

## TODAY

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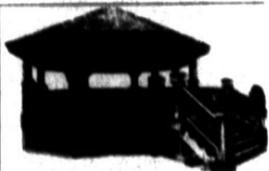
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## VINTAGE



CLARKSTON

Civil War soldier Edgar Clark has left his summer assignment in New York. He enjoyed his time there, guarding government buildings and keeping the draft stations free of trouble. The work was easy, and the accommodations far better than a blanket on the ground. Several men in his regiment even had time to find wives. Two got married, and five or six got engaged during their short stay. Now the regiment has headed South once again to fight. In his letter, dated Sept. 28, 1863, Edgar once again begins to feel the homesickness that he has suffered since leaving home so long ago.

"My dear wife, we are having fine weather though the nights are very cold. We have to have blankets over us to keep us warm. Our roof is two small pieces of shelter tents and that is not much protection. It keeps the frost and rain from us, and that is about all. War has stripped this country of everything. What few farms there (are) have nothing. Our army has stripped them of everything. It does not take long for 100,000 men to lay waste a county. I tell some of them (the farmers) when they complain about hard times to use their influence to stop the rebellion and then we will go home and not trouble them. For just as long as they keep us here we calculate to have the best the country affords if we can find it. Your husband, Edgar W. Clark."

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



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# Road to high school may be paved



After taking a bumpy bus ride to the new Clarkston High School, Clarkston Community Schools officials have decided Flemings Lake Road needs paving for sure and Walters Road may need paving as well.

They came. They rode buses. They experienced. And based on that experience, school officials are now considering the paving of Walters Road along with Flemings Lake Road near the new Clarkston High School.

On June 18, the day after school got out for the summer, Independence Township government leaders, city of Clarkston officials and school administrators rode a "simulated" version of

the proposed high school bus routes from the bus garage off Waldon Road — behind the existing Clarkston High School — to the new high school building on Flemings Lake Road.

Twenty-two buses were taken, to make the simulation real, and they traveled two potential routes: from Waldon along Main Street in Clarkston to Clarkston Road and then Flemings Lake Road. And down Waldon Road to

Walters Road to Flemings Lake Road. The two routes were tried so that officials could see, first-hand, the benefits and pitfalls of each, said transportation supervisor Kevin Bickerstaff, during a telephone interview Tuesday.

A morning and an afternoon simulation were undertaken and Bickerstaff said the ones through the city of Clarkston caused a "back-load" of traffic on M-15, due in part to the number of traffic lights.

"We had quite a lot of traffic behind us in the afternoon," he said.

Twenty-two buses will be used to transport students to and from the new high school after it opens in August.

Bickerstaff said. That figure does not include buses from other districts bringing special education students to the high school's center programs, nor does it include Clarkston special education buses.

While they had originally planned to send buses down M-15 only, Bickerstaff said the Walters Road route is the most direct one from the bus garage. In the morning, he said, buses will be coming to the new CHS from various areas after picking up students during their morning runs, thus varying their routes and times.

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Splish, splash: Shannon Craycraft splashes in the water with a friend at Deer Lake Beach.

# Summer starts with a splash

For many Clarkston-area residents, there's no better place for relief from the sweltering temperatures than Deer Lake Beach in the city of the Village of Clarkston.

Armed with beach balls, Frisbees and picnic baskets, residents and their pets have been flocking

to the beach looking for a break from the sweltering heat.

Swimming and boating are only a few of the activities used for a quick cool down.

However you choose to spend your hot summer days, remember to lather on the sunscreen, drink lots of water and have fun.



Family fun: The Sampson family enjoys time together on their boat in Deer Lake.



Beached: Jonathon Waite, Mikey Tyler and Katie Smith relax.



Dog days of summer: Jeff Oldenburg (left photo) sits with his toy dog while Katie Sampson (right) plays catch with her real dog in the water.



# Remarking of Main St. to ease traffic flow

Relief from traffic woes on Main Street is on the way, Clarkston City council members learned Monday.

During his Chief of Police report, Clarkston Police Chief Paul Ormiston informed the council that the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) planned this summer to reconfigure Main Street between the I-75 overpass and Miller Road. The road is also known as Ortonville Road and M-15 north and south of town.

Increased development and a booming population in the Clarkston area have caused traffic volumes along Main Street to rise, elevating concerns about traffic safety and congestion.

"I don't think that's any secret to anybody," Ormiston said of the increased traffic. "We're in love with our cars. We have no buses. We have no alternate means of transportation."

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Clarkston Police Chief

In fact, a June 1996 study conducted by the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County showed that nearly 56,000 vehicles traveled along Main Street through downtown Clarkston during a one-week period, Ormiston said.

Consequently, ways to alleviate traffic congestion and other problems are being sought, he said.

MDOT's current plans include creating a center turn lane on M-15 between Blue Grass Drive and Miller Road from which drivers will be able to make left-hand turns into businesses located on the west and east sides of the roadway.

The road work, which is expected to begin within two to four weeks, will also render southbound Main Street between the I-75 overpass and just before Miller a one-lane drive. Currently, there are two lanes there, which confuses southbound Main Street drivers and prompts many to attempt to get ahead of one another before the road narrows to a single, through lane and a left turn lane at the Clarkston Road traffic light, Ormiston said.

"It looks like a funnel. It's confusing (to drivers)," he said.

"Traffic is competing...like a race to get to the funnel first," he said. "There's a lot of horn blowing going on. We've even had people come to blows on their way to church."

Northbound Main Street between Miller Road and the overpass will continue to have two lanes there.

The bridge/overpass portion of Main Street will also continue to have two lanes in both directions. However, the right lane on the southbound side of the overpass will serve as an access lane to southbound I-75 to insure drivers don't use the second lane as a through-way.

The reconfiguration will also provide drivers with an access lane for I-75 north. An additional access lane may be placed on the west side of Main Street for drivers turning right onto

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They would most likely be traveling in a fleet from the bus garage to pick up students at the new CHS in the afternoon because the buses are stored at the garage, Bickerstaff said.

The final bus routes will be decided by the school board, he noted.

At their meeting Monday night, the school board voted to allow Superintendent Al Roberts and business director Craig Kahler to enter into an agreement with Independence Township that would enable the funding and paving of Flemings Lake Road along with several other road improvements near the new Clarkston High School.

Residents along the roads will not be specially assessed to pay for the improvements, Kahler and Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart agreed.

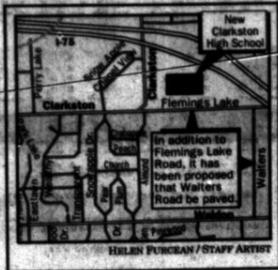
Kahler outlined the proposed inter-governmental agreement that would facilitate not only the Flemings Lake Road paving, but updates to the intersections of Flemings and Clarkston roads, Walters and Waldon roads, and a cul-de-sac on Almond Road by Flemings Lake Road.

Board members then indicated their desire to pave Walters Road as they reflected on the simulated bus run. They intended to notify residents of that possibility on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Roberts and the board agreed that they might try to discourage student car traffic from traveling Walters Road, once school commences.

Bus traffic, because of the experience and knowledge of bus drivers, should be less hazardous than student traffic, Kahler said. "A bus driver will very likely be driving the speed limit and with a keener eye," he said.

The drainage and paving updates are a response to long-standing traffic concerns that have surrounded the construction of the new high school in the woody neighborhood off Flem-



ings Lake and Walters roads. The severe curve at the intersection of Clarkston and Flemings Lake roads was an especially troublesome worry.

The school district has pledged to pay 75-percent of the costs for paving Flemings Lake Road because it owns the most frontage along that road, Kahler said. They also expect to pay all the costs for improvements to Waldon and Walters roads, he said, though the exact financial numbers for those items are not yet known.

The school system will pay \$54,000 for improvements at the Clarkston and Flemings Lake Road intersection, he added.

According to Stuart, the township will use about \$300,000 in tri-party funds for its portions of the improvements. Tri-party funds are made up of monies from the township, Oakland County and the Road Commission for Oakland County.

During a telephone interview on Tuesday, Stuart said the paving of Walters Road is probably necessary.

"I think there's no question because of the mass of traffic," Stuart said. "I'm glad to see that the school board is stepping up to their responsibility."

Stuart said paving should begin in November. Prior to the start of school, he said, the Flemings Lake Road bed will be changed and widened and a gravel base will be applied.

# Contaminated wells prompt MDEQ funding, investigation

Officials at the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality are preparing to investigate why at least 33 private water wells on the southern border of Independence Township near Townsend Lake were found to be contaminated, and therefore, not safe for use. The discovery has resulted in the MDEQ agreeing to turn over \$690,000 to fund an extension of the township's water main for residents who are, or may be, affected by the contamination.

Township trustees, who convened for a special meeting on Monday, voted 6-0 to authorize Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart to sign a funding agreement with the MDEQ. Trustee Jeffrey McGee was not present at the meeting.

The funding, which issues from the MDEQ's Quality of Life Contingency Fund, will cover the cost of extending the water line and connecting at least 52 residences to it, said Independence Township Clerk Joan McCrary.

Plans are to concurrently extend the township's sewer line in the same area, but funds will issue from an existing special assessment district, McCrary said.

Under the MDEQ agreement, the township's water main is to be extended along Rockcroft, Whithorn, Corunna, Waterford Boulevard and Harding, south from the intersection of Harding and Corunna. Existing drinking water wells at the 52 properties will also be plugged, and the funds may cover the

cost of hooking up additional residences.

"I'm glad to see the state stepping up to it," Township Trustee Neil Wallace said of the agreement.

The MDEQ started testing wells on Rockcroft Road and other nearby streets in 1997 after a resident called and inquired about the water's "chemical smell," said Lois Elliott Graham, environmental sanitarian, MDEQ Drinking Water and Radiological Protection Division.

Testing continued through 1998, and the MDEQ has been providing bottled water to residents with contaminated wells since June of last year, she said.

In all, nearly 90 wells in the area were tested, Graham said.

Just over 30 were determined to be contaminated, she said.

"We saw some significant amounts (of contaminants) in the first samples we took, so we thought, potentially, a large number of homes could have been affected."

MDEQ lab tests indicate that a chemical called tetrachloroethylene is the primary contaminant in the wells, Graham said. Other chemicals, including one called trichloroethylene, were also found.

"These are cancer-causing chemicals," said Graham. "But I don't know how long these chemicals have been in the drinking water." Typically, she said, the effects of cancer-causing agents can only be measured over a

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Blue Grass Drive, Ormiston said.

The road work, which is expected to last only a few days, isn't likely to impede traffic, he said.

After this project, MDOT is expected to conduct a traffic study to determine whether a light signal is warranted at the southbound I-75 exit at M-15, said Ormiston. Also in the works is the addition of a left-turn signal on eastbound White Lake Road at Dixie Highway, which should reduce traffic on Main Street by encouraging drivers to

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access I-75 via Dixie Highway, he said.

Another related problem - drivers' increased use of Robertson Court to by-pass the light signal at Clarkston and Main Street - will be discussed at the Clarkston City Council's July 13 meeting, Ormiston added.

Possible solutions include pro-

hibiting turns and gating Robertson Court at Main Street, he said.

"It's very, very heavy," Ormiston said of current traffic conditions on Main Street.

"And even though traffic is heavy, people are still concerned about the speed of traffic. Either you have tons of traffic or you

have speeding traffic. One or the other."

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"There are only so many options ... and we're kind of getting close to the end of what our options are ... I think it's very realistic."

# Runaway car with 3-year-old strikes kitchen

You've got to wonder who was the most surprised: the toddler who found himself alone in a brand new moving Suburban or the people who eventually found the Suburban inside their kitchen.

According to Clarkston Police Chief Paul Ormiston, a 3-year-old visiting the area with family from Milford was left alone in a parked 1998 Suburban on June 18.

Somehow, the chief said, the vehicle "went into gear" and began rolling. It rolled down a hill, struck another vehicle and then went "right into the kitchen" of an apartment building off Surrey Lane, Ormiston said, adding that no one was injured. The apartment dwellers were home but in another room when the accident occurred.

Ormiston could not provide a financial estimate of the damages. There were no citations issued in the 5 p.m. incident.

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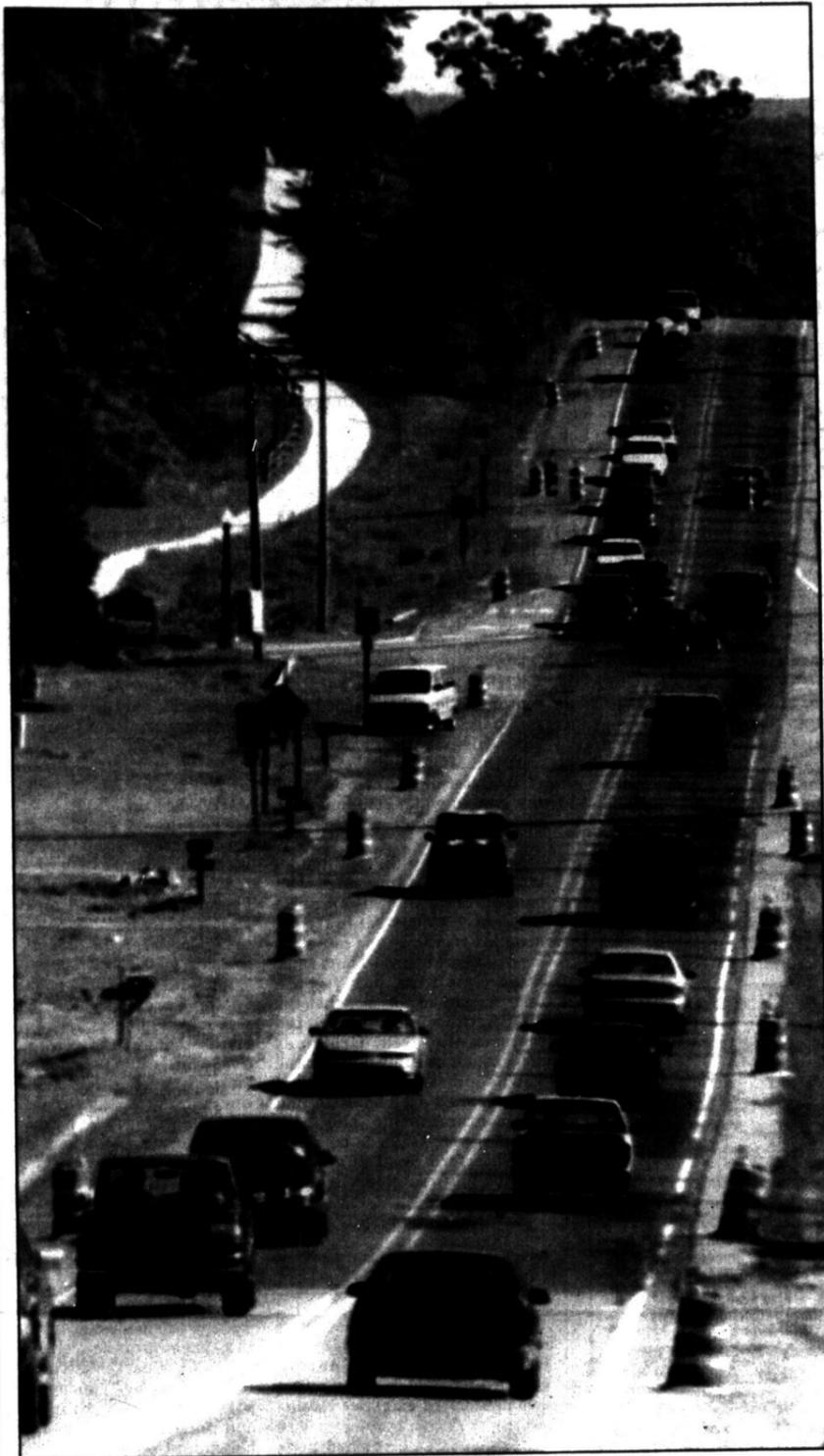
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'Tis the season



**Construction woes:** Motorists traveling M-15 north of I-75 are running into construction delays as the road is being resurfaced and widened in certain areas to allow for turn lanes. One turn lane will service the new Clarkston elementary school that will be built on the northwest corner of Hubbard and M-15. Another turn lane will be added at Oak Hill. The construction is expected to be completed before the end of summer.

## School board names 2 new principals for elementaries

Two experienced educators, who've each had an active and caring hand in the Clarkston Community School system, were unanimously appointed by the school board recently to fill principal positions within the district.

Debra Latozas and Charles Rowland 111 were selected over 50 applicants to serve as principals at North Sashabaw Elementary and Clarkston Elementary, respectively. They will begin their terms this summer.

Latozas will replace retiring principal George White. An educator for 18 years, she has been with Clarkston schools since 1987 and helped draft the district's math support program in 1988.

"I'm absolutely thrilled to be at North Sashabaw next year," Latozas told the school board on Monday night. "We're looking forward to a great year, and I'm very excited about it."

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Latozas is a former math instructional specialist at Bailey Lake Elementary. A Lake Orion resident, she is a graduate of Michigan State University and holds bachelor's and master's degrees. She is studying school administration at Oakland University, according to assistant superintendent Dave Reschke, who introduced the two to the board.

Rowland, who was most

recently assistant principal at Sashabaw Middle School, came to Clarkston after serving as an interim principal at Birmingham Farms Elementary in Birmingham, where he also taught fifth grade. He has also been an English/geography teacher at Levy Middle School in Southfield.

"We think his talents are a good match for Clarkston Elementary," said Reschke of the Southfield resident.

Like Latozas, Rowland said he is eager to begin his new challenge.

"I'm just really excited, and I'm looking forward to a great year also," he said.

Rowland has a bachelor's degree in education and an educational specialist degree in administration from Wayne State University. He has a master's degree in education from Marygrove College.

## Woman burned while igniting fire

A 34-year-old Springfield Township woman was burned after she used gasoline to help ignite a brush fire at her Tindall Road home late Saturday afternoon.

"She was burning brush... with a lot of dead grass piled on it. She soaked it with gasoline," said Springfield Fire Chief Charles Oaks, who declined to publicly identify the woman.

The woman then lit the pile with a lighter, he said, and the combination of grass, brush and gasoline caused an explosion, burning the woman — who was wearing only a bathing suit — with second- to third-degree burns on both knees and one hand.

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hand. She also received burns to both arms.

On Monday, an official at Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital said the woman was brought there by paramedics but was immediately transferred to the University of Michigan Hospital burn center in Ann Arbor.

On Tuesday, the U-M hospital denied having a record of the patient and her condition could not be obtained.

"Our biggest concern... was you can do damage to the lungs," Oaks said, noting that explosive fires where fumes are involved can cause lung burns. The woman had a township permit to burn brush, Oaks said.

### POLICE NEWS

The following incidents were reported to police and fire agencies in Springfield and Independence townships and the city of Clarkston June 18-22.

#### Springfield Police

##### Thefts

On June 19, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **King**.

On June 20, a lawn mower was reported stolen from a shed on **Julie**.

On June 21, stereo equipment was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Diane**.

##### Vandalism

On June 20, a vehicle was reported scratched and damaged while parked on **Canterbury**.

##### Attempted Break-in

On June 20, it was reported that unknown persons attempted to break into a residence on **Clement**.

#### Independence Police

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On June 18, a cell phone was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Dixie Highway**.

On June 19, an amplifier, wallet and payroll check were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Dora**.

On June 19, headlight covers were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Stevens Road**.

On June 19, a cell phone, radar detector and cassette discs were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Pine Knob Road**.

On June 21, stereo equipment was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Pine Knob Road**.

On June 21, tools, credit cards and a cell phone were reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Hillside**.

On June 21, a cassette disc player was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on **Parview**.

On June 22, a golf bag, golf clubs and credit card was reported stolen from a vehicle parked in a garage off **Kootima Drive**.

##### Home Invasion

On June 18, it was reported that unknown persons attempted to illegally enter a residence on **Mann Road**.

#### Independence Fire

Between June 18-22, firefighters responded to 28 calls. Among them were 12 medical runs, 10 personal injury accidents, one grass fire, one building fire and one fuel spill. They included:

On June 18, firefighters assisted a 68-year-old man who was having a heart attack at a residence on **Timberway Trail**. He was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital by ambulance.

On June 18, firefighters treated a patient who had a lacerated

toe at fire station no. 1 on **Citation Drive**.

On June 19, firefighters assisted with a 61-year-old patient who was experiencing weakness and loss of consciousness at the Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center on **Dixie Highway**. He was transported to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital by ambulance.

On June 19, firefighters attended a small grass fire in the median of northbound I-75 north of **Sashabaw Road**.

#### Clarkston Police

On June 19, officers responded to a North Holcomb Road residence, where a resident had attempted to jump start a vehicle. The cables caught fire. There were no injuries.

On June 19, officers stopped a vehicle on North Main Street near Clarkston Road. The 44-year-old Ohio man driving the vehicle was found to be intoxicated. He refused a Breathalyzer test and blood was drawn for a blood alcohol level after a search warrant was obtained. The man was arrested and transferred to the Oakland County Jail and later posted bond. He is to be arraigned in 52/2 District Court on July 7.

On June 20, a lawn ornament valued at \$40 was reported stolen from a residence on South Holcomb Street.

On June 21, officers responded to the scene of a rear-ending accident on Main Street near Waldon Road. A Highland man was cited for failure to stop.

On June 21, two cement planters were reported stolen from a South Main Street business.

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# National forum puts spotlight on Parkinson's disease

When Mildred Varga experienced some stiffness in her left leg, more than 10 years ago, she quickly dismissed it as part of a childhood injury.

Once she realized her symptoms mirrored those associated with Parkinson's disease, Varga sought medical advice and discovered that what she feared was true. As a member of the Parkinson's Action Network, she's devoted to helping others find a cure for the neurological disorder.

Varga, a Farmington Hills resident, was among the eight Michigan residents who attended the fifth annual Parkinson Action Network Forum held recently in Washington D.C.

The forum, which took place June 14-17, is an education and training session for the nationwide Parkinson's community. Its goal is to search for effective treatment, a cure, and to provide a chance to discuss related issues with government officials.

Lorraine Jeffe, of Bloomfield Hills, braved cancelled flights and storms to arrive in Washington D.C. exhausted after a 12 hour trip.

"For some people, time is really running out," she said after attending the forum.

Michael Claeys, PAN community outreach coordinator said

that unlike other organizations in need of government funding, research of Parkinson's disease can produce dramatic results.

"We can go in and really demonstrate how close we are to finding a cure," he said.

While in Washington D.C., individuals received updates on the state of medical research efforts and presented more than 6,000 petitions.

### Being advocates

"For people dealing with a chronic illness, it is important that they become advocates for the best care for themselves," said Gloria Craig, director of programs at the Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

Parkinson's disease is a progressive, neurological disorder caused by the degeneration of brain cells that produce dopamine. Dopamine is a brain chemical which controls motor functions. More than one million Americans suffer from the disease and 50,000 people in Michigan have been diagnosed.

Symptoms include tremors, stiffness and rigidity, slowness of movement, freezing in place, and voice and fluency difficulties.

The cause is still unknown. Peter LeWitt, director of the Clinical Neuroscience Center in West Bloomfield, said the illness

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can affect young people as well as old. The average age of onset is 57.

"You're reaching these years of retirement when you hope you'll have another opportunity to live out your dreams, and this becomes something you have to face," said Varga. "Eventually at the end stages, you are unable to walk, talk, or even move."

Don Robusky, information specialist at the National Institute of Health, said more than \$89 million was spent on Parkinson's research last year. That amount includes research of other diseases related to Parkinson's. Statistics offered by PAN indicate that NIH spent only \$35 million on direct funding last year.

The Morris K. Udall Parkinson's Research and Education Act was signed into law on Nov. 13, 1997 to increase funding and research. It allows up to \$100 million dollars a year for Parkin-

son's research and authorizes the secretary of Health and Human Services to establish up to 10 Parkinson's centers across the country.

Rep. Joseph Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Hills, supports the act and said the legislation and the forum will raise the level of awareness of this illness. But, Knollenberg said that NIH lacks flexibility when it comes to funding disease research.

Congress has to determine whether the monetary requests are realistic, said Knollenberg, who is a member of the appropriations committee.

"It could be that the final amount is not what (was expected)," he said.

This concerns individuals like Allan Gravern, a Farmington Hills resident who was diagnosed with Parkinson's five years ago.

### Competition

"Diseases compete with one another for funding," he said. "It's kind of a vicious thing. If we're going to survive we have to go out there and push for it."

As the Baby Boom generation approaches the common age of Parkinson's diagnosis, PAN members become more concerned about raising awareness.

"This is an illness that has been neglected for 181 years and we're now going to have a great number of people who are going to enter these crucial years," said Varga.

The effects of the illness are far-reaching, she added.

"The whole family deals with it," she said. "If you need help going from place to place, if someone is helping you, it's probably a family member. People

are very determined to understand this illness and recognize they have a part to play in conquering it and getting recognition from the medical community and the regular community."

Gravern said the most important thing he has done was join a support group.

"You gain strength when you learn how other people are coping with it," he said.

Ninety people attended the forum to tell their stories.

"It's difficult for them to come both physically and financially," said Claeys. "This is a real heroic thing."

For more information regarding Parkinson's disease, please contact the Michigan Parkinson Foundation at (800) 852-9781.

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lifetime.

Although Graham said the contamination likely issued from commercial activity on nearby Dixie Highway, she emphasized that the MDEQ had yet to officially determine when and how the ground water contamination began, or to identify its source or sources.

Not only may the contamination have issued from more than one source, but it's also possible the activity that generated it occurred years ago and has since been discontinued, Graham said.

Areas residents, however, can take comfort in the fact that the MDEQ thoroughly conducted tests in the area. Graham's department continued to test the Townsend Lake area until researchers were unable to find any contamination, she said.

Samples were taken as far south as Waterford Road and as far north as Burlington, Graham said.

Meanwhile, the MDEQ's Envi-

ronmental Response Division plans to begin its investigation in the fall, said Cheryl Wilson, environmental quality analyst for the division.

"We're just in the process of hiring a consultant to do the work," she said.

The investigation, which should uncover some information within about three months, will include interviews with area business owners and residents and the placement of contamination monitors in the ground, Wilson said.

If the MDEQ is able to identify one or more sources, the next step may be to attempt to recover the costs of the contamination, which could include funding for the water line extension, Wilson said.

"We're required by law to recover the money that we lost," she said.

Currently, "We're just trying to find out where the contamination is coming from," she said.

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Kristin Alkire of Clarkston received the Rev. Joseph Dabrowski Award during Orchard Lake St. Mary's College commencement exercises recently.

The award goes to the student who best exemplifies the commitment to service and learning portrayed by Fr. Dabrowski, an immi-

grant Polish priest who founded the college in 1885. Alkire, who graduated summa cum laude with a B. A. degree in English,

was lauded for her faith in God and community service. A member of Mt. Zion Temple in Clarkston, she teaches Sunday School, participates in healing prayer and nursing home ministries at her church, and helps family and friends. An alumna of Clarkston High School, Alkire attended Oakland University, Greenville (Ill.) College and Detroit College of Business part-time before enrolling full-time at St. Mary's three years ago. She is seeking a position in corporate training and development. Alkire was one of 50 students who achieved a minimal grade-point average of 3.5 during the winter 1998 term and has been named to the Dean's List at St. Mary's. She is a senior.



Kristin Alkire, a senior at St. Mary's College, received the Rev. Joseph Dabrowski Award during commencement exercises.

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# Community policing cuts crime rate at OU

One of the darkest days for public safety at Oakland University was March 4, 1995, when a mathematics professor was beaten senseless and left for dead.

So when a press release touts a 15 percent reduction in crime at OU, perhaps the most logical question is this: Is the reduction in crime linked to changes initiated after that assault?

Surprisingly, the answer is "Not really," from Lt. Mel Gilroy, commanding officer of the 16-member campus police department.

The assault on Stuart Wang in O'Dowd Hall was a painful experience for Gilroy. Not only did it jar the campus community and focus public attention on safety measures at OU, the mathematics professor was a personal acquaintance of Gilroy's.

But after double checking department policies and protocol, "we realized there wasn't much we could have done to prevent it," said Gilroy.

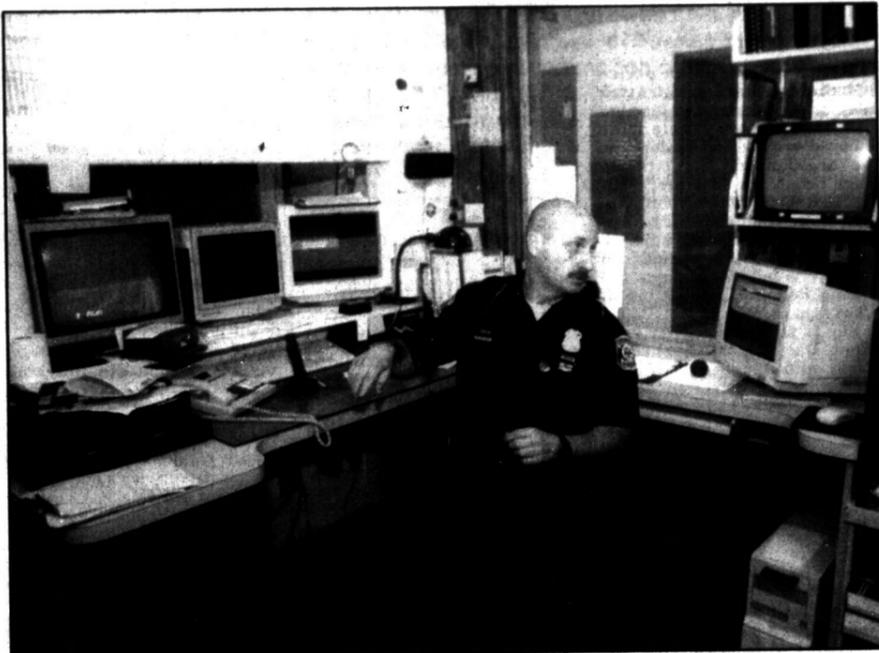
Good police work led to the capture of Wang's assailants who were subsequently convicted of attempted murder. But good police work could not have prevented the crime, said Gilroy.

"No environment is totally free of danger," said Gilroy. "That's one of the problems we have on campus — convincing people to be careful, to take common sense precautions."

The one change Gilroy said is directly related to the assault is the installation of pay telephones with a 911 button that instantaneously links the caller to the police dispatcher. Other than that, the department procedures remain pretty much in tact.

With those procedures, Gilroy said, it's not surprising that crime at OU was down by 15 percent as reported last month.

But while Gilroy was happy with that report, he was also among the first to note that crime statistics are not necessarily the most reliable indicators. "They can go up or down with no apparent rhyme or reason," he said. "If you get a thief living in one of the dorms, for example, reports of stolen property can skyrocket."



**Keeping an eye on things:** Officer David Birkholz checks the video screens to make sure the campus is safe. Video surveillance, bike patrols and emergency phones are considered factors in a decrease in campus crime.

**'We want the students, the faculty and everybody else (including would-be robbers and rapists) to know that we're all over the place.'**

*Lt. Mel Gilroy  
—OU campus police commander*

When reporters and others ask about statistics, Gilroy turns to the steps his department has implemented over the years independently of the Wang assault.

It made sense, for example, to put some patrol officers on bicycles. Cops on bikes are faster and more mobile than their

counterparts in squad cars. "And they're everywhere," said Gilroy.

It made sense to free up patrol officers by hiring student cadets to do routine chores like checking doors and escorting coeds after hours.

"Most of what we do is routine," said Nicholas Kroll, a junior from Ortonville majoring in criminal justice. He's one of nine radio-carrying student cadets who provided additional eyes and ears for the department last year.

"But it's the best paying jobs on campus," said Kroll, who made \$7 per hour.

Technology — or as Gilroy describes it, "computers, computers and more computers" — is an important part of OU campus security. Dispatchers, for example, have a computerized closed-circuit television system that

enables them to survey many parts of the mile-square campus.

Please see **CAMPUS POLICE, A7**

## Top campus cop rose through the ranks

When OU campus police commander Melvin Gilroy came to Oakland University in 1969, he was a student majoring in Chinese history.

The campus — then with about 7,000 students — was undergoing something of a crime wave. "There were a lot of thefts," he said, "and some unrest."

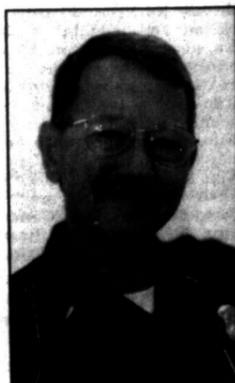
Gilroy, then a student dispatcher, remembers being the 14th person on the all-male department when he was hired and sent to the police academy. "It was a big career change," he said, but one that led to a fulfilling career.

OU is bigger now — with almost 15,000 students expected this fall. And quieter. Crime on campus dropped by 15 percent in 1997, according to statistics released last month.

Gilroy is currently the commanding officer of the OU police department that currently has 16 officers, including four women.

The newest hires are Ellen Kord, a former state trooper from Alaska, and Troy Scott, formerly of Brownstown Township in downriver Detroit.

Gilroy and his wife Jennifer — who works on campus — live



Melvin Gilroy

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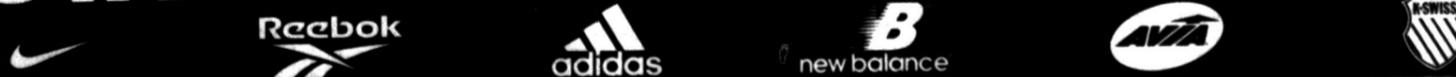
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**OBITUARIES**

**William W. "Bill" Kepler, Jr.**

William W. "Bill" Kepler Jr. of Clarkston died June 22, 1998, at age 60.

Mr. Kepler was a veteran of the Korean War and a retired ironworker of Local 426 (25).

He is survived by his wife, Carol L.; sons, William III of Keego Harbor, Mark of Lake in Michigan and Ron Fraley of Clarkston; and daughter, Kathy Melke, also of Clarkston. He is also survived by his mother, Jean Carter; sister, Jeanette Carter of Highland; and five grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements and service were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 29350 Southfield Road, Suite 110, Southfield MI 48076.

**Lester H. Evans**

Lester H. Evans of Clarkston died June 21, 1998, at age 84.

Mr. Evans retired from Chrysler Motors in 1972, completing 21 years of service. He was active at the Independence Township Senior Center.

He is survived by his sons, Terrance (Patricia) of Clarkston and Douglas (Julie) of Montana, and daughter, Patricia (Leroy) Pinkerton, also of Clarkston. He is also survived by eight grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, brother Robert (Willie) and sister Norma (William) Robertson, both of Florida.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Chapter, 23999 Northwestern Highway No. 210, Southfield 48075-6820.

**Elizabeth "Eleanor" Thayer**

Elizabeth "Eleanor" Thayer of Clarkston died June 20, 1998, at age 90.

Mrs. Thayer was an active member of Clarkston United Methodist Church and a member of the Women's Circle. She enjoyed sewing and crafts. She was the librarian for Clarkston High School for 19 years, retiring in 1968. Prior to coming to Clarkston, she taught home economics at Hastings High School. Together with her husband "Doc," she helped organize the Young Peoples Dance Club of Clarkston in 1949.

She is survived by her husband, Doc; son, Michael (Barbara); and daughter, Patience Lowry, both of Clarkston. She is also survived by eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. Funeral services were held at Clarkston United Methodist Church. Interment was at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road, Clarkston 48346 or American Heart Association, P.O. Box 721129, Berkeley 48072.

**Ernest F. Estleman**

Ernest F. Estleman of Clarkston died June 18, 1998, at age 71.

Mr. Estleman was a long-time member of Christ Lutheran Church, Waterford, and was retired from A. A. Gage in Ferndale. He also was a veteran of WWII, having served in the U.S. Navy.

He is survived by his wife, Henrietta; son, Brent; daughters, Sandra (Jeff) Johnson and Patti Lamb; and six grandchildren. He is also survived by sis-

ters Shirley and Joyce (Bob) Davis.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston. A funeral service was held at Christ Lutheran Church with the Rev. Richard C. Nelson officiating. Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the church at 5987 Williams Lake Road, Waterford MI 48329.

**William C. Lewis**

William C. Lewis of Clarkston died June 17, 1998, at age 52.

Mr. Lewis loved listening to country western music. He lived at the Deer Ridge Group Home in Clarkston and will be sadly missed by the Deer Ridge staff, MORC Inc. Support Services and guardians.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston.

**Robert E. Raymer**

Robert E. Raymer of Clarkston died June 16, 1998, at age 69.

Mr. Raymer retired from Pontiac Motors Division in 1979. He is survived by his daughters, Margaret of Davison, Gay (Edmund) Rapin of Sterling Heights, Christine (Bruce) Wall of Pontiac and one grandson. He is also survived by his sisters, Mary Johnson of Illinois, LaVerne (William) Lewis of Goodrich, Wilma (Bob) Harbison of Illinois and brother, Garland (Dorothy) Raymer of Illinois.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home in Clarkston with the Rev. James Berg officiating. Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association, 18860 W.10 Mile Road, Southfield MI 48075-2689.

**Meet the candidates at chamber breakfast**

**CLARKSTON**

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Meet the Candidates Breakfast at 7:30 a.m. July 23 in the Pool Side Room at Deer Lake Racquet Club, 6167 White Lake Road, Clarkston.

Candidates from several of the area races affected by the Aug. 4 primary election have been invited to attend.

The breakfast will be a sit-down meal of scrambled eggs; choice of bacon, ham or sausage; hashbrowns, muffins, juice and coffee.

The cost for the breakfast is \$10 per person.

Each candidate will be given the opportunity for a one-minute statement introducing himself or herself to the group.

Candidates for State Senate and State Representative will also have an opportunity for questions from the audience.

To purchase tickets to the breakfast, call 625-8055 or fax your request to 625-8041.

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit organization and as such is non-partisan. The chamber will not be endorsing candidates; however, the chamber believes it is very important for chamber members to have an opportunity to meet with candidates prior to the Aug. 4 primary election.

**Brochure answers queries about township roadways**

A new brochure explaining the ins and outs of roads in Oakland County townships is now available for free from the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC).

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"These are the questions we frequently hear from residents and officials in Oakland County's townships," explained RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair.

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Anyone interested in copies of the brochure should call RCOC's Department of Citizen Services at (248) 858-4804 or stop by RCOC's Waterford Township offices, 2420 Pontiac Lake Road (at the corner of County Center Drive West, near the Oakland County government campus). The brochure is also available at the offices of many Oakland County townships.

**ON THE AGENDA**

**Independence Township**

90 N. Main St. Clarkston 625-5111

**Planning Commission**

7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25 Annex Board Room Tentative Agenda

**Roll Call**

Public Comment File No. 98-1-031

Craig Kahler, Petitioner requests special land use and conceptual site plan approval, Clarkston Community Schools, NW corner Hubbard & Ortonville Roads, 24 Acres, R-1R Zone, Pt of 08-08-300-021. File No. 98-1-004

Victor International, Petitioner requests rezoning and plan approval for the Parks at Stonewood, a proposed PUD White Lake Road & Clement Road, 258.4 Acres, R-1B Zone, 08-30-252-002, 08-30-401-006, 08-31-126-002, 08-31-126-004, Pt of 08-30-300-007

**Old Business:**

File No. 98-1-027 Susan Johnson, Petitioner requests final site-plan approval for day care at Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive, 5.26 Acres, 08-20-179-001

File No. 98-1-028 John Riley, Petitioner requests site-plan approval for A T & T Antenna co-location/mounting Detroit Edison Tower, Pine Knob Road at Stevens Road, R-1A Zone, 08-26-452-017

**New Business** Approval of Minutes: May 28 & June 11, 1998 Continuing Review Planner's Report Staff Report Committee Report

Any further information regarding the above public hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or by phone at 625-8111.

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**Charter Township of Springfield**

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD NOTICE OF HEARING ON SUSIN LAKE IMPROVEMENT**  
July 14, 1998

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:**

1. That the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield has tentatively declared its intention to have Susin Lake improved during 1999 by the eradication or control of aquatic weeds and plants by chemically treating and/or harvesting weeds in selective locations of the lake, as needed.
2. That plans as described in item #1, prepared by the Township Supervisor at an estimated \$19,500.00 cost of improvement, are on file with the Township Clerk.
3. That the Township Board has tentatively designated all lands having frontage on or access to Susin Lake as constituting the Special Assessment District against which the costs of the above described improvements are to be assessed. Said lands are more specifically described as, a) Supervisor's Plat #12, lots 1 through 45 and outlets B, C, and D and, b) all lots in Susin Lake Subdivision and c) all lots in Harbortowne Village Subdivision and, d) Amended Plat of Joesman Acres No. 1, lots 41 through 44 and the south 165 feet of lot 45.
4. That the Township Board shall meet at the Springfield Township Hall, 650 Broadway, Davison, Michigan on July 14, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. to hear and consider any objections to the improvement and to said Special Assessment District.
5. That the owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest or object to the improvement or special assessment, or may protest or object by letter filed with the Township Clerk at or prior to the date and time of the hearing, in which case appearance in person is not required.
6. That the Township Board may, after consideration of any objections, proceed to carry out the improvements unless written objections to the improvement are filed by the record owners of land constituting more than 20% of the total area in the proposed Special Assessment District at or before the hearing on July 14, 1998.
7. If the township approves the making of the improvements, a special assessment may be levied against properties that benefit from the improvements. Act 186 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1973, as amended, provides that the special assessment must be protested at the hearing held for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll before the Michigan Tax Tribunal may acquire jurisdiction of any dispute involving the special assessment. The hearing for the purpose of confirming the special assessment roll will be held, if at all, at some time in the future pursuant to notice given as required by law. Appearance and protest at such hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that records pertaining to the proposed lake improvement may be examined at the Clerk's Office, Charter Township of Springfield, 650 Broadway, Davison, Michigan during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, until the date of the Public Hearing. Anyone needing an accommodation should contact the Township Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance of the meeting.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield

Published: June 25 and July 9, 1998

**Charter Township of Springfield**

**NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION JULY 6, 1998 FOR GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION Tuesday, August 4, 1998**

To the Qualified Electors of **SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP - OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

Notice is hereby given that **Monday, July 6, 1998** is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the above stated election.

Qualified electors may register to vote or change their address in the following manner:

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NANCY STROLE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield

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**Bike man on campus:** Oakland University patrol officer Terry Ross makes his way on bicycle around classrooms and dorms.

## Campus police from page A5

"If we see something suspicious in a building or a parking lot," said Sgt. Richard Tomczak, "we can zoom in and, if necessary, dispatch a squad car. The system enables us to videotape an incident (useful evidence in court) and to provide the responding officer with updated information."

"Asked to summarize the department's core philosophy, Gilroy didn't hesitate. He quickly responded, "We do community policing better than most communities."

OU police, for example, represent authority, he said. "But we also encourage students, faculty and administrators to look on our officers as people who are genuinely concerned about their

**'You see them (police officers) everywhere. I often work late, and it gives me a sense of well-being. I imagine it's the same for students.'**

*John F. Kelly  
—OU assistant professor*

welfare."

This fall, for example, officers will offer a class on the prevention of sexual assaults. Students with a casual interest will be reminded of basic precautions — such as the "buddy system," or going places in pairs. Students who are more concerned can take hands-on self defense classes.

"We're there," Gilroy said. "We want students, the faculty and

everybody else (including would-be robbers and rapists) to know that we're all over the place."

That police presence is "reassuring," said assistant professor John F. Kelly, who teaches political science. "You see them (police officers) everywhere. I often work late, and it gives me a sense of well-being. I imagine it's the same for students."

## Gilroy from page A5

in Rochester Hills with their three children. A daughter attends OU part time and the couple's twins, graduating from Rochester Adams High School, expect to enroll this fall, he said.

Gilroy has supplemented his OU courses with a number of specialized law enforcement courses such as the FBI leadership conference in Chicago. One course on fraud and financial crimes offered by the treasury department was extremely help-

ful when campus police handled the case of an OU employee who embezzled more than \$40,000.

The time he invested studying Chinese was helpful in 1985, Gilroy said, when he in the contingent of law enforcement officers invited to mainland China as part of the People to People Program.

"We were guests of the Ministry for Public Security," Gilroy, "and we were treated like diplo-

mats. We stayed in the same hotel where (President Richard) Nixon and (Secretary of State Henry) Kissinger stayed" during the president's historic visit.

Gilroy had a return trip to mainland China in 1986, and he expects to go again next year — this time focusing on potential trade relations. He's part of an OU contingent working with county officials to promote international trade.

## 'Food Aid' will help the hungry

This July, before heading out to the beach or park, stop by your local participating grocery store and pick up specially marked items, like soda pop, paper plates, and ice cream syrup. Your purchase of these items will make your picnic or gathering more complete, and you'll help local families experiencing an emergency food shortage.

Over 100 items are included in this year's "Food Aid," an annual

fund-raiser coordinated by the Michigan Grocers Association and its members. Every purchase of a "Food Aid" item results in a donation made to the Food Bank of Oakland County, a non-profit warehouse with member agencies (like soup kitchens, church pantries, and shelters) serving local families in need.

The Food Bank of Oakland County Executive Director, Helen Kozlowski, encourages everyone to participate. "It's the

perfect program — customers stock up on the items they need and we use the Food Aid proceeds to distribute emergency food."

The Food Bank of Oakland County is a member of the Food Bank Council of Michigan, a non-profit organization striving to alleviate hunger through its statewide network of food banks.

For more information, call the Food Bank of Oakland County at (248)332-1473.

## OAKLAND DIGEST

*Oakland Digest provides a summary of headline stories from around the county during the week leading up to June 25.*

### BIRMINGHAM

**Roped in?:** Roper School is meeting resistance to its plans to expand the upper school building, on Adams Road, north of Maple. The private school plans to double its parking space and add an assembly hall and physical education building, but nearby neighbors are concerned about the size and scope of the project.

### CLARKSTON

**In the workforce:** Four artistic adults, who last year became the Clarkston Community Schools' first to graduate with general education students, have now entered the workforce. After graduating last spring, the students have worked at a variety of local businesses. At least one has also enrolled in classes at Oakland Community College.

### FARMINGTON HILLS

**Brown out:** Residents gave Detroit Edison representatives an earful over periodic summertime power outages in their southwest Farmington Hills neighborhoods. Residents of one subdivision reported 26 outages over the past 2 1/2 years. Edison blamed the problem on a faulty circuit.

### LAKE ORION

**Groundhog's day:** An observant motorist and veterinarians at North Oaks Animal Hospital saved an injured groundhog last week. Motorist Katie Coffman saw the groundhog as it was struggling to cross Orion Road. She stopped, wrapped the bleeding animal in a T-shirt, then drove it to the hospital. Veterinarians determined the animal had suffered internal injuries and damage to its mouth and an eye, all of which were corrected via surgery. The groundhog, named Noah John — an acronym for the hospital, coupled with the name of an employee's husband — will eventually be released to a local farm for additional healing.

### OXFORD

**New town hall:** Plans for the new Oxford Township Hall will be released to the public this

week. The new town hall will be built on a 27.68 acre parcel at Seymour Lake and Granger roads. Some estimates have placed building size at 9,500 square feet.

### ROCHESTER

**Big things brewing:** The Rochester Mills Brewing Company, a 455-seat restaurant and brew pub, has opened in downtown Rochester, in the Water Street building that once housed ITT Knitting Mills.

### SOUTHFIELD

**Court security:** Walk-through weapons detectors are planned for the 46th District Court Building at the Southfield Civic Center Complex. The \$65,640 system is expected to be installed this summer. Two armed security guards will also be hired and a video camera will be added to monitor the city's holding cells. No court

personnel have been assaulted, though a scuffle in a hallway earlier this year sent one man to the hospital.

### TROY

**Downtown Troy:** A downtown development district is being considered for the redeveloped Troy Civic Center area at Big Beaver, near I-75. The area would include a community center, performing arts center, residences and shopping areas.

### KEEGO HARBOR

**Last picture show:** Keego Twin Cinemas, one of the last of the area's independently-run movie houses, is scheduled for demolition within 90 days to make way for a Rite Aid Drug Store. The theater dates back to the 1940s and had been considered a local historic site, but reportedly had been losing money for years.

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# Clarkston Eccentric OPINION

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## Plan a safe summer Parents, here are tips to remember

The following column was submitted by Lee-Anne Miskowski, a registered nurse living in Clarkston. We are running it in this space because of its importance and timeliness.

**W**ith the summer upon us and our children spending much more time at home I am writing to remind parents of a few safety tips.

For young children (approximately 2-4 years of age):

- **Nursemaids elbow.** It can happen anytime something or someone jerks or yanks hard on the arm. A 2-year-old who grabs onto something and then falls can dislocate his own elbow. He will point to the wrist when showing you where it hurts, not usually to the elbow. Pulling the elbow back into place can be readily done in the doctor's office.

- This is usually the age when a child starts to ride a bicycle or a tricycle. Always start them out wearing a helmet.

- Always be careful when backing up or down driveways. Those backing up in a hurry can't see a child on a bike or a Big Wheel.

- Beware of all Jacuzzis! The suction on the drain can be so powerful when it is turned on that getting a hand, foot or hair caught in the system can be fatal. Be sure that everyone knows how to turn off the Jacuzzi.

- Be very careful of escalators and little feet getting caught. Everyone should be aware of the emergency off button located right by the side at the bottom.

- Beware of burns. They can result from curiosity as well as accident. For example: hot coals at the beach, fire pits and barbecues.

- Drowning is the leading cause of death at home in this age group. Be very cautious around any body of water!

- Mouth and throat injuries occur when a child is running with something like a sucker

or stick in the mouth and then falls. This type of injury always requires pediatric or emergency attention.

For all age groups:

- **Burns** — Bathing alone can inspire turning on the hot water faucet. (Be sure to keep the temperature on the hot water tank turned down to 120 degrees.) Helping cook can produce burns with boiling water and hot oils.

- **Trampolines** — The American Academy of Pediatrics has issued a statement discouraging trampolines. Using them is very risky; using them without a coach and spotters is very dangerous. The reason is simple: spinal cord injuries!

- Don't mow the lawn when a child is in the yard. No matter how careful you are about picking up debris, a rock or other missed object could become a dangerous projectile and cause an eye or other injury.

- If you have a sandbox, always cover it when not in use. You do not want roaming animals using it as a litter box.

- If you live in a suburban or rural area, be on the alert for wild animals. Skunks, foxes, bats and raccoons can all carry rabies.

- Protect against all insect bites. You can use insect repellent on a child age 2 or older. Otherwise check with your doctor.

- And, of course, apply sunscreen to all areas of the body not covered by clothing at least 15 minutes but preferably 30 minutes before exposing a child to the sun. Use a sunscreen with an SPF of at least 30 that blocks both UVA and UVB rays. (Some sunscreen products are irritating to the skin so be sure to test a product before slathering it all over your child.)

I hope some of these reminders will prove helpful.

Have a happy and safe summer.

## Mental health care a priority

**T**he only thing clear as Oakland County heads toward a mental health authority with a managed care system is that those who are ill need to be served well.

What may seem to be obvious to some may be overlooked someday, if proper safeguards aren't included in the proposal for an authority. That authority will govern care for the 13,000 Oakland County residents who are in need of care.

Currently those people are being served by the Community Mental Health Board, which was developed as responsibility for the mentally ill began to shift from the state to local communities. The 12-member CMH board is appointed by the elected county board of commissioners, and 90 percent of the funding is from the state, with the remainder from the county.

Reaction to the CMH board has been mixed in its lengthy existence. Some complain that CMH employees don't listen to concerns, but a probe into actual cases is veiled by the right to privacy that exists for those with mental illnesses.

CMH now operates with a \$150 million budget with full management of care for consumers. Last week the board itself "agreed in principle" to transfer its responsibilities to an authority. But criticism of the CMH board is not the motivation behind the call for a mental health authority, and it's important to seek the real reason.

Indeed, the call doesn't necessarily herald a promise of improvement but, for consumers and advocates, it represents a number of threats.

First, and perhaps most important, funding from the state is expected to one day dry up. County officials worry that care for the mentally ill would drain its coffers, perhaps at the expense of other programs or services. An authority would act as a buffer between the county budget and mental health care costs. The

**What needs to be determined is how an authority will better serve consumers. Whoever is in charge ... money must not be the bottom line.**

authority would be forced to request funds from the county — and ultimately the general public — if money from the state were cut off.

Sure 13,000 people with mental illnesses represents a large group, and so are their advocates. But with the stigma attached to mental illness that still exists — and the county's concern over a possible financial drain — it's questionable as to whether appropriate funding would be approved.

Second, safeguards for quality of care and accountability, ensured by elected representatives such as the county board of commissioners, may be lacking in the proposal and need to be built into any authority.

Third, managed care, in which only predetermined health care professionals and practices may be sought out, is likely to force changes in how care is delivered. The transition must be better handled than what happened when places, like Lafayette Clinic in Detroit, were closed by the state.

A mental health authority is likely to be slow in coming, as the issues are complex and controversial. What needs to be determined is how an authority will better serve consumers. Whoever is in charge, whether it's a department operated by the county or a semi-independent authority, money must not be the bottom line.

There are faces that belong to that 13,000 number.

### COMMUNITY VOICE

#### QUESTION:

A woman recently gave birth on the Internet. What do you think about that?



'I don't have a problem with it. It's a parent's responsibility to see their children don't see it.'

Ron Moon  
Independence Township



'I think it's cool because they get to see stuff like the baby and its face.'

Paul Melner  
Independence Township



'I don't know. Weird. I think it's private because you're having a baby.'

Becky Melner  
Independence Township



'It was pretty gross. ... I don't think everything should be shown on the Internet.'

Sharon Saunders  
Independence Township

This question was asked at the U.S. Post Office on M-15.

### LETTERS

#### Tax bills are in the mail

The 1998 summer tax bills should be sent out during the first week in July.

A few reminders and suggestions may be helpful to property tax payers.

Your summer taxes are all school-based. They include your local school district, Oakland Intermediate Schools, Oakland County Community College and State Education tax. There are no township taxes included even though we are the collecting agency. Summer taxes are due from July 1 through Sept. 14 without penalty. Your winter taxes include county and township government taxes and any special assessments on your property such as street lighting, lake, road, sewer. Winter taxes are sent out around Dec. 1 and are due by Tuesday, Feb. 16, this year without penalty. Normally the winter taxes are due Feb. 14, but the 14th falls on Sunday and township offices are closed on the 15th for President's Day.

If you have an escrow account for your taxes, you should receive a customer copy only. This will tell you what taxes your mortgage company should pay. You also should check to see that we are sending the bill to the right mortgage company. This year your company will be written out instead of just having the code for the company. It is important to notify the treasurer's office if you no longer have an escrow account or the one shown is incorrect. There have been many changes such as refinancing and large numbers of new escrow accounts due to the low interest rates. Keep your customer copy to compare your year-end mortgage statement.

Secondly, if you pay your own taxes, you should receive two bills. One will say customer copy and one will say payment copy. If you pay in person at the township, please bring in both copies. We will keep the payment copy and stamp your copy paid (a big help to you before April 15 for income tax deductions). If you pay by mail, your check will be your receipt. If you require a paid receipt, send both tax copies and a self-addressed stamped envelope. We will return one copy stamped paid to you.

Those residents living in the Clarkston School District will have 1.80 mills added to your summer tax bill, and will have the same amount reduced in your winter tax bill. As you may recall, voters passed 1.80 mills for school renovations and a new elementary school. Because the passage of the millage took place after the 1997 summer taxes were sent out, the 1.80 mills was placed on the 1997 winter taxes. The bottom line is that your summer taxes will be higher than your last summer bill and your winter taxes will be lowered by 1.80 mills. On a taxable value of \$100,000, the 1.80 mills represent \$180.

If you have any questions, please contact

the treasurer's office at 625-5111 extensions 211, 212, 248 or 209.

Jim Wenger  
Independence Township Treasurer

#### Thanks, reading tutors!

The students and staff of Pine Knob Elementary would like to offer a sincere and heartfelt thank you to all the parent and community volunteers who participated as reading tutors at PKE this year. More than 30 volunteers worked with students on a one-to-one basis, helping to improve reading skills and boost confidence.

Our tutors committed to helping as many as three students each week throughout the entire school year. This generous gift of time demonstrates the dedication and concern they offered each child, along with their knowledge and friendship. More than 70 students who were assisted by volunteers showed marked improvement in their reading abilities.

Thanks to all of our amazing volunteers. Your work is vital to our success at Pine Knob. Congratulations on a job well done!

The students and staff of Pine Knob Elementary  
Clarkston

#### Elect Gallant for state rep

I invited Jeff Gallant, candidate for 46th District state representative, to my home so that he could meet my friends and neighbors. They were able to tell Jeff their concerns about state and local government and other matters. He explained different government actions and then he introduced what his plans would be for handling and correcting the problems.

Jeff's continuous effort to call personally on the residents in their own homes allows them to know that he is very interested in addressing their questions and problems. Jeff listens ... and he will be tireless in his quest for better government!

Voting for Jeff Gallant will give the voter a state representative capable of executing a real plan to improve Michigan government.

Peggy Dryer  
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POINTS OF VIEW

# I scream about ice cream that won't melt

My ice cream doesn't melt. This may not be a crisis to some, but the idea positively frightens me. Like many people, a recent storm left my home without power so the prospect of spoiled food loomed large. But such things happen and you go on...but it shouldn't be so spooky. I finally got up the courage to open up the ol' ice box after power was restored (lesson No. 1, keep the refrigerator closed as long as possible and perhaps, something may be saved) to see what could be salvaged. There was a pool of Popsicles. The frozen green beans were turning brown. The waffles — sadly placed below the ice tray — were more like oatmeal. The hamburger was, uh ... musty. In fact, the only thing that seemed to maintain its previous appearance was the ice cream. And that's not right. Oh, don't get me wrong. It was warm ... it just didn't melt. Now there are a couple of constants in the universe. The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.

The rich boy always gets the pretty girl. The Detroit Lions will exit the playoffs in the first round. And darn it, ice cream is supposed to melt! The way I see it, ice cream that doesn't melt must be in contradiction to at least two or three incontrovertible rules of the universe — not to mention the fact that it can't be healthy in the long run. When I made ice cream as a kid, or when I've occasionally generated the courage to make it with my own, all I use are four cups of table cream (18 percent milk fat), two-thirds cup sugar, and two table spoons of vanilla. Let me tell you, when that stuff leaves the freezer, it melts. Did you ever look at the side of a box of store-bought ice cream? It's not for the faint of heart. According to the University of Guelph, Ontario, an agricultural college that has a course of study in its Dairy Science and Technology program devoted to ice cream (I'm not making this up), today's ice cream has the following composition: greater than 10 percent milk



GERALD FRAWLEY

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fat by legal definition; 9 to 12 percent milk solids, not-fat — this component, also known as the serum solids, con-

tains the proteins (caseins and whey proteins) and carbohydrates (lactose) found in milk; 12 to 16 percent sweeteners (usually a combination of sucrose and glucose-based corn syrup sweeteners); 0.2 to 0.5 percent stabilizers and emulsifiers; and, 55 percent to 64 percent water which comes from the milk or other ingredients. Near as I can figure, this impervious-to-melting-ice-cream seems to have its roots somewhere in the stabilizers. According to the Guelph people, the stabilizers are a group of compounds, usually polysaccharides, that are responsible for adding viscosity to the unfrozen portion of the water and thus holding the water so it cannot migrate (that would be icky?) within the product. The theory is that as ice cream makes its way from manufacturer to the supermarkets, into the trunks of cars, and so on, ice cream has many opportunities to warm up, partially melt, and then refreeze. This process is known as heat shock — kind of scary they have a name for it, isn't it? — and every time it happens,

the ice cream becomes more icy tasting. Stabilizers help to prevent this. At one time, years ago, before science got involved, good ol' gelatin was used almost exclusively in the ice cream industry as a stabilizer. Gelatin, however, has been gradually replaced with polysaccharides of plant origin due to their increased effectiveness and reduced cost. The stabilizers in use today include: carboxymethyl cellulose, which is derived from the bulky components, or pulp cellulose, of plant material like locust bean gum; guar gum; carrageenan, which is an extract of Irish Moss or red algae; or sodium alginate, which is an extract of another seaweed, brown kelp. Yum. I think I'll stick to Popsicles from now on. They may have just as many funky ingredients as ice cream, but at least they melt — and that doesn't mess with the cosmic order of things as much. Gerald Frawley is editor of the Lake Orion and Oxford Eccentrics.

# Older motorists can benefit from driver retraining

I don't know if you remember Mildred, the 76-year-old woman who I thought should no longer be driving the roads of metro Cleveland where she lives. First, her friends called to complain about her poor driving. And last December when we visited, she drove into on-coming traffic without looking when my daughter, granddaughter and I were passengers in her car. But Traffic Improvement Association president Frank Cardimen persuaded me otherwise. "I lost my father last year," Cardimen told me for a column I wrote in February. "But I really lost him about seven years ago when his license was pulled. He stopped living. This issue goes beyond just the safety question." What Cardimen suggested was getting her to take a retraining workshop

designed for mature drivers, like the ones the TIA reinstated last year around our towns from Plymouth all the way to Rochester. So I called Mildred's son to propose it. She didn't respond to the idea. But then another relative experienced a similar near-accident as a passenger in her car. That broke the impasse. Because this time when she was approached about taking such a class, her response was: "Why I was just thinking about doing that." Frankly, I'm still not sure I would drive with her again. But, a visit to a TIA-sponsored course held in Farmington Hills last week reassured me that the 12 women and four men taking the workshop are better for it. Studies show that older drivers are four times more likely to be involved



JUDITH BERNE

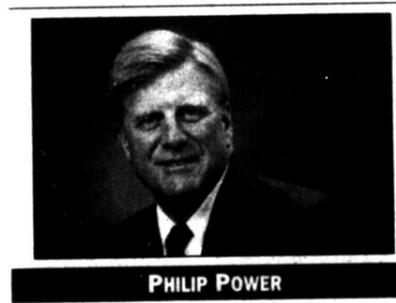
in traffic accidents. In studies by population and miles driven, they experience an inordinate number of crashes and fatalities. Over two four-hour sessions utilizing a series of videos, two instructors review: the effects of aging on driving, physical limitations, effects of medication and alcohol on driving, current

traffic laws, automobile technology, defensive driving skills and crash preventative measures. Participants are also evaluated for brake reaction time, peripheral vision, depth perception, visual acuity, glare recovery for night driving and field of view. An optional road test is also offered, with all results kept confidential. The TIA retraining workshop is one of only a handful with access to a new computerized interactive program that helps people evaluate and improve their "window of attention," which narrows as we age. Although I sat in on only a small part of the workshop, I headed directly for a place I had never been — the automotive department of Kmart. There I was buying small, convex mirrors to affix to my side view mirrors.

Instructor Ken Cote, a retired policeman from Walled Lake, recommends them to avoid the blind spots in changing lanes. Local automotive centers might expect a run on the mirrors, since others in the class said they were headed out to buy them. "The mirror alone is worth it," Schuster told me, in evaluating the course. Judith Doner Berne, a West Bloomfield resident, is former managing editor of the Eccentric Newspapers. Upcoming mature driver retraining workshops are scheduled for Sterling Heights, Pontiac, Waterford, Dearborn, Ann Arbor, Bloomfield Hills, Southfield, Rochester, St. Clair Shores and Romeo. Cost runs about \$20. Call Joan Rich at (248) 334-4971 for information.

# Crunch time in Lansing helps clarify priorities

It's getting near crunch time in Lansing. With summer officially here and elections looming in November, both the Legislature and the governor are anxious to get their final deals out on taxing and spending. It's at this time of the year that the real priorities finally become clear. Consider Gov. John Engler. He wants to spend \$187.6 million to build 5,856 new prison beds. Once they are built, operating these prisons will cost the taxpayers an estimated \$110.8 million every year, according to the Senate Fiscal Agency, historically the source of the most accurate estimates in Lansing. That works out to a cost of \$32,033 per inmate per year. Overall, the governor wants to increase the Department of Corrections budget, already a swollen \$1.4 billion, by around 5 percent. By contrast, Engler's original executive budget proposed a 1.5 percent increase to the state's colleges and universities, well below the level of inflation. State Sen. John Schwarz, R-Battle Creek and chair of the Senate Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee, is the Legislature's main authority on spending for higher education. Earlier this year, he held hearings around the state about the consequences of cutting spending on colleges and universities. The consequence, he was told everywhere he went, would be decisions by colleges to hike tuition at a rate higher than inflation in order to make up the difference. When the appropriation bill surfaced in the House, nearly 40 Republicans deserted Engler and voted with Democrats to increase university spending in excess of what the governor wanted. The Senate passed an appropriations bill that increased spending for higher education by 3 percent. Now it's crunch time. This whole issue will get settled within a week or 10 days. Here's the context that helps frame my own thinking about this matter. At a time when Michigan's economy is rearing along at near historic levels, it is very odd for the Engler Administration to want to pinch back colleges and universities, among our state's most valuable long-term resources. There is no doubt Engler supported appropriations above the level of inflation for the past two years, which enabled universities to keep



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tuition increases low. But if you look over the past 20 years, there is no doubt that higher education in Michigan has been funded at a rate considerably less than inflation. There's plenty of catch-up still to do. There is a very strange quality to the governor's budget priorities. He wants to spend \$32,000 per newly warehoused prison inmate, in stark contrast to the \$5,700 the state spends per pupil in supporting K-12 schools. Rep. Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti, for months has been pointing out that the cost per inmate in Michigan prisons is considerably above that in neighboring states. He has called for a high level commission to explore why and propose remedies. So far, there has been negligible response from the Engler Administration. Sen. Schwarz wants to increase state spending on higher education by 3.5 percent, which is above the level of inflation and allows colleges and universities to hold the line on tuition. This amounts to a spending increase of some \$40 million, about a third of what Gov. Engler wants to spend on new warehouse space for criminals. I think Schwarz has the better part of this argument. If he doesn't and if colleges and universities have to hike tuition, grumpy parents can register their views by calling the Governor's Office at (517) 373-3400. Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper, and a regent of the University of Michigan. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@online.com

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ROCHELLE SMITH

**Don't wait to appreciate what you have**

Appreciation and regret too often go hand in hand. Many times we don't truly appreciate something until it's gone, or until the person we should have thanked is no longer with us. Over the past few years I've grown to understand, on a very personal basis, exactly what that means. Often those of us who have the most to be thankful for are the ones who don't appreciate what we have. Thank's not the way it has to be, though. I learned this from the most unlikely of teachers — a young man, just barely out of his teens.

I have tried to teach my kids to appreciate what they have by fighting the urge to give them everything they want. If they don't have everything handed to them on a silver platter, I reason, they will appreciate what they do get a lot more. At this point in their development, it's hard to say if my plan is working. Determining whether pre-teens are appreciating what they have is a difficult task. In my own case, I can only hope that a mother considered it just as difficult a task to determine whether I was truly appreciating everything that she was giving me.

Although it's a little late, since my mother passed away five years ago, I have been experiencing strong feelings of regret lately for my lack of appreciation for all the wonderful things my mother did. Specially,



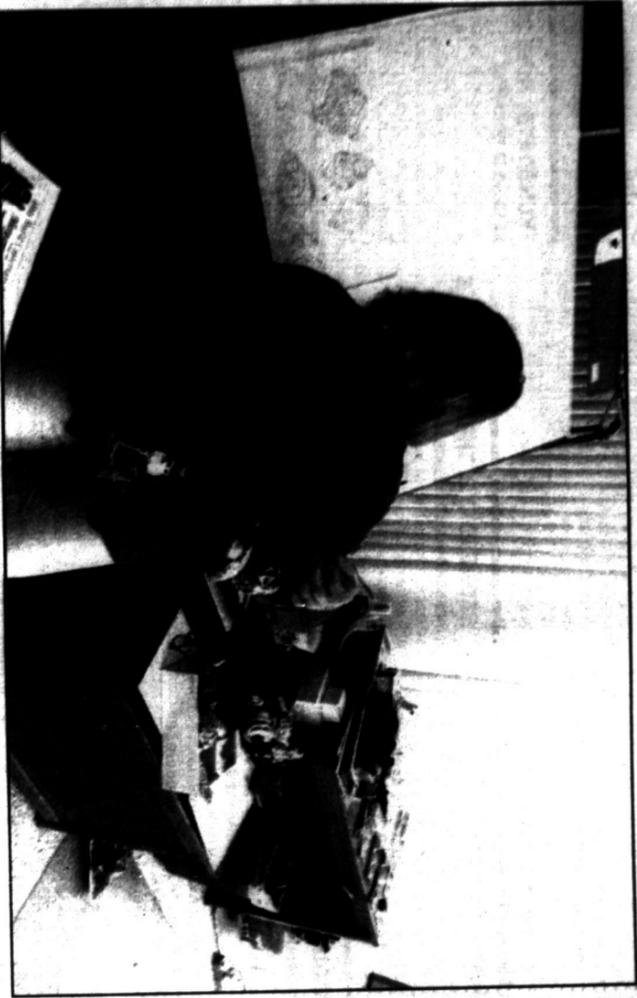
**Christmas inspires artist**



It's always Christmas in Margaret Cobane's basement art studio.

The Clarkston artist has been designing blown-glass Christmas tree ornaments that are now being sold at Old World Canterbury Village. In addition to the ornaments, Cobane has designed two Santa Claus greeting cards for the National Wildlife Federation and one for the Humane Society. A Santa tin was also produced by Springwater Enterprises.

"I guess you could say that I'm fascinated with Christmas — always was," Cobane said. "I especially like Santa because he represents such a good, kind soul. I believe his is a sym-



**Yuletide artist:** Clarkston artist Margaret Cobane's fascination with Christmas led to her becoming a designer of blown-glass Christmas tree ornaments, like those above left.

bol of goodness and generosity." At the Cobane household, artistry is all in the family. Margaret has been married to Russell Cobane, a nationally known wildlife artist, since 1979.

Margaret Cobane, who still dabbles in all paint-ings and sculpture, has helped her husband research his subjects and display them at shows across the country. "We help each other more than any-

thing," Margaret said. "He's a very technical, detailed person. When I paint, everything else is forgotten. He's the one who has to remember to feed the cats." For the past three years, Cobane has been busy designing the whimsical ornaments. Sold under the name Scottish Christmas, the fragile ornaments include teddy bears, snow-

men and, of course, a variety of Santas.

**Margaret Cobane**  
*blown-glass ornament artist*

So far, Cobane has designed about 30 ornaments but says nearly 100 will be available before this year's holiday season starts. "I'm working on a lot of cute designs now," said Cobane pointing to a little black Scottie dog and a golden horse. "Animals are pretty popular. I'm also hoping to start a golf line."

When asked to describe her creative process, she pauses for a few moments to ponder her answer: "I have always known from the time I was a small child how to harness my creativity. It's like a dream trance that you get pulled into and then you just sort of fly where it takes you like a magic carpet ride. The great fun is

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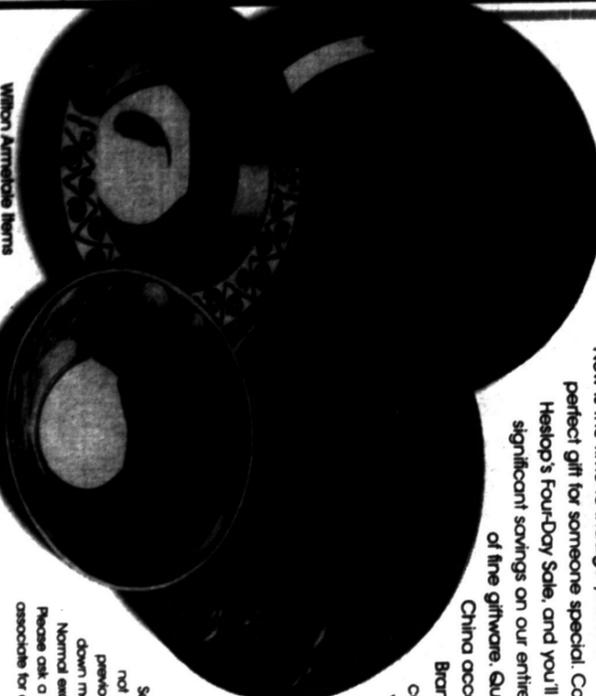


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Gallery hours 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. To celebrate its 20th anniversary, the Michigan Association of Calligraphers is sponsoring this exhibit which consists of a juried exhibit of members' works as well as an invitational exhibit of work by instructors from around the country who have offered classes and workshops to members. The exhibit takes place at The

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**TEEN SUMMER PROGRAM**

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**WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH AUG. 5**

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not knowing the destination. Sometimes it gently flows onto the paper for hours on end and sometimes your hand can't keep up with your brain and you have to grab the nearest piece of paper and capture the idea before it escapes you." Cobane pulls out a crumpled napkin with the early sketches of a boy and girl in an old-fashioned sled to demonstrate her point. While the initial drawings are quite basic, Cobane said she has to research each of her subjects to make sure everything is in proportion. "You think you know what a giraffe looks like but do you really know how long their tail is or how many spots they have?" Cobane said. "I don't just draw a simple little picture and send it off. A lot of work goes into the ornaments."

After Cobane is finished with the ornaments, they are sent to China where they are manufactured and hand painted. Cobane said she is usually surprised with the ending results. "We've gotten some back and realized that they weren't really correct because maybe the dog's snout wasn't long enough or something like that," Cobane said. "But waiting is the fun part to see what my drawing will look like in 3-D. It's a mystery."

Cobane has a few signing shows scheduled, including the Clarkston Cedar Festival in September. For future ornament shows or mail orders, call Canterbury Village at 391-5700 or visit their website at www.canterburyvillage.com

Historic Canterbury Village, featuring 18 specialty shops, is located at 2369 Joslyn Court in Lake Orion, three miles off I-75, Exit 83.

**Rochelle from page A11**

lately, I've been thinking of one particular incident — a wedding shower gift. A couple weeks ago my husband and I celebrated our 17th wedding anniversary. In thinking about our wedding, I remembered the unbelievable shower gift my mother had presented to me.

To understand the gift, you have to understand her. She was the type of person who always went the extra mile for others. She seemed to truly enjoy doing extra special things for people. She also had a gift for needle craft. Her skill with knitting, crocheting, sewing or needlepoint was hard to surpass. If someone asked her to make an

afghan, she would whip up something so beautiful that the person wouldn't want to actually use it. It was more like a piece of art than something to keep their feet warm. As she got older, it became difficult for her to continue her needle crafts. Her arthritis became too painful and crippled her fingers, but before she lost that gift she made many beautiful treasures, most of which she gave as gifts.

Which brings us back to the wedding shower gift. It was a tablecloth. It wasn't just any tablecloth, though. It was a crocheted tablecloth which had a very detailed picture of the house my husband and I had

bought in the center, with the words "Our First Home" above it and the address below. On the left it had all the details of our wedding, including date, name and address of church, name of pastor and flutist, etc. On the right it listed the full names of all the groomsmen and bridesmaids. On the bottom it had my husband's whole life history, complete with where he was born, his parents' names, where he went to school, etc. On the top it had the same information for me.

The entire tablecloth was crocheted. In hindsight I realize that my mother must have put every waking hour from the time

we were engaged until the wedding shower into crocheting that tablecloth. When I opened it at the shower everyone in attendance was in awe. They couldn't believe that so much detail could be captured in a crocheted work. I thanked my Mom, of course, and I took lots of pictures and I put the tablecloth on display in our home for months. Down deep, though, I never really truly appreciated it the way I should have. She was always going the extra mile. In a way this was just another example of her "doing too much." Instead of considering her giving nature a wonderful gift that I should truly appreciate, although I hate to admit it, I thought of it as being embarrassing. Why did she always have to overdo? Couldn't she just be like other moms and do just enough. Why did she put so much effort into everything? Now I realize the

answer to these questions: Because that's who she was. She was someone who wanted to give her very best. She wanted to make people happy by giving them something much better than what they expected. Now that it's too late for me to tell her that I finally appreciate the way she was, I have a large case of regret to handle.

Although I was a relatively good kid and didn't give my mother much grief, I also didn't give her the type of gift that I recently learned was given to my best friend by her son. Since the death of her husband three years ago, her teenage son has been giving her a substantial amount of grief. He has always been a good kid, but the loss that they both suffered seemed to really affect his ability to stay on the right track. Since he had trouble staying in school, he started attending an alternative

high school and received his diploma this month. Prior to a special graduation program that the school held two weeks ago, the students were asked to complete a questionnaire and bring in a baby picture of themselves. During the program the questionnaire and picture were displayed using an overhead projector. One of the questions asked of each student was: "Who is your hero?" My friend's son answered: "My Mom because she has had a tough life, especially since my Dad died, and she has managed to get a full-time job and pull her life back together. That's why she's my hero." Now that's something any mother can truly appreciate.

Rochelle Smith, who lives in Clarkston, is a freelance columnist.

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Chances are, however, these "visitors" won't even know they're passing through Springfield Township as they speed along I-75 to destinations Up North — to retreats where they can enjoy the natural wonders for which northern Michigan is famous: cool, unpolluted streams and pristine wetlands; vast expanses of quiet forest land; abundant wildlife; and spectacular landscapes of native wildflowers.

And, as these visitors rush through Springfield Township, chances are they'll have no idea that they're quite literally within a stone's throw of many of the natural wonders they drive hours to experience.

Located at the headwaters of four rivers, the topography of Springfield Township is characterized by rolling hills, steep slopes, dense woodlands and numerous lakes and wetlands.

Beginning in the northeast section of Springfield Township, a tributary of the Clinton River flows southeast through a rare and beautiful pre-European settlement landscape called Bridge Valley, before feeding into Deer Lake in Independence Township and eventually into Lake St. Clair.

The Huron River begins near Scott Road and the imposing Huron Swamp, flowing south into White Lake Township, then west and south through four counties before emptying into Lake Erie.

The Shiawassee River also begins near Scott Road in Springfield Township. Only it flows north and west, meandering through scenic oak savanna landscapes, into neighboring Rose Township and eventually into Saginaw Bay.

And in the extreme northern part of the township, some land is located in the headwaters of the Flint River, which flows north into Groveland Township.

Within these lands in Springfield Township, it's possible to find creeks that run so pure they're home to an insect that, until recently, was thought to exist only in northern Michigan.

Springfield Township is a place of wild orchids, pitcher plants, rare ferns and spectacular beds of trillium and wild geraniums. It's a place that serves as an inviting habitat for sandhill cranes and great blue herons. It hosts a habitat where the reclusive and elusive massasauga rattler, now extinct in most areas outside Michigan, can still exist, and where coyotes are commonly sighted.

It's a place where large natural resource complexes still remain intact, and where fresh natural resource discoveries are still being made.

Springfield Township is also a very pretty place to live, as more and more people are choosing to do. Between 1990 and 1996 the population grew by about 30 percent and is now estimated at about 13,000. And that growth presents challenges to those who are committed to preserving the quality of the area's natural resources.

The Springfield Township government is working with developers to make sure that development occurs with preservation of as much open space as possible and that unique areas are protected. It's also partnering with land conservancies like ours to encourage establishment of conservation easements. The Bridge Valley residential development is one example of this government-developer-conservancy partnership.

But individual residents can also play a vital role by taking an interest in preserving the quality of the natural resources in their own backyards.

Homeowners associations can take an active interest in maintaining and protecting natural areas and preserves located in their developments and in making sure that any restrictions are adhered to.

Individual homeowners can implement landscaping plans that minimize their impact on surrounding resources: by creating natural buffers adjacent to



lakes and wetlands, and by minimizing or eliminating use of fertilizers and invasive, non-native plants that can ruin sensitive areas like the Bridge Valley complex.

Residents can also volunteer their time to our conservancy, which manages almost two dozen properties in Independence and Springfield townships. And those who don't have time to actively participate can still make a positive impact by becoming a member of or making a donation to the conservancy.

With a population of more than 1 million people and the rapid growth of its high-tech businesses, Oakland County has been dubbed by some as the economic engine that drives Michigan. It would be a shame, however, if these economic successes were gained at the expense of North Oakland County's unique natural resources — resources that also contribute to our quality of life.

The North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. For more information about our organization or about the programs mentioned in this column, contact the Conservancy at P.O. Box 285, Clarkston, MI 48347. Telephone: 248-625-8193.

# First Congregational pastor celebrates silver anniversary

First Congregational Church is celebrating the 25th anniversary of the ordination of its pastor, Dr. James G. Keough.

Keough has been senior minister of the congregation since November 1984.

He is a graduate of Messiah College in Grantham, Pa., with a bachelor's degree in history. He also has a master's of divinity degree from Lancaster Theological Seminary of the United Church of Christ in Lancaster, Pa. His doctoral degree was earned from Columbus Theological Seminary Consortium in Columbus, Ohio. The consortium is made up of seminaries representing three denominations — Lutheran, Brethren and United Methodist.

During his ministry Keough

**Under Keough's leadership the church has increased in membership, financial strength and program.**

has been involved with various community organizations. As an Eagle Scout he continues his work with the Boy Scouts of America. He has served on the executive board of the Clinton Valley Council and is currently an at-large member of the council. He has been supportive of various programs such as Boys and Girls Clubs, Youth Assistance, Haven, Women's Survival Center, Lighthouse and several

seniors programs.

While Keough has been with First Congregational Church, the congregation has relocated from downtown Pontiac to its present 16-acre campus at 5449 Clarkston Road in Independence Township. Under his leadership the church has increased in membership, financial strength and program. According to several of the members, his greatest accomplishment is the spiritual growth and missionary efforts that have developed.

Keough, his wife Dawn, a registered nurse at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac, and their daughters Erin and Bevia live in Waterford. Keough's mother, Nora, who resides with him, is also an active member of the church.

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The rich diversity of American religion is a result of two factors that interrelate with one another. First, there is the reality that we are a nation of immigrants, being blessed with people from every part of the globe. Americans have brought their religious traditions with them from Europe, from Asia, from Africa, from the Middle East and from every other part of the world.

Of course, they were encouraged to do so by the First Amendment to the Constitution which guarantees freedom of

religion and noninterference from governmental authority. The First Amendment, therefore, is the other reason why we have such a rich diversity of religious traditions and institutions in our country.

The First Amendment states that Congress shall make no law with regard to the establishment of religion, nor shall it prohibit the free exercise thereof. In other words, the government shall not establish or recognize any religion over another, nor shall it interfere in the free expression of any religion.

It is informative to note that the First Amendment also guarantees free speech, so that freedom of religion and freedom of expression are legally linked. This is why the press in this country is also free.

The first of our basic freedoms guarantees that both the press and our religious institutions were to be in no way controlled by our government.

The fear was that such governmental control would mean that the government would use these institutions as a means for government propaganda. It was felt that these institutions needed to be free to critique the government when necessary.

You are free to worship according to the dictate of your conscience, the inclination of your reason and the guidance of your spirit. No one can dictate religious practice to you. This is why America is

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Your religious choice is a serious one. It has consequences for the way in which you live your entire life. You are privileged to be able to freely make that choice.

May you choose with the wisdom and with faith to guide you.

# Zion Evangelistic Temple plans 2nd American tribute

**BY BARRI FRET TEMPLETON SPECIAL WRITER**



**American tribute: "George Washington" discusses his life and the miracles he has seen in battle at last year's All American Tribute at the Zion Evangelistic Temple in Troy.**

History buffs and patriotic souls will be thrilled to learn that "George Washington" and "Abe Lincoln" will be at Zion Evangelistic Temple in Troy this Saturday.

The appearances by two of the nation's most beloved presidents will be part of the second annual "All American Tribute" at 7 p.m. Saturday at Zion Temple.

David and Verna Leo, of Rochester Hills, serve as co-ordinators of the popular program that was viewed by an audience exceeding 1,500 last year. The Leos are longtime members of Zion Evangelistic Temple and Verna Leo is active in the church's music ministry.

"The theme of the program is to talk about America's Godly heritage and to have a celebration of liberty," Verna Leo said. "We want to honor the vets and encourage them all to come."

Zion Temple's pastor is Leonard Gardner. His son Dan Gardner, is in charge of the church's music ministry and will oversee the "All American" production which includes more than 200 people.

"It's a really big event. Last year we got great reviews and this year we're even adding a few surprises," Verna Leo said.

The church, whose membership is close to 2,300, hosts and creates three major productions each year. The Christmas and Easter programs are presented over several evenings and are often sold out.

The American Tribute show is three months in the planning and includes major production amenities such as costumes and make-up. Zion Temples boasts a 3,000 seat auditorium with state of the art audio equipment and a huge projection screen for easier viewing of the show.

The 90-minute program includes plenty of instrumental, performances by several choirs and appearances by lots of young children in the church. In fact, the Leos' own children, Kristen, 14, and Anthony, 10, will be taking part in this weekend's show.

The program begins with one man re-enactments in the characters of our first and 16th Presidents, Washington and Lincoln.

Washington will come out on stage and talk about his life, the war and all the miracles he saw in battle. Lincoln's monologue includes story telling, a reading of the Gettysburg Address, plus he'll sing his favorite tune, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic." Both men will wear full costume and make-up.

"It should be really exciting and it's nice to be able to salute and recognize the veterans," Verna Leo said.

In the latter part of the show the casts rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" generally brings the crowd to their feet and the audience joins in the singing. The program is concluded when dozens of colorful balloons and tons of streamers fall from the ceiling of the auditorium.

"This is the most well liked event of the year here," Verna Leo said. "And while it is fun there are some serious things and some touching moments, too."

Senator Mat Dunaskiss will attend to present the church with a special award of recognition from the state of Michigan.

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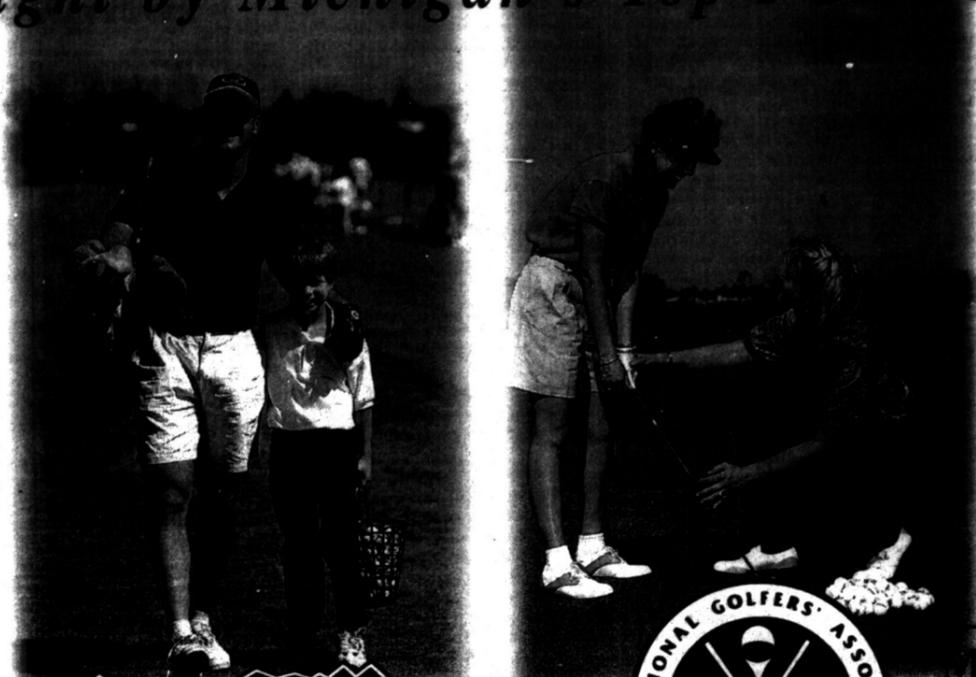


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Must have valid Michigan Drivers license able to drive standard transmission.  
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MAINTENANCE FULL TIME For whom? Home towners. General knowledge & experience in residential property maintenance necessary. Competitive salary & benefits. Mail or fax resume to: M.M., 2645 Orchard Lane, Suite A, Farmington Hills, MI 48334. Fax: 248-553-4570

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# Voters could face tricounty arts tax

## State Capitol capsules:

The state Senate moved a bill allowing the tricounty area to vote a half-mill property tax for the arts, but the vote showed weak support among affected senators.

The Senate approved SB 1136, 27-9 with one Senator not voting. The bill was sponsored by Sen. Mike Bouchard, R-Birmingham. It would allow voters to approve a property tax for major cultural institutions, including the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Detroit Institute of Arts, the Zoo and Cranbrook.

Voting yes: Bouchard, Bill Bullard, R-Milford and Gary Peters, D-Bloomfield Township.

Voting no: Mat Dunaskiss, R-Lake Orion.

Significantly for those hoping for a tricounty tax, all three Macomb County senators - Republican Dave Jaye and Democrats Ken DeBeaussart

and Art Miller - voted no.

Jaye denounced the proposal, supported by the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, as "unfair, un-American and culturally elitist." Macomb's most popular musical group, he said, is Big Daddy Lakowski's polka band.

The House has passed its own version of the same proposal. At some point, legislative leaders

must decide whether the House or Senate version will be the "vehicle" bill.

## Fitzgerald out

He hasn't called it quits, but Rep. Frank Fitzgerald has "suspended" his campaign for the Republican nomination for attorney general - "clearly understanding the obstacles and political realities which confront me."

Chief obstacle: "For several months, the governor (John Engler) has made clear his strong and active support for Scott Romney's candidacy for attorney general."

So the race for the GOP nod at the Aug. 29 convention boils down to Romney, in private practice in Detroit, and John Smetanka, former U.S. attorney for

western Michigan and the 1994 nominee.

## Anti-cloning law

Gov. John Engler signed into law four bills prohibiting human cloning, denouncing the idea as "morally and ethically wrong." Among the sponsors are Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton, and Rep. Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti.

Michigan's laws would punish

violators with up to 10 years in prison and up to \$30 million in fines. The bills won't affect cloning of animals.

One bill defines "human cloning" as "the use of human somatic cell nuclear transfer technology to produce a human embryo," and an embryo as a human egg cell capable of "maturing into a complete human being."

## OU book donations bring African social change

Book donations started by an Oakland University professor are helping to educate future business and governmental leaders in the African nation of Zimbabwe.

Algea Harrison a professor in the OU department of psychology, started sending about 100 psychology textbooks every year to the University of Zimbabwe since her 1990 sabbatical there. OU psychology students are helping by collecting sample textbooks from the department's faculty.

The southern African nation of Zimbabwe, formerly the British Colony of Southern Rhodesia, gained independence in 1980. Since then, the push has been on to educate blacks to replace whites in government and industry. Whites started to leave the nation after it gained independence.

Harrison taught at the University of Zimbabwe, the nation's only university, as a Fulbright scholar.

The university, built to house 3,000 white students, now boasts 10,000 African students. Attending the university is a great honor because these students are the first in their families to seek an education, she said.

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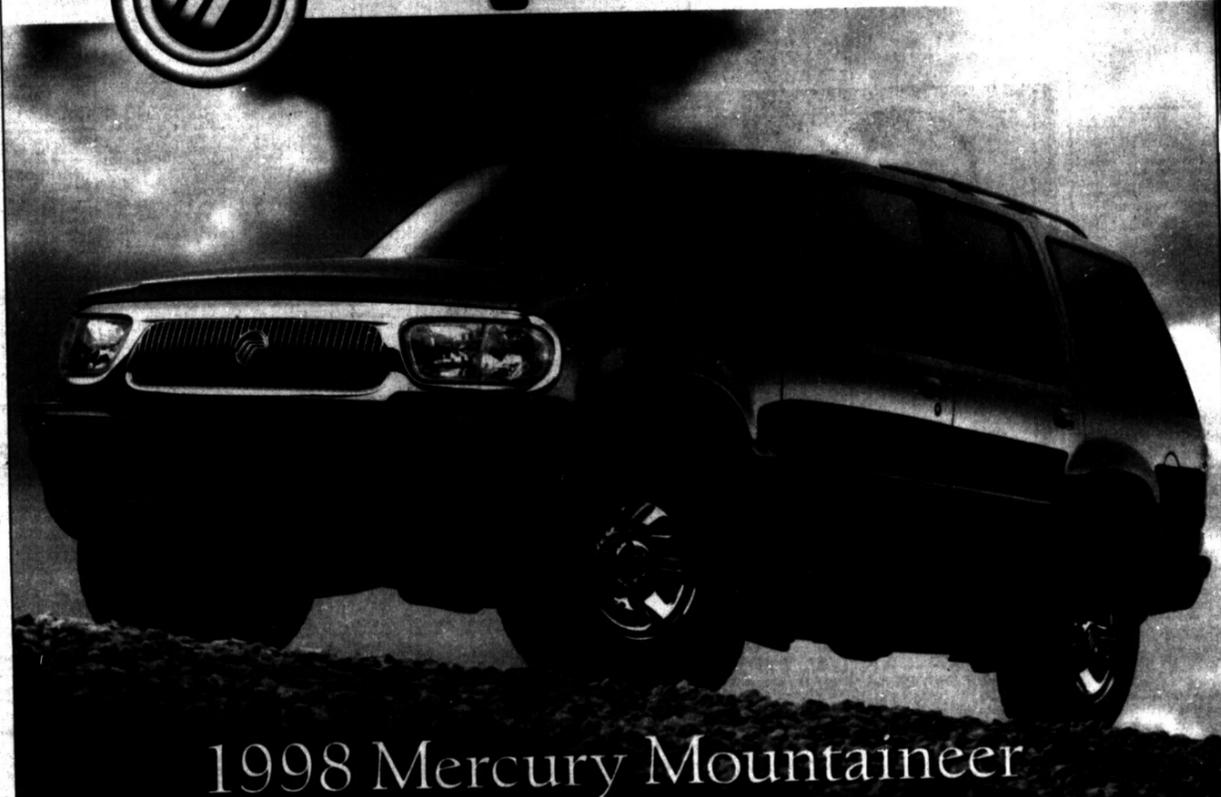
## OCC appoints new dean of technology

Sharon Blackman was appointed dean of technology at Oakland Community College's Auburn Hills Campus by the OCC Board of Trustees at its regular meeting of June 15. She begins her new duties on August 1.

Blackman was technical education dean at Richland College in Dallas, Texas from 1983-1998. Between 1978-1983, she served as coordinator of developmental education at Youngstown State University, Youngstown, Ohio. Earlier, she was director of advising at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, and a program coordinator for Tennessee State University's department of extension and continuing education.

Blackman holds a doctorate in higher education administration from Baylor University in Waco, Texas. She earned her master's degree in guidance and counseling from the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga where she also earned her bachelor's in health and physical education.

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## NORTH OAKLAND SPORTS SCENE

### Dragons earn big win

The Lake Orion Dragons 15-16 North Oakland Baseball Federation team has won five games this season, and none was bigger than the victory they got Monday night.

Jason Bullock struck out nine hitters and walked just two, and also drove in the game-winning run as the Dragons upended the previously unbeaten Rochester Rams 7-6 in eight innings.

Brett Hewitt led off the eighth with a single, his third hit of the game. John Garcia sacrificed him to second, and Hewitt moved to third when Matt Dixon beat out an infield grounder. Bullock's infield chopper then scored Hewitt.

Garcia hit a two-run homer off Shawn Letsinger, and Geoff Gates had a two-run single in the third for the Dragons.

### Hockey lithograph

The Sports Gallery, a sports memorabilia outlet based in downtown Birmingham, is currently retailing an original lithograph featuring the Detroit Red Wings' vaunted "Russian Five" unit of Sergei Fedorov, Slava Fetisov, Slava Kozlov, Igor Larionov and Vladimir Konstantinov, which helped the Wings capture the 1997 Stanley Cup.

The 24-by-30-inch lithograph, available exclusively at The Sports Gallery, features the faces of the five players superimposed in front of the Detroit Renaissance Center, as well as their bodies in uniform. In one corner is the Russian flag and in the other is the American flag.

Limited to only 3,000 copies, there were just 500 copies remaining as of last week so act soon. Each print is signed, numbered and comes with a certificate of authenticity. The cost is \$150.

The Sports Gallery is located at 269 S. Old Woodward in downtown Birmingham, one-half block south of the Birmingham Theater. It is open Monday-Wednesday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sundays from 12 p.m.-5 p.m.

Call (248) 642-0044 for more information.

### Orion beats Yankees

The Lake Orion Dragon 14-year-old federation baseball team defeated the Troy Yankees June 17, 7-0.

The Dragons were led by pitcher Gary Heiligenthal, who turned in a three-hit shutout, facing just 24 batters in seven innings.

Nathan Johanson had three hits.



**Wolves' winner:** Clarkston's Josh Clark took on some of the best in the state, and earned himself a spot on the All-North Oakland team, as did Jared Thomas (below left) and Eric Jenks.



## 1998 ALL-NORTH OAKLAND BASEBALL TEAM

### First Team

Player	Position	School	Yr
Jared Thomas	Infield	Clarkston	Sr.
John Pleasant	Infield	Oxford	Sr.
Josh Graham	Infield	Oxford	Sr.
Tim Clouse	Infield	Lake Orion	Jr.
Eric Jenks	Outfield	Clarkston	Jr.
Bo Linto	Outfield	Oxford	Sr.
Steve Seargeant	Outfield	Lake Orion	Jr.
Jeremy Van Dam	Catcher	Oxford	Sr.
Josh Clark	Pitcher	Clarkston	Sr.
Kenny Allen	Pitcher	Oxford	Sr.

### Second Team

Ryan Goleski	Infield	Lake Orion	Jr.
John Drallos	Infield	Clarkston	Jr.
Phil Johnston	Infield	Clarkston	Sr.
Pat Jacobi	Utility	Oxford	Jr.
Spencer Hynes	Outfield	Clarkston	Jr.
Mike Crawford	Outfield	Lake Orion	Sr.
Brad Pyke	Outfield	Oxford	Sr.
Derek Casper	Catcher	Clarkston	Soph.
Chris Mitchell	Pitcher	Clarkston	Soph.
Eduardo Garcia	Pitcher	Lake Orion	Jr.

### Honorable Mention

**Clarkston** — Nick Upchurch, Mike Little, Mike Simko. **Lake Orion** — Jamie Trimm, Adam Eldridge, Kevin June. **Oxford** — Dave Hein, Brian Olesky, Brad Nowacki.

## Local teams led by area's best

■ **Clarkston won a district title, Oxford won 28 games and Lake Orion showed improvement with a bunch of youngsters, and all the success paid off with spots on the 1998 Eccentric All-North Oakland team.**

**C**larkston, Lake Orion and Oxford all reached different degrees of baseball success this season.

The Wolves won a district title and gave defending state champion Rochester all it could handle in a regional semifinal.

The Dragons showed great improvement over the course of the year with a roster dotted with underclassmen.

The Wildcats fell short of a district title, but still won 28 games during the regular season.

And one thing stood out as a common denominator among all three squads: Talent. Enough to fill out a dream team of sorts, like the 1998 Eccentric All-North Oakland team, and here it is:

■ **Jared Thomas, senior, Clark-**

**ston, infield** — The hulking senior, whose average dipped last season, exploded as a senior, putting together numbers that led the Wolves in nearly every offensive category.

Thomas, Clarkston's starting first baseman, led the team with a .436 batting average, 34 hits, eight doubles, 25 runs scored and 24 runs batted in, and was second to centerfielder Eric Jenks in home runs with five.

He also performed well on the mound, going 4-3 with a 3.23 earned run average and striking out 61 hitters in 47-2/3 innings.

"We always felt he could hit the long ball, and he's a heavy swinger," Clarkston coach Roy Warner said of Thomas, who is headed to Wayne State University. "His concentration this year was better, and we con-

vinced him to not swing at too many bad pitches. He hit the ball pretty well."

■ **John Pleasant, senior, Oxford, infield** — He had an un-Pleasant-like year, but the Oxford second baseman was still a big part of the Wildcats' success.

Pleasant's average dipped to .279, but he did manage 29 hits and 30 runs, and he drove in 21 runs. He hit nine doubles and two home runs.

"He didn't have a year like he had the last two years," Oxford coach Art Marcell said of Pleasant, who has committed to Rochester College, where his father is the basketball and baseball coach. "But he kept working at it, his attitude stayed positive and he helped the younger kids."

"He's a good all-around player," Marcell added. "He didn't hit as well as we would have liked, but he contributed in other ways."

■ **Tim Clouse, junior, Lake Orion, infield** — After transferring from eventual state champion Orchard Lake St. Mary's, Clouse

turned into one of the best surprises for the Dragons this year.

The youngster moved into the hole at shortstop for the Dragons and had a banner year, hitting .356 with three home runs, 14 runs batted in and 10 stolen bases.

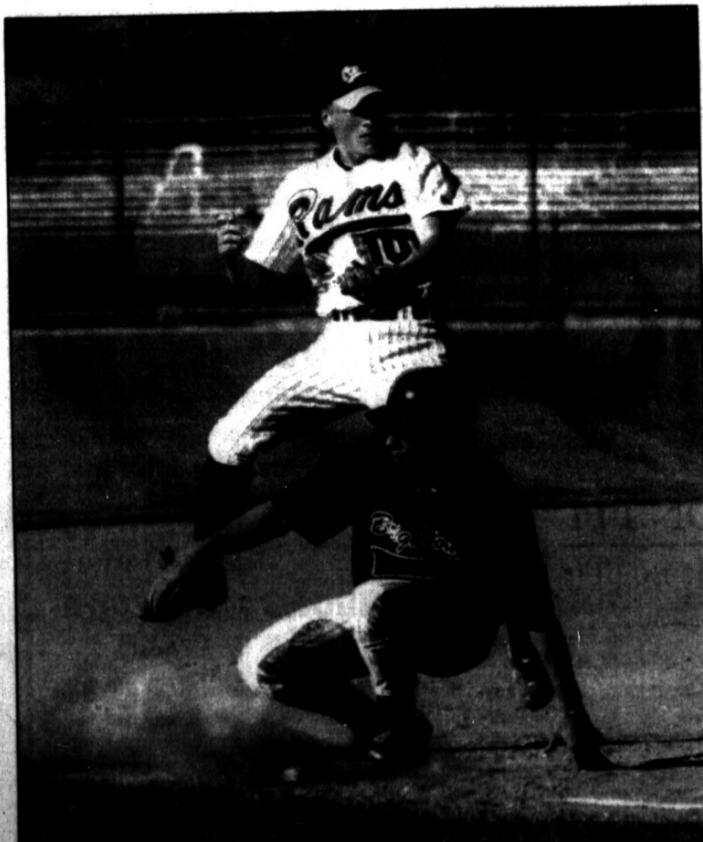
More than that, he helped settle down the Dragon defense.

"I was impressed with how well he played shortstop," Dragon coach Dave Collins said. "He did a really good job. Offensively, he was a big hitter for us, especially after mid-season. He runs, he hits for power, he hits for average and he can steal bases. He adds a lot in terms of versatility."

■ **Josh Graham, senior, Oxford, infield** — Graham did a little of everything, and did it well, for the Wildcats in their 28-win season.

Graham split infield time between third base and shortstop, and he also did his share of pitching, leading the Wildcats with seven wins. He went 7-1 on the mound, posting a 2.68

Please see **BASEBALL, B2**



**Dodging Tigers:** The Rams' Mike Ciulis goes up and over Brighton's Rusty Herbst during an 11-1 win Monday.

## Newcomers give Rams hope

With a team half made up of newcomers, some might think the Michigan Lake Area Rams baseball team is slated for a rebuilding campaign. Manager George Drallos, however, has other views.

"Six of our 12 players are new to the team this year, but I still think that we are going to be a very good team," said Drallos, now in his fourth season with the Rams. "There is a lot of talent on this team. I won't be surprised if everybody on this team winds up playing college (baseball) somewhere."

At least six players on the Rams' roster have already been courted by Division I college programs and if Drallos' squad has a solid season, that number could grow. Last season, the Rams finished with a 31-16 mark and placed fourth in the Little Caesar's Connie Mack Division.

They also were eliminated in the early round of the state district tournament of the Continental Amateur Baseball Federation tournament last July.

"We hope to have a better showing this season," said Drallos.

This year's contingent is made up of all 17-year-olds who are seniors-to-be in high school, and even with that youthful roster the Rams are one of the favorites to win the league title in 1998 despite being the nine-member league's youngest team.

"Many of the teams in our league have players that recently graduated, but everybody on our team will be seniors next season, making us the youngest team in our league,"

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George Drallos  
—Michigan Rams Manager

explained Drallos. "This is a very competitive league with a lot of talent spread around. But I think we have a legitimate shot at winning (the title)."

"There are a lot of college scouts that come to look at players in this league, so if we have another good season, I'm sure a lot of scouts will be back to look at these kids again in the spring (with their high school teams)," added Drallos.

The Rams, 3-2 on the season so far and 1-1 in the division, should be able to make some noise and draw some attention with a talent-laden lineup this summer. And it starts with a quality pitching staff.

Right-handers Brad McCloskey (Birmingham Brother Rice) and Eric Jenks (Clarkston), and left-hander Chris Mitchell (Clarkston) will be the team's top three pitchers.

Joining them on the staff will be right-handers Spencer Hynes (Clarkston), Jason Pawlak (Warren DeLaSalle) and Mike Ciulis (DeLaSalle), and left-hander Matt Mitchell (DeLaSalle).

"We have a lot of quality pitchers on this team," beamed Drallos. "We might

not have an incredible pitcher, but we have a lot of guys that can throw strikes and get the job done."

Making up the second half of the battery will George Maroulitsas (Madison Heights Lamphere) with Paul Hynes (DeLaSalle) serving as a sturdy back-up.

"George is a very good defensive catcher," said Drallos. "He has a lot of confidence back there."

Around the horn, sure-handed Tim Clouse (Lake Orion) will anchor the infield from his shortstop position. McCloskey and Ciulis will split the duties at third base, John Drallos (Clarkston) will hold the fort at second base, and Chris and Mitchell will rotate at first base.

"We are a very good defensive team," said Drallos. "The guys are coming together quickly despite playing at several different (high schools) this past spring. Many of these kids played together on team earlier in their careers, so that helps with the team chemistry and playing together."

Roaming the outfield will be Spencer Hynes, Pawlak, Paul Hynes (DeLaSalle), Matt Mitchell, Eric Jenks, Steve Seargeant (Lake Orion) and Drallos.

When not catching, Maroulitsas might also spend time in the outfield while Seargeant will also serve as a utility infielder. The versatility of his squad makes Drallos quite optimistic about using several different defensive alignments without missing a beat.

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Tournament tested



Holding court: Four Lake Orion students won first place in their division in the 3 on 3 Hoop it Up Tournament at the Palace of Auburn Hills. The tournament was held on June 13th and 14th and the team went through the tournament undefeated. Pictured left to right: Mike Fullman (Scripps Middle School), Odai Baylor (Waldon Middle School), Brad Miller (Waldon Middle School), and Phil Caponi (Scripps Middle School).

# Oxford hires athletic director

When Patrick Ball saw an athletic director position in Oxford was open, he did what many would do: consulted a friend.

Ball's best friend and Greenville neighbor went to Oxford High School, and extolled the virtues of the district.

Apparently, the advice hit home.

Ball, who has for the last five years been the athletic director at Greenville High School, was chosen to fill the new full-time post created earlier this year by superintendent Marion Ginopolis and the school board.

He replaces Don Maskill, who has been the Wildcats' athletic director since winter 1993.

"He has experience (and) he comes very highly praised," Ginopolis said of Ball, whose official start date is Aug. 1. "He's been involved in a number of activities that we're enthused about, one being facilities planning. He was the number one choice unanimously of the interview committee."

Ball leaves Greenville, a Class A school with 1,150 students. With the Yellow Jackets, Ball coordinated schedules for 37

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*Patrick Ball  
—Oxford's new AD*

teams and more than 600 events annually.

"After five years in the same community you look for something a little bit different," Ball told the school board after his appointment Tuesday night. "Oxford seems like a progressive community."

Ball, who will make just under \$59,000 a year at Oxford, scored points with Ginopolis and the rest of the hiring committee when most of his discussion centered around the student-athletes.

"I was very impressed that everything he talked about focused on the kids," Ginopolis said. "That was our number one priority. If I don't hear 'kids' from them I wouldn't look twice. He really is an advocate of ath-

letics."

Ball plans on moving with his family — wife Sandra, daughter Sadie and son Marty — into the district.

Both children are athletes, a point he stressed when talking to Ginopolis.

"We were looking for something a little smaller (for kids to attend school)," said Ball, whose father is a coach. "And the athletic programs here are very successful."

Ginopolis thinks the fact Ball is the parent of athletes will be a big plus in his new job.

"He told me he's focused not only on being an athletic director, but also being a parent of an athlete," Ginopolis said. "It gives him a whole different perspective."

Maskill, who has done been the athletic director on a part-time basis — he split his time first as an assistant principal at the high school, and the last two years at the middle school — since taking the job in 1993, will not be a full-time assistant to Oxford Middle School principal Karen Sage.

## Courtright, Whatley named all-state

Neither Lake Orion or Oxford's girls soccer teams enjoyed the finest of seasons in 1998, but one player from each school still received top post-season honors.

Lake Orion's Erica Whatley and Oxford's Sarah Courtright both were named All-State recently by the Michigan High School Soccer Coaches Association.

Whatley, a sophomore midfielder, notched 12 goals and four assists for 28 points for the 10-6-3 Dragons this past season, which helped her land a spot on the Division I third-team.

Courtright, a senior goalkeeper, didn't have sterling numbers for the 8-8-2 Wildcats, but she wasn't denied all-state honors

for the fourth consecutive year, where she was named to the Division II first-team as the top-rated goalkeeper in the division.

In 17.5 games, Courtright recorded five shutouts, posted a 2.23 goals-against-average, and registered 99 saves in 138 opportunities for a .717 save-percentage.

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"With a lot of players that can play more than one position, we can move people around without losing anything," said Drallos. "That is always a luxury to have as a coach."

At the plate, the Rams seem to be quite potent as well.

"We have the potential to score some runs," continued Drallos. "There are a lot of quality pitchers in this league, but I'm confi-

dent that we'll all hit well.

"We are anxious to play and see what we can do," he added. "We're confident that we can have a very successful season." So far, so good.

earned-run average with 65 strikeouts in 60 innings.

He also hit .319 with 21 RBI, 40 runs scored, and six home runs, none more important than the game-winning blast he launched against Mt. Morris that gave the Wildcats their first Flint Metro League title.

"He's a real coachable kid," Marcell said of the versatile Graham. "Next to (catcher) Jay (Van Dam), he's probably our most improved player since they were freshmen. He knows the strike zone, which makes him excellent at the number two spot. He's a pleasure to be around."

■ Eric Jenks, junior, Clarkston, outfield — Jenks turned in a solid season and was the Wolves' catalyst, helping them to the district championship.

Jenks led the team with six home runs, and he scored 23 runs and drove in 20 runs while hitting .326.

On the mound, he went 3-1 with 27 strikeouts in 23-2/3 innings.

"He was much improved because of his self-confidence," Warner said of Jenks. "He was a good team leader. Sometimes he got frustrated and tried to control everything himself, but he got better at that as the year went on."

■ Bo Linto, senior, Oxford, outfield — Despite the big numbers this senior put together this year, the best one in everyone's mind is "0."

That's the number of errors Linto made in the Wildcat outfield.

Linto, a first-team all-Flint Metro League selection, played right field flawlessly for the Wildcats.

And the offensive numbers he put up were impressive.

Linto hit .413, scored 34 runs, drove in 36 runs, hit five home runs and stroked 11 doubles.

"It didn't really surprise me," Marcell said of Linto's big year. "He had a batting cage in his

yard, he worked hard. He had the kind of year where you looked up at the end of every game and there was Bo with his couple of hits. He had a fine year."

■ Steve Seargeant, junior, Lake Orion, outfield — The Dragons went 4-14 in the tough Oakland Activities Association, and 9-18 overall, but Seargeant still managed to come up with a consistently fine season, particularly at the plate.

The youngster hit .387, drove in four runs, had nine doubles and stole 28 bases in 27 games. "He was our most consistent hitter from beginning to end," Collins said. "he had good at-bats in every game. He plays with a lot of emotion and a lot of intensity, and the kids feed off him."

■ Jay Van Dam, senior, Oxford, catcher — After splitting much of his junior season behind the plate with Pleasant, Van Dam took over full-time duties this season and exploded onto the scene.

Blessed with a powerful arm and solid receiving skills, Van Dam became the Flint Metro League's best catcher.

He also blasted the ball for the Wildcats, leading them in several offensive categories.

Van Dam hit .423, tied for the team lead with eight home runs, drove in 36 runs and scored 27 times.

"He had an excellent year," Marcell said of Van Dam, who was voted Oxford's Most Improved Player. "He hit in the clutch, he hit for power. He's probably the best defensive catcher I've seen all year, in league or out of league. He did everything he could to make himself a better catcher."

■ Kenny Allen, senior, Oxford, pitcher — Allen finished up a fine four-year varsity career in fine style, winning six games and helping the Wildcats to their first Flint Metro League

title. Allen finished 6-3 with one save, striking out 68 hitters in 57-1/3 innings.

He gave up 26 runs, but only 15 of them were earned, giving Allen a team-best 1.83 earned run average.

Offensively, he hit .436, led the team with 37 runs batted in, scored a team-high 42 runs and an .802 slugging percentage.

He tied for the team lead in home runs with eight, and struck out just five times in 101 at-bats.

His best performance came against Holly, when Allen beat Broncho ace Keith Perez 3-0. Perez is headed to Western Michigan and was recently drafted by the Tigers.

"He had an excellent year," Marcell said of Allen, who is headed to the U.S. Air Force Academy to play football. "We won the league, and he was our best pitcher. He's always been a leader."

■ Josh Clark, senior, Clarkston, pitcher — As the staff ace, Clark was constantly pitted against some of the best pitchers in the state, and he more than held his own.

Among the pitchers to beat him were Rochester's Andrew Good, drafted recently by the Arizona Diamondbacks, and Jim Essian of Troy.

Clark finished 5-6, but he struck out 88 hitters in 77 innings.

He posted a 3.09 earned run average. He's headed to Western Michigan University on a baseball scholarship.

"His win-loss record wasn't outstanding, but his season was," Warner said of his ace. "He had to pitch against all the horses. He worked real hard in the off-season, and he was much improved. His control and his command of his pitches were much better. I think Western Michigan will put him to good use."

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# Wins help Stars keep pace in MABF



On the fence: North Oakland Stars catcher Jeff Buelow (28) tries to lend a hand as teammate Chris Crowder chases a foul ball during MABF play this weekend.

To say this past weekend was a successful endeavor for the North Oakland Stars baseball team just might be an understatement.

The Stars traveled to hostile territory on both Saturday and Sunday and walked off the diamond each day with a pair of Macomb Amateur Baseball Federation Connie Mack Division double-header sweeps.

On Saturday, the Stars (8-1, 8-1 MABF) blasted the host Sarnia (Ont.) Seahawks 12-1 and 9-5 before coming back to trounce the Grosse Pointe Redbirds 10-4 and 5-1 Sunday at Grosse Pointe North High School.

Against the Seahawks, Andrew Good (Rochester) got the win in the opener, firing a two-hitter with 13 strikeouts to lead the Stars.

Tim Frankhouse went yard with a grand slam and finished with five RBI to pace the offensive attack.

Chris Crowder (Troy) added a 4-for-4, three RBI performance, while Jason Daniels (Rochester Adams), Chris McCuiston (Birmingham Seaholm) and Jim Essian (Troy) each ripped two hits apiece.

In the nightcap, Frankhouse again paced the onslaught with four more RBI, including a two-run homer, while Crowder, McCuiston and Brett Wattles (Rochester) each contributed two hits for winning pitcher Mike Bennion (Rochester), who hurled a complete-game to improve to 2-0.

On Saturday against the Grosse Pointe Redbirds, managed by former Detroit Tigers infielder Dave Bergman, North Oakland rolled to its victories behind the impressive pitching performances of Josh Clark (Clarkston) and John Handley (Rochester).

The right-handed Clark went the distance in Game 1 with 10 punchouts for his second win of the season.

Bennion led the onslaught with three hits and two RBI. Crowder supplied two hits and drove in a pair of runs,

Frankhouse had two hits and an RBI, and Bryan Crosier (Rochester Adams) contributed two hits for North Oakland.

Daniels led the way in Game 2, with an RBI double and a single, while Scot Murdoch (Rochester Adams) and Ryan Petoseky (Davison) both supplied two RBI to back the pitching of the left-handed Handley (1-0), who scattered just three hits while fanning 11.

The Stars' game against the Michigan Lake Area Rams Wednesday at Oakland University was cancelled.

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- HOSPITALS**  
Botsford Health Care Continuum <http://www.botsfordsystem.org>  
St. Mary Hospital <http://www.stmaryhospital.org>
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Hennells <http://www.hennells.com>
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- WOMEN'S HEALTH**  
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## HOMETOWN CLASSIFIED

# Employment

**EMPLOYMENT CLASSIFICATIONS CONTINUED**

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**502 Help Wanted - Office Clerical**

**SECRETARY / ADMINISTRATOR**

Small growing software firm has need for organized, detail oriented, Office Administrator/Secretary. Must possess excellent communication skills and phone skills. Benefits. Please call or send resume to:

MSS, Inc.  
21600 W. 10 Mile, Suite 214  
Southfield, MI 48075  
(248) 352-7040

**SECRETARY**

Department of Medical Administration seeks individuals interested in working approximately 16 hours per week. We offer flexible hours between 7am and 5pm and flexible days.

Duties include typing correspondence, filing, answering telephones and providing minutes.

Qualified candidates must possess 1-2 years of secretarial experience. Typing skill of 50 WPM, knowledge of medical terminology and computer use of word processing software is preferred.

You may fax resume to: 734-421-0593, reply in person or submit resume to:

Human Resources  
GARDEN CITY HOSPITAL  
62001 N. Lincoln  
Garden City, MI 48135

**SECRETARY**

Experienced individual needed to join our Secretarial team. Microsoft Word and/or Excel proficiency required. Professional manner and organizational skills a must. Full benefits. Send resume and salary requirements to HR/Secretary, 29299 Franklin Rd., Southfield, MI 48034 EOE

**SECRETARY**

Full-time Secretary needed for small but busy residential land development office in Farmington Hills. Must be a related professional in WordPerfect 6.1 for Windows as well as all around general office experience and who enjoys the responsibility of a Secretary office. At least 3 years of secretarial experience and references required. Legal or real estate experience preferred. Good salary. Interview Call Elaine at (248) 737-2286 between 10am-12pm.

**SECRETARY NEEDED**

For large title company. Salary and good benefits package. Please call Kelly Stasiak at (248) 851-1774 Or Fax resume to: (248) 851-1841

**SECRETARY OPENINGS**

Major financial institution with Detroit headquarters and locations throughout the area has immediate short and long opportunities. Temp to hire.

Transposition - Administrative openings in Livonia, Farmington & Auburn Hills.

Healthcare - various openings with Detroit suburban headquarters. Temp to hire.

Television production and creative departments of television network to perm needs. Detroit and suburban offices.

Call Shirley for appointment today  
Birmingham 248-646-7863  
Farmington 248-473-2933  
Clinton Twp. 810-226-9640

**SECRETARY (PART-TIME)**

For small Bentley church. 12-14 hours/week. Word Processing experience. Good benefits package. Call (248) 544-1800

**SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST**

High volume firm, positive office in Farmington Hills seeks part-time person to share evening & weekend shifts. Must have previous office experience, good attitude & excellent phone skills. Ask for:

**JEAN or ALISA**  
REMAX Great Lakes, Inc.  
248-473-2933

**SECRETARY**

Secretary needed for our Livonia law office. Applicants are required to type at least 50 wpm. Excellent benefits and communication skills and be well organized. Related work and computer experience with WordPerfect 97 are essential. Good compensation package including company paid medical, holidays, vacation leave and 401(k) plan. Send resume to: 311-2118. Send or fax resume to:

M. Brafford  
One Union-GM Legal Services Plan  
7400 Second Avenue, Suite 200  
Livonia, Michigan 48150  
Fax 313-872-1724  
No calls, please

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**SECRETARY - TO support sales**

Experienced. WordPerfect 97. Fax resume to: 248-226-3131

**SECRETARY/PROFESSOR**

Fast paced professional office with excellent working environment. Strong WordPerfect for Windows 6.1 or 8.0 skills required. Responsibilities include: excellent typing and other misc. tasks. Need self-starter with office and organizational experience. Pleasant phone manner. Office hours 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Some overtime may be required. Send resume to: Michigan Resources, Inc., 32500 Westfield, Suite 105, Farmington Hills, MI 48334 or FAX to: (248) 850-0598 EOE

**502 Help Wanted - Office Clerical**

**SERVICE COORDINATOR**

You are the person who will be responsible for scheduling and detail oriented. You understand that the client is "King". Computer skills and excellent communication skills are essential for this challenging position in Plymouth. This challenging position in Plymouth. This challenging position in Plymouth.

**FAMILY HOME CARE**  
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**STAFF ACCOUNTANT**

Recent grad for Birmingham CPA. 325K minimum. Full-time. Benefits. 248-424-9470 or fax: 248-424-8536

**STAFF ASSISTANT**

Full time position available in small Southfield firm for professional person with good organizational and communication skills (written and verbal) and ability to interact with people at all levels. Enjoys detail and service-oriented work and welcomes problem solving. AD, some computer skills and 1-2 yrs human resource or related experience. Competitive salary. Please fax resume & inquiries to: 248-557-8282, Attn: Susan

**TELEPHONE PRO**

We seek (3) phone representatives at our Call Center located in West Bloomfield.

This department generates outbound and inbound calls daily. You will be responsible for scheduling orientation times at our SUPERCENTERS for prospective members. There is no cold calling or selling.

Based on a 40 hour work week, you will receive a guaranteed weekly salary against a lucrative commission and bonus program that is paid weekly. Of course, a deluxe benefit package including paid vacations, is available.

Candidates responding should have basic typing skills, good phone manners, positive attitude and be ready to represent a leader in the fitness industry.

If this is you, contact Mike Harvey at (248) 737-7200

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR**

**LITIGATION SECRETARIES**  
General/Commercial  
**\*MED. MAL. PARALEGAL**  
**\* RECEPTIONIST**

Temporarily full-time, to start immediately. Job duties: Please mail resume to: Personnel, 8491 Honeylane, B-18, Canton, MI 48187.

**WORD PROCESSING/SECRETARIES WITH AND WITHOUT SHORT-HAND SKILLS!!!**

Microsoft Word, Excel, or any other software acceptable. Temp, Temp-Hire, or Full-time. Part-time hours available

LIVONIA 734-268-8600  
SOUTHFIELD 248-352-0000  
TAYLOR 313-284-0777  
AUBURN HILLS 248-373-7500

**DENTAL HYGIENIST**

Part time friendly Northville practice. (248) 347-0707

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Part-time, week-end. Excellent pay. Northville. Call Maria: 248-548-1777

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Play integral part in the success of our practice. Join our prevention oriented team. Part time. Northville. Please call: (248) 348-7997

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Permanent part-time - Wed. 12:30pm-3pm and alternate Fridays 9am-12:30pm. Must have excellent periodontal skills. Call Maria at: (248) 348-5333

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**FRONT DESK PERSON**

wanted for wonderful practice in Southfield. Excellent pay. Please call: (248) 357-3165

**FRONT DESK RECEPTIONIST**

Part-time. Mon. - Wed. 9am-5pm. In our Grand Blanc office. Call Lynn, 8am-5pm, at (810) 895-8001.

**HYGIENIST, PART-TIME**

position available. Northville office. Please call: (248) 348-4111

**JOIN OUR FRONT DESK TEAM!**

If you're smart, well-organized, and have a positive attitude, we want you! Our building dental specialty practice offers a cheerful, compatible environment with excellent benefits including health, dental, vision, 401(k) and more. Some dental experience helpful. Send resume to:

Observer & Eccentric Newspapers  
36251 Schoolcraft Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48150

**DESIGNER**

Enclosure Technologies, Inc., a leading supplier of computer system enclosures is looking to add to our team of full-time CAD professionals. 2 years AutoCAD Release 12.14 experience required. Mechanical Desktop 2.0 preferred. SolidWorks 2.0 preferred. Excellent benefits and a plus. Very competitive wage and benefits package. Send resume to: 255 Airport Industrial Drive, Ypsilanti, MI 48198 or fax 734-481-0557

**ENGINEERING OPPORTUNITIES**

Local major company is seeking individuals for the following:

- Design Engineer: IDEAS or Pro/E
- Industrial Engineer: Manufacturing

Permanent positions with excellent salary and benefits package.

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**504 Help Wanted - Dental**

**ADDITIONAL STAFF NEEDED**

for progressive, new, modern dental office in Lathrup Village.

- Business staff
- Dental Assistant

Full-time position. Excellent benefits package. Limited evening hrs. No Sat.

248-552-0700

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

needed for permanent, part-time position, 3 days per week. Some dental experience needed. Livonia. (734) 522-8770

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

Warren office is looking for full time experienced, written and verbal communication skills. Great benefits & working conditions. Call today! (810) 751-2900

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

Full time experienced chairside for busy W. Bloomfield office. Benefits no Saturdays. (248) 851-5212

**DENTAL ASSISTANT FOR PERIODONTAL**

implantology office. Excellent benefits. Full-time. Farmington Hills. Ask for Karen 248-851-1034

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

Minimum 2 yrs phone experience. Mon & Tues. 12-4pm. Sat. 9-12pm. Full-time. Must have excellent communication skills with experience and ability. Livonia area. (734) 425-7010

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

We are seeking an experienced, highly motivated, team-oriented dental assistant with excellent interpersonal skills to join our quality, progressive dental office. Please call: 248-474-0224.

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

Full-time. Experienced chairside for busy W. Bloomfield office. Benefits no Saturdays. (248) 851-5212

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

Bright, friendly, experienced person for busy Farmington Hills office. Full or part-time. 248-553-4660

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

W. Bloomfield/Farmington Hills Restorative practice. Full-time position. Excellent benefits. Please call for a team player. Contact Karen at: 248-855-0655

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

A Livonia office needs a friendly, energetic, experienced dental assistant. Full or part-time available. 734-591-3536

**DENTAL ASSISTANT**

Assisting only for 2nd hand. Good working conditions. Experienced or will train. Benefits. West Bloomfield area. Call residence after 5pm: 313-421-7938

**DENTAL HYGIENIST**

Rochester Hills area. Wed. or Wed. 2-6pm. Friendly working conditions. Call: (248) 850-9434

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**506 Help Wanted - Medical**

**IMMEDIATE NEED MEDICAL ASSISTANTS**

We have several full time and various part time openings for Medical Assistants experienced in Veni Puncture, EKG's and injections. Many of our jobs become "temp to hire" opportunities. If you are looking for flexibility, opportunity & competitive salary call Marsha at Tempo Medical to schedule an interview 248-356-1334

**CENA**

Full Time/Part Time Openings Health, Dental, Prescriptions, Life Insurance, Vacation, Credit Union, Tuition Reimbursement, 401(k) Plan, Excellent Working Environment. Call: 248-474-3048

**CENAS/ASSISTANT AIDES**

Sign on and Attendance Bonus up to \$145000  
Start starting rate of \$8.10/hr plus an additional 20% raise up to \$10.50/hr. Full time positions available on our Skilled Nursing and on our Certified and Assistant Aides. We offer a great benefit package including: medical and dental reimbursement and an TSA union representation and an employer paid tuition. Apply in person at: 36251 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI Job title #1-877-498-6101 E.O.E.

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**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

in a busy orthopedic office in Westland. Full time position. Excellent benefits. Call: (248) 354-4535

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT/LPN/RN**

Permanent part time, 18 hours, for assist West Bloomfield Gynecologist. Good at phlebotomy. 248-737-9081

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

for Internal Medicine office. 30-40 hrs. per week. Call: 248-442-1400

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

New OB/GYN Office in Shelby. Must possess a minimum of six months experience as a retail pharmacist. Interview patients for medical history and insurance information, maintain computer data on patients and assist with other functions as assigned.

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

needed for fast paced internal medicine group. Xray & plus. 3-4 days no weekends. Fax: 248-354-3653

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

For busy Southfield Internal, full or part-time. Must possess skills preferred. Please (810) 831-8486

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

Full time, must know X-ray, for new office in Westland. Fax resume to: 248-474-3278

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

for busy family practice in Rochester. Experience 4-5 days weekly. Call between 10 & 4pm (248) 852-5356

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

Part-time. Podiatry office. Farmington Hills. We train. Receptionist skills required. Call Mon., Wed. or Fri. only. 248-855-0999

**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**

Medical Weight Loss Clinic is expanding in the Southfield area. We are seeking for one full-time, motivated individual with venture experience. Must have previous experience. Complete training program. Ask for Robin at (248) 353-8446

**MEDICAL BILLER**

Buy endorise practice in need of experienced Biller. 1995 W. 12 Mile, Ste. 220, Berkley, MI 48072

**MEDICAL BILLER/STATUSER**

A Cardiology group looking for a full time Medical Biller. Experience should include at least 2 years work with 3rd party payers, rejections, & insurance follow-up. Please call (313) 286-2998 Fax resume to (313) 286-2978

**MEDICAL COLLECTION**

personnel for a busy medical collection. Organizational & phone skills a must. Flexible hrs. Excellent benefit package. Call Lauren, 248-737-9481

**MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST**

Experienced. Full time busy family practice in Royal Oak area. (248) 543-0600

**MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST**

Full-time in podiatry office. Farmington Hills. Excellent pay and benefits. Call: 248-543-2900

**MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST/BILLER**

FOR OB/GYN office. MBA computer experience. Fax resume to: 248-542-1011

**MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST and Medical Assistant**

Full-time, experienced for busy OBGYN. Excellent pay and benefits. Call Barb at: 248-643-7520

**506 Help Wanted - Medical**

**PHARMACY TECHNICIAN**

The Outpatient Pharmacy seeks an individual interested in working one hour day and two 6 hour days, Monday through Friday between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. (734) 421-6583. Equal Opportunity Employer

**STAFFING COORDINATOR**

for busy nursing agency. Excellent pay & people skills required. Must possess knowledge of AMI & 1500 hrs. experience. Competitive salary for appointment. (248) 488-9800.

**TOP PAY**

Courtyard Manor an assisted living community is seeking quality people for these positions: LPNS, Direct Care Aides, house-keeping & cooks at the following locations:

Auburn Hills 1-800-756-9199  
Farmington Hills 1-800-998-0787  
Livonia 1-800-753-1048  
Livonia 1-800-738-2325

**Ultrasound Technician**

Resumes are being accepted for PART TIME AND CONTINGENT opportunities in our hospital. PART TIME HOURS would be Tuesday, Wednesday, 5pm-9pm, EVERY OTHER FRIDAY, NOON TO 8PM, ROTATE weekends and call.

Our CONTINGENT hours would be to cover a Leave of Absence. Must have background check, good pay and benefits. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

Applicants should have experience in all areas of Sonography and have ARDMS registration. Please send resume with fax resumes to Cathy Secora at:

Human Resources  
GARDEN CITY HOSPITAL  
62001 N. Lincoln Rd.  
Garden City, MI 48135

**IMMEDIATE NEED MEDICAL PLACEMENTS**

Temporary & Temp to Perm' positions for:

- Medical Assistants
- Phlebotomists
- Medical Receptionists
- Medical Billers
- Medical Transcriptionists
- Technologists
- Medical Clerical/Secretarial

Call Alice at Tempo Medical 248-356-1335 to schedule an interview or fax resume to 248-356-1333.

**RADIOLOGIC/MAMMOGRAPHY TECHNOLOGIST**

Full-time noon to 8pm (with every other Saturday) in our half day for an experienced ARRT Technologist in a busy busy out-patient setting. Must be certified in mammography in addition to ARRT. An excellent benefit package accompanies this opportunity. If qualified, please send resume to Cathy Secora at:

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62001 N. Lincoln Rd.  
Garden City, MI 48135

**ARRIBA!**

THE BORDER CANTINA is seeking experienced Kitchen Manager in Tax Max Cuisine. Send resume to 8724 W. Grand River, Brighton, MI 48116

**ATTENTION**

Experienced Wait Staff & Cook needed full or part-time. Days or nights. Dimitri's of Farmington. Call today: 248-476-3301

**BANQUET SERVERS**

\$10 per hour. Flexible hours. HOSPITALITY STAFF 868-306-7381

**BANQUET SUPERVISORS & WAIT STAFF**

Karie's House in Redford is accepting applications. Apply in person: Mon-Sat 10am-4, 23632 Plymouth Rd. Birmingham, MI 48009

**RECEPTIONIST**

FULL-TIME for fun medical office. Phones, light typing, computer. Experience preferred. Farmington Hills 248-478-2420

**RECEPTIONIST/MEDICAL**

WBA Physical Therapy, seeks full time receptionist to work part time evenings in Sterling Heights & Rochester. Must be experienced in scheduling, referral & authorization & appointment scheduling & possess good telephone skills. Full benefits package. Fax resume to: WBA, 900 Auburn Ave., Pontiac, MI 48342, (248) 333-0276 An Equal Opportunity Employer

**RECEPTIONIST**

Part & full time for Birmingham office. Call for appl. 8am-2pm, Mon-Thurs. (248) 446-1799

**RECEPTIONIST/CLERICAL**

Part or full-time for Southfield ophthalmology office. Appointments, patient experience helpful. (248) 356-3937

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848 Ford
ESCORT 1993 GT, Black, automatic, excellent condition, original owner. \$3,995. (248) 846-3639
ESCORT 1992 GT - excellent condition, ill, cruise, sunroof, new brakes, \$4,200. 734-464-8228

848 Ford
ESCORT 1996 GT - 36,000 miles, loaded, very good condition, \$6,500/best. Before sign! (734) 458-5192
ESCORT 1993 GT, 5 speed, 50,000 miles, air, cruise, newer tires, \$5,200. (734) 454-7392

848 Ford
ESCORT 1990 LX - 5 speed, clean, air/m, cassette, 1 owner, runs/look great. \$1,500/best. (248) 332-3629
ESCORT 1993 LX 5 speed, clean, 47,000 miles, air, \$4,500/best. Call: (734) 435-9928

848 Ford
ESCORT 1993, LX station wagon, 33,000 miles, excellent condition. \$4,500. (248) 477-5797
ESCORT 1998 LX - Taurus red, automatic, air, sunroof, 12,000 miles. Sharp! \$8,750. (248) 815-4031

848 Ford
ESCORT 1997, 20,000 miles, automatic, air, cassette, balance of warranty - \$9,100. 248-545-1874
ESCORT 1991, PONY, automatic, 1 car/buyer bought this car with no TYME AUTO (734) 455-5566

848 Ford
ESCORT 1995 White auto, air, air bags, Great car \$5,600/best. (248) 993-2754
ESCORT ZX2 1998 4500 miles, 2-lyr, sunroof, remote entry, air, \$10,900. (313) 533-4549

848 Ford
FIREBIRD TRANS AM 1996 - LT1, black, leather, T-top, CD, 24,000 mi, \$17,000 firm. (248) 625-2821
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848 Ford
CAMARO 1989, V8, T-top, newer wheels & tires, runs & looks good. \$3,200. 734-261-7963
CAMARO 1985 - white, gray interior, loaded, 20,000 miles, all under warranty. \$10,300. (734) 728-3278

848 Ford
CAVALIER 1991 RS - 4 door, white, good condition, 108,000 miles, \$2,800. (248) 375-1170
CAVALIER 1997 RS - excellent condition, 18,000 miles, fully loaded, cruise, air, automatic, air/m cassette, alloy wheels, \$10,900/best. (248) 888-9674

848 Ford
CAVALIER 1989 wagon - 71,000 miles, great running condition, \$1,500. (734) 953-0728
CAVALIER Z24 1992 - Loaded, excellent condition, 61,000 mi, new brakes, \$5,500. 248-960-5103

848 Ford
CELESTY 1988 Blue/Silver, 4dr, V6, 78,480 miles. Power black/black/black. \$2,300. 313-937-2421
CORONA 1990 LTZ, white, 4 door sedan, \$2,600. Call (248) 258-9130

848 Ford
CORONA 1996, V6, automatic transmission, air, power locks. Great condition. \$5,500/best. (313) 730-1387
LUMINA 1991 EURO - 2 door, V-6, automatic, air, power, cruise, air, \$2,900. 734-961-3614

842 Chrysler
CIRRUS 1995 LX automatic, 4 door, cassette, air, excellent, loaded, 50,000 miles. \$8,500. 313-752-2703
CIRRUS 1996 - red w/charcoal, V-6, automatic, all power, only 50,000 miles. \$9,900/best. (248) 373-5522

842 Chrysler
CONCORDE 1995 V-6, power windows & locks, cruise, good condition. \$8,499/best. (248) 377-4312
EAGLE VISION 1993, 70,000 miles, black cherry, gray leather, excellent condition, \$9,100. (248) 340-2775

842 Chrysler
EAGLE VISION 1993, 70,000 miles, black cherry, gray leather, excellent condition, \$9,100. (248) 340-2775
LEBARON 1992 Convertible - air, power windows, alarm, 70,000 miles. \$9,500. 248-366-8673

842 Chrysler
LEBARON 1993 CONVERTIBLE - power, V-6, automatic, green/black top. A-1! \$5,900/best. 248-373-5522
LEBARON 1995 GTC Convertible, black, loaded, excellent condition. \$9,800. (248) 348-0956

842 Chrysler
LEBARON 1994 LX convertible, loaded, excellent condition, 56,000 miles. \$7,500/best. (248) 879-7089
NEW YORKER 1994 LHS - CD, sunroof, leather, all power, loaded, black cherry. \$11,900. 248-852-9645

844 Dodge
AVENGER 1995 ES - Excellent condition, loaded, V6, 17,750 miles, automatic, air, power steering/windows, cassette, CD, leather, sunroof, Alloy wheels. \$14,250. (810) 750-3802

844 Dodge
AVENGER 1995 ES - Moving, must sell. Air, air, power locks/windows, \$11,700/best. 248-471-1940
DYNASTY 1991, 4 door, loaded, remote alarm, 73,000 miles, clean. \$3,500/best offer. (248) 661-3152

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DYNASTY 1989 LE - loaded, 1 owner, excellent condition, 86,000 miles. \$2,900. (248) 661-1133
DYNASTY 1993 V-6, 4 door, white, 65,000 miles, 85,000 miles. Clean! \$2,500. 248-644-2904 or 642-5517

844 Dodge
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MIATA, 1997, 5 speed, air, convertible/hard-top, white, custom wheels, mint. \$7,900. 248-332-0132

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SENTRA 1994 - LE, Sunroof, spoiler, 5 speed, automatic, 55,000 miles. \$6,500. (248) 981-6533

864 Oldsmobile
ACHEVA 1997 SL, loaded, metallic paint, 11,000 miles. \$11,500. (734) 422-1222 Even! (734) 462-2442
AURORA 1995 - excellent condition, under 40,000 miles, dark red, beige interior. (248) 529-0762

860 Mercury
CAPRI 1991 - Convertible, Low Miles, Super Clean, Excellent Condition. Must See. (734) 422-6617

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COURAGE 1991, 83,000 miles, white, good condition. New brakes, speed control. \$4,600. (734) 207-0891
COUGAR 1993 XR7, Black, power moonroof, fuzzy owner, clean inside & out! \$6,000. 248-449-8818

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COUGAR 1988, XR7, loaded, excellent condition, 39,000 miles. \$6,500. (734) 513-2677
COUGAR 1993 XR7, loaded, mint condition, Texas car, must see to appreciate. \$6,650. 313-553-5557

862 Nissan
COUGAR 1994, XR7, 41,000 miles, package 290A, extras. \$9,500. (248) 486-1085
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CUTLASS SUPREME 1996, 3.1L, V6, loaded, premium stereo, CD, 48,500 miles. \$11,900/best. Good condition. \$17-545-2004
CUTLASS 1993 - Supreme, Power windows/cruise, air, cruise, high top. Must see. (248) 347-8339

862 Nissan
CUTLASS 1997 Supreme, SL 4 door, 13,000 miles, warranty, non smoker, \$13,950. (734) 597-0796
DELTA 88, 1983, full power, excellent condition, 60,000 miles. \$3,000. 248-851-5297

862 Nissan
DELTA 88 Royale Brougham 1989, 1st of-a-kind, 2nd owner, \$3,625. (734) 591-1862
REGENCY ELITE, 1991 - Acceptable condition, loaded, leather. \$8,750. 248-851-8682

866 Plymouth
LASER RS 1991 - New brakes & clutch, sunroof, 5-speed, royal blue, sporty car, \$3,999. (313) 422-4405
NEON 1995 Sport - 4 door, automatic, air, sunroof, air/m cassette, warranty, low miles, immaculate condition. \$7,995. (248) 855-0182

866 Plymouth
NEON 1995 Sport - New auto trans/brakes/struts, air, power, cruise. ABS. \$4,400. (248) 615-0789
SUNDANCE 1990, 4 door, automatic, air, excellent condition, good tires/brakes. \$1K. \$2,900. 248-444-6722

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BONNEVILLE 1992, 111,000 miles, all freeway, excellent condition, \$5,500/best. After 6pm 248-486-4472

861 Mitsubishi
MONTEO 1992 LS, 91,000 miles, excellent condition, newer \$14,000. (248) 879-8005

862 Nissan
NISSAN 300ZX, 1990, 2+2, 68,500 miles, good condition, \$12,900. Days. (248) 647-3370

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PULSAR 1987, red, 5 speed, 2 door, T-top, 88,000 miles, excellent condition, \$3,500/best. (734) 981-0592

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BONNEVILLE 1994 SE - White w/brige leather interior, bucket seats, air, stereo/CD, power seats, windows & doors. Excellent condition \$10,250. 248-559-0272

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BONNEVILLE 1992 SSE Fully loaded, power moonroof, leather, tinted glass, 60,000 miles. \$2,250. (248) 683-3288
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FIREBIRD 1995 Convertible, Loaded, red, black top, \$14,800. (248) 378-6973

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FIREBIRD FORMULA 1976 48,000 miles. Mint condition. Asking \$9,000. (734) 422-4573
FIREBIRD 1996, gray, loaded, low miles, excellent condition, \$12,995. (248) 575-2625

868 Pontiac
GRAND AM 1994, 2 door, ABS, new tires, brakes, 35,000 miles. \$4,500. (248) 661-3121
GRAND AM GT 1995 - V6, power, automatic, air, cruise, white, 4 door, mint \$8,900. 248-618-0931

868 Pontiac
GRAND AM 1995 SE - 4 door, V-6, 38,000 miles, green, automatic, chrome wheels, \$9,400. 248-681-8999
GRAND AM 1992 SE - loaded, 112,000 miles, great condition. \$4,000. (248) 851-3563

868 Pontiac
GRAND AM 1992 SE - loaded, 112,000 miles, great condition. \$4,000. (248) 851-3563
GRAND AM 1992 SE - 65,000 miles, \$4,000. Excellent condition. (248) 647-3174

868 Pontiac
CAMRY LE 1995, 4 door, base/4th dark gray, 58,000 miles, new tires. \$13,000/best. 734-762-7750
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TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

868 Pontiac
SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

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SUZUKI 1988 Turbo - Excellent condition, just like, all options, Targa top. \$6,900. 248-648-0164
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TOYOTA CAMRY 1993 V6 XLE original owner, white car, excellent record. 58,000 miles. \$15,500. (248) 478-2979 or (734) 647-5395

870 Saturn
SC2 1995, automatic, air, tape, Red/black interior, 31,000 miles, 60,000 miles. \$5,200. 734-459-9394
SC2 1995, automatic, leather, loaded, air, AVS, aluminum wheels. New brakes. \$3,900. 248-329-1958

870 Saturn
SC2 1995 Coupe - 5 speed, air, leather, moonroof, cd, 66,000 miles. Sharp \$6,000. 313-534-7812
SC1 1995 - 44,500 miles, 5 speed, air, cruise, sunroof, \$5,900. 734-595-4192

870 Saturn
SC1 1993, well maintained, black, loaded, \$5,000/best. (248) 547-8853
SL-2 1992, beige, 5 speed, ABS, air bag, power windows/locks/sunroof, \$4,000. 248-622-1668

870 Saturn
SL2 1992 - Loaded, Excellent car and condition. \$4,700 or best offer. 248-288-8193
SL2 1995 - 5 speed, 4 door, air, CD, 73,000 mi, full green, spoiler, excellent condition. \$7,900. 248-349-3284

870 Saturn
SL1 1995 - 5 speed, 4 door, air, loaded, sunroof, 37,000 miles, warranty. \$7,900/firm. 313-937-4906
CAMRY LE 1995, 4 door, base/4th dark gray, 58,000 miles, new tires. \$13,000/best. 734-762-7750

870 Saturn
CAMRY 1997 4 cylinder, auto, air, air/m cassette, 95,500 miles. Runs like new \$5,

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Monday	Sept	28	TAMPA BAY	8:20	Thursday	Nov	26	PITTSBURGH	12:35
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### REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

**Q:** We own a condominium unit, and the landscaping around our unit was one of our big attractions. The association hired a different grounds maintenance firm, and the appearance has gone downhill.

We have written the management company plus the board asking that the repairs be made, with no results. Recently, the trees shading our unit were cut down. Do we have any recourse to force the association or the property manager to repair our outside area?

**A:** Once again, we find an instance where the condominium association is apparently not discharging its legal and fiduciary duties in regard to maintenance and repair, presumably to save money.

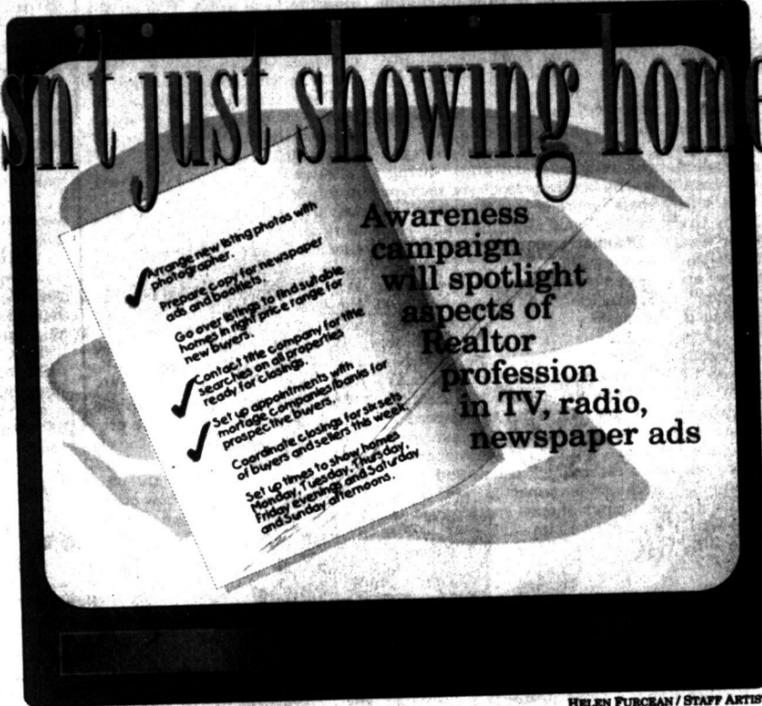
It has always been perplexing to me why so many community associations become so pennywise and pound foolish in regard to discharging their responsibilities, thereby resulting in the deterioration of the condominium complex as well as potentially incurring liability regarding the operation of the association.

It appears that the association has been arbitrary in failing to maintain landscaped areas in a proper fashion and the property manager may also be liable for either not supervising or otherwise contracting with incompetent personnel.

Apparently, your efforts to resolve the matter amicably have failed, and I believe that you would have a good case against the association and the property manager for malfeasance and perhaps loss or diminution in value of your unit and the other units in the condominium. Look into a class action lawsuit.

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## It isn't just showing homes...



HELEN FURCEAN / STAFF ARTIST

The plan has incubated for nearly 10 years. Now it's about to hatch. And get plenty of attention.

A massive advertising blitz touting the value of Realtors and how they smooth the buying and selling process takes off next month on network and cable television and local radio, TV and newspapers.

The theme: You've got a life. We let you live it. We're Realtors. Real estate is our life.

"This has shown up in focus groups as the number one thing that Realtors have requested... what a Realtor accomplishes in a real estate transaction needs to be conveyed to the public," said John McArdle, broker/owner of Remerica Hometown One in Plymouth.

McArdle also is president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors and serves on the National Association of Realtors Communications Committee, which put together the campaign.

"The ultimate goal is to raise awareness of what our profession does," said Marcia Gies, manager of Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Birmingham and president of the Birmingham Bloomfield Rochester South Oakland Association of Realtors.

"I think the goal or purpose is to enhance the Realtors' image among the general public," added Ronald Moore, sales manager of Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Troy and president of the North Oakland County Board of Realtors.

The National Association of Realtors will pump some \$30 million into the campaign, financed primarily by an annual \$15 surtax on national dues from every Realtor in the country.

The creator of the NAR's Internet site, RealSelect, also will contribute \$30 million, which is expected to come from more advertising on the

**A massive advertising blitz touting the value of Realtors and how they smooth the buying and selling process begins next month on network and cable television and local radio, TV and newspapers.**

World Wide Web tied to the campaign.

WVOCAR has budgeted \$10,000 for a local campaign during its upcoming budget year, with no increase in local dues.

BBRSOAR's budget hasn't yet been set, but Gies expects a local campaign. "Three years ago, we were looking at \$10,000-\$15,000," she said. "We'll probably do something local," Moore said of his North Oakland board.

The national ads will run on morning magazine shows such as Good Morning America and Today and the evening network news, plus cable networks like CNN, A&E, Nick at Nite and Lifetime.

Four advertising spots, broadcast and print, describe different scenarios.

■ A paramedic goes about his life while Realtors go about the business of finding his family its first house.

■ A teacher goes about her busy schedule while Realtors tend to the details of a buy for her.

■ A doctor goes about his daily rounds while Realtors handle the detail work of selling his house.

■ Various business people do their things while Realtors take care of their commercial property needs.

Realtors here are excited about the campaign.

"At first, they wondered why they had to spend \$15 of their money (to fund it)," McArdle said. "After they saw the commercials at a membership meeting, they stood and applauded."

"You just feel real good when you watch the commercial," Gies said. "All that time spent - it's out there now. They know what we're doing."

"From what I've heard, they believe it will be effective and a good thing," Moore said.

The first phase of the campaign will run July through September of this year, phase two March through September of 1999.

Research before and after a similar ad campaign a couple of years ago for the California Association of Realtors found a heightened public awareness of Realtors' training, professionalism, dedication to the job and agency relationship.

Comparable results are anticipated nationally on a state-by-state basis.

"The Michigan figure is nine out of 10 transactions are accomplished by a Realtor," McArdle said. "The 10 percent that's not make up a large percentage of real estate litigation, a large percentage of lack of disclosure issues we face, make up a large percentage of discrimination cases."

It also represents a lot of potential business, he added. "When you look at 10 percent of the market in this economy in Michigan, it represents thousands of homes."

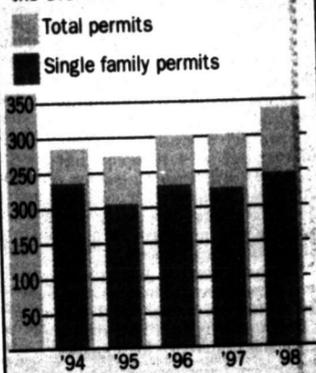
"The campaign is going to reach Realtors, too," McArdle said. "It may compel them to take more classes. Live up to the professional persona being created."

"Go for more designation," Gies said.

"Sometimes we forget day to day how much value we bring to the transaction," Moore said.

### 1st quarter history

Here is a chart comparing permits issued Jan. thru Mar. throughout the U.S. over the last 5 years.



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## What to do in these good times

### MORTGAGE SEARCH



DAVID C. MULLY

Mortgage rates have fallen. The most-often-cited reason is the decline of the Asian financial markets. Interest rates have fallen as people with Yen-denominated investments liquidate them for dollar-denominated investments.

This means this is a great time to either take out a mortgage or refinance an existing mortgage.

If you refinance, you may have to pay the costs associated with a new mortgage loan. But your current mortgage holder may be willing to cut you a deal to keep your business. That means the difference between the interest rate you pay today and the rate you will pay after refinancing may not have to be as great as in the past in order to make economic sense.

The best thing to do is call your mortgage company and find out whether it would make sense to refinance. Of course, some mortgage loans may contain an early-payment penalty. Your mortgage company should be able to explain that to you if you have an early-payment penalty.

With the interest rates so low, today's real estate market is hot. But houses aren't the only thing today's home buyers are shopping for. They're also hunting for the best mortgages, at the lowest rates.

One of the best books about mortgages that I know of is The Mortgage Kit, which is now in its fourth edition.

This newly updated book give you all kinds of information. It can guide you through the entire mortgage process - from applying to refinancing.

It also now contains a section of Internet information. The book includes an Internet resource guide, advice on applying for a mortgage by using the Internet, and tips on how to find a lender online.

The book still contains the charts, graphs and worksheets that it has always had.

The author, Thomas Steinmetz, has worked in the real estate lending industry for more than 20 years. He has an MBA from Harvard Business School concentrating in real estate and finance and is president of Mortgage Banking Systems in Maclean, Va.

The 287-page paperback is \$19.95 and is available at bookstores or direct from Real Estate Education Co., 155 N. Wacker Drive, Chicago IL 60606-1719 (800) 829-7934.

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## Think maintenance before landscaping

BY DR. J. ROBERT NUSS  
FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

(AP) - All landscapes will require some care, so consider a maintenance program during your design phase. The extent to which a landscape is developed depends on the owner's financial situation, attitude toward gardening and desire for functional surroundings.

A landscape plan should start with a study of the problems, opportunities and conditions of the site. The needs of the owner should also be considered in the initial study.

The first design step is to define the public, private and service areas on the property. The public area is essentially the entrance to the home and property; the private area is an extension of a similar indoor space; and the service area contains the wood pile, vegetable garden, and other storage material.

Decisions about specific plants and construction materials should be made on the basis of their ability to meet the requirements in these areas. By considering plant maintenance in advance, decisions can be made on that basis as well.

During the design phase, a close examination of the existing conditions

on the property is essential. A site inventory and analysis will indicate what you have to work with in the landscape.

Various aspects of the site should be considered for their design potential as well as for their maintenance needs. During site analysis, consider the following conditions for their impact on a maintenance schedule:

■ Topography, or the rise and fall of the land, is important. Steep slopes present high-maintenance conditions. They can be planted with ground covers to reduce the need for mowing while reducing soil erosion. Another solution is to replace the slope with terraces and retaining walls for a stepped planting area.

While terraces may be an expensive operation initially, they provide low-maintenance areas in the future.

■ Determine if the soil is sand, silt, or clay. A soil test of the area will also indicate pH (acid or alkaline) and nutrient content. This information will suggest what plants will grow best on the site. The less you have to modify the soil to meet plant needs, the lower your maintenance.

■ Plants not adapted to an area's

hardiness zone will require special attention and maintenance year after year. You might also find special conditions on the site that create micro-climates. Such spots may be more wet, dry, or shady, or may be warmer than their surroundings. Once these micro-climates are identified, you will be able to match plants to the limited conditions.

The maintenance requirements of the individual plants are an important consideration. Select plants with low maintenance requirements, while at the same time meeting the design requirements for such points as color, texture, density, shape, and size. The following plants are listed in descending order according to the amount of care they require:

- Espalier and topiary.
- Annual and perennial flowers.
- Lawns.
- Ground covers.
- Deciduous and evergreen shrubs.
- Deciduous trees.
- Evergreen trees

Dr. J. Robert Nuss is a horticulturist at Penn State University.

# Houses for the next millennium?

BY BARBARA MAYER  
FOR AP SPECIAL FEATURES

With the year 2000 fast approaching, what will homes be like in the next millennium?

Some predictions:  
Suburbs will be passe, but amenities such as gardens and private swimming pools will migrate to the city.

Glass windows that are also computer screens will turn walls into learning devices and permit dining in company without having to cook for it.

Rooms will morph easily from one function to another.

Adding an extra bathroom may simply mean buying a plumbing module at a building-products superstore.

These are some of the ideas put forward by architects that House Beautiful commissioned to design a "house for the millennium." Ten houses are being featured in the magazine's May, July and October issues.

Most have flexible floor plans and address environmental concerns, such as better land use and generating less pollution. Hence the preference for city living.

"We have to quit fooling around with the suburbs, which are such a wasteful way of living

because you spend too much time in a car," said Laurence Booth, an architect in Chicago.

Laurence's design, meant for a climate such as Chicago's and shown in the May issue of the magazine, fits a luxury house onto a standard city lot. Room is made for an indoor garden by substituting it for the living room and placing the four bedrooms in a tower served by an elevator.

All the technology needed to build the house exists except for the windows required for the glassed-in garden. What's called for, the architect said, is an insulating window glass that will probably be available in the future and that will minimize the effects of cold and heat without relying on energy-wasting air conditioning and heating units.

New glass technology also is required for the house that Hariri & Hariri of New York conceptualized, to be featured in October. Some windows are also giant computer screens on which virtual-reality images can be projected.

Residents would be able to call up images stored in the computer or on the Internet. The kitchen's computer screen-windows would allow them to con-

verse with a friend while both are preparing or eating dinner in their own kitchens.

"Although it is very expensive and quite limited, the liquid crystal display technology that would make such a panel possible does exist. But the maximum size is about 12 inches square," Mojgan Hariri said.

The loftlike homes in a multi-family development designed by the Atlanta architectural firm of Scogin Elam and Bray are meant for a downtown parking lot.

"We think people of all ages will rediscover downtown living, so the central idea is to reclaim spaces more or less abandoned in the city," said Merrill Elam.

Typically, at present, when a parking lot is acquired for housing, a standard high-rise goes up. Scogin Elam and Bray's development would be more interesting to look at and have outdoor amenities found in the suburbs. What's new about their plan is not its wood construction method but how people buy their space.

"You would buy not just your square, but the air space above it and extending from it, and even perhaps disconnected from it, as in a patch of open space to use as a garden," Elam said.

The plan she envisions would

get better use out of land than in the suburbs, placing as many as 30 units where only six traditional ranch houses might go.

The exteriors of all the houses in the project are readily recognizable. But what about the interiors?

Hariri foresees an end to fireplaces, traditional furniture and curtains. Others imagine rooms pretty much as they are today.

"People don't change, so the rooms in which we live won't necessarily be all that different," said Booth.

"Furniture hasn't changed much over centuries, and the ways in which people comfortably inhabit their spaces are timeless," said

Buzz Yudell of Moore Ruble Yudell of Santa Monica, Calif. His firm's kit-built house will be featured in the October issue.

When all is said and done, are any of these houses likely to be built?

"By their nature, houses of the future solve problems of the present," said Lou Gropp, editor-in-chief of House Beautiful and originator of the idea for the project. "Because after all, how could we know what the needs of the future will be?"

# 30-year fixed-rate mortgage rate drops

BY DAVE SKIDMORE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The average rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages fell for the fifth consecutive week, dropping to a level below 7 percent — that helped spur a boomlet in home sales and mortgage refinancing early this year.

The rate averaged 6.94 percent last week, down from 7.04 percent the previous week, Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, said. That's the lowest level since the average hit a four-year low of 6.89 percent in mid-January.

This week's decline was the sharpest in six months and brought the average more than a quarter point below the 5 1/2-month high of 7.22 percent reached at the end of April.

Mortgage rates have followed the drop in yields on U.S. Treasury securities. Treasury yields have fallen because a new round of turmoil in Asia, spilling into U.S. stock markets, has prompted both domestic and overseas investors to seek the relative safety of government-guaranteed bonds.

Though the Asian crisis has pinched the American economy by curbing export sales, it's spurred it by stimulating purchases of homes and big-ticket goods with lower interest rates.

Mortgage applications last week were 69 percent higher than a year ago, the Mortgage Bankers Association of America said. Refinancings repre-

■ The average rate on 15-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, fell to a four-month low of 6.62 percent last week, down from 6.71 percent the previous week.

sented 42 percent of applications.

Economists said rates could hover around current levels for several months, but they don't expect them to get much lower, barring a serious further deterioration in Asia. The most recent mortgage-rate declines should help keep the housing boom going.

"It may mean the slowdown we're expecting in housing activity during the second half of the year will be milder than we thought, or perhaps nonexistent," said economist Michael Carliner of the National Association of Home Builders.

The average rate on 15-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, fell to a four-month low of 6.62 percent last week, down from 6.71 percent the previous week. They had hit a six-month high of 6.85 percent at the end of April.

On one-year, adjustable-rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 5.68 percent, down from 5.71 percent.

The rates do not include add-on fees known as points.

# Americans are getting creative with decks

With two million decks being built each year, it hasn't taken Americans long to find creative ways to add more style, charm and personality to their new outdoor living areas. If you'd like to spruce up your deck, the Flood Company, manufacturers of deck care products, offers these ideas and tips they have picked up from homeowners and contractors across the country.

**Add Color.** Stain spindles and accents with a contrasting color to blend with your home. White washes look stunning with natural wood, natural green tones with redwood give a warm, woody feel, or use colors that complement your home. For a dramatic look, stain the entire deck. Anyone can make their own stain by mixing one part latex paint and one part Easy Mix E-B Emulsa Bond. It makes

an excellent solid hiding stain while not limiting your color choices.

**Accent with plants and flowers.** Try hanging planter boxes along railings and fill with colorful flowers and plants to add interest to the whole yard. Another popular option is to anchor large, wooden planters around the perimeter of the deck, or at entrances and exits to add charm. To add privacy and personality, add a wooden trellis and hang plants and wind chimes.

**Create moods with lighting.** Paper lanterns strung along a railing or white Christmas lights placed underneath your picnic umbrella can create a festive feeling for night time parties or family nights outdoors. Also try citronella torches or candle lanterns in the yard around the

deck, they will not only keep the bugs away but will also create a romantic, relaxing atmosphere.

**Keep your deck in shape.** All the decorating in the world can't make up for a deck that is neglected. Remember to clean your deck with an environmentally friendly cleaner once a year. And coat the deck every other year with an oil-based penetrating finish to protect the wood from sun and moisture and keep it looking natural and healthy.

Try a finish with a cedar or redwood toner for a new look.

For more information or to receive a free wood care guide, call the experts at the Flood Company, 800-321-3444 (TTY/hearing impaired calls: 800-356-6346 ext. 322), or write Wood Care Guide, P.O. Box 2535 Hudson, Ohio 44236-0035, or visit The Flood Company web site at [www.floodco.com](http://www.floodco.com)

## REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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### REAL ESTATE INVESTORS

The Real Estate Investors Association presents Karen Kelly of Data Search, who will discuss services her company provides for quick access to information such as liens, SEV and ownership, 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, at the Southgate Holiday

Inn, 17201 Northline, one mile east of I-75.

Cost for non-members is \$10. Beginning landlords interested in a free introductory package may call Wayne Koehler, association president, at (313) 277-4168.

### BUILDING CLASSES

Builder's Training Services presents a 16-hour class to prepare for the state builder's license exam 6-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 7-16, at the Clawson-Troy Elks Club, north side of Big Beaver east of Rochester Road.

Cost, which includes all books and materials, is \$225. A home study kit without the classes is

available for \$185. To register, call (248) 909-1947.

### R.E. INVESTORS II

The Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland hosts a dinner/program, "Quick Turn Real Estate," 7 p.m. Friday, July 10, at the Royal Oak American Legion, 1815 Rochester Road.

Presenter: Ron LeGrand, investor, trainer, consultant, lecturer.

Dinner is \$14 for everyone. The program is free for members, \$10 for non-members.

LeGrand presents an all-day seminar on the topic 8 a.m. Saturday, July 11, at the Royal Oak American Legion. Cost is \$69.

For reservations to either event, call (800) 747-6742.

### SUMMER SCHOOL

The Construction Association of Michigan Training & Education Center will offer classes for the first time ever this summer at its offices, 1625 S. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills.

Offerings include blueprint reading, basic estimating, lien law, residential builders prep, and human resource topics. Many classes are offered in the evenings at a cost ranging from \$25-\$310.

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## MOVERS AND SHAKERS

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Send a brief summary including town of residency and black and white photo to Real Estate Movers and Shakers, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, 48150.

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Paul R. Andrews, owner of Inspect-All, a home inspection company in Southfield, recently completed training in the latest home inspection techniques.

Andrews, a candidate for membership in the American Society of Home Inspectors, is a licensed builder and licensed in pest control specializing in wood-destroying organisms.

## No home sale column today

The record of homes sold in the county does not appear in this issue.

The reason? We get our home sales information from the folks at the county Register of Deeds office, and they are terribly busy.

The reason? With the flight of money into the dollar, interest rates have plummeted. That means lots and lots of people are refinancing their home loans to take advantage of the low interest rates, so the Register of Deeds office is very busy.

We will resume publishing recent home sales as soon as we can get the information from the county.

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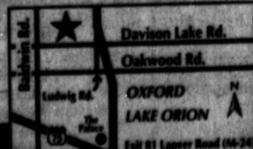
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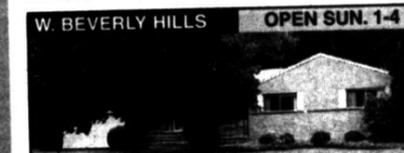
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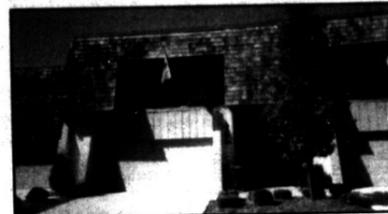
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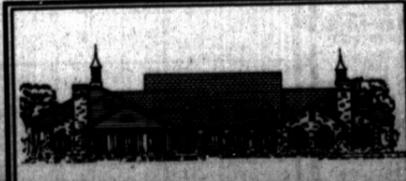
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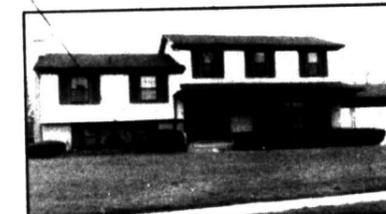
**WHITE LAKE BEAUTY** - Spacious tri-level home in White Lake Township, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, updated kitchen & baths, hardwood floors under in bedrooms, central air, large lot, 2 car attached garage. A Beauty! \$149,900 (03REN) 363-1200



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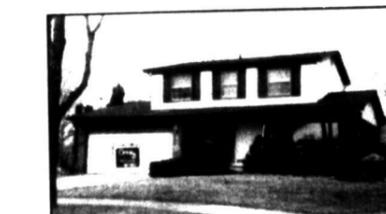
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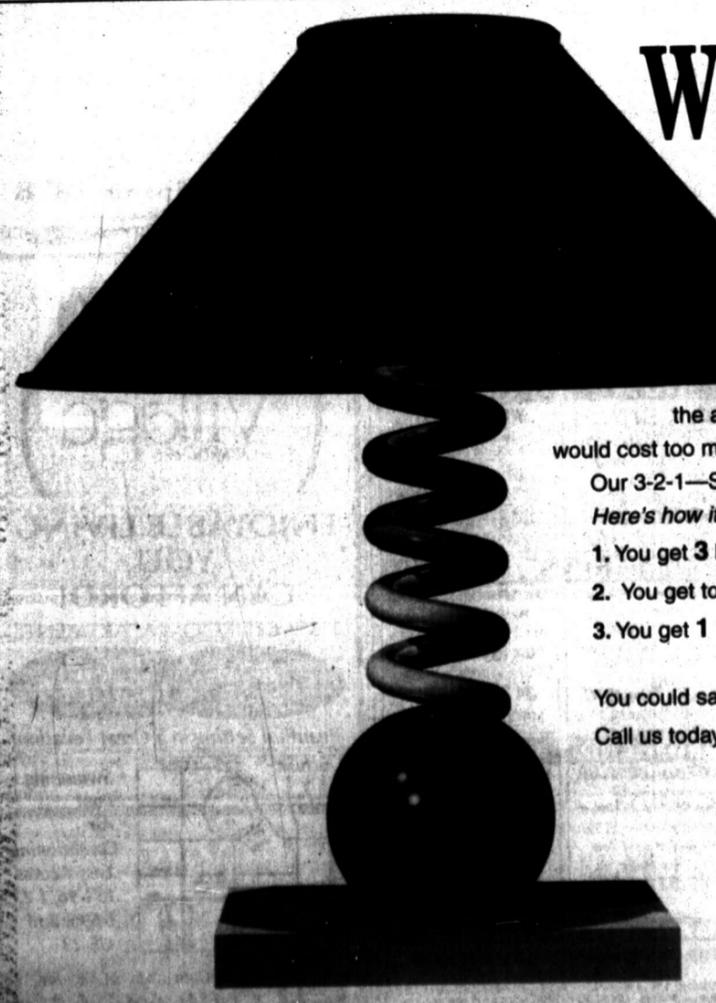
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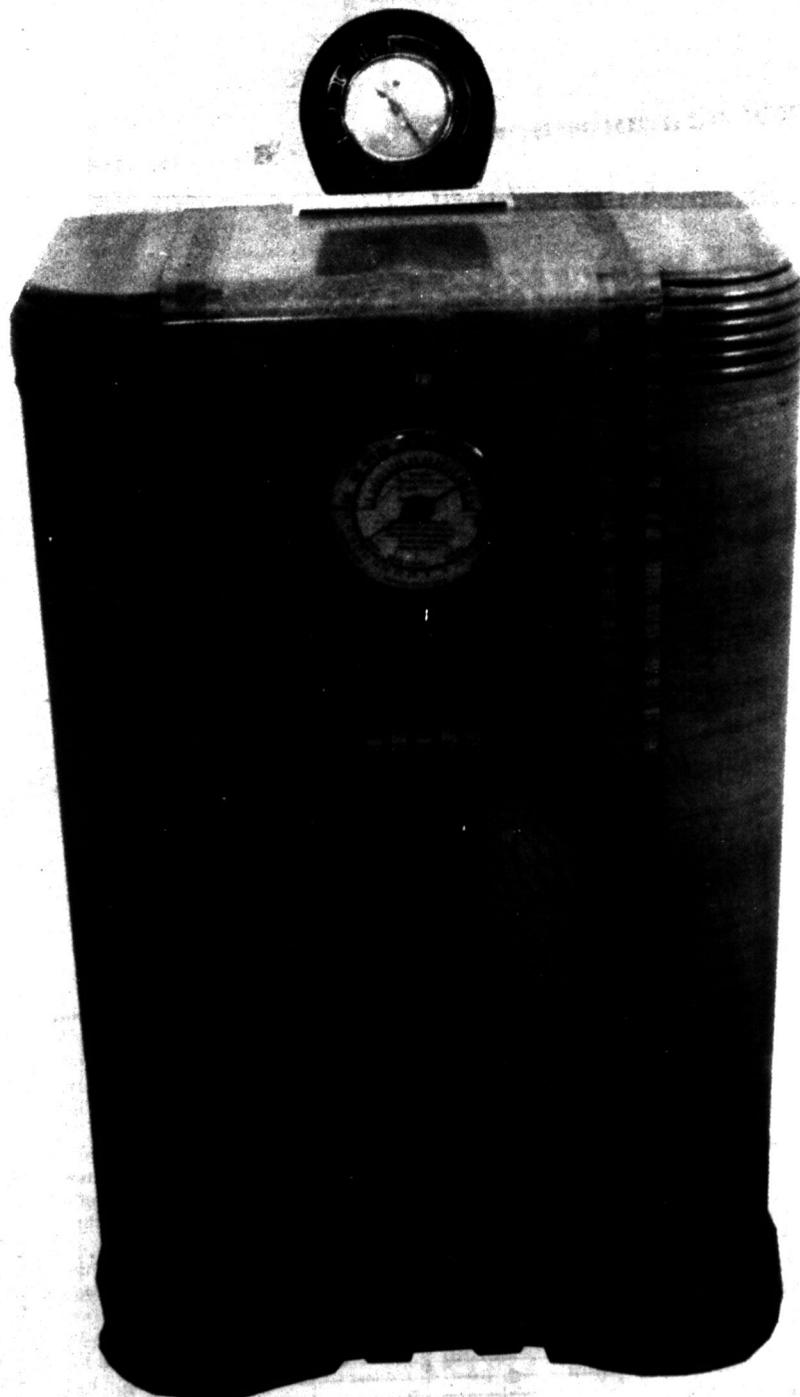
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## Turn travel time into fun time



LISA LUCKOW-HEALY

Travel time doesn't have to be stress central unless you invite it into your next family getaway. Too often, you find yourself packing too much into your travel expectations. That's when the going gets rough.

Before you dive into your next family getaway, sit down and think about where you want to go and what you want to do when you get there.

Do some upfront research by looking into your mode of transportation and associated fees, accommodations (peak vs. off-peak rates) and sightseeing attractions. Consider how traveling at a given time of year will affect school, work and extracurricular activity schedules.

Determine who will care for the family pet and periodically check on your home if you are out of town for a lengthy time. Preplan for any special needs a member of your family may have that could inhibit your travels if careful considerations aren't made in advance.

Summer travel may mean juggling summer camp and social calendars.

Once your initial research is complete, ask your family for their input. Provide a list of vacation choices you want them to consider and ask for a vote. Without a list of choices, you open up the destination ring to a Hawaiian island, an African safari or hundreds of other getaways that may be beyond your budget. You then find yourself having to justify why your family cannot go to any one of them at the present time.

By integrating others' opinions into your preplanning efforts, you help reduce trip boredom because your family knows what to expect. They also have a picture in their minds of what to look forward to when the time comes.

Whenever possible, scale down your itinerary expectations to avoid vacation overload. A vacation isn't a vacation if you come home more exhausted than when you left.

You try to pack in as many activities as possible when you arrive because you are afraid you will miss something. When your last vacation day arrives, you can't remember what you did for the last six days, let alone what you had for dinner the previous night.

You successfully exhaust the children, who sleep like babies the entire way home - but so do you. It takes you a week to catch up at home because you have no energy to unpack, yet your schedule heats up with work, carpools and social activities the moment you unlock your front door.

Vacation down time gives you the opportunity to relax, talk to your children, enjoy family meals together without interruption, and rediscover each other.

Dress for vacation success. Preplanning your travels also means knowing what to wear based on climate and comfort. Anticipate what activities your family will participate in, paying close attention to weather conditions in and around your destination before you throw your bags in your vehicle.

Prepare the entertainment factor before you leave. Know what will keep your children busy and distracted from the travel time to your destination. Your teen may be perfectly happy with his headphones and his Walkman.

On long driving trips, some families even come prepared with a travel-size television/VCR combination and a short stack of favorite videotapes to quell those tempers when a six-hour drive turns into an eight-hour road construction nightmare.

Entertain younger children with memory games, cards, picture books and books on tape. Your local library most likely keeps a generous selection of children's favorite books accompanied by cassette tapes so youngsters can follow along with the pictures, words or both.

Pack an additional map the children can look at when they want to understand where their travels are taking them and how long it will take to get there. Above all, don't forget the snacks. When the going gets tough, there's nothing like a good snack to distract even the most temperamental of attitudes.

Turning travel time into fun time not only means preplanning - it means being prepared for a total change of plans if the situation dictates, and complete spontaneity.

Lisa Luckow-Healy is a marketing consultant and freelance writer who regularly contributes to several parenting publications. To leave her a message from a touch-tone phone about how you celebrate family, call (313) 953-2047, then her mailbox number, 1903; or e-mail your suggestions to [LLHealy@aol.com](mailto:LLHealy@aol.com)



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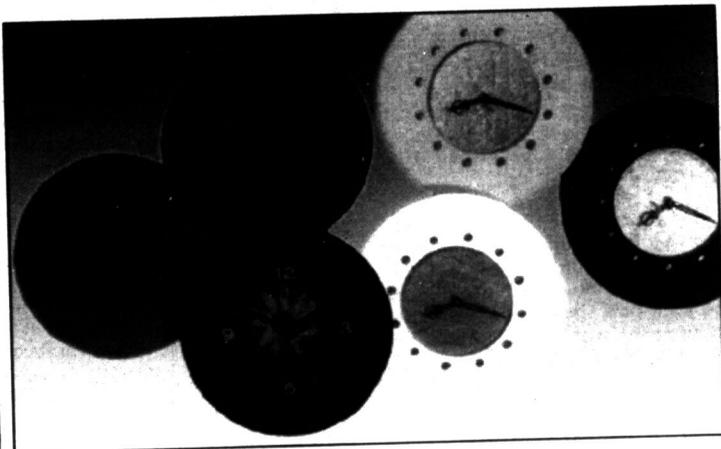
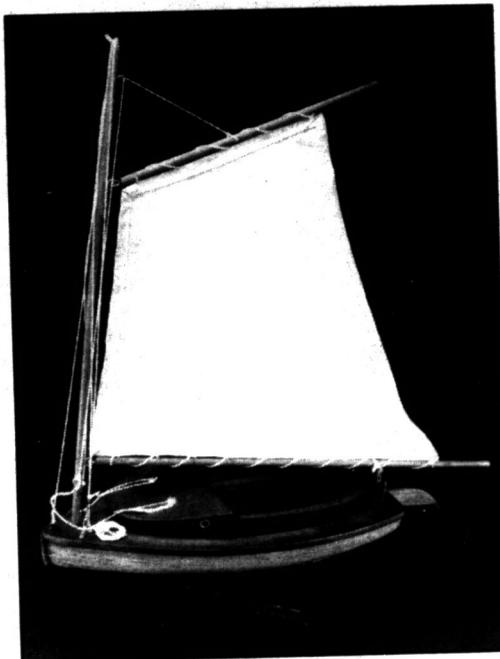
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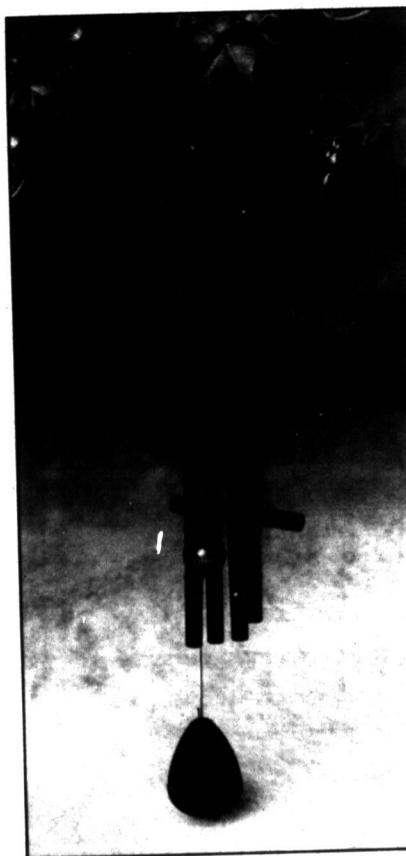
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### Timely fashion

**Clock talk:** Scott Shuptrine Fine Furniture in Troy and Novi features Nautica clocks in assorted colors with foil faces, and assorted handpainted bezel clocks with infloreal patterns. Sale price is \$49 each.

**AT HOME, Mary Klemic,** editor (248) 901-2569  
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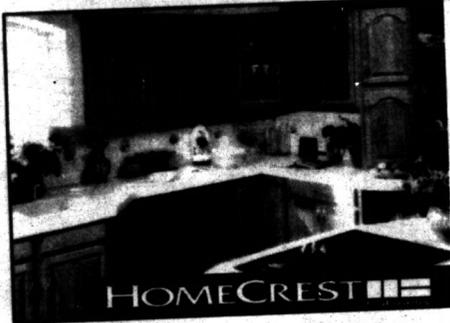


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# Be careful when using machines



**JOE GAGNON**

While doing the radio show this past weekend I was asked if I knew anything about automatic coffee makers which sit on the typical kitchen counter of most American homes.

The consumer's problem was related to a switch that turns it on and off and the question immediately brought back memories of not so long ago.

I have been informed by many city fire departments across the country that drip type coffee makers are responsible for starting a kitchen fire. The safe way to use this product is to make sure that you always unplug the cord when it's not making coffee.

Most homemakers will keep their coffee maker plugged in at all times and this can cause the on/off switch to overheat and in the middle of the night while you're sound asleep, puff, you've got a fire. Please unplug the coffee maker in your home.

Hollie came home from school a few weeks ago and naturally brought back a year's supply of dirty clothes (just kidding). I was sitting in the living room and each time she came up from the basement she asked me to holler to her when I heard the buzzer go off.

An hour or so later I could hear the dryer running and went downstairs to check it out. The lint filter had so much lint in it that I would compare it to a thick woolen blanket in size. I could tell by the sound of the dryer operating that it was going into labor, so I shut it off and put the clothes in a basket. I'll bet that there was a 40 pound load in that dryer and it's a wonder it didn't snap the belt.

That evening, I sat down with Hollie and explained how dangerous if it to overload a dryer and the importance of cleaning the lint filter after every load. Her degree in accounting wouldn't be worth prunes when the washer and dryer broke down, because I was not going to fix them.

The laundromat located three blocks away would soon be making good use of her accounting degree. I think the message sank in. We'll see.

Sometimes the dangers which surround us are so evident and yet we fail to see them. The statistics which show the number of accidents caused by certain products are alarming and yet when I look around while doing service calls, I become alarmed at the blinders that people wear.

I see gas cans and flammable products stored near hot water tanks, clothes piled on top of the operating clothes dryer with shelves built overhead holding paint cans, WD 40, denatured alcohol and more.

I see a kid cutting the lawn and pulling the lawn mower he will toward him and I know that if he slips and his foot slips under the mower he will never take ballet lessons.

The lady peeks over the shrubs as she trims them with her new electric trimmer and I notice the electric cord is in front of her. I tell her the cord should always be behind her and she replies, "I don't hit it because I can see it."

I'm driving down the expressway which surrounds Detroit and I'm doing 80 miles an hour trying to keep out of everybody's way. How many times I can't count, I have seen the cars go by like I'm sitting still, and the ones that really bother me are the cars where I can see the baby strapped in one of those car seats.

Oh well, I could go on and on, but it gets rather depressing just writing about these things. Let us look at the positive side and remember that we have so much more than all previous generations and all we have to do is use them correctly.

The person who wrote the operating instructions that come with the product we purchase did so for a reason. I write this column for a reason as well, and that is to help make you a more aware consumer.

I hope it helps even in a small way and I thank you for reading it.

*Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, will answer your questions about maintaining and repairing large appliances. Gagnon is president 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.*



garden spot

# Books aid all gardener types



MARTY FIGLEY

Many new garden books are available for beginning and expert gardeners. Here are a few that you may wish to peruse at your local bookstore.

If you are interested in growing wildflowers, "The Gardener's Encyclopedia of Wild-

flowers," C. Colston Burrell (\$29.95, Rodale), explains just how to grow them in many garden settings, organically.

Three main types of wildflowers are featured: meadow, woodland and prairie. Burrell has had much experience with these plants and shares his vast knowledge with clear directions from preparing an area to propagating them. He explains the basics, siting, care and all the rest, then follows with descriptions of more than 150 species of annuals, perennials and bulbs.

Each flower is shown in color with description, how it can be used in the garden, growing and propagation techniques, and in many cases lists other species of the plant. Each is listed by botanical (a nice feature shows how to pronounce them) and common names.

Six garden designs are a bonus. Here Burrell explains what growing conditions are required and the design principles used. A keeper.

"The Perfect Plant, For Every Site, Habitat and Garden Style," David Joyce, U.S. consultant John Elsley (\$45, Stewart, Tabori & Chang), is a lesson in the original habitats of the plants grown in our gardens and a guide to learning why those that are planted in similar conditions thrive.

The A-to-Z directory lists 3,000 plants that the authors consider to be the best. Descriptions include the plant's origins, name, hardiness and size with commentary on its cultivation requirements. Plants are categorized, i.e. bulbs, conifers, trees, shrubs, climbers, annuals, biennials, perennials, bamboos and grasses, which helps in the quest.

Ten plant lists contain suitable plants for specific garden sites such as dry soil, alkaline soils, bog and waterside. The unusual size, 7 by 12 inches, enables one to handle the hefty book comfortably.

"Summer Bulbs," Henry Jaworski (\$20, paper, Houghton Mifflin), is just the ticket for growing glads, dahlias, begonias, cannas and many other bulbs you may never have heard of, such as *Acidanthera*, *Bessera* or *Cypella*.

Jaworski has spent 20 years learning just how to best grow these beautiful plants, and in down-to-earth language explains exactly what to do. He has included the history of bulbs, how and where to buy them, how to display them and much more. These plants can be grown indoors and sometimes out; he tells you how. The photos alone will entice you to try something new.

"New Varieties to Know and Grow," 1998 Edition, Sara Rowekamp (\$19.95 plus \$3.50 shipping and handling, Oak Leaf Publications, Box 58649, Cincinnati, Ohio 45258; phone or fax (513) 347-3180), contains photos and descriptions, plus growing requirements of many plants. Hardiness, habit and suggested companions complete the book, a first for home gardeners.

A cleverly written book, "Dinner From Dirt," Emily Scott and Catherine Duffy (\$10, paper, Gibbs Smith), proposes several different types of gardens children can plant, grow, harvest and then make a meal from the produce.

Each recipe is simple; each lists what to grow, utensils required, and things needed to be bought, i.e. buns for the Hamburger & Fries. Some adult supervision may be required. Denise Kirby has illustrated the small, attractive book.

Peterson First Guides' "Wildflowers of Northeastern and North-central North America," Roger Tory Peterson (\$5.95, Houghton Mifflin), is a perfect size to stick in your pocket as you explore the world of wildflowers. The line drawings and the different forms and parts of flowers will get readers started on the right track. Easily indexed, Peterson's color drawings are perfect illustrations.

This Sunday, June 28, gardenviews at 202 W. Main in Northville will present Shelly Buckman, who will speak about herbs 1-2:30 p.m. To reserve a seat, call (248) 380-8881.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1859. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.

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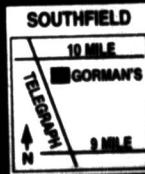
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Architecture, both new and old, offers a multitude of pattern and design possibilities. Look closely at buildings, even some under construction, and you'll see numerous and exciting photographic design opportunities.

Be sure to look for pattern in nature. Windswept sand, a closeup of a shell or an intimate inspection of an individual leaf will all produce meaningful pictures.

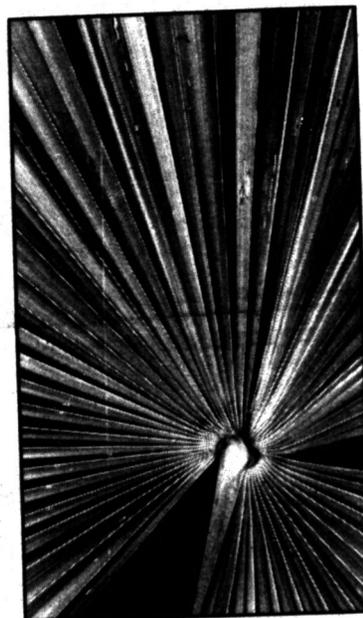
Always have your photographic vision turned on. A recent trip to Naples, Fla., enabled me to make the photograph shown here. Not the whole palm plant but a closeup of a single "fan" resulted in this dramatic pattern of nature.

One of the best ways to see pattern and design is to use a viewing mask. A "window" cut from a piece of cardboard will do just fine. Your viewing mask will isolate pattern and design from distracting surroundings. You'll find yourself zooming in on meaningful subjects you

never knew were there.

Remember, the aim of creative photography is to make a visual interpretation of something that moves you, not just to record an image. With pattern and design, you can do just that!

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (248) 644-1314.



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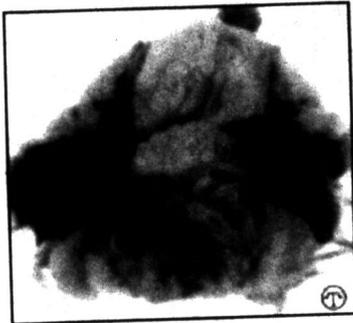
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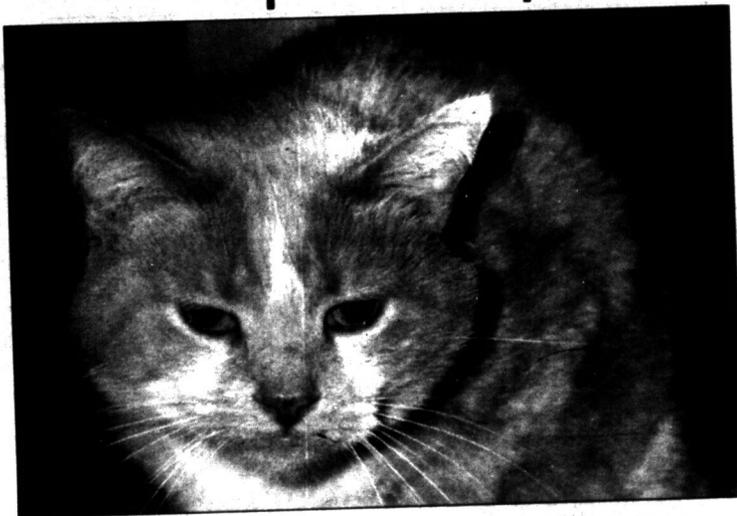
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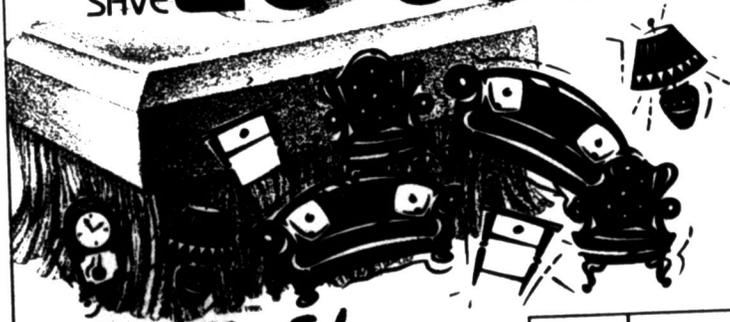
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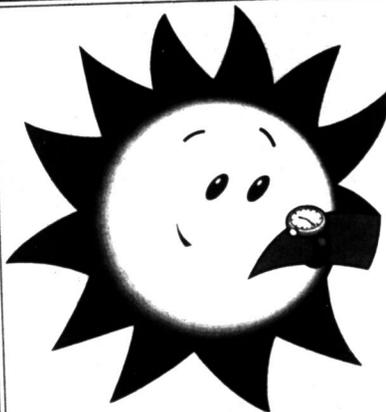
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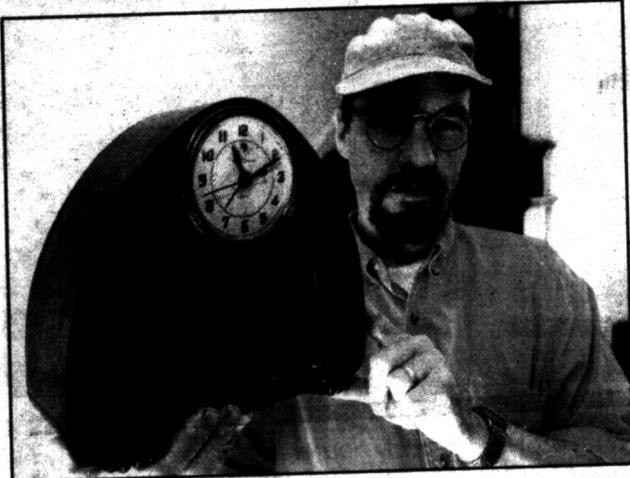
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# Radio daze: Collectors value style, sound



**Sound advice:** Mark Oppat of Plymouth holds the Detrola clock radio that will be raffled at the Michigan Antique Radio Club convention next month. At right is a 1938 record player/radio.

**A**ntique radios carry more than a wave of nostalgia. Their cabinets are works of art, their technology is art that works. And they are like bookmarks of history, reference points to past chapters of events and lifestyles, even as they function and convey current news and music.

"Radios combine technology and style," said Mark Oppat of Plymouth, a member of the Michigan Antique Radio Club. "The only other (things) to do that are automobiles.

"You think about computers changing today. Radios were changing very quickly ... in the old days."

Oppat, who said he "was always into old stuff," took an electronics class at Stevenson High School when he was 16, and now has a radio repair business, Antique Audio.

"It's one of the most affordable hobbies there is."

The radios may be found through classified ads, auctions and antique malls. Costs are usually \$100 to \$125 for the radio, and \$20 for parts, Oppat said.

The hobby of antique radios has grown significantly since it began in the 1960s. Some collectors specialize in such elements of the radios as style, technology, brand name and era.

Components such as tubes and the boxes that held them are collected

too. A flattened box retrieved from a heap is valued because it bears the name and icon of the Detrola Corp., which was the only major radio manufacturer in Detroit.

The company was in operation from 1931 to 1948 and made parts for Tru-Tone brand radios sold by Western Auto Storage, as well as those with the Detrola brand name.

Scott Flaughner of Livonia collects Detrolas. His fondness for antique

radios goes back to childhood.

"I always liked it," he said. "It was made in the U.S.A., for one thing."

Flaughner's collection of about 100 Detrolas features a wide variety.

Among them are consoles, midjets and sizes in between, made of such woods as mahogany and walnut or plastic and chrome, in the rectangular "tombstone" and arched "cathedral" shapes. His favorite is a combination record player and radio.

The sight as well as the sound of the radios is something to be appreciated. A console with curved sides on either side of a tall speaker looks like a



**Dials with style:** A 1935 radio with a cathedral shape and a 1936 model (above) show two of the different styles.

small art deco building with pillars on either side of a doorway. Dials vary; some with shutters that expose different channels as they open and close like butterfly wings, some with colored segments.

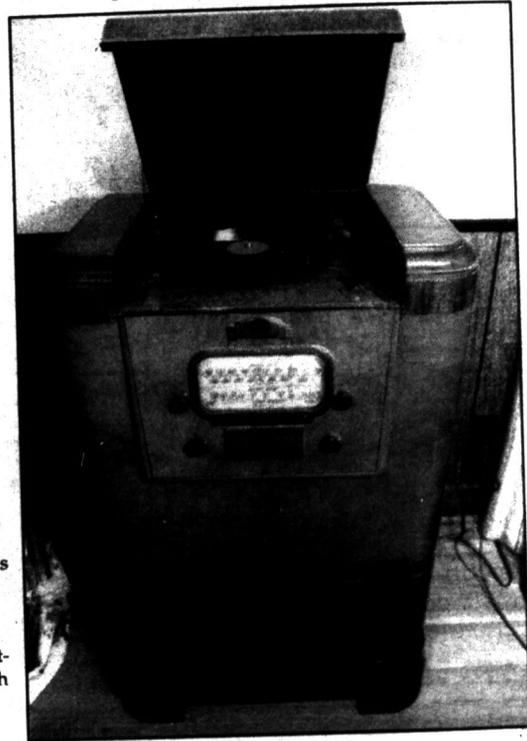
Wood grain may form a border accent. Catalin plastic shades include bright hues and pastels, or swirls of light and dark that resemble marble.

"Detrola: The Little Company That Could" is the theme of Extravaganza '98, the MARC's 13th annual convention, Friday-Sunday, July 10-12, in Lansing. MARC members are looking for former Detrola employees or family members of former employees, and Detrola radios and other artifacts.

The event will be the third largest antique radio swap in the country. It will feature programs, flea markets, auctions, a contest, an exhibit, drawings and a women's luncheon.

Program topics will be "Repairing Phonographs," "A Genealogy of Collectible Radio Magazines," "Innovations in Tubes in the Early Years" and "Radio Collecting and the Internet."

Awards will be best of show, people's choice, best restoration and chairman's trophy (for the entry with the greatest historical, marketing or technical signifi-



cance), as well as general awards. The 10 categories include various eras, novelty radios and speakers.

A Detrola clock radio will be raffled. The radio has a cathedral shape resting on two feet. Its round clock face is above the speaker and dial, both rectangular; the Detrola name is featured on the dial.

The MARC has more than 700 members from not just all around Michigan but the country, and even foreign countries.

"It's one of the larger clubs in the country," Oppat said.

Extravaganza '98 will take place at the Holiday Inn South/Convention Center, 6820 S. Cedar, immediately off I-96 at Exit 104 (Holt/Cedar Street). For information on the event or the MARC, call (517) 349-7187.

### On the cover:

A 1937 model is one of the many Detrolas in Livonia resident Scott Flaughner's collection. The Detrola company will be the theme of the Michigan Antique Radio Club's convention.



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■ Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club is sponsoring a bus tour Friday, July 24, to Michigan State University's Hidden Lake Gardens near Tipton, Mich. Price is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members and includes a box lunch. Final sign-up date is Thursday, June 25. For reservations and more information, call (248) 656-2187.

■ The Lathrup Village Historical Society will host its fourth annual Lathrup Village Home & Garden Tour 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 27. A garden boutique, in the shelter in the park adjacent to the Municipal Office Building on Southfield Road, will sell plants, garden statuary, unusual garden accessories and giftware. Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority volunteers will staff display tables during the day with information on tree and flower selection, composting, garden maintenance and lawn care. Free refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 the day of the tour. Seniors (age 60+) have a discounted

entry price of \$8 per person. Tickets are available at the Lathrup Village City Offices, 27400 Southfield Road between 11 and 12 Mile. Call Karen Copus at (248) 559-0087 or Barb Kenez at (248) 559-4867 for tickets or more information. Proceeds support beautification projects sponsored by the society.

■ Seven Livonia gardens will be featured on this year's Garden Walk, sponsored by Friends for Development of Greenmead, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 27. A plant sale will take place at Greenmead Historical Village, Eight Mile and Newburgh in Livonia. Tickets for the garden walk are \$7 in advance and \$8 at the door. Tickets are available at Greenmead, the Community Resources Department at Livonia City Hall at Five Mile and Farmington Road, and Livonia libraries. For information, call Community Resources at (734) 466-2540. Walk proceeds benefit the restoration and preservation of Greenmead.

■ The Trailwood Garden Club will present the third annual "Flowers are Forever" Garden Walk, featuring seven gardens in Plymouth, noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30 (severe weather date, Wednesday, July 1). Tickets are \$6 pre-sale and \$7 the day of the walk. Tickets are available from club members and at Saxton's Garden Center, Good's Nursery, Piccadilly's, Plymouth Nursery,

Backyard Birds and the Plymouth Community Arts Council. On the day of the walk, ticket holders will receive discount coupons for Backyard Birds and Piccadilly's. Free refreshments will be served at the arts council, and a raffle will take place. Call (734) 459-5285 or (734) 459-7146 for information. The sites on the walk are four gardens in a row with creative use of space, a country garden in the city, a family retreat garden avoiding the use of chemicals and a country garden that has evolved over 22 years.

■ The Troy Garden Club will present its 24th annual garden walk, "Today's Seeds are the Beauty of Tomorrow," Wednesday, July 8. Six Troy gardens, a craft boutique, refreshments and a raffle will be featured. Tickets are \$7 in advance, \$10 the day of the walk. For advance ticket sales through June 30, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with a check made payable to Troy Garden Club to 1898 Lyster Lane, Troy 48098. For more information, call Dorothy at (248) 879-9160.

■ The Plymouth Community Arts Council will present a garden stepping stone workshop 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 7 (rain date Tuesday, July 14). Call (734) 416-4ART to register and for more information. At the workshop - back by popular demand - make at least three of your own personalized outdoor stepping stones with ceramic tile pieces and cement. Participants will break the tiles, make a mosaic design, and mix cement and pour it into a rectangular form. Additional embellishments in the wet cement are possible. Cost is \$46, all materials provided. Bring any material of your own, such as ceramic tile, marbles and shells, that you would like to incorporate into your creation. Wear old clothes and gloves and bring knee pads if you have them.

■ The Farmington Garden Club will host a biannual garden walk, showcasing six private gardens in the Farmington-Farmington Hills area, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 18. Garden-related items for sale will be at a special boutique in the Visitors Center in Heritage Park, west of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile, and complimentary refreshments will be served. This year's theme, "Rhapsody of Flowers," features garden designs including floral and architectural components to enhance the landscape. Color abounds in gardens from a mid-19th century designed property to a contemporary landscape dotted with life-size bronze animals. The tour will begin at the Visitors Center. Tickets are \$7, free for under age 12, and will be available the day of the event at the Visitors Center. Tickets may be bought in advance at McFarland's Florist (call (248) 474-0750), The Vines Flower & Garden Shop (call (248) 478-5544), Springbrook Gardens (call (248) 474-0858), Schroeter's Flowers & Gifts (call (248) 851-0222), Steinkopf Nursery (call

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■ To help you choose the right piece of art to enhance your deck, flower garden or patio, Objects of Art in West Bloomfield presents "Artscape" through July 30. Featured are unusual wind chimes, birdbaths, garden stakes, artful sprinklers and just plain art for the outdoors by local and out of state artists. There's even a St. Francis bird feeder. The metal, wood and clay creations are designed to withstand the elements. Objects of Art is at 6243 Orchard Lake Road, just north of Maple in the Sugar Tree shopping center. Call (248) 539-3332.

■ Tours of the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens' Conservatory, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor, will take place Sunday, June 28. The warm-temperate house at the Conservatory is undergoing renovations and you can visualize the end results as you see the work in progress. 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.

■ Everything you wanted to know about herbs but were afraid to ask is the topic of a free seminar 1-2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at gardenview, 202 W. Main in Northville. Space is limited; call (248) 380-8881 early to reserve a seat. Speaker Shelly Buckman - who has a master's degree in botanical education and is a Michigan certified nurseryman - will tell how to grow herbs in the garden, container or window box; and her husband, who is a chef, may give hints on how to use them in cooking.

■ The Four Seasons Bonsai Club of Michigan will have its annual Bonsai Auction and Pot Luck Dinner meeting 2-4:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, in the backyard of the Baresi home, 40 Fairwood in Pleasant Ridge, south of I-696 and east of Woodward. Fairwood may be entered off of northbound Woodward. Auctioneer is Dale Ducklow. Call (248) 545-3879 or (248) 354-6119.

■ "New Wood," an exhibit of wood furniture and accessories by more than a dozen artists nationwide, runs through August at Gallery:FunctionART, 21 N. Saginaw in Pontiac. Call (248) 333-0333. The show features lively organic forms, sleek modernist expressions and innovative new surface decorations. Of special interest is the new furniture by Robert Watson of Pontiac from historical architectural elements such as columns, pilasters and window panes reclaimed from homes in and around Pontiac. Other artists include the Architecture Arts League and Fernando Calderon of Michigan, Paul Sasso of Kentucky, Scott Grove and Peter Harrison of New York, Jack Larimore, Rachel Fuld and Jan Swanson of Pennsylvania, and Joe Urruty of North Carolina.

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Have you ever noticed that sometimes, for no apparent reason, seedlings take longer than usual to poke through the soil? Or that transplants sometimes get off to a rousing start right after planting, while other times they sit for a while before growing? Fickle plants? Perhaps it's the moon.

There's an old saying: "Plant potatoes by the dark of the moon." Some gardeners believe that the best times for various garden activities are dictated by the phases of the moon. Not that your garden will be a flop otherwise, but rather, as one moon gardener says, you should "take advantage of the impetus provided by nature."

For those who plant by the dark of the moon, instructions are more refined today, even taking into consideration the signs of the zodiac. And planting isn't the only activity covered. There are days that are ideal for fertilizing, for mowing the lawn, for harvesting - even for making pickles.

If you just want to dabble in "moon gardening," detailed instructions can be distilled into two general rules: The period from two days before to seven

## Lunar gravity is supposed to promote leaf growth and inhibit root growth.

days after the new moon is best for planting seeds that sprout very quickly or very slowly. The time from the full moon to seven days later is best for transplanting and sowing seeds that sprout in a moderately long time.

The moon's influence might come from its gravity, light or magnetism. Lunar gravity is supposed to promote leaf growth and inhibit root growth. That's why seedlings should establish well if transplanted during the third quarter, when decreasing moonlight and tidal pull slows leaf growth and stimulates root growth.

Is there any scientific basis for reckoning with the phases of the moon when gardening? Yes and no.

The theory has some basic weak points. For instance, ocean tides occur because gravitational attraction is a function distance and there is a differential pull of lunar (and solar) gravity between the side of the Earth closest and

the side farthest from the moon. But the two sides of a seed are only a fraction of an inch different in distance from the moon, so "tidal" effects in seeds are negligible.

On the other hand, there is no question that the moon affects barometric pressure, temperature and cosmic radiation flux. Carefully controlled experiments have detected cyclical uptake of water and shoot growth in plants that coincide with the lunar day and month.

These cyclical responses are rarely in simple harmony with only lunar cycles. There seems to be other cosmic influences also at work. The zodiac perhaps? And problems arise when trying to translate simple experimental responses into the complex world of the garden.

The whole area of moon gardening seems worthy of further investigation - and perhaps backyard experimentation.

## Great grilling gets easier

(NAPS) - For many backyard barbecuers, great grilling is only a few tantalizing tips away.

Consider the following suggestions for the barbecuing season and remember that practice makes perfect:

- Before grilling, marinate meat or vegetables to make them tender. Be sure to throw away the marinade after it has been in contact with raw meat.

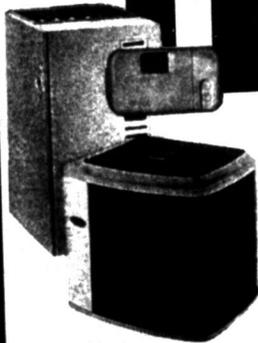
- Grill small portions on skewers.
- For really delicious corn, butter and salt the ears, then wrap them in aluminum foil. Rotate often.

- When cooking with a gas grill use compressed ceramic briquettes with seasoned hardwood for added flavor.

- Observe safety precautions while grilling. Don't let children near the grill. Be careful of splatters. Don't grill indoors or in the garage. Keep a fire extinguisher or bucket of water handy.

Those who don't have time to assemble their grill may wish to buy a professionally pre-assembled grill. If a new grill isn't in the picture this season, you can revive your old one with new accessories at stores such as Kmart.

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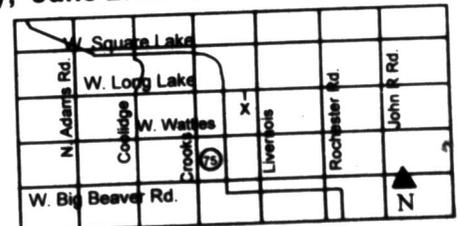
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RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

Italian food has always been popular ... like most other ethnic fare, once considered immigrant food this ethnic favorite seems to resurface in a big way every few years. With this wave of renewed, very regionalized Italian food, there is a plethora of new Italian cookbooks out on the market.

My friend, Vincent Schiavelli, who many of you may remember as a character actor in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," "Amadeus," "The People vs. Larry Flynt," and "Batman Returns," also writes books on Sicilian Food - his first book Papa Andrea's Sicilian Table - Recipes from a Sicilian Chef as Remembered by His Grandson, published by Carol Publishing Group - A Citadel Press Book, 1993 (1995) (paperback \$12.95) was a great success. Now, Vincent has out a new book "Bruculinu, America - Remembrances of Sicilian - American Brooklyn, Told in Stories and Recipes" published by Houghton Mifflin Co., 1998 (hardcover \$24). Vincent with his dramatic flair, shares his background, his experiences, and the fabulous recipes of his family - those especially of his Grandfather, a Sicilian Monzu, the Master Chef.

"Soups of Italy - Cooking over 130 Soups the Italian Way" written and illustrated by Norma-Wasserman-Miller (hardcover \$25.00) and "Italy Al Dente - Pasta, Risotto, Gnocchi, Polenta, Soup" by Biba Caggiano (hardcover \$25) - well-known host of Biba's Italian Kitchen on The Learning Channel, restaurateur, and author of other best selling Italian cookbooks. Both of these books are from William Morrow & Co., 1998.

## PIZZA DI NONNA GRANDMA'S PIZZA

Grandma's Pizza from "Mangia, Little Italy! Secrets from a Sicilian Family Kitchen" by Francesca Romina  
Serves 4-6

(This recipe provides you with two additional options - see end of recipe)

1 1/2 pounds pizza dough, homemade or purchased

1 can (21 ounces) whole tomatoes with juice

1 teaspoon dried oregano, sticks removed, crushed until powdery

1/2 teaspoon sugar

1/3 teaspoon salt

4 fresh basil leaves

Extra-virgin olive oil

11 heaping tablespoons grated incanestrato or Romano cheese

4 yellow onions, thinly sliced

1/2 pound fresh mozzarella cheese, cut into 1/8-inch-thick slices

1. Prepare the pizza dough (Francesca's recipe for Palermo's Bakery Dough is on page 67 of her book - if you would like this recipe please call me at the O&E, and I will get it to you - for easy preparation use - pre-made pizza or bread dough sold in the freezer section of most grocery stores).

2. In a large bowl, crush the tomatoes well with a fork. Stir in 1/2 teaspoon of the oregano, the sugar, salt, basil, 2 tablespoons olive oil, and 2 heaping tablespoons of the grated cheese. Set aside.

3. In a medium-size frying pan, heat 2 tablespoons olive oil over medium heat. Add the onions and saut\* until golden brown, about 10 minutes. Stir in 5 tablespoons of the tomato sauce, 1 heaping tablespoon of the grated cheese, and 1/4 teaspoon of the oregano. Reduce the heat to low and simmer for 10 minutes. Set aside.

4. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. When the dough has doubled in bulk, generously oil the bottom and sides of a 13-by-9-inch black enamel-on-steel baking pan. Fit the dough into the baking pan and, with your fingertips, spread the dough using a dimpling motion.

5. Drizzle and spread 1 tablespoon olive oil over the dough. Top with the mozzarella and sprinkle with 3 heaping tablespoons of the grated cheese. Spoon the tomato sauce without the onions over the dough, leaving a 1/2-inch border around the edge. Top with

the onion and tomato sauce mixture. Sprinkle with the remaining 1/4 teaspoon oregano and the remaining 5 heaping tablespoons grated cheese. Bake on the middle rack of the oven until the bottom crust is well browned, about 30 minutes. Cut into rectangular slices and serve.

## CUDRIRIUNI VARIATION (MAKES TWO 9-INCH PIZZAS - SERVES 4)

Proceed as directed for Grandma's Pizza. In Step 2, substitute a 28-ounce can whole tomatoes for the 21-ounce can. Adjust the seasonings.

In Step 4, divide the dough in half and, using your fingertips, fit the dough into two 9-inch cake pans. Divide the sauce and all other ingredients into 2 equal portions for topping the pizza. Add mozzarella and grated cheese to each pizza.

## NEAPOLITAN PIZZA VARIATION (MAKES ONE 14-INCH PIZZA - SERVES 4-6)

Proceed as directed for Grandma's Pizza. In Step 4, lightly oil a 14-inch round pizza tray in place of the rectangular pan. On a well-floured work surface, roll out the dough into a 14-inch round. Fit the dough into the pan. Proceed as directed.

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## Figure on planting your own fig trees for delicious harvests

BY COUNTRY LIVING  
A HEARST MAGAZINE  
For AP Special Features

One of the oldest fruits known to civilization, the fig is said to have roots in Southwest Asia and the Eastern Mediterranean, wrote Lucy Wing in an article in the July issue of Country Living.

Fresh ripe figs can be pale yellow, almost black, purple, green or burgundy on the outside with amber, red or translucent pink flesh containing tiny edible seeds. For fresh eating, there is little difference in flavor among varieties.

Figs must ripen on the tree. When finally ripe, the fruits hang downward and the skin is extremely delicate. While commercial crops grown for drying may be mechanically harvested, picking figs for the fresh-fruit market requires a gen-

tle hand - one reason why they are expensive to buy.

When compared with other tree fruits, including peaches and apples, figs suffer from relatively few insect pests or diseases. If provided with warm, dry climates, moderate winters and not-too-rich soil, they are among the easiest fruits to grow in the home orchard. Birds are the major pest for figs. To protect your harvest, try to cover each tree with netting as fruits begin to mature.

Most fig varieties are hardy in USDA Zones 8 to 10 and will tolerate temperatures as low as about 15 degrees F. Fig trees require a cool dormant period at 40 degrees F to 50 degrees F. You can grow figs outdoors in cool regions (Zones 5 to 7) if you select early-maturing varieties such as Alma, Celeste, Brunswick, Marseilles or English Brown Turkey. Plant them in a warm area sheltered from the

winds and provide winter protection by wrapping and insulating.

Plant fig trees in average well-draining soil, at least 10 feet apart, away from citrus plants and ornamentals, as figs don't need the extra nitrogen and water other trees require. Most fig varieties are self-pollinating.

Dig a hole that is wider than it is deep. Fig trees have flat, spreading root systems, not long taproots. Application of high potash liquid fertilizer every 10 days or so during the summer and up to just before fruit ripening is beneficial. High amounts of nitrogen will provide lush growth at the expense of fruit.

Fig trees usually bear fruit the year after planting. When figs are soft to the touch and droop slightly on their stems, they are ready to harvest.

A ripe fig feels plump, yields easily to light pressure and is moist inside. If

hard, a fig's flesh will taste dry instead of syrupy and sweet.

Ripe figs are perishable and must be stored with care. Arrange them slightly apart on a tray lined with paper towels and then refrigerate them uncovered for up to five days.

To eat them, trim off the hard part of the stem end. Some people pull off the thin skin, others don't. Sweet figs draped in thinly sliced prosciutto make a sophisticated first course. They're also delicious roasted.

Figs are seasonal, appearing abundantly in markets from July through November, depending on where you live. Most fig trees bear two crops, the first on the previous season's growth and the second on current wood. While summer figs are usually larger individually, fall brings a more bountiful harvest.

Red, white and candlelight: Celebrate America's birthday by decorating with candles.



## Candles offer star-spangled decor for Fourth of July

Show your spirit and go star-spangled with candlelight this Fourth of July. PartyLite Gifts Inc., a leading direct sales marketer of candles and candle accessories, offers these decorating ideas to help you brighten up your home while celebrating America's birthday.

- Place three star-shaped, glass votive holders on top of a blue and white or red and white checkered place mat. Fill holders with one red, one blue and one white votive candle. Add a finishing touch by sprinkling gold or silver foil stars around the place mat.

- Create your own dazzling display of "fireworks" in your home by filling your bathtub with water and floating red, white and blue tealights in clear cups.

- Or bring this look to a table by placing a mix of red, white and blue craft marbles or white rocks on the bottom of a glass bowl or large brandy snifter and filling it with water. Float two or three tealights on top for the ultimate Fourth of July display. For a different twist, add red or blue food coloring to the water in the bowl.

- Replace your usual taper candles with red, white and blue 10-inch Hand-i-pits. Take the patriotic look one step further by wrapping coordinated colored ribbons around your candleholders.

- Take the bottoms (saucers) of three eight-inch flower pots. Place a 3-by-9-inch red pillar candle, a 3-by-7-inch blue pillar candle and a 3-by-5-inch white pillar candle on each of the saucers.

Group them together and fill around the bases with crushed white stones, colored craft marbles or festively colored candies. This grouping makes a great centerpiece for a coffee table or an eye-catching display for the corner of a fireplace hearth.

Decorating for the Fourth of July, or any holiday, is easy and inexpensive when you use candles. All it takes is a little creativity and the right colors to add the perfect touch and change the look of any home.

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## Pinch to promote production

BY LEE REICH  
AP Special Features

Give your plants a pinch. Or thin them out. Or cut them a little. Do these things in the right places and your flowering plants will produce more flowers and your edible plants will produce more food.

First, stop your flowers from going to seed. As soon as petunia, alyssum and other annual flowers begin to fade, the plants start focusing their energies on making seeds, rather than new flowers. So pick marigolds, zinnias and asters for bouquets to coax the plants to keep making new flowers rather than seeds. Shear back alyssum and low-growing annuals when they begin to look shabby.

Even perennial flowers will reward you for removing their spent flowers. Delphiniums bloom again at the end of the season if their flowering spikes are cut away after the flowers fade. Other perennials, like columbine, respond by blooming for a longer period of time.

You'll even get more flowers next year on spring flowering shrubs, such as lilac, forsythia and spirea, if you cut off some of their developing seeds. In this case, remove spent flowers by pruning away whole branches, some of the older ones. Don't shear the tops. Instead make cuts at ground level so these shrubs

grow to form graceful, arching clumps. Thinning out vegetables - that is, removing excess plants - lets those that remain grow better. Thin young carrot and lettuce seedlings before competition for light and water makes them spindly. You will be surprised how fast the plants grow once they have some space.

Another type of thinning you can do is on shoots of plants, so the remaining shoots produce more spectacular flower blooms and larger vegetables. For dramatic delphinium spires, cut away all but one emerging flower spike. For "dinner plate" dahlia, nip off all the side flower buds, leaving only the ones at the top of the shoots. Snap off side shoots on staked tomatoes for mammoth tomatoes.

Pinching out the tips of plant shoots has the opposite effect of thinning. Cushion chrysanthemums make neat, mounded cushions if you use your fingernails to pinch out the tip of every shoot when it has four leaves. By the end of July, stop this pinching, find something else to do, and let the tips of all those 'mum shoots develop into flower buds.

Don't touch leaves of daffodil, tulip, hyacinth, crocus or any other spring flowering bulbs until they turn yellow. As long as the leaves have some green color, they are nourishing the bulbs.

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# Perennials, annuals are distinct

BY SAMANTHA PERRY  
BLUEFIELD DAILY TELEGRAPH

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BLUEFIELD, W.Va. — Under the blossoms of plants for sale stands a little plastic spike. Generally, it reads like a care manual with phrases like "full sun," "partial shade" or "well-drained soil."

Easy enough to understand.

But then in bold letters the spike will declare: "perennial," "annual" or ... "biennial"?

Simple words, maybe. Yet their meaning can be confusing to the novice gardener.

What is the difference between them, and why is it important we know what they are?

The answer: because the plant's characteristic will affect your garden this summer and for years to come.

Rebecca Broyles, co-owner of Broyles Gardens in Princeton with husband, Paul, defined the three:

- Perennials live for three or more years.

"Even though that definition covers bulbs, trees and shrubs, when most of us

think of perennials we mean flowering plants with herbaceous (fleshy, not woody) stems that die back in winter," she said, explaining that the plant's roots will send up fresh growth in the spring.

Another important trait of perennials, Broyles said, is that very few bloom for more than a few weeks at a time.

- Annuals germinate, grow, flower, set seed and die in a single year, she said. Unlike perennials, "they work overtime to bombard us with blooms for all the months of the growing season."

There are some tropical perennials that we call annuals, Broyles said. "We just refer to them as annuals because they're not going to live through our winter."

- Biennials complete their life cycles in two growing seasons. "The first year they sprout from seed and grow foliage. The second, they bloom, set seed and die. Many do not flower for the entire season."

How does your garden grow?

Because of the major differences in blooming periods and lifespans, deciding whether to plant annuals or perennials is a big decision for a gardener. There are pros and cons to each.

The growth of a perennial is often

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described in a colorful rhyme: "First year they sleep, second year they creep, third year they leap." Broyles said this is because the plant is sending its roots down, and putting out a lot of energy to establish itself.

But while it may take a few years for a perennial to begin to thrive, Broyles said, "Some gardeners have considered perennials an answer to time problems, thinking, 'Plant a perennial, and every spring it will resprout and flower right on schedule. No need to find time for planning, shopping and replanting every year.'"

However, another point to consider for perennials is their length of blooming period, which is usually only a few weeks each season.

In a garden comprised totally of perennials, Broyles estimated it would take 16 different types of plants to have flowers in bloom from March through October.

While this may seem daunting to the beginning gardener, some experienced cultivators have a "passion for perennials," Broyles said.

"For quite a few years, perennials have been the primary choice of avid hobbyists and connoisseurs who enjoy their endless diversity and the challenge of working out planting and color patterns and blooming schedules.

"Enthusiasts have thrived on juggling sizes, textures, locations. Perennials offered a change of pace from familiar, reliable annuals and were seen as

sophisticated and subtle, annuals as obvious and overpowering."

She said many gardeners are also nostalgic for the perennial flowers their grandparents grew, such as bleeding hearts, lupines, columbines and lilies of the valley.

"On the other hand, annuals fans believe that nothing could be simpler than starting fresh each year with a quick planting of fresh young impatiens, begonias, marigolds, zinnias, snapdragons. Shopping is fun, planting is easy. The whole thing is a happily anticipated ritual that lifts the spirits and provides a much needed change from routine."

Annuals represent every personality type imaginable, she said.

"They can look elegant, spunky, aloof, vibrant, serene. Some annuals gardens have a sense of humor and whimsy. Some are casually effortless looking. Some have mathematical precision. There is no limit."

So what about the biennials?

Broyles said this gets complicated because some short-lived perennials are classified and cultivated as biennials. Some plants considered biennials include forget-me-nots, sweet Williams, foxgloves, wallflowers, Canterbury bells, hollyhocks and English daisies.

Even more confusing, Broyles said, is the fact that some biennials reseed freely and can be treated as perennials because the plantings return for many years with new seedlings.

"Paul and I like to combine annuals, perennials and biennials to get the best of all worlds.

"Perennials form the backbone of the garden, returning and growing handsomer each year. Annuals bless us with color for all the warm months, regardless of what's happening among the perennials. We can tinker with colors, textures, heights and patterns all we want and correct the mistakes without having to undo years of work. Biennials provide flowers, like foxgloves, we don't want to be without."

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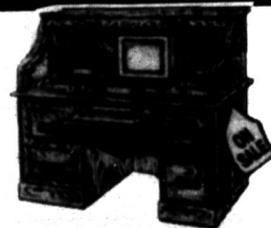
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# Here's how to get more vegetables

BY LEE REICH  
AP SPECIAL FEATURES

Crop rotation, succession planting, and intercropping are three ways you can maximize the amount of vegetables your garden produces. At the same time, these three techniques get rid of many pest problems.

With crop rotation, you rotate your garden plan so that at least three years elapse before a vegetable returns to where it has been planted before. For instance, rather than plant corn in the same place as last year, plant carrots in that spot. Next year, perhaps, plant beans. Then the following year, go back to corn.

Crop rotation decreases pest problems by moving food away from pests. If you move your tomato plants, for example, verticillium wilt disease, which spends winter in the soil, eventually gets starved out.

Certain plant groups are susceptible to the same pests. One such group is the cole crops: cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, kale, turnips and Brussels sprouts. The nightshade group includes tomatoes, peppers, eggplant and potatoes. Peas and beans are members of the legume group. Don't plant one member of a group where another member of that group grew in the last three years.

Crop rotation can also help balance soil fertility. You could follow a nitrogen-hungry leafy crop, such as cabbage,

with a potassium-hungry root crop, such as carrots. The following year, you might plant peas, which add nitrogen to the soil.

Succession planting makes use of the fact that few vegetables are in the ground from early spring to late fall. So you can, for example, follow peas and spinach, which thrive only in cooler weather, with zucchini, which thrives in summer's searing heat. Or put early lettuce where you are later going to plant tomatoes. The lettuce will be in the salad bowl by the time the tomatoes need the space.

Intercropping is yet another way to squeeze maximum production out of

every inch of garden row. Plant different vegetables together in each row. Mix in a few herbs and flowers also. Such a planting might include a vegetable grown for its roots (carrots, for instance), with one grown for its leaves (such as lettuce), and maybe a few flowers tucked in for decoration.

Intercropping decreases some pest problems by confusing insects. A row planted only to cabbages is heaven to the cabbage moth; the cabbages are easy to find and then the moth need only skip down the row from plant to plant, laying its eggs. But interplant those cabbages among tomatoes, perhaps a few basil plants and some marigolds, and the moths will have a harder time sniffing out the cabbages.

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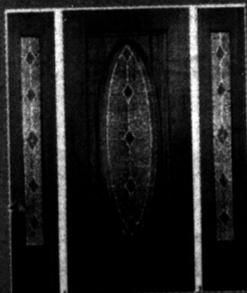
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## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



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## HOT TICKET



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Movie moguls: Maureen O'Reilly, left, and Lauren Bond have formed a Southfield film company to acquire literary properties for production. "Winona's Web," set in the Leelanau is their first project.

## No place like home for local filmmakers

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

There's no soundstage, no cameras, no editing room. This film company occupies a small space inside a law firm's office suite - in Southfield.

But when Maureen O'Reilly and Lauren Bond say, "Let's do lunch," the moguls in Hollywood will probably ask "Which restaurant."

O'Reilly and Bond are partners in Screened Arts Entertainment, a company formed to produce movies for theaters and television. They've purchased film rights to Priscilla Cogan's novel "Winona's Web," winner of the 1997 Small Press Book Award, and are looking to partner with a major studio or independent production company to make the movie in Michigan's Leelanau Peninsula.

Their company is the latest in a series of projects that suggest southeast Michigan has a future as a movie center.

For Bond setting up a movie company in Michigan was a way of doing what she does best in the place she wanted to be - home.

"I wanted to come back to Michigan," she said. "I was raised in Southfield. I wanted to do what I was doing there (in Los Angeles) but geographically be here. So much of it is done on the phone. I love the Midwest."

Bond was working in an architectural firm in Chicago when "The Untouchables" was shooting there. She became friends with a set designer on the movie and decided she could use her drafting skills in Los Angeles as a set designer.

"I started as a production assistant with Dick Clark, worked on 'American Music Awards,' 'Bloopers,' anything to get experience," she said.

Dick Clark led to a job with Viacom on such television productions as "Jake and the Fat-

man," "Perry Mason" and "The Father Dowling Mysteries."

"Viacom was a great starting point," she said. "I supervised production coordination on shows on location, from script to budget to locations."

After three years of television production, Bond moved to Constantin Films, a European film company working in the states. She worked on the productions, "House of Spirits," "Smilla's Sense of Snow" and "The Cement Garden."

O'Reilly of Bloomfield Hills has a degree in television and film from Eastern Michigan University. She began working as a production

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### "Gone With the Wind"

**WHEN:** New Line Cinema's re-release of David O. Selznick's 1939 production of Margaret Mitchell's "Gone With the Wind," directed by Victor Fleming opens Friday, June 26 at 200 theaters nationwide.

**METRO DETROIT SCREENINGS:**

- Star Southfield Theatre, 25333 W. 12 Mile Road, Southfield (248) 368-1802.
- Star Gratiot Theatre, 35705 Gratiot, Clinton Township, (810) 791-5428.
- Ann Arbor Showcase Cinema, 4100 Carpenter Road, Ypsilanti, (734) 973-8424.

**WEB SITES:**

- New Line Cinema - [www.newline.com](http://www.newline.com)
- Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center at the University of Texas - [www.lib.utexas.edu/Libs/HRC/HRHRC/DOS/GWTW/Scarlett/Scarlett.html](http://www.lib.utexas.edu/Libs/HRC/HRHRC/DOS/GWTW/Scarlett/Scarlett.html)
- Scarlett Fever Forum - [www.Scarlett.org](http://www.Scarlett.org)

## Technology improves film classic

You've read the book by Margaret Mitchell, seen the video, maybe even the movie, but beginning Friday you can see "Gone With the Wind" as you've never seen it before.

"It's the only movie that's making its eighth theatrical re-release, and it's been successful every time," said Roger Mayer, president of the National Film Preservation Foundation. "It's a terrific love story against a wide sweeping historical background with lots of spectacular action. It's the type of picture a variety of people like."

Four hours long, with an intermission, New Line Cinema's re-release of "Gone With the Wind," is brighter and

more colorful. New prints, which utilize Technicolor's new three-strip dye transfer process, revive the vivid color and hues which made "Gone With the Wind" so memorable. In addition, 12 1/2 minutes of the film have been digitally restored to eliminate scratches and other imperfections.

Digitally remastered sound features Max Steiner's original music composed for the audience's entrance into the theater, intermission and exit.

"They found notes, which indicate how David O. Selznick wanted the film to look. There were memos on how he

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American classic: Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh star in "Gone With the Wind."

### MUSIC FESTIVAL



Richie Havens

## Richie Havens still a singer with a cause

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

"Freedom!" Twenty-nine years ago Richie Havens' gruff voice and thumping acoustic guitar set the spark for the Woodstock Festival.

On June 30, Havens will join Janis Ian in the considerably more intimate confines of Ann Arbor's Power Center as part of the Ann Arbor Summer Festival. In those intervening years, Havens has probably embodied the spirit of that festival more than any of his contemporaries.

"The ultimate effect I got from it has

**WHO:** Richie Havens and Janis Ian  
**WHERE:** Ann Arbor's Power Center on the campus of the University of Michigan, Huron and Fletcher.  
**WHEN:** 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30  
**TICKETS:** \$11, \$14, \$17 and \$20. Call (734) 764-2538.

nothing to do with Woodstock but the people who came, and 850,000 was the true number. It was the 'us' they were trying to hide," Havens said in a telephone interview from his New York home.

He said the sight from the helicopter as they brought him in will stay with



Janis Ian

him forever. He has continued to be a well-traveled musician, a social activist and a believer in people.

"The problem we have is still news communi-

cations," Havens said. "Most people don't get the whole news. There is more good stuff than bad stuff, in fact 2 percent bad and 98 percent good. People are mostly minding their own business."

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## Tastefest serves up a feast of activities

The Michigan TasteFest runs Wednesday-Sunday, July 1-5, in the New Center Area of Detroit. For more information, call (313) 872-0188 or visit <http://comnet.org/tastefest>. All concerts are free.

The following concerts take place on the Best Buy stage on West Grand Boulevard in front of the GM Building:

Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 1. Boney James, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2. Black Market at 3:30 p.m. and Felix Cavaliere's Raisals, 7 p.m. Friday, July 3; Imperial Swing Orchestra at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 4; and Michael Peterson, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 4; Enchantment at 2 p.m. and Los Lobos, 5 p.m. Sunday, July 5.

The Wellness Plan Jazz Showcase on West Grand Boulevard at Third Street, features: Tim Limbaugh's American Guitar at noon and 1 p.m., Lenny Price at 4:30 p.m. and David Myles and Mylestones at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 1. Rayse Biggs at noon and 1:15 p.m., Kog's Cats at 4:30 p.m., and The Edge at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2. CASS-JAZZ at noon, Ryse-Tyme at 2 p.m., Jazzhead at 4:30 p.m., and Straight Ahead at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 3. Double Exposure: The McKinney Twins and Friends at noon, 3/4 Step featuring Roger Tucker at 2

p.m., Gwen and Charles Scales at 4:30 p.m., and Randy Scott at 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, July 4. Tim Bowman at 1 p.m., Orchestra Fuego at 3:30 p.m., and Kimmie Horne at 6 p.m. Sunday, July 5.

The New Center Park Stage on Second Avenue and West Grand Boulevard hosts: The Rev. Right Time and the First Cousins of Funk, 5:30 p.m., and Killer Flamigos, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3. Jan Krist at 3 p.m., Mudpuppy at 5:30 p.m. and Twistin' Taranulas at 8 p.m. Saturday, July 4. Jill Jack at 3 p.m. and Gillespie, Rasmussen and Raffoul (G.R.R.) at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, July 5.

This summer's Kids Shows take place in the Fisher Theatre lobby. The Mosaic Youth Theatre performs at 1 p.m., Children's Theatre of Michigan at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and Maureen Shiffman's Musical Jamboree at 3 p.m. Friday, July 3. Storyteller Ivory Williams takes the stage at 1 p.m., Gemini at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. and the Mosaic Youth Theatre returns at 3 p.m. Saturday, July 4. Amazing Clark's Punch and Judy visits at 1 p.m., Chris Linn at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and Yo-Master Zeemo at 3 p.m. Sunday, July 5.

The Henry Ford Health System Kidzone in New Center One Plaza offers dozens of free activities for children July 3-5 including Barnes and Noble Storytime, cookie decorating and more.

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leading their own lives. We don't know how well off we really are."

Havens began life in Brooklyn, which he calls the "last, one and only" melting pot of America. He said growing up with so many different ethnic groups was a special honor.

"Most of us haven't had the experience of being Americans. There is this isolationism and tribalism. But in my awareness, we've leaped so far into the possibility of being a nation of everyone," he said.

Folk singer Havens began his musical career like many New Yorkers of his time as a doo-wop singer. He said when he was singing doo-wop he was in "show business" but when he started singing folk songs he became a "communicator."

"There was a deeper connection to the audience and people in general, that's what the music of the '60s was, though many of us didn't realize we weren't in show business," he said.

Havens said it was poetry that finally brought him in his late teens to cross the bridge from Brooklyn to Manhattan.

"At the end of the 1950s, around 1958, I was singing with this German, Kenny Schneider, who sang second tenor in one of the last doo-wop groups I was in," he said. "We had been singing together four or five years. And he wrote the most beautiful poetry, I thought."

Street corner friends would kid Havens and Schneider about

**'Music is the fabric of who we are as a community. It was our generation's newsletter.'**

*Richie Havens  
folk singer and activist*

being "beatniks." Havens said he didn't even know what the word meant.

"I'll never forget this, Kenny came running into my house with the Sunday News and they had this article about beatniks in the Village," he said.

That was it. Havens "ventured over the bridge" to Greenwich Village and his new career was launched.

"That's where I met my first professors of traditional folk music. That was the first time I heard history. I was a history buff and in school I loved history. It was all part of the adventure of becoming, which is always going on," Havens said.

Havens came under the influence of Fred Neil, Dino Valenti, Hamilton Camp, Bob Gibson, Odetta, Pete Seeger and others, learning traditional folk music from around the world and the new music of contemporary writers like Neil, Valenti and Bob Dylan. They were part of a new movement that became "folk-rock."

"Some made it, some didn't care if they made it and some made it despite themselves," Havens said. "Music is the fabric of who we are as a community. It

was our generation's newsletter. That's what I got from rock and roll... We took the energy of rock and roll to become songwriters."

Havens' appearance at folk festivals and Woodstock established him as a singer with a unique style, adding a propulsive rhythm and blues beat to contemporary, meditative folk songs, by himself and others. He had a top 20 hit with the Beatles' "Here Comes the Sun" and recorded a frequently requested version of Dylan's "Just Like A Woman."

And he continues to promote current songwriters.

"There are more good writers today than ever in the history of our genre," he said. "The people who open for me are young people who not only write well but sing and play well, too."

He mentioned Cliff Eberhard as an example of a strong young writer and he has recorded several of his songs. But he had highest praise for the group Rage Against the Machine.

"They embody the rage we had in the '60s and couldn't express. They're the leading edge," he said.

Havens has, also, continued to be an advocate for social causes,

performing more than 60 benefits a year for a variety of needy groups. But his most personal efforts have been for children and the environment. In 1990 he founded Natural Guard, a hands-on program teaching children about the environment.

"I can't say I taught kids about the environment, but I know that I gave kids an opportunity to become the citizens they are in the community and to express the rights and responsibilities they have as citizens," he said.

Twenty years ago, Havens helped start a hands-on, children's museum in the Bronx built around water conservation.

"When I ask kids if they know any water environments, they all raise their hands and say 'The rain forest in Brazil.' I say, 'don't you live in an environment and they all say, 'No we just live in the city.' We try to change that view," he said.

Natural Guard is based in New Haven, Conn., and has chapters across the American continent.

Havens will be joining an old friend at Power, Janis Ian, with whom he shared an agent when Ian was just 12 years old.

"I sang at her father's camp when she was 11," Havens said with a laugh.

No doubt, Havens' commitment to '60s ideals was an inspiration to Ian, who went on to make her own mark with such personal songs as "Society's Child," "Jesse" and "At Seventeen."

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manager of Detroit Tiger baseball, with WDIV-TV, Channel 4, and then moved on to work in post production with Universal Image in Southfield.

Screened Arts was formed to acquire literary properties with an eye to producing in Michigan. In addition to "Winona's Web," the company is also developing two other projects, a comedy-romance to be shot in Los Angeles and a thriller for shooting in Philadelphia.

The women are also creating the Michigan Creative Source Directory, a guide to film talent

in the state equivalent to Hollywood's bluebook of talent.

"I'm excited by the response I got. This is an all inclusive book, everybody in one. I'm surprised at all the talent - writers, directors," Bond said.

The book is planned for publication in August for distribution to people in the business within the state and nationally.

Bond is excited by Michigan as a location as well as a source of talent.

"On 'Winona's Web,' we wouldn't think of shooting it anywhere else," Bond said.

"Winona's Web," is the story of two women, one a psychologist seeking a simpler life and the other, Winona Pathfinder, an elderly Lakota Sioux medicine woman preparing to die. The women form a friendship, which combines the contrasting values of modern Western civilization with Native American beliefs.

Bond said the best of all possible worlds is to land a deal with a studio or major independent, which can get wide distribution for the film. Bond said that she and O'Reilly already have investors and the film can be

made on budgets ranging from a low-end \$3 million to a middle budget of \$10 million.

She has approached Jodie Foster, Julia Roberts, Penny Marshall and Meg Ryan about the project.

"We think, who would we want to see attached to the project and how can they help us," Bond said. "If you can get that combined with the backing of a studio to get it out there ..."

In recent years, independent films have become an important source of new movies. Film festivals such as Robert Redford's Sundance and the Independent Film Festival in Los Angeles have become places where deals

are made.

"The entire market is not about blockbusters, special effects, 'Independence Day' films," Bond said. "There are films that are more character driven - 'Slingblade,' 'Fargo.' People do want to think."

Some production companies have shied away from Michigan because of cost. A recent movie set in Detroit is filming in Toronto because of the favorable Canadian dollar and lower overall costs. But Bond said filming in another country has its drawbacks.

"They have a point system you have to satisfy to get film subsidies, you have to use a Canadian

director, writer, post production. In Germany, which offers large film subsidies, you have to do post production there and record the music," Bond said. "There are rules and regulations you want to think about."

For "Winona's Web," Bond said they would like to be able to use a lot of Michigan talent on the crew and in subsidiary roles and as extras, especially Michigan Native Americans. She said they would also like to do some post production in the state.

"When I first came back here I thought you had to go to Chicago for this kind of post production, but it's right here," Bond said.



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wanted it projected," said Mayer, who has been president and chief operating officer of Turner Entertainment Co. since Aug. 15, 1986. In late 1996, TEC was acquired by Time Warner. "We at Turner made a documentary on the making of 'Gone With the Wind,' that gave us insight, and all kinds of information we didn't have. It gave us the opportunity to come closer to what he (Selznick) wanted."

A new generation of film-goers will see "Gone With the Wind" in its original aspect ratio - a term used to define the relationship between a film's projected height and width. Audiences are familiar with the wide-screen display that cut the top one-third of the frame. By presenting the film in its original aspect ratio of 1.33x1, the scope of the film is adjusted to emphasize height properly, in the manner it was designed by its producers.

### Much in common

There are similarities between "Gone With the Wind" and "Titanic," which is currently, at the cost of \$200 million, the most expensive film ever made.

During production, both movies were perceived to be wildly out of control. Both the director of "Titanic," James Cameron, and David O. Selznick were masters of excess and gargantuan dreams. Both of their movies swept the Academy Awards and became box office history.

"Gone With the Wind," based on Margaret Mitchell's story about the South set against the Civil War and Reconstruction, received a record 13 nominations at the 1939 Academy Awards, and won eight awards including best picture. Ironically, the leading man, Clark Gable, didn't win best actor that year. The award went to Robert Donat for "Good-bye, Mr. Chips."

Vivien Leigh won best actress for her portrayal of Scarlett, and Hattie MacDaniel became the first black person to win an Oscar (best supporting actress) for her portrayal of Mammy in the movie. She was also the first black person to attend the Academy Awards dinner not as a servant, but as a guest.

"People say 'Titanic' is the most successful picture of all time," said Mayer. "That's not true."

"Gone with the Wind" was seen by more people. If the amount of money that 'Gone with the Wind' made is adjusted for inflation, the movie is in first place, \$100 million ahead of 'Star Wars,' with an adjusted gross of \$906,939,759.

"Gone With the Wind" like "Titanic" exceeded its budget. Selznick had been warned that the movie would have to sell \$10 million worth of tickets to be profitable. By December 1940, "Gone with the Wind" had been playing in theaters for a full year, and grossed \$14 million. It played a second year, and people flocked to theaters every time it was re-released.

"There was no TV or video," said Mayer, explaining why so many classic films were not preserved. "Movies had no residual potential until the 1970s. You would make a picture, release it, and then no one paid attention to it. There were 50-60 pictures a year. 'Gone with the Wind' was one of the best preserved, otherwise we could not re-release it."

### Saving film

Film is very fragile, and until studios saw the revenue potential, preserving them was not a priority.

"If you store film properly, it will last a reasonably long time," said Mayer, who has been involved in film preservation efforts since 1961 when he joined MGM as assistant general manager of the studio. "Most people cannot afford it. You have to store it in an air conditioned vault with proper humidity so it doesn't dry out. You need to inspect it too. It's a large process, and millions of feet of film are deteriorating."

For now, Mayer is focusing on saving orphans - documentaries, ethnic films and newsreels. "It all has artistic value, and some economic value," he said. "I hope people go to see 'Gone With the Wind,' and that it motivates them to work to preserve film in their hometowns just like books in the library and paintings in a museum."

# Good acting keeps hilarious farce afloat

Village Players present "Moon Over Buffalo," a comedy by Ken Ludwig, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, June 25-27 and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the theater, 752 Chestnut, south of Maple, east of Woodward, Birmingham. Tickets \$12, \$10 students, call (248)644-2075.

BY VICTORIA DIAZ  
SPECIAL WRITER

Ken Ludwig's 1995 comedy "Moon Over Buffalo," as presented by the Village Players of Birmingham, is not a failure unworthy of your time. It does have its moments and its successes.

On the other hand, this "Moon," directed by Steve Tadevic, doesn't exactly glow in the dark. It often moves along at a rather hesitant pace. From time to time, some of the players seem lacking in conviction, or under rehearsed as far as timing goes, or crowded together with the sets and each other on this relatively small stage. The farcical

second act - with its characters moving in and out of closets, in and out of doors, up and down stairs, falling behind furniture (and even into the orchestra pit), appearing and disappearing here/there/everywhere - has the potential to keep audiences in stitches all the way to this play's delightfully silly finish. But so very much of the fun is lost when the timing sags as it does here. (A couple of overlong scene changes don't help to pick up the already out-of-step pace, either.)

"Moon Over Buffalo" tells the story of a veteran theater couple, George and Charlotte Hay, who in 1953 find their careers threatened by television and their marriage threatened by a young actress who claims she is expecting George's baby. As they are performing "Cyrano" and "Private Lives" with a touring company in Buffalo, they learn that famed film director Frank Capra is considering them for the lead roles in his next movie, "The Twilight of the Scarlet Pimpernel." In fact, he's coming to Buf-

falo to see them perform in that afternoon's matinee. The only trouble is, George has disappeared, accompanied by a bottle, and by the time he's found again, nobody's sure of anything much, including what play is scheduled for the matinee, what lines are to be spoken, what costumes are to be worn and how to keep the thoroughly inebriated George from plummeting headfirst into the orchestra pit.

In the role of Charlotte Hay, Marjorie Marks displays charming flair for comedy. Her lady-of-the-theatuh comes across like some vaguely cartoonish, delightful-to-watch Bette Davis. As her bumbling husband, George, Dan Castle is also fun to watch, but he fares somewhat less well, mainly because he seems as if he's less involved in his role. He also seems oddly lacking in verve or energy from time to time, almost as if he's holding back, or even vaguely bored now and then.

In a supporting role, Ann Weisman definitely has her moments

as Charlotte's wisecracking stage mother who gets to deliver some of the show's very best lines ("The theater ... is ... all we've got ... without it, we would all be Republicans.")

Sarah Himsel-Burcon does well as the Hays' loving and lovelorn daughter, Rosaline, but she delivers best when playing the lead role in a hilarious, mixed-up scene from "Private Lives."

Ron Hall as her fiancé performs his role capably. Matt Rafferty makes for an attractive thespian, although his character seems a little tentative and not especially spunky, as one of the lines in this play indicates he is supposed to be.

Jessica Puritan Harrell as the expectant ingenue, George Valentine as Charlotte's white-clad suitor and Miller Weisman as an actor-soldier round out the cast.

Peripherals such as costuming, sets, lighting are usually on mark.

# Stagecrafters try daring 'Rink' musical

Stagecrafters 2nd Stage presents "The Rink," a musical by John Kander about a roller rink on the ragged fringe of the New York showbiz world, 8 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays, June 25-27, and 7 p.m. Sunday June 28, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 South Lafayette, Royal Oak. Tickets \$9, call (248) 541-6430.

BY TAMI TABACCHI  
SPECIAL WRITER

Welcome back to the days of roller-skating (you know, prior to rollerblading) as Stagecrafters Second Stage presents "The Rink." "The Rink" is a somewhat racy musical drama by Terrence McNally, John Kander and Fred Ebb that is likely to raise a few eyebrows. Hopefully, audience-goers won't feel reminiscent about their childhood with this roller rink, as much of the drama in "The Rink" is not the sort of drama that leaves you feeling warm and fuzzy afterwards.

The story begins with 30-year-old Angel, fondly remembering growing up in the roller rink. Angel returns home after a 7-year self-discovery journey, only to learn that her estranged mother, Anna, has sold the rink. Suddenly, we learn that the memories at the rink weren't always so fond.

As the scenes unfold, we hear the details on an array of shattered dreams and family secrets that have pulled Angel and Anna apart. Audience members witness face slaps, verbal attacks and swearing matches. Further into the show, mother and daughter attempt to see eye-to-eye by smoking marijuana together and divulging information about their past sexual experiences. Granted, this isn't your traditional mother/daughter bonding experience, but it certainly is memorable.

If the content doesn't sound appealing, the music may. The

score is, for the most part, sentimental, reminiscing about the olden days and loves lost with a few campy number thrown in here and there.

Some of the prettier songs include "Coloured Lights," "Blue Crystals," and "We Can Make It." For the more upbeat tunes, listen for "Don't Ah Ma Me" and "The Apple Doesn't Fall."

Janie Castagna as Angel and Valerie Mould as Anna both have distinctly different musical styles, but together they work. From sappy to saucy, Castagna and Mould make a great team. Also listen for Jeff Drewno who plays Dino, the deadbeat dad. With a booming voice and show-

tune spunk, Drewno is a pleasure to watch.

Playing the demolition crew, as well as past friends and beaux, are Bill Davis, Eric Kent Franz, Laurie Gerald, Michael Grant and Todd Knight. Jacqueline Katz portrays the young Angel.

Director/choreographer Jerry Haines and musical director Jay Smith have pulled together cohesive company that has obviously worked hard to make "The Rink" an enjoyable performance for all. Take a free night and visit "The Rink," but leave you skates at home. With the size of the rink on Stagecrafters second stage, it is strictly an "Actors only" affair.

# Local playwrights serve up strong 1-act plays

Henry Ford Community College New Playwright's Workshop presents two original works "Silent Thoughts," and "Freak Show Brain," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, June 25-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Adray Auditorium, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. All seats \$3 at the door.  
BY BRENDA SMITH  
SPECIAL WRITER

Henry Ford Community College Theater Arts presented its New Playwrights Workshop, which features two different plays that bring out two completely different emotions. "Silent Thoughts" and "Freak Show Brain" look at things we see on television everyday.

"Silent Thoughts" written by Sandee Rager of Garden City, is about a 21-year-old girl who, at the peak of her life, has a debilitating car accident. Rager based it on her personal struggle to

recover from a near-fatal, physically debilitating car accident she was in three years ago.

As the play progresses, the girl's inner thoughts are acted out next to her hospital bed. Strength, hurt, fear and anger are all present in her struggle to regain consciousness. The play, at times, was an explosive and touching experience.

Unfortunately, there were also times when line slips and over dramatic pauses kept the play from being as smooth as it could have been. Luckily, most of this was gone after 10 or 15 minutes into the play. Near the end you could feel yourself being brought into the character's world, of being trapped inside a damaged body.

Overall the play was good. Stage setting, scenery and music all contributed to the personal feel of this play. This play is definitely worth recommending.

The 15-minute intermission

allows for some of the less mature, conservative audience to leave before "Freak Show Brain" written by Leah Ankeny begins. Ankeny is an adjunct faculty member at HFCC and supervising the New Playwright Workshop at HFCC.

If anyone has a problem with blatant sex and strong words, they should leave after "Silent Thoughts."

"Freak Show Brain" deals with rape, murder, child abuse and homosexuality.

"Freak Show Brain" is presented in an old traveling freak show format. The Barker calls for anyone with a secret to step forward. The person with the best secret will win the grand prize, to have that secret kept forever

in the brain. The Barker looked directly into the audience's eyes, providing a strange and eerie feeling that she is looking and talking only to you.

A teacher who loves her child student, a past Nazi, a male counselor who has sex with children, a girl who was raped by her father and others spiral down the path to everyone's hell. This shared hell brings forward a hard-to-miss point; we are all freaks in some way. The actors were all excellent, providing a catalyst for everyone to think about himself or herself.

Brenda Smith of Westland is a student at Henry Ford Community College, and a staff writer for college's "The Mirror."

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## COMMUNITY THEATER

**PLANET ANT**  
"Hippies, Heartaches and Hairloss," a story of three young couples and the joys and pains of their relationships, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 25-27, and 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the cafe, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. \$10. All ages. (313) 365-4948

**STAGECRAFTERS 2ND STAGE**  
"The Rink," a musical by John Kander about a roller rink on the ragged fringe of the New York showbiz world, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, June 25-27, and 7 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. \$9. (248) 541-6430

**THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA-REDFORD**  
Open house for anyone interested in live theater, 7 p.m. Friday, June 26, at the theater, 15138 Beech Daly, south of Five Mile, Redford. (313) 531-0554/(313) 537-4145

**VILLAGE PLAYERS**  
"Moon Over Buffalo," a comedy by Ken Ludwig, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, June 25-27 and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the theater, 752 Chestnut, south of Maple, east of Woodward, Birmingham. \$12. \$10 students. (248) 644-2075

**NEW PLAYWRIGHT'S WORKSHOP**  
Two original works "Silent Thoughts," and "Freak Show Brain," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, June 25-27; 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Adray Auditorium, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. All seats \$3 at the door.

## DINNER THEATER

**FIORIELLI'S**  
"Divas Do the Movies," a musical revue, 6:30 p.m. Saturdays, June 27 to Aug. 29, at the restaurant, 26125 E. Huron River Dr., Flat Rock. \$30 advance, \$35 at door, includes dinner, show, tax and tip. (313) 782-1431

**GENITTI'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

## YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**HILBERRY THEATRE**  
"Little Red Riding Hood," 10:30 a.m. Thursday-Friday, June 25-26, Monday-Tuesday, June 29-30, Wednesday-Thursday, July 1-2, Monday-Saturday, July 6-11, and Monday-Tuesday, July 13-14, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2972

**RIGGEDALE PLAYERS**  
"Charlotte's Web," 7 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the theater, 205 W. Long Lake, between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. \$5. (248) 988-7049

**THE PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN AND THE GUILDINGS**  
"Aladdin - The Musical" 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 26; 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 27; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, 21730 Madison (near the southwest corner of Monroe and Outer Drive) Dearborn. Tickets \$5, reservations recommended, but not required. Call (313) 561-TKTS.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**"AN AFFAIR TO REMEMBER VI"**  
"Back tie-optional evening begins with gourmet dinner, 7 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, June 27, in Burgh Historical Park, Southfield. \$40 per person, \$75 per couple. (248) 827-0700

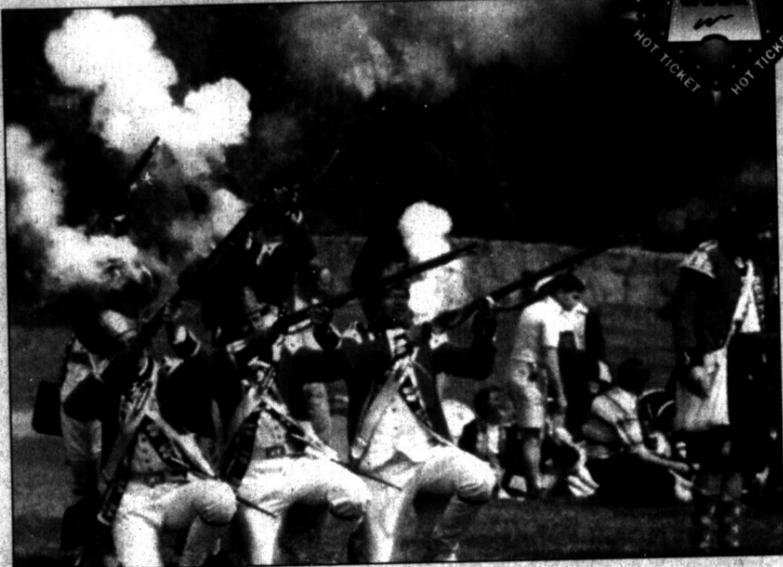
**ANTIQUA APPRAISAL FAIR**  
Hosted by International Furnishings and Design Association Michigan Chapter with appraisers John King Books, Jeff Aitman, Robin Cohen, Edna Tillman, and Geoffrey Jewell, 2-7 p.m. Thursday, June 25, at the Michigan Design Center, Suite 86, 1700 Stutz Dr., Troy. \$5 admission, \$3 each additional item. (248) 542-0239

**COMIC BOOK/TOY SHOW**  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main St., Clawson. \$2. (248) 426-8059

**COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY SHOW**  
Noon to 9 p.m. Friday, June 26, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, June 27 and until 6 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the Gibraltar Trade Center, Eureka Road and I-75, Taylor. (734) 287-2000

**"FASH BASH"**  
Fashion show extravaganza to benefit the Detroit Institute of Arts, Wednesday, Aug. 5, at the Fox and State theaters, Detroit. \$150, \$37.50, \$27.50. (313) 833-6954

**"FLOWERS ARE FOREVER" GARDEN WALK**  
In Plymouth and Canton, noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, presented by Trailwood Garden Club of Plymouth, refreshments served at Plymouth Community Arts Council which spotlights an exhibit of floral radiographs. 98, 87 Bay of Wigs, (734) 416-



**It's Revolutionary: Re-enactors practice military maneuvers during Colonial Life Festival 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 27-28 at Greenfield Village, Oakwood Boulevard at Village Road (west of the Southfield Freeway) in Dearborn. The event also features fife & drum music, and a fashion show offering the latest wearables from the 1700s. A beer-brewing demonstration will take place at Daggett Farm, a costumed presented will discuss the beverage's place in colonial society. Admission \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 senior citizens 62 and over; \$7.50 kids 5-12 years old; children under five and members admitted free, call (313) 271-1620 for information.**

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**HERITAGE DAY**  
Explore period cooking and traditional food preservation techniques through demonstrations and "The Raw and the Cooked Exhibit," also historical encampments by the Clinton River Muzzleloaders and 21st Michigan Infantry, 1-5 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the Troy Historical Museum, 60 W. Wattles Road. Parking and shuttle bus from Walsh College, 3838 Livernois Road. (248) 524-3570

**"JUBILATIONS '98"**  
Annual musical variety showcase starring singers, dancers, comedians and actors all of whom are age 50 and older, 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Capitol Theatre's Pentastar Playhouse, 121 University Ave. W., Windsor, Ontario. (519) 253-8065 or <http://www.mnisi.net/~capitol> or [capitol@mnisi.net](mailto:capitol@mnisi.net)

**LIVONIA SPREE**  
Featuring a classic car show, performances by big band Jazz Again and choral group from Flensburg, Germany, and Taste of Livonia, 2-11 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 24-26, and noon to 11 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 27-28, at Ford Field, on Farmington Road, between Five Mile and Schoolcraft, Livonia. (734) 427-8190

**MICHIGAN TWINS CONVENTION**  
Friday-Sunday, June 26-28, at the Livonia Marriott. (248) 661-9927/(248) 488-0470

**STAR WARS**  
Starring Harrison Ford and James Earl Jones 9 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Marshbank Park, Hiller Road, north of Commerce Road, West Bloomfield. \$5 per car, \$1 per person walk-ins. (248) 738-2500

**SUNDAY STROLLS**  
The Detroit Historical Museum continues its historic tours series with the Joseph H. Berry Subdivision 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, meeting place and parking instructions will be on tickets mailed in advance of event. \$5 members, \$10 non-members. (313) 833-1405

**TEEN JAM**  
Sports, swimming and dancing for Southfield teens ages 12-16 with Southfield ID. 5-9 p.m. Tuesday, June 30 at Southfield Sports Arena. \$5. (248) 354-9603

## BENEFITS

**THE COULIER FOUNDATION**  
Concert with Grinder featuring Darren McCarty, Howling Diablos, Walk on Water, Psy-Funk and Five-Horse Johnson, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 27, The Second City-Detroit parking lot, Detroit. \$12. 21 and older; "The Coulier Foundation's third annual NHL and Celebrity All-Star Hockey Game" with Steve Yzerman, Brendan Shanahan, Darren McCarty, LeAnn Rimes, Dave Coulier and John Stamos of "Full House," Chad Smith, drummer for the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Cameron Bancroft, formerly of "Beverly Hills 90210," and Chris Potter of "Silk Stalkings," 4 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Joe Louis Arena, 600 Civic Center Dr., Detroit. \$18.50 lower-bowl reserved, \$10 general admission; Dave Coulier's sixth annual celebrity golf classic, 1 p.m. Monday, June 29, Red Run Golf Club, Royal Oak. All events benefit Coulier Foundation with a portion of the proceeds going to the Mnatsakanov and Konstantinov Family Trust Funds and children's charities of Michigan. (313) 965-2222 (concert) / (313) 963-6606 or (248) 822-0114 (hockey game) / (248) 822-0114 (golf classic)

## SUMMER CONCERTS

**CARILLON RECITAL SERIES**  
7 p.m. Sunday, June 29, featuring University of Michigan carilloneer Margo Halsted, Judy Ogden and Ray McLeellan, in the Ann and Robert H. Lurie Tower, University of Michigan North Campus, Ann Arbor. Free. (734) 764-5097

**COSMOPOLITAN BAND**  
Big band music, 6 p.m. Sunday, June 28, in the Performing Arts Pavilion behind the William P. Faust Library, Westland.

**FARMINGTON COMMUNITY JAZZ BAND**  
8 p.m. Thursday, June 25, in Heritage Park, on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile, Farmington. Free. (313) 537-4145

**TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE**  
Summer Apprentice Program in musical theater for children ages 10 and up July 27 to Aug. 14, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile, Livonia. \$300, registration deadline June 30. (313) 538-5973

**CHILDREN'S MUSIC**  
7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, in Livonia Civic Center Park, Farmington Road and Five Mile. Free. (734) 466-2000, ext. 351

**REDFORD CIVIC SYMPHONY**  
Performs with guest artists Dino Valle, Quinto Millito and Dina Kessler, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, in Capitol Park, on Capitol west of Beech Daly, (between Schoolcraft and Plymouth Road), Redford Township. Free.

**DAVID SYME**  
7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at Rothstein Park, 10 Mile between Greenfield and Coolidge, Oak Park. In case of rain, the concert will be held at the Jewish Community Center, 15110 W. 10 Mile, Oak Park. Free. (248) 967-1112

**TWO GUITARS**  
Ron Butzu and Marc Michaud perform as part of the festivities celebrating the city of Farmington Hills' 25th anniversary 12:30 p.m. Saturday, June 27, in Heritage Park on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads. Free.

**PAUL VENTIMIGLIA GROUP**  
7:30-9 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Municipal Park, Rochester. Free. (248) 652-7762

## POPS/SWING

**MICHAEL CRAWFORD**  
With David Arkenstone, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 26, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$45 pavilion, \$20 lawn. All ages. (pop) (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com>

## AUDITIONS/WORKSHOPS

**BOTSFORD BALLET SUMMER CAMP**  
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**OAKLAND UNIVERSITY**  
Auditions for three one-act plays, "Life Wisdom from Big Time Wrestling," "Bathroom Privileges" and "Vampire Lesbians of Sodom," 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 27-28, in Varner Hall's Studio Theatre, Oakland University, Rochester. For performances Aug. 26-30, to benefit Oakland University's music, theater and dance department. (248) 370-3021/(248) 370-4676

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**SECOND CITY KIDS' CAMP**  
Two-week day camp for kids ages 10-16 that helps children develop team-

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**SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE**  
Schoolcraft College is offering the opportunity for late elementary and high school musicians to perform as soloists and with a live orchestra July 20-31 and Aug. 3-14; \$250 for each two-week term. (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218

**THEATRE GUILD OF REDFORD-LIVONIA**  
Offers acting classes for youth in grades K-9 beginning Saturday, June 20 to July 25, classes for grades K-2 are 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., grades 3-6 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m., and grades 7-9 noon to 1:15 p.m. at the playhouse, 15138 Beech Daly, Redford. \$45, students must register before June 13. (313) 537-4145

**URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON**  
With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

**STEVE WOOD TRIO**  
8 p.m. to midnight Thursdays, June 25, and July 2, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

**ALEXANDER ZONJIC**  
9:30 p.m. Saturday, June 27, at Thai Chi, 630 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. (313) 963-8424

## ORGAN

**MOTOR CITY THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY**  
Movies and concerts series continues with "Woman of the Year" starring Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy, guest organist evenings Newton Bates, matinee Evelyn Markey, 7:30 p.m. Friday June 26, and 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 27, the Historic Redford Theatre, 17360 Lahser at Grand River, Detroit. Organ overture precedes film, guest organist Gus Borman. \$2.50. (313) 531-4407

## JAZZ

**SEAN BLACKMAN AND JOHN ARNOLD**  
10 p.m. Friday, June 26, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (gypsy jazz) (734) 332-0800/(313) 886-8101

**HAMIET BLUIETT/D.D. JACKSON/MOR THIAM**  
8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Thursday, June 25, at the SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward, Detroit. \$20 (good for both sets). (313) 832-3010

**JUDIE COCHILL TRIO**  
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, June 26, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

**FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND**  
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**"FROG ISLAND FESTIVAL"**  
A three-day celebration of America's African-American musical heritage and its many influences, with "New Orleans Night" featuring Motor City Street Band (5:30 p.m.), Little Brian Terry and the Zydeco Travelers (7 p.m.), Chubby Carrier and the Bayou Swamp Band (8:30 p.m.), and Marcia Ball, Irma Thomas and Tracy Nelson (10:30 p.m.) Friday, June 26; "A Rockin' Roots BarBeQue" featuring George Bedard and the Kingpins (noon), The Johnny Favourite Orchestra (1:30 p.m.), The Twistin' Tarantulas (3 p.m.), and Imperial Swing Orchestra (4:30 p.m.), and "A Big Blues Bash" with Thornetta Davis and Oo Paps Doh (6 p.m.), Anson Funderberg and the Rockets featuring Sam Meyers (7:30 p.m.), Eddie Shaw

and the Wolf Gang (9 p.m.) and Keb Mo (10:30 p.m.) Saturday, June 27; and "A Gourmet Jazz Picnic" featuring Keller/Kocher Quartet (1 p.m.), Marion Hayden Sextet (2:15 p.m.), The Lyman Woodward Trio with Betty Joplin (3:45 p.m.), The Andy Bey Trio (5:15 p.m.), and the Nat Adderly Quintet (7:15 p.m.), Sunday, June 28, at Frog Island Park near Cross Street in Ypsilanti's Depot Town. \$20 per day. (734) 487-2229

**BILL HEID TRIO**  
8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 27, Agape Caffe, 205 Fifth Ave. (at Center Street, between Main and Washington streets), Royal Oak. Free, 25-cent surcharge on drinks during live entertainment. All ages. (248) 546-1400

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**JAZZODY**  
10 p.m. Friday, June 26, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

**RICHARD LOZON TRIO**  
9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, June 27, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (sax/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

**JEFF MICHAEL BAND**  
6-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, June 25-26, in the Coyote Cantina at the Crowne Plaza Pontchartrain, 2 Washington Boulevard, Detroit. (313) 965-0200

**MATT MICHAELS TRIO**  
With vocalist Harvey Thompson, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25, and vocalist Judie Cochill Thursday, July 2, at the Botsford Inn 28000 Grand River, Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner. Reservations recommended. (248) 474-4800

**CARIBBEAN MORA**  
With the Amigo Latin Jazz and Caribbean Pans of Joy, 6-9 p.m. Friday, June 25, Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren Ave., Detroit. Free. All ages. (313) 494-5800

**SHAHIDA NURULLAH TRIO**  
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, July 3, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass) (248) 645-2150

**TERRANCE SIMIEN**  
7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10 in advance. All ages. (734) 761-1800

**PAUL VORNHAGEN QUARTET**  
9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

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## WORLD MUSIC

**"AFRICAN RHYTHMS SUMMER FESTIVAL"**  
With "African Fete 1998" with more than 50 musicians and dancers performing a wide range of African popular and ethnic music featuring Saif Keita and the Wanda Band (Mali), Papa Wemba and Molokai (Democratic Republic of the Congo), and vocalists Cheikh Lo (Senegal) and Maryam Mursali (Somalia), 7 p.m. Thursday, July 2; With Women of the Calabash, 8 p.m. Saturday, July 25; and Ensemble Kalinda, 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, Orchestra Hall, 3663 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15-\$40. (313) 576-5100 or <http://www.detroitrhythmsymphony.com>

**THE ARTICLES**  
10 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (Jamaican jazz) (734) 332-0800

**JUSTIN HINDS AND THE DOMINOES**  
9 p.m. Friday, July 3, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance. All ages. (roots reggae) (313) 833-9700

**IMMUNITY**  
9 p.m. Friday, June 26, The Deck above Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, June 27, Woody's Diner, 208 Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500/(248) 543-6911

**PINO MARELLI**  
7 p.m. Thursday, June 25, and 8 p.m. Friday, June 26, Luciano's, 39031 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. Free. All ages. (English, Italian, Spanish contemporary pop standards, original material and traditional Italian songs) (810) 263-6540

**SKY**  
With Ralph Kozarski and Chris Carden, woodwinds and percussion, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, June 27, at Xhodos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile, Ferndale. \$5. (248) 399-3946

**DAVID SYME TRIO**  
Performs Israeli music in celebration of Israel's 50th anniversary of statehood, and popular tunes, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Rothstein Park, 10 Mile Road between Greenfield Road and Coolidge Highway, Oak Park. Free. All ages. (248) 642-4260

**UNIVERSAL XPRESSION**  
9 p.m. Saturday, June 27, The Deck above Second City, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (reggae) (313) 965-9500

## FOLK/BLUEGRASS

**CHARLOTTE BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL**  
With The Osborne Bros., Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver, Northwest Territory, Jim and Jesse, Lost and Found, The Lewis Family, Dr. Ralph Stanley, The Stevens Family and David Blakney, 4-10:45 p.m. Thursday, June 25, noon to 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, and 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Eaton County Fairgrounds, Charlotte. (248) 435-2828/(810) 757-8362

**JAN KRIST**  
8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, Smitty's, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-1600

**DUSTY RHODES**  
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, at the Botsford Inn, Grand River west of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills. (248) 474-4800

**STORMER**  
8 p.m. Friday, June 26, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 652-0558

## DANCE

**ADVANCED CONTRA DANCE**  
8 p.m. Friday, June 26, at the Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, south of I-94, Ann Arbor. \$7. (734) 665-8863

**JAZZ & SPIRIT DANCE THEATRE OF DETROIT**  
Dancer's workout with 1992 Bronze Medalist Lynette Love, 7-9 p.m. Monday, June 29, at the Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers and Seven Mile, Detroit. \$30. (313) 862-0966/(313) 324-1000

**RHYTHM IN MOTION III**  
The Detroit Tap Festival features a special tribute to the late Lloyd Storey and honors Leonard Reed (Mr. Shim Sham), Friday-Sunday, June 26-28, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. \$20 in advance, \$25 at door; \$10 seniors/children under 12. \$12 at door. (248) 223-1012

**AMERICAN POLISH CULTURAL DANCE**  
Picnic dance with music by the Varitonas, 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, at the center, 2975 E. Maple, at Dequindre, Troy. \$4. (248) 689-3636

## COMEDY

**CHATTERS**  
J.R. Remick, 8:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, 7640 N. Wayne Road, Westland. (734) 422-3737

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB**  
Keith Ruff and WPL-FM's Chris Zito, Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S**  
Joe Dunckel, 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27 (\$6), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

**MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE**  
Frank Roach, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25 (\$6); Judy Tenuta, 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

**MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE**  
Jim McLean and Robert Mac, Thursday-Sunday, June 24-28, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursdays (\$6), 9:30 p.m. Fridays (\$12), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices same unless otherwise noted. (248) 542-9900 or <http://www.comedycastle.com>

## MUSEUMS AND TOURS

**DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
"Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December; "Scent of Glamour," a collection of atomizers, commercial and non-commercial, decorative perfume bottles, through Aug. 16, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-S

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**WATKINS STATE PARK**  
Wetland Wander, 7 p.m. Thursday, June 25, meet in the riding stable parking area in the park on Beck Road, south of Eight Mile, Northville. Free with state park motor vehicle permit. (248) 349-8390

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**

"The Life and Times of Paul Robeson" exhibition featuring records, photographs and paintings on loan from private citizens and from the collection of the MAAH, runs through Tuesday, June 30, at the museum, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush Street), Detroit. Museum hours 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays. \$3 for adults and \$2 for children aged 12 and younger. (313) 494-5800

**SUNDAY STROLLS**  
The Detroit Historical Museum continues its historic tours series with the Joseph H. Berry Subdivision 2 p.m. Sunday, June 28, meeting place and parking instructions will be on tickets mailed in advance of event. \$5 members, \$10 non-members. (313) 833-1405

**POPULAR MUSIC**

**ACME JAM**  
8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, July 2-3, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

**ADDICT**  
With Samiam and Blink, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

**AGAINST THE ENEMY**  
With One Bad Apple and Blood and Fire, 7 p.m. Friday, June 26, as part of alcohol-free "Cage" night at Knights of Columbus Hall, 35100 Van Born, Wayne. \$9. All ages. (industrial/hard-core) (734) 729-7092 or http://www.bandinfo.com

**BAKED POTATO**  
With Surf'n' Pluto, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4, 19 and older. (funk) (734) 996-8555

**BARDO POND**  
9 p.m. Thursday, July 9, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6. All ages. (space rock) (313) 833-POOL

**DEBORAH BARTLEY**  
8-10 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Espresso Royale Cafe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (singer/song-writer) (734) 668-1838

**BETTER DAYS**  
10 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Mount Chalet, 32955 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 549-2929

**"BLIND PIG SHOWCASE"**  
With Harm's Way, Elephant Ear, 500 Feet of Pipe, One Bad Apple and DJ Nova, 9 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Free. 18 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

**BLUE CAT**  
10 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 349-9110

**BONNE TEMPS ROULLE**  
10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, Drinks North, 2505 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford. Free. 21 and older. (R&B/funk) (248) 683-8186

**JAMES BROWN**  
With The Emotions, 8 p.m. Friday, June 26, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. \$18.50-\$46.50. All ages. (funk) (313) 393-0292

**BURLAP TO CASHMERE**  
With Susan Calloway, 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$6, 18 and older. (Christian pop/roots rock) (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

**CHICAGO**  
With Daryl Hall and John Oates, and Billy Mann, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$35.25 pavilion, \$16.25 lawn. All ages. (rock/pop) (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

**CHISEL BROS. WITH THORNETTA DAVIS**  
9 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, Bad Frog, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (248) 624-9400

**GEORGE CLINTON AND THE P-FUNK ALL STARS**  
With comedian Eddie Griffin (from "The Malcolm and Eddie Show"), 8 p.m. Friday, June 26, Masonic Temple, 500 Temple Ave., Detroit. \$12-\$39. All ages. (funk) (313) 832-5900

**GLOWN POWNDERS**  
With Almighty Groove, 10 p.m. Friday, June 26, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 334-9292

**"COUNTRY CONCERT"**  
With Tim McGraw, Faith Hill, Clint Black, Deana Carter, Lorie Morgan, Collin Raye, Neal McCoy, Diamond Rio, Kevin Sharp, Daryle Singletary, Trace Adkins, Don Williams, Kenny Chesney, Aaron Tippin, Rhet Akins, Confederate Railroad, Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, The Kinleys, America and Creedence Clearwater Revisited, Thursday-Sunday, July 9-12, Hickory Hill Lakes, Fort Loraine, Ohio. \$90-\$485. (937) 295-3000 or http://www.countryconcert.com

**CYBENTRYBE**  
8 p.m. Thursdays, June 25 and July 2,

Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 21 and older. (industrial/techno) (810) 465-5154

**ANI DIFRANCO**  
With the Rebirth Brass Band, 8 p.m. Monday, June 29, Meadow Brook Music Festival, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$27.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn. All ages. (pop) (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

**DISCO-MATIC**  
9 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (disco) (248) 543-4300

**GLEN EDDIE**  
9 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, June 26, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800/(734) 451-1213

**PETE "BIG DOG" FETTERS**  
6-10 p.m. Wednesday, July 1, D.L. Harrington's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic blues) (248) 852-0550

**THE FLESHTONES**  
With Swingin' Neckbreakers, 9 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POOL

**FLETCHER PRATT**  
With Vehicles Invisible, and Trale, 9 p.m. Thursday, June 25, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

**FOOLISH MORTALS**  
10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (734) 421-2250

**PETER FRAMPTON**  
With William Topley, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$20 lawn. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

**VINCE GILL**  
6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Interlochen Center for the Arts' Kresge Auditorium, Interlochen. \$26.50-\$41.50. (country) (616) 276-7604

**GRINDER FEATURING DARRIN MCCARTY**  
With Howling Diablos, Walk on Water, Psy-Funk and Five-Horse Johnson, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 27, The Second City-Detroit parking lot, Woodward Avenue and I-75, Detroit. \$12, 21 and older. (rock/funk) (313) 965-2222

**GUTTERPUNK**  
Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, and special guests Suburban Delinquents and Moloko Plus, 7 p.m. Thursday, June 25, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5. All ages. (punk) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

**HANSON**  
With Admiral Twin, 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 29, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. Sold out. All ages. (mumm-pop) (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

**TODD HAROLD BAND**  
10 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

**COREY HARRIS BAND**  
9:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (acoustic blues) (313) 833-POOL

**HIS NAME IS ALIVE**  
Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, with special guests The Volebeats and Windy and Carl, 9 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$5, 18 and older. (ethereal pop/roots rock) (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

**"HOLIDAY HIP-HOP EXTRAVAGANZA"**  
With Shorty Sneeze, Lyrikill Assassins, 3D and Goodfellaz, 8 p.m. Friday, July 3, Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (hip-hop) (810) 465-5154

**IRON MAIDEN**  
With Dio, W.A.S.P. and Dirty Deeds, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 1, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$22.50 pavilion, \$12.50 lawn. All ages. (metal) (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

**JILL JACK**  
9 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Friday, June 26, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Free. 21 and older. (roots rock) (248) 543-4300/(313) 886-8101

**NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS**  
10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 731-1750

**JIMMIE'S CHICKEN SHACK**  
With Wank, 6 p.m. Saturday, June 27, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance. All ages. (rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

**JOAN OF ARC**  
With Call It In The Air, 6 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$5 in advance. All ages. (indie pop) (313) 833-POOL

**ROBERT JONES**  
8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Royal Oak Brewery, 215 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak.

Free. 21 and older. (acoustic blues) (248) 544-1141

**THE KAISERS**  
With Neanderthals and Volcanos, 9 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (garage rock/surf) (313) 833-POOL

**CHAKA KHAN**  
With Ashford and Simpson, 8 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Chene Park, 2600 E. Atwater St., Detroit. \$19.50-\$46.50. All ages. (R&B) (313) 393-0292

**MIKE KING**  
10 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Jimmy's Double A, 314 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (acoustic rock) (734) 332-0800

**KNEE DEEP SHAG**  
With Domestic Problems and Sector 7G, 8 p.m. Friday, June 26, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$6, 18 and older. (funk) (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

**PATTI LABELLE**  
With The Whispers, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, rescheduled for Sunday, July 26, Pine Knob Music Theatre, I-75 and Sashabaw Road, Independence Township. \$35 pavilion, \$18.50 lawn. All ages. (R&B) (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

**JOHN D. LAMB**  
9 p.m. Sunday, June 28, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 543-4300

**THE LOVEMASTERS**  
10 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (funk) (734) 485-5050

**MASCHINA**  
With Circus McGirkus, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

**MIGHTY SNOW CONE**  
Hosts open mic night with Shorty Sneeze, Lyrikill Assassins, 3-D, TNT, KO, Paige, and Dr. Mynd Benda, 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 30, Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut, Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (hip-hop) (810) 465-5154

**BUDDY MILES**  
8 p.m. Friday, July 3, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$13 in advance. 18 and older. (blues) (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

**MISS BLISS**  
With Sublimation and Propeller, 9:30 p.m. Friday, June 26, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5, 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

**MOJO RATTLE**  
10 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, June 26-27, Shield's Pizzeria, 25101 Telegraph Road, Southfield. Free. All ages. (soul-fu blues) (248) 356-2720

**MUNKS WITH SHOTGUINS**  
With Lung Brush, Thik and Masters of None, 8 p.m. Friday, June 26, Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 465-5154

**MOOSE AND DA SHARKS**  
7:30 p.m. Friday, June 26, Splinder Park on Stevens Road, Eastpointe. Free. All ages. ('50s and '60s show) (810) 779-6253

**MUDPUDDY**  
9:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-0917

**MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM MCCARTY**  
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Monday, June 29, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (248) 543-4300/(248) 624-9400

**STEVE NARDELLA**  
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave.,

Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

**NINETEEN WHEELS**  
With Fat Amy, Blue Eyed Soul and Son of Adam, 6 p.m. Friday, June 26, Rivertown Saloon, 1977 Woodbridge, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 567-6020

**MOJO NIXON**  
8 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$8 in advance. 18 and older. (pop) (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

**KAREN NEWMAN**  
The Detroit Red Wings' national anthem singer performs, 7 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. Free. 15 percent of the profits of sales of her CD "Moment in the Wind" will be donated to the family trust funds for Vladimir Konstantinov and Sergi Mnatsakanov. All ages. (pop) (248) 652-0558

**ROBERT NOLL**  
9 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

**PEACE DEAMON**  
9:30 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (Deadhead jam rock) (248) 338-6200

**PLANT AND PAGE**  
8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 at Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$50 and \$35. All ages. (rock) (248) 377-0100 or http://www.palacenet.com

**PLUM LOCO**  
9 p.m. Friday, July 3, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

**PRODIGALS**  
10 p.m. Friday, June 26, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (surf rock) (248) 349-9110

**PULL**  
10 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110

**BONNIE RAITT**  
With John Hammond, 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 3, Toledo Zoo, Toledo. \$28.50 and \$24.50. All ages. (pop/rock) (419) 474-1333

**THE REGULAR BOYS**  
6:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, June 26, Kellogg Park, Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street, downtown Plymouth. Free. All ages. (blues) (734) 453-1234

**SEX KITCHEN**  
With Devil's Night, 9 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Macomb Theatre, 31 N. Walnut St., Mount Clemens. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 465-5154

**SPINY ECHNODERMS**  
10 p.m. Saturday, June 27, The Lodge, 2442 Orchard Lake Road, Sylvan Lake. Free. 21 and older. (rockabilly) (248) 683-5458

**SPY RADIO**  
Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, and special guests The Larval Orchestra and DJ Greg Base, and a new AWOL film screening, 9 p.m. Friday, June 26, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$8, 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POOL

**SUN MESSAGERS**  
9:30 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (734) 455-8450

**SUN 209**  
10 p.m. Thursday, June 25, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (roots rock) (734) 421-2250

**THEY COME IN THREES**  
With Cloud Car and Fletcher Pratt, 9 p.m. Friday, July 10, Magic Stick in the

Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (313) 833-POOL

**THIRD EYE BLIND**  
With Our Lady Peace, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, July 2, Phoenix Plaza Amphitheatre, 2 Water St., Pontiac. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (pop) (248) 335-4850 or http://www.961melt.com

**MARY THOMPSON AND THE DELTA CHILDREN BLUES BAND**  
10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Thursday, June 25, Gold Dollar, 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older; 8-11 p.m. Friday, June 26, Novi Town Center, 26061 Town Center Dr., Novi. Free. All ages; 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, June 27, Lone Star Coffee House, 207 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (blues) (313) 833-6873/(248) 344-2176/(248) 642-2233

**RANDY VOLIN AND THE SONIC BLUES**  
9 p.m. Friday, June 26, Bistro 313, 313 Walton Boulevard, Pontiac. Free. All ages; 7:30 p.m. Saturday, June 27, Hazel Park Racetrack, 1650 E. 10 Mile Road, Hazel Park; 8 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, June 30-July 1, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 332-9400/(248) 398-1000/(248) 644-4800

**WIXOM SLIM AND THE NOTEBENDERS**  
9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, Hennessy's Pub, 49160 Grand River Ave., Wixom. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 348-4404

**THE X HUSBANDS**  
9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays in June, J.B. Bamboozles, 32350 W. Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Free. 21 and older; 7-11 p.m. Wednesdays through August, Woolly Bully's, 43333 W. Seven Mile Road, Northville. Free. All ages. (acoustic rock) (248) 426-6454/(248) 380-5163

**CLUB NIGHTS**

**BLIND PIG**  
"Swing-a-billy" night with dance lessons from 8-9 p.m. and dancing with DJ Del Villarreal and the band Swing Syndicate, 9 p.m. to close Sunday, June 21, at the club, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$3 before 9 p.m., \$5 afterward; "Solar" night with DJ Disco D and Justin Nichols, 10 p.m. Wednesday, June 24, at the club. \$5, 19 and older. (734) 996-8555

**CLUTCH CARGO'S/MILL STREET**  
"Flashback" night with "The Planet" WPLT on level two (Clutch Cargo's), old school funk on level three, and techno and house on level four, 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, at the club, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older; Alternative dance night, 8 p.m. Wednesdays in Clutch Cargo's. 18 and older. (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com

**THE GROOVE ROOM**  
Funk, hip-hop and top 40 with DJ Mac D, Thursdays. Women admitted free; "Love Factory" alternative dance night Fridays; Alternative dance with DJ Matt Saturdays; Alternative dance Tuesdays; gothic, industrial and retro with DJ Paul Wednesdays. Free. at the club, 1815 N. Main St. (at 12 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Free before 10 p.m. nightly, 21 and older. (248) 589-3344 or http://www.grooveroom.com

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STREET SCENE

# His Name is Alive believes in that homemade touch

For Livonia musician Warren Defever running His Name is Alive is like owning a family business. All the recording is done in his home and outside producers and engineers are brought in only if they understand that. Steve King, a producer/engineer who has worked with Anita Franklin and Funkadelic, felt comfortable with that and was brought in to help with "Fort Lake," His Name is Alive's new album, in January 1997. "He understood that we record at my house, and he was comfortable with that. He also understood that we work on a friendly system. It's not all about bringing in whoever to do their part," explained the 1987 Livonia Stevenson High School graduate. Collaborators on "Fort Lake"

included bassist Chad Gilchrist of Ferndale, formerly of Beverly Hills; drummers Trey Many of Ann Arbor; and Scott Goldstein of Birmingham; and singers Karin Oliver of Auburn Hills and Lovetta Phippen of Detroit, all of whom join guitarist Defever live. If that isn't enough, Defever is also looking to expand his business. "We're looking for more people. We'd like to add a string section. Karin's been playing electric piano in live shows and Lovetta has been playing the congas and organ. So we're just going to go with the flow." "Fort Lake" is the first album in His Name is Alive's eight-year career that was recorded with a band. "This is the first one we recorded a lot of the songs as a band. We were trying to find a

groove and build on top of that. It was more of a group effort. It's been gradually heading that way with each album more and more." Defever said there was a great vibe "with people playing together in the same room as opposed to one guy playing all the instruments. It was a lot more fun. We'd play the same songs for hours and edit all the bad parts out later." Opening with the rollicking melody of "Glue," "Fort Lake" continues to sparkle with shorts bursts of guitar, angelic vocals and ethereal pop making it one of the "must-buys" of 1998. In the middle of "Fort Lake" comes the funky song "Wishing Ring," featuring rising star Phippen whose R&B-influenced vocals are flavored with maracas, alternating acoustic and distorted

guitars, and simple drum beats. "Wishing Ring" was one of the songs reworked with King. "Originally when we did it, it was a long, sloppy rock jam," Defever explained. Ironically, "Fort Lake" is readily available everywhere except for the United States. His Name is Alive has been signed to the label 4AD, well known for its ethereal pop bands, since 1990. However, 4AD's licensing agreement with Warner Bros. ended and the label is looking for a new deal. "The plan is to try to find a new American label to license it. If they don't, 4AD will release it in September." "Fort Lake," which was released on Polygram worldwide on Monday, June 22, will be available at area independent record stores and at His Name is

Alive's CD release party on Saturday, June 27, at the Magic Bag in Ferndale. The LP version of "Fort Lake" has a companion 7-inch with three new songs. His Name is Alive will give away copies of "Fort Lake" to those who can answer "skill-testing questions" and succeed at "the penguin toss" where participants toss wooden squid at penguins at the Bag. "We having a party to let people know it's out. It's a party for us to say it's done and it's a great relief," Defever said with a laugh. Because the album was released overseas, the band will head to Europe next month to support it. The first single is the pogo-inducing, hand-clapping "Can't Always Be Loved," written by 1989 Groves High School graduate Gilchrist. "When we met Chad last year, I told him he was responsible for writing half of the songs from now on," Defever said with a

smile. Although His Name is Alive is based in the United States it has found success abroad. Defever chalks it up to the fact that his band's first two albums were available only on import in the United States. "Only the past two albums have had a simultaneous release in the United States." Even if "Fort Lake" takes off, Defever said he'll still record at home. "Hey, I can stay at home, do what you want and get away with it. I have friends come over and do all the work." His Name is Alive celebrates the release of "Fort Lake" with a party and performance, with special guests The Volebeats and Windy and Carl, 9 p.m. Saturday, June 27, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets are \$5 for the 18 and older show. For more information, call (248) 544-3030 or visit <http://www.themagicbag.com>.

# Lili Haydn fiddles with Plant and Page

Backstage at concerts struggling musicians often hand tapes, CDs and fliers to their idols on the off chance that they might listen to or read it. That's exactly what violinist/singer Lili Haydn did and it earned her a spot opening for Plant and Page on the duo's U.S. tour which comes to The Palace of Auburn Hills on Friday-Saturday, June 26-27. "I got to meet them about three years ago. I gave Robert Plant a flier for the Viper Room show I was doing and the entire entourage showed up at my show," Haydn said excitedly. "They stuck around and they asked me to sit in and play a solo on (the Led Zeppelin classic) 'Kashmir' at the next show at The Forum (in Los Angeles). They remembered me and called when I was in England in January and said they needed somebody like me to open for them. I said, 'I'm available.'" Haydn grew up surrounded by the arts. Born to performance artist and comedian Lotus Weinstein and filmmaker David Jove, Haydn lived on a farm in Toronto until she was "very young." Haydn and her mother then moved to Los Angeles to live with the Brotherhood of the Source commune. It was there that she was encouraged to choose her own name. Called Cherub until she was 12, Haydn chose Helicopter but chose Lili Haydn after six months. Haydn was appearing in the NBC TV show "Kate Columbus" when she had a dream she could play the violin and realized

music was her calling. "I grew up listening to classical music and my mom was a gorgeous songwriter," said Haydn, 27. "She was very prolific. I have lots and lots of tapes of her. My mom was always writing so I always had her music in the house," added Haydn, whose mother recently died of cancer. With her television salary, Haydn traveled to the east coast to attend Brown University where she majored in political science. Upon graduation, she became one of the most sought-after professional violinists in Los Angeles. In 1994 she and her band began a two-year residency at The Viper Room which culminated in a record deal with Atlantic Records. One of the people she met through her residency was the Red Hot Chili Peppers' drummer Chad Smith who pounded the skins for her catchy pop song "Take Somebody Home" from her debut "Lili." "She's a very well-known Hollywood freak. She's kooky. We did a gig playing for President Clinton not too long ago and it was so funny. Lili was wearing this push-up dress and looking kind of provocative and Bill's like, 'You can come right over here Lili.' She's great," said Smith, a Birmingham native. "Lili," the album, is an amalgamation of soul, funk, rock and pop accented by bursts of violin and Haydn's angelic, ethereal vocals. "My record really is, if it can be

called anything, more alternative. The bands I'm best suited to open for are rock bands. It's funny, especially for a girl that never listened to rock 'n' roll," she said. Lili Haydn opens the Page and Plant show at 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, June 26-27, at The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (1-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. Tickets are \$50 and \$35. For more information, call (248) 377-0100 or visit <http://www.palacenet.com>.

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DINING

# Escape to the islands at Cafe Hawaii

Aloha - welcome to Cafe Hawaii in Dearborn where you're treated like you've on vacation and just traveled 2,000 miles.

"We're trying to create a little romance," said Kip Anderson smiling as he glanced at a couple enjoying dinner. "Kids love this place, we need to get more high chairs."

Anderson and his partners, Steve Schmacher, Pat O'Neil, and Neil Shuell transformed a former Poland's store into a colorful island paradise.

"I love nature because nature is so theatrical," said Schuell. "If you can mimic it in three-dimensional form you catch the public's attention."

There's a lot of drama at Cafe Hawaii from a 17-foot waterfall to a volcano with lava flow floor.

Catch the Bonsai Pipeline Wave. Diners sit in curved booths sheltered from a curtain of water that pours off the wave at timed intervals. You can stand on a surfboard and have your picture taken, it looks like you're surfing inside the wave.

Seven, 300-gallon salt water aquariums surround diners in the Coral Room. Some of them contain native Hawaiian fish. The aquariums are works in progress. Each of them contains a delicate eco-system, and Anderson adds a couple of new fish every week.

Two huge trees branch out over diners under a star-studded sky in the tropical forest area. There are totem poles carved from palm trees, and lots of surfboards.

In the evening, Cafe Hawaii takes on a nightclub atmosphere as the 25 and older set gather in the Waikiki Beach and Bar area to listen to live music.

Chef Steve Turek and his crew work in the open kitchen. Lunch is served 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Early Bird Dinner specials start at 3 p.m. Turek studied culinary arts at Oakland Community College, and worked at Jack's on the Waterfront and the Golden Mushroom.

"We try to make every dish a great value," said Anderson. For starters he recommends the spring rolls, "which are great," or Chef's Reef Wrapped Shrimp. If you're dining with friends, order the Luau Pu Pu Platter - a tasting of island sausage, chicken satay, spring rolls and Lomi Lomi salmon that serves 4.

Entrees include Oahu Ahi - big island yellow tuna served with pineapple, coconut curry relish; Crab Salmon Cakes, and Banana Wrapped Kamano - salmon steamed in banana leaves with steamed Asian vegetables.

Maui Wowi Filet has "wow! appeal" - twin medallions of tenderloin with grilled Maui onion and portabello mushroom with sweet Maui demi glaze. Pineapple chicken is Chef Steve's signature dish - Chicken Volcano with grilled pineapple and fresh berry lava. There are also candied Samoan Ribs, a variety of Stir Fry's and Noodle Bowls such as Sizzling Vegetarian Stir-Fry and Polynesian Noodle Bowl with chicken and shrimp. The lunch menu offers sandwiches, and main course salads are available for lunch and dinner.

Cafe Hawaii offers some sensational sips, many are available alcohol free. Ohelo Papa Mea One is classic ice creamy strawberry shortcake, there's a "Book'em Dano Martini" and "Lava Freeze" with Oreo Crunch. There's a Banana Smoothie, Royal Kona Coffee and an assortment of beer, wine and soft drinks.

Anderson graduated from Troy Athens High School, and attended grade school in Plymouth. A cook, carpenter and inventor, he always enjoyed creating things and cooking for friends.

He and his partners worked over a year on Cafe Hawaii. "I moved my tool shop here," he said. "I had the idea for the wave in my head, I couldn't explain to someone how to make it." Anderson also upholstered the booths.



Tropical retreat: Kip Anderson, co-owner of Cafe Hawaii in front of the rear entrance, which is decorated by a colorful mural. Inside, a 17-foot waterfall, and other surprises promise a whale of a good time.

Open almost a month, word of Cafe Hawaii is traveling fast. "I've seen some customers seven or eight times already," said Anderson. "Everyday we try to concentrate on improving the dishes. If we get complaints, we say 'what can we do to improve.'" Their family and friends thought they were crazy - A Hawaiian restaurant? "We backed it with everything we had," said Anderson. "I always wanted to be my own boss. To be really creative you have to be your own boss and never give up, you have to fight the odds."

**Cafe Hawaii**  
**Where:** 22048 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, (west of the Southfield Freeway) (313) 724-2233. There is a rear entrance on Garrison.  
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