care insurers to fund addiction treatment as they do other major illnesses. Addiction, like diabetes, is a chronic,

life-long medical problem. The comparison isn't new. Diabetics must avoid sugars the way addicts avoid drugs and alcohol. Both can suffer relapses. And both illnesses can lead to death.

The legislation, known as the Wellstone-Ramstad bill, is sponsored by Democratic Sen. Paul Wellstone and Republican Rep. Jim Ramstad, both, not surprisingly, from Minnesota. The bill would direct reinstatement of insurance dollars for residential treatment programs.

Once upon a time not long ago, insurance companies seemed to understand this. During the 1970s and much of the '80s, your and my insurance paid for extended residential treatment for adults and adolescents caught in the web of illegal drug and alcohol addiction. "But with the rise of managed-care systems in the late '80s, the money dried up," David Samuels chronicled in an article in the March 23 New Yorker magazine.

Unfortunately, we in Oakland County know the story all too well, experiencing first-hand the damage insurance companies have dealt to an



JUDITH DONER BERNE

addiction program here.

Case and point is Maplegrove Center, the West Bloomfield-based treatment center of Henry Ford Hospital, which was forced to close its inpatient service for adolescents Dec. 31.

The former six-week program had been trimmed to five to seven days, the maximum insurance companies will play for residential treatment in this new age of managed care. Maplegrove continues to offer residential care for adults suffering from substance abuse, although, again, insurance only covers a minimal stay.

It will be interesting to see whether the PBS series can raise public con-

sciousness and convince lawmakers to pass the Wellstone-Ramstad bill.

But it's hard to be optimistic. Congress proves over and over again that its judgments are based on self rather than public interest. Timely examples are failure to legislate campaign reform and slowness to regulate the tobacco industry, even as 3,000 of our kids begin smoking each day.

It's easier to be optimistic about new efforts and realizations going on in our hometowns. Independence Township Library piggy-backed onto the PBS series by holding an open house last night featuring agencies that offer substance abuse counseling.

In Troy, the city council recently forced owners of businesses cited for serving alcohol to minors to publicly testify on what they will do to clean up their acts.

In Birmingham, 150 community leaders, representing business, the medical profession, law, educators and students, senior citizens, clergy, service clubs and government spent last Friday mapping out new communitywide strategies for combating drug, alcohol and tobacco use.

And in Bloomfield Hills, schools Supt. Gary Doyle has dared to announce that the drug resistance education program known as DARE and other prevention programs aren't working. Police and schools can't solve the drug problem, Doyle says, when parents aren't attentive, alcohol and tobacco ads target kids, teens' problems go unheeded and they lack a sense of meaning and purpose.

That sense of meaning and purpose could be revived through a new initiative in Troy. A couple of hundred students have enrolled in a National Youth Leadership Academy, designed to motivate high school students to become community leaders.

It's obvious that saying no to drugs will require something other than we've done so far. As we reconsider prevention methods, we must also revitalize the effort to help those who suffer the illness of addiction.

For them, saying no to drugs, demands that government says yes to insuring adequate medical treatment.

Judith Doner Berne is former managing editor of the Eccentric Newspapers.

Enjoy the age you are, not the one you want to be

If you ask teens if they could change their age they will say yes. When they're 13 they want to be 16 so they can drive. When 16 comes they can't wait to be 18 so they can be on their own.

When they turn 18 they want to be 21 so they can go to clubs or drink.

But teens also say they would return to the good old days if they could.

The good old days when they had recess at school and went to sleep-overs.

This isn't just a fantasy for teens. Many adults take part in this as well.

In a recent survey, the majority, a mix of adults and teens, wanted to be any age but their own.

Most adults said they would be young again and teens couldn't wait to grow up.

Senior Andrea MacCachren said if she could be any age she would be 22 because she would be on her own and starting a career.

From a different perspective, Kathy Kuehn, an English teacher at Clarkston High School, says if she could be any age she would be 25 because it was before she had kids and her freedoms were endless.

Everyone would love to travel back in time or jump ahead to see what's next.

But why?

People want to go back in time so they can either relive happy memories or change something they regret.

The most common answers from adults for going back are college years, high school years, their wedding day and senior prom.

Among the younger population, elementary school, summers and spring break adventures were the top return spots.

Most teenagers, however, said they would rather move forward.

Having a look at the future meant moving out on their own and going to college or having a separate life from their families.

Some wanted to jump ahead to see what kind of jobs would be available and how successful they could be.

Adults gave a different answer. Adults would much rather look back.

One said he had so many good times he would love to live the same life twice.

Another claimed she would go back and change a few of the hard times so her family wouldn't struggle.

We all want what we can't have. It's only nat-

STUDENT COLUMNIST



KRISTIN FRENCH

■ Instead of feeling guilty about past times or worrying about what will happen tomorrow, we should concentrate on today.

ural to want to change things that happened in the past or take a walk through the future, but in turn we are ruining the present moments in our lives. Instead of feeling guilty about past times or worrying about what will happen tomorrow, we should concentrate on today.

Appreciating the little things is one way to enjoy the present.

Thank your mother for things she has always done for you or take a walk on a sunny day. Another way to enjoy the present is to think positively.

When things go wrong or a have the potential to, think on the positive side.

Although this is difficult, it will enhance the moment and help keep the past behind you and your future a day away.

If thinking about what lies ahead makes you happy, that's great.

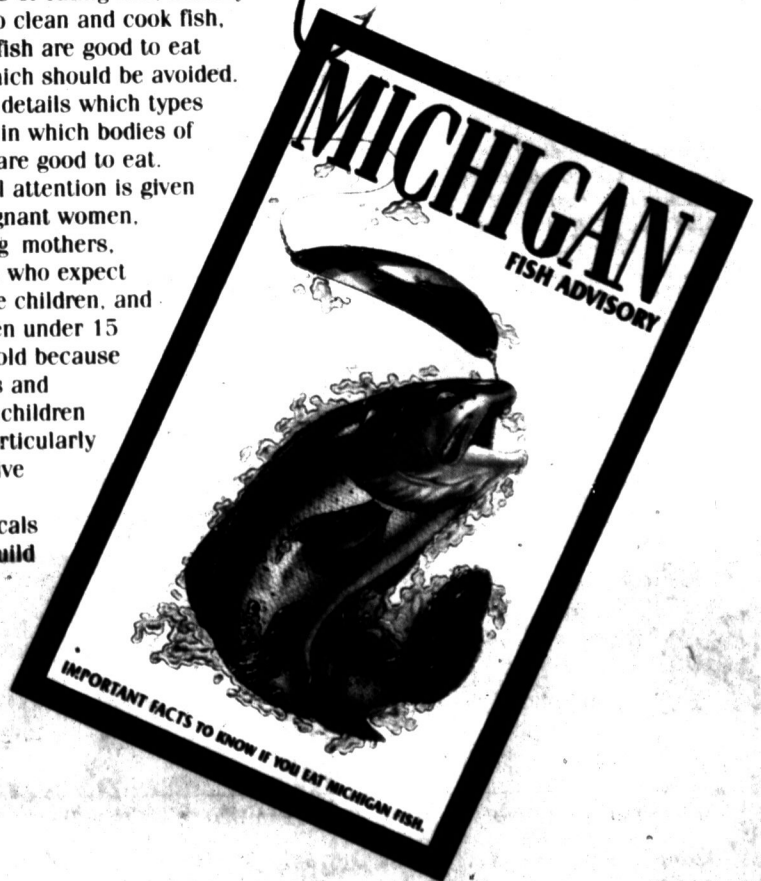
And if looking back at joyous times pleases you, then do it. If you find yourself thinking negatively about the past or future, use one of the above tactics.

Happiness lies in your own hands.

Kristin French is a student at Clarkston High School. Her column alternates with a column written by Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent Al Roberts.

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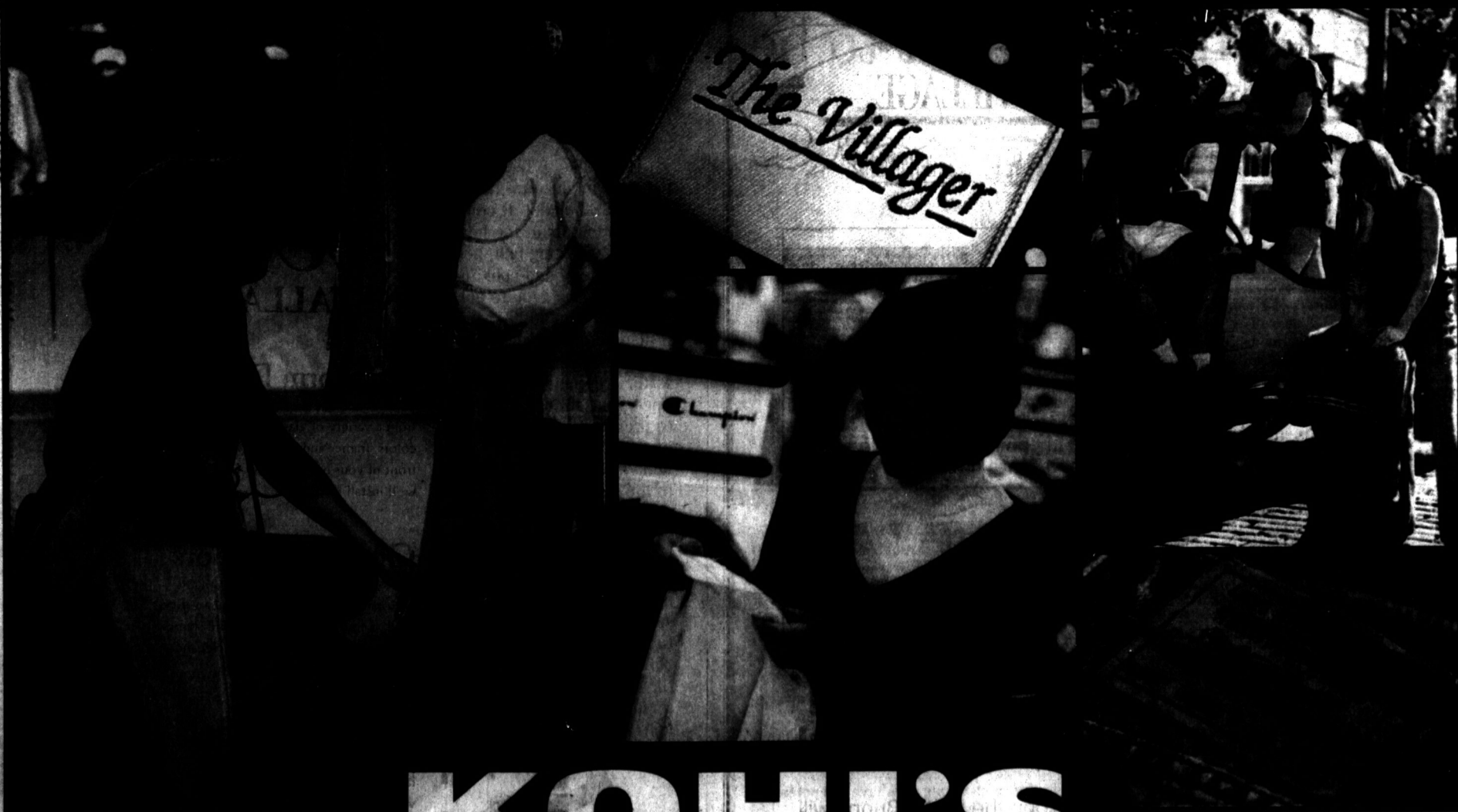
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Bring home the bacon, but skip the sausage

A lot of times I get surprised by what I find in my refrigerator. Inedible things with strange, aging growths. Formed terra cotta. Misplaced mail. That kind of stuff.

Last Saturday, I popped open the refrigerator door to find a long, white cylindrical item that was shaped like my forearm sitting in front of the meat keeper, hugging (though it had no fingers) the narrow shelf from which it was about to fall.

I pulled it out with a hearty, "Hey, what is this?" since I didn't recognize it; and I placed it on the kitchen counter. (I'll admit I had certain expectations. Like maybe it was a pumpkin roll or a package of donuts or something.)

I unwrapped its sloppy wrapping paper and peeked inside even as The Perfectionist, with his back turned, said, "That's sausage."

Sausage? Well, I guess so! There before me were 13 — there had been 14, but he ate one; and, yes, I counted them — skinny, really red, foot-long sausages that somebody from where he works (a butcher, he claims, even though he

Please see SAUSAGE, A14

New vet prefers treating small pets



There is just a hint of a Texas drawl in Dr. Roseanne Bishop's voice as she coaxes Sidney the 4-year-old Yorkie to show

her teeth for a dental exam. Sidney balks, but finally spreads her lips against the veterinarian's gentle urging, in what can only be called a meeting of two special breeds.

Bishop is a new member of the veterinary staff at the Clarkston Animal Medical Center on M-15 in Independence Township.

She replaces Dr. Susan Miles, who recently left the practice, and joins owner Dr. Bruce Harlton.

Raised on a bona fide cattle ranch in Texas, where huge animals and hard work were a way of life, the 1994 Texas A&M University graduate joined Harlton's business, part-time, in January.

While she does not specialize in small animals, she prefers them to their larger relatives and particularly enjoys dealing with rabbits and ferrets and the unique challenges they present. Because of their small size, rabbits and ferrets demand special handling for procedures like drawing blood, Bishop says.



Open wide: Roseanne Bishop, the new veterinarian at the Clarkston Animal Medical Center on M-15 in Independence Township, specializes in small animals like this yorkie.

Ferrets are small, slender animals that resemble, but are not related to, minks. They are known for their prowess at hunting rodents and have been legal in Michigan since the mid-1990s.

"Just like anybody with a profession, you find things about the profession that you like to do more. I've chosen small animals," says Bishop, who is 28. "I do like the exotic animals like ferrets and rabbits."

"They have their own

unique features. But they get basically the same things that dogs and cats get," she says. Bishop says clients who bring ferrets to the practice will be referred to her.

Bishop, an Independence Township resident, got her animal bearings as a child on her father's Texas ranch and knew from about age 7 or 8 that she

would become a vet — but with the knowledge that she would not be dealing with large animals.

"I think the mystery of diagnosing illnesses in a patient that can't speak to you in words — that's a challenge," she says, adding with a laugh born of experience: "My father was a cowboy so I was around cattle and horses growing up. (I enjoy) working on small animals that aren't likely to step on you and kill you."

Prior to taking her position alongside Harlton, who has worked as a veterinarian in the community for many years, Bishop worked as a "relief" veterinarian — meaning that she substituted for vacationing vets in the Clarkston area, as needed. She

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Roseanne Bishop
Veterinarian

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CLARKSTON COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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CLASS REUNIONS

CLARKSTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1946
The CHS class of '46 invites classmates from other years, friends and relatives to join them for a "Michigan Reunion" June 12-14 in the Reno Hilton Hotel, Reno, Nev. Jim Foadick (Class of 1946) has made all the arrangements, including dinner, special room rates and side trips. For more information, call Marjorie Anderson Costello at 623-1569 or Virginia Hall Everett at 673-9756.

CLARKSTON HIGH SCHOOL 10 YEAR
The class of 1988 will hold its 10-year class reunion Aug. 29. Still looking for classmates. Call Kelly (Saunders) Kanigowski at 922-9734.

CLARKSTON HIGH SCHOOL 20 YEAR
The class of 1978 will hold its 20-year class reunion July 25. Only 75 out of 500 classmates have been contacted. If you are a classmate or know someone who graduated in '78, call Ann at (248) 620-0387.

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

10 - 11 a.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston. Informal discussion of fiction and nonfiction led by Catherine Lobb. Book for April: "Stones from the River" by Ursula Hegi. Everyone welcome. No registration needed.

WIDOWED SUPPORT GROUP

7 p.m. Independence Township Senior Center in Clintonwood Park, 5980 Clarkston Road, Clarkston. Informal sharing meeting. Topic: Stress and Grieving. Objective: To discuss how grieving affects your stress level and what can help. Facilitator: Christine Spencer, M.A., L.P.C., Director of Bereavement Services at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home. Walk-in, no registration. Free of charge. For men and women of all ages recently widowed. Refreshments served. All area residents welcome. Any questions or if anyone would like to be on their mailing list, call the funeral home at 625-5231.

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

MOVIE AND PIZZA NIGHT

6:30 - 9 p.m. For people with disabilities ages 12 and up, Independence Township Senior Center located in Clintonwood Park, 5980 Clarkston Road, Clarkston. Movie on big screen TV, pizza, good friends and fun. Cost: \$4 per person resident, \$5 per person non-resident. Call 625-8231.

MONTHLY DANCE

6:30 - 10 p.m. Dance for people with disabilities, Troy Community Center, 3179 Livernois, Troy. If you would like to attend and need transportation or need additional information, contact Sharon at 625-8231. Independence Township Senior Center will provide a shuttle to and from the dance. There is a minimum of three participants in order to provide this service; call one week in advance. Cost: \$5 per person.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

MARSHMALLOW DROP

11 a.m., Clintonwood Park. Have a great day in the park under the light rain of marshmallows. Kids ages 12 and under. Tickets are \$3 residents, \$5 non residents in advance and \$5 resident and \$7 non-residents on site. Call Independence Township Parks and Recreation at 625-8223 for more information.

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Noon - 4 p.m. 6020 Sashabaw Road. Between noon-12:30 a helicopter will drop special surprises. Indoor and outdoor fun under the big top! Buy one ticket-play-all-day/\$5 per child. Twenty-five cent food tickets sold in even dollar amounts. Petting farm, 10 fair games, laser tag arena, two moon walks. Pretzels, popcorn, snowcones, cotton candy, juice boxes and water bottles. Presale tickets available at the school the week of March 30.

NSDAR MEETING

11:30 a.m., National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Sashabaw Plains Chapter will meet at Mr. B's Roadhouse, 6761 Dixie Highway at M-15 in Clarkston. Tour of the Davis House immediately following lunch. For additional information, call Nancy at 625-1519.

4TH ANNUAL PTA COUNCIL ROAD RALLY

5:30 p.m. This year's theme is "sports." Meet at Clarkston High School parking lot. Proceeds to benefit Clarkston PTA Council Scholarship Fund. Cost: \$25 per person. Limit six persons per auto. To register, call Sally Hadden at 625-1490.

"OWL" TELL YOU ABOUT IT

7 p.m., Indian Springs Metropark. Everything you ever wanted to know about Michigan's owls and their adaptations but

thought you were too wise to ask will be discussed during the indoor portion of this program. Then, head out into the night on a hike to try and call in these fascinating creatures. Reservations required. Call 625-7280 or 1-800-477-3192.

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

JR. GIRL SCOUTS: "FINDING YOUR WAY"

10 a.m. and 1 p.m., Indian Springs Metropark. Junior Girl Scouts who "find their way" out to the nature center can complete all the requirements for this badge. Practice on an indoor map and compass, then navigate an outdoor course. Sorry, no siblings; Scouts and leaders only. Dress for the weather. Reservations required. Call 625-7280 or 1-800-477-3192.

FOREVER PLAID

11:30 a.m. - 6 p.m., Macomb Center for the Performing Arts. Trip will include a buffet lunch at the Sveden House restaurant before the show. Transportation will be via deluxe motorcoach. Early reservations requested. Call Independence Township Senior Center at 625-8231. \$43 resident, \$45 non-residents.

EGGSTRAVAGANZA- FAMILY FESTIVAL

1:30-4 p.m., Independence Oaks Nature Center. Chickens aren't the only ones who lay eggs — insects, reptiles, amphibians and fish do, too. This afternoon of family fun and "egg-formation" includes face painting, spring crafts for kids, a unique hike and more. Meet the Easter Bunny and enjoy the music of Marc Thomas. (Bring your camera.) Tickets are limited; visit the nature center on Sashabaw Road, 2 1/2 miles north of I-75 near Clarkston to purchase tickets in advance (closed Mondays). Cost: \$3/person. Call 625-6473.

MOTHER DAUGHTER/FATHER SON BANQUET

3 p.m., American Legion Post No. 377. End of Mary Sue Street off Maybee Road. Meat will be furnished; bring a dish to pass. Prizes will be awarded. Special guest will attend. For information, call Bea Hockey at 678-2965.

MONDAY, APRIL 6

HOMESCHOOLERS' ORIENTEERING

11 a.m., Indian Springs Metropark. Homeschoolers interested in "finding themselves" and capable of tackling 4th-5th grade math, are invited to the nature center for this challenging and fun program. Siblings are welcome, but must remain quiet. The nature center will provide compasses. Reservations required. Call 625-7280 or 1-800-477-3192.

Sausage from page A13

works for General Motors) had made.

I did some quick mental math and figured out they equaled (now get this!) a total of 168 inches of sausage.

What, I ask you, does a family with small children — let alone the hypothetical single person — do with 168 inches of sausage?

The Perfectionist informed me that they were "good stuff" and said I should try one. (I declined because I was still reeling from the sausage scent.) And he suggested that they would make good breakfast sausages, never mind the fact that they are longer than any cooking pan I own. In fact, they are longer than any cooking patience I own. Besides, I couldn't picture laying them down beside an egg anyway.

I couldn't picture putting them into hot dog buns either, just so you know.

I told The Perfectionist that I didn't want to eat them, but that I could feel a column coming on. And I dashed for my pencil and notepad to begin taking notes.

And he said, with what I'll admit was good humor, (and I quote), "I can't believe you go out and you buy sausage and you give your wife a column." Of course, he was talking about himself and not "you."

For me, it is a method of control. Anyway, what fascinated me about the sausage scenario was that it reminded me of two things:

A) The time my father brought a half of someone else's freshly hunted deer home from work — also General Motors; what is it about that place? — and my mother had to cook it. And,

B) The time my son told me that nobody intends to eat his school's lunchroom hot dogs anymore because one kid had dropped a hot dog on the floor — before the multitudes — and it bounced! The concept of bouncing hot dogs did create a certain image in my mind.

All of this is a kind of stream-of-consciousness thing: Conversations lead to concept leads to column.

I remember the night of our first deer meal like, well, the back of my forearm.

My father, younger sister and I were gathered around the kitchen table on a dark night at our old

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house and there was a kind of yellow cast to the room's atmosphere — probably from the overhead light.

My mother, who had one of those late 1950s hairdos at the time — along with just a touch of midriff bulge — waltzed herself over from the oven to our circular wooden table bearing a plate full of venison steaks that had the look of asphalt chunks and the texture of football leather.

Baby, let me tell you they were cooked.

"Here," she huffed as she slammed them down in front of my father.

If memory serves me right, this particular delicacy was paired with Brussels sprouts or creamed peas, or some such, and it was coupled with a threat that was on a par with: "Eat this or no dessert."

I remember taking one tenuous bite and I remember my father forcing them down with a sulk the way a child bitterly takes his medicine.

I don't ever bring much home from work. (Of course, there are no butchers here.) Maybe it's a male thing: Find some wonderful meat item. Take it back to the nest.

Back when my mother was preparing venison, there wasn't much she could do to bring my father into line except overcook what he brought home and serve it up with threats in the kitchen.

Me — I wield my power from the computer.

I write some silly column about what I found in the refrigerator, blame The Perfectionist, and then I send it through the editing process and on out into the world where I pray that it will have some success — and that it won't bounce (or worse yet, fall flat) like that now-infamous hot dog!

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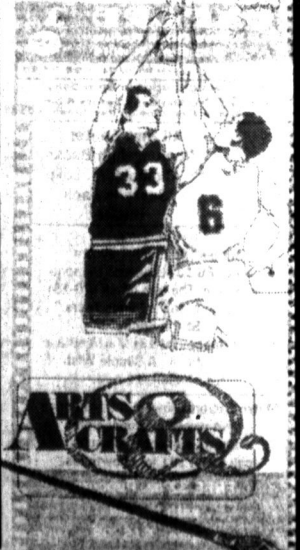
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Even in time of economic growth, we have neighbors who need assistance.

The Lighthouse branch in Clarkston helps an average of 20 families per day with requests for food, personal care items, housing, medical and utility assistance.

Through Lighthouse you can help put nourishing food on the table to feed the children of families who have fallen on difficult times.

Lighthouse is currently in need of new sources for bread donations. Jack and Dorothy Nicol, volunteer citizens of the year for 1997, have given their time each day to pick up surplus bread from a local grocery store so that we have bread to distribute.

If you or someone you know can help us to locate additional bread sources, please contact us.

Working together with others, we are better able to serve the community.

Beginning this May, Lighthouse will join forces with Focus: HOPE as a local site for the distribution of the commodity food in the Clarkston area.

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tribution of the commodity food in the Clarkston area. This program will be available for pregnant women, mothers with children up to the age of 6, and seniors who meet the Focus: HOPE income criteria. This food will be available on a monthly basis. If you meet the above guidelines, please call Lighthouse for more details.

The Lighthouse clothing closet has taken on a new "department store" look. All articles of clothing are now smartly displayed on donated fixtures, giving us more storage capacity. We are looking for a volunteer to supervise the clothing closet activities. The clothing closet is inventoried by donations and provides emergency clothing for those in need.

We are proud of all the gifted volunteers like our newest member, Donna Okros.

Donna joined the Lighthouse team as a volunteer for the Pontiac branch where she participated in the Holiday "Adopt-a-Family" program, servicing over 600 low-income families with holiday food and gifts.



She now volunteers one day a week at the Clarkston branch. Donna arrives each Thursday with a smile and willingness to help others. It is people like Donna who help Lighthouse to shine...to be the beacon of hope for others.

On March 11, local supporters participated in a gala event to benefit the Lighthouse of Clarkston branch. As a result of their generosity, they were treated to a reception at the all new 221B Baker Street restaurant, hosted by the owner, Fran Avery. The food was delectable, second only to the ambience of the social gathering. The Clarkston Village Players, performing the British mystery, "An Act of Imagination," topped off the evening with an outstanding performance. The food was wonderful and the play was an Oscar award performance. Who said charity can't be fun?

We would be glad to answer any questions you may have about volunteering programs, speeches or tours. Please give Lighthouse Clarkston a call at (248) 673-4949.

This column is shared by local community groups. Up next week: Task Force for Youth.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Eastern Michigan University has commended 3,807 undergraduate students for being named to the EMU Dean's List for fall semester of the 1997-98 academic year.

The following students were named: Le'Anna Jo Asher, Robert Paul McNeil, Dwight Charles Roberts, Lynda Lou Smith of Clarkston and Alexandra Leah Daros of Davisburg.

Recipients of the Dean's List must carry a minimum of 10 credit hours and maintain a 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0.

The following students from Clarkston were on the Honor Roll for first semester 1997-98 at Marist Academy in Pontiac. Named to the All A Principal's List were 8th graders Monica Denis, Jordan Doll and Kevin Maher; 7th grader Katie Killfoile and 8th grader Andrew Eisenberg. Named to the A/B Honor Roll were Leanne Smith, 8th grade; Deanna Antoniolli, Michelle Bates, Chris Laney, Bridget Maher, Brianna O'Donnell and Jeff Waraksa, 7th grade; and Jennifer Cusumano, Ryan Doski, Tim Hollis, Christina Paci, Marianne Schwartz and Raymon Smith, 8th grade.

Some 5,732 University of Michigan-Ann Arbor students were recognized at the university's annual Honors Convocation March 22.

The following students from

Clarkston were recognized: Zachary Lee Bell, Engineering, Class Honor; Jason Paul Kachorek, Engineering, Angell Scholar, Class Honor; Matthew Patrick Little, Engineering, Class Honor; Jeffrey M. Roselli, Engineering, Class Honor; Melissa Joy Shumake, Literature, Science and the Arts, Class Honor; Matthew Richard St. Louis, Literature, Science and the Arts, Class Honor; Kyle Lawrence Stout, Literature, Science and the Arts, Class Honor; James Angelo Territo, Music, Class Honor; Kristen Marie Wicklund, Music, Class Honor; Catherine Alicia Zinser, Engineering, Class Honor; Esther E. DuRussel, Nursing, Class Honor; Dawn Marie Emick, Literature, Science and the Arts, Angell Scholar, Class Honor; Benjamin Reid Gabriel, Literature, Science and the Arts, Class Honor; Leah Katherine Scharl, Literature, Science and the Arts, Class Honor and Bruce David Worden, Art, Angell Scholar.

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. Brian Cox, 6384 Lahring, Linden, Michigan, to permit the construction of a home with the following variances: 1) Install a septic system 50 feet from the ordinary high water mark of an adjacent pond rather than the required 100 foot minimum setback. 2) Construct a house 45 feet from water rather than the required 50 feet. Subject parcel is vacant lots 37 and 38 of Weine's Subdivision, P.I. #07-28-353-014.

2. Harding Leasing, Robert Harding, Jr., 4545 Clawson Tank Drive, Clarkston, Michigan, to allow the construction of an industrial building with a height of 36 feet rather than the maximum permitted height of 25 feet within a light industrial district. P.I. #07-36-401-002

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Carey Koponen, 10195 Dixie Highway, Clarkston, MI, to temporarily permit two (2) principal structures on a single lot. Only one (1) principal structure is permitted per lot. The applicant requests to live in an existing home while a new home is being constructed after which existing home will be demolished. P.I. #07-10-226-004.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the maps and variance requests may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 650 Broadway, Davisburg, Michigan, during regular office hours Monday through Friday until the date of the meeting. Anyone needing a special accommodation at the meeting should contact the Township Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance.

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Jewish Heritage Week planned April 26 to May 4

BY RENA FULKA
SPECIAL WRITER

The poster-lined walls adorning the entrance of the Agency for Jewish Education in Southfield features prominent Jews, from turn-of-the-century discoverers like physicist Albert Einstein and microbiologist Jonas Salk to present day entertainers like singer Barbra Streisand and movie-maker Steven Spielberg.

The salute to American Jews who made the world a better place is the first in a series of tributes scheduled for this year's Jewish Heritage Week, April 26 to May 4.

Other exhibits are taking shape this month at the Wayne State University Student Center in Detroit, the Jewish Community Centers in Oak Park and West Bloomfield and at Jewish schools throughout the Metro Detroit area.

Role models

"We know that today's children need positive Jewish role models and this is a perfect way to introduce them to the children," said Ellen Krivchenia of Southfield, administrator of Agency for Jewish Education. "The theme that the schools are trying to get across is that we all have the potential to be heroes."

Michigan's second annual tribute to Jewish contributors of all sectors of society is also being recognized by Channel 56, PBS. Programming on Wednesday, April 22, includes "Danny Kaye: A Legacy of Laughter," at 8 p.m., "Itzhak Perlman: In the Fiddlers House" at 9 p.m. and "A Laugh, A Tear, A Mitzvah" at 10 p.m.

Jewish Heritage Week was designated a national observance by Presidential Proclamation in 1976. But it didn't



Planners: Ellen Krivchenia and Ann Barnett have brought the nationally celebrated Jewish Heritage Week celebration, which is widely recognized on the East Coast and especially in New York, to the metro Detroit area. They hope it will reinforce Jewish pride and combat anti-Semitism.

make its way to Michigan until just last year, shortly after Ann Barnett of Southfield was elected president of the American Zionist Movement, Michigan Region, which is housed in the Agency for Jewish Education building at 21550 W. 12 Mile Road.

Before taking office, the former teacher and social worker learned from her daughter how widespread Jewish Heritage Week is on the East Coast, especially in New York. So with a handful of the organization's

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first generation immigrant daughters, Barnett made it her mission to initiate a similar celebration in the Detroit area by coordinating exhibits for display in six Oakland County public libraries.

"The point is, when you grow up Jewish, you realize that your world is different," said Barnett, who has worked with ethnic studies at all levels in the school system. "What happened in Germany proves the attitude toward the Jewish people."

Barnett, 60, sees Jewish Heritage Week as a means of joining the nation in combating anti-Semitism while reinforcing pride within the Jewish community. Many of her younger counterparts not only agree, but have joined in her efforts.

Expansion

This year, the initiative for the observance expanded beyond the AZM to include support from the Agency for Jewish Education, the Bloomfield Hills-based Jewish Community Council, the Community Outreach and Education Depart-

ment of the Bloomfield Hills-based Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit, Hillel of Metro Detroit, the Southfield-based Jewish News and The Neighborhood Project, a program of the Jewish Federation. Merchants in Oak Park and Southfield are also jumping on the bandwagon by displaying posters in their storefronts announcing the celebration.

United

"It's important for our community to show the rest of the community that we are united in this effort," said Krivchenia.

Other professional staff members working on the growing project include Roz Bressler of Farmington Hills, administrative assistant of the AZM; Marion Freedman of West Bloomfield, director of The Neighborhood Project; Kari Grosinger of Birmingham, staff associate for Community Outreach and Education for the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit; Lainie Phillips of Huntington Woods, school service administrator and adult education program coordinator of the Agency

for Jewish Education; and Helen Naimork of Farmington Hills, vice president of the AMZ.

This year, proclamations for Jewish Heritage Week were issued by the President of the United States and on every level of local government in Michigan. Senator Carl Levin gave recognition through a page in the Congressional Record.

"Our goal for the future is to have a stamp issued for Jewish Heritage Week and to have the post office work with us on this," said Barnett.

The American Zionist Movement is the umbrella organization for the nation's 22 American Zionist groups representing one million American Jews. The organization offers support to Israel, works to strengthen Jewish identity and promotes the Israel experience for current and future generations.

Jewish Heritage Week is held every spring, when Jews are commemorating important events like Passover, Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Memorial Day) and Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel Independence Day.)

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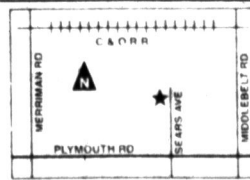
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SWCM, over 44, to share good
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FOREVER TRUE

SWF, 41, 5'4", shy, reserved, no children
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DW mom, 45, 5', friendly, easygoing,
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SWCM, 40-51, for possible relationship.
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WWWF, 51, 5'3", smoker, enjoys
reading, gardening, theater, staying
home, seeks SWCM, under 60, with
similar interests. Ad# 1982

GET TO KNOW ME

Catholic SWF, 25, 5'7", N/S, non-
drinker, employed, enjoys bowling,
reading, seeking Catholic SWM,
under 40, without children at home.
Ad# 2345

SAME INTERESTS?

Catholic SWF, 52, 5'7", N/S, social
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movies, dining out, traveling, good
conversation, seeking Catholic SWM,
50-65, without children at home.
Ad# 4277

BEST THERE IS

Professional SWF, 61, 5'3", athletic,
outgoing, intelligent, world traveler,
seeks an energetic SWM, N/S, 55-65,
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Bi-racial SCF, 30, 5'3", dark brown
hair, enjoys concerts, movies, loves to
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shops, in search of Born-Again SCM,
under 42, for friendship first.
Ad# 3722

ONE OF A KIND

DWF, 36, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes,
professional, outgoing, physically fit,
enjoys cooking, arts, seeks SWM, 34-
48. Ad# 1954

END MY SEARCH

DWF, 35, 5'6", mom, N/S, educated,
outgoing, enjoys films, theatre, classical
music, comedy clubs, seeks N/S,
SWM, 35-45, to share same interests.
Ad# 6171

A BRIGHTER SIDE

Easygoing SWM, 23, 5'2", Catholic,
enjoys meeting new people,
dining out, quiet times with someone
special, seeks SM, age unimportant.
Ad# 1739

WISHING UPON A STAR

SWF, 32, 5'8", outgoing, enjoys traveling,
long walks, music, line dancing,
movies, quite nights at home, seeks
SWCM, 28-35, to share same interests.
Ad# 2732

WANT TO KNOW MORE? CALL!

Catholic SW mom, 33, 5'1", interests
are animals, horseback riding, music,
movies, reading books, TV, games,
seeks family-oriented SWCM, 28-42,
N/S, for a serious relationship.
Ad# 5564

LOVES THE LORD

Active, carefree, professional SWCF,
38, 5'11", 140lbs., blonde hair, blue
eyes, seeks tall, enthusiastic SWCM,
friend, to enjoy all that life has to offer.
Ad# 6755

ONE OF THE FINEST

Catholic SWF, 47, 5'9", sort of shy,
educated, employed, looking for
Catholic SWM, under 49, who is optimistic
and understanding. Ad# 2250

EXTRA NICE

Sociable DW mom, 26, 5'3", resides
in Garden City area, participates in
Bible study, seeking SWM, 27-38, for
possible relationship. Ad# 2429

SPEND TIME TOGETHER

Catholic SW mom, 24, 5'4", lives in
Canton, enjoys volleyball, tennis,
hockey, movies, playing cards, seeks
SWM, 24-32, for friendship first.
Ad# 8648

LIGHT UP MY LIFE

Catholic DWF, 58, 5'2", 118lbs.,
brown-eyed brunette, lives in Livonia,
seeks honest, romantic, trim SWCM,
54-62, who enjoys dancing, travel,
movies, concerts, fine dining and conversation.
Ad# 3355

HARDWORKING

Attractive SWCF, 35, 5'10", sociable,
employed, enjoys spending time with
her child, seeking easygoing, handsome,
physically fit SWCM, N/S.
Ad# 3876

TEDDY BEAR TYPE?

Methodist DWF, 62, 5'6", full-figured,
blue eyes, from Belleville, romantic,
enjoys stamp collecting, reading, cuddling,
crosswords, seeks honest
SWM, for possible long-term relationship.
Ad# 1934

A WARM WELCOME

Professional DWF, 40, 5'7", slim,
brown hair, blue eyes, marriage-minded,
a pet lover, seeks SWM, 35-48, for
a possible relationship, children okay.
Ad# 3957

LONG-TERM?

Fun-loving, open-minded SWCF, 19,
5'3", lives in Canton, seeks childless,
compatible SWM, 21-29, who has
never been married. Ad# 3842

COLLECTS TEDDY BEARS

Friendly SWCF, 22, 5'6", enjoys biking,
walks, movies, concerts, camping,
writing poetry, seeks sweet, kind,
caring SWCM, 23-35, with same
interests. Ad# 4545

VERY FRIENDLY

Catholic SWF, 21, outgoing, attends
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SHARE MY LIFE

Never-married SWM, 50, 6'3", N/S,
drink and drug-free, interests include
bowling, outdoor activities, quiet
evenings, seeks SWF, 46-54, for long-
term relationship. Ad# 8777

THE KEY TO MY HEART

Catholic SWM, 31, 5'9", outgoing,
financially secure, enjoys movies,
quiet evenings at home, dancing and
dining out, seeks a spontaneous,
SWF, 25-38, with similar interests.
Ad# 3186

APPRECIATES HONESTY

SWM, 42, 5'8", brown hair, blue eyes,
educated, a professional, enjoys jogging,
long walks, reading and good
conversation, seeks a slender, educated
SWF, 27-40, who is passionate
about life. Ad# 5757

FASCINATING

Easygoing SWM, 24, 6'2", 240lbs.,
dark brown hair, enjoys movies,
shooting pool and socializing, wishes
to meet and spend time with an
attractive, petite SWF, under 28.
Ad# 2322

ATTRACTIVE

Athletic, attentive, sincere SWM, 43,
6'1", seeks outgoing, big-hearted
SWF, 28+, who has direction in life.
Ad# 1111

DON'T MAKE ME WAIT

Self-employed SWM, 31, 5'7",
175lbs., brown hair/eyes, sports fan,
enjoys dining out, walking, the outdoors
and quiet evenings at home,
seeks a SWF, under 34. Ad# 2233

MAYBE MORE!

Catholic SWM, 31, 6'1", outgoing,
caring, generous, friendly, enjoys
being outdoors, children, sports,
seeking an attractive, kind, nice SWF,
for friendship, possible relationship.
Ad# 2415

RESCUE MY HEART

Catholic SWM, 44, 6'1", 180lbs.,
brown hair, blue eyes, N/S, affectionate,
caring, professional, enjoys going
to church, dining out, movies, seeks
N/S, Catholic SWF, 28-45. Ad# 7456

A COMMON BOND

Catholic SWM, 49, 5'11", 180lbs.,
black hair, blue eyes, enjoys dancing,
reading and music, seeking SWCF,
30-45, with good morals. Ad# 1899

NEVER-MARRIED

SWCM, 21, 6'2", N/S, caring, honest,
sincere, reliable, outgoing, enjoys
bible study, music, biking, seeks SWF,
18-26, with similar qualities. Ad# 4653

GOOD VALUES

Professional SWCM, 49, 5'10",
blonde hair, brown eyes, physically fit,
outgoing, educated, enjoys motorcycles,
walking, dining out and more,
seeks a SWCF, 35-50, with similar
interests. Ad# 1212

ROMANTIC AT HEART

Articulate, athletic swm, 42, 6'2",
190lbs., brown hair, green eyes,
enjoys traveling, romantic times, outdoor
activities, seeks slim, attractive,
professional SWF, to spend quality
time with, age unimportant. Ad# 2525

HEALTHY & HAPPY

SWM, 41, 6'1", athletic, outgoing,
enjoys having fun seeking trim, marriage-minded
SWF, age unimportant,
who enjoys athletic activities as well
as quiet times. Ad# 2626

THOUGHTFUL

Good-looking SWM, 43, 6'2", enjoys
all athletic activities, is seeking a
romantic, slim-build, SF, with same
interests, that is looking for a long-
term relationship, with marriage in
mind. Ad# 4123

AWAITING YOUR CALL

Catholic SWM, 38, 6', 200lbs., brown
hair/eyes, professional, loves swimming,
tennis, the theater, biking,
movies and dining out, seeking SWF,
23-36, with same religious ideals, for
friendship first. Ad# 6789

SIMPLY IRRESISTIBLE

DWM, 48, 5'9", 195lbs., brown
hair/eyes, outgoing, employed, enjoys
outdoors, family activities, cards,
dancing, seeks height and weight proportioned,
SWF, under 50, who leads
and active life with similar interests.
Ad# 8732

HEAVEN IF YOU HEAR ME...

Catholic, never-married SWM, 41,
6'1", seeks sincere, athletic, thoughtful,
positive, romantic SWF, any age,
for a relationship that will lead to marriage,
children welcome. Ad# 1944

A REAL GENTLEMAN

DWM, 39, 5'9", blond hair, blue eyes,
smoker, non-drinker, outgoing, enjoys
outdoors, family, seeks SWF, 35-40,
for serious relationship. Ad# 7728

GOLDEN CHARMER

Reserved SWCM, 27, 5'11", 165lbs.,
enjoys weightlifting, boating, fishing,
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SWCF, 20-30, for a best friend.
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CIRCLE THIS AD

Professional SWC dad, 38, 6', enjoys
woodworking, sports, music, seeks
physically-fit, independent, open,
honest SWCF, 32-42, friendship first,
children ok, all calls returned.
Ad# 1027

DOWN-TO-EARTH

Professional, open-minded SWCM,
36, 6'3", 185lbs., brown hair/eyes, a
homeowner, enjoys NASCAR, movies
and music, traveling, cars and new
experiences, seeking a compatible
SWCF, 27-38. Ad# 3968

LET'S HAVE FUN

Catholic, professional SWM, 30, 6'1",
outgoing, friendly, enjoys shooting
pool, darts, hockey, golf, movies, the
outdoors and spending time with
friends, seeking a spiritual SWF, 24-
34. Ad# 3146

GOOD TIMES

Upbeat, employed, Catholic DW dad,
53, 5'6", blond hair, enjoys, dancing,
bowling and traveling, working around
the house, dining out and the outdoors,
looking for a compatible,
Catholic SWF, 40-50. Ad# 7683

SOUND LIKE YOU?

Educated, employed SWCM, 26,
5'10", 160lbs., enjoys socializing,
movies, working out, running, camping
and sports, seeks an intelligent,
compassionate, honest SWCF, 21-26,
without children and never-married.
Ad# 7437

HEY, CALL ME!

Romantic SWM, 32, 6', brown
hair/eyes, enjoys a variety of summer
outdoor activities and dining out,
seeks a SWCF, under 38, with similar
interests. Ad# 3997

ATHLETICALLY INCLINED

Professional SWM, 40, enjoys dining
out and dancing, music and movies,
enjoying life and outdoor sports,
seeks a romantic, articulate, sincere,
fit SAF, age unimportant, children
okay. Ad# 7972

FAMILY-ORIENTED?

Athletic, sincere, professional, fun-
loving SWM, 43, 6'1", seeks a spontaneous,
romantic SF, race and age
unimportant. Ad# 2613

ACTIVE IN CHURCH

Baptist, one-woman SWM, 49, 6',
200lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys
biking, seeks a SWF, 18-45, for a traveling
companion, to search for Christ.
Ad# 4806

ONE OF THE FINEST

SBM, 45, 6'2", enjoys concerts,
movies and romantic dinner, would
like to meet a loving, gentle SF, 25-45,
who cares about herself. Ad# 8889

BUILD A FOUNDATION

Catholic SWM, 41, 6'1", 187lbs., independent,
employed, never married, in
search of outgoing, vibrant, professional
SWF, 21-42, who enjoys the
great outdoors. Ad# 4444

PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE

Catholic DW dad, 42, 5'11", 185lbs.,
blue-eyed blond, professional, interests
include movies, comedy clubs,
jogging and sports, looking forward to
meeting a SWCF, under 38. Ad# 3411

GOOD COMMUNICATOR

Positive, professional SWCM, 40,
5'11", 195lbs., brown hair, blue eyes,
likes traveling, good conversation,
concerts, golfing, the outdoors and
dining out, seeks a SWCF, 30-45, for
possible relationship. Ad# 5555

FROM THE HEART

Catholic SWM, 39, 5'10", 170lbs.,
N/S, honest, sincere and devoted,
enjoys romantic dinners, dancing,
sports and movies, seeking a SF,
under 45, with similar interests.
Ad# 5619

ODYSSEY OF LOVE

Protestant WWM, 48, 6', 195lbs.,
brown hair, blue eyes, affectionate,
honest, likes traveling, good conversation,
time with family and dining out,
seeks an attractive, educated SCF,
35-52, N/S. Ad# 4747

LET'S GET TOGETHER

Sincere, professional SWM, 41,
enjoys exercise, sports and the arts,
in search of an attractive, slender
SWF, who has never been married.
Ad# 2500

FOLLOW YOUR HEART

Catholic DWM, 60, 5'11", 170lbs.,
grey hair, laid-back, friendly, self-
employed, N/S, non-drinker, enjoys
quiet evenings at home, golfing,
dining out, seeks Catholic DWF, without
children at home. Ad# 2552

ENTIRELY YOURS

SWM, 44, 6'1", shy, enjoys outdoor
activities, seeks slender, SWF, age
unimportant, for romantic times.
Ad# 7404

SINCERE AND DEVOTED

Honest SW father, 49, 5'11", 212lbs.,
enjoys movies and sports, seeks a
WWWF, under 50, without children
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REV. ALLAN EICKELMANN

There is no explanation for what happened in Jonesboro, Ark., last week, when we ask "why?" The only answer which comes back is the sound of silence.

Of course, many explanations may be given for what happened.

Some will say that it is television violence that is crating a more violent youth culture. Others will point to the easy availability of all sorts of firearms. Yet, others will deplore the breakdown of the nuclear family and of traditional values.

All of these explanations may have an element of truth to them, but those who are grieving and to a society that is stunned with shock, these explanations have a very hollow ring about them. The plausible explanations simply do not answer the question, "Why?"

The reason, of course, that these explanations do not answer the question, is that there is no answer to that question.

Our explanations are simply ways of helping us to cope with the unanswerable. Explaining is our way of trying to understand the incomprehensible and thereby gain some control over the uncontrollable.

We don't want to believe what is self-evidently true; that there is no answer for what occurred.

There is no way to account for two young boys who conspire in the mass execution of their teachers and their friends.

Something like this cannot be explained away by referring to psychological maladjustment or societal problems. Such rationalizations do not cut to the core of the kind of pure evil which erupted in Jonesboro.

We don't want to believe that evil could find a home in those who are so young, but there is really no denying it, as there is no explaining it.

During Holy Week, we are reminded that Jesus confronted pure evil. His goodness called forth the brutality of those who couldn't not stand to be in the presence of such goodness and so he was crucified. His response was, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

Jesus didn't come with an explanation for evil, he simply worked to overcome it with the grace of God.

God's own son was one of the innocents who was slaughtered. As with the teacher in Jonesboro who died, because she used her body as a shield to protect her students, Jesus also showed evil the face of courage.

It is always the face of courage which brings redemption in the face of evil and it is always the power of forgiveness and love which triumphs over despair.

As we all grieve with the people of Jonesboro, we are also encouraged by the genuine goodness that we have seen displayed by so many of the members of that community. I have faith in that goodness to bring with it redemption and hope.

The Rev. Allan Eickelmann is the senior minister at The Congregational Church of Birmingham.

Community Messenger features spiritual announcements from Oakland County religious institutions. Write: Community Messenger, c/o Beliefs & Values Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Our fax number is (248) 644-1314.

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IN HOLOCAUST POETRY

Poetry from the Shoah is the focus of Rabbi Aaron Bergman's weekly Latte & Learning adult study session from 10 to 11 a.m. on Monday, April 6, at Borders Books and Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. The charge is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. Advance registration is not required, and all are welcome. Study materials will be translated into English. Latte & Learning is sponsored by Eilu v' Eilu, the adult Jewish learning partnership of Cong. Beth Abraham Hillel, Moses, Beth Shalom and B'nai Moshe, Hillel Day School and Michigan Branch-Women's League for Conservative Judaism, in cooperation with Borders Books & Music. For information, call (248) 737-1931.

IN CHILDREN'S SERVICE

Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills, is holding a children's Easter service and egg hunt at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 11. Each child is asked to bring fresh flowers to place on the cross. The flowers are symbolic of Jesus' resurrection and of our joy and hope of eternal life through Him. Father Ed Mullins, rector, will tell the famous story of "The Resurrection Eggs." Families are asked to bring Easter cookies to share, a basket for the egg hunt and plastic, candy-filled Easter eggs to be dropped off in the dining room before the service. The children will go directly from the

church service to the outdoor egg hunt, weather permitting. For information, call (248) 644-5210.

IN SECOND SEDER

Temple Kol Ami, 5085 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield, is hosting a second Seder at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 11. A dinner of soup, Gefilte Fish, chicken, vegetables and dessert will be catered by Excellence Too. The cost is \$22 for temple members, \$28 for non-members and \$14 for children under 12. Please bring your own copy of "The New Union Haggadah" and candles. For information, call (248) 661-0040.

IN NEW BEGINNINGS

Farmington Aglow International is hosting a special evening with Lois Baker and Kay Rindahl at 7:30 p.m. on April 13, at the Farmington Hills Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile Road. The topic is "New Beginnings." Refreshments will be served.

IN PASSOVER IN AMERICA

Seth Korelitz, executive director of United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism-Michigan Region, presents "Passover: Made in America," at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, at Borders Books & Music, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. The free program for adult learners offers an affectionate look at American Jewish folk history

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IN YOUTH TO YOUTH

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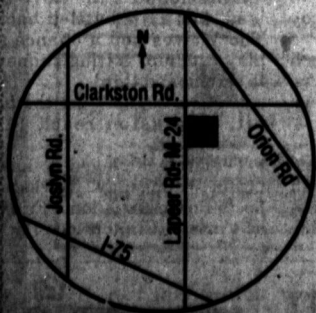


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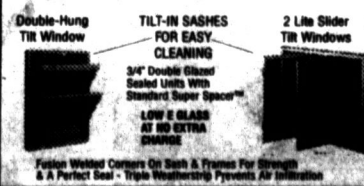


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Thursday, April 2, 1998

Concealed weapon bill causing concern among bow hunters

Senate Bill 976, currently before the Senate's Hunting, Fishing and Forestry Committee, has raised some concern from Michigan Bow Hunters, the state's largest bow hunting organization. The bill would make it legal to carry a concealed weapon for protection for anyone who possesses a hunting or fishing license and is participating in hunting or fishing, or traveling to or from such an activity.

That would reverse a 1974 law Michigan Bow Hunters fought long and hard to pass.

"Before 1974 you could carry a handgun while bow hunting and there was a lot of poaching going on," said MBH vice president Tom Morang. "It gave the sport a black eye. That's the problem we see arising if this bill becomes law. It's not the people who are bow hunting now, it's the people who would take advantage of a situation and abuse it."

I'm inclined to agree with Morang. I see a couple problems arising if SB 976 becomes law.

Bow hunters have worked very hard to boost their image with the general public. This bill would open the door for a few idiots to tarnish that image in the blink of an eye.

Someone with a bow will undoubtedly shoot a deer with a handgun during the bow-only season. Because that person will simply be labeled "a bowhunter with a gun" by the mainstream media and Joe Q. Public, we'll all be blamed for those law-breaking actions.

That's not the only problem I have with SB 976.

If the only qualification to carry a concealed weapon was a fishing license and a trip to the lake, every Tom, Dick and Harry on the street could legally carry a concealed weapon. All they'd have to do is stop by the local sporting goods store and buy a license, then throw a fishing pole in their car. There would be no qualifying requirements... no screening process... no review. There would literally be no requirement at all, other than owning a hunting or fishing license.

And what about all the people who don't hunt or fish? If this bill becomes law, I could carry a pistol for protection while fishing all alone in the middle of a secluded lake, but my friend's rich, aging aunt Mable, who works in the most crime-infested area of town, couldn't - unless of course she became qualified to carry by purchasing a fishing license and throwing a cane pole in the car.

I'm personally in favor of better CCW laws in Michigan. If an upstanding, law abiding citizen wants to carry for personal protection he/she should have that right, but not just because that person holds a fishing license.

It doesn't make much sense, does it?

(Anglers and hunters are urged to report your success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to: Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax information to (248) 644-1314, send e-mail to bparker@oe.homecomm.net or call (248) 901-2573.)

Netters battle defending champs to draw

After graduating seven players from last year's team, the Clarkston boys tennis team has opened its 1998 season with a dose of baptism under fire.

The Wolves battled defending Oakland Activities Association Division II champion Troy Athens to a 4-4 stalemate Friday in Clarkston before dropping a 6-2 decision Monday at Berkley - this year's preseason division favorite.

"We opened up the season with two key matches, and that's kind of tough," said Clarkston coach Kevin Ortwine, who lost his top two singles players and No. 1 doubles team from last year. "We lost some key players and we have a lot of new guys in our lineup, but we're doing fine. We tied Athens and they are the defending champions. That was a good showing for us to start the season."

Against the Red Hawks (1-0-1, 0-0-1) - in a match that began Thursday but concluded Friday after being called due to darkness - Clarkston swept the singles flights, including a triumph at No. 1 singles by senior Jim Kyle to close the match. Kyle defeated Jeff Lee in straight sets, 6-3, 7-6.

"It went down to the end and we knew we were either going to lose or tie the match and he came through for us," said

Ortwine.

Clarkston (0-1-1, 0-1-1) also received victories from sophomore Pet Heber (No. 2), junior Lorene Deacon (No. 3) and sophomore Brian Griffith (No. 4), but the Wolves were blanked in the doubles flights by Athens.

In the match Monday at Berkley, Heber edged Joel Kirsch 6-4, 7-5 at No. 2 singles, while the No. 3 doubles unit of senior Kevin Babcock

and junior Jesse Rodrick downed the Berkley duo of Adams Ross and David Rodgers 7-5, 6-1.

"We didn't have our best match against (Berkley)," added Ortwine. "We have a lot of guys that still need match experience at the varsity level. We hoping to have everything together by the time the league meet rolls around and give both of these schools a run."

Highlanders pound Wolves, 11-1

An Rochester Adams returned a potent lineup to the soccer fields this year and is considered a favorite for the OAA Division I crown. On Monday in Clarkston, the Highlanders made believers out of the Wolves.

Like a fine-tuned engine, the Rochester Adams girls soccer team is scoring goals like workers on an assembly line put together automobiles - quick and with accuracy.

The Highlanders, ranked third in the Division I preseason state polls, have been putting up big numbers so far this season, outscoring their first two opponents by a 20-1 margin. Their latest victim came Monday at Clarkston, where Adams exploded for seven second-half goals and cruised to a convincing 11-1 triumph over the Wolves in an Oakland Activities Association crossover match.

"I am pleased because we are moving the ball around well and we are creating good scoring chances," said Adams third-year coach Ralph Torre. "And we are getting good efforts from a lot of different people."

Junior forward Abby Crumpton has been the main offensive threat for the Highlanders so far as she collected a career-best four goals and added two assists against Clarkston - giving her six goals and three assists this season.

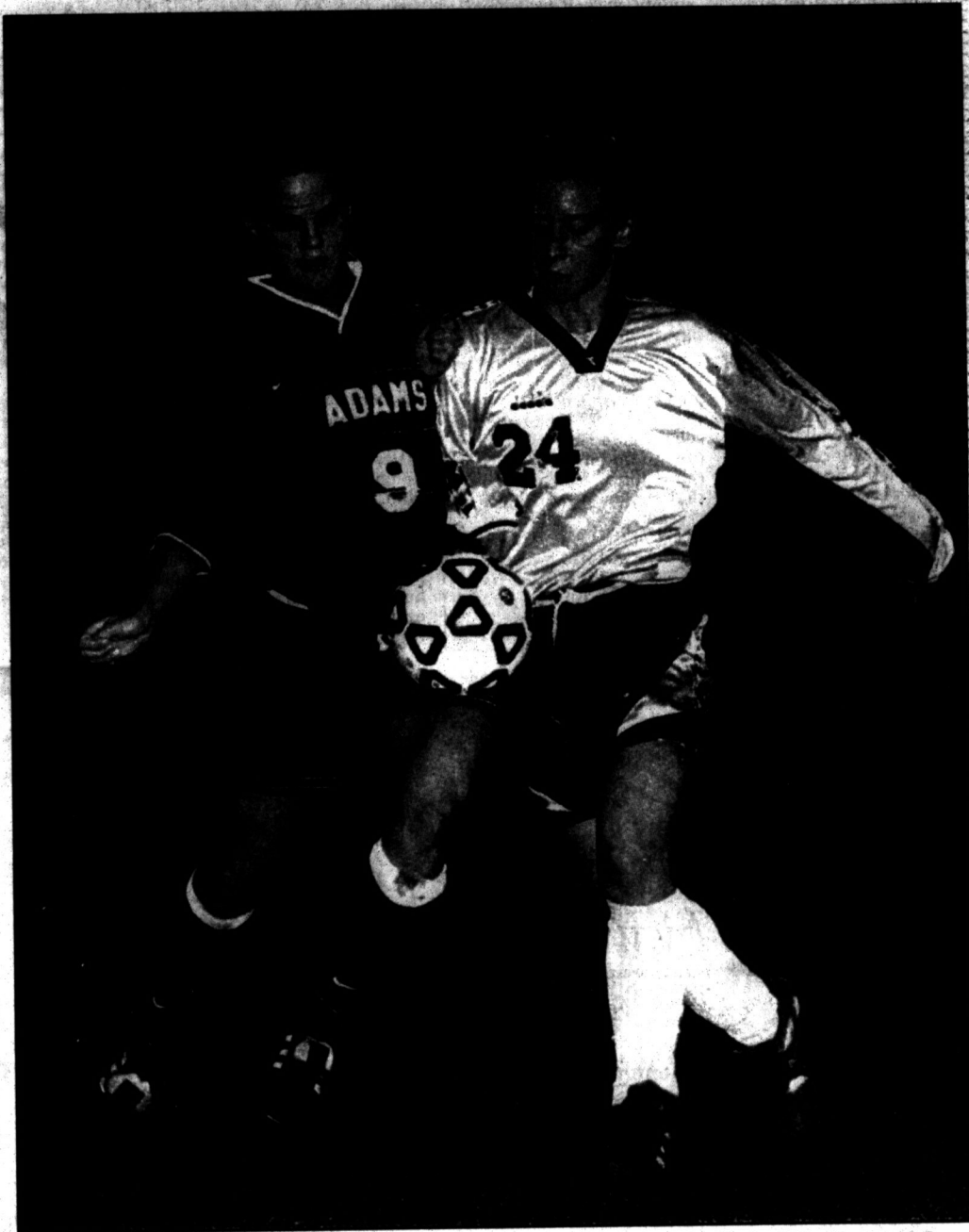
Senior forward Jenny Strukel, junior midfielder Jackie Flummerfelt and junior midfielder Laura Hebert each knocked in a pair of goals, and junior midfielder Leah Master-nick had one goal for Adams.

Still, the Highlanders found themselves in a close game throughout much of the first half. After Strukel gave the Highlanders a 1-0 lead just 8:35 into the game off a cross from Crumpton, the Wolves bounced back when senior forward Georgia Senkyr broke free and deposited a breakaway at the 18:15 mark.

Crumpton followed suit with a pair of goals for Adams to up the advantage to 3-1, but the Wolves nearly answered again when freshman forward Sara Voss went in alone on Adams junior goalkeeper Erica Williams (six saves), but her shot was deflected wide and the Wolves didn't seriously threaten after that.

"We never really gave up in this game, regardless of what the scoreboard said, and that's what I like about it here," said Clarkston coach Brian Fitzgerald. "We didn't shy away from them and I think we did some things that I liked. We played them tough."

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Excuse me: Clarkston's Amanda Yarber (right) battles Jenny Strukel of Rochester Adams during an Oakland Activities Association crossover soccer game at Clarkston Monday night. Yarber won this particular battle, but the Highlanders won the war, pounding the Wolves 11-1.

Maturity matters

Clarkston hopes experience prevails on diamond

Many coaches, Clarkston baseball coach Roy Warner among them, believe in the old sports adage that says any team can beat any other team on any given day.

When that team is powerful Rochester, though, the saying holds less meaning. Still, Warner believes it and, it's true, the Wolves could be one of the Oakland Activities Association's surprise teams.

The Wolves, who finished under .500 and in the middle of the pack in the OAA Division I race a year ago, bring back much of the talented nucleus of that team and also sport high hopes.

It just may not be enough to catch the Falcons, who return all but two players - including the entire pitching staff - from last year's state championship team.

But the Wolves will give it a shot, because they weren't hurt much by graduation, either. And

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they return one of the league's top pitchers, senior Josh Clark, who has already signed to play baseball at Western Michigan.

"I think we have a pretty cohesive team," said Warner, the long-time Wolves coach. "It's a good, hustling team. Hopefully in the long run we can pull for each other, take up the slack. When one guy's having a tough time, hopefully someone can pick him up."

The Wolves have several pitchers, tops among them Clark, who beat Troy Athens 3-1 on opening day with a four-hitter that included 11 strikeouts.

Warner thinks Clark has reached a level of maturity that will allow him to succeed.

"There are kids who know how to pitch, and kids who throw," said Warner. "Josh is more

Wolves fall to Colts, 3-1

The Clarkston Wolves played nearly-flawless defense Friday and opened the Oakland Activities Association Division I baseball season with a 3-1 win over Troy Athens.

The Wolves didn't match that level of defense Monday, and the result was predictable: a 3-1 loss to Troy.

Clarkston got strong pitching performances from Jared Thomas, the starter, and Josh Clark, who combined on a two-hitter. But the Colts were able

to take advantage of six Clarkston walks in the first three innings and six Wolves' errors in taking the win.

Clarkston took the early 1-0 lead, but Troy battled back. The Wolves had a chance to play catchup, getting runners to second and third.

"But we couldn't get the big hit," Clarkston coach Roy Warner said.

The Wolves played at Lake Orion Wednesday. Clarkston hosts Rochester Adams Friday at 4 p.m. at Clintonwood Park.

poised, more in command of his pitches."

Other Wolves capable of taking the mound include Jared Thomas, Chris Mitchell, Eric

Jenks, Spencer Hynes, Phil Johnston and John Drallos. It's a largely unproven staff, but it's

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Armed and ready: Clarkston is counting on senior Josh Clark for quality innings this season.

Wildcats settle for tie

Later in the season, the Oxford Wildcats will probably be upset about letting a point slip away by settling for a tie instead of a win.

For now, though, the Wildcats, who played to a 2-2 draw with Pontiac Notre Dame Prep Monday, will take the tie.

Senior midfielder Autumn Laidler scored twice on corner kicks, and the Wildcats fought off a fierce Notre Dame rally to hold on to the tie at Wildcat Stadium.

Oxford actually had a 2-0 lead at one point, but the Irish upped the tempo in

the second half and pestered the Wildcat zone, forcing the Oxford defense and goalkeeper Sarah Courtright to weather the storm.

The tie came three days after the Wildcats opened the season with a 3-0 loss to Lake Orion Friday.

"It was better than Friday, but I'm not at all satisfied," Oxford coach Dave Summers said. "We lacked offense, and we lacked teamwork. There are some positives, some individuals who played well, but it's a team sport."

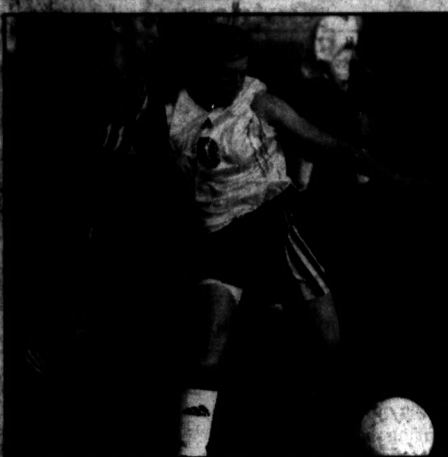
The Irish dominated the early play, pressing the

issue near the Oxford net in the game's first few minutes. But Laidler, who was unhappy with her play in the Lake Orion loss, changed the flow of the game with her first goal, which came with 14:02 left in the first half.

With 4:46 left, Laidler took another kick, from the same left corner, and curled this one in.

Megan Karchon got Notre Dame's first goal with 36:01 left in the game, and Nora Sullivan got the equalizer about six minutes later.

Oxford hosts Brandon Friday at 4:30 p.m.



My ball: Oxford's Sarah DeRose plays keepaway with Notre Dame's Taylor Enmark.

New coach helps Eagles aim high

Pat Wagner is confident enough going into the prep baseball season that he predicts his Clarkston Springfield Christian team will be very competitive despite a young and untested roster.

"I'm looking for us to do very well," said Wagner, a first-year coach who graduated from Springfield back in 1989. "We have some nice talent coming up (from the junior-varsity) and we are pretty deep. I think projecting a .700 season is a safe bet."

The Eagles, 8-8 last spring, only return four mainstays from last year's starting nine on their roster of 17 players.

But Springfield could be a team on the rise in the Michigan Association of Christian Schools.

"We haven't had much success in recent years, especially in the MACS," said Wagner. "But I think we can put together a nice run this season."

Unlike many small schools, Springfield does have a strong pitching staff, led by sophomore ace Adam Armstrong, a 6-foot right-hander.

Joining him in the rotation will be senior returning left-hander Joe Vanaman, junior right-hander Tony Gonzales and sophomore Greg Irish, another right-hander.

"We don't have a great pitcher, but we have guys with control that can get the ball over the plate," boasted Wagner.

Around the horn, the Eagles look solid. Joe Vanaman will return to first base when not on the mound, sophomore

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newcomer John Vanaman - Joe's cousin - could hold the fort at second base, returning senior Joe Vanderver is back at shortstop and could bat lead-off, and over at third base, either junior newcomer Tommy Reese or Gonzales will get the nod at the hot corner.

Behind the plate, the Eagles will go with promising sophomore Matt Lonteen, a transfer from Holly.

"We have some decent fielders so if our pitchers give up a lot of ground balls, which I'm kind of hoping, I think we'll have the defense to take care of things."

In the outfield, there is only one returning starter - senior Jeremiah Baldwin - who will either play in left or right field.

Armstrong, freshman prospect Bo Pritchard, and a trio of senior newcomers - John Everett, Bruce Coursen and Bryan Board - could also find themselves in the outfield.

"We'll see who out of that group steps up and earns a starting role," said Wagner. "We have a lot of new guys so the spots are wide open."

With little tradition in its program, Wagner said he hopes to build a winner.

"We have some talent on this team and there are a lot of really good players down in the junior high right now, so I'm hoping we can build this program up to a certain level."

"It might take a couple of years, but I think we can do all right."

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especially in the first half."

Sophomore goalkeeper Allison Barth played a solid game in net for the Wolves, turning aside 13 shots before being replaced by freshman backup Sarah Morgan in the second half.

"I didn't take her out because she was playing bad. She was having a great game," said

Fitzgerald of Barth. "I took her out because I felt (Sara Morgan) needed some work and I knew Adams would test her."

Even though the Highlanders were having their way with things, Torre felt his team still has room for improvement.

"I think we need to play a little more tighter on defense," he

said. "Part of our problem tonight was that I was moving kids around and we were trying some new things, playing kids in new positions. But once we start playing league games we'll need to tighten things up defensively."

Clarkston will entertain Rochester Friday.

Grand Blanc 1, Clarkston 0: The Bobcats scored on a direct free-kick with just over 15 minutes remaining to capture this non-league matchup on March 19 at Grand Blanc. Goalkeeper Allison Barth had a strong performance between the nets in a losing effort for Clarkston.

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more mature than last year's.

"We have a lot more maturity," Warner said. "Hopefully we understand what we're trying to do as pitchers now. When they're young, they think the best thing they can do is overpower everybody."

The infield is manned by a slew of largely interchangeable parts. The triumvirate of Thomas, Mike Little and Jeff Oliver will see most of the action at first base, where they offer a variety of talents.

Jared is a pretty good-sized target and if he's hitting the ball he can hit it with some power," Warner said. "Mike Little got two hits the other night and Oliver is good defensively."

The shortstop, when he's not pitching, will likely be Clark, one of the team's best athletes. When Clark is on the mound, any num-

ber of players will handle the middle of the infield. Drallos plays a solid second base, and Mike Simko and Adam Leech can play both second and shortstop.

"That's pretty good," Warner said. "They've been getting dirty, as they say, not letting the hits get through if we can help it."

Third base is being manned by a couple of transplants. Johnston played the outfield, and Nick Upchurch was the junior varsity catcher. Both are at the hot corner out of necessity.

"It's a new look for them, and they're not doing too bad," Warner said.

The outfield, on the other hand, is a familiar look, with Hynes, Jenks and Chris Mitchell handling most of the work out there. All double as pitchers, which gives Clarkston a pretty

strong senior outfield.

"They've got pretty good speed, and since they're pitchers, they've got decent arms out there," Warner said. "It's not like we're trying to hit anyone out there. They can all play there."

The mechanically sound duo of Derek Casper and Little is back sharing the catching duties. Casper has a strong arm, and both catchers possess good mechanics.

Even with such an experienced lineup, the Wolves could have trouble contending in the OAA I race. Rochester is the obvious favorite (and possible back-to-back state finalist) because the Falcons return their top pitchers, including Andrew Good and Mike Bennison, both of whom have signed with Division I colleges.

Warner said Rochester Adams

and Troy (which beat Clarkston 3-1 Monday) are both better, as well.

"Oh, man, this is a tough league," he said. "There's no easy team. You've got to give the nod to Rochester, because they only lost two players and return all of their pitchers. But anyone can win on any given day. That's one of the good things about baseball."

To compete among the giants, Clarkston will have to maintain its focus on a daily basis.

"What we have to do the most is play consistently because we have such competition all the time," Warner said. "There's nobody we can look at and say, 'we should be able to beat these guys.' In fact, we have to beat them. It makes us stay on top of our game day after day. The first time we don't, we lose."

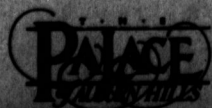


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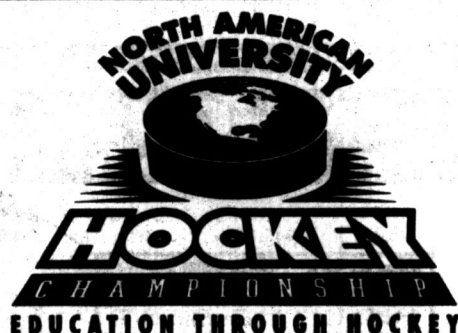
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SWAP MEET

The Oakland County Sportsmen's Club will hold its annual Sportsman's Swap Meet, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 26, at its clubhouse and grounds in Clarkston. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

CLASSES

BACKPACKING

Learn the basics of backpacking during this hands-on course, which runs April 2-May 10 and is offered by the School of Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation (SOLAR). Cost is \$75. Call Mike Banks at (313) 235-8129 for more information.

ROCK CLIMBING

Learn the basics of rock climbing during this course, which is offered by SOLAR and begins April 15. Call Jim Young at (810) 731-2504 for more information.

DUCK & GOOSE CALLING

West Bloomfield Community Education will offer a class in duck and goose calling beginning at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 27. Taught by noted waterfowl guide Lyman Burgess, the class will meet for one hour each week for four consecutive weeks, at the Orchard Lake Middle School. Registration fee is \$35. Call (248) 539-2290 for more information.

ARCHERY

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The Oakland County Sportsman Club in Clarkston offers a Junior Olympic Archery Development Program beginning at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Call (810) 623-0444 for more information.

JUNIOR ARCHERS

A weekly program for junior archers begins at 9 a.m. Saturdays at Detroit Archers in West Bloomfield. Call (248) 661-9610 or (313) 835-2110 for more information.

CLASSES

YOUTH FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club will hold a Youth Fly Fishing School, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Walled Lake Outdoor Education Center. The

school is open to youths age seven to 15 accompanied by a parent or adult guardian. Admission is \$5 and includes pizza, donuts, pop and hot chocolate. Call Dale Ross (734) 420-2233 or Tony Yuhas (248) 478-7461 to register and for more information.

HUNTER EDUCATION

Oakland County Sportsmen's Club will hold a hunter education class beginning Thursday, April 30, at its clubhouse in Clarkston. The class will meet 6:30-9:30 p.m. on April 30, May 4, 5, 6 and 7 as well as 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9. Registration fee is \$6 and participants must be 12 years old by Dec. 31, 1998. Class size is limited. Call (248) 623-0444 for more information.

MORE HUNTER EDUCATION

Wayne County Sportsmen's Club will hold several hunter education classes in the upcoming months at its clubhouse and grounds in Romulus. These classes will be taught by certified instructors. Students must be present for both days of their respective class. All equipment will be provided. Classes will be offered Aug. 29-30, Oct. 3-4, Oct. 17-18 and Nov. 7-8. Cost is \$10.50 and includes lunch both days. To pre-register call (313) 532-0285.

CLUBS

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

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

BASS ASSOCIATION

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

SEASON/DATES

EXTENDED TROUT

The extended trout and salmon fishing season on designated streams is April 1-24.

LICENSES

The 1997-98 fishing and hunting licenses expire March 31.

CATCH AND RELEASE

A special catch-and-release trout season runs April 1-24 on a designated section of the Huron River at the Proud Lake Recreation Area.

SPEARS/BOWS

Spearing, hand netting and bow season for suckers, carp, gar and bowfin runs April 1-May 31 on non-trout waters south of M-46

PIKE

Pike season opens April 25 on inland lakes in the Lower Peninsula.

SMELT

Smelt netting season runs through May 31 south of M-72 and April 1-May 31 north of M-72.

STURGEON

Sturgeon season ends April 30 on the Great Lakes and connecting waters.

TURKEY

The spring turkey season runs April 20-May 31 by special permit in designated areas only.

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Muskie season opens April 25 on inland waters in the Lower Peninsula.

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ning in mid-April the rifle range will also be open noon-dusk on Mondays and Tuesdays. Bald Mountain is located at 1330 Greenshield Rd., which is three miles north of the Palace of Auburn Hills off M-24. Call (248) 814-9193 for more information.

PONTIAC LAKE

Pontiac Lake Recreation Area in Waterford has rifle, pistol, shotgun, and archery ranges. Range hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays. Pontiac Lake Recreation Area is located at 7800 Gale Rd. Call (248) 666-1020 for more information.

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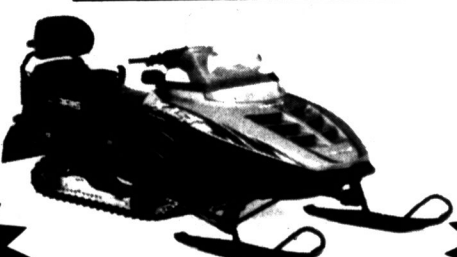
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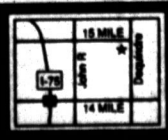
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
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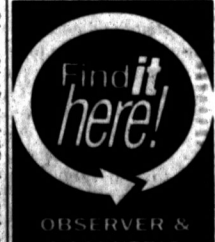
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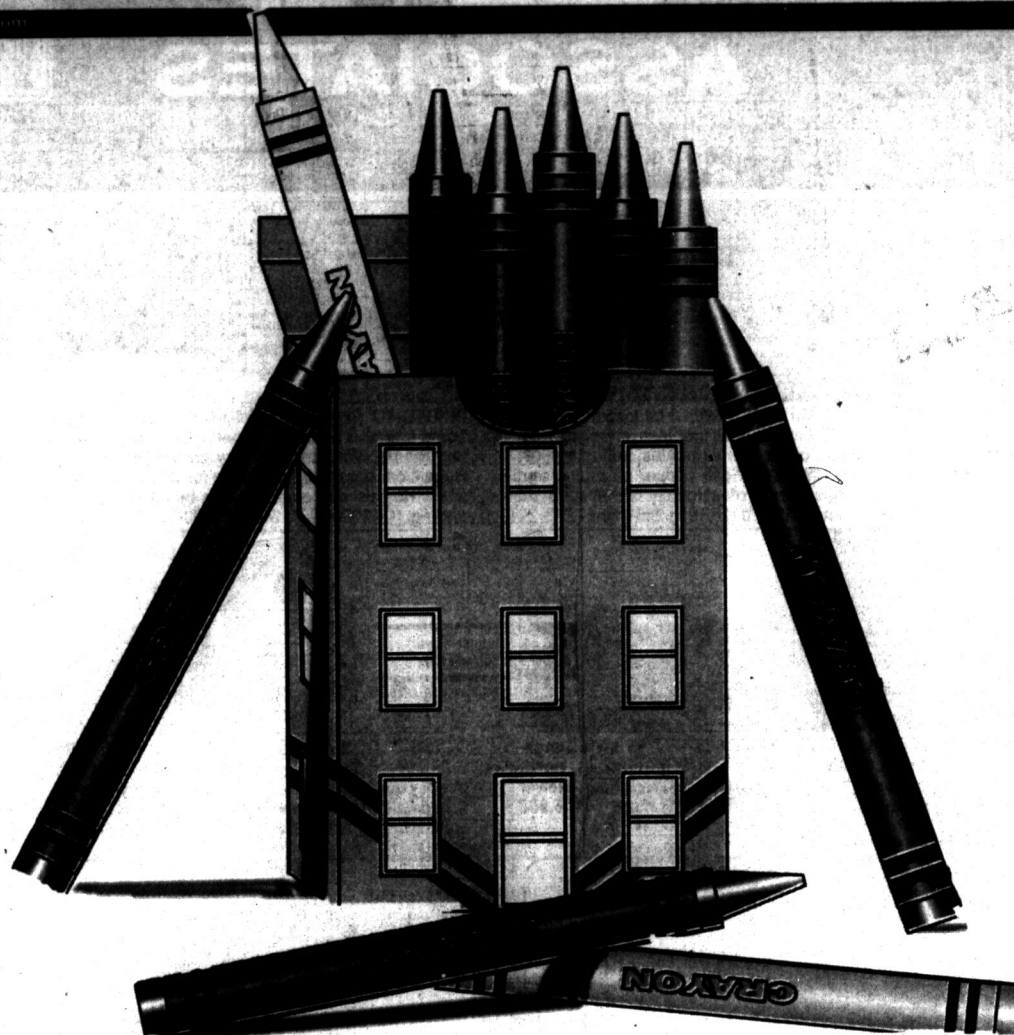
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Improved Internet security will change real estate



DAVID C. MULLY

This week's column is the third of three excerpts from *Real Estate Confronts Reality* by Tom Doolley, Stefan Swanepoel and Michael Abelson. (\$24.95) Real Estate Education Co., 155 N. Wacker Dr., Chicago IL 60606.

Computerized loan origination seems to have been around for ages and has, in many ways, met with limited success.

However, that was before the rapid growth of the Internet. Repackaged and restructured electronic mortgage application and processing through the Internet and with the assistance of videoconferencing is finding wider acceptance.

The process is further improved with the availability of electronic credit approvals, documents transfers and relaxed previously stringent appraisal requirements.

An interesting recent development is the formation of digital banks - banks that have no public or retail facilities but live in the cyberworld of the Internet. With such low overhead, digital banks can compete very aggressively with traditional banking structures, thereby reducing rates.

As we move toward the seamless transaction, with information gathered from one remote location and the transaction processed from multiple locations simultaneously, it will become increasingly more important to improve the security of the Internet.

There seems to be a vast consumer concern about the insecurity of technology and, in particular, the Internet. Brian June comments that existing security measures are much better than they are given credit for. He said he is not aware of a consumer that has lost a dime as a result of the Internet.

Based on current development paths over the next 12 to 24 months, June expects to see "bullet-proof" encryption techniques develop that will facilitate the next development stage in the move toward one-stop shopping for homes.

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You can access Mully's Mortgage Search column and current mortgage rates on-line at <http://www.observer-eccentric.com/realstate>

Antenna rule must be clear



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q. What may a condominium association do about restricting antennas?

A. The FCC prohibits condominium associations from unreasonably restricting TV antennas, satellite dishes less than one meter in diameter, and multi-point distribution service antennas less than one meter (with towers less than 12 feet of the rooftop).

It applies only to property where a resident has direct or indirect ownership and exclusive use or control. These would include, in typical condos, limited common element areas such as decks, patios and balconies. Associations also may prohibit antenna installation on general common element areas.

An antenna restriction is valid unless it impairs reception of an acceptable quality signal, unreasonably prevents or delays installation, maintenance or use of an antenna, or unreasonably increases the cost of installing, maintaining or using an antenna. If an association restriction fails to meet all three conditions, it is invalid, and the burden of proof will be placed on the association.

An antenna restriction must include exceptions. There is an exception for restrictions necessary for safety, but the safety rationale must be clear in the antenna restriction. To qualify under the historic district exception, the prohibited locations must be on the National Register of Historic Places or be eligible for listing.

If any part of an association's restriction is invalid, then the entire restriction is unenforceable. Associations must limit any prior approval application or permit process from their restrictions.

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Think back to when discrimination tapped you on the shoulder.

Perhaps you were singled out because you didn't belong to a particular group. Maybe you were told boys/girls can't do that. Then there's the old standby, you're too old/young.

The reasoning often didn't make sense. And it hurt.

That's why in this age of enlightenment, we still have fair housing laws and fair housing centers to monitor those laws.

"Our mission is to help to assure all people have equal right to the housing they can afford in the metro area," said Clifford R. Schrupp, director of the Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit.

"As long as evidence is out there it isn't, we'll keep working," he said.

During the year ending Sept. 30, 1997, the fair housing center here received 226 complaints, the great majority (185) concerning rental situations. Racial discrimination was alleged in 144 filings.

Other major complaint categories included persons with handicaps, 33 situations; family status, usually involving children, 17 incidents; and age discrimination, generally involving people between the ages of 18-25, also 17 allegations.

"We get complaints from all races, age groups, sexes," Schrupp said.

About a third of all complaints filed eventually get resolved in talks between the parties, Schrupp said.

Another 10 percent are won in litigation. The rest aren't pursued due to lack of evidence or dropped for lack of resources to follow through.

More than \$6 million in damages have been recovered through the courts via testers and lawsuits since the fair housing center was founded in 1977, Schrupp said.

There have been other victories.

"We've been able to see over 20 years that the housing industry has done and is doing more to train their own people on fair housing laws," Schrupp said.

But he figures that a watchful eye still is necessary. "If we stopped litigation and defendants stopped having to pay, the training would stop," Schrupp said.

People can work towards promoting fair housing - whether they're in the market or not - in several ways.

"Certainly to the extent they help to counteract in their own personal relationships bigoted statements ... those kinds of things need to be challenged," Schrupp said. "The chatter that goes around dinner tables or meeting areas, there's a lot of opportunities for people to convey a message."

"We're always looking for people to volunteer with us," he said. "Contact us at 313-963-1274, and we'll work out some way they can volunteer. There's a lot of research we can put people on if they have the skills and interest."

"Certainly, people aware of discriminatory practices, of rental or sales practices, can become useful witnesses," Schrupp added.

Many professional Realtor associations observe April as Fair Housing Awareness month.

"It continues to put the issue in front of Realtors and the public," said Ronald L. Moore, president of the North Oakland County Board of Realtors and sales manager for Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Troy.

"Everyone needs housing regardless of their age, sex, creed, color or national origin," Moore said. "Everyone ought to have the ability to own a home, if that's what they want to do."

Mel Kaftan, president of the Apartment Association of Michigan, maintains that education and strict compliance to the law keep landlords out of trouble.

"I'm a private pilot," Kaftan said. "I go away twice a year for training. It's important to stay on top of things. Same for this. You need training. Old habits are tough."

"I explain to my people, 'You, my managers, don't have to agree with government policy. You don't have to like to rent to different people. It's OK with me. You just rent to them. You obey the law.'"

"We take a credit check and employment check," Kaftan said. "Everyone has a fair shot to where they want to live as long as they can afford to live there."

Where you can go to learn more

Several fair housing seminars have been scheduled for real estate professionals and property managers in the weeks ahead.

■ The Detroit Board of Realtors, in cooperation with several boards including the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors and the Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors, presents a free fair housing luncheon/program 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16, at the African-American Museum of Art in Detroit.

The theme is Many Neighborhoods, One America. Seating is limited and reservations are required by April 10 at (313) 962-1313.

Housing and Urban Development and Fannie Mae sponsor the program, Standard Federal Bank the luncheon.

■ The North Oakland County Board of Realtors presents a free breakfast/fair housing program for members 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 21, at Deer Lake Racquet Club

in Clarkston.

To register, call (248) 674-4080.

■ The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents a daylong fair housing seminar geared to the property management industry in three sessions 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 29, at Burton Manor in Livonia.

Session 1, "Fair Housing Compliance Strategies for Property Managers," runs 9 a.m. to noon and includes continental breakfast.

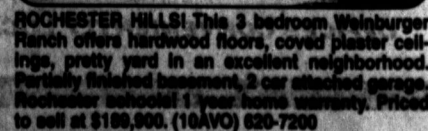
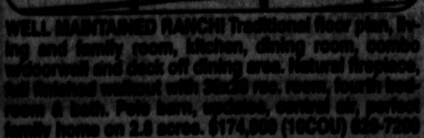
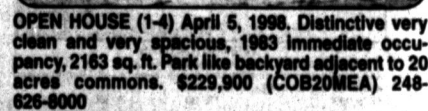
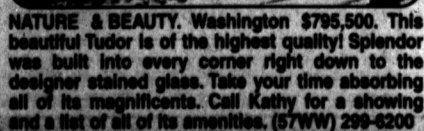
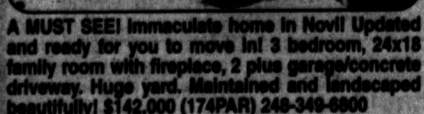
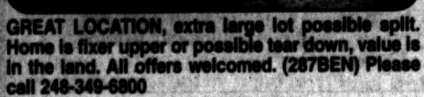
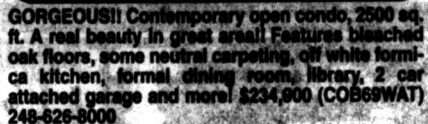
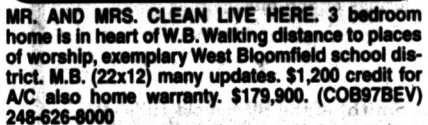
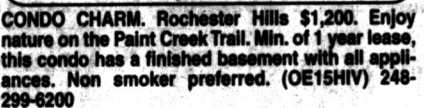
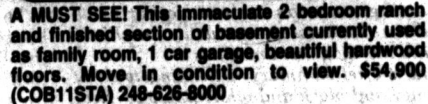
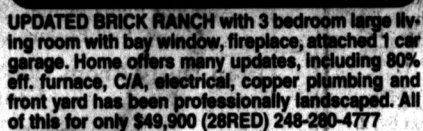
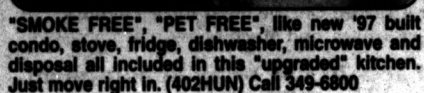
Session 2, "Fair Housing Strategies for On Site Personnel," goes 1-4:30 p.m. and includes snacks.

Session 3, "Fair Housing Compliance Strategies for Maintenance Professionals," 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Cost is \$25 for one session, \$50 for the full day for Property Management Council members, \$35 and \$70, respectively for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$50 and \$100, respectively, for non-members.

To register, call (248) 737-4477.

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HOMES SOLD IN OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded March 9 - 13 at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office and compiled by Advertising That Works, a Bloomfield Township company that tracks deed and mortgage recordings in southeastern Michigan. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

Ann Arbor
3635 Joslyn Rd. \$107,000
3769 N. Simmons Cir. \$43,000
786 Provincetown Rd. \$123,000
476 S. Squirrel Rd. \$145,000

Bloomfield Hills
5091 Hilltop Estates Dr. \$80,000
5015 Hightower Ln. \$174,000
5775 Willow Rd. \$156,000
5226 Manning Mtn. Dr. \$500,000
5046 N. Bay. \$135,000
5046 Pine Knob Trl. \$70,000
7512 Ridge Valley Dr. \$75,000
160 W. Church St. \$135,000
4503 Waterford Rd. \$60,000

Clio
3320 Heatherwood Dr. \$290,000
143 Osborne St. \$79,000
5115 Paula Crest Dr. \$215,000
2140 Paula Way. \$163,000
1299 Fern St. \$130,000
3100 Glenview Ct. \$430,000
635 Palmdale St. \$127,000
4899 Ponderosa St. \$172,000
5920 Turnberry. \$95,000

Clarkston
10017 Andersonville Rd. \$160,000
6889 Bluegrass Dr. \$183,000
9615 Forest Ridge Dr. \$75,000
9670 Forest Ridge Dr. \$75,000

Farmington Hills
29477 Beau Ridge. \$152,000
35380 Blue Spruce Dr. \$225,000
31887 Bristol Ln. \$265,000
37656 Burton Dr. \$240,000
22040 Cape Cod Way. \$101,000
22044 Cape Cod Way. \$100,000
26276 Farmington Rd. \$175,000
28530 Greening St. \$214,000
28729 Hightower Rd. \$173,000
38227 Horton Dr. \$305,000
27885 Kensington Dr. \$186,000
21971 Lancaster Ct. \$188,000
22161 Lakeside Ct. \$200,000
29787 Monterey Cir. \$118,000
32259 Old Forge Ln. \$145,000
23080 Pindale Ave. \$73,000
28218 Quail Hollow Rd. \$170,000
30791 Ramblewood Cir. \$232,000
25584 Ridgeway Dr. \$140,000
20901 Robinson St. \$45,000
23849 Stony Creek Dr. \$274,000
35290 Strickton Hill Ct. \$455,000
29465 Sugar Spring Rd. \$150,000
29630 W. 12 Mile # 301. \$50,000

Farmington Hills
30022 W. 12 Mile # 7. \$58,000
28150 Westbrook Ct. \$184,000
28751 Winkgreen. \$147,000
Genoa Township
1742 Beechmont St. \$104,000
3079 Grove St. \$41,000
Lebanon
520 Atwater St. \$97,000
2752 Cedar Key Dr. \$189,000
1250 Cottonwood St. \$65,000
2717 Fox Hollow Ct. \$74,000
3706 H. Dale Dr. \$200,000
3650 H. Dale Dr. \$158,000
1080 Indian Pae Rd. \$350,000
953 Sherry Dr. \$100,000
304 W. Clekston Rd. \$107,000
Westland
44900 Bayview Dr. \$120,000
45335 Dunbarton Dr. \$233,000
24303 Knollwood Dr. \$180,000
1750 Paramount St. \$100,000
22889 Summit Ln. \$450,000
47108 Sunnybrook Ln. \$585,000
24717 Upland Hl. \$167,000

Westland
1159 Doherty St. \$227,000
3199 Eastern Ave. \$131,000
1617 Glen Meadow Ct. \$155,000
683 Highgate Meadows. \$135,000
1686 Old Homestead Dr. \$45,000
2910 Powderhorn Ridge. \$230,000
1381 Ruby Ave. \$145,000
3696 Sleepy Fox Dr. \$100,000
610 Thornridge Dr. \$208,000
210 Vreeland Dr. \$214,000
105 Wabash Rd. \$58,000
105 Wabash Rd. \$114,000
670 Woodfield Way. \$242,000
Southfield
21575 Duns Scotus St. \$98,000
23270 Helen St. \$80,000
29879 Marshall St. \$135,000
17260 Mount Vernon St. \$142,000
19402 Nadal Dr. \$140,000

Westland
19505 Northbrook Dr. \$155,000
18195 Onyx St. \$135,000
27451 Safford St. \$135,000
5000 Town Cir. \$119,000
19550 Villa Dr. \$70,000
23673 Village House Apt. \$75,000
Troy
6506 Basswood Dr. \$337,000
2095 Chancery Dr. \$118,000
5497 Cheltenham Dr. \$331,000
4118 Cherrywood Dr. \$215,000
2834 Continental Dr. \$171,000
2579 Coral Dr. \$155,000
3075 Daley Dr. \$145,000
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1133 Fairways Blvd. \$185,000
363 Felling Brook Dr. \$246,000
3881 Forge Dr. \$146,000
3389 Franklin Dr. \$133,000

Westland
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298 Lantana Dr. \$165,000
2925 Manorwood Dr. \$287,000
1577 Redwood Dr. \$317,000
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3258 Waterline Dr. \$145,000
Westland Lakes
101 Chestnut Rdg. \$238,000
1946 N. Pontiac Trl. \$111,000
509 Winwood Cir. \$129,000
West Bloomfield
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4015 Fox Pointe Dr. \$190,000
6888 Long St. \$37,000
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White Lake
4789 Morris Lake Cir. \$574,000
7432 Northway St. \$100,000
7321 Oak Tree Dr. \$224,000
2010 Orchard Ct. \$220,000
6212 Quaker Hill Dr. \$205,000
6533 Red Cedar Ln. \$145,000
2194 Rhine Rd. \$223,000
2670 Trayham Ln. \$311,000
7410 Village Square Dr. \$850,000
1589 Walnut St. \$134,000

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

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Kim Turner and Louise Bisogni of Coldwell Banker Professionals in Clarkston have been chosen as members of company's International Sterling Society - an honor bestowed on the top 20 percent of sales associates in North America.

Michael Taormino, vice president/assistant sales manager at Republic Bancorp Mortgage Bloomfield Hills office, has received the company's 1997 employee of the year award.

Taormino led the company in mortgage loan production for the fourth year in a row with personal closings of \$66 million.

Tim Smith of the Bloomfield Hills office has been named Republic Bancorp's 1997 mortgage branch manager of the year nationwide.

He was recognized for annual branch closed mortgage volume in excess of \$255 million and top profitability for the company. Personal originations totaled \$45 million, second-best in the company.



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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

HOME IMPROVEMENT

The second annual Home Improvement Show sponsored by the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan runs now through Sunday, April 5, at the Novi Expo Center, I-96 at Novi Road.

Exhibitors will showcase kitchens, baths, doors, windows, spas, home offices, furniture, arts and crafts, decorative acces-

sories, appliances and yard care.

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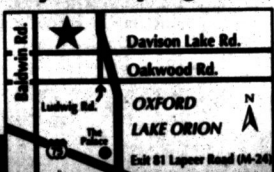
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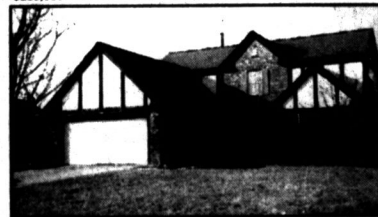
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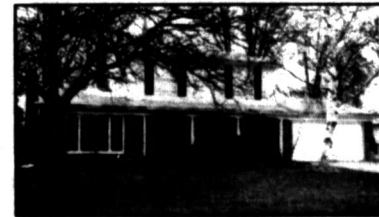
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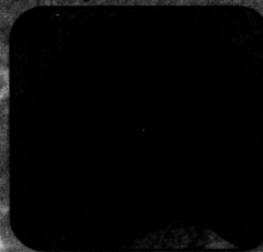
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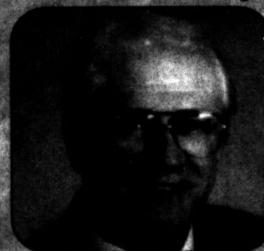
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ROYAL OAK - Classic all brick Bungalow offers designer white kitchen, hardwood floors throughout, cove ceilings, formal Dining Room, partially finished basement, large master bedroom suite, with sitting room. Newer 2 car garage, professionally landscaped. \$234,900 (19WAS) 642-8100



BEAUTIFUL TWO STORY HOME - Feature 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath, hardwood oak floors in foyer, hall & living room. Great double ovens & lots of counter space. Must see! \$269,500 (54CHR) 363-1200



STUNNING Contemporary condo with 2 suites. Soaring ceilings in Great room. Professionally finished basement. 1st floor laundry. Attached 2 car garage. Beautiful view of the pond & much more! \$203,900 (37FAI) 524-1600



KENDALLWOOD 3 bedroom Quad - 2,000 sq. ft. living areas. \$184,900 (32CRA) 626-8800



MAIN FLOOR MASTER SUITE - Hardwood washed oak throughout, 4 bedrooms, great room with vaulted ceiling & fireplace, finished basement. \$264,900 (66PET) 363-1200



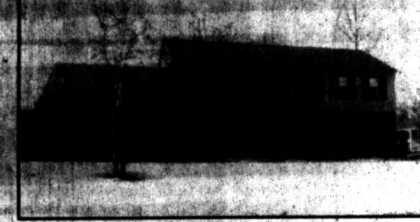
TROY - 4 bedroom Brick Ranch with many updates throughout. Family room with fireplace. Partly finished basement. Refinished kitchen counter tops. Central air. New carpeting. In ground heated pool in fenced back yard. Troy schools. \$220,000 (70DNO) 524-1600



ALWAYS IN GOOD TASTE - This spacious Colonial in a popular subdivision is convenient to freeway, shopping & schools. 1st floor master has large dressing area & walk-in closet. Open floor plan & door walls to patio. Cozy fireplace of course. \$279,000 (45PIN) 626-8800



SITTING ON 1.34 ACRES in the Walled Lake (Central High) School district is this exciting contemporary ranch with 4 bedrooms, 2,300 sq. ft. finished basement, attached garage, cul-de-sac & Commerce lake privileges. \$249,900 (62WHI) 363-1200



WEST BLOOMFIELD - Brick/Aluminum 6 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath Colonial home with over 2,600 sq. ft. Library, newer roof, newer carpet, great location in Subdivision. Hardwood floors in bedroom & family room. 1st floor laundry. Home Warranty. \$259,900 (55FOX) 642-8100



WONDERFUL home on secluded treed lot in Colony park. Custom Oak kitchen with island, family room with fireplace & built-ins, screened in porch, 2 brick patios, large rooms, large closets, mint condition!! \$329,900 (29OAK) 626-8800



WATER FRONT FAMILY HOME - 4 bedroom home offering fantastic views, large open family room with fireplace. Hardwood floors. Many updates throughout. \$224,500 (55FOX) 363-1200



FRANKLIN - Fabulous 4,400 sq. ft. modular contemporary on beautiful acre setting offers 4 bedroom, 4 bath, 2 Lav & an unbelievable master bedroom suite. 3 car garage. Builder is owner. \$559,900 (50ROS) 642-8100



BEAUTIFUL 3 bedroom, Colonial with 3 full baths, 2 car attached garage, 1st floor laundry, living room, master bedroom with bath, central air, large lot, neutral decor. \$185,000 (16CRE) 248-626-8800



TROY - 3 bedroom Ranch home former model built in '93. Huge great room with 2 door walls. High ceilings. 2 full baths. 1st floor laundry. Full basement. Ceramic entry. 2 1/2 car garage. \$239,000 (71CHI) 524-1600



BLOOMFIELD - 1,675 sq. ft. Ranch offers 3 bedroom, 2 bath, Living Room, Family Room, white Formica Kitchen on acre lot overlooking Beach & Walnut Lake. Lake privileges. \$339,900 (95LON) 642-8100



PRIVATE treed lot in hawthorn Hills. Great room/library/island kitchen with walk-in pantry. Open master suite with jet tub & separate sitting room. \$414,900 (80MER) 652-8000



GORGEOUS 5 bedroom Colonial in Troy with hardwood floors. Lots of updates, central air, Security alarm. In great location. Home warranty! \$319,900 (07LON) 363-1200



ROYAL OAK - Sears-styled Craftsman Bungalow boast updated Kitchen & bath, newer roof, Fireplace & covered front porch. \$139,900 (31HIL) 642-8100



PRIVATE get away minutes from everything, ranch, walk-out, exclusive 2 acre site, magnificently landscaped, wood floors, high ceilings, lots of light, 1994, gourmet island, kitchen, whirlpool & much more! \$369,900. (49SNO) 652-8000



BLOOMFIELD TWP. - Unique Contemporary home sits high & overlooks scenic pond & heavily wooded area. Exceptional appeal! 2 story ceilings, magnificent lower level offers sauna, hot tub, 2nd kitchen, 2nd 2 car garage. \$1,875,000 (15KIR) 642-8100



TROY - 3 bedroom Ranch on park like setting. Spacious family room with decorative brick fireplace. Rich oak kitchen with new floor. Formal living room & dining room. Finished lower level. All appliances included. \$324,900 (37STR) 524-1600.

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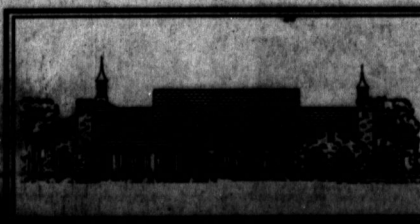
SUMMERTIME & the Living is Easy! - Beautiful brick ranch situated in a park-like setting with sparkling heated in ground pool. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, newer roof, newer central air, fantastic location! \$224,900 (71AVO) 652-8000



EXQUISITE open floor plan colonial on partially wooded cul-de-sac. Great room, formal dining room, finished basement & large 3 tiered cedar deck. Island kitchen includes all newer GE profile appliances. Quick occupancy. \$269,900 (50RIV) 652-8000



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DESIRABLE Country Ridge home features 3,100 sq. ft. w/fieldstone fireplace, very large family room, crown moldings, vaulted ceiling & skylight, outside features; heavily wooded back yard w/upper & lower deck. This is a MUST SEE! \$337,900 (31COU) 626-8800

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LAKEFRONT ON WHITE LAKE! 60 ft. of sandy beach comes free with this move-in condition 1,400 sq. ft. home. Tasteful eat-in kitchen with dining room & wrap around deck! Hurry! \$244,500 (76LOC) 363-1200



CONTEMPORARY BRICK RANCH - Near national exemplary Oakley Park Elementary. 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, finished basement, beautifully landscaped & private lot. Built 1988, custom quality & completely updated. \$216,900 (40LOU) 363-1200



NEW CONSTRUCTION - Ready in spring - hottest spot in Waterford with 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Full basement & attached 2 car garage. Many amenities! \$149,950 (91BON) 363-1200



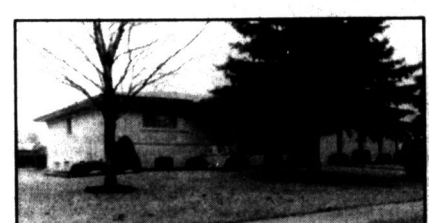
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HONEY STOP THE CAR! - Cute & clean 3 bedroom, basement, 2 car garage. Fenced yard. Home Warranty included. \$83,000 (50SAR) 363-1200



TROY 4 bedroom Colonial with 2 1/2 baths. 1st floor laundry. Finished basement. Heated 4 seasons Florida room. hardwood floors under carpet. One Year Home Warranty! \$209,900 (20CHA) 524-1600.



TROY 3 bedroom Ranch with 2 full baths. 1st floor laundry. Finished basement with full bath & kitchen. Hardwood floors, side entry garage. One Year Home Warranty! \$194,900 (03ALT) 524-1600.



OUTSTANDING - Newer North Troy Cape-Cod with 3 bedrooms & 2 1/2 baths. 1st floor master bedroom. Large upstairs bedrooms. Basement. Great room with fireplace, 1st floor laundry, 2 car attached garage. Large corner lot. \$219,900 (25MON) 524-1600



TROY SCHOOLS! - 3 bedroom Ranch home on double lot that offers living room with fireplace, 2 car attached garage. Home Warranty! \$129,900 (21STI) 524-1600



EXECUTIVE HOME - 3 fireplaces - soaring family room, study with judges paneling, hardwood floors, dual staircases, immaculate! \$529,000 (15PHE) 652-8000



GET AWAY FROM IT ALL - Natural setting on private cul-de-sac. Watch deer & wildlife from deck. Features 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, family room, fireplace, central air. Neutral throughout, finished walk-out basement. Minutes from downtown Rochester. Rochester schools. \$259,900 (18BEE) 652-8000



ENJOY simple pleasures of hiking in the parks in this family sub. Excellent value 3 bedrooms, 2-story colonial with attractive sunny 3-season porch with skylights. Informal & formal room, brick fireplace. Oak kitchen cabinets & large master bedroom. \$177,700 (82WHI) 652-8000



TRADITIONAL appointments enhance this stylish brick colonial. Large yard w/professional landscaping, sprinklers & deck. Formal dining room w/French doors & bay window, large master w/walk-in closet & bath. Family room w/fireplace. Call for private showing! \$203,900 (10WHI) 652-8000



HILLS OF OAKLAND - Magnificent custom home. Extensive wood flooring. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 lavs. Stunning living & dining rooms, both w/bays & excellent wood trim - fireplace in living room. 4 fireplaces. Master bath w/Jacuzzi tub, shower, 2 sinks. Finished walk-out. In ground pool. \$774,900 (81WEL) 652-8000



WHAT A VIEW! Lakefront ranch is 1,200 sq. ft. with finished walk-out. Home sits off 1.40 acres that offer options for adding on or remodeling. Over 160 ft. on lake. A rare find! \$205,000 (50LAK) 652-8000



WEBSTER hasn't created a word to adequately describe this home! Kohler, Delta, Pella; marble, granite, wood, fieldstone to name a few. Wooded acres-privacy yet close to main roads. Views to die for! \$417,900 (76CRO) 652-8000



ROYAL OAK - 3 bedroom Bungalow w/many updates including newer furnace, air conditioning, hot water heater, dishwasher, copper plumbing, hardwood floors in master bedroom. Partially finished basement. 1 car attached garage. \$139,900 (09BLA) 642-8100



BLOOMFIELD - Bloomfield land value. Tear-down & build a showplace on this beautiful acre-plus property in the Kirk-In-Hills area. Not many like this one left. \$385,000 (10GRO) 642-8100



BLOOMFIELD HILLS 2,800 sq. ft. colonial on one acre with a spectacular setting with mature trees. Living room and huge kitchen with fireplace, newer kitchen, roof, drive, deck, doorways. Redecorated. \$299,900 (45CED) 642-8100



BLOOMFIELD HILLS. Dynamite condo in private setting facing the woods. Newer carpet, fresh paint in most room and newer siding. \$119,900 (88SOU) 642-8100



TROY. Immaculate home! 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, full brick ranch. Well located in sub. Move in condition. With lots of updates! Central air, newer furnace, refinished hardwood floors, price is right for quick sale! Home warranty. \$142,900 (28BOR) 248-626-8800



LATHRUP VILLAGE. 3 bedroom, 2 bath ranch with open floor plan and numerous updates throughout. Huge deck surrounding professionally maintained in-ground pool. Absolute drama! \$184,900 (18RAI) 248-626-8800



WEST BLOOMFIELD. Great buy! Excellent area with newer & much higher priced homes. Near nature trails. Very private & serene. Lake privileges. Also for lease. \$164,500 (48LOC) 248-626-8800



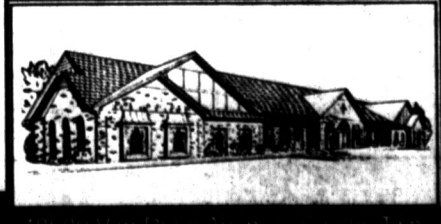
WEST BLOOMFIELD. Three quarters of an acre of treed property surround this immaculate and updated 2,300 sq. ft. home in desirable Nash Acres. This home offers year round views and northern Michigan living in the heart of West Bloomfield. \$242,000 69NAS 248-626-8800



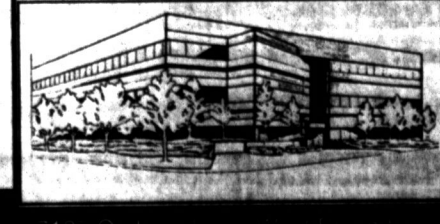
WEST BLOOMFIELD. COMPLETELY UPDATED!! Beautifully updated raised ranch featuring 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. This home has it all! Backs up to wetlands for that up north feeling. Call today for more information! \$168,000 70MIC 248-626-8800



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- New build ready for occupancy, other sites available
- Soaring ceiling in great room, hardwood floor in foyer, great room & library/den, 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths
- Gas fireplace, brick & stone exterior, intercom system


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WEST BLOOMFIELD - ALMOST NEW

- Spectacular Contemporary style home built in 1996
- Two story firelit great room, fabulous dream kitchen
- Premium carpet and ceramic flooring throughout
- 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, spacious patio, sprinklers

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WATERFORD - NEW ON ALL SPORTS LAKE

- Fabulous Executive style lakefront home with a great blend of contemporary and traditional touches
- Exquisite kitchen 10 foot ceilings, wet bar in study
- Extensive decking overlooks Williams Lake

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ROCHESTER HILLS - EXCELLENT LOCATION

- Enjoy gracious living just minutes away from the Chrysler World Headquarters & many expressways
- 3,756 sq. ft. + additional 1,600 in finished lower level
- Dramatic great room w/marble fireplace, white kitchen

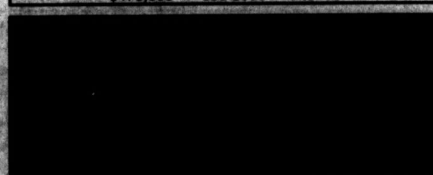
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WATERFORD - UNIQUE PRIVATE RETREAT

- Builder's home on 10 acres. 900 ft. frontage on Clinton River. Trails, wildlife. New barn.
- Walk-out lower level. Decking. Sauna. 3 car garage
- Crescent Lake privileges

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ROCHESTER HILLS - TRADITIONAL BEAUTY

- Former Thornridge model home offers extensive hardwood floors, dual staircase plus 3,383 sq. ft.
- Walkout lower level has fireplace & windows galore!
- Gorgeous island kitchen, spacious master suite

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TROY - MOVE RIGHT IN

- This Colonial is less than a year old and ready for you
- Open floor plan w/family room featuring doorwall
- Many hardwood floors and neutral decor throughout
- Finished basement w/rec room, full bath and more

\$367,900 641-1660



FARMINGTON HILLS

- Custom built sprawling 3,800 sq. ft. ranch in beautiful Woodcreek Hills is a rare find w/large ceramic foyer
- Impressive great room, banquet size dining room
- Family room w/built-ins and wet bar, separate wing

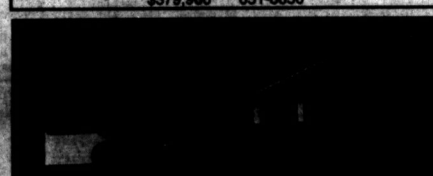
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OXFORD - PRE-CONSTRUCTION SALE

- Ten lots to choose from in Lakes of Indianwood
- The "Cranbrook" model offers large foyer with curved staircase, 2 story family room & garden room
- Formal dining, fireplace in living room, 3 car garage


\$389,900-\$489,900 626-9100 740899



BEVERLY HILLS - BEAUTIFUL AREA

- Enjoy the scenery in this contemporary three bedroom 2 bath ranch adjoining to Beverly Park
- Updated kitchen, central air, dining & family rooms
- Basement, newer furnace and roof

\$274,900 547-2000



FARMINGTON HILLS - MOVE RIGHT IN

- Immaculate & recently repainted four bedroom home
- Sunlit family room w/vaulted ceilings & warm fireplace
- Library w/stately judges paneling, circular staircase
- Ceramic floors, finished lower level, sprinklers, deck

\$289,900 626-9100



ROCHESTER HILLS - PRIME COURT LOT

- Desirable Thornridge Colonial has 4 bedrooms
- Features tile foyer & large island kitchen w/tile floor
- Family room has cathedral ceiling, fireplace & wet bar
- Sharp master suite - Home Warranty. 3 car garage!

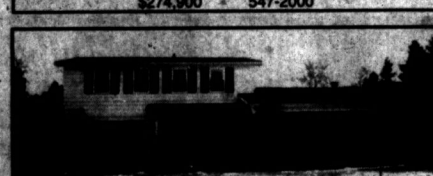
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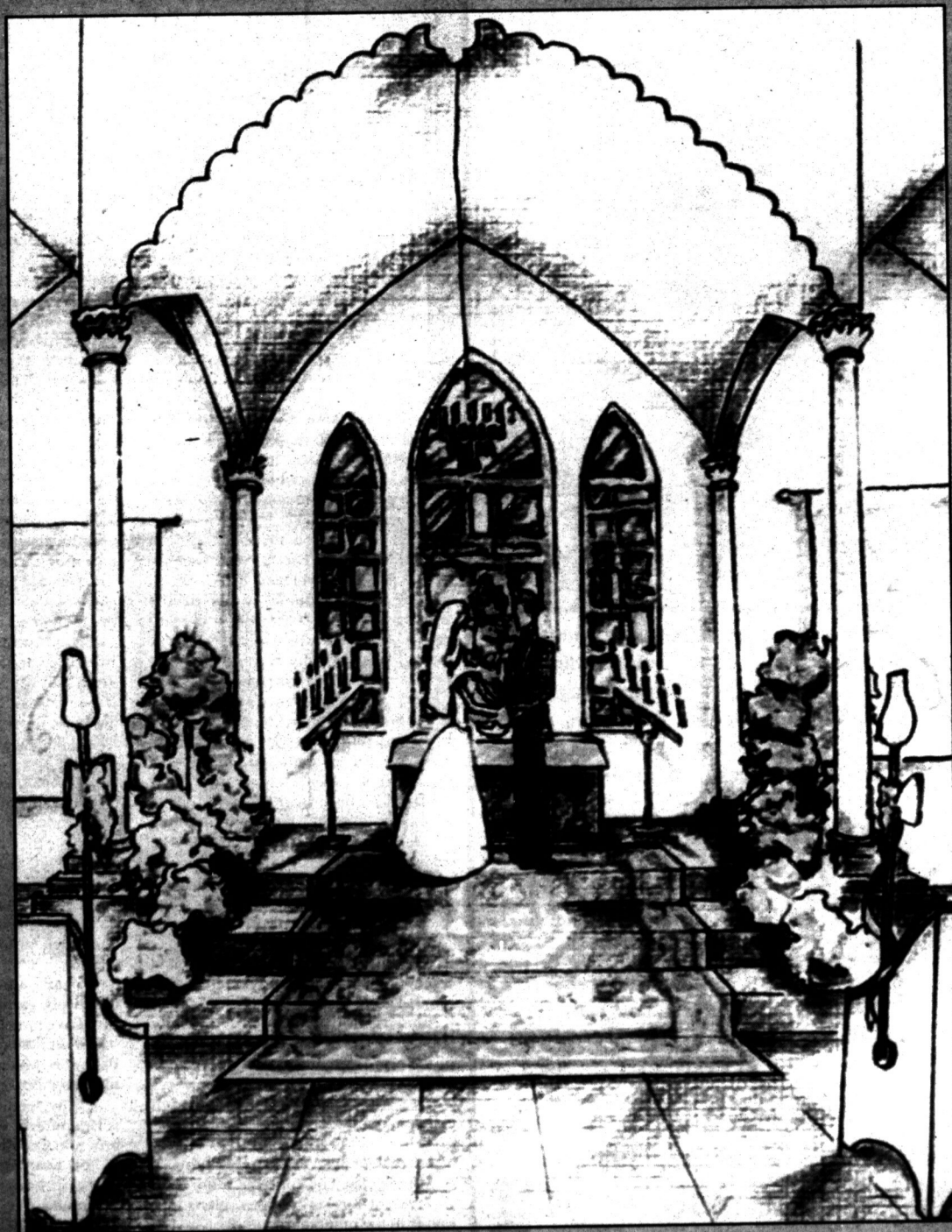
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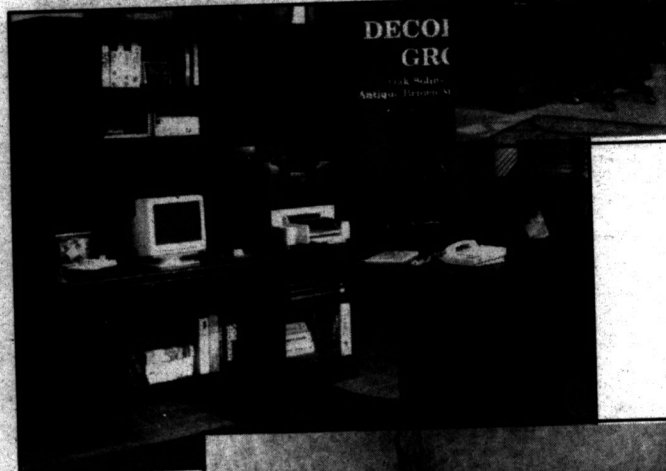
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garden spot

Follow routes for garden ideas



MARTY FIGLEY

Traveling is one good way to absorb ideas and inspiration for our own gardens.

The American Nursery & Landscape Association suggests:

1. Is a head full of ideas and a renewed enthusiasm for gardening your kind of souvenir? If so, book a tour and talk with the guide and other gardeners to learn what works and what doesn't.

2. If you see a garden you must have, a landscape designer can help you recreate your ideal with plants suitable for your area.

3. Take a camera and lots of film; keep a diary and/or sketchbook handy. Study the itineraries to know what to expect. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

You don't have to go out of this wonderful continent to see spectacular gardens. Let me tell you about just a few of the gardens in the Pacific Northwest we will visit as we travel Sept. 8-16, 1998.

Butchart Gardens is one of the world's best display gardens, considered by many to be the eighth wonder of the world. Originally a limestone quarry, it is now a 50-acre showplace.

Molly Ward's herb garden, herb and craft shop is an innovative approach to herb gardening. Fabulous is the word to describe the gourmet lunch we will enjoy at this garden.

Bellevue Botanical Garden and its perennial borders that mimic the long borders seen in England are on the itinerary.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen Classical Chinese Garden is the first authentic classical Chinese garden ever built outside of China.

The Nitobe Memorial Garden is a serene Japanese garden where the distinguished landscape architect Professor Kannosuke Mori of Chiba University supervised its construction, personally directing placement of each tree, stone and shrub.

The Van Dusen Botanical Garden contains many native and alpine plantings of diverse plant species. The 55 acres are kept in a very natural setting.

Minter Gardens contains more than 15 acres of forested slopes, glens and ponds in the mountain foothills.

Lakewold Gardens, just south of Tacoma, is one of the most distinctive in the Pacific Northwest and was designed by Thomas Church in 1953.

On the custom-designed, first class venture, we will fly into Seattle and have time to explore that city and enjoy a sumptuous dinner and wine reception at the Space Needle.

A ferry ride will take us to Bainbridge Island. Another water trip will be a three-hour excursion on twin-hulled hydrofoil through Puget Sound and the Juan de Fuca Strait to Victoria, British Columbia. A champagne breakfast will be served en route.

On another day a ferry will take us across the Strait of Georgia where we will enjoy its great scenery. Upon arrival we'll visit Stanley Park and more.

There will be time to explore the areas, including the quaint city of Victoria, which is resplendent with colorful hanging baskets. You may visit a museum or have afternoon tea and scones at the elegant Empress Hotel.

A trained horticulturist will be available to discuss gardening. This eight-day tour includes daily breakfast, two lunches and the welcome and farewell dinners. The cost of this custom tour is only \$2,649!

For a brochure and further details of this Spectacular Northwest Gardens Tour, call my voice mail at (313) 953-2047, mailbox 1859; or Chuck Randolph Travel & Tours at (248) 645-5050, or (800) 336-1490 outside the metropolitan area.

GOOD GARDEN TIPS

- Last chance to apply a dormant spray for scale insects (in Zone 5). Check mugho pines and euonymus because they are highly susceptible to scale.

- Greenfield Village will have Spring Farm Days Thursday-Sunday, April 23-26. Visitors can greet new baby lambs and pitch in to help with a variety of chores.

- Apply a 5-10-5 fertilizer to flowering shrubs early this month. Repeat after they have bloomed.

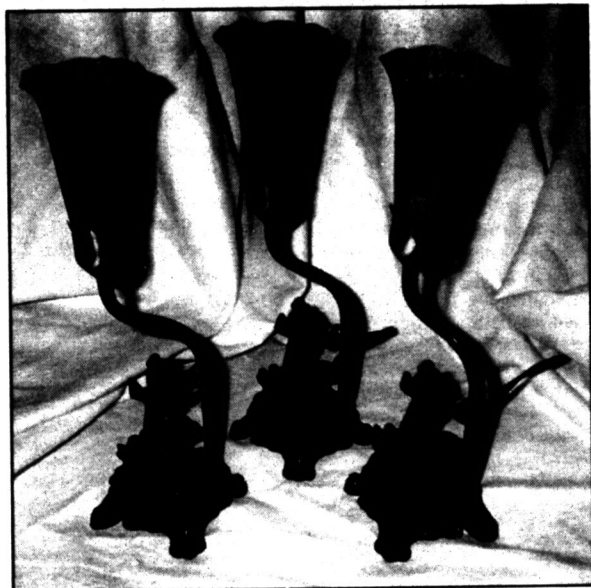
- Visit the orchid show at Laurel Park Place, Six Mile and Newburgh in Livonia, this Palm Sunday weekend.

- Sow seeds of beets, radishes, carrots, spinach, lettuce; set out cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, onion sets (watch for frost warnings).

- Cut back over-wintered potted geraniums to 6 to 8 inches so they'll be lush by late May.

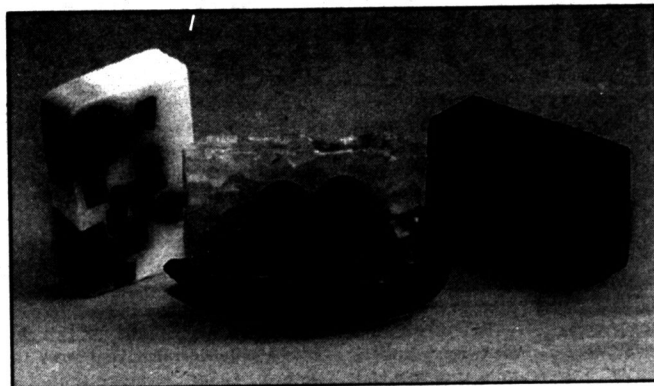


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Angelic angle

Illuminating: Scott Shuptrine showrooms in Troy and Novi feature these "Tiffany" look bronze mini lamps with cherubs on the base. Available in yellow, green or purple floral shade. Cost is \$59 each.



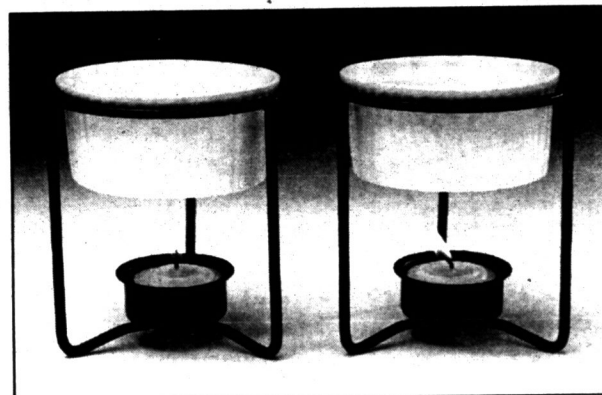
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inviting ideas

Spring brings woodsy wild edibles



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

It only takes two days of warm spring weather to get me in a spring culinary state of mind, along with seeing fresh fiddlehead ferns and fresh morels on the produce shelves.

Fiddlehead ferns are wonderfully attractive and make for a wonderful treat with their distinct but familiar flavor - a combination of asparagus, green bean and okra.

This young, edible, tightly coiled fern (Polypodiaceae) frond resembles the spiral end of a violin (fiddle). It is also referred to as an ostrich fern, cinnamon fern (two different varieties), bracken and a pohole (Hawaiian for fiddlehead fern). The edible shoots are in their coiled form for only about two weeks before they unfurl into graceful forest-like greenery. Fiddleheads are a deep emerald green color and about 2 inches

long and 1-1/2 inches in diameter.

From April through July, depending on the region, they can be found in specialty produce markets and upscale groceries (Check out Vic's World Class Markets, Hiller's Food Emporium (Shopping Center Market) or some of the smaller specialty stores). For store-bought fiddleheads choose only coiled, small, firm, brightly colored ferns, with no sign of spotted softness or lightness in color. Refrigerate coiled ferns, tightly wrapped, for no more than 2 days (handpicked fresh fiddleheads will last a few days longer).

Whether your fiddleheads have been hand picked out in the woods (usually in Michigan they are not up until mid-to late April, or May - depending on the weather) or bought at a market they should be washed and the ends trimmed before cooking. Methods of cooking are brief sauteing, steaming, or simmering in stock, water or wine. Serve them as an appetizer, first course, side dish or as an ingredient in salads.

Here are some tips in picking and

cleaning fresh fiddleheads:

■ Snap off the crisp, bright green fiddle head tops from ostrich or cinnamon ferns, leaving approximately 2 inches of stem attached.

■ Avoid mushy or shriveled ferns.

■ Rub off the dry brown casings (these can be save and used as bandage and first aid materials - high in tannin, it helps aid in tissue drying).

■ Use a soft mushroom brush to remove attached brown casings.

■ Let the fiddleheads soak in a bucket or sink full of cold water, changing the water several times to remove any dirt, forest debris or remnants of casings, then drain them.

■ Keep fresh fiddleheads covered and chilled, for 1 week. Use as soon as possible.

RAGOUT OF SPRING EDIBLES

Ingredients:

1/2 pound fiddlehead ferns (tightly coiled), cleaned

1/2 pound "mini" pattypan squash, trimmed and washed

1/2 pound tender baby carrots,

trimmed and washed

1 cup shelled fresh peas

1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter

1/2 pound pearl onions, blanched in boiling water for 1 minute, peeled, and trimmed

2 fresh sprigs of thyme

1 fresh sprig of rosemary

1 bay leaf

1 cup chicken stock (homemade or prepared)

7-8 fresh morels (medium-size), trimmed and gently washed and patted dry with a soft cloth, then cut into spirals

3-4 tablespoons fresh parsley, trimmed from stalks, and minced

2 tablespoons fresh mint, trimmed from stalks, and minced

2 large garlic cloves, peeled and minced

Sea salt (optional and to taste)

Pinch cayenne pepper

Pine Nuts, dry toasted (fry in a dry pan just until lightly browned) - desired amount

Directions:

In a large pot of boiling salted water, briefly boil the fiddleheads until they are crisp-tender approximately 3-4 minutes, transfer the fiddleheads with a slotted spoon to a bowl of ice water to stop the cooking process. Transfer the ferns to paper towels or a kitchen towel to drain.

In the same pot, boil the pattypan and the carrots for approximately 3-4 minutes, or until they are crisp-tender, then transfer to the bowl of ice and cold water to stop the cooking process, and transfer them to paper towels to drain.

Boil the peas for 2 to 3 minutes, until they are just tender, then drain.

In a large skillet over medium heat; combine 2 tablespoons of butter, peeled pearl onions, fresh thyme, fresh rosemary, bay leaf, 1/4 cup of the chicken stock, salt and cayenne pepper (to taste) and simmer the mixture, lidded, for 5 minutes.

Add the spirals of morels, and 1/2 cup of the remaining chicken stock and simmer the mixture, lidded, for 10 minutes (the morels should be tender).

Add the drained fiddlehead ferns, mini pattypan squash, small carrots, and the remaining 1/4 cup chicken stock, and simmer the entire mixture two more minutes.

Add the peas, minced parsley, mint, and garlic - again simmer for 2 minutes, and stir in the remaining 2 tablespoons butter until just melted. Remove the bay leaf and readjust seasonings. Top with garnish of toasted pine nuts. Serve hot as an accompaniment to fish, chicken or meat.

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Polarizer filters aid in many ways



MONTE NAGLER

A polarizing filter is a must in your list of photographic equipment. Few photo accessories can add impact to your shots like a polarizer and I strongly recommend that every serious photographer have one. An investment of \$20 to

\$40 will put this exciting filter on your lens.

Polarizers do a number of things that are useful to a photographer: 1. darken blue skies, 2. remove reflections from non-metallic surfaces, 3. penetrate haze, and 4. increase color saturation.

When a light ray hits a non-metallic surface such as glass or water, part of it is reflected completely in one direction. This is called "polarized light." Light from a blue sky is polarized because it is reflected off particles in the atmosphere.

A polarizer filter consists of two pieces of glass that rotate relative to one

another. When the rotation is 90 degrees, the polarizer will block the "polarized light" in the sky. Because less light now reaches the film, the result in the final picture will be a darker blue sky.

A polarizer filter works for both color and black and white film. For the maximum darkening effect, try to take pictures at a right angle to the sun. And in black and white, use a polarizer in combination with a red filter to produce a completely black sky. Because you look through the lens of your SLR camera, you can see the darkening effect happening as you rotate your polarizer. Remember, a polarizer won't darken an overcast sky.

A polarizing filter will reduce reflections on non-metallic surfaces. Unwanted reflections on a lake or disturbing glare in a store window are good examples.

The degree of control on removing reflections depends upon the camera-to-subject angle and the amount of rotation of the filter. Often, an unwanted reflection can be completely eliminated. As in darkening the sky, what you see is what

you'll get with your SLR camera. You can actually see the reflections being eliminated.

Color saturation can be increased with a polarizer. There are two types of light reflected by most surfaces: specular and diffuse. Specular reflections are neutral (no color) and tend to dilute the diffuse reflections (those that give objects their color). A polarizer will absorb the specular reflections, allowing

the diffuse, colored light through to the film. The result is an increase in color saturation.

As with most filters, a polarizer has a filter factor. In this case, an increase in exposure of about two stops is required. But because your SLR has through-the-lens metering, the exposure adjustment is automatically taken care of so you will be better able to concentrate on improving your photography.



Tetonic: A polarizing filter enabled Monte Nagler to effectively darken the sky to achieve maximum dramatic effect in this photo taken at Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming.

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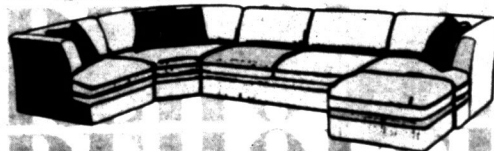
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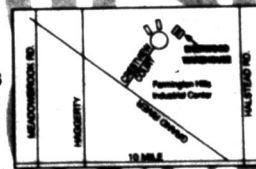
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Young designers find creative space for rugs

Area rugs can go in many different areas – not just around the house but around a room.

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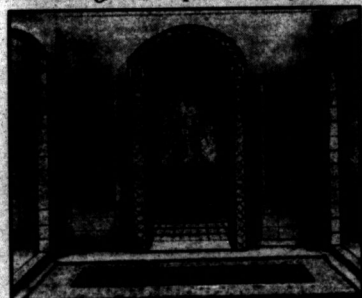
"It is really like buying art, I feel," said Ann Parker, showroom manager at The Ghiordes Knot at Michigan Design Center in Troy.

The walls and even the ceiling can be sites for a rug, as seen in the creative examples in this year's The Ghiordes Knot-American Society of Interior Designers Student Creative Space Competition. Sketches by entrants were displayed at The Ghiordes Knot showroom during MDC's recent Student Career Day.

The Ghiordes Knot provided students with photographs of two handwoven woolen rugs. Contestants could work with one of them: "Nambu Thickma," a Tibetan rug, to be depicted as 3 by 12



Different looks: Among the designs in the recent The Ghiordes Knot-American Society of Interior Designers Student Creative Space Competition, Wei Khean Seah received honorable mention for his design that placed a rug on a curved wall in a lady's boutique (left). Kathryn Bowers draped the rug on the model of an elephant (above). Entrants worked with an Aubusson weave and a Tibetan rug, shown at far left.



Creative spaces: Honorable mention recipient Jennifer VanderArk placed a rug in a cloister (above) and Troy Hilbrands put it on the ceiling (below).



New angle: Pam Garlow angled a rug on a bedroom wall and ceiling (right).

feet, or "Tosca," an Aubusson weave, to be depicted as 9 by 12 feet.

Nambu Thickma (translated as "wooden cross") is a classical ethnic carpet in vibrant hues with a pattern of small crosses on the surface. Tosca bears a light shades and a delicate floral and ribbon pattern with a scroll border.

"I think it's wonderful to have the program," Parker said. "I'm excited about the number – we had 35 entries – and the variety of applications is interesting too."

Artistic placement

Heidi Schroeder of Saline, a junior in the interior design program at Eastern Michigan University, received first prize.

The Aubusson created a feeling of sentiment and romanticism for Schroeder. In her design, the rug is a focal point during a wedding ceremony, its colors used in floral arrangements, banners, attendants' attire and other aspects. The couple would keep the rug as an heirloom, starting a family tradition by handing it down to future generations.

Wei Khean Seah of Kalamazoo, a junior in interior design at Western

Michigan University, received one of the two honorable mention prizes. The Aubusson's pattern created a classical, elegant and romantic feeling for him, so he placed it on a curved wall in a lady's boutique.

"I analyzed elements in the rugs," he said.

Jennifer VanderArk of Ellsworth, a junior at WMU, received the other honorable mention prize for her design, which places the Tibetan rug between two monasteries in a cloister. The idea came from the religious tradition of sitting on a rug during meditation.

A tapestry on a gray environment directs attention to the rug, and the horizontal rug widens and becomes a focal point for architectural elements while adding warmth.

"I did some research to see how the rug was used in Tibet," VanderArk said.

Lori Harris of EMU hung the Nambu Thickma on the ceiling in such a way as to make it appear to be floating and rolling. Track lighting and the elevated ceiling accentuate it.

Troy Hilbrands of Michigan State University hung the Nambu Thickma on the ceiling to give it a floating appearance, with fluorescent lights behind and on the side to give it an enchanting feeling.

Hilbrands carries the medallion-like pattern of the rug onto the floor carpet, and the Southwestern image the rug conveyed to him onto the stucco wall, terra cotta tile and natural wood of the room.

Pam Garlow of Lawrence Technological University literally took a different angle with a rug. She positioned the framed Nambu Thickma to join the wall and ceiling plane of a bedroom, angled to make a visual corner and avoid a static look.

Tjing Tjing Tan of EMU used Nambu Thickma as a strong element in a

geometric motif of a room. The rug is loosely hung in a right angle against one wall and the floor.

Pedestals, rectangular paintings, and a furniture design that resembles an arrangement of cubes repeat its geometric pattern and rectangular shape, while the warm, neutral shade of the room makes a relaxing atmosphere and emphasizes its lively colors.

This rug is the focal point of a bedroom, as designed by Tricia Glupker of WMU. Its bright hues in neutral surroundings draw attention to the end of a king-size bed, where it is placed as a runner.

Rugs can be placed on unusual furnishings. Kathryn Bowers of EMU visualized using the Aubusson on a "grand" scale, draping it on the model of an elephant.

Judges for the competition were Susan Zinger, MDC executive vice president and general manager, and designers Lynda Charfoos, Heather Hochstetter and Tracey Treiber. The Ghiordes Knot provided \$1,000 in prize money – \$500 for first prize and \$250 for each honorable mention.



On the cover:

A rug is the focal point of a wedding ceremony in the design by Heidi Schroeder that won top prize in a student creative space competition.

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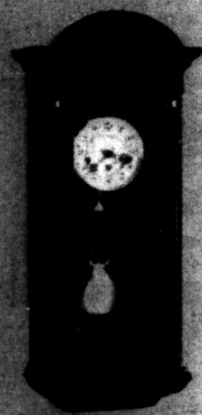
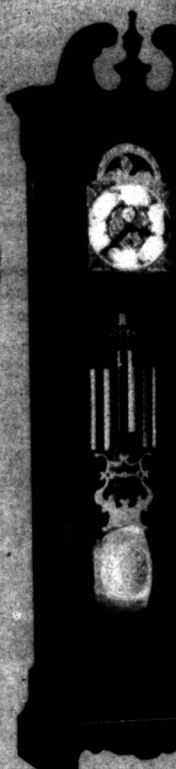
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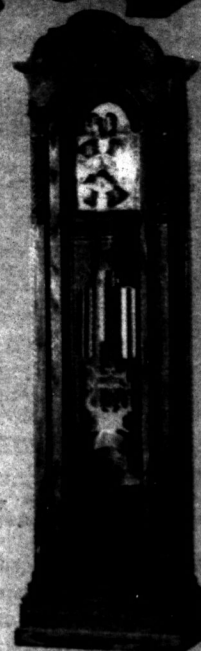
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JOE GAGNON

This is the last of three columns on energy saving tips.

Reduce the use of separate freezers. Try to get with only your refrigerator freezer or join with a neighbor to use one freezer instead of two.

Make sure your refrigerator and freezer door seals are airtight. Test them by placing a flashlight inside the product during the night time hours with the lights off in the room. Stand on a stool to check out the top part and use a purse mirror to check out the bottom.

Locate your refrigerator or freezer away from heat producing equipment, such as the range and out of direct sunlight.

Assure proper ventilation. Maintain adequate clearance from the walls and/or cabinets as recommended by the manufacturer.

Keep condenser coils clean. If dust or dirt is allowed to accumulate, the operation will be impaired. Every four months use a vacuum cleaner and a refrigerator condenser brush to clean out the dust that has accumulated. (The long handle type brush is available at your Damman Hardware store.)

Open the refrigerator as little as possible.

Make a mental list of the many things you need before you open the refrigerator of freezer door, then take out as many items as you can at one time.

Build a counter space or shelf next to the refrigerator so you can open the door once and take many things out.

Try to put things in the refrigerator in the same place every time so you won't have to look for them with the door open.

Label all foods clearly and legibly. This eliminates confusion and permits quick removal of the food. Place more frequently used food items in the front.

Close the refrigerator door gently instead of slamming it. You lose less

cold air. Store produce loosely in your refrigerator to allow good air circulation.

Keep containers from blocking air vents in your refrigerator.

Cover all bowls that have liquid in them. This will keep the interior humidity level lower and reduce the work of the compressor.

Cool very hot foods for a short time at room temperatures before placing in the refrigerator, but don't let the food stand for too long. Bacterial growth can make it unsafe.

When going on vacation, use up your perishable food and empty the refrigerator completely and unplug it. Prop the door open and put some baking soda on one of the shelves to avoid mildew.

Keep your freezer full and closely packed together for more efficient operation.

Wrap food properly to help prevent excess frost formation on sides and coils in your freezer. Thaw meats before broiling.

Set food from the freezer into the

refrigerator one or two days before planning to cook.

Leave at room temperature before cooking.

Select the right size refrigerator for your family according to your shopping habits.

Defrost the freezer when 1/4 inch of frost has accumulated (on a manual defrost model). The frost buildup causes the cooling system to work harder.

Raise the front of your refrigerator or freezer 1/2 inch higher than the rear. This will help the door close easier and provide a better seal. Hope all these tips help you.

Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president of Carmack Appliances in Garden City and does a weekly radio program on WJR-AM. He is author of "First Aid from the Appliance Doctor," available at area bookstores. He can be reached at (313) 873-9789.

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Find inexpensive ways to amuse kids



LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

Do you feel as though every time you leave the house with your children you spend money unexpectedly?

You run into the coffeehouse for a \$2.25 latte and walk out \$10 later with scones, bagels or muffins and a tray of assorted beverages.

You won't dare go near the mall without a clear shopping objective. But even when you do, one child reminds you about a friend's birthday party gift and the other begs for a new pair of gym shoes. After examining the soles of the shoes on his feet, you give in to the shoes.

Amusing your children can become very costly, particularly when you mentally prepare yourself for planned weekly activities that require little out-of-pocket expense - or so you think.

If you are living on a stringent bud-

get, you either severely limit your children's social activities outside their own amusement or become very creative at searching for inexpensive ways to amuse them. The probability is that you adopt more creative thinking than you ever thought you had.

Regular trips to the library when the children are young fill the void until they have read just about every book more than once. At this point, it's time for something new.

With a little cash on hand, the season is just right to venture out to garage sales. Keep in mind that one person's trash is another's treasure. Perhaps you bought a wrought-iron patio set at a garage or moving sale last year - the kind that retails for \$300 or more - and only paid \$30 for it. You bragged for weeks after that find.

There's nothing wrong with teaching your children they, too, can find something valuable in the most unexpected places.

Youngsters tire of or outgrow their toys all the time. Chances are that the toys either go to charity, trash day or a

garage sale of sorts. Once your children realize how far a dollar goes and how much they can buy when they find quality, slightly used toys, games and even furniture, you just might have a new frequent pursuit to fill your library void.

Resale shops are also treasure chests in their own right. Your preteen may relish the idea of being able to transform old jewelry and clothing into the latest trends. Many resale shops are also filled with barely worn designer clothing that would otherwise cost hundreds of dollars new.

As your children learn to appreciate their rare finds, they begin to understand two things: 1. Something terrific can result from next to nothing, and 2. Together, you didn't have to spend a great deal of money to have a good time.

Cheap thrills can be found almost everywhere if you look hard enough. Young children enjoy a trip to the park to climb the monkey bars and glide down the twisting slide. You only have to travel as far as your own back yard for bubble blowing, driveway chalk

drawing and picking the weeds and worms out of the flower beds.

Older children are in awe when you do the unexpected they don't stereotype as something a parent or caregiver would do. Your children may be pleasantly shocked when they see you belly flop into a pool, pitch a tent to camp out with the family in your own back yard or make banana splits for dinner.

The best and most fun things in life are often free and very spontaneous.

Remember the feelings of discovery and elation you had when you saw your first robin's nest filled with hungry young mouths. An outdoor adventure turns into a science lesson when you find an old tree stump and teach your children how to determine its age simply by counting its rings.

Pack toys, games and books your children are bored with away for a month or more. When they are at a loss for something to do and beg you for a ride to the store for something new, pull out the packed away box and rejuvenate some old favorites. The results just might pleasantly surprise you.

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■ Join in a "Storybook Spring" 4-6 p.m. Thursday, April 2, on the third floor Beatrix Potter Shop of Hudson's at the Somerset Collection, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy, as Royal Doulton china presents *Jemima Puddle-Duck*. She will make friends while a storyteller shares the tales of Beatrix Potter's lovable character, Peter Rabbit.

■ English Gardens will have a hiring open house this weekend. It will be recruiting for spring and summer positions including cashiers, floral sales, bedding plant and nursery sales, patio furniture sales, garden center sales and stocking - and crew leaders, assistant crew leaders and installation crew members in its landscape design department - at each of its four locations, including between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the West Bloomfield store, 6370 Orchard Lake Road. Call (248) 851-7506.

■ The Hardy Plant Society will meet 7 p.m. Monday, April 6, at Congregational Church of Birmingham, 1000 Cranbrook Road in Bloomfield Hills. Guest fee \$3. Speaker Jim MacKinder will present "Spring Garden Wakeup." Call Maryann at (248) 652-4004.

■ The Village Gardeners of Lathrup Village will have a free program, "Healthy Trees and Shrubs for the Home Garden," 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, April 6, in the Community Room of the Lathrup Village Municipal Building, 27400 Southfield Road. The public may attend. The program, co-sponsored by Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority, will be presented by Terry McLeah, advanced master gardener and senior horticulture adviser of the Oakland County Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Service. Topics will include proper plant selection and care, identifying and managing pest problems, recognizing and conserving beneficial insects and minimizing pesticide use. SOCRRA volunteers will staff display tables with information on tree and flower selection, composting, garden maintenance, and lawn care 6:30-7 p.m. Call Susan Arneson at (248) 443-1703 or SOCRRA at (248) 288-5150.

■ English Gardens conducts free seminars. The next topic - 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, at the West Bloomfield store, 6370 Orchard Lake Road, north of Maple - is "Container and Window Box Gardening" by Susan Greener and Kay Kiebusch. Call (248) 851-7506.

■ Learn to make a fitted slipcover for a side chair or simple armchair in a six-

session class beginning Thursday, April 2, at Haberman Fabrics, 117 W. Fourth in Royal Oak. Bring your chair, and a helper to get it up the stairs, to the first class. It will remain there until the last session. Decorative fabric won't be needed until the third session. Call (248) 541-0010 for registration and information.

■ The Metropolitan Rose Society will meet 7 p.m. Friday, April 3, at the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center, 3500 Marais, east of Crooks and south of 13 Mile. The public may attend. Speaker Dick Schmidt, an expert on miniature roses, will present a program on the 1997 Hampton Court Palace Flower Show that took place in conjunction with the British Rose Festival.

■ Popular folk artist and Northville native Mary Beth Baxter will sign autographs, greet customers and share knowledge of folk art with her fans noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at M.T. Hunter, 201 E. Main in Northville, where much of her art is sold and displayed. Admission is free and refreshments will be available. Call (248) 399-1101.

■ The University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens' Environmental Learning Fund continues its ELF Speaker/Workshop Series with a class, "Basic Tracking Skills," 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Sunday, April 5, at the UM Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor. Cost is \$10 for the general public, free for students with valid ID. Bring your own lunch. Call (734) 998-7061 to register or for more information.

■ Guided tours of the Conservatory at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor, will take place Sundays, April 5, 19 and 26. A free, guided tour of the Matthaei outdoor nature trails is scheduled 2 p.m. Sunday, April 5. Conservatory admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students K-12, and free for preschoolers, UM students and Members of Matthaei. Call (734) 998-7061.

■ Michigan State University's soil nutrient testing service is available to home gardeners through Saturday, April 11. Cost is \$10 per sample. The service, providing a written report useful for selecting fertilizers, is offered by garden supply stores in cooperation with the Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority. Before sampling, pick up a flier at C.G. Wilkop Landscape Inc. of Troy, any Damman Hardware store, any English Gardens store, Maskill True Value Hardware of Birmingham, Telly's Greenhouse and Garden Center of Troy or Uncle Luke's Feed Store of Troy. For other retailers or information, call SOCRRA at (248) 288-5150.

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Show offers advice to build on

The second annual Home Improvement Show opens Thursday, April 2, and runs through Sunday, April 5, at the Novi Expo Center.

"This is the last home show of the spring season and it's a virtual mecca for homeowners looking to jazz up their surroundings," said Mark Guidobono, president of Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and chief executive officer of Cambridge Homes in Northville. The non-profit BIA is the sponsor of the event.

Among its features, the show will provide homeowners with information on how to choose a remodeler. A free booklet with tips on how to choose and work with a remodeler will be furnished. Homeowners are encouraged to check the licenses, references and previous workmanship of all prospective contractors.

The nation's leading buying and selling expert, Tony Hyman, will share his insider's secrets to turn trinkets into treasures. His advice has put more than \$100 million into the pockets of everyday people with old items commonly found in basements and attics, as seen on "Oprah" and "Vicki."

Other highlights will include the WJR Radio broadcast of "The Appliance Doctor," At Home columnist Joe Gagnon, Saturday and Sunday; Detroit Edison

safety experts' demonstration of electrical safety and the need to play it safe around power lines; the Parade of Homes, featuring a free plan book and a pictorial display of new homes sponsored by Standard Federal Bank and BIA; demonstrations on decorating, home repair and remodeling; and a Treasure Chest contest with daily prizes.

Exhibitors will have advice, ideas and innovations for kitchens, baths, doors, windows, yards/gardens, spas, remodeling, interior design, home offices, furniture, arts and crafts, decorative accessories, electronics, heating, cooling and appliances.

BIA also sponsors the Home Improvement Show at Macomb Expo Center, Builders Home and Detroit Flower Show at Cobo Conference-Exhibition Center and Spring Home & Garden Show and Fall Remodeling Show at Novi Expo Center.

Novi Expo Center is at I-96 and Novi Road. Show hours are 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for seniors and ages 6-12, and free for under age 6. Family tickets for two adults and accompanying children are available at Farmer Jack for \$9. Parking is available at Novi Expo Center for a fee. For more information, call (248) 737-4478.

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Sunday, April 5 - 1:00 p.m.
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What's New In Brick Pacing
Monday, April 6 - 1:00 p.m. (North)
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Tuesday, April 7 - 11:30 a.m.,
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Tuesday, April 7 - 7:00 p.m. (North)
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Wednesday, April 8 - 11:30 a.m.,
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Edible Flowers
Wednesday, April 8 - 7:00 p.m. (South)
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Children's Theatre Of Michigan
Thursday, April 9 - 11:30 a.m.,
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Arranging Fresh Cut Flowers
Thursday, April 9 - 1:00 p.m. (North)
Presented by The Flower Company

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Thursday, April 9 - 7:00 p.m. (South)
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Friday, April 10 - 11:30 a.m.,
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Friday, April 10 - 1:00 p.m. (North)
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Children's Theatre Of Michigan
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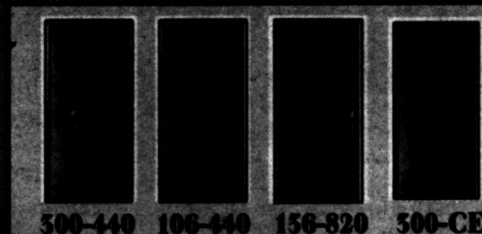
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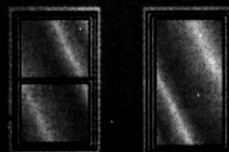
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THE WEEKEND

FRIDAY



Wayne State University's Studio Theatre presents "Speed the Plow," by David Mamet, 8 p.m. at the theater below the Hilberry Theatre, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$5 to \$7, call (313) 577-2972.

SATURDAY



18th century composer George Frederic Handel comes to life in "Hallelujah Handel! Angels in the Opera House," a Detroit Symphony Orchestra Young People's Series Concert 11 a.m. at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$18 to \$7, call (313) 576-5111.

SUNDAY



Junior Actors of Ridgedale present "Where is Spring?" 1 p.m. at the Ridgedale playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. Admission \$6.50 includes meal, show, and visit with the Easter bunny. Reservations essential, call (248) 988-7049.

HOT TICKET



Hot Tix: Youtheatre at Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit, presents "Tales of Beatrix Potter," Melikin Puppet Theatre's salute to spring 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, April 4, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 5. Tickets \$7 (advance) and \$8 (at the door). No one under the age of 3 admitted to theater, call (313) 963-2366.



Magical musical: Dorothy, portrayed by Birmingham-native Jessica Grove, in a scene from "The Wizard of Oz."

FROM BIRMINGHAM TO OZ

Dorothy

FOLLOWS THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Birmingham-native Jessica Grove, 16, is having no trouble slipping into Dorothy Gale's ruby red slippers. She didn't need any special preparation.

"I didn't have to do a lot. I'm a girl from Michigan and Columbus, Ohio, which has lots of farm land around it. And going to New York was like going over the rainbow for me, a place I've always dreamed about," she said.

Grove (pronounced Grow-vay) played the role last May at New York's Madison Square Garden in a stage version of the MGM classic musical "The Wizard of Oz." Roseanne played the Wicked Witch.

Now Grove is in New York rehearsing for a yearlong national tour with Mickey Rooney as the Wizard and Eartha Kitt as the Wicked Witch. The show comes to Detroit's Fox Theatre April 10 for a two-week run.

Grove was born at Beaumont Hospital and lived a year in Birmingham before her father was transferred to the Columbus area. She has already accumulated an impressive resume including performances in Columbus in "Really Rosie," "The Sound of Music" and, her favorite, a musical version of "The Diary of Anne Frank," "Yours, Anne." She has also toured before in a production of "Oliver."

And she had experience playing Dorothy. So she was ready when her agent called to have her fly to New York last year with her mother.

"They had me sing and read some scenes. I felt good about it, so Mom and I went to Macy's to cele-

The Wizard of Oz

What: 90-minute stage adaptation of the classic MGM musical based on L. Frank Baum's children's books.

Where: Detroit's Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., downtown Detroit.

When: April 10-26, 7:30 p.m. April 10; 11 a.m., 3 and 8 p.m. April 11, 18 and 25; 2 and 5 p.m. April 12; 2 and 7:30 p.m. April 15 and 17; 1, 4 and 7 p.m. April 19; 7:30 p.m. April 21 and 23; 12:30 and 7:30 p.m. April 22 and 24; and 1 and 4 p.m. April 26.

Tickets: \$17.50 to \$45.50, on sale at the Fox, Joe Louis Arena and all Ticketmaster locations. To charge by phone, call (248) 433-1515.

brate," she said. "I called my agent from Macy's and she talked to Julie Hughes, the casting director, and she said they wanted me to come back right away because the producer wanted to see me."

The young actress is excited about coming to Detroit, which she has only seen a couple times since her family moved away. And she's excited about performing with such seasoned performers.

"It's really a wonderful experience. I know not a lot of girls my age get to have," she said. "Lara Teeter, the actor who plays the Scarecrow, said to me, how many kids of my generation will be able to say they worked with Mickey Rooney. I know that's true because he's getting on in years, but I know he'll keep performing as long as he can."

Rooney, 77, is a true American icon. In the late 1930s and early '40s his face and personality defined the youth of his time in the same way that Elvis and the Beatles would for later generations.

Through numerous Andy Hardy movies and Mickey and Judy musicals, Rooney and Judy Garland were presented by MGM as the ideal of American youth.

When Garland was making movie history as the most famous Dorothy of all in "The Wizard," she and Rooney were also making Andy Hardy comedies. Their friendship began in childhood and ended with Garland's early and tragic death in 1969.

"We talked a little about her, but he gets choked up talking about her. He really had a love and respect for her," Grove said. "But he complimented me a lot and that means a lot from him. He had Judy in the back of his mind, but he says I bring my own individuality to the role."

Rooney called his young co-star "marvelous," and said she was a true professional who needed no advice from him.

The veteran trouper was curly polite, barking answers in his familiar voice over the telephone from his room at the Waldorf Astoria in New York. Maybe it was because he was rehearsing his best Frank Morgan gruffness as the Wizard or maybe it was because he had just come from being on radio with Howard Stern, enough to unnerve anyone. In any case, he wasn't interested in giving long answers.

But then, when you've been performing since you were a toddler and your career spans practically the history of American movies, what's left to say. Rooney began appearing in movies when he was 6 years old in a series of "Mickey

Please see DOROTHY, E2

What: "Play By Play," a 12-hour marathon of short plays presented by Heartland Theatre Company

When: Noon to midnight Saturday, April 4

Where: Millennium Center, 15600 J.L. Hudson Drive, Southfield

Tickets: \$20, all-day; \$5, per hour; (248) 988-1094

■ Proceeds go to Heartland Theatre Company, a nonprofit arts organization

Actors go distance for marathon

Every once in a while, Beverly Hainault-Buzinski gets to do some real acting. Something more than a restrained interpretation of a housewife for a sanitized industrial training film.

Yet for the first time in years a smile and a sense of relief spreads across her face when talking about opportunities in local theater.

Hainault-Buzinski of Rochester Hills will perform in "Leaving the Baggage Behind," one of the many short plays in the second annual "Play By Play" fundraising marathon presented Saturday by Heartland Theatre Company at the Millennium Center in Southfield.

"We're bringing the theatrical community together under one roof," said Jan Radcliff, executive director of Heartland. "No one really knows what anyone else is doing."

The prototypical American "have it your way" play festival showcases more than 50 actors and 29 playwrights, mostly from the metro area.

"Play By Play," a 12-hour theatrical deluge offers a steady flow of slice-of-life stories from five to 20 minutes, including monologues, skits, dramas and comedies.

"I thought the quality of plays last year was a fluke, but this year it seems even better," said Radcliff of Birmingham.

If one play doesn't catch your fancy, sit tight. In a few minutes another one will be on its way.

Ultimate networking

The format of continuous short plays is well suited to the contemporary attention span and remote-control sensibilities.

But in many ways, "Play By Play" is the ultimate insiders festival.

"We don't serve an audience as much as the artists in the theater community," said Radcliff, who organizes annual acting workshops with legendary thespian Uta Hagen, and a summer festival of new plays.

At "Play By Play," up-and-comers are given their due alongside the established names. And overall, the local theater community revels in a cathartic networking bliss.

"The only drawback is deciding whether the best place to socialize is in the theater or the lobby," said Gillian Eaton of Plymouth, who'll perform and direct her playlet, "Bread and Marge."

Please see ACTORS, E2

MUSIC

Suicide Machines rages at a furious speed

The Suicide Machines subscribe to the belief that many albums suffer untimely deaths. They aren't satisfying all the way through.

"There's too much filler, not enough killer," singer Jay Navarro said.

On the punk band's latest album "Battle Hymns" (Hollywood Records), The Suicide Machines put up a tough fight against that theory. The album is a 22-song, 28-minute lesson on the band's thoughts on racism ("Hating Hate," "Black and White World"), friendships gone sour ("Give," "Pins and Needles"), war ("Confused"), the environment and pesticides' effects on it ("DDT"), and trust ("Empty Room").

With the help of racing guitars and machine-gun drums, The Suicide Machines quickly get to the point.

"We can put all the elements of a song into a small amount of time. Not very many bands can do

Who: The Suicide Machines

What: Perform with special guests Telegraph

When: Friday, April 17. Doors open at 7 p.m.

Where: Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac

Why: To celebrate the release of its sophomore album

"Battle Hymns," on the Disney-owned Hollywood Records, due in stores Tuesday, April 7.

How: Tickets are \$8 in advance for the all-ages show. For

more information, call (248) 333-2362 or visit

<http://www.961melt.com>. Hollywood Records' website is

<http://www.hollywoodrec.com>.

OTHER EVENTS

Fans of The Suicide Machines will also get the chance to

dunk singer Jay Navarro on 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, at

Record Time, 27360 Gratiot Road, Roseville. When some-

one buys a CD or cassette copy of "Battle Hymns," he or

she gets a shot at Navarro in the "punk tank." Call (810) 775-1550 for more information.

that," guitarist/vocalist Dan Lukacinsky said.

The tirade leaves listeners with one of two feelings, Navarro explained.

"You either want more or you're satisfied. Both reactions are good."

"Battle Hymns," which hits stores Tuesday, April 7, is much more political than The Suicide Machines' debut "Destruction By Definition" (Hollywood Records).

"I had a lot more to say about things in general," said Navarro, a Berkley resident who attended Livonia Franklin and Churchill high schools.

"The lyrics got more personal, and we admit that we're as confused and frustrated as everyone else when it comes to screwed-up politics. Being from Michigan, we all write from that local perspective. The factory down the river spills out pollution,

Please see MACHINES, E2



Celebrating release: The Suicide Machines - from left, vocalist Jay Navarro, guitarist/vocalist Dan Lukacinsky, drummer Erin Pitman, and bassist/vocalist Royce Nunley - celebrate the release of its sophomore effort "Battle Hymns."

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unregulated and unconcerned; we see a lot of racial tension, a lot of hate groups. Our surroundings affect us personally and in our songwriting," he added.

Lukacinsky, a Farmington Hills resident, added that those issues inspired the album title "Battle Hymns."

"It has nothing to do with violence. Instead, it's more about battling ignorance and racism. The music is therapeutic - it's a good way to get stuff out of our system. I hope that when people listen to the album they get the messages. But even with the seriousness of the music, we're definitely not trying to be preachy. We try to always keep sight of the fact that this band is mainly about having fun," he explained.

Weaving back and forth between ska, punk and hardcore, the music of "Battle Hymns" keeps the mood of the album upbeat.

"The issues that we bring up are depressing, but the music counteracts that. It makes it fun," Navarro said.

The album was recorded in December with producer Julian Raymond, who also produced "Destruction by Definition," and mixer Chris Lord-Alge. Lukacinsky described the album as "a lot less produced. There's no second guitar parts, no horns, no keyboards. But sonically, this record is phat."

Lord-Alge's influence gave "Battle Hymns" less of a pop sound than "Destruction by Definition."

"Chris is a different mixer than Jerry Finn (who worked on 'Destruction by Definition'). He was into more of a pop sound. This guy is into more of an in-your-face phat mix," Lukacinsky explained.

Quick success

The Suicide Machines - which also includes bassist/vocalist Royce Nunley of Redford and drummer Erin Pitman of Dearborn - formed in 1991 and soon thereafter opened for the Mighty Mighty Bostones at the band's second Detroit show.

Its reputation as an energetic live band led to gigs opening for Rancid in Detroit in 1993 and 1994. The Suicide Machines, a former Observer and Eccentric Newspapers' Band of the Year,

organized its own tours in 1994 and 1995.

After releasing two self-produced recordings, The Suicide Machines made its major-label debut with "Destruction by Definition" in 1996. Named "one of the best American pop albums of '96" by Alternative Press magazine, "Destruction by Definition" has sold more than 200,000 copies and landed at No. 15 on Soundscan's 1997 ranking of alternative new artists.

Besides touring with the U.S. Warped Tour, The Suicide Machines played its music to audiences in Eastern Europe and Japan.

"Prague is the most amazing city. Honestly if I were to move to any city in the world, that's one of them," Navarro said.

With "Battle Hymns," The Suicide Machines is hoping to expand its touring schedule to include Australia.

"We want to take the music to as many places as we can. Those people want to hear our music too," Lukacinsky said.

The Suicide Machines will kick off its U.S. tour Friday, April 17, with an all-ages show at Clutch Cargo's in Pontiac.

Touring, Lukacinsky explained, helps the band hone its sound.

"The real growth comes from live shows. I can see from the last album that the music has come a long way. The music, the songwriting, you can really see the progression," he said.

"'Destruction by Definition' is what it is. It's a different record.

It has more of a pop type of sound. The next album might be a collection of love songs."

"This is what The Suicide Machines is all about. This is the pinnacle of what we've been doing for the last seven years. I want people to understand that we're not going to make the same album every time," he added.

The bottom line, according to Navarro, is that the band is satisfied with "Battle Hymns."

"We're happy with the way it came out. A lot of albums you can't listen to the whole thing," Navarro added saying his album is different.

"We're not shoving our ideas down anyone's throats. You can take it or leave it."

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While the work of actors, directors and playwrights appear as a smorgasbord, there's a unmistakable camaraderie.

The general attitude is that artists have to create opportunities for themselves.

Coming together

For Hainault-Buzinski, a founding member of the mid 1970s theater group Roadside Attractions - the precursor to the Attic Theatre - on-stage per-

formances have been infrequent since her days a decade ago performing Shakespeare.

It's the same story for many actors across metro Detroit who patch together free-lance acting assignments to support their insatiable yearnings as serious thespians in search of a compelling script, stage and audience.

As anyone bitten by the theater bug can attest, theater might be the ultimate artistic laboratory to appreciate human

motivations, but it's a lousy place to make a living.

"Part of being an actor is thinking on your feet, creating your own work," said Kirk Hanley of Farmington, who will perform in three short plays, "Labor of Love," "Hypothetical Situation," and "Paternity Ward."

A self-described "struggling actor," Hanley said he often has several auditions per week for industrial films and voice-over work.

"('Play By Play') is a way to get your work out there," said Hanley. "You can see the process of how a play comes together."

In fact, "coming together" is also an appropriate description for the theater community.

For many of the participants in "Play By Play," there's a hope that the marathon is both a catalyst and a microcosm of the changes ahead.

Local participants

Kitty Dubin, Loretta Higgins, Jan Radcliff, Joyce Uzelac of Birmingham; Marshall Zweig of Bloomfield Hills; Shirley Benyas of West Bloomfield; Steve Domrowski, Dean Vanderkolk of Clarkston; Kirk Hanley of Farmington; Sarab Kamoo of Lathrup Village; David MacGregor of Livonia; Elaine Kaiser of Novi; Gillian Eaton of Plymouth; Beverly Hainault-Buzinski of Rochester Hills; Chris Guyotte of Southfield; Diane Pickert of Troy; P.W. Henry of Westland.

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McGuire" shorts two years before the Detroit Fox Theatre opened (in 1928). He was the No. 1 box office attraction for three years in 1938-40, has been nominated for three Academy Awards, honored with two special Oscars and won the Golden Globe and Emmy for his performance in "Bill." He has also been a hit on stage in the long-running "Sugar Babies."

He wouldn't name a favorite film.

"After 360 pictures what are you going to say. I enjoyed doing a lot of them," he said.

He also didn't want to talk about this production ("It's fine, great for the kids") or the original "Wizard" and its star.

"I don't believe anyone knew what it would become, it's one of those cult films," he said and then reeled off the names of the film's famous stars (Ray Bolger,

Jack Haley, Bert Lahr, Frank Morgan, Margaret Hamilton) as the reason for its endurance.

He said he can't wait to come to the Fox and has good memories of Detroit from performing here in "Sugar Babies" at the Masonic.

He has a practical approach to show business.

"I enjoy getting a check every week. I love it. No, really I love the business, I'm happy to be performing," he said.

Rooney recently completed filming on "Babe in Metropolis" featuring the talking pig and scheduled for Thanksgiving release.

Jessica Grove still has more starry views of show business and a set of goals and ambitions.

"I'd really like to do a show on Broadway and stay a few months, originate a role, make a cast album because that's really

I'd really like to do a show on Broadway and stay a few months, originate a role, make a cast album because that's really the best way to become known.'

Jessica Grove

Dorothy in 'Wizard of Oz'

the best way to become known," she said.

And when this tour is over?

"I just got my driver's license and I can't wait to drive," she said.

Meanwhile, for the next year or so, she'll be dancing down the yellow brick road with Scarecrow, Tin Man and the Cowardly Lion.

WSU hosts conference on dance preservation

Michigan Dance Archive is co-sponsoring "Dance Preservation in Michigan for the 21st Century," a conference on the campus of Wayne State University Friday-Saturday, April 24-25.

For registration information, call the Wayne State University Dance Department at (313) 577-4273.

Dance resources and information are becoming readily accessible through the Internet, CD-Rom information storage and retrieval, and digital imaging technology. The conference offers a series of "getting started" presentations and networking opportunities to Michigan dancers and archivists.

Guest speakers include Carolyn Adams (artistic director of the New York State Summer School of the Arts, School of the Dance; curator at the American


Dance Legacy Institute, co-director of Harlem Dance Foundation, and principal dancer with Paul Taylor from 1965 to 1982) and Leslie Kopp (executive director of Preservation, Inc., New York, and editor of Afterimages, the newsletter of performing arts documentation and preservation. Will Smith (technical director of the Ohio State University Multimedia Dance Prototype Lab) will give an in-depth discussion and demonstration of CD-Rom technology.

On the evening of Friday, April 24, a dance concert featuring the Detroit Dance Collective, Karen Prall's Artistry in Motion, Dance Gallery/Peter Sparling and Co., and the Wayne State Dance Company will be presented in the new Maggie Allesee Studio in the Wayne State Dance Department.

Singer performs Requiem

Dramatic soprano Julie Rose of Redford will be a featured soloist with the Grosse Pointe Symphony Orchestra in the Verdi Requiem 3 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at St. Clare of Montefalco Church on Mack at Outer Drive. Tickets are available at the door for \$12 adults, \$10 seniors and \$5 students. For more information, call (313)885-0744.

Rose has toured Europe seven times, giving more than 40 concerts in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, England, Italy and Poland. She has also performed as a guest soloist with many local orchestras. Upcoming performances include the Mozart "Coronation Mass" in Austria.



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CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

THE ART STUDIO

Adult art classes in oils, pastels and drawing. Children's after-school classes in drawing, painting and crafts. 4417 S. Commerce Road, Commerce Township; (248) 360-5772.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF PONTIAC

Spring classes, including drawing, sculpture and painting. Children's classes included drawing and cartooning, painting, mask-making, arts and crafts and printmaking. Teen and adult classes include beaded jewelry, ceramics, photography, Chinese brush painting and blues guitar. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

PAINTEK CREEK CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Register for spring classes, April 20-June 13. Children's classes. Adult courses include basketry, ceramic bead-making, clay, collage, drawing, matting, painting, photography, sculpture, tapestry and watercolor. 407 Pine Street, downtown Rochester; (248) 651-4110.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Registration for Summer Day Camps, non residents can register beginning May 8. Also available specialty day camps in art, theatre, soccer and dance. "Designing for Today's Interiors," taught by designer Eileen Mills 7-9 p.m. Thursdays, beginning April 2; four-week class, fee: \$100. 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield; (248) 354-9603.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY

April 3 - 5:30 p.m., "A Celebration of Paperweights," in recognition of Michigan Glass Month, featuring internationally known glass artists Paul Stankard and 93 paperweights. U of M - Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen Road, 307ML; (734) 593-5087.

ARIANA GALLERY

April 3 - 11th Annual Glass Show, "North of the Border," featuring Canadian artisans. Through April 30, 119 S. Main, Royal Oak; (248) 546-8810.

CRAIG GALLERY

April 3 - Grand Opening, featured artist: Lyle Morris. 810 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale; (248) 7156.

DECORATIVE ADDITIONS

STUDIO/GALLERY

April 3 - 6:30 p.m., "The Photography of Frank Andrae." 725 S. Adams Road, Birmingham. For information, (248) 540-2465.

BBAA

April 4 - 6 p.m., "Michigan Metalsmithing: 50th Year Anniversary," a juried exhibit. Through April 25, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

April 4 - 7 p.m., "New Works/Oil," excursions from an artist's journal by Fran Wolok. Through April 25, 6 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 334-6716.

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART

April 4 - 7 p.m., "Documenta USA," an exhibit based on an open invitation of artists to show their works in any medium. No work will be refused. Actual showing schedule from 8-9:40 p.m. 23 W. Lawrence Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

NETWORK

April 4 - 7 p.m., "The Clarity of Seduction," an exhibit that explores the use of transparent and translucent materials. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

SHAWGUIDO GALLERY

April 4 - 7 p.m., a solo exhibit of the ceramic artist of John Woodward. Through May 2, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-1070.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

MOORE'S GALLERY

Through March 22 - "The Children of Mozambique," paintings by Terry Roy, 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 647-4662.

NETWORK GALLERY

Through March 26 - "Sewings," an exhibit of sewn fabric collages by D. Guerrero-Macia. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 334-3911.

THE END OF ART

Through March 27 - An exhibit that mourns the death of painting. Museum of Contemporary Art, 23 W. Lawrence, Pontiac; (248) 334-6038.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Through March 27 - Works of members from the South Oakland Art Association. Hours: 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. 24350 Southfield Road, just south of 10 Mile Road; (248) 424-9022.

UZELAC GALLERY

Through March 27 - Geometric abstract paintings and serigraphs of Marko Palatin. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257.

HABATAT GALLERIES

Through March 28 - Glass sculptures by Richard Ritter and Stephen Powell. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-2060.

LAWRENCE STREET GALLERY

Through March 28 - 7 p.m., "Architectural Patterns," Michigan artists interpret their surroundings through the use of geometric shapes and spaces. (248) 334-6716.

SHAW GUIDO GALLERY

Through March 28 - "The Many Faces of Howard Kottler." 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-1070.

WEARLEY STUDIO GALLERY

Through March 28 - "Sentimental Signs: Iron wall objects by Gary S. Griffin, head of the metalsmithing department, Cranbrook Academy of Art. 1719 W. Fourteen Mile Road, Royal Oak; (248) 549-3016.

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY

Through March 29 - 4 p.m., "Clinton River Studios," the work of Peter Hackett, Jeff Hale, Mark Rutkowski, Greg Utech and Daniel Vernia. Images of the Rochester factory district along the Clinton River. Wilson Hall, across from Meadow Brook Theatre, Oakland University; (248) 370-3005.

CARY GALLERY

Through April 4 - 6 p.m., "Jeffrey Abt: Paintings and Drawings." 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-3656.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Through April 10 - "1998 M.F.A. Graduate Thesis Art Exhibition, Part II." 150 Community Arts Building, Wayne State University, Detroit; (313) 577-2203.

HILBERRY GALLERY

Through April 11 - "Fairfield Porter: Paintings, Watercolors, and Drawings." 555 S. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

CREATIVE RESOURCE

Through April 12 - "The Dark Sublime," recent paintings of Anton Weiss, and stone sculpture by Michigan artist Maureen Gray. 162 Old N. Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-3688.

MOORE'S GALLERY

Through April 13 - "Straight Ahead, Just Jazz," works by Joseph E. Grey II. Watercolors, line drawings and acrylics depicting many jazz greats. Artist reception 4 p.m. Sunday, March 29, 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 647-4662.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA

Through April 17 - "Oakland County Parks Photo Exhibit," Executive Office Building, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac; (248) 858-0415.

KIDD GALLERY

Through April 18 - 6 p.m., "The Master's Eye," a collection of paintings and drawings by Larry Rivers. 107 Townsend Street, Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY

Through April 25 - "A Gallery of Stars," the books and art of Michigan Children's book authors and illustrators, featuring Margaret Hillert of Birmingham, Patricia Hooper of Bloomfield Hills, Cyd Moore of Beverly Hills. 536 N. Old Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 647-7040.

HILL GALLERY

Through April 25 - "Jeane Highstein: Sculpture, Drawing." 407 W. Brown Street, Birmingham; (248) 540-9288.

WYLAND GALLERIES

Through April 30 - Lighthouse photographer Thomas J. Atkins. 280 Merrill Street, Birmingham; (248) 723-9220.

G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY

Through May 2 - "Richard Hunt: Sculptor." 161 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 642-2700.

'Charlotte' spins a delightful web

"Charlotte's Web" continues through April 26 at the Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main St., downtown Northville. Show times 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays until April 26. Weekday performances 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, April 13-17. Tickets \$6.50, call (248) 349-8110. BY LIBBY PRYSBY SPECIAL WRITER

The classic story "Charlotte's Web" has warmed the hearts of many, so will the Marquis Theatre's latest production of this familiar tale. Twenty smiling faces, wonderful scenery, and lots of audience participation will keep most of the youngest theatergoers entertained throughout the entire performance.

Once the lights have gone down, and the overture has ended, the audience is welcomed by the humorous and amusing

rat, Templeton, played by Steve Tadevic.

Tadevic is such as natural, and immediately loved by all, although his character probably would hate to have anyone feel such a strong emotion for him.

Wilbur, the "radiant and humble" pig, is portrayed by Chris Kirouac. Also a crowd pleaser, Kirouac has exaggerated gestures and some terrific movements. Not only is he some pig, but also some actor.

Charlotte, the sweet, yet strong spider, is performed by Kathleen Coleman-Lozelle. Her elegant and graceful moves, along with the aid of her costume, truly turn Coleman-Lozelle into a willowy spider.

Barnyard friends, the Old Sheep, portrayed by Jackie Marns, and the Goose, portrayed by Emily Wilk, add a light-heart-

ed touch which mixes well with the music and choreography. Wilk, along with her Goslings, Ellyanne Rosenthal, Jamie Somerville, and Jessica Menhart, do a snappy little number, showing off how talented these cast members are.

Some other fine performances can be seen with Ken Haering portraying Uncle Zuckerman, Stacie Guerresio portraying Fern, Justin Wilk portraying Lurvy, the Indian Chief, the Fair president, and the gifted Children's Chorus.

Zuckerman's Barn has been created with precision and creativity. The web spun by Charlotte is cleverly crafted and serves its purpose well. The fair scene, a painted backdrop, takes the audience to a realistic state fair with a ferris wheel and ticket booths. Both are nicely con-

structed and transform the Marquis from a theater to a rural area.

Probably the best aspect of this musical is the audience participation. Dialogue, as well as lines, in the music draw everyone into the action on the stage, along with the action in the aisles. Not only does this grab everyone's attention, but sustains it for over an hour. No one should be bored during this theater production.

If you are looking for a great performance with a meaningful story line, energetic actors, and lots of fun, plan to attend the Marquis Theatre's performance of "Charlotte's Web." Everyone will have a terrific time.

Libby Prysby, a junior at Groves High School in Birmingham, has been involved in community theater for over ten years.

The Rockettes are looking for a few good legs

Radio City Productions will host an open casting call for all qualified performers including Rockettes Wednesday, April 8 at the Wayne State University Dance Department, 3317 Old Main Boulevard, third floor, Detroit. For more information, call the Audition Hotline (212) 632-3630.

The Radio City Rockettes are looking for dancers to join the troupe of the Radio City Christmas Spectacular which returns this holiday season to the Fox Theatre. In 1997, the legendary show was seen by a record 1.7 million people in New York, Chicago, Detroit, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and Missouri. The Detroit production, presented by Hudson's, was completely sold out.

Radio City Productions is looking for more Rockettes, more dancers, more singers, and more children to perform in this year's holiday extravaganza. All Rockettes, dancers and singers must be at least 18 years of age. Call backs will be held the day after audition. Christmas Spectacular rehearsals begin in mid-October with performances running from mid-November to December.

Auditions for Rockettes, who must be between 5 feet 5 1/2 inches and 5 feet nine inches, start at 10 a.m. Performers must be prepared to learn tap, ballet and jazz combinations.


Auditions for male dancers begin at 1 p.m., followed by female dancers at 2 p.m. Dancers should be prepared to learn ballet and jazz combinations. If you also sing, bring music. All female dancers must work on pointe and have their pointe shoes with them to audition. There is no height requirement, though

some character costumes are full body with limited vision.

Auditions for singers begin at 4 p.m., children's auditions at 5 p.m.

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THEATER

DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE

"Scott Joplin," a musical play about the king of ragtime with music by Scott Joplin, through Sunday, May 24, at the theater 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15. (313) 866-1347

FOX THEATRE

"The Wizard of Oz," with Mickey Rooney as The Wizard, American Music Classics host Bob Dorian as Uncle Henry and the understudy to The Wizard, Eartha Kitt as the Wicked Witch of the West, and Jessica Grove as Dorothy. 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, April 11, 18 and 25, 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday, April 12, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, and Friday, April 17, 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, April 19, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 21, and Thursday, April 23, 12:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, and Friday, April 24, and 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday, April 26, at the theater, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$45.50 (main floor and mezzanine), \$32.50 and \$17.50, with school and group discounts available. (248) 433-1515/(313) 596-3211

HEARTLAND THEATRE COMPANY

"Play By Play," a 12-hour marathon of 10-minute plays written by local and regional writers, noon to midnight Saturday, April 4, Millennium Center, 15600 J.L. Hudson Dr., Southfield. \$20 for all-day passes, \$5 per hour, benefits Heartland's "Playscape '98." (248) 988-1094, ext. 1.

MEADOW BOOK THEATRE

"Murder By Misadventure," a mystery-writing duo plots the perfect murder, through April 12, at the theater at Oakland University, Walton and Squirrel boulevards, Rochester. 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays (\$22), 2 p.m. Wednesdays (\$22), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$26.50), 2 p.m. Saturdays (\$22), 6 p.m. Saturdays (\$32), 8 p.m. Saturdays (\$32), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$22), and 6:30 p.m. Sundays (\$26.50). Students, seniors and group discounts available. (248) 377-3300

MUSIC HALL CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

"Perilous Times," with Tommy Ford, tells the story of a man's life and decisions after his angel shows him the life of a man who lived almost 2,000 years ago. Tuesday-Sunday, April 7-12, at the hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday (\$16.50), 8 p.m. Thursday (\$19.50 and \$21.50), 8 p.m. Friday and Sunday (\$21.50 and \$24.50), 8 p.m. Saturday (\$21.50 and \$26.50), and 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday (\$21.50 and \$24.50). (313) 963-2366

PLOWSHARES THEATRE CO.

"A Raisin in the Sun," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 3-4, and 6 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Museum of African American History's Dr. Charles H. Wright Theater, 315 E. Warren (at Brush), Detroit. \$15-18, with discounts available for Plowshares subscribers, MAHA members, students with ID, and seniors ages 60 and older. (313) 872-0279

"RENT"

Benefit premier Wednesday, April 8, for Congregation Shir Tikvah in Troy, at the Fisher Theater, Detroit. \$75, \$125 and up includes buffet dinner donated by Matt Prentice's Unique Restaurant Corporation. (248) 706-1703. Special Sabbath service 7:45 p.m. Friday, April 3, to thank "Rent" honorees and honorary chairpersons, for location, call (248) 619-9669

COLLEGE

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

"Moon Over Buffalo," by Ken Ludwig. 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 3-4, at the college, 18600 Haggerty Road (between Six and Seven Mile roads), Livonia. \$8. (313) 482-4409

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY THEATRE

"Children of a Lesser God," a love story by Mark Medoff, Thursday-Sunday, April 7-19, Warner Lab Theatre, Oakland University, Rochester. 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sunday, April 19, student matinees 10 a.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, April 7-8, sign interpretation 8 p.m. Friday, April 17. \$10, \$8 seniors, \$5 students. (248) 370-3013

UMM THEATRE

"Antigone," Sophocles' powerful Greek tragedy set in Kenya during the 1930s, Thursday, April 2 to Sunday, April 12, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays, April 5 and 12, at the Trueblood Theatre, inside the Grace Building at State and Huron streets, Ann Arbor. \$14, \$7 students with ID. (734) 764-0450

WRIGHTMAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

"Finian's Rainbow," directed by Tony Award-winner Judy Dow Rumelhart, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, April 2-4, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at the college, 4800 E. Huron River Dr., Ann Arbor. \$12 and \$15, \$5 and \$7 for students. (734) 973-3623

WOOD HILSBERRY THEATRE

"A Woman of No Importance," by Oscar Wilde, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 3-4; "Two Gentlemen of Verona," by William Shakespeare, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 2; "Three Sisters," by Anton Chekhov, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 10-11, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave. on the Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

COMMUNITY THEATRE

CHURCH OF THE DIVINE CHILD

"Anything Goes," 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 3-4, and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at the church, 1001 N. Silvery Lane (west of Telegraph Road, south of Ford Road), Dearborn. \$5.50 adults and students with ID, \$4.50 seniors and children. (313) 562-1990

CHURCH OF THE DIVINE CHILD

"Lord of the Flies" continues through April 6, St. Martin Theatre, 415 E.



Family show: In a festive salute to the spring holidays, Youtheatre at Music Hall, 350 Madison, Detroit, will present Chicago's Melikin Puppet Theatre's "Tales of Beatrix Potter," 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, April 4, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 5. Parents should bring their cameras and plenty of film as the young theatergoers will be greeted by live costumed characters, including Youtheatre's Bunny Mother, in the lobby before and after each performance. Tickets \$7 (advance) \$8 (at the door). No one under the age of 3 will be admitted to the theater. Call (313) 963-2366.

Lafayette, Royal Oak. Tickets \$10-\$12. (248) 541-6430

DINNER THEATER

GENITTE'S HOLE-IN-THE-WALL

"Trial By Error," live interactive comedy dinner theater, through June at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. \$39.95 includes seven-course dinner of soup, bread, pasta, antipasto salad, baked chicken, Italian sausage, Italian steak, vegetables and dessert, the show, tax and tip. (248) 349-0522

JACKSON PRODUCTIONS

"Murder Italian Style Part 3," an audience participation murder-mystery comedy, 6:30 p.m. Saturdays through May 16, at Fiorelli's Restaurant, 26125 E. Huron River Dr., Flat Rock. \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door, includes dinner, show, tax and tip. Non-smoking dinner theater. (313) 782-1431

JOE'S MACOMBE THEATRE

L'Anse Creuse High School Choir's "A Tribute to the Movies" dinner theater, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, April 4-5, and 6 p.m. Monday, April 6, at the club, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. (810) 783-6400, ext. 7989

MARQUIS THEATRE

"Charlotte's Web," 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, April 4, 18 and 25, and Sundays, April 5, 19 and 26, and Monday-Friday, April 13-17, at the theater, 135 E. Main St., Northville. \$6.50. Children ages 3 and younger will not be admitted. (248) 349-8110

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS

"The Wizard of Oz," Saturdays and Sundays through Saturday, April 11, Historic Players Club, 3321 E. Jefferson Ave., Detroit. Noon lunch and 1 p.m. show Saturdays, and 1 p.m. lunch and 2 p.m. show Sundays. \$7.50 includes lunch. (810) 662-8118

SPECIAL EVENTS

CERAMICS AND DOLL EXPO

Noon to 5 p.m. Friday, April 3, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 4, and 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. \$4. Open competition entries accepted between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Thursday, April 2, at the TAN entrance. (847) 223-8585/(734) 287-2000

COLLAGE VI

A concert spotlighting Schoolcraft College's Chamber Singers, Community Choir, Wind Ensemble, SCool Jazz and SCool Jazz Prime, the computer generated MATS MIDI Band, and the piano program, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 4, in the Rediff Center Community Room, 1751 Rediff Road (south of Ford Road,

between Wayne and Merriman roads), Garden City. Free admission, donations accepted. (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218

COMPUTER AND TECHNOLOGY SHOW

With new and used computers, hardware including modems, printers, keyboards, CM-ROMs, scanners, shareware, and computer furniture, noon to 9 p.m. Friday, April 10, and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, April 11, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. (734) 287-2000

DRUM CLINIC

With Sponge drummer Charlie Grover, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 5, McCourt's Music, 20 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free with advance registration. (248) 334-5150

GREENBERG'S TRAIN, DOLLHOUSE & TOY SHOW

Featuring model railroading clinic, dealer marketplace, operating layouts from tiny Z scale to big G gauge. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 4, and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at the Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Drive, Novi. \$6, \$2 children ages 6-12. (248) 348-5600/(410) 795-7447

HOME IMPROVEMENT SHOW

With more than 100 exhibitors featuring the latest technology, products and services for kitchens, baths, doors, windows, remodeling, furniture, spas, decorative accessories, electronics, heating, cooling and appliances, 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, April 2-3, 2-10 p.m. Saturday, April 4, and 2-7 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at the Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Dr. (at I-96), Novi. \$4, \$3 children ages 6-12, free for children younger than age 6. Family tickets for two adults and accompanying children available at Farmer Jack for \$9. (248) 737-4478

"MARTINIS AND MARGARITAS"

Tremors' spring cigar social with an all-you-can-eat gourmet hors d'oeuvres, sampling of Stoli flavored martinis, margaritas with Don Julio tequila, wine and two premium hand-rolled cigars of choice, and jazz, swing and retro lounge music, 5-8 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Tremors in the Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park Dr., Livonia. \$25 in advance for men, \$20 in advance for ladies. (734) 462-2196

"VIVA LAS VEGAS"

As part of the Capitol Theatre's Faux Fest '98, featuring Lou Nelson as Tom Jones, Lee Tisone as Engelbert Humperdinck, and comedian James Kirkham, 8 p.m. Saturday, April 4, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at the theater, 121 University Ave. West, Windsor, Ontario. \$15 (Canadian), includes G.S.T. (519) 253-6065 or <http://www.mnsl.net/~capitol> or e-mail capitol@mnsl.net

EASTER

EASTER EGG HUNT

The fourth annual hunt begins with a children's musical program by Marc Thomas, 1,000 eggs (stuffed with candy and coupons for prizes) will be hidden around the cemetery office and mausoleum grounds, 1 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Asclia Park Cemetery, 31300 Southfield Road (north of 13 Mile Road), Beverly Hills. (248) 646-4228/(313) 564-8310

MR. BUNNY EGG HUNT

Children, ages 3 1/2 to 10 years, will search for eggs hidden by Mr. Bunny 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, bring your own basket, finders of 12 golden eggs will receive a basket full of candy and prizes, sponsored by West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation, at Marshbank Park, on Hiller Road north of Commerce Road, West Bloomfield. \$5 West Bloomfield residents, \$7 non-residents. Tickets must be purchased by April 3. (248) 738-2500

FAMILY EVENTS

AMERICAN GIRLS TEA

2-4 p.m. Sundays, April 5 and 19, Mary Denning Cake Shoppe, 8036 N. Wayne Road, Westland. \$12 children, \$6 adults. (734) 261-3680

"BIRDING AT HAVEN HILL"

Nature walk, 9 a.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Goose Meadow parking lot at Highland Recreation Area, 5200 E. Highland Road (M-59), White Lake. State motor vehicle permit required for entry. (248) 685-2187

"FROGS AND TOADS OF MICHIGAN"

Slide presentation introduces visitors to frogs and then they get to see the amphibians up close during a walk, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at Annex parking lot at Proud Lake Recreation Area, 3500 Wixom Road, Milford. State motor vehicle permit required for entry. (9248) 685-2187

MAGIC'S ROUNDUP CLASSIC

6 p.m. Sunday, April 5, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$9 reserved, \$5 general admission. Superfan seating available. Children ages 12 and younger and seniors ages 65 and older receive \$2.50 off \$9 and \$5 tickets. Groups of 15 or more receive \$2.50 off all seats. (248) 377-0700 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

FRED PENNER

Saturday, April 4, concert at Meadow Brook Theatre on the Oakland University campus, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester, cancelled. Refunds available at point of purchase. (248) 377-3300

ROYAL HANFORD CIRCUS

Opens 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9 and continues through April 12 at The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$12 and \$8 reserved, \$5 general admission. Children ages 12 and younger, and seniors ages 65 and older receive \$2 off \$12 and \$8 tickets for all shows except 7:30 p.m. April 9, and 11 a.m. April 10 shows. Groups of 15 or more receive \$4 off all seats except 7:30 p.m. April 9 and 11 a.m. April 10 shows. Opening night tickets \$4. Friday matinee tickets \$5 (groups of 15 or more \$3). Free parking. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

MAGICIAN GORDON RUSS

Presents close-up magic at your table, 6-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 3-4 and 5:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Roger's Roast Restaurant, 3362 Schoenherr, Sterling Heights. Free. (810) 979-7550

PASSOVER STORYTIME

6:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 8, intergenerational storytime, from 10 a.m. to 6

p.m. everyone is invited to try their hand in making Charoset (a traditional fruit and nut mixture eaten for Passover), recipes will be provided, at the Jewish Community Center, 15110 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030

WADE CARNIVAL

With rides and games, Friday-Sunday, April 3-19, Gibraltar Trade Center, 15525 Rancho Road, Taylor. 3-11 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 3 p.m. to midnight Fridays, noon to midnight Saturdays-Sundays. (734) 287-2000

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra presents "Hallelujah Handel" which is filled with more than 12 excerpts of Handel's music and dramatic storytelling, 11 a.m. Saturday, April 4, at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. \$18 to \$7. (313) 576-5111

CLASSICAL

"CLASSICS ON THE LAKE"

With flutist Alexander Zonjic and pianist Dave Wagner, formerly of WQRS, 4 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Shrine Chapel of St. Mary's College, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake. \$12 and \$20 with an afterglow reception. (248) 683-1750

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With Conductor Donald Runnicles and pianist Eldar Nebolsin, 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, April 3, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, April 4, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111

"HARP HEAVEN"

University of Michigan music students perform as part of the "Croissant Concert," 11 a.m. Saturday, April 4, Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$12 rows 1-5, \$9 general admission. (734) 769-2999 or <http://www.peus.com/kch>

JONATHAN LEATHWOOD

British virtuoso six- and 10-string guitarist performs 8 p.m. Saturday, April 4, Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. \$25 rows 1-2, \$15 rows 3-5, \$10 general admission. (734) 769-2999 or <http://www.peus.com/kch>

LIVONIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Good Friday" concert features the St. Genevieve Interdenominational Festival Choir performing Rutters' "Requiem," 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, at St. Genevieve Church, 29015 Jamison Ave. (one block south of Five Mile, east of Middlebelt), Livonia. \$12.50. (248) 645-6666/(734) 421-1111

MADONNA UNIVERSITY STUDENT RECITAL

Featuring Melissa Radwion of Garden City and Karla Fischer of Farmington, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 5, at the university, 36600 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia. Donation to the music scholarship fund. (734) 432-5715 or <http://www.munet.edu>

MARINERS' CHURCH OF DETROIT

Organ concert with Kenneth Sweetman and Kevin Bylsma playing the music of Bach, Brahms, Franck, and Pachelbel during lent, 12:35 p.m. Thursday, April 2, following 12:10 services, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit. Free parking in Ford Auditorium Underground Garage at the median of Jefferson Avenue at the foot of Woodward Avenue. (313) 259-2206

OWAIN PHYFE

9 p.m. to midnight Thursday, April 2, and with the New World Renaissance Band, 9 p.m. to midnight Thursday, April 9, O'Mara's, 2555 W. 12 Mile Road, Berkley. Free. 21 and older. (renaisance) (248) 399-6750

PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"Double Your Pleasure" concert featuring father and son pianists Joseph and Michael Gurt performing Poulenc's "Concerto for Two Pianos in D Major," 8 p.m. Saturday, April 4, at the Novi High School Auditorium, 24064 Taft Road, Novi. \$12, \$10 seniors/couple students, \$6 children K-12th grade. (734) 451-2112. Afterglow at the Botford Inn, 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills.

SUSANNE MENTZER

Mezzo-soprano Mentzer and pianist Craig Rutenberg perform 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, Michigan League, 911 N. University, Ann Arbor. \$15 and \$25. (800) 221-1229 or <http://www.ums.org>

"PALM SUNDAY MUSICAL"

With soprano Deborah Frantczak and pianist Edyta Dorob-Jaros, 3 p.m. performance followed by dinner, Sunday, April 5, American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road, Troy. \$25 suggested donation, \$15 students, \$12.50 children. (248) 689-3636

POPS/SWING

BIG SANDY AND HIS FLY RITE BOYS

With Swingin' Demons and Starlight Drifters, 8 p.m. Friday, April 3, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$8 in advance, 18 and older. (swing/rockabilly) (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com>

IMPERIAL SWING ORCHESTRA

9 p.m. Friday, April 3, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge, 19 and older. (swing) (734) 485-5050

AUDITIONS

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN PRODUCTIONS

Auditions children ages 8-14 and "little people" for roles as Munchkins for "The Wizard of Oz" at the Fox Theatre, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, in the theater's grand lobby, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Participants must be no taller than 4 feet 10 inches. (313) 596-3288

MICHIGAN THEATRE AND DANCE TROUPE

Open auditions now through August for dancers ages 16 and older, by appointment only 2 p.m. Saturdays. The performing arts company regularly appears year round. (248) 552-5001

RADIO CITY PRODUCTIONS

Open casting call for dancers to join The

Radio City Christmas spectacular, Wednesday, April 8, Wayne State University Dance Department, 3317 Old Main Boulevard, third floor, Detroit. Rockettes, dancers and singers must be at least 18 years of age. Rockettes auditions at 10 a.m.; male dancers 1 p.m.; female dancers 2 p.m.; singers 4 p.m.; children 5 p.m. (212) 632-3630.

SANDEE RAGER

Holds auditions for five men and five women ages 18-45 her original play "Silent Thoughts," 7 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, April 8-9, Adray Auditorium, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center at Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. Performances June 18-21 and 25-28. (313) 513-8995

SECOND CITY

Looking for actors to join Second City - Detroit's mainstage, touring, business or the new Children's Theatre improvisational casts. Actors can be non-equity or equity and should have extensive stage and performance experience. Strong writing skills, singing ability and an improvisational background are a plus. Auditions by appointment only, 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday, April 13, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call Julie Clement at (313) 965-2222 before Tuesday, April 7, for an appointment.

TROY COMMUNITY CHORUS

Seeks a chorus director for its new season beginning in September. Candidates must be available for Tuesday evening rehearsals from 7:30-9:30 p.m., two formal concerts in May and December, and various other local community engagements. Candidates should send their resume and salary requirements to the chorus, P.O. Box 165, Troy, MI 48099. (248) 879-0138

JUNIOR ACTORS OF RIDGEDALE

Auditions for "Charlotte's Web," Thursday, April the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake Road, Troy. Need youngsters ages 10-18, call (248) 988-7049.

CHORAL

CANTATA ACADEMY

"Mozart Requiem," co-production with the Detroit Archdiocese Chorus, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, 9844 Woodward Ave. (at Belmont), Detroit. \$12, \$9 students, only in advance. (248) 546-0420

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trombonist Ron Kischuk, 8-11:30 a.m. Thursday, April 9, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner (served until 8 p.m.) plus a \$5 drink minimum. (248) 474-4800

CARL MICHEL
With Michael Graye, 8-10 p.m. Saturday, April 4, Espresso Royale, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages; With his group, 1-2 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-1838/(734) 668-7652 or PlayOnRec@aol.com

JEANNE MILLER
Vocalist and flutist performs with pianist Vince Shandor, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursdays, and 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. (734) 453-2002

RANDY SCOTT
7 p.m. Thursday, April 9, Somerset North, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge Highway, Troy. Free. All ages. (248) 816-2075

HARVEY THOMPSON TRIO
8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, April 9, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

TRANSMISSION
With Poignant Plecostomus and DJ Bubblicious, 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (acid jazz) (734) 996-8555

TRUE STORIES
8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, April 4, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave. (at Center Street), Royal Oak. Free. 25-cent surcharge on drinks during live entertainment. (248) 546-1400

PAUL VORNHAGEN QUARTET
9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 3-4, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON
With Dan Kotton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

WORLD MUSIC

IMMUNITY
9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, April 4, Woody's Diner, 208 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2290 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (248) 543-6911/(248) 360-7450

LOS FABULOSOS CADILLACS
With Cherry Poppin' Daddies, 6 p.m. Friday, April 10, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$15 in advance. All ages. (Latino/swing) (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com>

PINO MARELLI
7 p.m. Thursday, April 2, and 8 p.m. Friday, April 3, Luciano's, 39031 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. Free. All ages; 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, Ardo's, 27900 Hoover Road, Warren. Free. All ages. (English/Italian/Spanish pop standards and originals) (810) 263-6540/(810) 582-0080

FOLK/BLUEGRASS

ANN ARBOR COUNCIL FOR TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND DANCE
Hosts an open jam for string band musicians, 4-6 p.m. Saturday, April 4, Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road (1/2 mile south of I-94), Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 662-3371

LISA HUNTER
9-11 p.m. Friday, April 3, Cafe Zola, 112 W. Washington St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages; Hosts open mic night, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Gargoyles's Coffee House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. All ages. (folk/pop) (734) 769-2020/(248) 745-9790

JAMES KEELAGHAN
With Vance Gilbert, 8 p.m. Thursday, April 2, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

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Billy Ray Bauer, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 2 (\$9), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 3-4 (\$12), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080/741-0022

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With Charles Allen Martin, 9 p.m. Sunday, April 5, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

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7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 4, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave. (at Eight Mile Road), Farmington Hills. \$10 donation. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 532-0546

MIKE KING
Acoustic performance, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 2, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; With his band, 10 p.m. Saturday, April 4, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older; With his band, 10 p.m. Friday, April 10, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 544-1141/(810) 731-1750/(248) 683-54

'Lost in Space' needs someone at the helm

TICKETS PLEASE



JOHN MONAGHAN

I spent way too much of my young life parked in front of the television set watching reruns of "Lost in Space." I liked it better than "Star Trek." It had more monsters.

So imagine the pain, the pain of seeing it botched so badly on the big screen. The inevitable "Lost in Space" movie, which opens Friday, may have better special effects, but it can't make up its mind between serious science fiction and Baby Boomer camp.

The original show ran for three seasons starting in 1965 and the plot remains much the same. The Robinson family are pioneers, circa 2058, who set off to colonize other planets. Joining

them is Don West, the fighter pilot who grumbles about hauling the family across the galaxy. Enter the evil Dr. Smith, a resistance-led saboteur who programs the Robinson's robot to crush, kill, and destroy them shortly after takeoff. When that plot fails, he's stranded on the now runaway ship.

Add to this the same old sexual tension between pilot West, and Robinson daughter Judy, and you've got the basic elements of the old show.

So where does the movie go so wrong? By not having a firm grasp on the material. By now, rules have been established for turning old TV shows into viable movies. When the material is good to start with, like "The Fugitive," a decent movie can still result.

When it was hokey to begin with, like "The Brady Bunch," it's best to not take things too seriously. Betty Thomas, director of

the first "Brady" movie, had a fondness for the material and knew how to poke fun at it while still being somehow reverent.

There's no doubt that the forces behind "Lost in Space" (namely writer Akiva Goldsman and director Stephen Hopkins) genuinely like the show, but they never have a grasp on what made it special. Certainly it wasn't the special effects but the imaginative way it presented crazy science fiction concepts with a definite sense of the absurd.

Here you've got serious scientific musings about the nature of time travel. In the next breath you've got Mimi Rogers delivering lines to the kids like, "stop it you two, or we're going to turn this ship right around." There's even a lame "night mama"-style "Waltons" joke.

Remember Penny's friend the space monkey? It's back as Blorp, a computer-generated

creature that looks even sillier than the Irwin Allen TV version (and that was just a dazed chimp with antennae glued to its head).

The performances run the gamut, from Gary Oldman, desperate to camp it up even more as the fussy Dr. Smith, and William Hurt, steadfast in the role of patriarch John Robinson. Beware of inordinate screen time devoted to TV heartthrob Matt LeBlanc as Don West. He pales next to Mark Goddard, the show's original, who gives the young hotshot his flight instructions.

In a long line of cameos, June Lockhart (mother Maureen) shows up as Will's school principal while Angela Cartwright and Marta Kristen (the original Robinson daughters) appear as reporters. Bill Mumy and Jonathan Harris (Will and Dr. Smith in the old show) reportedly wanted more than a walk-on so boycotted the project altogether.

Of course the everything-including-the-kitchen sink approach to "Lost in Space" can yield some entertaining results. Frightening intergalactic spiders



JACK JOHNSON/NEW LINE CINEMA

Family adventure: Jack Johnson (left to right), William Hurt, Mimi Rogers and Lacey Chabert star in "Lost in Space."

free-fall from a ghost space ship and attach to the Jupiter 2. And there's a nifty cryogenics tube that freezes the family in flight.

The whole project ultimately goes the direction of the old series. What starts out as something genuinely cool panders more and more to the kiddie audience by the end. Still, when

the electronic version of the old "Lost in Space" theme song rolls over the closing credits, I know I'll be back for the sequel.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1866.

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Songwriter Marc Cohn returns from family break

Introspective singer/songwriter Marc Cohn earned a Grammy in 1991 for "Best New Artist," and had a hit single with "Walking in Memphis." Two years later he followed it up with "The Rainy Season" but realized that there was something much more important than music.

His children.
"I took four years off because I wanted to be with my children and have a little bit of my life as opposed to just life on the tour bus," Cohn explained. "Part of why I took such a long break is that's all I did was tour. I toured almost non-stop for almost 14 months."

His marriage also fell apart. All those elements inspired "Burning the Daze," his third effort which hit stores Tuesday, March 17.

"Being with my kids, it certainly had an effect on me. There's no songs here specifically about them. But I spent most of

my time with them; that impacted me in every possible way. This record would have been different had I not (spent time with them)," he said.

The confessional, emotional album tracks Cohn's need to find salvation and to understand love. On the album, he is joined by a variety of artists including Roseanne Cash ("Olana"), Patty Griffin ("Healing Hands") and "Already Home"), and T-Bone Wolk ("Valley of the Kings").

"I met them (the guest musicians) all different ways. Roseanne is a friend of mine and married to my producer and best friend. There was kind of a family atmosphere there. Patty was just somebody that I really admired and thought was a great singer. I was looking for a specific sound and Patty was that sound. She was nice enough to fly down and do it," he said.

In a rare move, he collaborated with someone to write a song.

"Turn to Me" was written with Kevin Salem.

"That's the fun part of the process. Songwriting for me is a pretty solitary process. I don't collaborate often. When you get into the recording stage of things, that is really a collaborative effort. I have the most fun doing that."

Although he worked with a family of musicians on "Burning the Daze," he will be joined only by a guitarist at his show Thursday, April 2, at Clutch Cargo's in Pontiac.

"That's always been the way I've liked it the most. It's the most intimate way to present the songs. In a way, it shows people a more authentic view of the song. It's as close as the way it sounded when it was written."

Ironically, this is his first performance in the Detroit area, he said.

"It's probably nothing person-

al," Cohn said with a laugh.

"Sometimes you go to a place and there's a certain radio station that's really been supporting you. Maybe there's not an appropriate venue on the night that you're nearby. You kind of have to set up a tour to find which places work on. I've never played Nashville either, which is a major music mecca."

For this album, however, he's hitting as many cities as possible.

"It exceeded everyone's expectations," he said about the album. "I'm committed to really giving this record everything I have."

Marc Cohn with special guest Kacy Crowley perform at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 2, at Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets are \$22.50 in advance for the 18 and older show. For more information, call (248) 333-2362 or visit <http://www.961melt.com>.

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• The Livonia-based rock band Space Nelson plays Lili's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck, on Saturday, April 4, in support of its debut CD "Cutting Edge Pinball." Opening the show is the local prog rock band Discipline. For more information on the show, call (313) 875-6666. Those who can't make it to the show, can hear tracks off of "Cutting Edge Pinball" on radio station CIMX's "Homeboy Show" at 10 p.m. Sunday, April 5.

• "OzzFest" will make its way to Pine Knob Music Theatre on Thursday, July 23. This year's lineup includes Ozzy Osbourne, of course, Tool, Megadeth, Coal Chamber, Incubus, Kilgore, Limp Bizkit, Melvins, Monster Machine, Sevendust, Snot, Soulfly, System of a Down, Two featuring Rob Halford, and Ultraspank. Look for ticket information soon.



He's back: Marc Cohn spent time with his family and now he's back performing.

'Antigone' raises old themes in new setting

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

reference encompasses only the most recent sliver of the timeline of human existence. Eavesdrop over breakfast at a Bob Evans some time. You can actually hear patrons claim that any story that can ever be told has already been done by "I Love Lucy." That may be true, but something had to have happened before Lucy started babalooing or she wouldn't have had any stories to tell.

This week on *Backstage Pass* on Detroit Public Television, we're stretching both ends of the cultural timeline. At the old end, we'll look at some classical Greek tragedy, which was probably based on something even older, like *The Honeymooners*.

We sent our own Gary Anderson to the Trueblood Theatre on the University of Michigan campus to check out the Theatre and Drama Department's production of "Antigone." I asked for some background for those of us who didn't retain our Cliff's Notes. "Antigone" is a major classic, over 1,000 years old, written by

Sophocles, one of the oldest playwrights known to man."

So, what's it about? "The title character, Antigone, seeks to bury her brother, Polynices." How did he die? Gary had to really remedial me here. "Antigone is the third play in the Oedipus trilogy. Oedipus is both Antigone's father and brother. In the first play, "Oedipus Tyrannus," Oedipus killed his father, the king, and married his mother, the queen, thereby assuming the throne. Only he doesn't know that they're his mother and father at the time. When he finds out what he's one, he blots his eyes out and leaves the throne and becomes a wanderer."

"In the second play, "Oedipus at Colonus," we see Oedipus later in life, ready to die. He wants to find a resting place, but because of his tragic - and in some people's minds jinxed - past, he's not allowed to have rest. After some doing, he's finally buried at Colonus."

"In 'Antigone,' Polynices builds an army to destroy Creon, who replaced his father on the throne. He loses the battle and dies. Antigone brings her brother to the city gates of Thebes to be buried, and Creon refuses. Antigone fights the system." (Wasn't this an episode of "My Mother the Car"?)

Handy history lesson, but what does it mean now? "The play has relevance to modern days, especially in this production, which explores the relationship of women to power. The

director, Glenda Dickerson, has even added an element of the death of Princess Diana, and the way Diana was perceived while she was alive. In the prelude to the play, Antigone is mentioned as "the people's princess."

"The director had updated the interpretation. The play is set in 1930s Kenya, during British colonialism. In this setting, Antigone has become westernized in her speech patterns, dress etc. When she fights for the cause of burying her brother, she becomes more African - more in touch with her past, her ethnic culture. This play is a great opportunity. Glenda is forcing many of these students to aspire to something greater. The artistic vision is strong. It's very engaging theater."

From an ancient play, we move

to the contemporary movement of Elizabeth Streb. Though referred to as a contemporary dancer and choreographer, she's uncomfortable with the terms, according to Backstage producer Katherine Weider. "She prefers the term 'PopACTION,' because it's very popular action-oriented. She doesn't even want to call it 'dance' because she's interested in action. It's not representational, it doesn't tell a story. It's about the pure physical action - bodies through space and time - and exploring the limits of that."

Also on the Big Show, we'll get in-studio performances from the Arianna String Quartet and singer/songwriter Mark Cohen. That's on *Backstage Pass*, tonight at midnight on Detroit Public Television, repeated tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

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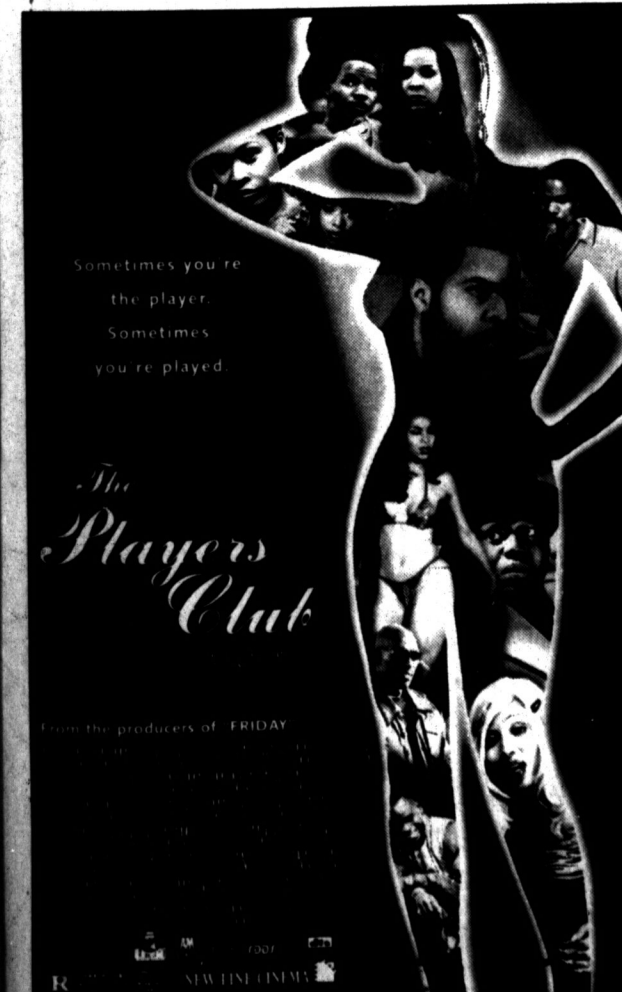


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DINING

Mountain King settled in new Birmingham location

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

After 14 years on Maple Road in Birmingham, Mountain King moved to a new Birmingham location late last summer. About 90 percent of the menu is the same, but owners Steve Tsung and his wife, Chung En, have added some new house specialties such as Sesame Chicken, General Tso's Chicken and Seafood Lo Mein to their extensive and popular menu.

When Kroger bought the property on Maple to construct its Birmingham Super Kroger store, the Tsungs lost their lease. Steve wanted to stay in Birmingham. Pearl's Chinese restaurant owners were willing to strike a lease deal. It took two months to renovate the former Pearl's to the updated version of Mountain King.

"Many regulars come in and don't even look at the menu anymore," Steve Tsung said. "They order the number one favorite Mongolian Beef \$7.75."

Other popular selections are Kung-Pao Chicken \$7.25; Cashew Chicken \$7.50; Yu-Shan Double (jumbo shrimp and tender scallops with bamboo shoots, water chestnuts, black mushrooms and green beans in a spicy garlic sauce) \$11; Mountain King Shrimp (shrimp with Chinese vegetables in a spicy brown sauce) \$9.50; and Seafood Combination (scallops, shrimp, crabmeat and squid with assorted Chinese vegetables in oyster sauce served on a sizzling plate) \$11.

For the uninitiated in the differences among Mandarin, Szechuan and Cantonese styles of cooking, Tsung explained that Mandarin is more flavorful. Dishes are prepared with garlic

Mountain King Chinese Restaurant

Where: 469 Old Woodward, Birmingham (248) 644-2913.
Hours: 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday; until 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday; noon to 9 p.m. Sunday.
Menu: Mandarin, Szechuan and Cantonese specialties served at lunch and dinner.
Cost: Lunch specials \$5-\$6. Dinner \$5.50-\$11. Multi-course family dinners for 2-6 people \$21-\$60.
Reservations: Accepted.
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and ginger. He cited Mongolian Beef as an example.

Szechuan style is spicy brown sauces with ginger, such as General Tso's Chicken. Chop Suey and Chow Mein are Cantonese.

He also gave the following glossary of terms. Kung-Pao includes peanuts. Yu-Shan has lots of garlic. Hunan is prepared with spices and broccoli. Moo-Shu is classic Mandarin served with pancakes. Ta-Chien indicates black mushrooms and Yen Ching is a combination plate.

Tsung is native Mandarin who lives in Troy with his wife and two children. In 1979 at age 11, he came to the United States from Taiwan where his family was in the restaurant business.

"Essentially, I am chef/owner, but my father often helps my chef Fu Shi Htang in the kitchen. My mother is also a great cook."

Although Mountain King does not have a kid's menu, it includes a number of dishes kids like to eat. In addition to Lo Mein (soft noodle) dishes and chicken in every form, Tsung said kids love the fried crabmeat dumplings.

A family dinner for two \$21 including sizzling rice soup, egg rolls, crabmeat dumplings, Mongolian Beef and Kung-Pao Chicken is so generous that it easily

feeds two adults and two children under 10.

Family dinners for more than two people are even more generous. The \$60 dinner for six will make everyone in a crowd of friends or large family very happy and satisfied.

You can sample a number of condiments, if you order fried or steamed dumplings. Six come with the order for \$4. There's hot sauce with red pepper, designed to make Szechuan dishes spicy-hot. Sesame, soy sauce is great with dumplings or you can request Hoisin. The steamed dumplings, in addition to being healthier, are filled with natural, delicious flavors, covered up when fried.

Peking Duck \$25 serves two. You can have it in two courses with delicious duck soup if you like. As is the tradition, it comes Moo-Shu style so you can enjoy the crispy skin. Order it a half hour before arriving at the restaurant or make the request when you reserve.

Mountain King does not have a liquor license but serves delightful hot tea.

"The color of tea is not an indication of quality," Tsung said. "You can tell tea quality by aroma." If you like Jasmine "green" tea, request it. It's not steeped, but comes in packets.



New location: Steve Tsung and his wife, Chung En present one of their specialty dishes in the dining room at Mountain King.

It's Steve Tsung's favorite and it might become yours.

The bright, attractive restaurant with sound dividers appeals to retired Birmingham dentist Vince Greeson and his wife, Mary Lou. They make their home in Bloomfield Hills and have frequented Mountain King for years.

"This is our favorite Chinese restaurant," Mary Lou said. "I'm vegetarian, so I like Chinese. I order Vegetarian Delight \$6.25 which is always perfect."

Dr. Vince's favorite is sweet and sour chicken \$7.

In choosing an authentic Chinese restaurant when I'm on a

trip, I peer into the windows. If I see a significant number of people of Chinese origin eating, I judge that it will be good.

But Steve Tsung passed on these clues. "Look at the menu. If there's a section titled 'Noodle in Soup,' that's authentic Chinese. There should also be a lot of seafood dishes including sea cucumber and squid with Chinese Napa. A good Chinese menu always has beef with ginger and onions and beef with mixed vegetables."

Check all of the above at Mountain King.

Just in case you missed it, or lost the paper. Here are some of the restaurants we've recently visited:

■ **Flying Fish Tavern** - Where: 6480 Orchard Lake Road, (corner of Maple Road) West Bloomfield (248) 865-8888. Hours: 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday; 3 p.m. to midnight Sunday. Menu: Casual neighborhood family eatery serves comfort foods with special focus on fresh catches of the day. Cost: Appetizers and dinner salads \$4-8; sandwiches and burgers \$5.50-7; pastas \$7-9; big plates, specials and catch of the day \$9-15; desserts \$2-4. Reservations: For parties of six or more only. Credit cards: All majors accepted.

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■ **O'Grady's Irish Pub** - 585 W. Big Beaver, Troy, (adjacent to the Drury Inn) (248) 524-4770. Open 11-2 a.m. Monday-Saturday; noon to 1 a.m. Sunday. Menu: Irish theme, emphasis on fresh is best. More than 75 menu items from Irish specialties to Hebrew National award-winning corned beef to deep-dish Chicago-style pizza with crispy crust are homemade. Cost: Starters and soups \$3-\$7; burgers and sandwiches \$6-\$8; Irish specialties \$10; chicken, seafood, beef and ribs \$8.50-\$15. Reservations: Not accepted. Credit cards: All majors accepted.

■ **Mesquite Creek** - Two locations, 45250 Ford Road, Canton (734) 414-0100; and 7228 Ortonville Road, Clarkston, (248) 620-9300. Open 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday. Menu: Steakhouse fare with great seafood. Mesquite Creek takes a Tex-Mex spin on everything they do, and uses Certified Angus Beef. Reservations: Sunday-Thursday for parties of eight or more. Credit Cards: All majors accepted. Cost: \$5-\$12 lunch; \$9-\$27 dinner. Children's menu available. Entertainment: Canton location - 7-11 p.m. Wednesdays, The Hits plays soft pop rock favorites. They perform 7-11 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Clarkston location. Banquet room: At Clarkston location, seats 50-70 people.

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■ **Big Rock Chop & Brew House** - 245 S. Eton Street, Birmingham (248) 647-7774, beginning 10:30 a.m. with lunch entrees beginning at \$12. Dinner follows with entrees starting at \$17.

Executive chef Randy Smith has been working overtime to prepare for his first Easter at Big Rock. To traditional big Rock favorites, Chef Randy will add Double cut Lamb Chops, Moroccan Sea Scallops with Orange Ginger Sauce, Baked Ham with Brandied Peaches,

Chicken Chambord with Fresh Berries, and Savory Bread Pudding with Pheasant Sausage.

■ **MacKinnon's** - 126 E. Main, Northville, (248) 348-1991, 1 to 6 p.m. Regular menu and Easter specials range \$18-26. For kids 12 and under \$5-8 along with a raffle of Beanie Babies.

Not regularly open on Sundays, owner Tom MacKinnon believes Easter is special. This year, in addition to regular menu items, he's adding House-smoked Pork Loin, Turkey with Herb Dressing and Lobster dishes using the freshest from his lobster tank.

■ **Encore** - 1801 S. Telegraph in the Bloomfield Hills Quality Inn, (248) 335-3790, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost \$12.95 per person, children 5-12, \$6, children under 5 dine free.

Among the many culinary treats planned is a special Omelet Station where diners can select their own favorite ingredients for the chef to fold into each

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■ **Too Chez** - 27155 Sheraton Drive (northwest corner of Novi Road and I-96), Novi. Executive Chef Greg Upshur presents a special dinner 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 28, a multi-course feast, featuring vegetarian dishes that make a macrobiotic diet delicious and healthy. Cost is \$32 per person (tax and gratuity not included), call (248) 348-5555 for

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■ **New role** - Keith Famie, Executive Chef of Forte Restaurant in Birmingham will assume a new role as Consulting Chef of Epoch Restaurant Group on May 1.

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