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places and faces

IN THE LOST and found department, one mother is wondering how observant other parents in the area are.

She reports that on March 27, her son's blue Van Halen hat with 20 rock group buttons was stolen by three teens outside the Quo Vadis Theater in Westland. One of the teens, she said, wore a Garden City hockey jacket.

"It's (the hat) worth \$32 to someone else, but more to him as it took a lot of time and saving to collect the buttons," she said.

"I wonder how many parents are observant as to their children's newly acquired possessions."

A NEW appeals process has been set up in Westland for those who have been issued a violation under the Basic Property Maintenance Code. Mayor Charles Pickering said the new five-member board will provide a good working relationship between property owners and the city administration.

Meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, providing there is a request for an appeal. Anyone wishing to make an appeal should call the board secretary at 721-6000 Ext. 271.

Appointed to the board are Leo Albert, Chairman, William D. Mills, vice chair, Doug Bissland, Kathy Makino and Sherry Klein.

DEBORAH BELLEMAN of Westland sang in a duet performance during a spring recital March 27 at Madonna College in Livonia. The soprano sang "Lost is my quiet" by Purcell, with piano accompaniment. She also played a flute solo in a concertino by Chaminade.

NEWLY elected to the board of the Huron Valley Girl Scout Council is Eileen Pepler of Westland, who will serve as a member at large, Mary Sue Deyo of Westland, who will serve a one-year term, and Kristin Schott of Westland, who will serve a seven-year term as girl adviser. Advisers are members age 14 and older.

Pepler works as media representative coordinator of the Huron Valley Council and is media rep for the Wayne-Westland area. She also has served as Gift of Water chair for the area and has been a troop services director, trainer and junior leader.

A 10th grade student at John Glenn High School, Schott has been a Girl Scout for six years, has served on the Gift of Water girl planning committee and has been a day camp aide.

Deyo is a troop services director for the Wayne-Westland area. Her other responsibilities include secretary of the Wayne-Westland Indian Education Program and an instructor with the American Red Cross.

ALL SENIORS at John Glenn High School were recently invited to an assembly on the new drunk driving law. Lecturing on the new law and answering questions was Officer Daryl Perkins of the Westland Police Department.

HOURS FOR registration for Livonia Public Schools leisure-time classes will be extended from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. April 11-14 at the Community Education Office, 16125 Farmington Road south of Five Mile. Extra copies are available at Livonia branches of Michigan National Bank and Livonia public libraries.

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Opinion hikes furor over councilman

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

Mayor Charles Pickering has won the first round in a battle with the city council over an appointment to that body's ranks.

In an opinion received by the Westland City Council last week, Attorney General Frank Kelley has said that the mayor has the power to veto a council

appointment to fill a vacancy in an elected city office.

Kelley's opinion apparently has provided more ammunition in the battle between Pickering and council members over their naming former Finance Director Kent Herbert to the council.

PICKERING had taken the issue to court and is still awaiting a ruling. The mayor said last week that the judge

handling the case was out of town and was expected back today (Monday).

"We feel we have a very strong case now, especially since the attorney general does appear to agree with us," Pickering said.

"Since the council requested the attorney general's opinion and the attorney general has given his ruling, they should remove him (Herbert) without further litigation. If they don't remove

him, we'll continue in court."

Pickering added that he will "definitely appeal" if the court rules against him.

The opinion could have an effect on the court's decision, Herbert said. The councilman said he didn't know if he would appeal.

"I'll have to talk it over with my attorney," Herbert said. "This is definitely an important matter. You have the

mayor interfering with the inner workings of the council."

HERBERT WAS named to the council in January to replace Justine Barns after she was elected state representative. Two council members voted against his appointment.

Pickering vetoed the council's ac-

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ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Grant Elementary School has 11 sets of twins enrolled this year. They are (first row) Sarah and Rachael Bledsoe, Catherine and Carrie Elsarelli, Anthony and Timothy Hayes, (second row) Michele and Michael Siuru, Ann and Mary Bagazinski, Kari and Kami Speck,

(third row) Heather and Christopher Cook, Matthew and Michael Schuster, Patrick and Brian Poisson, Tracy and Jennifer Kreminski, and Jayme and Jeremy Horner.

Double exposure

Pairs are popular at Grant school

By Teri Banas
staff writer

Grant Elementary School may not get into the Guinness Book of World Records; but some of the staff believe they have something special there.

It all started when school principal Gordon Draper opened up his enrollment book at the start of the year and discovered that five sets of twins were enrolled in the kindergarten class of 90 children.

That alone may have been enough. But add to that the six sets of twins in grades two through six, and you've got 11 sets of twins on your hands.

What's a school principal to do?

FOR DRAPER, however, the matter does not spell double trouble. In fact, he said, the children are all well behaved and don't pull the kind of pranks which one might expect under the circumstance.

However, one minor goof has occurred.

"When I first set up the bus routes I

'Based on the frequencies (of twins occurring in a population) one might expect somewhere between five and seven sets of twins for a group (student population) of that size.'

— Dr. Margaret Maynard
biology instructor

had one twin getting off at one street corner and the other at another," he confessed.

Aside from that, the children and their parents assist in making sure that things run smoothly.

"One set of twins, Matt and Mike, wear belt buckles with their names on them," Draper said. "Of course, if they switched belts it would cause some problems. But they've never done that. At least I don't think they have."

LIKE MOST SCHOOLS, Grant, a school of 523 students in the southern end of the Livonia School District, separates its twins from kindergarten on up to ensure that the children have every opportunity to develop individual personalities. Only one family this year has requested that their twins stay together.

Dr. Margaret Maynard, head of the biology department at Madonna College and an instructor of genetics there, said that 11 sets of twins in a school of 523 children is not necessar-

ily unusual, at least in scientific terms.

"Based on the frequencies (of twins occurring in a population) one might expect somewhere between five and seven sets of twins for a group (student population) of that size," she said, when asked to compute the figures for the Observer. "But this doesn't tell you that 11 is so high."

ACCORDING TO MAYNARD, there are other factors to consider, which may not be known at this time. The rate, for instance, is different for different racial groups. (Blacks tend to have a higher frequency rate for twins than Caucasians, she said). Another factor to consider is the age of the mothers. Older women are likely to have a higher frequency rate for twins than younger mothers. In addition, she said, "the more pregnancies she has had, the more likely she is to have twins." Finally, there's the question of fertility drugs, which will alter the frequency rate in any population, she said.

Board delays Bentley closing action

By Teri Banas
staff writer

The majority of Livonia School Board trustees have made no bones about the fact that they probably will vote to close Bentley High School in the near future, but they agreed to postpone the decision for at least another month.

Trustee Ronald Withers received support from his colleagues Monday night to discuss the issue at the board's April 18 meeting, with a study session to follow sometime in May.

The purpose of the meeting, he said, would be to explore issues raised recently by the parent group, the Committee to Maintain 4 High Schools. The

group organized late last year when school Superintendent George Garver recommended that Bentley be closed in a consolidation move to cut costs and deal with continued enrollment decline.

In asking for the delay, however, Withers said he didn't want the parents to misunderstand his request. Withers, along with other trustees, said they had some questions, which they wanted to pose to the district's administration, before making a final decision.

"I don't want it misconstrued that I support your view," he told them. "But I don't want to leave any stone unturned (in reaching the decision of closing a high school)."

Board president Marjorie Roach agreed. "I would also like to have some

questions answered," she said. "But I can't agree with what you're proposing. Trustee Charles Akey appeared to find the delay unnecessary. 'I see no benefit to be gained by delaying Bentley's closing.'"

TRUSTEE James Merner also took a strong stand.

"The question, in my mind, is not 'should a high school be closed, but which high school?'" Merner said.

Board secretary Carol Strom, however, said she wanted to find out what the impact would be if Bentley, slated by Garver to close in 1985, closed in 1986. Instead, last Monday, the parent group presented its own counter argument in a 71-page report to the school board.

The parents' report addressed several issues including: reorganizing the district into a two-tier education system, thereby eliminating the middle school system; the benefits of a smaller school setting; shared use of school building space with other non-teaching functions; launching a 10 percent across-the-board cut in central staff administration; closing the Career Center and the Farmington Road administration office. But first, the parents had asked that the board sanction a community task force to explore the need for more school closings.

Despite the delay, most trustees responded to the parents' suggestions

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Hospital agency hikes its rates 17%

The Peoples Community Hospital Authority's board of directors recently voted to increase rates by an average 17.2 percent for semi-private rooms and medical care.

The increase, effective July 1, was approved by a 22-10 vote. The new rates are to help support a \$147 million operating budget. The increase is the largest single rate boost for the authority which owns and operates five public hospitals including Annapolis in Wayne.

Garden City and Westland are among the authority's 24 member communities which pay a small property tax millage to help provide for equipment and support bonds sold to finance building construction.

Local PCHA board members supported the new operating budget, which includes the increases in room rate and numerous other hospital services.

But a PCHA spokeswoman said that even after the increases are implemented, PCHA's semi-private room rates will remain below all but two major hospitals in southeastern Michigan. The two are St. Mary of Livonia and Garden City Osteopathic.

The new rates for semi-private rooms in the five PCHA units are \$221 a day, up from \$178.

Similarly-sized increases were approved for the delivery room, coronary care unit, intensive care unit, pediatrics, and nursery departments.

INCLUDED IN THE budget is a reduction in the property tax which created a summer-long controversy among board members.

Although the PCHA millage rate was cut in half, from 40 cents per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation to 20 cents, it would mean a reduction of only a few dollars per year for most homeowners.

But the reduction, approved in principle last September, means that the

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Easter magic

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ART EMANUELE/staff photographer

Merner asks to delay decision to close Bentley

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Monday. Most at least prepared written statements, which they later made available to the parent group and press.

Trustee David Cameron, expressing an opinion shared by the others, said the recommendation for smaller class sizes was "something every teacher would appreciate. But we have to remember when you reduce class sizes, you increase costs."

OTHERS said the "shared space concept" of dealing with school population declines was worthwhile, but already widely used here.

The idea of a two-tier education system, incorporating either a K-7, 8-12 or K-8, 9-12 system, which was a cornerstone of the parents' plan, received no support from the board.

In a written statement, trustee Richard Belaire called it an "unacceptable proposition at this time."

Strom questioned how programming for 11th and 12th graders would be improved by the introduction of junior-high grade levels in a secondary school. "I also question the judgment of closing four middle schools, and a career education building, which is probably second to none in the state."

"I am not convinced," Cameron told the group of the grade restructuring plan.

Cameron reiterated a view supported by the administration that school programming would suffer if the district tried to maintain school buildings in the face of enrollment declines. However, Cameron did call for a "revisiting" of a Feb. 11, 1982 study looking into the question of "what would happen to programming if we had a smaller school." He suggested looking into the impact of programs on all four

high schools and the district's career center.

Merner, citing district data on enrollment declines, projections and past survey results, said 80-84 percent residents surveyed accepted consolidation for maintaining costs "and that done, after many closed."

"THE PRESENT forecast is that by 1992 there will be a loss of between 12,000 and 13,000 students district-wide," said Merner.

"The key, however, is not one high school closing but two. The question really also is not which high school should be closed. But looking at 1990, in which part of the district do you want a high school?" added Merner.

Akey, meanwhile, countered parents' arguments that school closures cause "irreparable harm" to those students who are forced into other schools.

"That doesn't jibe with the experience the district has had," he said.

"When you look at it, students who have had two years of notice could make that transition without irreparable harm."

James Lynch, head of the parents' committee, reiterated complaints against the board and its handling of the issue in past months.

"We still have not had an opportunity to discuss this. We have not been included," he said.

Lynch cited the parents' request for a task force on the Bentley issue as one way "community input" could have been generated.

He also charged the board with "game playing" Monday night in its decision to continue discussion April 18, one week past the filing deadline for the upcoming school board elections.

"It could prevent someone from filing in the hopes the board might reconsider the (Bentley) decision," said Lynch.

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A gunman wearing a fake gray beard and mustache took an estimated \$200 in a robbery of a gas station at around 9:25 p.m. Saturday.

An employee at the Speedway Gas Station, 37401 Joy, told police he saw the suspect at a nearby phone before the man came inside, got a gallon of milk from the cooler and put it on the counter.

When he was told the price, the suspect said, "I don't have that much," and went out to the phone again, according to police. When the lot was clear, he returned to the station, pulled a white plastic shopping bag from his pocket and threw it on the counter.

Police said the robber told the worker to put his hands on the counter and

showed him the barrel of a large, nickel handgun that he held in his pocket. He ordered the employee to put money from the register, and any rolled coins, into the bag and to hold the bag down, out of sight.

After money was put into the bag, the gunman followed the employee into a back room, thanked him and left, walking northwest, police said. Between \$180 and \$215 in miscellaneous bills and coins were taken in the hold-up.

The suspect was described to police as white, 30 years of age and 5-foot-7, with a medium build, fair complexion and one to three days' growth of beard. He wore a red hooded sweatshirt with gray trim and designer blue jeans.

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The Killingbecks add an element of magic to the McKee Elementary School talent night. The show was expected to be one of the final social occasions at the school, which will be closed at the end of this school year. It is the last regularly operating school from what was once the Nankin Mills district.

Marcell Marcolina squeezes out a tune on his accordion during the show, which spotlighted local talent in the McKee Elementary School area. A crowd of students and parents gathered in the McKee gym for the event.

Staff photos
by Bill Bresler



Reviving their '60s singing group, members of the Larados perform in a talent night. The group now includes Tony Micale (left), Tom Hust, Bernie Turnbull, Garry Banovetz and John Dean.

'Same old song' thrills a new crowd

By Mary Klemic
staff writer

It may be the "same old song" for the Larados, but the audiences who turn out in large numbers to hear the five-member vocal group wouldn't want it any other way.

The Larados, who sing music of the 1950s and 1960s, say nostalgia and the appealing tunes of that time bring audiences of all ages (18 to 60 years old, they estimate) to their performances.

"A lot of youngsters have never heard this stuff before," said Westland resident John Dean, who sings bass with the group. "They come up to us after a performance and say, 'I don't know why you don't record that song, man.' They're really surprised to find out that the songs have been recorded and are even older than they are."

MUSICAL tastes are turning back to the 1950s and 1960s, Dean says. He points to recent commercials, such as those for tissues and eyeglasses, that feature songs from 20 to 30 years ago. And, he adds, many popular songs today are actually new versions of old songs.

"I Do," by the J. Geils Band, was a 1963 song," said Dean, who runs a general store in Northville when he isn't singing with the quintet. "And 'Elvira'

was originally recorded as 'Searchin'.

"In those days you could hear the words and the melodies," he said. "They were much clearer. It isn't that way with the hard rock of today."

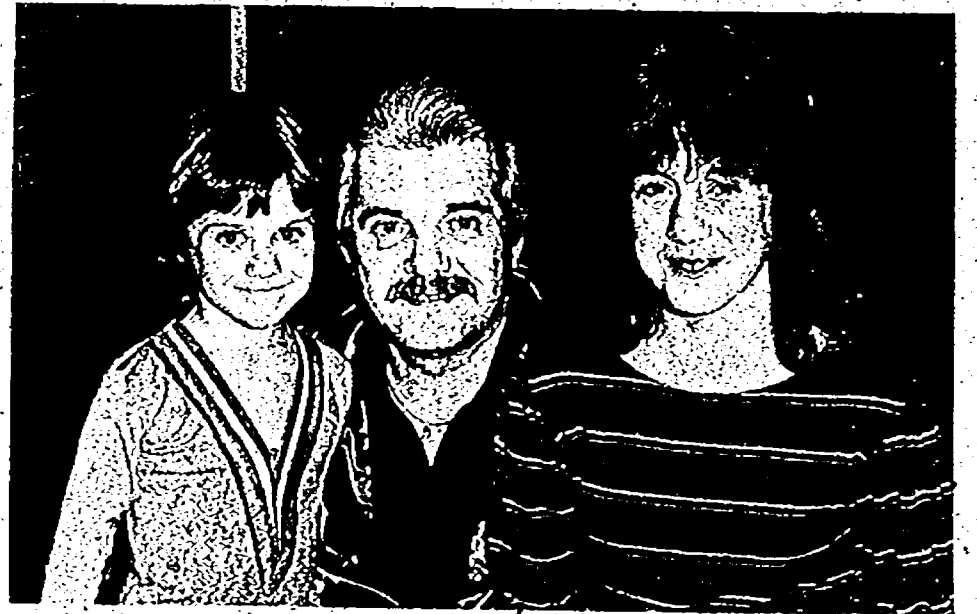
Favorite songs of group members, who range in age from 39 to 45, are "Blue Moon" and "Ruby Baby," Dean said. He said their favorite performers include the Spaniels, the Platters and Hank Ballard.

TODAY'S Larados are made up of members of two former groups, the original Larados and the Reflections. Dean recalls that the current group was formed four or five years ago because of a twist of a radio dial.

One day, long after both groups had split up, ex-Larado Bernie Turnbull was dialing various stations on his car radio on the way home from work. He stopped when he came across a Larado song, "Bad Bad Guitar Man." After the song was over, the announcer wondered on the air what had happened to the group.

"Bernie called the disk jockey at the station, and everybody got to calling each other," Dean said.

Dean and Tony Micale, now lead singer for the group, were members of the Reflections. Among their hits are 1963's "Romeo and Juliet," Turnbull and former Larados Tom Hust and Gary Banovetz are the remaining



A '60s singing sensation, John Dean of the Larados hugs daughters Mary and Melannie during a talent night at McKee Elementary School.

members of the original quintet. There are two backup instruments, but much of their singing is done without accompaniment.

The group recently performed during a talent night at McKee Elementary School, which one of Dean's daughters attends.

THE ORIGINAL Larados got their name from a map of the United States,

according to Dean. He said they pointed at random to a spot on the map and found they had "chosen" Laredo, Texas. The E in the city's name became an A, and the group was christened.

"Back then, in 1957 and 1958, we say, you couldn't get arrested," Dean said. "Now we're very much in demand."

The group performs almost every weekend, according to Dean.

Agency lowers tax levy but hikes hospital rates

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authority will receive \$1.4 million from the property tax instead of \$2.8 million. The property tax pays for part of the annual bond payment needed to pay off construction of hospitals and additions in previous years.

In a related action, the board was forced to switch \$4.6 million from one operating account to cover two years' principal and interest payments on those bonds as required under the bond ordinance if the millage rate is reduced from its maximum 40 cents per \$1,000 SEV.

The new \$147 million budget is about 10 percent higher than the current year's \$134 million planned expenses.

There are numerous factors involved in why the rates for rooms and services were increased 17.2 percent, said Maureen Camps, PCHA's community relations director.

One is the effect of the millage reduction. Another, she said, is ceilings placed on PCHA billings by Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Medicaid, a state program which pays medical costs of low-income persons, and Medicare, a federal program which does the same for retirees.

Although administrative projections for less than a one percent increase in patient volume, there are major increases in various areas, said Camps.

Those include a planned 9.05 percent boost in operational expenses.

Within that increase are 9.3 percent wage raises for union employees, 8.5 percent for salaried em-

ployees; 10 percent increase in fringe benefits; and from 6.5 to 8 percent increases in costs of supplies, insurance coverage, drugs, utilities, and food.

ANOTHER FACTOR, Camps said, is that the board last spring adopted a budget with a modest 1.84 percent operating margin. This year that margin was raised to 2.6 percent.

(Most governmental agencies have a margin of 5 to 10 percent of their operating budget)

The authority has the equivalent of 3,740 full-time employees at Ann Arbor, Seaway, Outer Drive, Heritage, and Beyer Hospitals plus the administrative office and central laundry facility.

Camps said the authority is projecting 46,400 patients for the upcoming fiscal year, up slightly from the current year, and treatment to another 179,600 through the emergency department and numerous outpatient services.

The PCHA representative said that while the 17.2 percent increase may seem high, the authority's projected expenses are up 9.05 percent, well below the 15.6 percent in 1982 increase which was the national average increase for community hospitals.

The board's new budget leaves blank any potential impact created by a proposed hospital bed reduction plan of a southeast Michigan hospital organization.

The board used a formula based on patient volume to make its budget projections with the same formula to be used if there are any reductions in the number of beds it can use, Camps said.

Council may react to opinion

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tion, saying the members failed to follow proper procedure in the selection. The mayor also said Herbert would have to abstain from budget deliberations because his wife works for the city.

The council never acted on the mayor's veto. Members sought an opinion from an outside attorney who said the veto was illegal and against the city charter. Pickering asked the attorney general to remove Herbert, but the attorney general refused. The mayor then sought a court injunction in the matter.

Kelley's opinion vindicates the city attorney, Pickering said last week.

"The council asked for a written opinion (on the subject, from City Attorney Jeffrey Jahr). They chose to ignore that, and went out and got the opinion from an outside attorney," the mayor said. "They challenged our city attorney. Our city attorney certainly knew what he was doing. The council went out and spent extra money."

"I think that's something that the council has continually ignored since I've taken office," Pickering went on. "If they don't agree with the city attorney, they go out and get an opinion. This is one case in point where our city attorney was right."

IN HIS eight-page opinion, Kelley said that the Westland Charter has no limitation on the mayor's power to veto council resolutions or ordinances.

"The Westland Charter provides that the city council shall fill vacancies and that all actions of the city council are to be accomplished through ordinance or resolution," the attorney general wrote.

Council members had "serious reservations" about whether Jahr could be unbiased, Herbert said.

"The city attorney returned an opinion saying it was legal for the mayor to veto. They didn't buy that," Herbert said.

"The matter is now in court, unfortunately," Herbert said. "(Councilman Ben) DeHart once asked the mayor whether or not he should wait for the attorney general's opinion, but the mayor said no, he would pursue it in court. He has spent several thousand dollars researching this and all kinds of hours. He didn't want me around at all."

"The Westland Charter further provides that the mayor has veto power over all resolutions and ordinances passed by the city council. The language of the charter is clear and unambiguous and must be given its plain meaning."

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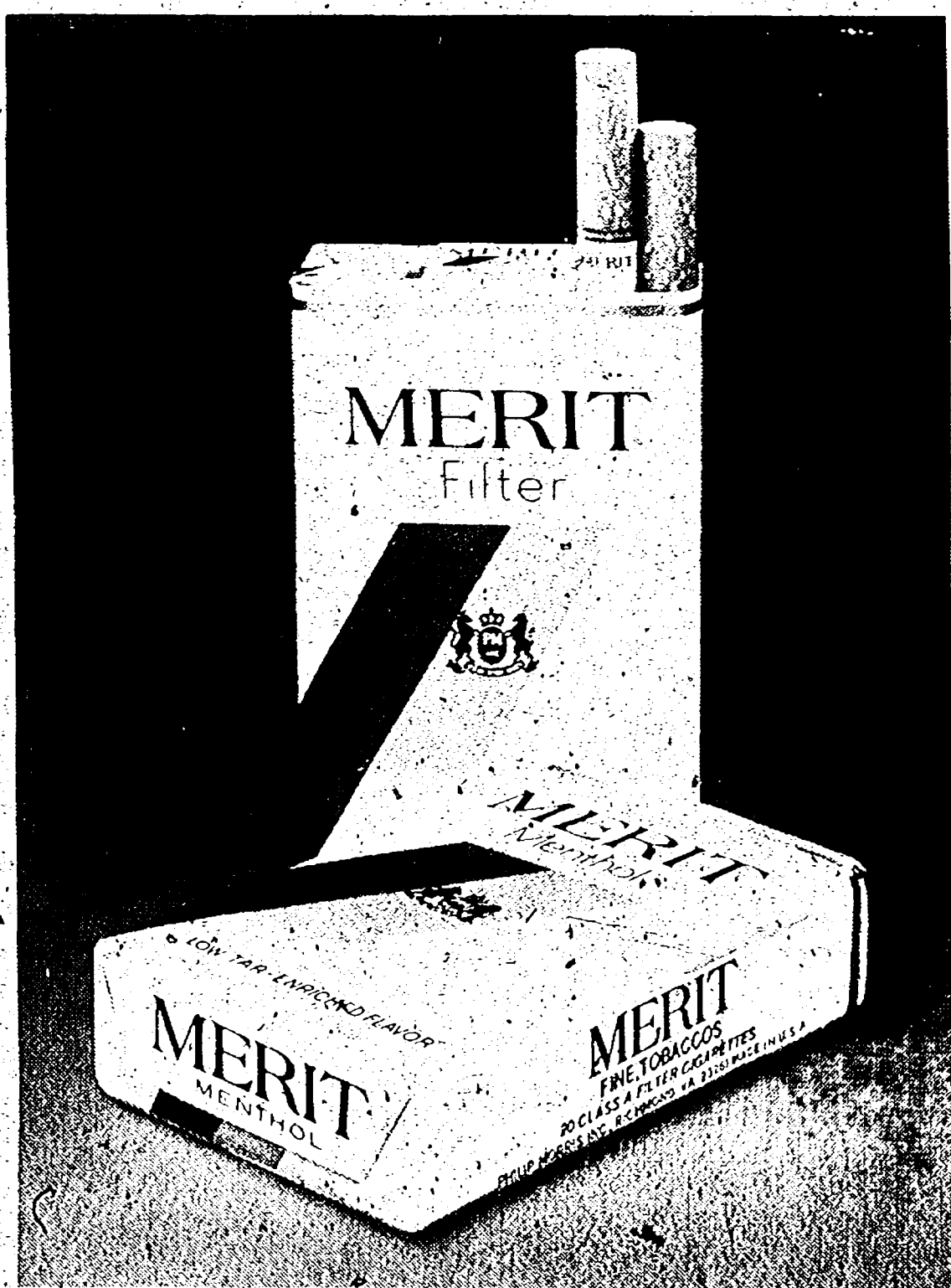
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Wiser group discusses family communication

• DYER CENTER

Monday, April 4 — The Wayne Westland Community Senior Adult Club along with the Dyer Center will be closed for Easter vacation until April 11.

• BINGO

Monday, April 4 — The Paralyzed Veterans of Michigan, based in Garden City, will hold a bingo fund-raiser at 8:30 p.m. every Monday in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Ford east of Merriman. Proceeds are used to support programs for the handicapped.

• BLOOD PRESSURE

Monday, April 4 — Free blood pressure screening will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Whitman Center, 32235 W. Chicago in Livonia. For more information, call 425-2333.

• GARDEN CLUB

Tuesday, April 5 — The Federated Garden Club of Garden City will meet at 7 p.m. in the Log Cabin, at city park, Cherry Hill east of Merriman. Speaker Peggy Dunn, an authority on the pruning of trees and shrubs, will speak. A donation of a \$1 is asked from non-members.

• NEWBORN CARE

Tuesday, April 5 — The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association is offering a two-week course for expectant

couples on newborn care at 7:30 p.m. at Geneva United Presbyterian Church on Sheldon Road in Canton. For more information and to register, call 459-7477.

• WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

Tuesday, April 5 — Women's support group meets 1-4 p.m. every Tuesday afternoon in Room 109, St. John Episcopal Church, 555 S. Wayne Road. For more information, call the YMCA at 721-7044.

• WISER

Tuesday, April 5 — Wiser, a group for all widowed people, will meet at 8 p.m. in the basement of the Plymouth Historical Museum. Dan Kilmaszewski will speak on "Healthy Family Communications." For more information and reservations, call the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College, 591-6400, Ext. 430.

• ART ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, April 6 — The Garden City Fine Arts Association will meet at 7 p.m. in the Maplewood Community Center, Maplewood west of Merriman. The program for the evening will be a demonstration by Jan Lacy, who is a botanical illustrator. Lacy has illustrated five books. There is a \$1 fee for guests. For more information, call 427-1978.

community calendar

Non-profit groups should mail items for the calendar to the Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. The date, time and place of the event should be included, along with the name and phone number of someone who can be reached during business hours to clarify information.

• EPILEPSY SUPPORT

Thursday, April 7 — Epilepsy support program, a self-help group, will meet at 7:30 p.m. in All Saints Lutheran Church, 8850 Newburgh at Joy, Livonia. Meetings usually are held on the first and third Thursdays of the month. For more information, call Joanne Meister at 522-1940.

• BINGO

Thursday, April 7 — The city of Westland's Department on Aging bingo will be held 1-5 p.m. at the Senior Friendship Center, 37095 Marquette. Donation is \$1.

• CARD PARTY

Friday, April 8 — Garden City Hospital Guild will host its annual Spring Card Party at 7 p.m. in the hospital cafeteria. Donation is \$4 per person. Call 278-2469 for ticket information or contact the hospital gift shop.

• GYMNASICS

Saturday, April 9 — The Westland Parks and Recreation Department is offering a gymnastics program from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Melvin G. Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road. Classes begin April 11. Call 722-7620 for class times and prizes.

• LIONS CLUB

Sunday, April 10 — The Garden City Lions Club has bingo Sundays in the American Legion Hall, Middlebelt south of Ford. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. The club meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Silver Bar Restaurant, Middlebelt north of Ford.

• LAMAZE

Monday, April 11 — The Plymouth Childbirth Education Association is offering a Lamaze orientation class at 7:30 p.m. in Newburgh. Methodist Church in Livonia. This is an introduc-

tion to the Lamaze birth technique and features a birth film, "Nan's Class." There is a \$1/person charge at the door.

• LATHERS SCHOOL

Tuesday, April 12 — Lathers School PTA will present Mary Brown and "What to do when your children won't leave home" at 7:30 p.m. Lathers School is located at 28351 Marquette at Harrison.

• EXERCISE CLASSES

Wednesday, April 13 — An exercise class for mothers with babies and small children will be held 10-11:30 a.m. at Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile, between Farmington and Levan in Livonia. The class is sponsored by the Lamaze Childbirth Association of Livonia. The fee is \$22. To register, call Yvonne Bouchard at 484-1215.

• KITELINE

Wednesday, April 13 — Franklin High School Kite Line will meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the principal's conference room. This group is for parents of Franklin High School students to meet and discuss questions and concerns.

• BOAT SAFETY

Wednesday, April 13 — A DNR Safe Boating Class sponsored by the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Gibraltar Flotilla 11-03 will be held at 7 p.m. in Plymouth Salem High School, Room 2208, free of charge. This class is for 12- to 18-year-olds and is four weeks long.

• PRESCHOOL HOUR

Wednesday, April 13 — The Wayne-Westland Public Library will host a six-week series of preschool story hours. Parents may register their children at the library, or by calling 721-7832.

• CAMERA CLUB

Wednesday, April 13 — The Westland Camera Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road. "Photo's help when disaster strikes" will be the topic of discussion.

• CHINESE AUCTION

Wednesday, April 13 — Boy Scout Troop 740, sponsored by the Lathers School PTA, will hold a Chinese auction at the school, 28351 Marquette, at 7 p.m. Auction envelope can be obtained from a member of Troop 740 at the door of the auction, or by calling 427-6033.

• ARTS AND CRAFTS

Friday, April 15 — is the last day applications will be accepted for space at the Garden City Jaycees Spring Car-

nival to be held May 5-8. For information, call 595-6915.

• DEMOCRATIC CLUB

Saturday, April 16 — The Metro Wayne Democratic Club is having its annual Spring Dinner Dance at 8 p.m. in the United Auto Workers Local Hall located at 48055 Michigan Avenue in Canton Township. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$7.50 for seniors and retirees. There will be many honored guests. For more information, call 595-7270.

• ARTS AND CRAFTS

Table space for arts and crafts are available for St. Thomas A' Becket Festival on the Memorial Day weekend, May 27-29. The cost for a 7-foot area is \$25. Please call Marje at 981-0306. St. Thomas is located at Lilley and Cherry roads in Canton.

• FOOD DRIVE

The Westland Host Lions Club are having a "Can a Man Drive" for the needy of Westland. Lions members donate food items every meeting they attend for the Lion Clubs. Anybody who wants to donate food items may contact Bill Action at 326-2607. Regular meetings are held at The Forum at Wildwood and Ford roads every second and fourth Thursday of the month.

• SUMMER CAMP

Kinder Care Learning Center, located at 37703 Joy Road in Westland, is accepting enrollments for the summer camp program now through June 1. Call 455-1950 for more information.

• NURSERY

St. David Nursery School, 27500 Marquette, has openings in its 3- and 4-year-old classes. For further information, contact Greta Kennen at 422-3187.

• BINGO

Garden City's VFW Post 7575 will host bingo at 8:45 p.m. every Wednesday at the American Legion Post, Middlebelt just south of Ford. Proceeds are to be used for the many activities and events that the post participates in.

• TOPS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets every Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Log Cabin in Garden City Park, Merriman and Cherry Hill. For more information, call 422-5093.

• WEIGHT CONTROLLERS

Weight Controllers, sponsored by the Garden City Parks and Recreation Department, meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in the Log Cabin, Cherry Hill east of Merriman. Anyone may attend. Price is 25 cents per meeting. For more information, call 421-4545.

Keith stresses tax boost is temporary

A temporary tax increase is always better than a permanent one, said state Rep. William Keith, D-Garden City, whose district includes the southeast corner of Westland.

He said last week that the just-enacted 38 percent increase in the state income tax rate features a reduction over the next few years based on the Michigan unemployment rate.

Keith called the increase, signed into law by Gov. James Blanchard Thursday, a "vast improvement" over Blanchard's initial proposal which called for a permanent tax rate increase.

"The measure we approved, in combination with another \$250 million in budget cuts, solves the state's terrible budget crisis," he said.

The new law "absolutely guarantees

that the tax (increase) is temporary," Keith said.

"No matter what happens, the tax (rate) will begin to go down next Jan. 1 and will be reduced again a year later."

"And if the economic recovery comes faster than we expect, the tax will roll back at a faster rate."

The current rate is 4.6 percent and will go up to 6.35 percent, retroactive to Jan. 1.

The legislature approved the tax rate increase to help the state resolve its \$900 million projected budget deficit and immediate \$800 million cash flow problems.

THE NEW LAW ties the elimination of the temporary tax to reductions in the state's unemployment rate.

"For every half-percent reduction in the jobless rate below 14.5 percent, the tax rate will be cut by .1 (one-tenth) of a percent."

For example, Keith said, if unemployment (now between 18 and 17 percent) falls to 13 percent, the tax rate would be rolled back .3 (three-tenths) of a percent.

"More importantly, no matter what happens to the unemployment rate the bill guarantees that the tax will be reduced by .25 (one-fourth) of a percent next Jan. 1 and by an additional .75 (three-fourths) of a percent in 1985," Keith said.

"And if we experience a strong recovery, the bill provides that the tax rate will be reduced even further — it could go as low as 3.9 percent if unemployment drops to 4 percent."

"This isn't a popular piece of legislation," Keith admitted, "but it is absolutely vital to the economic future of Michigan."

"WE HAVE CUT cut and cut again to the point where state government has been reduced by more than 20 percent."

"And even with this temporary tax (increase) another \$225 million must be cut out of education, public health and every other state program."

"It is an emergency situation requiring drastic action. The bill finally enacted recognizes the emergency and also recognizes that the emergency response is temporary and fair."

campus news

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Three Westland students received bachelor of arts degrees at winter term commencement exercises at MSU recently.

They are: Elizabeth A. Berna, whose degree was in elementary education; Richard L. Carroll, in criminal justice; and Thomas C. Garron, in general business administration.

HENRY FORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Forty-eight Westland residents have been named to the HFCC dean's list for the fall semester. To be eligible, students must attend the college full time and maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average out of a possible 4.0.

The students are: Paul Demers,

David Gerardi, Lori Gillispie, Randy Hudson, Robert Krueger, Linda Seedott, Christopher Sprow, Kathy Wenzel, William Cole, Delores Juntilla, Dawn Boyd, Carol Grainger, Kathleen Fagan, Marilyn Tubinis, Kirk Sullivan.

Also, Valeri Balas, Barbara Barreto, Smila Desai, Jerry Dyer, Susan Raymond, Mark Magdowski, Charles Shefferly III, Tricia Presnell, Ted Bailey, Karl Brooks, Timothy Cockrum, Kevin Cotter, Tim Hixson, Karen Boone, Craig DeFranceschi, Margie Keena.

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Deputies to begin Hines patrols Friday — Lucas

Responding to suburban requests, Wayne County Executive William Lucas announced sheriff's personnel will begin patrolling Hines Parkway this Friday, nearly a month ahead of schedule.

"It was scheduled for May, but the mayors and township supervisors asked for an early start — before the troublemakers establish their turf," said Lucas's news secretary, Bill Johnson.

At the peak, 54 sheriff's officers, detectives and communications people will be stationed in two county parks — the 22-mile-long Hines and Elizabeth, a boat launch on the Detroit River. All but a handful will be in Hines.

The Hines patrols will be built up in size gradually, Johnson said. Thirteen laid-off deputies who had resigned have been reappointed, he added.

LUCAS WILL hold a ceremonial signing of the 32-month contract at 11:30 this morning.

Key provision is a new job classification for jail guards called police officer I. Starting salary will be \$14,584 compared to the average annual salary of \$25,850 for a fully-trained deputy (PO-II).

If the County Commission approves, Lucas said, hiring of the new guards could begin in 30 days.

Using PO-I persons, the county will be able to run the new jail, scheduled to be opened in fall, at a savings of \$4.4 million, according to Sheriff Robert A. Ficano.

Lucas' announcement said Don Cox of Local 502 of the National Union of Police Officers would attend the contract signing and that members of the Wayne County Commission had been invited.

The executive's announcement left out any mention of Ficano.

MEANWHILE, Ficano said he would be in court Wednesday asking Circuit Judge Paul Tegenies to evict Loren Pittman from the sheriff's office.

On March 10 Ficano won a court ruling that he was legally entitled to be sheriff on the basis of his appointment under state law by a three-member panel of county officials. Lucas had appointed Pittman sheriff relying on a provision of the Wayne County Charter.

Pittman has yet to yield physical possession of the sheriff's office while he takes his case to the state Court of Appeals. The Appeals Court, however, last week rejected Pittman's request to remain in the office pending the appeal.

"We've had a look at what the Appeals Court said," Ficano reported Friday, "and they said there is no merit to the grounds they (Pittman and Lucas) were trying to advocate."

IN OTHER court action, the executive was scheduled to square off April 14 before Judge Irwin Burdick against the three members of the Wayne County Road Commission he is trying to force from office.

The new charter, in effect as of Jan. 1, allows the executive to appoint and fire road commission members at will. Previously, road commissioners had staggered six-year terms of office and were appointed by the elected Board of Commissioners.



Quick trip to U-M Hospitals

The region within 150 miles of University of Michigan Hospitals will be accessible by a helicopter ambulance beginning in May. Here the twin-engine air ambulance is exacted by hospi-

tal staffs in training flights. The craft can carry two patients on stretchers, a pilot and two medical personnel. It will be the first hospital-based helicopter service in the state.

Policeman assures race at Schoolcraft

James St. Louis, 32, of Livonia, is making sure there will be a contest for the six-year trustee posts at Schoolcraft College.

The eight-year resident announced he would seek one of the three posts in the June 13 election.

Incumbents Harry Greenleaf and Rosina Raymond have announced for re-election, and Daryl Delabbio of Garden City has entered. St. Louis thus becomes the fourth probable candidate. A two-year post will also be filled.

St. Louis is a juvenile investigations officer for the Farmington Hills police department. A candidate for a master of arts in public administration from Central Michigan University, he has a bachelor of science and associate of arts degrees from Madonna College.

He describes himself as founder and president of the Michigan Institute of Law Enforcement, which gives seminars for public safety departments. He is a credit union officer and on the Salvation Army board in Farmington Hills.

His professional memberships include the Police Officers Association of Michigan, Crime Prevention Association of Michigan, Michigan-Ontario Ju-



James St. Louis fourth candidate

venile Officers Association and the National Association of State Directors of Law Enforcement Training.

Filing deadline is Tuesday, April 26. Petition forms are available in the Grote Administration Building on campus. The Schoolcraft College District includes the school districts of Clarenceville, Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth-Canton and a small portion of Novi.

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Seafood and fresh western citrus are combined in many different cuisines, but are especially suited for each other in Oriental cookery. In this increasingly popular style of cooking, there is a skillful blending of colors, textures and flavors to stimulate the senses. The food is generally not too heavy, suiting today's trend toward lighter, healthier foods. Seafood and fresh citrus truly complement each other, producing dishes that not only look attractive but taste great!

In Oriental cookery it is important to use only the finest quality ingredients. Thanks to advancements in freezing and transportation, choice fish and shellfish from icy Alaska waters are available year-round for an infinite number of tasty Oriental dishes. Fresh California-Arizona citrus, in excellent supply now and during the coming months, complements these dishes well, by enhancing their flavor and eye appeal.

Delightfully different, yet easy to prepare, are Orange Baked Salmon Steaks and Sesame Orange Rice. Both the delicately flavored fresh/frozen Alaska salmon steaks and the accompanying rice dish are accented with fresh orange flavor from California-Arizona navel oranges. Navel oranges are also the perfect out-of-hand eating orange.

Salmon Grapefruit Salad highlights the importance of color, texture and taste, by combining this convenient canned seafood with crispy rice sticks and bright salad greens. Juicy cartwheel slices of western-grown grapefruit and a fresh citrus dressing add a tangy, fresh flavor to the salad.

Tender chunks of Alaska halibut are fried until delicately browned, then combined with colorful fresh vegetables in Oriental Halibut Saute. The peel and juice of fresh California-Arizona lemons add zest to this attractive dish that's as delicious as it is easy to prepare.

Too many cooks do not spoil the broth in an Oriental Hot Pot dinner, a festive one-dish meal that lets guests cook their own food in a pot of simmering chicken broth, flavored with fresh lemon cartwheel slices. Guests choose from succulent, sweet Snow crab in the shell and tender cubes of cod, both from Alaska waters, as well as assorted, fresh vegetables. Once cooked, these foods are dipped into a choice of sauces. The fresh peel and juice of western lemons and oranges add pizzazz to Lemon-Soy Dipping Sauce and Creamy Orange Dipping Sauce. A chafing dish or fondue pot can be used if a hot pot is not available.

For delicious taste and nutritious eating, go Oriental with seafood and fresh citrus.

ORANGE BAKED SALMON STEAKS

3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
Grated peel and juice of 1/2 fresh orange
1/4 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
4 (6 to 8 oz.) fresh/frozen Alaska salmon steaks, thawed if necessary

Combine butter, orange peel and juice, salt and pepper. Brush both sides of salmon steaks with butter mixture. Bake at 450° F., allowing 10 minutes per inch of thickness measured at its thickest part or until salmon flakes easily when tested with a fork at thickest part. Serve with Sesame Orange Rice. Garnish with unpeeled orange half-cartwheel slices, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

Sesame Orange Rice

2 tablespoons sesame seeds
2 tablespoons oil, divided
1 cup raw regular rice
1 medium onion, chopped
2 cups hot water
2 chicken bouillon cubes*
Grated peel of 1/2 fresh orange
1 California-Arizona orange, peeled, cut in bite-size pieces
2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Saute sesame seeds in 1 tablespoon oil. Remove from pan; drain on paper towel. Sauté rice and onion in remaining oil 2 or 3 minutes, or until rice is golden. Add hot water and bouillon cubes. Bring to boil; reduce and simmer, covered, 20 minutes or until rice is cooked. Gently stir in orange peel and pieces; toast sesame seeds and parsley. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

*Two teaspoons chicken bouillon granules may be substituted.

SALMON GRAPEFRUIT SALAD

1 ounce uncooked rice sticks (maifun)
Cooking oil
1 can (15-1/2 oz.) salmon
1 quart torn salad greens
1 California-Arizona grapefruit, peeled, cut in half-cartwheels
Citrus Dressing Orientale

Break rice sticks into 3 or 4-inch lengths. Heat oil to 375° F.; fry rice sticks until white and fluffy. Turn once to fry pieces evenly. (Entire process takes less than 30 seconds.) Drain on paper towels. Drain salmon; break into chunks. In shallow salad bowl, arrange salad greens, fried rice sticks, grapefruit half-cartwheel slices and salmon. Serve with Citrus Dressing Orientale; toss just before serving. Makes 6 servings.

Citrus Dressing Orientale: Combine 1/4 cup oil, juice of 1 fresh lemon, 1 tablespoon chopped green onion, 2 teaspoons sugar, grated peel of 1/2 fresh lemon, 1/4 teaspoon each salt and hot dry mustard; mix well. Makes about 1/2 cup dressing.

ORIENTAL HALIBUT SAUTE

1 pound Alaska halibut, thawed if necessary and cut into 1-inch cubes
Salt & pepper
3 tablespoons oil, divided
1 cup each thinly sliced carrots, sliced green pepper, diagonally sliced green onions and broccoli flowerettes
1/4 cup water
2 teaspoons cornstarch
Grated peel and juice of 1/2 fresh lemon
1/4 teaspoon grated ginger root

Season halibut with salt and pepper. Sauté halibut in 2 tablespoons oil until barely cooked; remove halibut from skillet. Sauté vegetables in remaining oil until crisp-tender. Return halibut to skillet. Combine water, cornstarch, lemon peel, juice and ginger. Add to fish mixture. Cook and stir until thickened. Garnish with additional grated lemon peel, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

SNOW CRAB-COD HOT POT

1 pound Alaska Snow crab clusters, thawed if necessary
1 pound Alaska cod, thawed if necessary
2 cups each mushrooms, halved, and spinach leaves
1 cup diagonally sliced celery
Water
2 cans (14 oz. each) chicken broth
1/2 cup dry white wine
1 California-Arizona lemon, unpeeled, cut in cartwheels
Lemon-Soy Dipping Sauce
Creamy Orange Dipping Sauce

Rinse crab under cool water. Cut crab into serving-size pieces; score backs of leg sections using large, heavy knife or slit with kitchen shears. Cut cod into bite-size pieces. Arrange crab, cod and vegetables on platter. Add water to chicken broth to equal 4 cups. Add wine and lemon cartwheel slices to broth; bring to boil. Transfer boiling mixture to chafing dish or large fondue or hot pot; maintain mixture at a simmer. Cook seafood and vegetables in stock until desired degree doneness. Serve with dipping sauces. Makes 6 servings.

Lemon-Soy Dipping Sauce: Combine 1/4 cup soy sauce, grated peel and juice of 1/2 fresh lemon, 1/4 teaspoon sugar and 1/8 teaspoon bottled hot pepper sauce; mix well. Makes about 1/3 cup.

Creamy Orange Dipping Sauce: Combine 1/2 cup mayonnaise, grated peel and juice of 1/2 fresh orange and 1/4 teaspoon curry powder; blend well. Makes about 2/3 cup.

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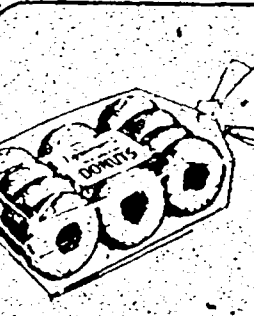
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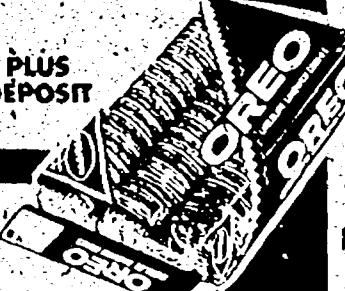
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Spring is in the air and quiche is on the menu because the American fondness for the versatile egg-based pie is flourishing. Ham Zucchini Quiche combines the robust, smoky flavor of boneless ham with garden-fresh zucchini and onion in an easy-to-prepare whole-wheat pastry shell.

Quiche with fresh vegetables — even real men should enjoy it

Who says real men don't eat quiche? Not only do they eat it, they enjoy the seemingly endless variety of hearty quiche fillings that can include everything from the basic bacon and cheese ingredients, to ham with zucchini and dried beef with mushrooms. As spring blossoms forth, remember that crisp, fresh vegetables make the perfect addition to almost any quiche recipe.

Quiche (say "keesh") is an unsweetened, open-face, egg-based pie that is superb served as a hot or cold entrée, or as an appetizer, or snack, and is equally appropriate for a casual family meal or a formal dinner. Using a basic quiche recipe, you can add almost anything your refrigerator or cupboard has to offer.

With the renewed awareness of nutrition and "healthy eating" in America, home economists have developed the following quiche recipes made in easy-to-prepare basic or wheat pastry shells.

HAM ZUCCHINI QUICHE

- 1 1/2 cups zucchini slices, cut 1/4-inch thick
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup water
- 1 1/2 cups diced boneless ham
- 1 9-inch unbaked Wheat Pastry shell
- 2 cups (8 oz) shredded Cheddar cheese
- 2 tbsp flour
- 3 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 tsp oregano leaves, crushed
- 1/2 tsp ground red pepper
- 1/2 tsp pepper

Heat oven to 425°. In medium saucepan, bring zucchini, onion and water to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, 5 minutes. Drain well with paper

towels. Gently mix zucchini mixture with ham; spread in bottom of pastry shell. Toss cheese with flour; sprinkle on top of zucchini-ham mixture. In a large bowl, combine remaining ingredients; pour over mixtures in pastry shell. Bake at 425°, 15 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350°; continue baking 25 minutes or until set. 6 servings.

WHEAT PASTRY

- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup whole-wheat flour
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup lard
- 3-4 tbsp cold water

In medium bowl, combine flours and salt. With pastry blender or two knives, cut in shortening until pieces are size of small peas. Add water, one tablespoon at a time; toss with fork until all flour is moistened and mixture starts to form a ball. Shape dough into flat ball. On lightly floured surface, roll out dough to 12-inch circle. Fit into 9-inch pie plate or quiche pan. 9-inch single crust pastry shell.

INDIVIDUAL BEEF AND MUSHROOM QUICHES

- 4 4 1/2-inch unbaked basic pastry shells
- 1 2 1/2-oz jar sliced dried beef, rinsed, chopped
- 1/2 cup sliced mushrooms
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 3 tbsp butter or margarine
- 1 cup (4 oz) shredded Swiss cheese
- 2 tbsp flour
- 3 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 tsp ground red pepper

Heat oven to 400°. Bake pastry shells at 400°, 10 minutes; cool. Reduce oven temperature to 350°. In fry pan, cook dried beef, mushrooms and onion in butter or margarine on medium heat 10 minutes; spoon 1/4 of mixture into each pastry shell. Toss cheese with flour; sprinkle 1/4 of cheese on top of each dried beef mixture. Combine remaining ingredients; pour approximately 1/2 cup of egg-milk mixture into each pastry shell. Bake at 350°, 30 to 35 minutes or until set. 4 servings.

For single quiche, use one 9-inch pie plate or quiche pan.

BASIC PASTRY

- 1 cup flour
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 cup lard
- 3-4 tbsp cold water

In medium bowl, combine flour and salt. With pastry blender or two knives, cut in shortening until pieces are size of small peas. Add water, one tablespoon at a time; toss with fork until all flour is moistened and mixture starts to form a ball. Shape dough into flat ball. On lightly floured surface, roll out dough to 12-inch circle. Fit into 9-inch pie plate or quiche pan. 9-inch single crust pastry shell.



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Greg Melikov

Baked tamale pie better manana

"Enjoy your column... and have lots of your recipes in my file," writes Virginia Garretts-Salina, Kan. "I especially like the broccoli soup you got from a tea room. Yummy. Want to try your stew (with wine) recipe soon."

"If you have good recipes for any of the following, I'd enjoy seeing them in the paper:

"Monkey Bread, Millionaire Pie, Chicken Cordon Bleu, Chocolate Mousse, Cornish Hens, Tamale Pie, a Lithuanian cookie (I think) called Ears and Pretzel Pie."

I sent Virginia copies of two columns: Cornish hens, which appeared a year or so ago, and Cordon Bleu, in which chicken easily substitutes for veal.

While I thought I had a tamale pie recipe that I tried not long ago, I had no luck finding it in my files.

So I came up with a combination from several sources that includes a cornmeal crust. What's best is that baked tamale pie improves when served a day or so later: warmed covered in a skillet with shredded Cheddar cheese on top.

Naturally, I later found the other recipe, which is more of a casserole.

I plan to try chocolate mousse in the future. As for Virginia's other requests, if you come across the recipes or have prepared any, send them in so they can be shared with the rest of our readers.

BAKED TAMALES

- 2 medium onions, chopped
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 2 tbsp cooking oil
- 1 lb. ground pork
- 1 lb. ground beef
- 2 tsp. chili powder
- 1 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1 can (8 oz.) tomato sauce
- 1 can (12 oz.) Mexican, drained
- 1/2 cup sliced stuffed green olives
- 3 cups water
- 1 1/2 cups yellow cornmeal

- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 1 1/2 cups milk

In large skillet, lightly brown onion and garlic in hot oil on medium heat. Add meat, chili powder and 1 teaspoon salt, occasionally stirring, crumbling meat with edge of large spoon until browned. Drain off grease. Reduce heat to medium low, add tomato sauce, corn and olives and cook covered 20 minutes, occasionally stirring. Bring water to rapid boil in saucepan, add remaining salt and gradually stir in cornmeal until mixture is fairly smooth, lifting off heat when it begins to splutter. Blend mixture with egg in large bowl and gradually beat in milk. Line greased 3-quart casserole with 1/2 of mixture, spreading it with back of large spoon. Add filling. Smooth remaining cornmeal mixture over top. Bake in 375-degree oven 45 minutes to 1 hour until crust is golden brown. Serves 8.

TAMALES

- 1 lb. ground pork sausage
- 1 lb. lean ground beef
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 cups sliced celery
- 1 can (1 lb. 12 oz.) tomatoes
- 2 cups canned whole-kernel corn
- Salt to taste
- 2 tsp. chili powder
- 1/2 cup yellow cornmeal
- 1 1/2 cups pitted small ripe olives
- 1 1/2 cups shredded American cheese

In large skillet, lightly brown sausage on medium heat, drain off grease, add beef and cook until browned, occasionally stirring. Stir in tomatoes, corn, salt and chili powder, cook 15 minutes. Slowly stir in cornmeal and cook until thickened. Stir in olives. Turn into greased 2-quart casserole, top with cheese and bake in 350-degree oven 45 minutes. Serves 8.

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TEMPEST in a teapot? No, it's the spring miniature show and sale at the Troy Hilton, 1-75 at Maple Road, on Saturday. The

clever arrangement inside a teapot at the left is one by more than 60 artisans and dealers who will display and sell their wares, all crafted in a scale of one inch to 12 inches. Show hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3.

7 AREA antique dealers will be part of the antique show at Arborland Mall starting Wednesday and continuing through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Admission and parking are free. Every kind of antiques will be featured, according to Marge Kulifay of Livonia, one of the show coordinators. Among the exhibitors will be Irene Gribble of Westland; Lillian Skaggs, Ruth Hillman, Gerry Sharp and Gloria Siegert, all of Livonia; and Louise Morris of Plymouth.

WEIGHT Watchers celebs — members who have lost a tremendous amount of weight — will share some of their experiences at two area WW open house meetings. Lois Brown, who has lost over 200 pounds, will speak at 7 p.m. Monday, April 11, at Westland Center. David Marshall, who is a 100-pound loser, will be the speaker at 10 a.m. April 11 at Wonderland Center. Plymouth Cultural Center will be the scene of the 9:30 a.m. low-cal cooking demonstration by WW's executive chef Larry Janes.

SPEAKING OF eating, when the brain says "carrot" and the fat cells say "brownie," why do the fat cells always win? Because fat cells are tenacious, medical research shows. They're the most active cells in the body, sniffing the blood for traces of dessert, ever ready to send a squall of protest brainward if they sense deprivation. Sad to report, although they may shrink, fat cells never really die.

ANOTHER luncheon/concert will be held at Henry Ford Estate-Fair Lane on Tuesday, April 12. The concert will feature selections by Shuman, Mozart and original pieces by Michael McLean. Dearborn High School students will be featured. Cost is \$6.50 per person. For reservations, call 593-5590. Fair Lane is located on the University of Michigan-Dearborn Campus, 4901 Evergreen Road.

A PAINTING by Forneet Moses (Grandma's son) is one of the pieces on exhibit at the Plymouth Historical Museum, now through May 8. On display, also are 29 quilts, among which is an 1850 stuffed work; an 1850 Pennsylvania German pattern, North Carolina Lily; an 1875 two-sided Feathered Star pattern; and an unusual one with sugar sack backing. The museum is located at 155 S. Main Street and is open 1-4 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

SAUNDRA Weed, Westland artist and teacher, has been invited to teach a class in sumi painting to gifted children at the Nellie Reed Elementary School in Vernon, Mich. Weed recently gave a demonstration of the Japanese art of black ink painting at the Expression Gallery in Owosso. Weed also works in oils, acrylics and watercolors and is experimenting in combining various art media. Some of her work can be seen at the Village Cellar in west Dearborn.



Two new books are added to the Livonia library system by members of Livonia organizations which plan yearly book donations. (At left) Janet Bennett, president of Friends of the Livonia Library, shelves a book on Napoleon, while Virginia Ruehle, president of the Livonia Branch of the American Association of University Women, finds shelf space for "Mary Chestnut's Civil War."

Novel idea Ease budget squeeze with a book donation

By Sherry Kahan
staff writer

The Friends of the Livonia Public Library has an idea. Why not encourage local clubs, businesses, schools, churches and individuals to donate a book or two once a year to the Livonia libraries?

At a time when everyone is feeling a budget squeeze, it would help.

To set a good example, the Friends recently presented the library system with a book called "The Murder of Napoleon" by Ben Weider and David Hagood. It is a volume that provides both history and mystery.

Not long after, two representatives of the Livonia Branch of the American Association of University Women, Barbara Medwedoff and Kathy Ladd, brought in two publications for shelving. One was "Women Scientists in America" by Margaret Rossiter. The other was "Mary Chestnut's Civil War,"

edited by C. Vann Woodward, winner of the 1982 Pulitzer Prize in history. Married to an official of the Confederacy, Chestnut kept a journal during the Civil War. She regarded herself as an abolitionist and was an early feminist, once writing "There is no slave after all like a wife."

"Inside the front cover of each book we will put a decorative book plate or sticker bearing the name of the person or organization making the donation," said Betty Farhat, branch librarian at Alfred Noble Library.

Members of the Friends believe the possibilities of the donation idea are limitless. There are much more than 100 clubs and organizations listed in the Livonia Civic Guide and Business Directory for 1981-82, ranging from the Alcohol Awareness Center to the Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County.

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Supporting each other

Women learning to cope with cancer

By Arlene Funke
staff writer

Each week, a small group of women gather at a health club in Westland.

They enjoy a refreshing swim and mild exercises made easier by the buoyant water. Later, they will talk about their hopes and fears, their plans for the future.

They will cheer each other up, offer encouragement to newcomers and chart out social events.

These women have one thing in common: Each has lost one or both breasts to cancer. They are members of a program called Encore, sponsored by the YWCA.

Locally, Encore groups meet at the YWCA in Redford, and at the Forum Health Spa in Westland.

"Friends say they're sorry, but they don't know how we feel," said Eleanor Nicholls of Livonia, who had surgery for breast cancer three years ago.

"Some people can't get that word 'cancer' out," she added. "We had two deaths last year and one this year (in the group). It happens."

SHARON MORRIS of Westland is the heart and driving force behind the group that meets each Thursday morning at the Forum. She's a warm and assertive woman who had a mastectomy in 1977 at the age of 40.

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— Eleanor Nicholls of Livonia

Today, volunteering with Encore and developing ways to help people are top priorities for Morris. Last year, she was voted Woman of the Year at the YWCA annual meeting, and she received an honorary tribute signed by several state legislators.

Morris said her bout with cancer made her stronger and enhanced her marriage.

"I turned my misfortune (cancer) into a plus for me," Morris said. "Every woman wonders what her husband's reaction is going to be. How is he going to feel sexually? I think it has made us a lot closer. He (my husband) took care of me — he had to dress my wounds."

DURING A recent Encore session in Westland, a dozen women gathered for a brief swim and round-robin discussion.

"The exercises are to keep the arm and shoulder from stiffening," Morris said. "Your body is buoyant in the water, and you can move much more freely."

The Encore membership roster lists names from most of the western suburbs. There are no geographical limitations. The only requirement for membership is breast surgery.

During a recent Westland session, a newcomer came from St. Clair Shores for some badly-needed moral support. There are no Encore groups in her area.

Newcomer Peggy received encouragement from June Jarvis of Inkster, who tells her not to worry about crying.

"You are making room inside to talk," Jarvis said. "You are grieving. You lost something."

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Sharon Morris of Westland leads exercises at the Encore group.

medical briefs/helpline

STEVENSON HIGH SCHOOL on Six Mile west of Farmington Road, Livonia, will be the site of a Project: Health-O-Rama from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Health-O-Rama is an annual health screening event directed by the United Health Organization of Detroit, Blue Cross and Blue Shield, and WXYZ. Co-operating in the Stevenson screening will be Harper-Grace Hospitals.

The screening tests search for high blood pressure, diabetes, liver disease, sight loss, cancer, kidney disease, gout and many other conditions.

In addition to the Stevenson testing, pap and hearing tests will be done at Westland Center Wednesday through Friday. Both events precede the big Health-O-Rama held annually at the Livonia Mall April 28-29.

All the tests are free with the exception of the health panel test which requires a fee of \$7. You are not required to take this test.

This year's Project: Health-O-Rama has been expanded to 85 sites with more than 6,000 volunteers.

A SERIES OF FIVE DIABETES management classes will be held on Wednesday evenings beginning April 20 at Botsford General Hospital from 7-9 p.m. in Classroom A/B in the administration and education building, 28050 Grand River, Farmington Hills. Call the hospital's department of health promotion and development to pre-register or for more information at 471-8091. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Registration fee is \$5 payable at the first class.

A HEALTH AND STRESS seminar will be held on 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 30, at the Northwest Activity Center of the Michigan Heart Association, 18100 Meyers.

Keynote speaker will be Dr. John B.

Waller Jr., director of the Detroit Health Department. He will address issues, problems and concerns of health in the urban communities.

The second part of the program will be presented by Rosie Ragland, program director from the Northeast Guidance Clinic. She will discuss "Strategies in Coping with Stress."

Registration will start at 9 a.m. Blood pressures will be taken. The seminar is free of charge. For further information, call 557-9500, Ext. 535, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A SERIES OF GROUP discussions offered by the Michigan Cancer Foundation in four locations in metropolitan Detroit will allow patients to share feelings and concerns about living with cancer.

The eight-week sessions are led by master's degree-level social workers with registered nurses. Discussions range from the personal impact of cancer and family reactions to employment and financial problems. The sessions begin this week.

• The mastectomy group will meet Wednesday from 6-7:30 p.m. in Beaumont Hospital, Classroom D-E.

• The laryngectomy group will meet 10-11 a.m. Tuesdays in the Prentiss Building, 410 E. Warren, Detroit.

• Ostomy (men and women) will meet 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Detroit Service Center, 15600 Seven Mile, Detroit.

• Survivors (bereavement) will meet 6-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the West Regional Center, 15001 Commerce, Dearborn, suite 408.

• Family and Friends will meet 3:30-5 p.m. Mondays at the West Regional Center in Dearborn.

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Support groups listed for mastectomees

Support groups are available to help mastectomy patients cope with their illness and recover more quickly.

The American Cancer Society (ACS), with local offices in Garden City and Southfield, has sample displays of prostheses (artificial breasts) which women can examine by appointment. There also is a list of locations where the prostheses can be purchased.

The prostheses may be viewed the first and third Wednesday of each month at the western Wayne County branch of the ACS at 6227 N. Inkster Road in Garden City. Phone 425-6830 for an appointment.

Prostheses are displayed the second and fourth Wednesday at the ACS main office at 29300 Southfield Road, Southfield. Phone 557-5353.

MASTECTOMY UPDATE, geared to women who have had surgery for breast cancer, will be held May 11 at Roma's of Livonia, Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road.

This all-day program, sponsored by the Cancer Society, will include speakers, luncheon, and a fashion show using post-mastectomy women as models.

For information, call the ACS. Reach to Recovery, also sponsored by the Cancer Society, is looking for volunteers among women who are at least one year past treatment for breast cancer.

Volunteers visit new mastectomy patients. Call the Southfield branch of ACS for information.

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consumer mailbag

Grace Gluskin
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Lo-cal kiwifruit is high in nutrition

I enjoyed watching you cook on Kelly & Co. I sent for the recipes you demonstrated and can't wait to try them. Could you tell me more about the fruit you used to decorate the cake. I think you called it kiki.

M.M. Livonia

The fuzzy-skinned fruit is called kiwifruit. Sometimes called Chinese gooseberry, this delicious versatile fruit tastes like a cross between a watermelon and a strawberry.

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Kiwifruit costs about 39 to 59 cents each and is available in the produce section of most area markets.

ECO-TIP: Recipes seen on "Kelly & Co." are available for \$1 and a self-addressed envelope by writing to Grace Gluskin, P.O. Box 333, Franklin, 48025.

Consumer Mailbag answers your questions. Address mail to Grace Gluskin, c/o Concern, 1 Northfield Plaza, Troy 48068.

Divorce series at Newburg

A series of four group sessions designed to help people cope with divorce is being offered by the Friend of the Court, Family Counseling and Mediation Division. The sessions are for those exploring divorce, in the divorce process, or who already have divorced.

Jack Bradford, a staff member of the Family Counseling and Mediation Division, will lead the educational group meetings at the Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia.

The meetings will be 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesdays beginning April 6. The cost is \$3 a night or \$10 for the series.

Discussions will focus on the following:

- April 6, "Coping with Personal and Emotional Turmoil";

- April 13, "Dealing with Attorneys and the Court System" (an attorney will be present);

- April 20, "Helping Your Children Cope"; and

- April 27, "Developing New Social and Interpersonal Relationships."

For additional information, call 224-5266.

Support groups

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OTHER PROGRAMS through the Cancer Society include seminars and monthly programs on coping with cancer.

"I Can Cope" seminars are offered each spring and fall at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Livonia. These sessions for eight weeks are for cancer patients and their families.

Focus on Living is a self-help group for cancer patients which meets monthly at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. Medical personnel are moderators.

The YMCA sponsors a program called Encore, a weekly self-help group for women who have had breast-cancer surgery. The program includes swimming, light exercise, group discussions, and social and fund-raising events.

Two Encore groups meet Thursdays. One meets at 9 a.m. at the Forum Health Spa, Ford Road at Wildwood in Westland, and the other at 1 p.m. at the YMCA on Grand River west of Beech Daly in Redford. Both groups charge \$2 per session.

Outgoingness hides vulnerability

Dear Mrs. Green:

I have been fascinated with your column for quite some time. Since I do not know my natural heritage (I was adopted at age 5 months), I thought maybe my handwriting could provide a clue as to why I am me.

I am a 38-year-old female, married, mother of 2 great children and right-handed. Many thanks.

C.M. Birmingham

Dear C.M.:

Basically, you appear to be an optimistic person and often pleasant. This coupled with a well-developed imagination could make you an interesting company.

You are a people person, one who enjoys activities with others. Still there is a need to be alone at times also. (Large writing size, right slant and the combination of full and stick lower loops)

Need for approval and recognition are strong motivating forces within you. Your behavior, though usually in keeping with the mores of those you hold in esteem, is geared to promote attention. You enjoy doing things on a grand scale.

A dichotomy here seems to be your inner self-consciousness which often as you feel you are being judged. You are also vulnerable to criticism. At times, perhaps, anticipating it when none may be intended.

Sometimes you can be quite deliberate and will not be rushed. Cautiousness and even procrastination may then come into play.



graphology

Lorene Green

I have been fascinated for quite some time with my natural heritage.

Material possessions hold an important place in your value system. Physically-minded, you enjoy freedom of movement (well developed lower loops, especially the small P's).

There is some lack of receptivity to new ideas and concepts. This has placed limits on both your analytical ability and your objectivity.

From the formative years, there appears to be disparity in the way you view your parents. Seemingly, you do not see them unified in the way they raised you.

Note: Some of my readers would like to hear from people who have had their handwriting analyzed through this column. If you are willing to supply me with feedback from your analysis for use in the column, please enclose a self-addressed envelope with your letter and I will contact you. Send your letter to Mrs. Lorene C. Green, a certified graphologist, in care of this newspaper. Use a full sheet of white, unlined paper. Write in the first person singular giving your age and handedness.

engagements

Tindell-Farmer

An April 9 wedding in Lake Tahoe, Nev. is being planned by Jane Annette Tindell of Huntington Beach, Calif., and Christopher Paul Farmer of Hermosa Beach, Calif. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farmer of Burton Lane, Livonia. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lois Tindell of Coosbay, Ore.

The bride-elect is manager of Trafalgar Tours in Irvine, Calif. Her fiancé, a 1978 graduate of Stevenson High School, attended the University of Michigan. He has been performing on the west coast with such musical groups as Jan and Dean, Mike Love of the Beach Boys, John Stamos and the Bad Boys.



The couple plans to honeymoon in Palm Springs and live in Huntington Beach.

Kish-Kokones

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Kish of Ramblewood Drive, Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter Judith Ann to George Nicholas Kokones, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Kokones of Lori Street, Livonia.

The bride-to-be graduated in 1979 from Bentley High School and is employed at Midwestern Dental Center as a dental and lab assistant. Her fiancé, a 1975 Bentley graduate, works as a sales representative for Michewye Marketing Corp.

An April wedding is planned in Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills.



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THE USE OF BLOOD TESTS IN THE DIAGNOSIS OF RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

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The test may be positive, but barely so, then the positivity is of no importance. When Rheumatologists use the blood test, we do a further determination before considering the result significant. Much more important to us is what the patient says concerning his or her joint pain, and what we find on examination. If we think the diagnosis is rheumatoid arthritis, and the blood test comes back negative, then we ignore the test result. In fact, 20% or more of patients with rheumatoid arthritis will have negative rheumatoid factor tests.

Blood tests are helpful to measure the activity of the arthritis, and to exclude conditions that may mimic rheumatoid arthritis initially. At times, testing is done before beginning medication that might be dangerous to the patient's blood cells.

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Dr. Weiss welcomes questions, send your inquiries to his office.

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New guards slated for duty at jail (glorified cage?)

"I'VE USED more sick time in the two years I've been on duty in the jail than in 14 years on the job," said Sgt. Henry Hammond of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department.

Added Leon McConnell, an administrator at the jail: "In this job, no kid waves 'hi' to you like they do on the street. No one says 'thanks' to you in here."

Says Acting Sheriff Loren Pittman of the old jail: "It's a glorified cage. It's well built, but it's Draconian." He understands why a guard gets little feeling of job satisfaction when an inmate spatters him with urine from an old milk carton.

AND SO THERE is some feeling of relief now that county officials have initiated a tentative agreement with the deputies union creating a new, lower-paid jail guard classification, police officer I.

Sheriff Robert Ficano, Pittman's courtroom rival (and winner) for the job, notes with satisfaction that creation of the PO-I classification will let as many as 130 higher-trained deputies go back to street and investigation work.

Not long ago I took up Pittman on his offer to tour both the old downtown jail, built in 1927 with an addition in the '50s, and the annex in Westland on the county



Tim
Richard

hospital grounds. He and jail administrator Pete Wilson were delighted I would spend the time. "No way can we make the commissioners understand it. We've invited them in to see it," Pittman said. That's when I picked up the comments from Hammond and McConnell.

For decades, new hires in the Sheriff's Department typically started as jail guards, in effect "paying their dues" so they could become street cops, traffic specialists, detectives or forensics specialists. "Seniority prevails. Ultimately you work your way out," he said.

BUT SOMETHING happened when the deputies union didn't count on Wayne County, stung by losses of local and state revenue in the late '70s, ordered the dismantling of the road patrol and investigation unit, a move that caused more than 250 layoffs.

Because a union contract operates on the principle of seniority, veteran officers from the P&I, in order to keep paychecks coming in, exercised their "bumping rights" and claimed lower-skilled jobs as jail guards.

"We have street cops now back to a jail environment," Pittman said. "We have a narc who is in effect doing baby sitting."

All through the jail, one can see men in their 30s and 40s, with gray at their temples, walking up and down cement corridors, up and down, up and down.

That is the picture from the point of view of veteran cops like Sgt. Henry Hammond.

THERE IS a fiscal impact on county government. As is their right, the guards take advantage of every fringe benefit they have under the labor contract.

"The Labor Board negotiated those contracts with the National Union of Police Officers," Pittman said, a little defensively. Indeed, he and his predecessor, William Lucas, now county executive, complain that the Labor Board failed to get input from department heads for whom they were negotiating. The result was that a union-dominated county government negotiated some very liberal contracts

with county employees' unions.

How liberal?

- Vacations — A five-year person gets 12 days of vacation; a person with 20-plus years, 42 days.
- Sick time — eight hours per month or 12 days a year.
- Personal business leave (PBL) — four days per year.
- Bereavement — three days per year; if one has to travel more than 500 miles, five days.
- Holidays — 15½ days.

MANAGEMENT people generally can spot who are the unhappy employees by tallying who takes all his sick days and all his PBL days every year, whether he's genuinely sick or not, whether he needs all those PBL days or not.

By that yardstick, Pittman figures virtually every police officer working at the jail can be classified as unhappy. Hammond and others were frank to admit it.

Pittman's complaint is that the county board's only for vacation time and a normal two off-days a week. When employees take off sick days, PBLs and bereavement days, the administration must order overtime.

Jail administrator Wilson calculates the



Pete Wilson
jail administrator



Loren Pittman
acting sheriff

overtime cost of PBL days alone, assuming that 75 percent must be covered by someone else's overtime, at \$240,000 a year. I've checked his arithmetic. He seems to be right.

THE STARTING point was that Wayne County is going to have a new contract with the deputies union that will provide for lower-paid, less-skilled, non-pistol-carrying jail guards when the new jail is opened later this year.

It was negotiated not by the old Labor Board but by the county executive's office.

The PO-I job is an idea whose time came. In the 1982 county executive campaign, Lucas's challenger, Robert Fitzpatrick, advocated it. At that point, Lucas revealed he had advocated it several years earlier.

The union might never have agreed to the PO-I classification, Ficano said, if the members hadn't been so desperate to get out of jail duty and back into real honest-to-goodness police work.

Note: Correction

My news story Thursday gave the impression Sheriff Ficano had been in three-way negotiations with the executive's office and the deputies union. Not quite so.

The executive's office advises that "at no time did Jamie Akhtar meet with" Ficano and Undersheriff Richard Novak. Ficano and Novak were, however, in lengthy contact negotiations with the union and, in Ficano's words, "told them what we would accept and would not accept."

Putting the two versions together, it seems correct to say the executive negotiated with the union, the sheriff talked with the union, but the sheriff and executive weren't in contact.

from our readers

Letters mislead, Councilman says

To the editor:

Over the past few months there have been letters to the editor concerning the absence of councilmen at certain functions or meetings that have been called by the mayor for the public to attend. What is misleading about these statements is that the mayor does not ask the council to attend or even if they are available.

This includes the mayor's ball that one writer referred to as a fund-raiser for feeding the poor.

One must remember that members of the council have full-time jobs, families, represent the city at commission meetings, such as PCHA and Nankin Transit Commission, attend church functions and other civic commitments. I, along with other councilmen take exception to criticism as to why we do not always show up for the mayor's functions.

Many times, particularly recently, when the

council has meetings scheduled and published publicly, the mayor and many of his staff do not bother to attend, causing these meetings to be rescheduled and taking up more time.

As council people we want to be out in the community, but we cannot be at every meeting scheduled by the council, commissions, and the mayor.

Kenneth Mehl
Council President Pro-Tem
Westland

Charges council ignores residents

To the editor:

Why is the current Westland City Council prone to ignore certain segments of the community?

The council recently ignored the city administration when the planning department recommended denial of the petition of Anthony Marocco to rezone single family residential and

for use as a repair garage adjacent to single-family residences on Cooley Street.

The council ignored the unanimous recommendation of denial from the Westland Planning Commission, which was based on the intrusion of intensive Commercial Zoning into the residential neighborhood. In the opinion of the planning commission, this intrusion could potentially be detrimental to the character of homes in the area.

The council ignored the citizens who submitted petitions and personally appeared before the city council protesting and opposing the change in zoning.

No one questioned ability of Marocco. He has for many years provided quality service to his customers. The success of his business can be measured by the number of private vehicles and Nankin Transit buses parked at his locations waiting for repair.

Hopefully, when he builds his new garage he will not vacate the one he is currently in and leave the city with another boarded-up building on Wayne Road.

One individual who was not ignored by the council was the petitioner's representative,

Harold Rosin, who is a longtime political supporter of many of the current council members.

There must be a reason why the city council would ignore the city administration, the planning commission and the citizens directly affected by the rezoning. There must be a reason why the city council based their judgment solely on Rosin's presentation, when the consequences could be so grave.

Could this decision to rezone residential property to commercial have been based on politics rather than on sound planning policies? Was Mr. Rosin given any special considerations? Is there any underlying connections between the petitioner, Nankin Transit, Harold Rosin, and the city council?

These are questions that citizens should ask those councilmen seeking re-election this fall. Maybe in the fall those who were ignored in the spring will have a better chance of getting the city council to respond in a positive manner.

From a planning standpoint, there was no logical rationale to approve the rezoning. There must be another reason.

Richard Stempfen
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"Max Dugan Returns" (PG) is basically a Cinderella story in a contemporary setting.

The Cinderella in this case is Marsha Mason as Nora McPhee, the widowed mother of a teen-age son. She is struggling on schoolteacher's wages to keep her car, her house and her two-person family intact.

Prince Charming is a police lieutenant, Brian Costello, played by Donald Sutherland. He meets Nora when her 16-year-old auto is stolen. For a while, it seems as if he is going to deliver her from her one-woman battle against low pay, broken appliances and a transportation problem. But that is left to the Fairy Godmother:

She, in this movie a "hé," is none other than Jason Robards as Max Dugan, Nora's father who deserted the family 26 years ago.

He does not return empty-handed. He arrives with more than \$600,000 he skimmed from casino receipts while a blackjack dealer in Las Vegas. Don't think of him as a crook, though. He only took the money because the casino owners cheated him out of that amount on some land he owned.

Well, quicker than you can wave a magic wand, Max is making up for 26 years of neglect. This movie must be a consumer's idea of what heaven is like as Max goes on a buying spree.

FOR STARTERS, Nora gets a cream-colored Mercedes-Benz convertible and Michael (Matthew Broderick), her son, gets more electronic gear than you'll find at an air-defense installation. Then Max has the dilapidated house remodeled and redecorated so that it becomes a gingerbread castle, complete with champion Great Dane show dog for guard and companion.

Is Nora happy with all these material possessions? Of course not. Remember, Nora is Marsha Mason, and Mason is the great kvetch of movies. She keeps arguing with Max and insisting that he return everything. She tells this to Michael, and he doesn't even twinge, though he seems like a normal teen.

Try telling your teen-age son that you are going to remove all his stereo equipment. Would he passively consent or would he cut your heart out with his diamond needle?

That should be enough to convince you that "Max Dugan Returns" is neither comedy nor fantasy. It's the world according to Neil Simon, and it's less funny, more dull-witted than any other Neil Simon film to date.

Mason must keep up an irritating tirade of arguments. All the while, she accepts Max's gifts while scolding him for buying them. Donald Sutherland has nothing to do except hang about looking uncomfortable in his role. Jason Robards manages to give the film a glimmer of respectability by resisting any urge to be a cute, whimsical old man.

HE HAS SOME of the better lines in the movie. He also has some of the most pretentious ones. Max fancies himself (or Simon fancies Max) as a homespun philosopher.

Maybe he did desert his wife and child, maybe he did spend time in jail, maybe he did steal money from a gambling casino. Still, there's a lot of good in him. Otherwise, he wouldn't spout all this philosophy, which Simon has condensed into heavy one-liners.

Instead of zingers, we get zongers. One more script like this, and Simon can change his name from Neil to Simple.

what's at the movies

BETRAYAL (R). Jeremy Irons, Ben Kingsley and Patricia Hodge are caught up in emotional triangle in movie scripted by Harold Pinter.

GANDHI (PG). Epic film about Mahatma Gandhi, political and spiritual leader who led movement for Indian independence from Britain. Magnificent performance by Ben Kingsley as Gandhi.

THE GIFT (R). Bedroom farce with Pierre Mondy as a retired, married banker whose quiet life is changed by an unusual gift — an international beauty.

HIGH ROAD TO CHINA (PG). Action, romance and adventure as Tom Selleck and Bess Armstrong make their way across the orient in a race against time.

LOCAL HERO (PG). Wry look at a Texas oil company's intrusion into a quaint oceanfront village. Stars Burt Lancaster, Peter Riegert, Fulton Mackay and Dennis Lawson.

THE MAN FROM SNOWY RIVER (PG). Handsome adventure film from Australia presents mountain-boy's passage into manhood. Kirk Douglas plays double role as two feuding brothers. Newcomer Tom Burlinson has title role.

MAX DUGAN RETURNS (PG). Marsha Mason, Neil Simon, Donald Sutherland and Jason Robards combine talents in story of schoolteacher who struggles to support her young son, then receives big-money gifts from ex-convict father.

THE OUTSIDERS (PG). C. Thomas Howell, Matt Dillon and Ralf Macchio star in adaptation of S.E. Hinton's classic about conflict between poor and rich boys in Tulsa of 1966.

TOOTSIE (PG). Offbeat comedy with Dustin Hoffman as a struggling New York actor who can't get a job until he dresses as a woman to audition for a role in a soap opera.

TOUGH ENOUGH (PG). Story of country-western singer, who tries for a career in the boxing ring, was partly filmed in Detroit. Stars Dennis Quaid, Warren Oates, Pam Grier and Stan Shaw.

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Dance works premiere

Gary DeLoatch stars in "The Stack Up," one of five new dance works to be seen in their Detroit premiere when Alvin Ailey's American Dance Theatre appears Tuesday through April 10 at the Music Hall Center. Fifteen different dances will be presented during seven performances, as the Ailey company celebrates its 10th annual Detroit appearance.

Carol Channing returns in 'Hello, Dolly!' title role

Carol Channing will return to Detroit April 19 for a two-week engagement as Dolly in "Hello, Dolly!" at the Masonic Temple Theatre.

Tickets are on sale at the Masonic box office.

This is a short tour before going to London and a brief European tour.

Channing, who created the role back in 1963, has never played the role in London.

Mary Martin played the role there for six months.

Theater history was made Nov. 18, 1963, when Channing first opened in the David Merrick musical production at Detroit's Fisher Theatre.

She has since returned to Detroit as Dolly in the spring of 1967 and 10 years later in the fall of 1977.

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1982-83 All-Area basketball team

They had a very good season

By Brad Emons
and C.J. Risak
staff writer

Bob Hope could have a field day with the recently concluded high school boys' basketball season.

He might have repeated "Thanks for the Memories" at least a dozen times.

There were some spectacular plays made throughout the season, not to mention a few oddities and strange occurrences.

Who could forget the 60-foot shot at the buzzer by Garden City's Brett Emery to beat Westland John Glenn? Or Redford Catholic Central center Mike Maleske shattering a glass backboard during the district tournament?

But there also were some anxious moments.

Spectators from Birmingham Brother Rice and CC got a little too exuberant, brawling in stands. Spectators at Taylor Truman, meanwhile, got vicious in a game with Redford Thurston, requiring a police exit from gym.

Speaking of Thurston, the Eagles won their first league title in almost 20 years. Plymouth Salem, meanwhile, reigned as Western Lakes playoff champ. Livonia Stevenson (tied with Salem) and Livonia Churchill finished first in their respective divisions in the WLAA.

CC, the Catholic League's A-B champ, won district and regional titles before being ousted in the state tournament. The Shamrocks were the final area team to be eliminated.

Area coaches gathered recently to select the area's top 15 players. They

voted for a first, second and third team.

FIRST TEAM

Mike Maleske, Redford Catholic Central, center. The 6-foot-6 senior pivotman overcame a string of injuries during the past year to make the All-Area squad for the second consecutive season.

A three-year starter, Maleske averaged 17.5 points and 13 rebounds while coming on strong in the Catholic League playoffs and state tourney.

"Mike was a rugged center and rebounder in our match-up defense," CC coach Bernie Holowicki said.

Dave Houle, Plymouth Salem, center. The 6-4, 215-pound senior was Salem's top scorer and rebounder.

He was known for his aggressive play.

"Dave made the transition from a All-State football tight end to an All-Area and All-Conference basketball player as well," Salem coach Fred Thomann said. "The longer the season and the better the competition — the better he became."

"He could score at the basket and rebound versus bigger players. At the end of the year he could hit the 15-foot jumper."

Houle will attend Michigan State this fall on a football scholarship.

George Sibel, Redford Thurston, forward. The 6-2, 170-pound senior averaged 22.5 points and 10 rebounds per game as Thurston finished with an 18-3 record.

Sibel had the uncanny ability of hitting the jumper under pressure.

"George was an outstanding clutch performer who averaged 10 points per game in the final quarter," Thurston coach Gary Fralick said. "We always went to George when we had to have a basket in the fourth quarter and 95 percent of the time he came through for us."

Lewis Scott, Redford Bishop Borgess, forward. One of the Catholic League's premier players, the 6-5, 180-pound senior helped Borgess to its first winning season in four years.

He posted high point games of 35, 32, 29 and 27.

"Lewis showed tremendous character," coach Mike Fusco said. "He was our team leader (captain) and is well respected in school by students, faculty and administrators."

"He puts a great deal of effort and time into two things — academics and basketball."

Scott and Maleske were first-team All-Area picks last season.

Tom Domako, Livonia Stevenson, forward. The 6-7 junior averaged 18 points, 7.5 rebounds and four assists per game while carrying a 3.2 grade point average.

Extremely mobile, Domako also blocked 49 shots en route to All-Conference honors.

"Tom has the potential to be as good as he wants to be," Stevenson coach George Van Wagoner said.

SECOND TEAM

Paul Grazulis, Westland John Glenn, center. The future looks bright for the 6-8 senior, who became the Rockets' top inside threat in his only season of prep action.

Grazulis averaged 17 points and 13 points per game. But his grade-point average is even more impressive — 4.0.

Several schools are after his services, including Eastern Michigan University.

Bob Stebbins, Livonia Franklin, center. A three-year starter, the 6-4, 210-pound senior averaged 17 points and 14 rebounds per game.

Stebbins, bound for Central Michigan on a football scholarship, saved his best game for last as he scored 31 points and grabbed 17 rebounds in a district-final loss to Stevenson.

"Bob is a complete player who plays only one way and that is to win," Franklin coach Jim McIntyre said. "He is a fine athlete and plays with great intensity in every sport which he participates in."

Jim Weiss, Redford Thurston, forward. Thurston's most versatile player, the 6-3, 205-pound senior could post up inside or bring the ball down the floor with ease against the press.

A transfer from Temple Christian, Weiss fit in nicely with Thurston's lineup. He averaged 13.5 points, 11 rebounds and 4.5 assists per game although he was less than 100 percent at the end of the season after a bout with mononucleosis.

John McIntyre, Redford Catholic

Central, guard. Without a doubt one of the top sophomores in the state, McIntyre played a variety of roles for the Shamrocks.

The poised sharpshooter played well in the key games, scoring 15 points against Detroit Southwestern and 21 against Detroit Kettering.

He averaged 14.5 points, seven assists and four steals per game.

"John is an excellent shooter with great court sense," Holowicki said. "And he is a great passer and adept ball handler."

"Many teams geared their defensive strategy to stop or neutralize him."

Gary Mexicotte, Livonia Stevenson, guard. The quick, All-American soccer player proved he could adapt to basketball as well.

The 6-0 senior averaged 10 points per game, shot 85 percent from the free-throw line, and was second on the team in steals with 92.

The point-guard carries a 3.3 GPA. "One of the finest young men I've ever worked with," Van Wagoner said.

THIRD TEAM

Glenn Medalle, Plymouth Salem, forward. The 6-1 senior played both guard and forward for the Rocks.

"Glenn was very quick and was an excellent jumper," Thomann said. "Glenn can raise up and shoot the outside jumper under pressure very well."

"He loved the challenge of shooting when the game was on the line. Glenn also always had to guard the other team's best player."

John Merner, Livonia Churchill, center. The 6-6 senior scored in double-digits for all 21 games.

Merner averaged 17 points and 11 rebounds per game. He set a school record for field-goal percentage (56.1) and hit 92 of 131 free throws for 70.2 percent.

"It was a real pleasure working with John the past few seasons," Churchill coach Don Robertson said. "John is a real dedicated person and hard worker."

Merner is also a fine student, carrying a 3.8 GPA.

Greg Gill, Westland John Glenn, guard. The 5-8 junior gave the opposition fits with his ability to penetrate any type of defense.

Gill averaged 15 points and seven assists per game.

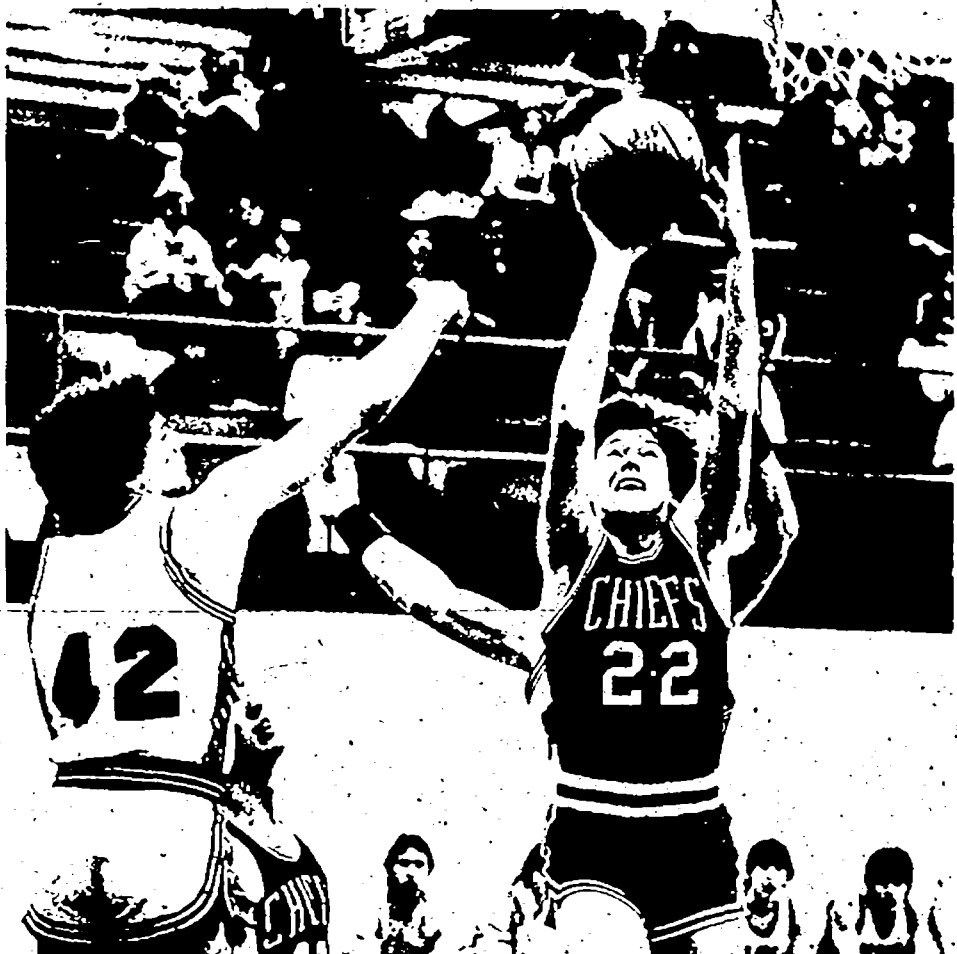
"Greg is a super ball-handler and tireless worker," Glenn coach Dan Henry said. "Nobody could press John Glenn because of Greg Gill."

Scott McCloskey, Garden City, forward. The 6-5, 165-pound junior led the Cougars in scoring at an 18.3-point clip. He had high games of 32, 28 and 27.

McCloskey played well in heavy traffic, showing the ability to shoot a jumper under pressure.

The All-Northwest Suburban League pick was also GC's Most Valuable Player and leading rebounder.

His fine play helped the Cougars to a surprising 14-7 record.



Mike Maleske
CC



Dave Houle
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1st team

2nd team



Paul Grazulis
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Glenn Medalle
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Relay champs: quantity and quality

By Dan Bodene
staff writer

Track and field competition among Catholic League and independent teams will be closer than ever this season.

Several schools are blessed with groups of returning athletes who have turned in key performances in the past. Although each team has lost some strength in certain areas, most coaches are optimistic because of the influx of new blood.

CATHOLIC CENTRAL

Winner of last year's Observerland Relays, the Redford Catholic Central team is back virtually unchanged except for the loss of All-State shot putter Pat Reid.

"We've got a lot of experience and a good nucleus of returning people," coach Kevin Kavanaugh said.

Close to 100 boys turned out for the team this year, so Kavanaugh should have his pick to build from.

Central looks particularly strong in the distances. The All-State cross country combination of seniors Paul Buchanan and Steven Shaver and sophomore Marty Hegarty will be joined by miler Tom Zakrzewski. "We'll count on them quite a bit," Kavanaugh said.

Middle distances will be anchored by senior sprinter Kevin Kral and Greg

Page, who doubles as Central's low hurdler. Returning at the high hurdles is senior Rick Pater.

Kavanaugh said he hasn't nailed down relay team assignments, but with so many possibilities for winning combinations, it shouldn't be a problem.

In the field, Central is hurting somewhat in discus and shot put with the loss of Reid. Kavanaugh says the open slot will probably be filled by a sophomore or freshman. "Right now it's hard to tell which are going to stick with it," the coach said.

Returning senior Chris Kindred will fill the slot at pole vault, while junior John Rakoczy returns as Central's top high jumper.

As for the competition, Kavanaugh hesitates to predict anything just yet, but he'll admit, "Brother Rice is always a perennial power, and Bishop Borgess looks very strong this year."

BISHOP BORGESS

Runner-up to Catholic Central in the Observerland Relays last year, Bishop Borgess is back with another strong lineup.

Coach Gene Grewe said the turnout (about 45) for his team wasn't as large as last year (about 60). "But we feel we have quality kids. We're not hurting — we probably don't have as much depth, but these kids work hard."

In the distances, Grewe will rely on

seniors Ray Brennan, who was named to the All-Observer third team for the mile; Steve Bassett, who will run the half-mile; and Milton Thompson, set to pace the quarter-mile.

"We'll be looking for big things from all of these boys," Grewe said.

Senior John Patten returns as one of Bishop Borgess' top sprinters. He was named to the All-Observer first team for the 220 last year. Joining him will be sophomore Fred Owens. "I think Fred will do very well in the sprint relays and in the 100 and 220 runs," Grewe said.

Field events will be anchored by seniors Jim McDonald in the shot put and discus and Christian Clark in the high jump. Junior Tim Hanks will be Bishop Borgess' hope in the long jump as well as in the quarter-mile. "I think he'll be very, very important," Grewe predicted.

The Spartans' competition in the Catholic League probably will be led by Brother Rice and Catholic Central, Grewe said.

The non-league schedule includes contests with Livonia Churchill and Livonia Stevenson. "They're both tough," Grewe said. "Those meets will tell us a lot about how we're doing."

LIV. CLARENCEVILLE

Coach Dennis Morrison said he's most encouraged by this season's Tro-

track

jan thincled turnout.

"This is my third year coaching, and it looks a lot better than when I started," he said. "We just had our first scrimmage, and the team looks pretty promising."

Clarenceville may not have the sheer number of athletes that other teams may have, but Morrison isn't perturbed. His philosophy is simple.

"Basically, I've got seven or eight people who if they can score, we'll win. If they don't score, we could be in trouble."

Morrison has an advantage in two versatile runners. Scott Pomeroy, a sophomore, looks like a bright prospect for the distance events. He's already clocked a 5:08 for the mile and 2:12 for the half. Senior Walter O'Dowd may be a contender in everything from the sprints to the half-mile. And he's tossed the shot 38 feet.

Rick Williams, who went to state last year for the half-mile, will anchor the mile relay along with Pomeroy, O'Dowd and ace hurdler Ward Houldsworth.

"There's a good chance Ward can set a school record in the low hurdles," Morrison said.

The Trojans will be rounded out by sprinter Gary DemMirjian and senior shot putter Randy Bame. "Randy's got no real style, but he's tossed the shot 42 feet," Morrison said.

"I've got a few more people to fill in and just hope we can win," Morrison said.

REDFORD ST. AGATHA

Look for the Aggies to start slowly but make strides as the season progresses, coach Kurt Wenzel said.

"We've got about 30 kids out, mostly sophomores and freshmen," Wenzel said. "We may be weak in the beginning of the year, but we'll really improve."

Back this year to anchor the field events is senior Joe Churches, who will double at shot put and discus. Churches tossed the shot 44 feet and hurled the disc 131 feet last year (good for third in league).

St. Agatha's strength will lie in the long-distance events this season, Wenzel said. Senior Vince Opiari will run the half-mile most often, but in a recent scrimmage he posted his second best time for the mile. He may mature into an excellent runner there, Wenzel said.



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Rick Pater will compete for CC in the hurdles and the long jump. The senior standout helped the Shamrocks to last season's Observerland Relays title.

Sophomore Glen Higgins will lead the way in the mile and two-mile events. Mark Orzech, a senior transfer from Orchard Lake St. Mary, is likely to compete in both the quarter-mile — he posted a 54.0 last year — and the long jump. Orzech's brother John, a junior, is on deck as the Aggie's pole vaulter.

Livonia holds baseball meetings

The Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation has announced its meeting schedule for summer baseball and softball.

All meetings will be held at the Jackson Community Center, 32025 Lyndon (just west of Merriman).

The meeting times, dates and entry fees for men's softball are as follows: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, \$170. Returning teams: 9 p.m. Tuesday, \$170. New slow-pitch, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, \$250. Modified, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, \$250. Church Modified.

The meeting times, dates and entry fees for girls' and women's softball: 7:30 p.m. April 12, \$170. Returning teams: 8:30 p.m. April 12, \$170. New slow-pitch, 7:30 p.m. April 13, \$185. Fast-pitch, 7:30 p.m. April 28, \$50.

Junior Youth (15 and under): 8:30 p.m. April 28, \$50. Senior Youth (18 and under): 7:30 p.m. April 27, \$5 per person. Pigtail (9-10 years): 7:30 p.m. April 27, \$5 per person. Powder Puff (11-12 years).

THE BRONCO boys' softball meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 26. The entry fee is \$50 per team.

The meeting times, dates and entry fees for baseball: 7:30 p.m. April 27, \$5 per person, E Minor; 7 p.m. April 21, no charge, F Major; 8 p.m. April 21, \$110, E Major; 9 p.m. April 21, \$150, Connie Mack.

Entry fees must be paid from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, at City Hall, 3300 Civic Center Drive.

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ALETA RZEPECKI and Chery Daniels, the two young stars, seem to be jinxed on the ladies pro tour in the sun belt.

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In the ladies division, Betty Hoener was high with a closing 222 in 630.

MERRI-BOWL: Dick Murdock survived a battle to the last ball to take top honors in the senior house league with 671. This was only two pins more than Paul Ellerholz and 10 above Al Gerolamo.

WOODLAND LANES: Bowling in the Great Scott league, Dave Krotzer broke the 700 barrier with closing games of 263 and 225 for 710. In the men's trio, Paul Sovey had a 255 in 631 and Duane Sanders had a 652 to show the way in the junior house league.

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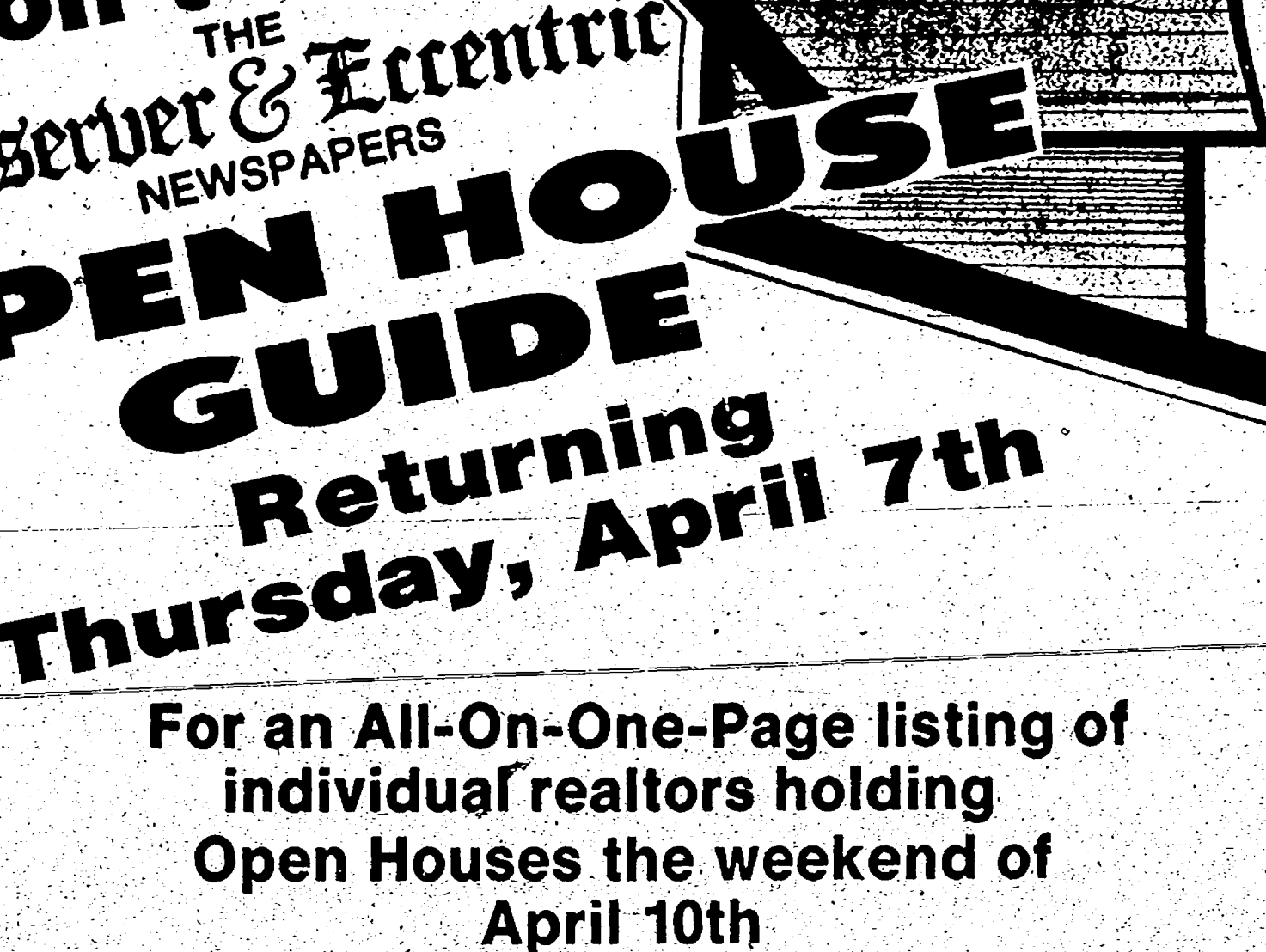
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