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The Lotto jackpot was worth at least \$10 million. The Michigan Lottery numbers for Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1995 are:

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Recount: No change in results



A recount of vote totals is complete for the Nov. 7 Westland City Council race, and four winners have retained their seats. The losing candidate who sought the recount said he is satisfied with the results.

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Kenneth Mehl's losing bid for a Westland City Council seat was reaffirmed Monday in a recount that showed Mehl trailing Councilman-elect Richard LeBlanc by 61 votes.

Mehl pulled only one vote closer to

LeBlanc, who defeated him for a two-year term. LeBlanc lost a single absentee vote as county elections workers finished a two-day recount.

Vote totals from 41 polling precincts remained unchanged, despite earlier claims from Mehl that poll workers may have reported incorrect

figures to City Clerk Diane Fritz.

Mehl also had suggested that some voting machines may have malfunctioned.

"I'm sure that some people are still questioning it (the election), but I am satisfied," Mehl, 49, said Tuesday.

Mehl said election watchers "can be relatively sure that this and past elections" were valid, and he said that Fritz and her staff "have done a good job."

Mehl, a former 12-year council member, sounded more conciliatory than he had since he failed in his Nov. 7 comeback bid. He has been

out of public office since he launched an unsuccessful campaign to unseat Mayor Robert Thomas two years ago.

Three teams of county elections workers recounted vote totals on Friday and Monday, reporting only minor changes in absentee ballots.

"The system in Westland was a very good one," a county elections spokesman said. "The city clerk there conducted a very good, very clean election. Diane Fritz and her people did a very good job."

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Santa greets youngsters



ART EMANUELE/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Dorsey party: Santa Claus dropped in for his annual visit to the Dorsey Community Center last week to listen to Christmas gift requests from neighborhood children, including 4-year-old twin brothers Kyle and Kruckoow Kenny. For more on the party, turn to the story and other photos on Page 2A.

Suspect implicated in fatal collision

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

An Inkster man suspected of stabbing a Westland bar owner during a robbery early Friday is also implicated in a two-car accident, 27 hours later, that killed a motorist in Wixom, police said.

The 36-year-old suspect, who will likely face criminal charges in both incidents, is hospitalized in critical condition, police said early this week.

Westland police will be seeking a warrant charging the suspect with a robbery and a stabbing that was reported at 2:38 a.m. Friday at Ed's Place, 29212 Van Born Road, Sgt. Tom Kubitekey said.

The suspect allegedly stabbed the manager twice in the left chest area, took \$622 from the bar and fled with a reported girlfriend who is an Ed's Place barmaid, Westland police reports said.

Early this week, the 22-year-old manager was recovering from the stab wounds in a local hospital, Kubitekey said.

Westland police were seeking the suspect when they learned that he had been involved in a fatal accident that occurred at 5:49 a.m. Saturday in Wixom, on Grand River between Napier and South Wixom Road.

Wixom police officer Alan Blashfield said the suspect, accompanied by the barmaid, crossed the center line and slammed into a car being driven by Danilo Perez, a 48-year-old Warren resident who was subsequently killed.

Perez, alone in his 1989 Chevrolet Corvair, was declared dead on the scene, Blashfield said.

The suspect and his girlfriend, in a 1993 Plymouth Sundance, were in separate hospitals early this week for injuries they suffered during the accident, Kubitekey said.

Blashfield said Tuesday that a determination is pending on whether the suspect had been drinking alcohol prior to the accident.

"That's the \$64 question," Blashfield said.

See SUSPECT, 2A

Charter changes not likely on March ballot

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Westland voters apparently won't be deciding in March whether to revise a city charter that some say is desperately in need of changes.

In a 6-1 vote, the Westland City Council tabled a measure to let voters decide March 19 whether they want the city charter revised. Voters also

would have chosen a nine-member charter commission to recommend the changes.

The ballot proposals would've coincided with the March 19 presidential primary, a move that departing Councilman Thomas Brown said would save the possible cost of a special local election.

But Brown couldn't convince his

six colleagues to schedule the election.

"It's simply a vote of the people," he said, adding later, "It's not the council's charter. It's the people's charter."

Under Brown's suggestion, voters would have decided in March whether they want revisions in a charter that hasn't been considered for wide-

spread changes since its adoption in 1966.

The charter has seen some revisions, but nothing on a major scale, said Kenneth Mehl, who chaired a local nine-member committee that earlier conducted a non-binding, six-month study of possible changes.

See CHARTER, 2A

Holiday hours

Westland's municipal offices will be closed Monday and Tuesday next week, affecting District Court, Friendship Center and other departments. Rubbish collection will be one day later than normal, starting next Tuesday and running through Saturday, Dec. 30.

Not affected by the holiday schedule changes are emergency police, fire and medical services. Schools will close at the end of Friday and resume classes Monday, Jan. 8.

Christmas tree pickup will be held Jan. 2-12.

Start of business

The Westland City Council will hold its first business meeting of the new year at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 3, with two new members following the Nov. 7 election. An inaugural ceremony

PLACES & FACES

will be held shortly before the business session. Justine Barns, who served on the council from 1966-1982, will return following her first-place finish in the council balloting last month. Joining her will be Richard LeBlanc, who served 3 1/2 years on the Wayne-Westland school board. Returning to the council will be Glenn Anderson and Charles Pickering.

All-star students

The Wayne-Westland school district will hold its annual academic all-star ceremony at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 9, in the Wayne Memorial High School Stockmeyer Auditorium, on Glenwood at

Fourth, Wayne. Students at Wayne and John Glenn High will receive school letters for their sweaters or jackets to recognize their academic achievements.

Nominations sought

Mayor Robert Thomas and the Westland Kiwanis Club are looking for nominations for their second annual "Salute to Excellence" program to honor an outstanding father, mother and teacher of the year. The program was initiated last year with hundreds of persons attending the recognition ceremony at the Hellenic Cultural Center. Nomination forms are available at City Hall with the deadline being Friday, Jan. 12. The persons selected for the awards will be publicly honored at a ceremony scheduled for Wednesday night, April 3. For information, persons may call Deputy Mayor George Gillies, 467-3200.

Suspect from page 1A

During the Westland robbery, the bar manager reported that he was attacked by the suspect, hit on the head, pushed to the floor and stabbed twice, police reports said.

Four people were in the bar at the time: the manager, the suspect, the barmaid and a second barmaid, police reports said.

The second barmaid activated an alarm in the bar and then ran outside, the reports said.

The second barmaid reported that she saw the suspect and his girlfriend leave in a car. The barmaid then went inside the bar again, locked the doors and phoned police, the reports said.

As of Tuesday, the suspect hadn't been charged in either the robbery or the fatal accident.

The suspect's girlfriend isn't expected to face charges, Kubitskey said.



Art work: Enjoying their Christmas art work coloring are Crystal Tolentino and Alyssa Lasley, both 7, at the Dorsey Center Christmas party.

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Children enjoy Dorsey Christmas party

Some 100 Westland children were treated to a magician, pizza, games and toys during a Christmas party last Thursday at the Dorsey Community Center. Santa Claus also made an appearance during the annual party hosted by the Westland Community Development Department. Children ages 5 to 12 attended the party. The big hit of the evening was magician Chris Moss, "back by popular demand" for a second year, said James Gilbert, community development director. The Westland Target store's "Good Neighbor Program" also provided five employee volunteers

The Westland Target store's 'Good Neighbor Program' also provided five employee volunteers who helped with a sing-along karaoke machine, juice and homemade cookies. The Dorsey Young Friends, an after-school educational program through the Western Wayne County YMCA, provided pizza, along with counselors and directors to assist with the party. along with counselors and directors to assist with the party, Gilbert said. Bob Patterson, a Dorsey Center employee, played Santa Claus. "I have to admire Bob," Gilbert said. "Most people would be in-

timidated facing a roomful of 100 excited children who each want a personal greeting from Santa. But Bob did an excellent job, listening to each child's Christmas wish and making them feel special." Children also had their pictures taken with Santa. Conceived in 1988 by Dorsey Center employees and Target, the program has grown to include additional sponsors. Helping out with money and donations this year were Target, Westland Rotary Club, St. Constantine & Helen Men's Club, Westland Firemen's Public Awareness Fund, and the Dorsey Young Friends.

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Magic act: Magician Chris Moss gets help with a card trick from Amber Witek, 12, during the Dorsey Center Christmas party for children.



Party time: Jason Booker, 9, is served a slice of pizza by Target store employee Michelle Doerr at the Dorsey Center's annual Christmas party last Thursday.

Charter from page 1A

"I think it's evident that the charter is outdated, and something should be done," Mehl said. One recommendation that came from the committee was to abolish the Local Officers Compensation Commission, a local board that sets pay increases for the mayor and City Council members. Mehl said the committee suggested that the pay raises should be limited to cost-of-living increases, or less.

That was but one of many changes recommended, Mehl said. But most council members chose Monday to table the charter revision issue. Departing Councilman David Cox said in the two-year term he is finishing, "I've seen it (the charter) work very well for the city of Westland." Brown said some portions of the charter are too vague and have been interpreted differently by at-

torneys. Councilman Glenn Anderson responded that attorneys will always differ on charter language. "I do believe for the most part that the charter we have now is a good charter," he said. Anderson said the council hasn't adequately discussed possible revisions, "and I would not like to see us make a hasty decision." Councilman Charles Pickering said there could be "a heavy cost"

in appointing a charter commission, and he opposed timing the vote with the presidential primary. If voters were to approve a revision and establish a charter commission, the panel would study the document and recommend changes. But the council would have to place recommended changes on another ballot before voters could approve or reject them.

DEAR SANTA

Forget about high-tech communications equipment, such as E-mail sent through computers, fax machines and cellular phones. A class of fourth graders at the Jefferson-Barns Elementary School in Westland have written their annual letters to Santa Claus the old-fashioned way — with pencil and paper. Besides a few material things, such as toys or bikes, most children wanted more than that: peace, an end to violence and gangs in their neighborhood and memories of deceased relatives. The letters, written by students of teacher Vicki Sorensen, were sent to the Westland Observer to be relayed to the North Pole.

Following are their letters:



I've been really good this year? So, can you give me a nice Christmas? I'd like a trip up north, a nice school, a computer, a really cool race car, clothes, a new bike and peace on earth. (Keep gangs away.) I will appreciate anything else you want to give me.

— Bobby McCray



I want a new house for Christmas. I also would like our Pontiac back, clothes, a bike, pogs, U. of M. coat, poster board, pool table and new bunk beds.

— Brandon Hamm



Can you find my Aunt Betty? She died from a heart attack. I want her back very, very, very much. Will you please bring her back?

— Sara Smith



I know you are busy this year, but could you please stop at my house? I really, really want just these things: No guns. No fighting. No drugs. No killing. One more thing: magic act.

— Stacie Boles



Please stop at my house. I want to have a car for Christmas. I think Miss Sorensen is my best teacher. She is good to me. Can you let me keep her forever?

— Pamela Hamilton



Roses are red, violets are blue, I'm glad you're giving me presents too. Please take away all the guns. Let Ms. Sorensen be rewarded for her caring about everyone.

Let me have all my friends forever. A stereo. A great big park owned by Westland. A good good teacher every year. I want my cat, Squirley, to live forever. I really appreciate the fact that you give everyone presents. You must go broke after making all those toys. Do you need gas for your sleigh? Thanks for reading my letter.

— Leah Potvin



You're probably busy on Christmas but could you stop by my house? There are somethings I would like for Christmas. Actually, I only want two things. I don't know if

you could grant me the two wishes, but I'll ask anyway. One is that I'd like to meet my grandma because I never met her. She died before I was born. I'd also like people to keep the Earth clean. My first list for Christmas had lots of toys on it. But I decided these two things were more important. Thank you from your friend.

— Serena Ray



Please stop at my house this Christmas. I ant a couple of things I want you to take away—drugs and guns forever. I also ant you to take away the violence.

There are some other things I want, like a nice car track. If you could, I'd really like a computer.

— Bryan Hoehing-Neeley



I know you're busy at Christmas, but could you please stop at my house? This year I would like: no drugs, no violence, no guns, no wars, peace, love, more animals and my dog, Buttons, and my turtle, Mikie, to live forever. I would like a gift to help the world and everyone on it. I'd like decent meals, nice schools, nice parks and Ms. Sorensen to be my teacher forever. Thank you.

— Erin Herbst



I know you are busy at Christmas, but could you please make peace for me? I almost forgot. I want Ms. Sorensen to be my teacher for good.

— Love, Michael Rains



I would like you to stop the violence and I would like you to stop the shootings. I'd like every person to have peace. I would I have have my grandpas and grandma back. I wish Ms. Sorensen could have her mon and dad back, too. I'd also like a 18-speed bike, CD player, rollerblades and a race car track.

— Chris Girolamo



For Christmas, I would like my dog back. Bruce died. He was very sick. The rest of my dogs ran away. Can you also give me these things: Take the guns away and keep

gangs away from little kids.

— Love, Katie Miller



I don't want much. I want more friendship, and more teachers like Ms. Sorensen. I want the drugs to quit. I don't want a lot of toys. Could you give our school some more books for the library?

— Nicole Jenks



I know you are busy on Christmas, but can you stop at my house? It's not much, but I would like the following things: Can you do this for all people? Keep the Earth clean. Can you take the gangs away? Make everyone have a good Christmas.

— Danielle Reaves



Please stop by my house. I've been good all year. We don't want much, but if you give us just one thing, that would be great. When you go to the gangs'

houses, please take away all the bad things. I would just really like peace on earth. That's all. P.S. I hope there are no more killings because it is so sad. P.P.S. I want Ms. Sorensen for my fifth and sixth grade teacher.

— Crystal Caudill



I don't want much. all I want is my Uncle David and my great-grandma. I know it is no much, but I'd like to see them a lot more. My uncle died of a heart murmur. I also

want peace on Earth. Oh, and I want Ms. Sorensen to be my teacher for the rest of my life. P.S. I love you.

— Emilie Lamb



Could you stop the violence, guns and the drugs, please? Stop the people who are hurting others. I would like the world to be clean. You can give the stuff to the

school and my friends. Most of all, Santa, let my mom live forever.

— Ryan Frost



I have been really good this year. If you think I have been good can you get me a computer, duddle bear, Secret Talents and money? I really don't care what else you get me as long it is girl stuff. Oh, can you get more books for the school? Thank you. P.S. There will be cookies for you.

— Dana Allor



I know this is not much, but I would like a new cat because one of my cats was run over by a car. By the way, I would like Ms. Sorensen for a teacher forever. I love her a lot. P.S. I love you, Santa.

— Tabatha Hennig



Before me in my classroom sit future writers, scholars, craftsmen, parents and future citizens. There is so much I want for your young people. It would

be nice if we could take the guidance and skills needed to live in our world, wrap them in a package and place it under the tree to be opened. However, we must teach, and the responsibility rests within all of our hands. I ask you, Santa, to help us work together to teach the beauty of the world in which we live. We want our children to be thankful for their lives, their health and their friends. They need to trust, to believe in themselves, to share with each other, to be proud of themselves and work toward their dreams. Perhaps if we all work together toward this goal, we will also live with greater joy. Merry Christmas.

— Vicki Sorensen



I want a bike for Christmas, a green bike. My other one was stolen and I miss it. That's all I want.

— Pauline Miller



I wanted to know if you would stop at my house and drop off a big radio and a pink and purple 10-speed bike. P.S. Thank you.

— Love, Amanda Mullins

Tom Brown bids quiet farewell to 34-year career

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Westland City Council president Thomas Brown, closing his 34-year political career Monday night, gave no flamboyant, self-congratulatory speeches.

Even though he had the last word at Monday's meeting, he merely thanked the community for the opportunity to serve in elected office, and then he asked

for a motion to adjourn the session.

Praise for Brown and colleague David Cox, who lost their re-election bids in November, came earlier in the meeting from council members and residents who commended their efforts to improve the city.

"I think Westland is a better city for your service," resident David Reed said.

Brown, 78, served as former Nankin Township trustee, treasurer and supervisor before Westland became a city in 1966. He was Westland's first mayor before serving in the state House and, for the last 10 years, on the city council.

Cox, 37, bid farewell to his first and only two-year term Monday. Councilwoman Sandra Cicirelli presented a plaque to Brown and praised his "excellent" service.

Councilman Charles "Trav" Griffin called Brown the city's "elder statesman" and told him, "The knowledge that we gain from you is absolutely astounding."

Mayor Robert Thomas, who used to clash often with Brown, conceded Monday that much of

the earlier criticism he received from Brown has actually helped him to grow in his six years as mayor.

Cox said Brown helped to heal wounded relations between the council and the administration.

"In my opinion, he's a living legend," Cox said. "It's a pleasure to know him, and it's a pleasure to call him my friend."

Councilwoman Sharon Scott presented a plaque to Cox and commended him for bringing "energy, intelligence and new ideas" to the council.

Griffin said he will miss the sense of humor that Cox often displayed during council meetings.

Cox said his two-year term has been "a grand experience," and he

single out certain city officials for praise.

He commended Fire Chief Michael Reddy for moving the city toward an advanced life-support system that will save lives.

He said Police Chief Emery Price oversees an effective police department that makes the city a safer place to live.

Finally, Cox commended the mayor for giving political support to a new library that is being built on Central City Parkway, between Ford Road and Warren.

Brown and Cox will be replaced in January by Justine Barns, a former state representative and former council member, and Richard LeBlanc, a departing Wayne-Westland school board member who won his first council seat.



Thomas Brown

Recount from page 1A

Fritz said she was "very pleased" that the recount results showed Mehl's allegations to be untrue.

"I have a lot of confidence in my election workers, and I commend them for a job well done," she said. "The recount has proven that there is honesty and integrity in our election process."

The county's recount of vote totals from 41 precincts matched the city clerk's results, vote for vote.

Even county officials conceded that minor differences in absentee ballot results could possibly be attributed to human error on the part of the county teams, who counted nearly 2,500 absentee ballots by hand. Each ballot could include votes for up to four candidates.

With the recount completed, the county certified the following vote totals, with the top four vote-

getters earning council seats: Justine Barns (4,408); Glenn Anderson (3,990); Charles Pickering (3,924); LeBlanc (3,480); Mehl (3,429); David Cox (3,380); Thomas Brown (3,223); and Dorothy Smith (2,554).

Absentee ballot totals remained unchanged for Mehl and Brown. Barns and Pickering gained two votes each, while Anderson gained four. Cox lost three votes, LeBlanc one and Smith six.

Fritz agreed with the county official who said that original results from a computerized card-reader system were probably more accurate than the hand-counting method.

Fritz commended Deputy Clerk Pat Gibbons, absentee ballot chairwoman Barbara Lee and all absentee inspectors for their work in the election.

LeBlanc had predicted that his victory would withstand the recount.

"I believe this proves that the process works," he said Tuesday. "It proves the election workers

Council winners will be publicly sworn in at 6 p.m. Jan. 3 at the Bailey Recreation Center, behind Westland City Hall on Ford Road between Wayne Road and Newburgh. They will join council holdovers Sandra Cicirelli, Charles 'Trav' Griffin and Sharon Scott.

did their job. I'm very pleased, and I didn't anticipate that there would be any changes.

"I'm feeling good about it, and I can't wait to get to work (on council issues)," LeBlanc said.

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Council members, meanwhile, have asked Fritz to prepare a report detailing the expenses that the city will incur because of the

recount. The tab has been estimated at \$2,000.

Mehl, in seeking the recount, had to pay \$10 per precinct, for a total of \$420 including absentee ballots.

One Westland resident, Jim Davis, suggested during the council meeting Monday that Mehl should pay the tab for the recount, rather than having taxpayers pay the bill.

On Tuesday, meanwhile, Mehl said he hasn't decided whether he will seek a council seat in the next election, in 1997.

"There are people who want me to," he said, "but I don't know."

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Health officials deny clinic-closing talk

BY BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

Some local residents have heard that Wayne County's pediatric health centers are going to close, but county officials say that isn't true.

The two clinics, located in Inkster and Taylor, serve about 1,800 pediatric patients a year, according to Gary Sirotti, acting deputy of the Department of Health and Community Services.

The parents of those patients are being surveyed, Sirotti said. He said he has received calls from people concerned about the clinics closing.

"We're surveying where we are at. We're not closing any clinics," he said.

"We're not going to cut off children from services. That's not our policy," Sirotti said. He said the surveys will continue for the next five or six months.

Rose Allen, a Westland resident who has heard rumors from her friends that the clinics will close, takes her three children to the Inkster clinic. She says she's been going there for about two years.

She has been planning to write a letter to the county expressing her concern.

Since her husband is self-employed and she doesn't work, "We're not rolling in the dough," she said. "We really can't afford to buy outside insurance."

One of her daughters has asthma and she's constantly at the doctor, Allen said.

"We've considered ourselves blessed to have something like this," she said.

Celia Demeter of Garden City also had heard the rumors. She no longer uses the clinic, but had taken her children to the Inkster clinic for about five years when she didn't have insurance. She

also recently recommended it to a friend who needs help for her sick child.

"It was a godsend to me," Demeter said.

Allen said she received a survey form from the county asking for her children's Social Security numbers, her total source of income, and asking if she wants assistance in getting pediatric care for her children.

Sirotti said the surveys will help the county determine if some children are eligible for Medicaid and if others are eligible for programs such as Children Caring offered by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.

Also, Medicaid regulations change often, and the county is checking to see if those regulations are being followed, Sirotti said.

Donald Lawrenchuk, medical director for the Wayne County Health Department, said he's

been hearing rumors about closings for the 13½ years he's worked for the county.

The rumor mill gets started when the surveys go out, he said.

"There are no plans to eliminate services," he said. If anything, the results may show the county needs to offer more not less, he said.

He said the county often conducts surveys. It's the main way to talk to clients, he said.

He called the services the county offers "one of the best-kept secrets in Wayne County."

Immunizations costing \$95 at a private physicians office are offered free by the health department, he said as an example of services offered.

He thinks the rumors may also be fueled by the opening of a new clinic in Taylor at Telegraph and Eureka roads. "People are wondering what's next."



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Weapons bill dies in House committee

Capitol capsules:

State representatives voted 74-31 to close what abortion foes call "a loophole in Michigan's voter-approved ban on Medicaid-funded abortions."

They approved House Bill 5458 to block clinics from sidestepping the ban by billing most of the cost of abortions to "family planning."

"This bill prevents doctors from seeking or accepting reimbursement for an abortion knowing that public funds will be used," said sponsor Michelle McManus, R-Lake Leelanau.

McManus said clinics deceive the state by charging Medicaid recipients only \$50 for the abortion and loading part of the cost as related services, such as family planning.

Opponent David Gubow, D-Huntington Woods, called the bill

"totally unnecessary" because, "It is already a crime in this state for a health care professional to request reimbursement from Medicaid for a medical procedure for which Medicaid is prohibited by law from paying."

"To do so, in violation of Michigan law, a health care professional may be charged and convicted of Medicaid fraud, which is a felony that carries a penalty of four years in prison, a \$50,000 fine or both," said Gubow.

Here is how area representatives voted on the Dec. 13 roll call:

YES — Republicans Gerald Law of Plymouth, James Ryan of Redford and Deborah Whyman of Canton; Democrat Eileen DeHart of Westland.

NO — Lyn Banks, R-Redford.
ABSENT — Tom Kelly, D-Wayne.

Cropsey outgunned

The House refused to force a concealed weapons bill out of the Judiciary Committee, dealing a defeat to sponsor Alan Cropsey, R-DeWitt, and pro-gun groups.

The House voted 45 yes and 53 no on Cropsey's motion to discharge House Bill 4718 and bring it to the House floor for a vote. The committee had opposed the bill on a 7-9 vote.

"By discharging the bill, House members would have had a chance to debate it and go on record as a supporter or opponent of self-protection," said Cropsey.

"I firmly believe in the committee process," said opponent Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti. "This attempt to discharge the committee is premature. In the long term, the continuing work of the committee will provide this state with a better concealed weapons law."

Cropsey's bill would have (1) placed concealed weapons licenses under state control, instead of county boards controlled by law enforcement agencies, and (2) made Michigan a "shall issue" state, requiring that a CW permit be issued to people with clean criminal and mental health records.

It was fiercely opposed by law enforcement agencies.

Here is how local representatives voted on discharge, with a yes vote signifying a pro-gun position and a no vote an anti-gun position:

YES — Deborah Whyman, R-Canton, Eileen DeHart, D-Westland.

NO — Republicans James Ryan of Redford and Gerald Law of Plymouth; Democrat Tom Kelly of Wayne.

ABSENT — Lyn Banks, R-Redford.

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NEW VOICES

MARK ANTHONY and **CYNTHIA LEE PETERSON** of Plymouth announce the birth of **MARISSA, ALLIE** Sept. 9 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn.

MR. and MRS. RONALD MANNING of Ecorse announce the birth of **SAMANTHA ANNE** Sept. 29 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She has a brother, Brandon, and a sister, Kayteland. Grandparents are Theodore Wymer and Nancy Wymer, both of Ecorse and Mr. and Mrs. John Rousseau of Westland.

MICHAEL and **CYNTHIA CARMENDY** of Westland announce the birth of **JACOB THOMAS** Oct. 4 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a brother, Nicolas, and two sisters, Kathlynn and Julie. Grandparents are John and Jean Moran of Southgate and Robert and Phyllis Carmendy of Westland.

MARK and **CHERYL REED** of Plymouth announce the birth of **ALAINA THERESE** Nov. 2 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. She has a sister, Lauren, 5½. Grandparents are Harry and Sue Reed of Madison, Wis., and Carolyn LaBruzzy of Canton and the late Tom LaBruzzy.

JOHN and **DIANE FISHER** of Wayne announce the birth of **EMMA FRANCES** Sept. 27 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. She has two brothers, Johnny and David, and a sister, Annie. Grandparents are Donald and Dorothy Clark of Garden City and Helga Fisher of Florida.

BILL and **TERI EVANS** of Westland announce the birth of **JOSHUA WILLIAM** and **ZACHARY JOHN**, born Oct. 30 at Botsford General Hospital in Farmington Hills. Grandparents are John and Diane Macik of Plymouth Township and Bill and Sandy Evans of Brighton Township. Great-grandparents are Stella Macik of Northville, Fanne Vloch of Plymouth Township, Betty and Jerry Kurkowski of Center Line and Jean Evans of Warren.

GENE and **SHEILA SLAYTON** of Redford announce the birth of **CHAD ROBERT** Oct. 17 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has two brothers, Jamie and Nicholas. Grandparents are Gene and Sandy Slayton and Rowland and Bobbie Annis, all of Dearborn Heights. Great-grandmother is Vivian Whitmore of Garden City.

RANDOLPH and **LYNETTE MANN** of Plymouth announce the birth of **SCOTT LAWRENCE** Oct. 24 at Providence Hospital in Southfield. He has two brothers, Ryan Matthew, 6, and Jason Randolph, 4. Grandparents are Earl and Priscilla Mann of Highland and Lawrence and Lois Woodrum of Westland. Great-grandmothers are Letha Schmidt and Gladys Schrottenboer.

MATHEW and **DAWN TYKOSKI** of Wayne announce the birth of **TYLER JOSEPH** Oct. 17 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. He has a brother and sister, Erik and Marie Cierpial. Grandparents are Andrew and Vera Tykoski of Gaylord and Harry and Bev Demmers of Westland.

ANDY FURDA II and **LIA KOCH** of Ann Arbor announce the birth of **TAYLOR ALEXIS FURDA** Oct. 23 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Her grandparents are John and Virginia Koch of Canton.

PAUL and **FRANCEE PFEIFER** of Garden City announce the birth of **ALICIA SUZANNE** Oct. 18 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Wayne. Grandparents are William of Pfaff of Bellevue, Mich., and Gary and Debby Pfeifer of Vernon, Conn.

MARK and **LINDA KIRBY** of Livonia announce the birth of **THOMAS MARK** Aug. 7. He has two brothers and three sister. Grandparents are Ralph and Dorothy Cleaver and Jim and Marge Kirby.

CYRIL and **LORI RADWIN** of Ypsilanti announce the birth of **CLARK ADDISON** Oct. 20 at Oakwood Hospital Annapolis Center-Westland. He has a brother, Maxwell Gordon. Grandparents are Norman and Judi Jansen of Pecos, Ill., Ralph and Rose Radwin of Markham, Ill., and Wallace Knapp of Freeport, Ill.

LAWRENCE and **SHARON CONKLIN** of Westland announce the birth of **CAITLIN ELIZABETH** Oct. 21 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. She has a sister, Jeanette Marie, 4, and a brother, Danile Joseph, 3. Grandparents are Edmund and Sally Conklin of Brighton and Jeanette Chermiside of Apopka, Fla., formerly of Pinckney, and the late John J. Chermiside.

ANNIVERSARIES

Leonard

William Augustine and Margaret Leonard will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Friday, Dec. 15.

They will be joined by their children for a family dinner celebration at the Dearborn Inn. In the spring, the Leonards will take all three generations to Barbados.

The couple exchanged vows on Dec. 15, 1945, in Pittsburgh, Pa. She is the former Margaret Cauley.

They have lived in the Plymouth area for 40 years and have two married children — Biff and Luanne Leonard of San Diego, Calif., and Steve and Sue Danen of Oconomowoc, Wis. They also have five grandchildren — Catherine and William Leonard and Krietine, Aubrey and Tyler Danen.

He is a member of Plymouth Kiwanis and Our Lady of Good Counsel where he was a former business administrator. He also is a former member of the Plymouth Planning Commission.



He retired in 1980 from Autocrat Manufacturing and Firestone and enjoys bridge, golf and attending theater productions. She is a member of the Plymouth Study Club, the Plymouth Council on Aging, Our Lady of Good Counsel and P.E.O. She is a former hygienist assistant for the fluoride program in Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

Quick

Arthur and Ethel (Pat) Quick of Redford were the guests of honor at a combined 50th wedding anniversary and birthday party, held Dec. 2 at the American Legion Post 147 in Northville.

The Quicks, who share the same birthday — Dec. 3 — exchanged vows on Nov. 28, 1945, in Detroit. She is the former Ethel L. Howard.

Retired of Redford since 1960, they have three children — Pamela Walker of Fowlerville, Patrick of Jacksonville, Fla., and Paul of Fowlerville. They also have 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He retired as a steel fitter from J.B. Webb Co. after 44 years. His hobbies and interests include his children and grandchildren, travel, airplanes and Great Lakes history.



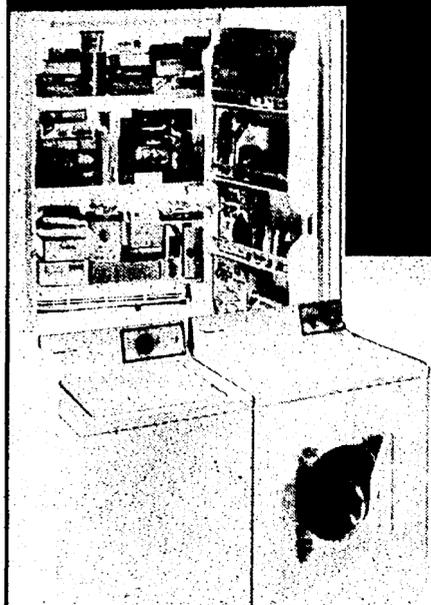
She retired after 18 years as a transportation supervisor at Detroit Country Day School. Her hobbies and interests include her children and grandchildren, travel and crafts.

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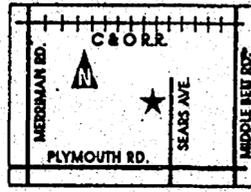


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HCMA board OKs family water park

By TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

Users of Indian Springs Metropark in 1999 will have water slides and a "lazy river" on which to tube.

The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority board approved the concept for a "family aquatic park" in, north of White Lake Road in White Lake and Springfield townships of northern Oakland County.

The HCMA board acted Dec. 14 just after approving a 1996 annual operating budget of \$42 million, up 2 percent over 1995. It is funding the \$9 million to \$10 million project by banking \$3.1 million this year.

"We hope to have it open in 1999," said Dan Duncan, chief planner for the five-county authority.

"There will be a leisure pool, several sizes of water slides and a 'lazy river' — a stream about 15 feet wide with a pumped current to make a flow. You can ride it in an inner tube.

"There will be water drops and waterfalls. It will cover six to eight acres (of 2,500 acres in the entire park).

"We'll meet with Springfield and White Lake townships for site plan reviews and electrical inspections," Duncan said.

This year HCMA will work on engineering plans and infrastructure, such as roads. Power lines already are nearby.

Entry fees level

HCMA covers the counties of Wayne, Oakland, Livingston, Washtenaw and Macomb. It operates 13 day-use metroparks, mostly of several thousand acres and all in the valleys of the Huron and Clinton rivers.

Founded in 1939, HCMA gets half its revenue from a property tax of 0.224 mill (22.4 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) and one-fourth from vehicle admissions and fees for boat launching and golf. Smaller amounts come from grants and investments. "All authority user fees will be unchanged from 1995," controller

David Wahl said. Vehicle admission fee is \$15 for the year.

The board approved the budget without comment on a 7-0 vote, with Macomb's commissioner, Thomas Welsh, absent.

The budget calls for a hiring freeze and a "record high" capital investment of \$10 million, Wahl said. In 1996 HCMA will be in the fourth year of a five-year plan in which unspent funds are carried over to the next year to finance major capital projects.

Major projects

Among major projects for 1996, besides the Indian Springs aquatic park:

- Kensington, near Brighton — hike-bike trail widening and resurfacing — \$210,000.

- Willow, in southern Wayne County — repairs to the leaking pool — \$155,000.

- Metro Beach, on Lake St. Clair — reconstruction of the boat ramp — \$130,000. (This does not cover a disputed plan to install a new small boat launch directly on the lake.)

- Wolcott Mill in central Macomb County — land acquisition — much of the available \$1.1 million.

- Stony Creek, northeast of Rochester — nature center road (\$420,000), nature center bridge (\$620,000) and picnic area play structures (\$60,000).

- Huron Meadows, south of Brighton — various amounts for the Sunset Ridge comfort station, Malby Road improvement cost share.

- Golf courses throughout the system — \$700,000.

Boat launch fight

Detroit Audubon Society and east side bird watchers continued to protest HCMA's proposed launch for under-16-foot boats directly onto Lake St. Clair. The current launch is upstream on the Black River and would continue to serve larger boats.

"Point Rosa (wetlands next to the proposed launch site) is a living museum. It's the last,

See WATER PARK, 12A

SC's ed program to get new quarters

By BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

Continuing Education Services at Schoolcraft College will have a new home come spring.

Renovation work has begun on the former Student Services building, east of the Waterman Campus Center.

Katrina VanderWoude, assistant dean of Continuing Education Services, is coordinating the renovation. Now spread out into several buildings on campus, the new center will mark the first time the staff will be under one roof, she said.

After serving 15,000 continuing education students last year, VanderWoude is looking forward to centralizing the administrative

operations.

"I'm very excited. I can't wait to see students in our new building," she said.

CES classes will continue to meet in other buildings on campus, but a centralized building will give students a place to stop and pick up schedules, will provide an information center for continuing education courses and serve as a home base for faculty.

Continuing education classes are non-credit courses offered on a variety of subjects such as computers, art, foreign languages, financial planning, licensing and physical fitness.

The building was freed up when the McDowell Center was opened this year. It had been constructed

about 20 years ago as a temporary building, according to Saurda Florek, dean of marketing and development at Schoolcraft College.

It is a cinder block building on a slab, according to Adelard Raby, vice president of business at the college. The building is "really very well constructed," he said, adding he's not sure he would have characterized it as temporary.

At a cost of \$150,000 to \$175,000, the 5,600 square foot building will be painted, get a new suspended ceiling, new carpeting and be converted from electric to gas heat to save money on energy, Raby said.

The floor plan will include a meeting-conference room that will hold up to 32 people, office space

for a staff of 12-15 full and part-time employees and a waiting area.

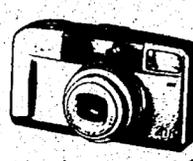
The college is buying systems furniture, which Raby described as "big Tinkertoys," in which pieces are bought and then put together into various workspaces. "It lets you tailor your workspace," he said.

The entrances are also being redone as well as some wiring to accommodate computers, according to VanderWoude. "We're trying to make sure it's a state-of-the-art building," she said.

About 40 percent of the work is completed and the targeted move-in is scheduled for the first week of March, which is the college's midwinter break.

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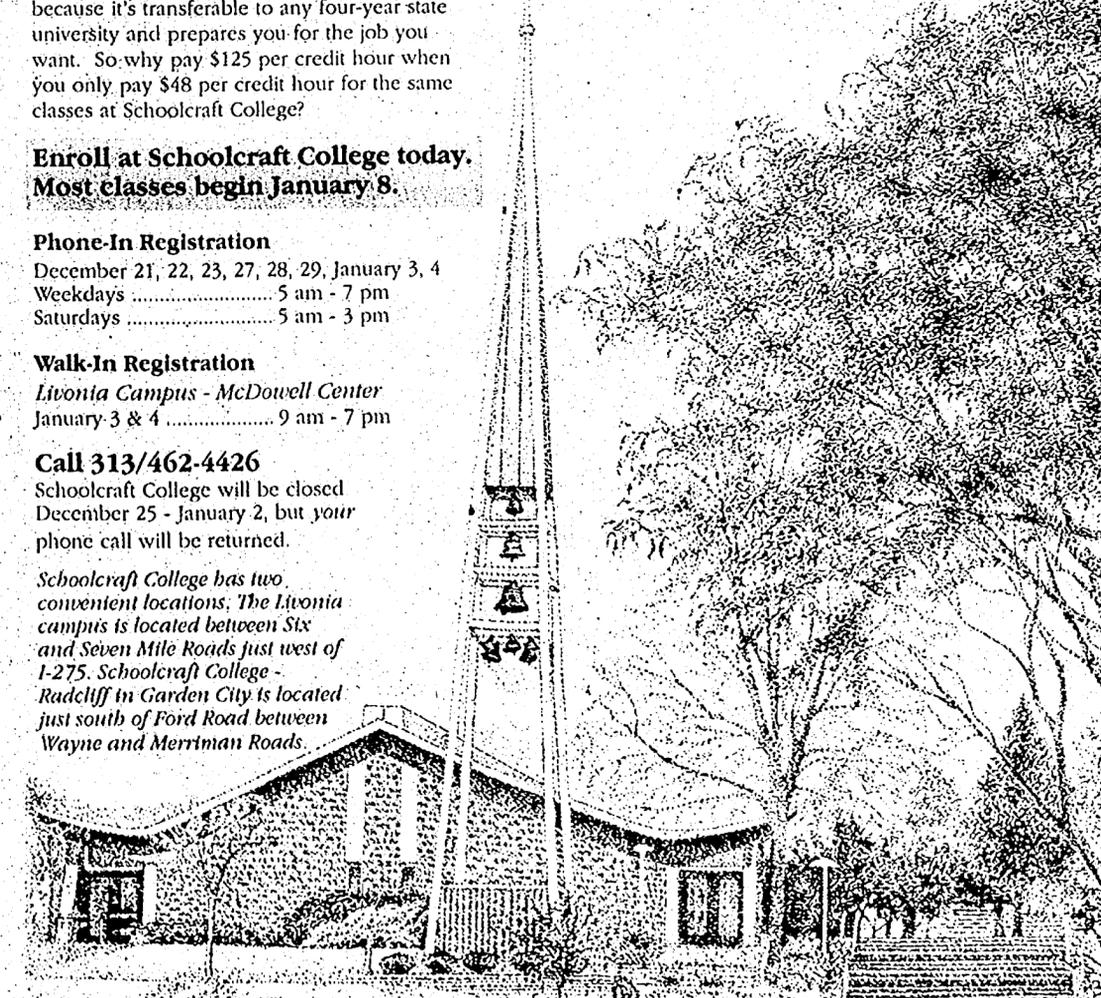
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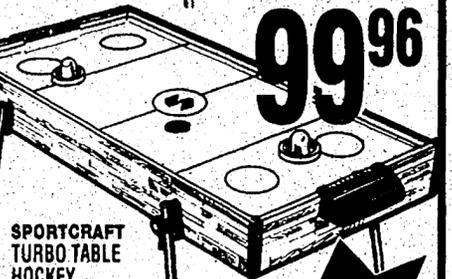
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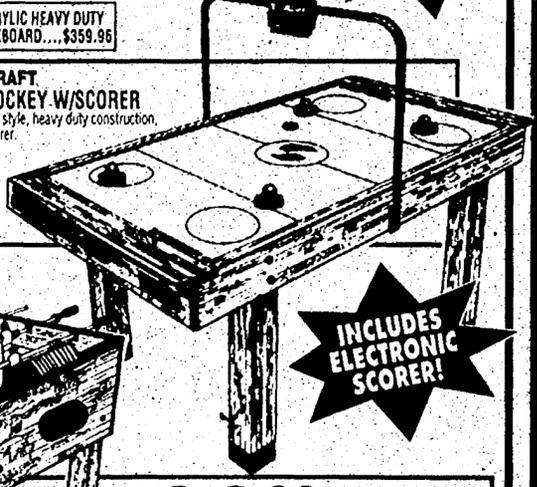
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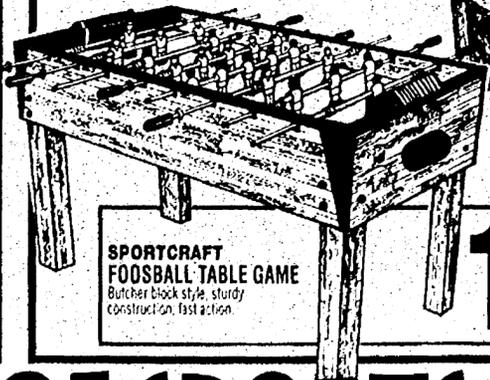
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MEAP time

Good news: scores are up

Monday's Westland Observer reported how the Wayne-Westland and Livonia school districts' elementary and middle school students performed on the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) test.

High school scores and science scores will be reported in the spring as the state once again has made a change in MEAP. For being a standardized testing program, MEAP seems to have several changes from year to year, but that's another issue.

Right now, readers can look at the MEAP scores and be generally pleased with the results. The major message of the scores is that local students have raised their test scores over time from one year to the next. Logically, this suggests that student performance also has improved over time.

While school officials are optimistic about the latest improvement in test scores, they make it clear that there is still room for growth in the future.

A few years ago, the state beefed up the MEAP sweepstakes game by attaching some clout to the importance of these scores.

The state decided to use MEAP scores as an important element in measuring school district performance and now is tying performance measurements to funding.

At that point, school districts throughout Michigan (Wayne-Westland and Livonia included) began "teaching to the test." This does not mean that the schools give students MEAP

answers or copies of the MEAP tests. Instead, the administration looks at MEAP instructional objectives and aligns its curriculum to make sure that the knowledge in MEAP tests is actually taught and presented before the exams are administered.

Partly because of that change, there has been a notable improvement in MEAP test scores. Some will debate the wisdom of matching local curriculum objectives with state MEAP learning objectives, but with the clout the state has and the threat of withholding money, the district has done the right thing.

MEAP is not the only performance measurement districts face. In 1996 throughout Michigan, 11th-graders will be taking proficiency tests to determine what our students learn before leaving high school. The proficiency tests are tied into state-endorsed diplomas.

Some parents are interested in comparing local districts with other districts and there may be some merit in that. But they should be cautious in drawing conclusions.

They should also avoid the temptation to say that, based on district or building-by-building scores, "my school is better than your school."

But we can, and should, be pleased with how our students have performed over the past four years. We are moving in the direction we all wish to go — up. We also are moving toward a system in which our school district can be held accountable by parents, taxpayers and residents.

Volunteers display Yule spirit

The spirit of the holiday season is alive and well in Observerland. To those of us here at the Observer Newspapers that means Westland, Garden City, Canton Township, Plymouth Township, Redford Township and Livonia.

At this time of year we say thanks and applaud all of you who have taken the time to help make things better for others. That's a lot of people, and we've only room to mention a few. But here's a sampling from throughout Observerland of the many good people at work this season.

In Westland, a special thanks to fire department Sgt. Jeff Pochron who raised some \$2,000 for the Westland Goodfellows fund drive. The Goodfellows raised nearly \$11,000 which will make a merry Christmas for some 500 area youngsters. Pochron worked non-stop during a two-day post-Thanksgiving fund-raiser. And he was in good company. Some 22 of the 27 volunteers were Westland firefighters. They been dubbed "Westland's Santas."

In adjacent Garden City, community groups and city officials joined hands last Saturday to distribute Christmas baskets to 115 needy families. The groups include Scouts, elementary, junior high and senior high school students as well as those from several veterans' organizations and a senior citizens' group.

The activity, coordinated by the Garden City United Needy Family Fund, clearly demonstrates the spirit of giving among our readers.

Across our northern city limit, Paul Bensman, owner of Furniture Direct in Livonia and Waterford, is helping the Society of St. Vincent de Paul by dropping off new furniture from his Furniture Direct showrooms and warehouses. A weekend fire at the society warehouse destroyed more than \$1 million in clothing and household

items which go to the needy.

"When I heard about the massive weekend fire and Jim Carron's need to help more people I felt like we had to assist him in any way we could," Bensman said. "Seeing everyone coming together at this difficult time of year is the most satisfying part of it. This is what Christmas is all about — people helping people."

Furniture Direct is helping in another way. Bensman and Spring Air Mattress Co. will donate new mattresses to those who don't have a bed to sleep on. And finally, the store will donate 5 percent of all sales to St. Vincent de Paul.

Also in Livonia, Laurel Park Place at Six Mile and Newburgh and Wonderland Mall at Plymouth and Middlebelt roads will accept non-food and non-cash donations. The shopping centers are managed by Schostak Brothers & Co. Inc., which spearheaded the move.

The Christmas spirit was evident pretty early in Canton with the annual tree lighting. The event drew 2,000-2,500 residents to see Santa and watch the township tree light up.

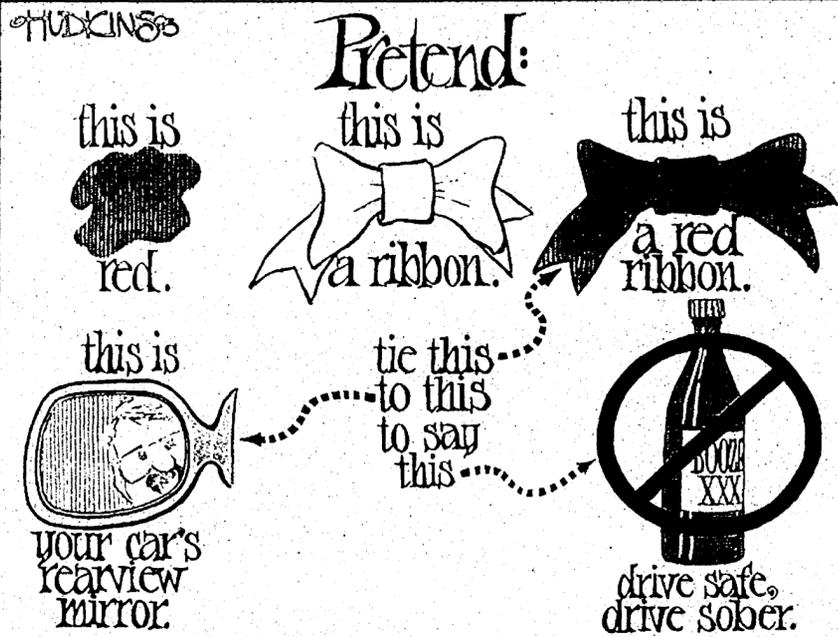
Many Canton residents, however, carried the Christmas spirit beyond the tree lighting — notably Nancy Spencer, president of Canton Goodfellows. Spencer has carried the torch for the needy in Canton, by unselfishly giving of her time and effort.

Also to be recognized are Matt and Carol Adams of Canton who are accepting donations through Friday, Dec. 22, at a semi-trailer truck in the parking lot of New Towne Plaza at Ford and Sheldon roads.

Many more acts of kindness and goodwill have been called in and reported to us proving that the holiday spirit flourishes here.

Take time to share, celebrate and enjoy the holiday season!

ARKIE HUDKINS



LETTERS

Mayor upsets Mehl

As I was scanning the cable channels I came to channel 8 and saw Mayor Bob Thomas (which is nothing unusual) complaining about an article one of the local newspapers (not the Observer) printed.

He was berating the editor and, in essence, said he should not be criticized. The mayor not only controls Channel 8 (the governmental channel on the cable-TV system), but now wants to control what the newspapers write! I think that has already happened. What happened to freedom of the press? The newspapers should tell the citizens exactly what is happening in this city.

The financial picture is worsening and nothing is said. The lucrative contracts and huge retirement benefits that the mayor and council approved of are never mentioned, and the citizens of Westland will be burdened with the taxes to pay for them.

The newspapers should in fact report these things to the citizens because the mayor won't. It is time the taxpayers of Westland are informed of what exactly is going on, whether Mayor Bob wants them to or not. It is the responsibility of the papers to report ALL things happening in this city, not just what the mayor wants us to know. Sooner or later we will find out; hopefully, it won't be too late.

Mayor, if you want to see the tape of what you said about me, call me; it's nothing like you said it was! By the way, Mayor Bob, are all Westland residents entitled to the same discounts and freebies you get? Mayor Bob, you said I should use my energy; well, myself and other citizens are going to do that; hope you like what we'll be doing!

Ken Mehl, City Councilman

Why parents work

An open letter to Livonia Board of Education trustees Sue Clulow and Ken Timmons: After hearing your comments regarding daycare at the recent board meeting, I felt compelled to write you. I find it absolutely incorrigible that someone elected to represent the interests of our community could make such remarks.

To assume that two-income families exist merely out of greed, rather than need, is not only inaccurate but on the contrary, quite the opposite. Perhaps you haven't checked your facts. If you had, you would know that the average family, living on the average salary for metropolitan Detroit, could not afford to support the payments of an average home in this community.

Your comments imply that two-income mothers have mixed priorities, when in fact,

the typical working mother is working to support a quality environment for their children. Certainly in my case, I would like nothing more than to spend more time with my children. But at what expense? A poor quality of life? No support for college?

The two-income economy we are experiencing is beyond our control. The rise in the cost of living in the past two decades has outpaced the American income by double digits. You opinion is that we choose to work — when, in fact, it is not a choice.

We need your support for the Jackson Child Care Center. My first son has been going there since 1989 and my second since 1994. If anything, I had peace of mind that my children were in loving hands each day I had to work.

To eliminate this facility will affect many families in the community — families that look to you to represent our interests.

Working parent not looking for a substitute

Strikers backed

On July 13, 1995, six unions, representing more than 2,500 workers at the Detroit News and Free Press were forced out on strike by the Detroit Newspapers, because of unfair labor practices.

As of Dec. 13, the unions have been out for exactly five months, but the papers continue to publish using scab labor. The papers are not attempting to reach an agreement with unions and get these people back to work.

The Detroit News is owned by Gannett, which owns more than 100 newspapers across the country, of which only three are unionized. The Free Press is owned by Knight-Ridder, which is also a big company.

Knight-Ridder and Gannett want to break the unions at the two dailies, and that is what this strike is about; it's not about money.

We as a people need to help the unions to win this strike, because if the union-busting Detroit Newspapers win, then you could be next. Here's how you can help to support the strikers:

Cancel your subscription to the Detroit News and Detroit Free Press until the strike is over by calling (313) 222-6500; boycott businesses who advertise in the scab papers, or who sell the scab papers, and tell the businesses why you are boycotting them; put up a "no scab papers" lawn sign (to get a sign, call 965-6388).

If you don't want your kids to be working all of their lives for minimum wage, then you should support unions. Please support the newspaper unions in their fight against corporate greed.

Dustin Miller, Garden City

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Joan Fredericks
Westland



"Declining. There's too much violence on TV."
Pat Connor
Westland



"I think it's declining. There's too much violence. I read books all the time."
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"Declining. I think it's going too far. You see too much. There's nothing left to the imagination."
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POINTS OF VIEW

Childhood yule memories stir imagination

Cease and desist, furry wretches. I was cheerily fighting a losing battle with my cats for possession of ribbons and wrap. Only after some silly swashbuckling with a yardstick did I finally frizz up their tails and fend them off. I returned to the pleasant task of fumbling with holiday parcel post packages.

As if in some fantastic fairy tale I observed the lake freezing right before my eyes while tending to tokens of affection. I chortle, imagining a Christmas tree decorated with all the weird little gifts I've even given or received.

Most fortunately my earliest Christmases emphasized church and choir. The excitement of celebrating midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, learning the glorious anthems and ever awestruck by the gift of exquisite music I still hold dear enhanced the deeper meaning forever more. Then there was the magic tree. I still

don't know how they came to be with a mom raising five daughters alone. A relative, or an older sister's kindly suitor?

The mere thought of a turkey caused swooning for kids who considered fried bologna hats gourmet fare. The stockings usually had an apple, orange and candy cane.

On a good year perhaps some chocolate coins, or the now surely frowned upon candy cigarettes, a poor year, maybe a biscuit with raspberry jam. But there would be pies and a bowl of nuts to crack until someone screamed pinching themselves horribly struggling with an impenetrable Brazil nut. Only by the time you grow tough enough to get one open does the blah flavor lend itself revelations about wasted youth.

There would be merry banter comparing the thespian talents of Alastair Sims, Reginald Owen and Jim Backus as Mr. Magoo in their interpretations of

GUEST COLUMNIST



DOROTHY MATSU

Scrooge. It did seem that childhood Christmas dramas helped us see a certain comfort and nobility in poverty.

Clay, crayons and coloring books of TV shows like "Mr. Ed," "Petticoat Junction" or detective shows such as "Hawaiian Eye" and "77 Sunset Strip"

were cheap fun. Paper dolls were a huge obsession back then.

Connie Francis, Jackie Kennedy and Twiggy all accessorized with the cervical collar of tape necessary when poor perforations and clumsy childish fingers inevitably gave the doll whiplash causing her head to fold over if not be completely decapitated.

Getting along, I was happy to get a pair of kneesocks that wouldn't droop foolishly down my stick legs or those smashing clashing metal keyskates. You tried to be gracious over such classics as ugly fuzzy slippers with neither toe nor heel, or grotesque quality robes resembling coffin lining.

Synthetics would become a sore point in the teen years when you wished only for a woolen navy hat, but got monstrous acrylic mittens and violently colored stocking cap of such questionable taste and treacherous length you could only

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conclude the giver actually loathed you. My dear mother somehow made very little doodads she received, including some truly horrific ceramic creations of mine, seem clever, precious things. Grace given, a sumptuous slapup was gleefully savoured, and lolling about we dreamily murmured carols to sleep.

Glad tidings!
Dorothy Matsu is a Plymouth Township resident and a frequent guest columnist.

County government had a productive year in '95

Ed McNamara and our administration have just finished our ninth year in office. Have we slowed down?

Judge for yourself. In the spirit of the Christmas season here are the presents the employees of Wayne County have worked hard on all year to deliver to the people who put us in office:

"C" is for "Credit Rating," boosted by our record \$16 million surplus and eighth straight balanced budget in 1995. Our credit rating saved Wayne County taxpayers millions of dollars in lower interest costs as we refinanced most of our long-term bonds.

"H" is for "Health Care," especially for the 40,000 poor whose only medical care is through Wayne County's Plus Care system (special thanks to Sen. Bob Geake and Rep. Lyn Bankes for leading the fight to save the program); and for the 200 companies and 3,000 workers who have enrolled in "Wayne County's Health Choice" in just its second year.

We're also proud of the Health Department's new 1995 initiatives: screening for breast and cervical cancer in women over 40 and a new mobile clinic now immunizing children in

their homes in high risk neighborhoods.

"R" is for "Recreation," and Wayne County Parks had quite a year: canoes on the Rouge River (first time since 1954); restoration of Newburgh Pointe as ice skating warming center on Newburgh Lake (first time since 1962); renovation of Nankin Mills center in Westland (first built in 1863); and construction bids let for new golf course in Inkster/Westland (first new course built by county since 1945). And how about that Light Fest?

"I" is for "Investment" - the private sector kind. When wetlands problems jeopardized 1,200 jobs in an expansion at Ford's Wayne Truck Facility, Wayne County's plan for wetland mitigation on some vacant county land in Westland saved the project.

Wayne County also became the United States center for the new computer flat panel industry with the opening of the OIS facility on county land in Northville and we've just reached agreement for the doubling of that facility to a total of 800 jobs.

"S" is for "SMART" saved by the 67 percent "YES" vote in Wayne County in May, preserving the independence of

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thousands of seniors and handicapped, with 100 new buses and 200 new miles of bus route just being added. We're building one of the finest bus systems in the United States.

"T" is for "Troubled Youth" a problem being targeted by Wayne County through expanded delinquency prevention programs, new recreational programs, and a new youth home, which received final approval in December to be built in downtown Detroit. With the leadership of new Youth Home Director Leonard Dixon and the construction of a modern building, the chronic problems at the Youth Home will finally

be resolved.

"M" is for "Morgue" where the chronic problems have been resolved. With the opening of the new morgue in April, the Medical Examiner moved out of a decaying 1922 facility into one of the finest and most modern forensic facilities in the United States. For those who suffer the grief of having to identify a family member, the treatment received at the Wayne County Morgue is now professional and humane.

"A" is for "Airport" and 1995 was the year Metro's plans for the future finally took off.

The new crosswind runway cut the traffic delays at Metro in half and the completion of the 8,000 car parking structure (the largest structure in the Midwest) greatly eased the parking problems.

The new "Concourse G" made life much easier for those traveling to other cities in Michigan and brand new cabs made life nicer for those from out of town.

The best news, though, was that plans for the long awaited "South Terminal" are now on a fast track as Wayne County and Northwest have

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dedicated full-time teams to get the terminal built as quickly as possible.

"S" is for "Supporters" and I would especially like to thank Commissioners Kay Beard and Michelle Plawecki for their role in these accomplishments. While a few commissioners spent 1995 doing nothing but opposing Ed McNamara on nearly every one of these initiatives, Commissioners Beard and Plawecki patiently put up with the abuse and made sure Wayne County made progress. They deserve your thanks.

I think 1995 was Ed McNamara's best year yet. And for 1996? Maybe a "New Year's" column: "New" is for the "new fishing derby" coming to Northville in May.

Michael Duggan is deputy county executive in Wayne County.

Charter schools make news

Sensational! Scoop! Zowie! Stop the presses! The astounding, incredible news is that a public school district is seeking to convert all five of its buildings to public school academies, alias "charter schools."

The unusual development is occurring in Montabella district, midst the potato farms of Edmore in Montcalm County.

Why unusual? Because this is what charters were intended to be — specialized schools within a public school system. Michigan has been misusing the concept, issuing charters to private and sectarian schools so that they can slip around the state constitution's prohibition of vouchers and parochialism.

In a paper called "Charter Schools Laws across the United States" and published by Michigan State University's Institute for Public Policy and Social Research, Sandra Vergari and Dr. Michael Mintrom assign credit to Ray Budde, a professor of school administration, with bringing forth the charter idea in 1988 in (of all things) an educators' journal. They add:

"The charter schools idea was advanced by Albert Shanker, president of the American Federation of Teachers, in a 1988 appearance before the National Press Club. Shanker argued that charter schools would increase choice within the public schools system without undermining it." (Italics added.)

Amazing, isn't it? A union president's idea being picked up by Michigan's religious right and its gofers, Gov. John Engler, Senate majority leader Dick Posthumus and State Board of Education president Clark Durant!

In truth, Michigan public school districts have been setting up alternative specialized schools for a long, long time. In the 1920s, my father learned printing at such a school in Detroit, called Cass Tech. Suburban districts like Livonia and Walled Lake long have had alternative programs for "last chance" students who dropped out earlier for whatever reason.

The unusual feature of Montabella plan is that the entire district will be composed of charter schools. Some observers raise an eyebrow at making all five buildings charter schools. Whatever the merits, the idea that a public school district is going the charter route is astounding news.

What we usually are (mis)treated to in Michigan is this story from the Iosco County News Herald in Oscoda about Pinecrest Academy.

It seems the health department shut down Pinecrest, a private school housed, for whatever reason, in Lighthouse Baptist Church. The health inspector "could not conduct inspections at the church and therefore could not issue



TIM RICHARD

written approval for operating the school," the paper reported.

It was the second time Pinecrest ran afoul of the authorities. The state fire marshal shut down its operation in Cooley Plaza of Baldwin Township.

So what will Pinecrest Academy do now? First, said administrator Elizabeth Baldwin, "We are going temporarily to home schooling while we're working on getting another building." She and staff members will travel to students' homes, though not every day, to teach parents how to work with the materials.

Second, the administrator is shopping around between universities to see if one will grant it charter school status in order to get state aid. So what we're most likely to get is yet another private school in line for a government handout.

Week after week, the list of charter abuse stories grows: Noah Webster, Academy of Detroit, Trivalley and a church's dummy corporation in Muskegon, and now Pinecrest.

It's as if John Engler and pals had their fingers crossed on Jan. 1, 1995, when they took an oath of office that began: "I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the constitution of this state. . . . They ignore the plain language of the Michigan Constitution:

"No public monies or property shall be appropriated or paid or any public credit utilized, by the legislature or any other political subdivision or agency of the state directly or indirectly to aid or maintain any private, denominational or other nonpublic, pre-elementary, elementary or secondary school."

The rhetoric about choice, competition, parental control, non-traditional programs, and educational diversity is window dressing. The name of the charter game is tax money for private and sectarian schools.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events.

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accessible, high-quality wetlands on Lake St. Clair," said spokesman Mike Mencotti.

Some 275 species of birds — including the peregrine falcon, least bittern and bald eagle — have been spotted there, said Mencotti. The common loon, a threatened species, stops overnight during migrations.

"In the prime boating season, only 3 percent of park use is for boating; 3 percent is for fishing;

37 percent, walking; and 12 percent bird-watching," Mencotti said. He urged the HCMA board to make Metro Beach a bird-watchers' equivalent to Ontario's Point Pelee.

HCMA's chief planner Dan Duncan called "not accurate" the charge that marshes would be destroyed. "The authority is very

conscious of wetlands and marshes."

Duncan said HCMA's proposal is under review by the state departments of Natural Resources and Environmental Quality and may be modified at their request.

HCMA's chief naturalist, Tom Smith, said the present upstream boat launch has been there 40

years next to a wetland, but degradation has occurred only in the last 15 years — "not by boats but by mute swans forcing other (waterfowl species) out."

"As chief naturalist," Smith told the protestors, "I'm more concerned about this wetland more than all of you put together."

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FAA cites Metro tower for error-free operation

The Detroit Metro Air Traffic Control Tower has received the 1994 "Facility of the Year" honors in the Great Lakes Region and for operating error-free during the past year.

Federal Aviation Administration officials from the Great Lakes Regional Office in Des Plaines, Ill., presented the awards this week.

The tower is a split facility, consisting of a Level IV Tower Cab and a Level V Terminal Radar Approach Control. In 1994, the radar approach control worked 693,383 operations, and the Tower Cab served 485,306 operations.

This reflects 6.8 percent increase in radar approach control traffic and a 4.9 percent increase in airport traffic over the previous year.

Despite this increase, the Tower Cab controllers completed operations in 1995 with no operational errors.

The Air Traffic Control Tower received regional facility of the year in 1994.

Evaluation items identified as commendable included operational supervision, operational teamwork, traffic management, training program initiatives, hub quality assurance support, management involvement in the operation, labor management relationship, personnel involvement and automation initiatives.

Scholarship applications available at Madonna

Madonna University is accepting scholarship applications through Friday, March 1, from admitted students for the 1996-97 academic year.

Scholarship applications may be obtained at the University Financial Aid Office or by calling (313) 432-5663.

The majority of awards stipulate that the recipient be an admitted full-time student who possesses a minimum grade point average of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale; however, there are some exceptions as well as additional requirements.

Madonna University scholarships available for the 1996-97 year include: Viola R. and Thomas G. Bosco Scholarship, awarded to an African-American student pursuing a bachelor of science in nursing degree; John J. Carlo Scholarship, awarded to a nursing major; Knights Foundation Inc. Scholarship, awarded to a hearing-impaired student; Richard Koch Scholarship, awarded to a criminal justice major; Sister Mary Hugoline Konkel Scholarship, awarded to a 1996 graduate of a Catholic high school; Dr. Leo A. and Dr. Bernice Ohlby Scholarship; and the Sage Scholarship.

Madonna University awards associate's, bachelor's and master's degrees. It is at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia.

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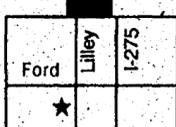


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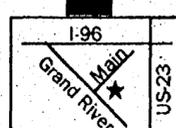
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FAMILY ROOM



KAREN MEIER

True love lives in war, peace

Christmas time 1945. The world was at peace. It had been just a little more than three months since World War II ended. Even so, in that December 50 years ago thousands of American soldiers were still performing their military duties, still wearing their uniforms, and still taking furloughs. And on this day, Dec. 21, 1945, many soldiers, still in uniform, went home for the holidays.

And there were two soldiers among them, both having been stationed stateside throughout the war, who boarded separate trains and headed north from their post, to begin their furloughs. For those two soldiers it would be a furlough neither would forget, the one to change their lives forever.

The two soldiers, one a woman and the other a man, left their posts at the Army hospital in Swannanoa, N.C., took separate trains north to their destinations, then met up again. And on this very day, 50 years ago, in front of a close circle of family and friends and before a judge, they were married.

The hope of the future, the promise of goodness, the notion of unity, which had just months before played out jubilantly in city streets across America when the war ended, was now being cel-

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His good deed saves dog in need

Christmas will be a special one for the Thomas Kessler family and their dog Muffy. Thanks to a good Samaritan, Muffy will be home to see her ornament hung on the family tree.

By SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER



Paddock

er Christmas with the toy collie-poodle mixed-breed dog.

Muffy's brush with the fates began sometime in the early morning of Dec. 10 when experts were cautioning pet owners about leaving their animals out too long in the bone-chilling weather.

It ended happily the next day when she was reunited with Kessler at the Michigan Humane Society's Westland Shelter where employees Mike Dowe and Jeanne Burley had warmed her up after she was found, shivering and near-frozen in the snow just three doors from home, by good Samaritan Joe Paddock.

"When we let her out, she usually doesn't wander but two to three houses away, but she's at that age where she loses her bearings and with the snow probably couldn't smell to find her way back," said Kessler, holding Muffy who tips the scales at just 6 pounds.

The Westland resident believes

Thomas Kessler isn't quite sure how Muffy got out of the house, or exactly when. But he is sure that the kindness of strangers has given him and his family another Christmas with the toy collie-poodle mixed-breed dog.



ART EMANUELE/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Lucky dog: In the lobby of the Michigan Humane Society's Westland Shelter, Jeff Kessler of Westland (from left) and his father Thomas got to meet Sue Barati of Canton, who, with her brother Joe Paddock, helped save the life of their 18-year-old dog, Muffy.

18-year-old Muffy slipped out of the house when company arrived. Prone to sleeping most of the day, the family didn't realize she was missing until that afternoon. They searched the house then took to the streets in hopes of finding her.

"We went looking for her, but we

knew there was a very slim chance of finding her alive in that weather," he said. "We figured if she was out there all night, she wouldn't survive."

The search came several hours after Paddock found her in the road about a foot from the curb at Somerset and Eliza streets. The

Kesslers live on Somerset just three houses from the intersection.

A dog in need

Paddock was leaving St. Richard's Church around 9 a.m.

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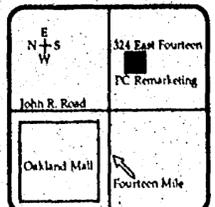


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Closing shifts hearing-impaired treatment to local level

By DIANE HANSON
SPECIAL WRITER

On Sept. 30, the last group home in the state of Michigan, established for hearing-impaired children and young adults with mental health, emotional or developmental problems, closed its doors.

There were formerly three residential treatment centers in Flint for hearing-impaired individuals with mental health problems; one for adults and two for young people. All three are now closed along with an inpatient program for hearing-impaired children at Hawthorne Center in Northville and another one for adults at the Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital.

"There has been a general shift in public policy with regard to how children are cared for under the auspices of community mental health," said James Haring, service coordinator for Michigan Youth and Family Development Inc., a state agency based in Farmington Hills.

The general trend, according to Haring, has been to shift treatment for mental health in general from the responsibility of the state to that of the individual communities.

"The problem is that if the treatment of choice across the state is that children and adults should be treated in their home communities, that is fine and dandy for most hearing people," said Susan Rogin, public affairs coordinator for Michigan Youth and Family Development. "For deaf adults and for deaf kids, the effect of that is, in many cases, there is no appropriate treatment. There are no professionals who have experience with deafness."

"Adults are being placed, in some places, in hearing settings with hearing residents and with hearing staff with whom they cannot communicate."

Made sense then

According to Rogin, since the percentage of hearing-impaired individuals dealing with mental

■ 'For deaf adults and for deaf kids, the effect of that is, in many cases, there is no appropriate treatment. There are no professionals who have experience with deafness.'

Susan Rogin

or emotional difficulties is such a small percentage of the population, it made sense to have designated areas in the state to provide such comprehensive services to that segment of the population. Fifty percent of the staff members at the now-closed residential homes were deaf.

In the process of shifting the responsibility for mental health care to the individual communities, many of the community-based treatment centers are currently unable to provide such specialized service.

"There are situations where deaf adults are in residential community-based group homes where they are the only deaf person,"

Haring said. "They have no contact with other deaf clients. They have no contact with deaf staff who could be role models for them. They have no contact with professionals who understand what it means to be deaf."

"And most sign language interpreters don't have a background in mental health interpreting."

Few in number

Haring pointed out that there are some communities in Michigan that provide excellent services for the deaf. The problem, he explained, is that they are few in number and not available to individuals in other communities, since the state defines a commu-

nity by geographic location.

"The way I like to look at this is that the first things that define (community) are a common language, common set of traditions, common set of values," Haring said. "One of the last things that defines 'community' is geographic boundaries."

"For the deaf person, community is defined by cultural linguistic parameters, not geographic parameters."

For most deaf individuals, American Sign Language (ASL) is the communication of choice and, according to Haring, most deaf people are unable to read lips.

A directory of mental health services for the deaf was recently compiled through a combined effort of the Mental Health Advisory Council on Deafness (established by the governor) and the State Department of Mental Health.

According to Haring, while some of the clinics may provide some services, most are unable to

provide full services for adults and children, including psychological testing and residential care when needed.

While willing to look at different ways of doing things, Haring is concerned with those responsible for policy-making decisions and would like a full range of mental health services available and designed for the hearing-impaired.

"The bottom line is that hearing people are making decisions about what is best for deaf people with no knowledge of what they are talking about," he said. "What we're really, really concerned about is that deaf kids get placed in situations designed by and for hearing individuals. That does not constitute good treatment."

"Because it's very hard for very healthy and educated deaf persons to be heard in the hearing world, how is a person who has a mental illness, who is deaf, going to be heard?" Rogin asked. "Who is going to speak for that person?"

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brated again, quietly, on a snow-covered December day. It was, of course, a smaller, less public celebration, but it was just as enduring.

The two soldiers have now been together for exactly 50 years. They were in their 20s back then and with youth on their side and peace in the world, they had their whole lives ahead of them. And even though they met during the grim era of war, by the time it was all over they had each other and a bright future together.

And it's an irony that had it not been for that ugly, devastating war, the two would never have met, fallen in love, married and had their three children. And I wouldn't be. Those two soldiers from World War II, the two soldiers united in marriage 50 years ago today, are my mother and father.

And tonight, perhaps as you read the paper, I am with my parents, along with my sister and brother and our families and some East Coast relatives at an elegant restaurant, next to a train station. We're gathering there to celebrate what was a landmark day in all our lives, whether we knew it then or not.

Tonight we'll applaud this couple's longevity and we'll honor it. And only having been married for 14 years, I will tell them that their 50 years of faith and trust in each other is what I hope to emulate in my own marriage. And like last year when my husband's parents

celebrated their 50 years of marriage, I'm again thankful — thankful for the union, the peaceful lives and the enduring love. I'll tell them thank you tonight.

I'll say thank you, too, for the home they made for us, their children. It was always good, no matter where it was. It was hopeful, peaceful and stable, a haven for us whether in Mexico, Massachusetts, Venezuela, New Jersey, or aboard a luxurious ocean liner bound for Caracas, or a tiny, rough hewn unheated log cabin in the early months of a Michigan winter when we moved to this state. My sister, brother and I always felt at home and at peace at home. Mom and Dad saw to that.

Even now, I feel at home as soon as I walk in their door. The pictures on the wall, the books on the shelves, the desk, the rug — they've all come along to the places we've been and they're still there.

And more than that, much more than that, beyond those familiar material things, are the very cornerstones of their marriage, peace and stability. These remain. My parents saw to that, too. Their whole marriage was born in a time of new-found peace and stability. And that is something they've never forgotten or forsaken.

And without those cornerstones, love certainly could never have lasted. And theirs is a love that shines, right in their eyes,

even after 50 years. I see it when they talk to each other. They listen, really listen, to one another. They respect each other's words, whether discussing the whereabouts of the peanut butter or the strife in Bosnia, it doesn't matter. Their 50-year love affair goes on.

Through their college days in the '40s on the GI Bill, and then their exploration of far-away places when my father worked for Ford getting automobile factories up and running in Mexico and Venezuela, and through their years in west Michigan and again in Massachusetts as newspaper people, he as editor and she as typesetter and proofreader, and still now through their many active affiliations with civic groups, political groups, schools, museums, they're together. Through it all, they're together. And they still hold hands.

Peaceful and hopeful, these two soldiers march on as always, side by side, hand in hand, facing whatever lies ahead together and still in love.

If you have a question or comment for Karen Meier, a Plymouth resident, call her at 953-2047, mailbox number 1883, on a Touch-Tone phone, or write her at The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

2 Save-a-Life blood drives help Red Cross meet needs

Every 10 seconds someone needs blood . . . blood that can only come from volunteer blood donors.

To ensure that blood is available to those who need it during the critical holiday season, the American Red Cross is asking people to participate in one of two separate Save-A-Life Saturday blood drives.

"Both of the Save-A-Life Saturday blood drives are vital to making sure blood is available to area patients who have to spend their holidays in the hospital," said Dr. Dan A. Waxman, principal officer of the Southeastern Michigan Blood Services Region. "Without an adequate blood supply, hospitals may be forced to postpone or cancel some treatments and elective surgeries until after the holidays."

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra will sponsor a blood drive at Red Cross sites in Ann Arbor, Bloomfield Hills, Canton, Dearborn, Detroit, Livonia, Oak Park, Roseville and Southgate.

The first 500 people who attempt to donate blood that day will receive a single admission voucher for a select Detroit Sym-

phony Orchestra performance between January and June 1996; and a compact disc of either jazz, pop, classical or Detroit Symphony Orchestra recordings, compliments of Borders Books-Music-Cafe.

In addition, blood drive guests will receive a voucher for a reduced room rate of \$75 plus tax at Doubletree Guest Suites-Southfield (offer based on availability) and one person per location will be the winner of a one-night stay at the Southfield hotel.

Donors also will be treated to a Doubletree Guest Suites signature chocolate chip cookie after their donation. An ensemble from the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra will perform holiday favorites for donors at the Livonia donor center from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and donors at all sites will listen to the sounds of the world-class DSO while they donate.

On Saturday, Dec. 30, WQRS-FM (105.1) will host a blood drive from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., in conjunction with the Michigan Opera Theatre and The Ritz-Carlton, Dearborn. The drive will be held in the Presidential Ballroom at The Ritz-Carlton Hotel in the Fairlane Plaza, 300 Town Center

Drive, Dearborn.

Blood drive guests will receive one voucher for a spring performance of "Romeo and Juliet" at the new Detroit Opera House. The Ritz-Carlton will offer each blood drive guest a discounted room rate of \$95 good for any weekend-night through March 1996 (offer based on availability). Dearborn Music will present the first 100 donors with a compact disc and drawings for various gifts will be held throughout the day.

WQRS personalities and Michigan Opera Theatre performers will entertain blood drive guests. And, while parents donate, children will be able to work on a holiday craft under the supervision of a Red Cross volunteer.

To be a blood donor, you must be at least 17 years old, weigh more than 110 pounds and be in good general health. The entire process takes about an hour and includes registration, a brief medical history and having your pulse, temperature, blood pressure and hemoglobin levels checked. The actual donation lasts only about 10 minutes.

AMENDED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
January 3, 1996
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Mayor and Council of Garden City will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, January 3, 1996, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan.

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Michigan Public Act of 1989 gives property owners the right to appeal special assessments to the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days to the confirmation of the assessment roll by the City Council. Appearance at the Council's public hearing, either in person or by letter of protest, is a prerequisite to the Tribunal appeal.

All persons interested in the above are hereby invited to attend this Public Hearing and be heard.

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Segura-Rice

Christine Segura and James R. Rice were married on Nov. 11 at St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton.

The bride is the daughter of Ernie and Phyllis Segura of Browns-town. The groom is the son of Louis and Mary Rice of Livonia.

The bride is a graduate of Aquinas High School and is currently attending college. She is employed as manager of employee relations for Electronic Data Systems.

The groom is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Western Michigan University. He is employed as a regional manager for Mediasist-OP Inc.

Ann Sutherby, the bride's sister, served as matron of honor. John Rice, the groom's brother, served as best man.

The couple received guests at Woodlands Golf Club before leaving for a honeymoon in Cozumel and Cancun, Mexico.



Woodlands Golf Club before leaving for a honeymoon in Cozumel and Cancun, Mexico. They are making their home in Canton.

Harry-Beckerman

John and Beverly Harry of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Marie, to Joseph Scott Beckerman, the son of Joseph and Norma Beckerman, also of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and the University of Michigan where she received a bachelor of science degree. She is employed as a registered dental hygienist by Dr. Michael Carpenter in Plymouth.

Her fiancé also is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and Michigan State University where he received bachelor's and master's degrees in engineering. He is employed as an associate engineer with Soil and Materials Engineers of Plymouth.



A February wedding is planned in Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Livonia.

Shantz-Kennedy

Jim and Linda Shantz of Hartland announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Dawn, to Robert James Kennedy, the son of Kathleen Kennedy of Redford and the late James Kennedy.

The bride is a 1984 graduate of Hartland High School and a 1990 graduate of Central Michigan University. She is employed by Continental Cablevision as an advertising sales account executive.

Her fiancé is a 1988 graduate of Redford Union High School. He is employed by Michigan Door Hardware Inc. in Howell as an installer.

A May 1996 wedding is planned.



Thomas-Wilhelmsen

Ronald and Burnadette Thomas of Inkster announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle R., to Thomas J. Wilhelmsen, the son of Thomas E. Wilhelmsen of Redford and Audrey Young of Westland.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Ladywood High School in Livonia. Her fiancé attended Clarenceville High School in Livonia and received his general equivalency diploma in 1991.

An August 1996 wedding is planned.



Rhein-Heegaard

Tom and Penny Rhein of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Sheri Michelle, to Robert A. Heegaard, the son of Robert and Joan Heegaard of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. She is a senior at Eastern Michigan University where she is enrolled in the special education program — physically and otherwise health impaired. She is employed by United Home Health Services as a medical records clerk.

Her fiancé also is a graduate of Churchill High School and a senior at EMU where he is studying secondary education and mathematics. He is working at St. Suzanne's School in Detroit as an educational technician.



A May wedding in St. Thomas A'Becket Church is planned.

Poger-Strauss

Leonard and Judy Poger of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Leah, to Adam Brett Strauss, the son of James and Sandra Strauss of Commerce Township.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. She earned a bachelor's degree in international relations at James Madison College at Michigan State University. She is employed as a legislative assistant in the Michigan House of Representatives.

Her fiancé is a 1990 graduate of Pontiac Central High School. He earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering at Michigan State University. He is pursuing his juris doctor degree at the Wayne State University Law School.



A May wedding is planned at Adat Shalom Synagogue in Farmington Hills.

Brandon-Crosby

Jan Crosby and David Brandon, both of Plymouth, announce their engagement. A July wedding is planned in the Plymouth area.

The groom-to-be is the president and chief executive officer of Valassis Communications, Inc.



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that day when he spotted the brown and white dog. Several cars had driven around the pooch, but he stopped, prompted, he said, by his sister's cautionary words earlier in the morning.

"I think the main factor in my stopping was I overheard my sister say not to keep the dogs out too long or they could die," said Paddock. "All I wanted to do was get the dog warm. I figured if the owners got mad at me, they could get mad at me, but they could pick up their dog at the Michigan Humane Society."

"I've had dogs all my life and I've enjoyed them. I know how precious these little lives are to someone."

The first thing Paddock looked for was a collar and ID tag, figur-

ing he would find the house where she belonged right away, but Muffy wasn't wearing one. So he used his hands to push snow away to free her. While her head was up, her nose and mouth were crusted with snow and her left ear was frozen in a flipped-back position.

Once free, Paddock put the shivering dog inside his jacket, trying to use his own body heat to warm Muffy as he drove to his sister's home in Canton Township. Since she had dogs, he figured she would know what to do.

"I walked up to the door and my sister said, 'What's wrong?'" Paddock said. "I told her I had a little problem."

"He was teary eyed and I was crying," said Sue Barati. "He figured I would know what to do."

They wrapped Muffy in a blanket and after several tries connected with someone at the Humane Society who advised them to wrap the dog in towels with a hot water bottle then rush her to the Westland Shelter.

By 10:30 a.m., Muffy was in the care of Dowe and Burley. Because she was hypothermic, they began to warm her. By evening, she was doing better and had eaten a little food.

"She got so cold because she has no body fat," Burley explained. "All we did was warm her up with hot water bottles and hot liquids. Once she got warm, she got feisty. Once we got her body temperature up, she started eat-

ing." After leaving Muffy at the shelter, Paddock drove around the area where he had found her, hoping to see someone looking for a lost pet or a house with a side gate that was open. Unsuccessful, he went on home.

"I made sure I knew the name of the two cross streets where I found her," Paddock said. "I knew I had to get her to the Humane Society as quick as I could and I knew someone would be looking for her and the street names would be important."

Happy ending

Kessler did show up at the shelter on Dec. 11 and asked if his

dog might be there.

"I came over on Monday and asked some guy says, 'Yeah, I think we've got her here,'" Kessler said. "It was great to see her."

Muffy holds a special place in the family's heart. She is protective of their 21-year-old son Jeff. When he was younger, she would help carry his duffel bag to the school bus, would wait for him to come home and would follow him to his friends' houses.

But her most endearing action happened 15 years ago when the family was on a trip in the Manistee National Forest.

"About 15 years ago, she saved Jeff's life," Kessler said. "When he wandered off, she went with

him and when she figured out where he was going, she came back and got my wife."

Looking chipper and sporting a Christmas bow and a collar with name tag, Muffy was reunited with several of her rescuers at the shelter on Monday. Paddock, an apprentice toolmaker on assignment in Norfolk, Va., couldn't be there, but his sister was.

"I'm so glad you got your dog back," she told Jeff before giving him a hug. "Joe's the sentimental type; I'm very proud of him; for what he did."

Parent-Infant aims at infant mortality

One of every 50 babies born in Detroit dies before the infant's first birthday. Poor nutrition, lack of education and prenatal care, teen pregnancy and drug dependency are factors.

The Michigan Catholic Health Systems Infant Mortality Project offers volunteers an opportunity to help make a change in these

young lives with the Parent-Infant Partners program.

The Michigan Catholic Health System is a collaborative effort between the Daughters of Charity-sponsored Providence and five other religious-sponsored Catholic health care systems (Bon Secours Sisters, Felicians, Sisters of Charity-Cincinnati, Sisters of

St. Joseph and Sisters of Mercy).

Volunteers wishing to participate in the program receive 20 hours of training to become a friend and a resource to expectant parents. They provide information and guidance from pregnancy and delivery through the baby's first year.

A free four-part training session will begin with an orientation 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4, at Providence Hospital, 16001 W. Nine Mile, west of Greenfield, in Southfield.

The remaining sessions also

will be at the hospital — 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11 and 18, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 20.

Information on another MCHS volunteer program, Read Write Now, also will be available at the orientation meeting. The Read Write Now program offers individualized training to volunteers who commit one hour a week to help individuals learn to read.

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Surfers and sheepskins spell UGG for footwear guru

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Brian Smith pulls off his shoe and pours some water on it, using his finger to work the liquid into the suede.

"Here, feel inside" he says. "It's not wet. The shoe can be wet, but your feet won't get wet. In fact, your feet end up warmer, if the shoe gets wet."

He's right. While the suede sports a dark wet spot, the sheepskin lining is dry. It's one of the little demos the transplanted Australian has been using as part of his whistle-stop tour of the Midwest where he's trying to convince people that his sheepskin shoes and boots are all-season footwear.

Disbelieving Midwesterners shake their heads, even when he whips out a clip of a photograph that appeared in June in USA TODAY of a bathing suit-clad Pamela Anderson wearing mid-calf length UGG boots on the beach during breaks in the filming of the television show "Baywatch."

"It's not a winter-oriented casual shoe," said Smith, the founder of UGG sheepskin footwear. "It's not a snowboot, it's not a Christmas boot. It's just a casual item you wear any time."

Smith doesn't take credit for inventing UGG shoes, the style got its start among the Australian surfing crowd in the 1960s. As Smith's story goes, the surfers lived on sheep farms along the coast and used the skins to fashion boots.

While they were popular, they had a drawback — the soles kept wearing out. One of the surfers found some rubber and glued it to the bottom of the boots. And Uggs (Australian slang for "ughs") were born.

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Brian Smith

A rage in the Land Down Under, they didn't cross the Pacific until Smith came to the United States in 1977 in search of a business to take back to Australia. A certified public accountant by training, he realized that there was no sheepskin footwear in the U.S., so he decided to stay in southern California and import the shoes under the trademark of UGG.

Slow road to success

Smith had dreams of striking it rich quickly with his footwear. But what he didn't count on was Americans' lack of knowledge about virtues of sheepskin.

"I thought I'd be a millionaire in two years," said Smith. "I didn't bank on Americans being so ignorant of sheepskin. Australians are born with sheepskin on the brain."

"Americans tend to think of it as very hot and as a Christmas item, but sheepskin is the world's best insulator."

The first year his company had sales totaling \$700, by the third year, sales totaled \$30,000. Smith almost gave up on UGG three different times, but stuck with it, building a following by going back to the footwear's roots — the surfing scene.

Smith got surfing shops to carry UGGs and began sponsoring amateur surfing events to show how the shoes should be worn. It wasn't long before they caught on with the young people frequenting

California's beaches. From there, they started turning up in schools and "it wasn't long before it became cool to have UGG boots at Carlsbad, Newport and Malibu High schools," Smith said.

"By 1983, it just hit where every kid in high school had to have a pair and four out of six mothers said they were buying UGG boots for Christmas," he said. "But they couldn't find them. They didn't figure out that they were sold in surfing stores."

A lot of word-of-mouth advertising has helped boost UGG's popularity, even among the Hollywood crowd. And while the footwear is "very underground," it has become "very fashionable" and mainstream, with the company posting sales close to \$15 million in 1994 and an estimated \$20-25 million in 1995, Smith said.

Still educating buyers

But even with multi-million dollar sales, Smith still is educating people about his sheepskin shoes and the difference between synthetic sheepskin products and the real thing. A natural wicking agent, UGG's "top-of-the-line Merino sheepskin" breathes, keeping feet at body temperature indoors and out. In cold weather (even to minus 30 degrees) the soft wool fibers act as a natural insulator.

Smith encourages people to try his footwear — without socks — to prove that the sheepskin is breathable and not too hot and points out that podiatrists recommend UGGs to their patients with sensitive feet.

"Once you start doing it, you love it," said Melissa Gullotti at Cone/Coughlin Communications who took on winter in Boston sockless and in UGG boots. "It's amazing the first time you tramp through the snow."

The shoes also are "very salt friendly" because of the curing process. The skins are pickled in salt outdoors for six-eight months before being tanned. Slogging through salt-laden snow doesn't stain the footwear, and cleaning them is simple. They're totally washable by running them under cold water and using "any shampoo you'd use on your hair," Smith said.

UGG footwear has moved off the beach and into the mainstream. These days, you'll find the New England Patriot cheerleaders, Robert Redford, Heather Locklear, Willie Nelson, Bruce Springsteen and Patrick Swayze wearing UGGs. They also can be found on the shelves in stores like Nordstrom's, Jacobson's, Kinney Shoes, Track 'N Trail, Bavarian Village, Don Thomas Sport Haus, Sherman Shoes and Sibley Shoes.

With the fashion trend leaning toward comfortable, Smith sees UGG footwear positioned to take off. The line includes tall and short boots, ankle-high lace-ups, open-heeled slip-ons, slippers and sandals and even UGG Kids and

Booties. Suggested retail prices range from \$2 for booties to \$180 for the tall boots.

"UGGs are perfect for guys sitting in duck blinds or who are ice fishing," Smith said. "They're so comfortable and you can put them on with wet feet. They're a great thing to have around. They're very durable and can wear as hard as another hiking boot."

UGG also has a strong following among snowboarders and has a computer web site as part of the cyber snowboard magazine "HecKler" at <http://ugg.com/footwear/>. It also has a toll-free referral service — (800) 4MY-UGGS.

As for wearing them to the beach in the summer in the Midwest . . . that may take some more educating.



The lineup: Among the sheepskin footwear bearing the UGG label are the Ultra boot, Kirra sandal and Nullabor shoe.

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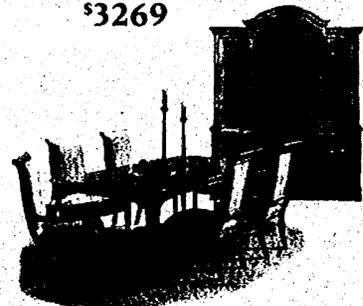
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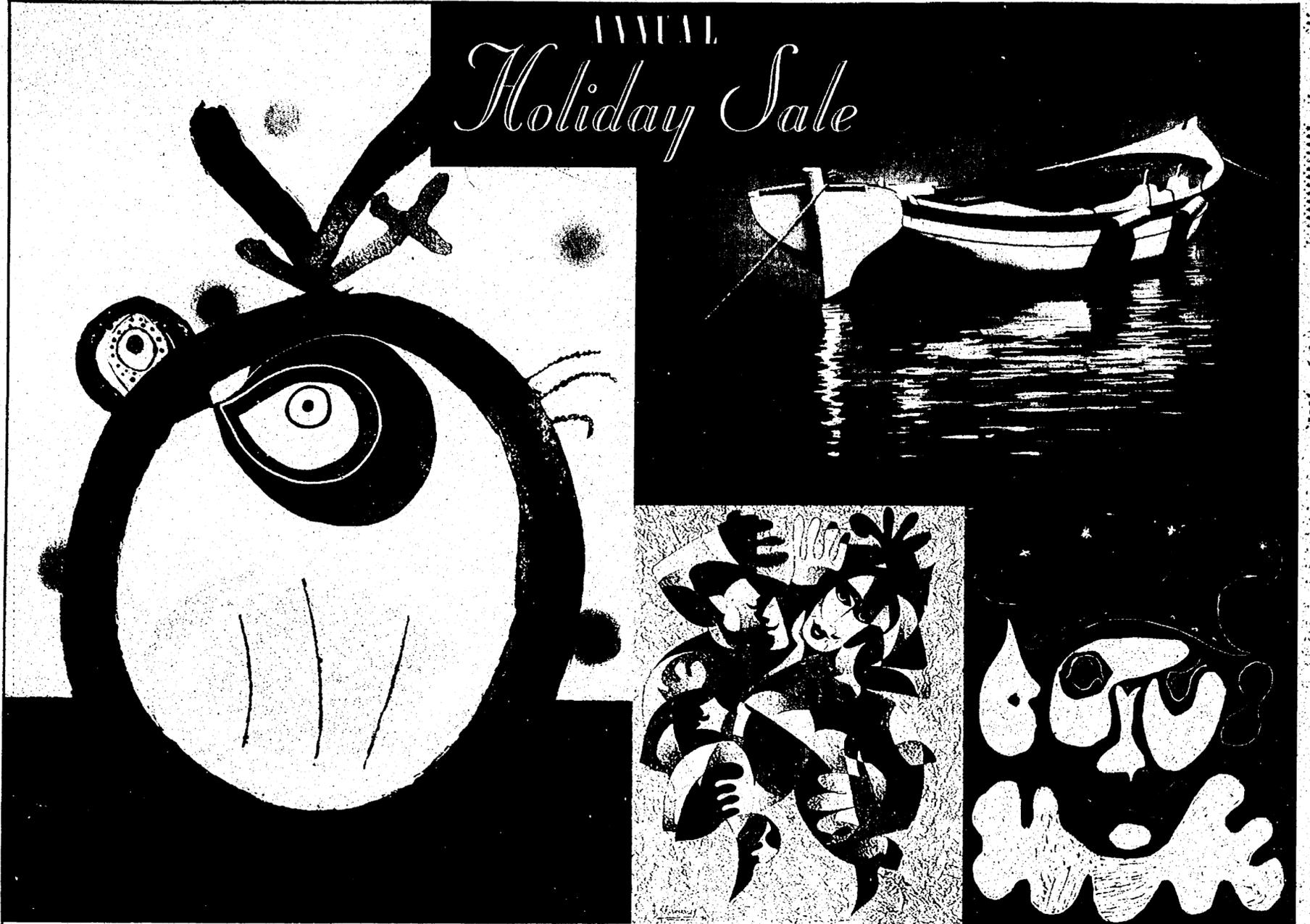
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except the use of tools.

T.B., Bloomfield Hills

Here is an observant woman and little escapes her watchful eyes. Rarely does she miss a trick. The writer is somewhat secretive and self-protective. She does not care to become emotionally involved with others. In her choice of friends, she can be rather selective.

She does not need to be involved with people all of the time. In fact, I believe, she has times when she needs to be alone and may even feel a tad lonely. Her behavior and thinking are then directed toward the solution of her wishes.

The past and what it represents seem to hold an important role for her. Perhaps the future, or people in it, may be presenting some sort of threat currently. She can worry a problem to the max.

As I continue studying this unusual handwriting, the picture of a steel hand in a velvet glove begins to take shape. Ostensibly, there is a contrast between what we see in public and what exists in private.

A dignified demeanor and sedateness are often her outward projection. She is ever aware of the impression she wishes to make on others and can get carried away trying to convey it. She

may be unaware of how far she goes in her efforts.

She has a wonderful ability to charm those she wishes to impress. Her ingratiating amiability may not be as uncalculating and responsive as it appears, however. Behavior of this type usually suggests one who is engaging in a little role-playing.

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At times she may feel a tad un-

Very interesting indeed it would be of interest to analyze the handwriting of a retired (widow) lady of some 70 years. Even at my age I am still discovering new things about myself.

sure of herself or may lose some of her drive. Still she does not give up. Her tenacity is alive and serves her well. After everything has been decided, however, she will occasionally go back to reconsider the matter.

Our writer has inner resources which she enjoys pursuing. Creativity is suggested here and she probably has a flair for decorating her surroundings attractively. And all she does reflects her efficiency orientation.

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Consumer vigilance keeps toys safe

The holiday season is here, and toy retailers are looking forward to the strongest sales numbers ever. From Power Rangers to the ever-popular Barbie, store shelves are sure to stand tall with products rushed through production to meet the overwhelming demand of our children.

Toys are a serious business, with 5,000-6,000 new ones introduced each year in the United States. At any one time, there are more than 150,000 dolls, toys and games available in the market-

place for which shoppers spend in excess of \$1.7 billion.

It is a booming business, but it has a flip side. Toy-related deaths and injuries rose from 113,000 to 177,200, or 17 percent, from 1986 to 1992. Toy-related injuries and deaths increased at a rate 10 times greater than the general population growth during the same period.

Many of these injuries and deaths are avoidable, according to attorneys Bruce Franklin and Norbert Leonard, who specialize

in product liability.

"In the rush to get to market with the most-wanted toys and games, it is all too easy for safety design and engineering to take a back seat," they said. "And there is simply no way that overworked, underfunded regulatory agencies — local, state and federal — can keep up with the sheer volume — and complexity — or new toys introduced each year."

The threats, the lawyers said, include toys with small parts that easily become lodged in a child's

throat, high-velocity projectiles like darts and air guns, toys with sharp edges, or improperly labeled toys.

Regulation of such toys comes under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. The commission's function is to find and remove from the marketplace all toys which pose a threat to children, in addition to developing federal guidelines for the manufacture and sale

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Need some last minute gifts? Videos can fill the bill

BY LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

The popularity of videotapes has had two positive side effects — lower prices to buy the videos and enough titles that just about everyone can find something they'll like.

Videotapes make good gifts for the holidays. A movie can be a

family gift or a more personal selection, assuming you have a good handle on the recipient's tastes. Don't be afraid to go for older titles and less obvious choices.

Shop around the bigger outlets, like Best Buy, Suncoast or the new Media Play stores for good prices. One word of warning: if the price seems too cheap and the box

graphics are cheesy, look out for a substandard tape from an off-brand distributor. This is a particular concern with older films which have an expired copyright.

Here are some video gift suggestions. All of the titles are available at major video retailers although selections do vary between stores.

Children and family films:

There are some obvious, excellent choices among the classic Disney cartoons. Two other excellent Disney choices available on video are the 1960 adaptation of "Pollyanna" and "The Parent Trap" from 1961. Both star Hayley Mills, who is cute, perky and very likeable. Kids will especially enjoy the pranks of "The Parent Trap" which has Mills as reunited twin sisters who scheme to get rid of their father's girlfriend and get their divorced parents back together. The cost is about \$16.99.

Another excellent gift for the whole family is the boxed set of "Anne of Green Gables," the charming CBC-PBS Wonderworks adaptation of Lucy Maud Montgomery's books. Megan Follows stars as the red-haired orphan who goes to live with a farmer and his sister on Prince Edward Island.

For younger kids who like the

animated stories better, look for "The Brave Little Toaster" which is a terrific film about abandoned appliances heading out to search for their young owner.

For adults: As with CDs, boxed sets are increasingly popular for videotapes. Sometimes the star is the connection for a collection while others are grouped by theme or an original and sequels. There is something for every taste.

For fans of the Duke, there's a John Wayne quartet featuring "El Dorado," "The Sons of Katie Elder," "The Shootist" and "True Grit" for \$44.97.

For horror fans there is a boxed set of the Franca Ford Coppola-directed "Bram Stoker's Dracula," the equally overblown "Mary Shelley's Frankenstein" directed by and starring Kenneth Branagh and "Wolf" the Mike Nichols film which is the best of the three. The price is \$36.99.

Star Wars fans can get their fix

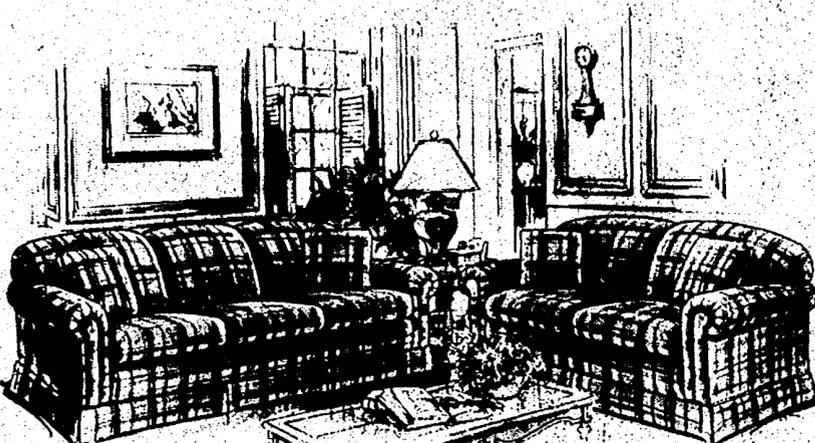
with a boxed set of "Star Wars," "The Empire Strikes" and "The Return of the Jedi" for \$44.99. The boxed set features exclusive interviews with director George Lucas.

For real movie buffs: A nice thing about videos is getting a chance to see films that don't get screened many places. True movie fans will enjoy tapes of Charlie Chaplin's silent comedies or "Judith of Bethulia," a 1914 biblical melodrama directed by D.W. Griffith featuring supporting performances by Lillian and Dorothy Gish.

Another fascinating film available on video is Marcel Ophüls' 1987 Academy Award-winner "Hotel Terminus — the Life and Times of Klaus Barbie." This more than four hour documentary traces the 40-year search for escaped Nazi Barbie — called the "Butcher of Lyon" through contemporary interviews. The price is \$24.99.

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of toys. However, due to a substantial lack of funding, the CPSC simply cannot do the job alone.

"More than 99 percent of the toys available for purchase in America, many of them imported from other countries, have not been tested for safety by the government," Franklin said. "Of the less than 1 percent tested by the Consumer Product Safety Commission, one in six is found to be unsafe."

Franklin and Norbert maintain that an existing piece of CPSC-sponsored legislation inadequately addresses the small parts issue. Toys with small parts must be labeled.

"Small fabric parts are not covered by the CPSC small parts regulation or the toy industry's own voluntary standards," they said. "There is no regulation that requires fabric buttons, eyes or other small fabric pieces to be securely attached, so that they cannot come off in the hands or mouths of an infant."

"Oddly, neither balloons, which contributed to the deaths of six children in 1992 and 1993, nor marbles carry any warning labels."

While consumer groups call for more explicit labeling, as the regulation now stands, toys may contain small parts as long as they are not marketed at children under age 3, an open invitation for tragedy, the lawyers contend.

Adding to the difficulties is the global trade in toys. According to Franklin and Leonard, 75 percent of the toys on the market are foreign made, where manufacturing practices are less controlled than in the U.S.

In the past, the CPSC has joined forces with U.S. Customs to prevent dangerous toys from coming into the country. Despite their best efforts, foreign-made crayons with a high level of lead recently entered this country and were sold by major national toy distributors. The problem was discovered relatively quickly and, with the assistance of the distrib-

utors, the crayons were pulled off the shelves.

"Labeling alone is not enough," they said. "Depending on consumer complaints to identify defective and dangerous toys is not enough. The manufacturing and design of toys must reflect a higher awareness of child safety attitudes."

However, they maintain that the recent political agenda to curtail victims' rights to challenge the design of toys and other products that cause serious injuries, threatens to eliminate the most effective tool to keep dangerous toys out of the marketplace and out of the hands of children.

"Without exposing these dangerous products through litigation, many of the proven unsafe products would still be available to consumers," they said. "Only by bringing cases of poorly designed and constructed toys to the attention of the public, with the implied threat of penalty for negligence, can we assure our children a safer play world."

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After exhuming "JFK," director Oliver Stone takes a cold, hard look at Richard Milhous Nixon.



Classic tale: Town mischief-makers Tom Sawyer (Jonathan Taylor Thomas, left) and Huck Finn (Brad Renfro, right) star in Walt Disney Pictures' live-action adventure "Tom and Huck."

Hollywood offers variety for holidays

BY JOHN MONAGHAN • SPECIAL WRITER

No chestnuts roasting on an open fire for me. More times than not, I spend Christmas night bathed in the glow of my local movie screen. Hollywood is more than happy to offer me variety with no less than ten films premiering on area screens between December 21 and 25.

I have yet to see any of the titles listed, but rest assured that the following capsules are laced with gossip, film magazine predictions, and, of course, plenty of personal prejudices.

"Nixon." After exhuming "JFK," director Oliver Stone takes a cold, hard look at Richard Milhous Nixon. Casting Anthony Hopkins as the fallen president is definitely risky business, but he's supported by the likes of James Woods, Ed Harris and Bob Hoskins as a very gay J. Edgar Hoover. Fail as they may, when have Stone's films ever been boring?

"Restoration." So glad this long-delayed period film is finally coming out, especially after watching previews of a wine-soaked Robert Downey Jr. breeding and belching more times than I care to remember. This reported turkey is also the year's last look at Hugh Grant, who has appeared in more movie credits and tabloid pages than any actor in recent memory.

"Waiting to Exhale." In what has been called the movies' answer to "Oprah," Angela Bassett and Whitney Houston lead a group of women who talk endlessly about themselves. One waits for a divorce to become final, another for the kids to grow up, another for all that weight to be lost, all the while trying to figure out what to do with the men in their lives.

"Dracula: Dead and Loving It." He made a classic out of "Young Frankenstein," but can Mel Brooks do equal justice to Dracula? With Leslie Nielsen as the bloodsucker and 100 years of legend to lampoon, this might be good for a laugh. It can't be any worse than Eddie Murphy's "Vampire in Brooklyn."

"Grumpier Old Men." Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau, the original Odd Couple, team once again in this sequel to their surprise 1993 hit. Ann-Margret

and Sophia Loren are two logical choices to thaw out these old coots one more time.

"Tom and Huck." Encouraged by the success of "Huck Finn," Disney now throws Mark Twain's other enduring creation into the mix. After the kids have seen "Toy Story" for the tenth time, you might steer them towards this one, with "Home Improvement's" Jonathan Taylor Thomas and "The Client's" Brad Renfro enjoying life on the Mississippi.

"Four Rooms." The word is grim on this quirky concept comedy, four stories set in a Hollywood hotel on New Year's Eve and directed by four hot young directors. Quentin Tarantino leads the pack, though it's reportedly "Desperado's" Robert Rodriguez who checks out with his reputation intact. Bellboy Tim Roth links the stories, showing Bruce Willis, Madonna, Antonio Banderas, Marisa Tomei, and Tarantino to their rooms. On Christmas night you'll likely find me here, the only film to receive a December 25 release.

"Cutthroat Island." It sometimes seems like Captain Blood was the last movie pirate worth his sea legs at the box office, but Hollywood keeps on trying. Geena Davis and Matthew Modine provide the buckle and swash, but their only real hope for salvation lies in director Renny Harlin, who made the most out of "Cliffhanger" and "Die Hard 2."

"Balto." Another kid's movie. This time a heroic husky leads a team of sled dogs through ice and snow to deliver a life-saving anti-toxin to Alaska. Universal, not Disney, is behind this animated feature, so don't expect the level of polish — or thankfully the hype. "Pocahontas" had a ring to it. "Balto?" It sounds like an anticid.

"Sudden Death." Jean-Claude Van Damme and ice hockey. What better combination for a rainless action movie in which the kickboxing Belgian tries to save a stadium full of hockey fans from terrorists? Director Peter Hyams helmed "Time Cop," a better-than-usual Van Damme vehicle, but the plot is said to be skating on thin ice.

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BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
SPECIAL WRITER

No, your eyes aren't deceiving you. That's a giant cricket greeting visitors to the Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery these days.

Carl Kamulski thought the six-foot-tall insect would bring good luck to — "they only come out at night" — his first one-man show.

Built from fiber board with the help of his basic design class at Wayne County Community College, the cricket is held together by gravity. No glue or fastening agents of any kind were used.

Hearts cast in a variety of materials and encased in wood boxes, snakes, and a human figure in bondage are a few of the images

encountered in this far-from-typical art show.

"I hope people will open up and realize that art isn't just pretty pictures. I want people to be provoked. I don't care if they hate it. I'd prefer they like it," said Kamulski, a former resident of Franklin now living in Grosse Pointe Farms.

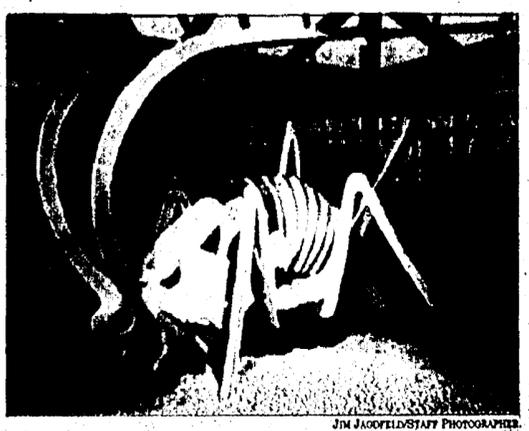
"Everything (in the exhibit) just sort of blends together. The hearts are symbolic. They're about being genuine, about honesty and truth. The snakes, and particularly the two-headed one, symbolize deceit, lies, untruths, an entity not to be trusted.

"They're about people we've dealt with all of our lives."
So why title the show, "they only come out at night"?

"It always seemed to me that whatever I was feeling was heightened after dark, that my happiness or sadness, my joy or pain was greater when I found myself alone or with someone after dark."

Completed within the last month, all of Kamulski's 21 pieces have a story behind them. Bondage is the theme of "The Death of Edna Jackson." The concept came to Kamulski in the midst of a faculty meeting. He felt bound to be there. One of the items on the agenda was the death of a long-time teacher at WCCC, Edna Jackson.

The drawing of the bound figure served a take-off point for two related works. A ceramic figure in a box



Night Crawler: A 7-foot long cricket, installed as part of Carl Kamulski's one man show, was meant to be fun and break the ice for children viewing "they only come out at night."

See CRICKET, inside.

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Artist/film maker Charles Aimone exhibits wall panels, used as backgrounds in his puppet film "Flying High," through Jan. 31 at the Atrium Gallery, 109 N. Center, Northville.

The panels depict French town buildings during the World War I era. Two years ago in his Plymouth studio Aimone, an instructor in the film department at Center for Creative Studies in Detroit,

captured the romance of France's Lascaux cave art in acrylic paintings on canvas after the prehistoric drawings.

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THE ANIMAL SHOW

Jeanne Poulet of Livonia is one of the artists in a show opening Jan. 5 at the Swann Gallery, 1250 Library Street, Detroit.

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can only be viewed through the wood slats. Even the box is bound with jute. Circular saw blades on each of the sides serve as symbols of freedom.

"Reliquary for Slayers of Dragons" is a repository for Kamulski's divorce papers, old wedding ring, a traffic ticket and various unwanted memos from supervisors. Placed on a bed of twigs that make it seem to float, the clay vessel will be dropped in the bottom of a deep northern lake next

summer, forever gone and forgotten. Dragon teeth cast from pennies adorn the exterior of the darkly colored urn.

"It gets rid of the ghosts. I don't like to keep it inside, and art is a pretty wonderful way to do it," said Kamulski, who has lectured at the Farmington Artists Club and Downriver Arts and Crafts Guild.

"It's like slaying your dragons. Dragons are all of those snakes in a sense: terrible relationships and job fears."

For more than 25 years, teaching has been Kamulski's first love. He hopes to instill confidence in students through projects like a 300-foot snake inflated down the middle of the WCCC hallway this semester. But benefits rendered from teaching is a two-way street. He gets as much out of it as he gives.

"Teaching keeps me vital. Students offer vitality. They violate all the rules and make it happen.

What was that old saying? Good artists borrow. Great artists steal. I want them walking out of a basic design class thinking they can do anything they want."

As a founding member of the Michigan Gallery in Detroit 30 years ago, Kamulski believes in exposing others to the arts, especially developing (student) artists.

The work of those already established in the field educates emerging artists as to what's gone before. As executive director of the gallery, Kamulski oversees day-to-day operations including programming and implementation. The space serves both as a venue for art students to show their work as well as to initiate contacts with members of the professional art community like Sergio DeGiusti, Marian Mudie and James Pujdowski of Redford.

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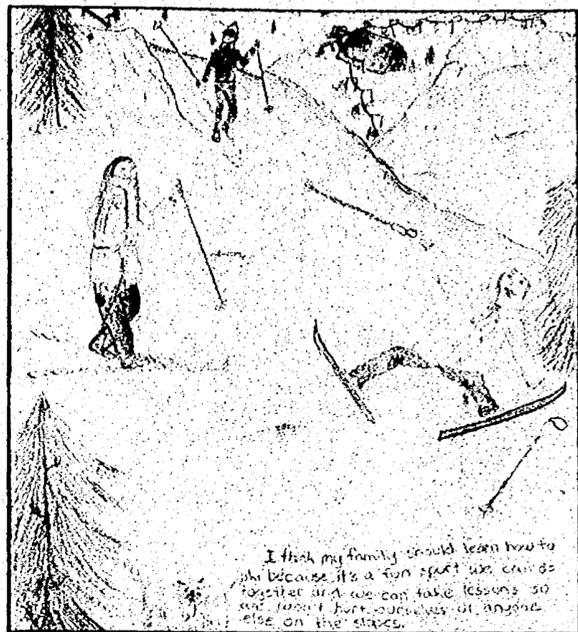
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I think my family should learn how to ski because it's a fun sport we can do together and we can take lessons so we won't hurt ourselves or anyone else on the slopes.

Winner: Spencer Franchi of Troy, a grand prize winner in our "Learn to Ski" contest, drew this picture of his family on skis.

Megan Newhouse, 11 of Plymouth, and Spencer Franchi, six of Troy, were the grand prize winners of our "Learn to Ski Contest." To win, they drew a picture of their family skiing, and explained why their family should learn how to ski.

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In addition to lodging and lift tickets, their grand prize packages included Leelanau Sands Casino Super Gaming Player Passbooks worth \$50 each for mom and dad. Leelanau Sands Casino is in nearby Suttons Bay.

Ten runners-up won prizes consisting of one night midweek re-

sort lodging and lift tickets for a family of four.

The runners-up were Jacob Agranove, 7 (West Bloomfield); Derrick Pass, 5 (Farmington Hills); Morgan Harding, 3 (Bloomfield); Nikki Bleber, 6 (Redford); Miles Levin, 7 (Bloomfield Hills); Jim Albertus, 11 (Rochester Hills); April Loney, 9 (Livonia); Sarah Broder, 12 (Farmington Hills); Robert Lukofsky, 11 (Livonia) and Erin King, 8 (Redford).

Here are the winning stories. ■ Megan Newhouse wrote — "I think my family should learn how to ski because it's a fun sport we can do together and we can take lessons so we won't hurt ourselves or anyone else on the slopes." ■ "I think my family should learn

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STREET SCENE



Celebrating release: Kid Rock will play songs off his latest album "Early Mornin' Stoned Pimp" during his show at the State Theatre in Detroit on Friday, Dec. 29. Kid Rock's talent has earned him a spot in the Walk of Fame at the Metro Musicafe in Royal Oak.

Rapper Kid Rock wants to do it all

BY TODD WICKS
SPECIAL WRITER

Just like Deion Sanders in the Pizza Hut commercials, Detroit rap 'n' roller Kid Rock wants it all.

A local superstar whose notorious debut "Grits Sandwiches for Breakfast" (Jive) and the single "Yodalin" in the Valley" became underground classics in 1990, Rock also fronts heavy redneck rockers Twisted Brown Trucker, and is determined to make both careers succeed.

"I've had offers from every label," said Rock recently, "and they're all like, 'Which one do you want to do?' I say, 'I'm gonna do 'em both. I wanna do a Kid Rock album and then do a Twisted Brown Trucker album, and I'll tour wherever the markets are right and promote 'em both.'"

"They say, 'You can't. It's not gonna work.' But I'll do both, 'cause I know it's gonna work. And if it doesn't, it'll be on my shoulders, and I won't die wondering if it would have worked."

The determined Rock, now Bob Ritchie, has dealt with his share of restrictive record labels. Signed to Jive fresh out of high school for "Grits," he moved to Continuum for the more schizophrenic "The Polyfuze Method," but found the atmosphere similarly repressive for his genre-hopping style.

Rock now owns his own label, Top Dog, and finds his new freedom (and the 500 percent markup he makes on albums) better than any major label deal.

"Labels just want you to be one type of thing," he said. "If you're gonna do 'Yodalin' in the Valley,' they want you to do 12 'Yodalin' in the Valley'-type songs, and I can't do that. My background is too diverse. Growing up, I loved every (kind of music)."

If he didn't use his influences, he said, he wouldn't be making the music he likes, he said.

Rock's influences are diverse, to say the least. Artists he has sampled or covered range from the Smiths and the Rolling Stones to Jim Croce and Hank Williams Jr.

"(Labels) think I'll alienate kids by doing a country song and making it really heavy, even though I'm doing it just for myself. They say, 'You're gonna alienate all the rap kids who are into you, they're not gonna understand.' Well, they don't need to be into it if they won't understand it or can't open their minds up a little bit."

"Early Mornin' Stoned Pimp" (Top Dog), Rock's new release, continues with the eclectic rap 'n'

roll favor of "Polyfuze" and his "Fire It Up" EP. Featuring local blues artists the Howling Diablos and Thornetta Davis, along with hardcore rapper Esham, songs like "Classic Rock," "Detroit Thang," and the title track have the beats to satisfy old-school "Grits" fans and the guitars for alternative metal fans who latched onto the popular "Bullgod" single awhile back.

Rock hopes local radio will give "Stoned Pimp" a shot, especially after passing on his earlier rock-based material before the alternative wave hit.

"I had always played around with guitar, bass and drums. I can play a little bit of everything," Rock said. "For 'Polyfuze,' I got some players to come in and did a little more of that rap 'n' roll thing before a lot of people were doing it. The Beasties did it on their first album and then kind of got away from it. Then all of this 'Judgment Night' (soundtrack featuring songs recorded by rappers and rockers) stuff started, after I'd already done that and been doing it for two years, which baffled me."

"When I came out with 'Fire It Up,' a lot of stations wouldn't play it at all... then, a year later, they were playing Rage Against the Machine, and now (rock station 98.7) WLLZ is playing the Beasties, which... it kind of sucked," he laughed.

"I was like, 'Man, I should've waited and put it out a year later.'"

But Rock doesn't have the greatest track record with radio stations. In 1993, a New York college radio station played his explicit "Yodalin" late at night and received a \$23,750 fine from the FCC — reportedly the largest college radio fine in history. Rock was quoted at the time saying, "Let people decide what they want to hear. I'd rather have kids a little twisted than sheltered."

Now that "Stoned Pimp" is out and Twisted Brown Trucker is on the back burner, Rock is focused on the business end of things releasing the album locally first. Rock and Top Dog plan on a national release and publicity blitz in January.

"We just signed a national distribution deal. We've got a full-blown thing going with this independent label. We've got a lot of plans — doing some touring in February, releasing the new Howling Diablos record. I'm helping (local bluesman) Robert Bradley mix his new album for RCA... I've got my hands in a lot of people's stuff," Rock said.

Overture develops local talent

BY MARK GALLO
SPECIAL WRITER

When one thinks of an independent recording studio, it's often visions of a garage or a converted storefront that come to mind.

For Larry Santos, one of the most familiar voices in America via his enormously successful career as a commercial singer, it began with the construction of a home recording studio, one which quickly overtook his basement a decade ago.

According to his son and chief engineer, Scott Santos, the current home of what has grown to be Overture Music was built with the future — and the past — in mind.

"We started at the house, with a studio in the basement. I remember when it was just 2 track," he said of the family-owned business's auspicious beginnings. "This facility (however), was built to be a recording studio and office."

An imposing and impressive structure, the 2500-square-foot tri-level building in Novi is at once beautiful and functional. A grand piano, cathedral ceiling and fireplace dominate the recording area, with the engineering booth overlooking through a glass partition a floor above.

The art department occupies a loft area, the media department is tucked into a roomy back office, and the reception area, occupying much of the ground floor, is a stunningly appointed grouping of fireplace and plush sofas and chairs, with a small bar to one side and sliding glass doors to another, and the whole of it is surrounded by deep, serene woods. To call it merely beautiful doesn't do it justice.

According to Linda Wilson, director of media promotions, "They decided to build the studio so they would have a home-base to do (Larry Santos's) productions for national spots to have a place for (clients) to come in, without him having to constantly fly to New York and L.A."

Larry Santos's is a voice that you've heard many times over the years singing the jingles of such major-league clients as Budweiser and Bud Lite, GM Truck, Farmer Jack and A&P. He's worked on TV, as well, most notably on "Hot Fudge," but the commercial spots have always been the bread and butter.

Wilson boasts that "the studio was so competitive, equipment-wise," she says, "that nobody had any reason to go anywhere else. That's kind of how it started."

Although Larry Santos released a couple of "Hot Fudge" albums early on, it was as a vehicle for the Oriental Spas, a band fronted by Scott Santos and his sister Laura Ruby, that the record label came to life.

Parka Kings create ska and soul stew

BY TODD WICKS
SPECIAL WRITER

The Parka Kings realize that you might not know much about this "ska" business.

Maybe you saw a Madness video once. Maybe you've overheard bald men in suits and checkered socks outside record stores like the Beat Hotel in Berkeley using words like "rude boy" and "skanking."

If you even caught a glimpse of the Mighty Mighty Bosstones from your spot in the bathroom line at Lollapalooza this summer, you probably know more about ska than most people do.

But the Parka Kings think things are about to change.

"(Ska) is gaining popularity," said Tony Barragan, drummer for the Detroit-based band.

"I've watched the local scene since about 1990 and it's just amazed me how I'd go to a show, see a band playing to about 100 people, and then see that band somewhere down the line playing to 400 or 500 people... I can't believe how many kids are into ska now."

Formed in east Warren in 1991, the Parka Kings have since toured the Midwest with a variety of acts, from complementing ska bands to blues outfits and straight-up rockers. Their new album, "23 Skidoo," is on Jump Up! Records, a label run by famed Chicago ska DJ Chuck Wren, and it will soon be distributed by Caroline.

Still unclear on the subject? Barragan offered a little background for the uneducated.

Ska was developed in the early '60s in Jamaica by musicians who



Solid talent: Rockers Solid Frog (pictured) and the hardcore band Universal Stomp have brought the Overture Records label into the public eye.

"When (the current staff) got into the label, it was when Oriental Spas came around. What we wanted to do was reactivate the label so that we could issue the Oriental Spas releases on their own label," Wilson said.

"We were having success, but getting no record deals," Scott Santos added.

The Spas released a few singles, began to garner some national attention and, as Santos tells it, "We were successful enough, and made enough connections, that we began to sign other bands from the area, because we thought it was a cool scene. It was always a cool scene. So we developed this thing and now we have 15 or 16 acts."

Wilson calls the lineup "pretty eclectic. It's from Professor Longhair, who is in the blues category, to the real hardcore scene with Universal Stomp. We try to get a little bit of everything. As long as it's good, we're interested."

Among the label's current roster are Mary Stuart, formerly of the aforementioned Oriental Spas, who Wilson describes as "psychedelic Americana"; and recently signed Mike Finnegan, a well-regarded, L.A.-based rocker who has worked with Jimi Hendrix, Janis Joplin and Santana, and who will probably be joined on his upcoming sessions by the likes of Etta James, Robben Ford and Crosby, Stills and Nash; pianist/R&B vocalist Scott Stern; and Ann Arbor rockers Solid Frog.

Detroit-based underground rockers Universal Stomp, who re-

cently released their full-length debut, "Full Swing," for the label have brought the most national attention to the label so far.

A few months ago Wilson said about Universal Stomp's album, "It's gonna be top 10 within two weeks on the hardcore charts. That's my prediction." Her prediction came true. In fact, the band was No. 1 most added on a couple of indie trade charts. Next month, Universal Stomp is set to tour Europe with hardcore upstarts Cradle of Thorns.

While Overture handles licensing and promotion of other projects — most notably the John Sinclair-produced "Piano Night At Tiptina's 1994," on which a celebrated panel of pianists convene for the sixth such tribute to the legendary New Orleans master — their collective heart lies in the cultivation of local talent.

"We definitely keep our eyes on the Midwest because that's where we are," Wilson said. "We want to present bands from our home. There's just so much talent in Detroit alone. We really don't have to look too far. A lot of our signings are going to be Detroit signings, because we can work with the artists to develop them here. We can showcase them here. We don't close our doors to anyone, but there's enough here to keep us busy."

Detroit remains an internationally recognized music town, even all these years after the prime of Bob Seger and Motown. Given the recent signings of The Verve Pipe (RCA) and Robert Bradley (Elektra) and the continued success of Sponge, the talent in Detroit re-

mains a national treasure.

"I think that in L.A. and New York is such a pool, such a soup of so many different acts, I think desperation takes a toll, and you do whatever you need to do to get there. I think that there's a lot of pressure to conform. I'm not saying that New York bands and L.A. bands do. I'm just saying that I can imagine that because of the pool of talent, the pressure to conform in order to be whatever is the 'flavor-of-the-month' — that pressure's got to be overwhelming; where in the Midwest, I think that as a band you can dream. You can develop your own style and you can make a name for yourself. There isn't that pressure. That's my own philosophy. That isn't necessarily an Overture Records philosophy."

That sounds like the same philosophy that has helped guide the Detroit rock 'n' roll community through 30 years of gritty individualism, yielding the likes of MC5, Big Chief, Iggy Pop, and so many other influential bands over the years. It's a noble tradition based on having style, rather than following fashion. It's about attitude. Overture Records is poised to take that attitude into the future.

Said Wilson, "I'd love to get involved in record promotion and radio promotion, via the Internet."

Overture Records hosts a showcase night with Solid Frog, the Oriental Spas and Mary Stuart, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, at Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. For more information, call (313) 996-2747.

"Our sound is unique because of what our influences are," Barragan said.

Besides Jamaican ska, old rocksteady and early reggae, "we're very much into the simplicity of punk rock, some of those mid-'80s bands like the Descendants and Dag Nasty."

Adding to the stew is a newfound fascination with Motown music.

"My favorite song on (the album) right now would be 'B.C.A.," which is probably the least-ska-sounding song on there," Barragan said. "That was a total Motown influence, kind of a soul song."

"The new stuff we're going to be recording in January is a little slower and tends to stray away from ska, like Marvin Gaye, the Supremes, good stuff like that," he added. "We want to have the feeling of a '60s soul band."

One of the few things ska and soul appear to have in common is a penchant for fashion and group outfits. Indeed, silky suits would seem to be the only surface link between groups as disparate as the Temptations and the Bosstones.

In the '80s, Two-Tone's trademark black-and-white check graphics and their logo of a sharply dressed cartoon dancer only reinforced the stereotypical ska look. Ska's tendency to emphasize style over substance sometimes bothers Barragan.

"It's good to an extent, but sometimes it looks downright goofy," he complained. "I understand that people think that's the look, but ska, to me, is a way of life. You always have to be doing

something concerned with ska. The whole rudeboy thing, to me, is blown out of proportion. Ska is in the heart, not on the jacket."

And it's the rare band that can remain stylish when jumping around onstage, another stereotypical ska convention.

"When the Parka Kings first started, we dressed in suits, but we don't do that anymore," Barragan said. "It gets hot onstage, and it's always hard to get your suit cleaned or get it pressed."

It's fine for fans to dress in suits, however.

"It's always funny, they're all dressed up in suits, too. They look more like they're going to Sunday service than to a ska show."

Encouraged by the growing success of Detroit ska, the drummer urged the unfamiliar to check out the Parka Kings and promised excitement.

"People who come out to see us, you're going to get a real high-energy show," he said. "You're going to get dancing horn players, people just going crazy."

The Parka Kings and The Skolars open for The Suicide Machines at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, at the Magic Bag, 22918 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets are \$8 for the all-ages show. For more information, call (810) 544-3030.

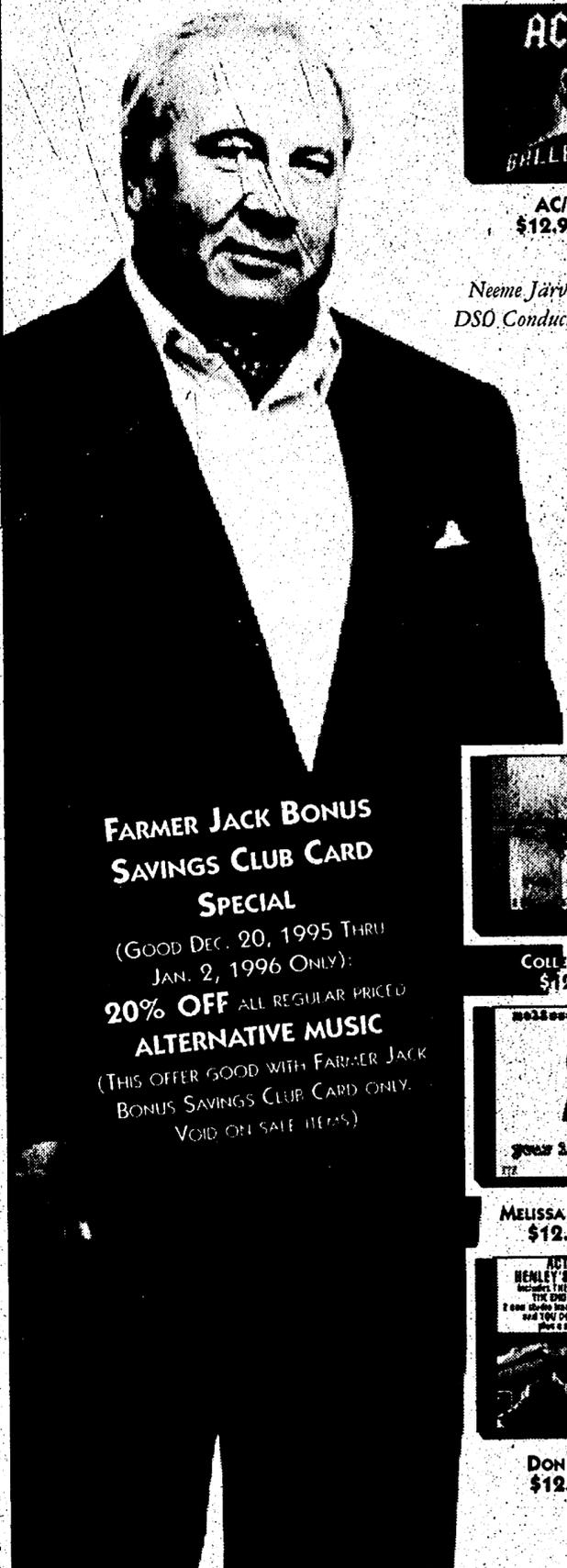
Old Spice opens for The Exceptions with The Inayderz, and Boogie Bang and the Gamble Crew, and Old Spice, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets are \$7 at the door or \$8 with a canned food donation. For more information about the all-ages show, call (313) 833-9700.

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Artist Grant Engard will be showing and selling the etching and woodcut prints, drawings and sculpture he has on hand at his home studio at 844 Hazelwood, Birmingham, 4-9 p.m. Fridays, Dec. 22 and 29, 1-7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 30. (810) 646-6833

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
Art Works: The Painful Collection of Contemporary Masters, continues through Dec. 31 at 5200 Woodward. A sign language interpreter accompanies the 11:30 a.m. tours of the exhibit Tuesday-Sunday, Dec. 26-31. Groups of 15 or more may make tour reservations. Call (313) 833-7931. Drop-in workshops for all ages to engage in art projects related to "Art Works" noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 26 and 27, in the Education Studio; call (313) 833-4249. Family workshops for ages 8 and older, with adult, noon and 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Dec. 28 and 29, in the Education Studio; explore movement, drama and the museum's collection of medieval armor. Family workshop for ages 6 and older, with adult, noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, in the Education Studio; engage in puppet making and performance. Puppet program, "Turtle Island Tales," 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, in Lecture Hall, in which award-winning puppeteer Hobey Ford presents a family program blending traditional American Indian songs and stories with rich visual images. (313) 833-7900

TOUCH OF LIGHT STUDIO AND GALLERY OF HANDMADE GLASS
A holiday glass show continues through Dec. 23 in the gallery on Woodward, one-half mile south of I-696 in Ferndale. Glass blowing demonstration 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23. (810) 543-1858

Information on limited engagements only should be submitted two weeks in advance to: Christina Fuoco, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or by fax at (313) 591-7279. To ensure publication, the venues' addresses and phone numbers with area codes must be included.

POPULAR MUSIC

FRANK ALLISON AND THE ODD SOX
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Gotham City Cafe, 22848 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Cover charge. All ages. 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, 1585 Franklin St., Detroit. Free. 21 and older. (quicky alternapp) (810) 398-7430/(313) 875-6555

BARENAKED LADIES
8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$25 in advance. All ages. (quicky alternapp) (313) 983-6611

BEALE STREET
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St., Detroit. Free. 21 and older. (buses) (313) 259-1374

GEORGE BEDARD AND THE KINGPINS
Featuring Commander Cody guitarist Bill Krucik, play a benefit for the Ann Arbor Blues and Jazz Festival, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$10 in advance. 19 and older. (buses) (313) 996-8555

"BLACK CAT CHRISTMAS PARTY"
8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Black Cat, 404 Fourth St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 18 and younger. (810) 543-3873

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8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (810) 543-0917

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8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (R&B) (810) 543-0917

BOTFLY
9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Lil's, 2930 Jacob, Hamtramck. \$5. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 875-6555

BROTHERS GRIMM
10:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. \$3. 18 and older. 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (roots rock) (313) 485-5050/(313) 996-2748

BLUES BEDOUIN BARRADE
9 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Saturday, Dec. 23, The Groove, 209 Rochester, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (buses) (313) 259-2208

CARTOON LIFE
8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Mount Chalet, 4715 N. Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (810) 549-2929

D.J. CHENIER
With the Red Hot Louisiana Band, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. Canceled. (313) 996-8555

CHRISTMAS VIDEO APPRECIATION NIGHT
8 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 9 p.m. 21 and older. (810) 589-3344

COSMIC DALI
8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Backseat Saloon, 3064 Orchard Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (810) 682-1119

CROSSED WIRES
With Whirling Road and the D's, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5. 18 and older. (313) 961-MELT

CROWBAR HOTEL
7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (buses) (810) 332-HOWL

SAL D'AGNILLO
9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (810) 349-9110

DEEP SPACE SIX
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Library Pub and Grille, 2100 Grand River, Novi. (Deceased) (810) 349-9110

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9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

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With The Insyderz, Boogie Bang and the Gamble Crew, and Old Spice, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$5.50 in advance. \$8 at the door. All ages. (810) 343-9700

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NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (buses) (810) 642-9400

KEEPER
8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Mingies, 22411 Plymouth, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (909) (313) 531-3335

KID ROCK
With the Howling Diablos and Shag, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$15 in advance. All ages. (rep/buses/funk) (313) 981-5451

PATTI LABELLE
8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 27, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$32.50 in advance. All ages. (R&B) (313) 983-6611

J.D. LAMB
8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, Coyote Club, 1 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Mr. B's, Clarkston. (810) 332-HOWL/(810) 625-4600

LIGHTNIN' CREOLE
8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Library Pub and Grille, 42100 Grand River, Novi. (buses) (810) 349-9110

LOBA AKOU
7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Borders Books and Music, 43075 Crescent Boulevard, Novi. Free. All ages. (world beat) (810) 347-0810

SOUTH NORMAL
With Pain, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

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With The Divilians, Spunk, Waka Jawaka, Forbes Brothers, Robert Bradley and the Burros play the 11th annual "Marathon for Meals" holiday benefit, 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Magic Bag Theatre Cafe, 22918 Woodward Ave., Farmdale. \$5. 18 and older. (variety) (810) 544-3030

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SUN MESSENGERS
9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Shark Creek Inn, 5725 Rochester Road, Troy. (rock/R&B) (810) 543-0917/(810) 828-3500

JIM TATE BAND
9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

TEA PARTY
With Tyrone's Power Wheel perform during WRIF Christmas Party, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, The Paladium, 17580 Frazho, Roseville. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 778-6404

THAT LIVE
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Nancy Whiskeys, 2644 Harrison, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (funk/boogie/rock) (313) 982-4247

STEVE LUCKY
With Rumbajubs featuring former members of the Blue Front Persuaders, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-2748

MARY MCGUIRE
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Backseat Saloon, 3064 Orchard Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (810) 682-1119

MONDO MOD
With The Silencers, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

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ORQUESTA TRADICION LATINA
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$10. 18 and older. (salsa) (810) 335-8100

OVERTURE RECORDS SHOWCASE
With Sam Floyd, Oriental Spas and Mary Stuart, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock/adult alternative) (313) 996-2747

PIT VIPERS
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Saturday, Dec. 23, Speakeasy, 31410 Ford Road, Garden City. Cover charge. 21 and older. (buses) (313) 425-7373

REGGAE AMBASSADA
9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 28, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (reggae) (313) 996-2748

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For AMV's 28-year-old sound system, with performances by Bourbon Street, Sucks To Be You, Ultraviolet, Willow, Fathers of the Id, and Innocent Sin, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, and 24, The Hangovers, The Providers, Ernie Douglas, Red September, and Jennifer Pallone, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, Alvin's, 8756 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$5; \$4 with Detroit Musicians Alliance or student I.D. card. 18 and older. (variety) (313) 982-2355

SEE DICK RUN
9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, I-Rock, 16350 Harper, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 881-ROCK

SISTER SEED
With Restroom Poets and Multiple Choice, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$7. 18 and older. (acoustic) (810) 335-8100

SOUP KITCHEN CHRISTMAS PARTY"
Featuring Lightnin' Creole, Delta 888, and Val Ventro, 9 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, Soup Kitchen Saloon, 1585 Franklin St., Detroit. Free. 21 and older. (buses) (313) 259-1374

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SUN MESSENGERS
9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Shark Creek Inn, 5725 Rochester Road, Troy. (rock/R&B) (810) 543-0917/(810) 828-3500

JIM TATE BAND
9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

TEA PARTY
With Tyrone's Power Wheel perform during WRIF Christmas Party, 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, The Paladium, 17580 Frazho, Roseville. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (rock) (810) 778-6404

THAT LIVE
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Nancy Whiskeys, 2644 Harrison, Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (funk/boogie/rock) (313) 982-4247

STEVE LUCKY
With Rumbajubs featuring former members of the Blue Front Persuaders, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-2748

MARY MCGUIRE
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Backseat Saloon, 3064 Orchard Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (810) 682-1119

MONDO MOD
With The Silencers, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM MCCARTY
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (buses) (810) 543-0917

STEVE NARDELLA
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Old Woodward Grill, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Cover charge. 21 and older. (buses) (810) 642-9400

ORQUESTA TRADICION LATINA
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$10. 18 and older. (salsa) (810) 335-8100

OVERTURE RECORDS SHOWCASE
With Sam Floyd, Oriental Spas and Mary Stuart, 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock/adult alternative) (313) 996-2747

PIT VIPERS
8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Saturday, Dec. 23, Speakeasy, 31410 Ford Road, Garden City. Cover charge. 21 and older. (buses) (313) 425-7373

THE PLUMBERS
With Backhanded, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-8555

FOUR MAN'S ORCHESTRA
With Sam Villaz, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$5 in advance. All ages. (313) 961-MELT

A guide to entertainment in the Metro-Detroit area
Pays a Week

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HOLIDAY CONCERTS

"3-D CHRISTMAS BASH"
With free fancy gifts, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Free before 10:30 p.m. 21 and older. (810) 589-3344

TOP KAT
9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 21, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (313) 996-2748

TRINIDAD TRIPOLI STEEL BAND
9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, Rick's, 611 Church St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (reggae) (313) 996-2748

2XL
10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 29, Library Pub and Grille, 42100 Grand River, Novi. (variety) (810) 349-9110

VUDU HIPPIES
With See Dick Run and Star 80, 9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, 3-D, 1815 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (810) 544-3030

JAMES WALLIN
8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 27, Murdock's, 2086 Crooks Road, Rochester Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (810) 852-0550

HOLIDAY EVENTS

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER
Fun and Games Day, 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 25; Jimmy Prentis Morris Building, 15110 W. 10 Mile Road, Oak Park. Enjoy free popcorn and hot chocolate while playing a variety of board games. There is a charge. (810) 467-4030

AN EVENING IN THE CARIBBEAN
Jewish Community Center, Maple/Dreke Building, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 24. For singles and couples 21 and over. Dancing to the music of reggae band; Joe Nab, Island food. Cost \$20 per person in advance, \$24 at the door. (810) 861-7676

TREMBORS
Lyon's largest Christmas Party, a benefit for Toys for Tots, 4-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, at Tremors 17123 Laurel Park Drive, Livonia. Prime rib buffet, prizes from local sponsors. Admission free with an unwrapped toy. (313) 462-2196

FIRST NIGHT
Acoustic-free New Year's Eve festival of the arts showcasing over 30 performers of all ages 5 p.m. to midnight, downtown Birmingham. Admission is a \$7 button. Headliners include jazz trumpeter Marcus Belgrave, pianist and "hummer" box, Fred Syme, the Michigan Opera Theatre and jazz sensation Straight Ahead. (810) 540-6688

NEW CENTER STAGE
New Year's Eve Party featuring the original cast in a live performance of "Beetlemania," 99940 Ford Road (I-275 and Ford Road), Canton. Tickets \$38 in advance, \$43 VIP seating. Includes hors d'oeuvres, dancing, champagne, party favors. Tickets on sale at T.C.'s Music Emporium, Rick Alan Music, and Dearborn Music. (313) 725-4000

TTU HOUSE
Jon Lucien — jazz standards, colorful renditions of Caribbean and Brazilian arrangements, originals, doors open 9 p.m. with dinner buffet prior to concert. On Up Republic opens show, ages 21 and older welcome. Tickets \$57 single, \$95 per couple, in the Arts Building, 7 N. Saginaw St., Pontiac. (810) 335-8100

AMERICAN POLISH CULTURAL CENTER
New Year's Eve Dinner dance 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, 2975 E. Maple Road, Troy. Cost \$60 per person includes dinner, dancing, snacks and refreshments. Music by Akro! Opolek, traditional Polish Christmas Eve dinner with program and dinner 1 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 7, American Polish Cultural Center. Cost \$15 adults, \$8 children under 12. (810) 689-3636

MARQUIS THEATRE
Musical comedy "The Wizard of Oz" through Jan. 14, 135 E. Main Street, Northville. Tickets \$6.50. Children under 3½ will not be admitted. (810) 349-8110

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GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

AMC Theatres
Bargain movies daily plus \$1.00 (Tue) show daily Limited Seating

AMC Hampton 4
Exchequer Rd. 1122 in H-59
852-8322
\$1.00 at all times

DANGEROUS MINDS (R)
FR. 6:00, 8:15, 10:30 SAT. 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:25, 10:30 SUN. 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:15

THE BARE (G)
FR. 7:00, 9:45, SAT. 1:00, 5:30, 9:00, 11:30 MON. THURS. 5:45, 8:00, 10:15

SHOWBOAT (PG-13)
FR. 7:30, 10:15, SAT. 7:30, 10:15, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, 12:45

AMERICAN QUEST (G)
FR. 8:15, 10:30, SAT. 1:30, 3:45, 7:45, 10:00, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 8:45, 11:00

CLUES (PG-13)
FR. 8:00, 7:15, 9:45 SAT. 1:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45, 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45

AMC Abbey 8
14 Ave # 175 588-0881
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

FATHER OF THE BRIDE (PG)
FR. 7:30, 10:15, SAT. 4:30, 7:15, 9:45, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, 12:45

THE USUAL SUSPECTS (R)
FR. 7:30, 10:15, SAT. 7:30, 10:15, 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, 12:45

IT TAKES TWO (PG)
FR. 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45, 12:00, SAT. & SUN. 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45, 12:00

MON. THURS. 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45, 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45, 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45, 12:00

NP POWDER (G)
FR. SUN. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45, 12:00, MON. THURS. 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45, 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45, 12:00

SEVEN (R)
FR. 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30, SAT. & SUN. 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30, MON. THURS. 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS (PG-13)
FR. SUN. 1:45, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30, MON. THURS. 1:45, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30

NOW AND THEN (PG-13)
FR. SUN. 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30, MON. THURS. 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30

AMC Americana West 6
Orchard Rd. 1122 in H-59 852-8200
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

MONEY TRAIN (R)
FR. & MON. THURS. 5:30, 8:00, 10:30, 12:45, SAT. & SUN. 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30, 12:45

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS (PG-13)
FR. & MON. THURS. 7:40, 10:10, SAT. & SUN. 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 8:30, 11:00

CASINO (R)
FR. & MON. THURS. 5:00, 7:30, 10:00, SAT. & SUN. 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30, 12:45

NP NICK OF TIME (R)
FR. & MON. THURS. 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, SAT. & SUN. 1:40, 4:10, 6:40, 9:10, 11:40

AMC Laurel Park 19
6446 between Newburgh & 125 462-4200
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

GET SHORTY (R)
FR. THURS. 1:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:55, MON. THURS. 1:45, 5:15, 7:30, 9:55, 10:44

ACE VENTURA (PG-13)
FR. & SAT. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:15, SUN. 12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:15, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, 12:00, 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 8:30, 11:00, 12:00

MONEY TRAIN (R)
FR. & SAT. 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, SUN. THURS. 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, 10:10

WHITE MAN'S BURDEN (R)
FR. & SAT. 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, & SUN. THURS. 1:15, 3:45, 6:15, 8:45, 10:00, THURS. 10:44

COLDHEAT (PG-13)
FR. & SAT. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30, SUN. THURS. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30, THURS. 10:44

TOY STORY (G)
FR. SUN. 1:00, 3:30, 6:00, 8:30, 11:00, MON. THURS. 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, 12:00, THURS. 10:44

AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG)
FR. & SAT. 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15, SUN. 2:00, 5:00, 7:45, 10:15, MON. THURS. 3:00, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15, 10:10

IT TAKES TWO (PG) COPYCAT (R)
FR. & SAT. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30, SUN. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30, MON. THURS. 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:30, 10:10

CASINO (R)
FR. & SAT. 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:30, SUN. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00, THURS. 10:44

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS (PG-13)
FR. & SAT. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00, SUN. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00, MON. THURS. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:15, 10:10

AMC Maple 3
W. Maple West of Telegraph 855-9999
No children under 6 after 6 PM

AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG-13)
FR. (5:00 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:30, SAT. & SUN. 1:15, 4:20, 7:30, 10:30, 9:30

MON. THURS. 5:15 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:45

NP CARRINGTON (R)
FR. (5:15 @ 11:00) 7:45, 10:15, SAT. & SUN. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:15, MON. THURS. 5:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:15, 10:10

NP CROSSING GUARD (R)
FR. (5:15 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:15, SAT. & SUN. 1:45 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:15, MON. THURS. 5:45 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:15, 10:10

AMC Old Orchard
Orchard Rd. #1122 in H-59 852-8322
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

NP ACE VENTURA (PG-13)
FR. (5:15 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:45, SAT. & SUN. 1:15, 3:15, 5:15 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:45

MON. THURS. 5:00 @ 11:00) 8:00, 9:45

NP FATHER OF THE BRIDE (PG)
FR. (5:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:30, SAT. & SUN. 1:30, 3:15, 5:30 @ 11:00) 8:00, 10:30

MON. THURS. 5:30 @ 11:00) 7:45, 10:30

NP MIGHTY APOLO (R)
FR. (5:30 @ 11:00) 7:45, 10:30, SAT. & SUN. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:45, 10:30

MON. THURS. 5:30 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:45

AMC Southfield City 12
Greater St. 559-2730
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

CASINO (R)
FR. 1:45 @ 11:00) 9:30, SAT. & SUN. 1:45 @ 11:00) 9:30, MON. THURS. 1:45 @ 11:00) 9:30, 12:30

NP NICK OF TIME (R)
FR. 2:00 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:55, SAT. & SUN. 1:30, 4:45 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:55, MON. THURS. 2:00 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:55

AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG)
FR. 1:50 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:50, SAT. & SUN. 2:00 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:50

MON. THURS. 1:50 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:50, 12:20

GOLDEN EYE (PG-13)
FR. 1:50 @ 11:00) 7:40, 10:20, SAT. & SUN. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:40, 10:20

MON. THURS. 1:50 @ 11:00) 7:40, 10:20, 12:30

TOY STORY (G)
FR. 1:50 @ 11:00) 7:10, 9:10, SAT. & SUN. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:10, 9:10, MON. THURS. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:10, 9:10

NP MONEY TRAIN (R)
FR. 1:30, 1:50 @ 11:00) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, SAT. & SUN. 1:30, 1:50 @ 11:00) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, MON. THURS. 1:30, 1:50 @ 11:00) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45, 12:45

WILD BILL (R)
FR. 1:30 @ 11:00) 10:20, MON. THURS. 8:00, 10:20

NP VAMPIRE IN BROOKLYN (R)
FR. 1:40 @ 11:00) 7:20, SAT. & SUN. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:20, MON. THURS. 1:40 @ 11:00) 7:20, 7:45

IT TAKES TWO (PG)
FR. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:45, SAT. & SUN. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:45, MON. THURS. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:45, 12:00

WHITE MAN'S BURDEN (R)
FR. 2:00 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:00, SAT. & SUN. 2:00 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:00, 10:00

MON. THURS. 2:00 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:00, 12:30

ACE VENTURA 2 (PG-13)
FR. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:40, SAT. & SUN. 1:15, 3:15, 5:20 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:40

MON. THURS. 1:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:40, 10:10

COPYCAT (R)
FR. 9:30, SAT. & SUN. 9:30, MON. THURS. 10:00

AMC Wonderland 6
Wonderland Mall behind Target 261-8100
No children under 6 after 6 PM except (G) and (PG) rated movies

NP TOY STORY (PG)
FR. 1:45 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:40, SAT. & SUN. 1:00, 3:15, 5:30 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:40

MON. THURS. 1:45 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:40, 10:10

NP NICK OF TIME (R)
FR. SUN. 1:15 @ 11:00) 9:00, 11:00, MON. THURS. 1:15 @ 11:00) 9:00, 11:00, 12:00

NP MONEY TRAIN (R)
FR. 1:45 @ 11:00) 7:45, 10:20, SAT. & SUN. 1:45 @ 11:00) 7:45, 10:20

MON. THURS. 1:45 @ 11:00) 7:45, 10:20, 12:00

General Cinema 6
Sargan Theatre daily plus \$1.25 (Tue) show daily

FATHER OF THE BRIDE II (PG)
12:10, 2:25, 4:40 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:45, DRACULA DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG-13)

12:30, 3:00 @ 11:00) 7:50, 9:50, SUDDEN DEATH (R)

12:30, 2:30 @ 11:00) 7:42, 10:00, SABBRA (PG)

11:30 @ 11:00) 7:00, 9:40, AMERICAN PRESIDENT (PG-13)

12:15, 2:42 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:50, HEAT (R)

11:00 @ 11:00) 7:00, 9:00, *NOT SUN. DEC. 24

North Town Center 8
West Rd. south of I-190 344-0077
Advance same-day tickets available

TOM AND HUCK (PG)
12:00, 2:15 @ 11:00) 7:30, 9:30, *TOY STORY (G)

12:30, 2:45 @ 11:00) 7:42, 9:50, *CAMPY OLD MEN (PG-13)

12:10, 2:42 @ 11:00) 7:45, 9:55, *NELSON (R)

12:10, 4:00 @ 11:00) 8:00, *HEAT (R)

12:20, 4:20 @ 11:00) 7:55, 9:00, *BALTO (G)

12:25, 2:35 @ 11:00) 7:10, *JUMANJI (PG)

12:15, 2:30 @ 11:00) 7:30, 10:00, *SUDDEN DEATH (R)

12:25, 2:35 @ 11:00) 7:15, 10:00, *HEAT (R)

Keego Teris Cinema
Orchard Lake Rd. in East Lake Rd. 682-1900
FR. & SAT. only

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS (PG-13)
FR. 7:45, SAT. 5:00, 7:45, SUN. 5:00, MON. THURS. 7:30 only

THE USUAL SUSPECTS (R)
FR. & SAT. 9:45, MON. 9:45, THURS. 9:20

GET SHORTY (R)
FR. 7:30, 9:30, SAT. 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30, SUN. 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30, MON. THURS. 7:30, 9:30, 10:30

SAT. & SUN. 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00

Star Theatres
The World's Best Theaters
Bargain Movies Daily \$1.00 All Shows Starting before 6:00 pm

NP CAMPY OLD MEN (PG-13)
11:40, 2:00, 4:25, 7:25, 9:45, 11:45, *SUDDEN DEATH (R)

11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 4:30, 4:50, 7:15, 7:45, 9:45, 10:10, 12:00

WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
11:20, 1:55, 4:35, 7:30, 10:10, 12:35, DRACULA DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG-13)

11:00, 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:40, 9:45, 11:40, *TOM AND HUCK (PG)

11:25, 1:30, 4:00, 7:10, 9:25, 11:25, *BALTO (G)

11:15, 1:00, 2:45, 4:30, 6:15, *HEAT (R)

11:35, 2:10, 4:45, 7:25, 9:55, 12:20, *JUMANJI (PG)

11:00, 1:15, 3:15, 5:20, 7:25, 9:35, 11:35, *FATHER OF THE BRIDE 2 (PG)

11:45, 2:15, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30, 11:50, *CASINO (R)

8:00, 11:20, *TOY STORY (G)

11:10, 11:40, 1:00, 3:00, 3:30, 5:00, 5:20, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00

Star Showcase 1.5
Telegraph & Lake Rd. 810-333-8341
Bargain Movies Daily - All Shows until 6 pm

NP CAMPY OLD MEN (PG-13)
11:40, 2:00, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40, 11:45, *SUDDEN DEATH (R)

11:15, 3:00, 6:45, 10:15, *HEAT (R)

12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:15, *TOY STORY (G)

11:00, 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00, 11:00

Showcase Pontiac 6-12
2425 Telegraph Rd. East side of Telegraph 810-334-0777
Bargain Movies Daily - All Shows until 6 pm

Continues Shows Daily - Late Shows Fri. & Sat.

12/22-12/26
CAMPY OLD MEN (PG-13)
11:40, 2:00, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40, 11:45, *TOM AND HUCK (PG)

11:25, 1:35, 4:00, 7:10, 9:25, 11:25, *WAITING TO EXHALE (R)

11:20, 1:55, 4:40, 7:35, 10:10, 12:35, *BALTO (G)

11:15, 1:00, 2:45, 4:30, 6:15, *SABBRA (PG)

11:00, 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00, 12:30, *JUMANJI (PG)

11:00, 1:05, 3:15, 5:20, 7:30, 9:45, 11:55, *FATHER OF THE BRIDE (PG)

11:30, 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:30, 12:00, *GOLDEN EYE (PG-13)

7:50, 10:15, 12:35, *NOT SHOWN FROM SATURDAY

Qeo Yalls
Wares & Wines 313-425-7700
Bargain Movies Daily - All Shows until 6 pm

Continues Shows Daily - Late Shows Fri. & Sat.

DEC 22-DEC 28
SUDDEN DEATH (R)
11:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 7:15, 7:42, 9:45, 10:05, 12:00

CUTTHROAT ISLAND (PG-13)
11:10, 1:45, 4:20, 7:15, 10:00, 12:35, *WAITING TO EXHALE (R)

11:20, 1:55, 4:30, 7:30, 10:10, 12:35, DRACULA DEAD AND LOVING IT (PG-13)

11:00, 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45, 11:40, *HEAT (R)

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A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters across metro Detroit as reviewed by John Monaghan

MAGIC BAG THEATRE
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"Spike and Mike's Sick and Twisted Festival of Animation." Through Jan. 1 (call for showtimes). An odd way to spend the holidays, this annual compilation of contemporary animation is a perverse companion piece to the recent festival at the DIA. Compiled by the same California-based madmen who first foisted "Beavis and Butt-head" on an unsuspecting public, the current lineup includes old favorites like "No Neck Joe," along with the alien nightmare "Abducted" and worm-obsessed "Smush."

MAIN ART THEATRE
118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak. Films play through at least Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 542-0180 for information and showtimes. (\$6.50; \$4 students and matinee; \$3 twilight)

"Sense and Sensibility" (Britain - 1995). In yet another film adaptation of a Jane Austen novel (and one of the best films of the year), tragedy changes a family's

circumstances and alters the romantic aspirations of its daughters. Emma Thompson, Alan Rickman, and Hugh Grant star in a script written by Thompson and directed by Ang Lee ("The Wedding Banquet").

"Mighty Aphrodite" (USA - 1995). Woody Allen writes, directs and stars in this story of a father obsessed with discovering the identity of his adopted son's mother. The typically eclectic cast includes Helena Bonham Carter, F. Murray Abraham, Peter Weller, and Claire Bloom.

"Leaving Las Vegas" (USA - 1995). Just in time for the holidays, Nicholas Cage plays a suicidal alcoholic who finds his soulmate in an abused call girl (Elizabeth Shue).

"Persuasion" (Britain - 1995). Jane Austen's story of an independent young woman who gets a second chance at the love of her life comes to the screen in this intelligent, witty film.

MAPLE THEATRE
4135 W. Maple, Bloomfield. All titles play through at least next Thursday, unless noted otherwise. Call (810) 855-9090 for information. (\$6; \$2.95 twilight)

dent in Oliver Stone's challenging new film. Michael J. Fox, Ed Harris, and James Wood co-star.

"The Crossing Guard" (USA - 1995). In this intense drama written and directed by Sean Penn, an alcoholic jeweler (Jack Nicholson) and his estranged wife (Anjelica Huston) still suffer from the loss of their daughter in a car accident. What starts as a fascinating premise sinks under its own self-indulgence.

"American President" (USA - 1995). Michael Douglas plays the widowed Commander in Chief who tries to balance his job and a blossoming romance with an environmental lobbyist (Annette Bening). Another crowd-pleaser from director Rob Reiner.

MICHIGAN THEATRE
603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. Call (313) 668-8397. (\$6; \$5 students/seniors)

"Restoration" (Britain - 1995). Dec. 23 - 31 (call for showtimes). In the court of King Charles II, a notorious womanizer and drunkard (Robert Downey, Jr.) is surprised to find himself falling in love with his latest conquest. Hugh Grant, Sam Neill, and Meg Ryan co-star.



Drama: Kellita Smith (left), Jack Nicholson (center) and Priscilla Barnes (right) in Sean Penn's "The Crossing Guard," now showing at the AMC Maple.



Romantic: Elinor (Emma Thompson) finds herself drawn to the charming Edward Ferrars (Hugh Grant) in Columbia Pictures "Sense and Sensibility" now playing at the Main Art Theatre

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MOVIES

See the film adaptation of 'To Kill A Mockingbird'

BY LEANNE ROGERS
STAFF WRITER

There was a newspaper article recently about a new edition of "To Kill a Mockingbird" being published and author Harper Lee's refusal to write a forward. She apparently preferred to let the book speak for itself, explaining her position at some length to the publisher, who decided to use Lee's letter as the forward.

I had watched the wonderful 1962 adaptation of the book, directed by Robert Mulligan with a script by Horton Foote. I've seen the movie and read the book several times. The film captures the essence and flavor of the novel so well that I was surprised that one particular scene I remembered wasn't in the movie at all. That's how intertwined the two versions have become in my mind.

The article got me thinking that it had been a long time since

The film is a memory of a small southern town 30 years earlier re-

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called by the now-adult narrator, known in childhood as Scout. The story is told from the viewpoint of 6-year old Scout, her older brother Jem and visiting neighbor Dill. Mary Badham, Philip Alford and John Megna are all superb as the children.

Gregory Peck won an Academy Award for his performance as At-

ticus Finch — the widowed father of Scout and Jem, and the lawyer who defends a black man accused of raping a white woman. From his perspective, Atticus has no choice but to represent the accused man and represent him to the best of his ability. It's a matter of principle.

The scenes with the children are often what come to mind most for me. Scout being chided for bad manners after expressing shock

when a poor classmate who has joined the family for lunch pours syrup all over his food. Or the children's fascination and wild imaginings about the reclusive neighbors — in particular Boo Radley. The scene when Radley and his relationship to the children is finally revealed is memorable and touching.

After viewing their father as too old to be much fun, Scout and Jem gradually start to have a

broader perspective of their father, a well-respected, tolerant and courtly man. The courtroom scenes are well-handled with eloquent arguments from Atticus. Perhaps more telling about the character is the care he takes with the defendant and his family trying to reassure and comfort them.

For anyone who hasn't seen "To Kill a Mockingbird" it will be a memorable experience to watch.

Board votes 'Sense and Sensibility' best film

NEW YORK (AP) — "Sense and Sensibility," the Jane Austen adaptation starring Emma Thompson and directed by Ang Lee, was named the best film of 1995 by the National Board of Review of Motion Pictures.

The 86-year-old organization

also announced awards in several other categories Tuesday. They will be presented on Feb. 26 at a gala dinner at Tavern on the Green.

The winners are:
Best foreign film: "Shanghai Triad."

Best actor: Nicholas Cage, "Leaving Las Vegas."

Best actress: Emma Thompson, "Sense and Sensibility" and "Carrington."

Best supporting actor: Kevin Spacey, "Seven" and "The Usual Suspects."

Best supporting actress: Mira Sorvino, "Mighty Aphrodite."

Best director: Ang Lee, "Sense and Sensibility."

Best documentary, "Crumb."
Best television miniseries, "The Boys of St. Vincent."
Best breakthrough performer in 1995: Alicia Silverstone.

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BY RENEE SKOGLUND
SPECIAL WRITER

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Just what is a brew pub? Well, it's a combination microbrewery, restaurant and neighborhood bar. While common in Europe, brew pubs are new to the American scene. "We're Michigan's second brewing company," Joling said. (The Grand Rapids Brew Co. was the first.)

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Speaking about pizza, why not try Goat Cheese Pizza, made with caramelized red onions, goat cheese and basil pesto? Or Pizza Scampi, topped with shrimp, roasted garlic, lemon zest and fresh Parmesan? All pizzas are baked on a granite slab in a wood-fired oven and range in price from \$6.50 to \$8.95.

"We make the dough on site. They're individual pizzas. A lot of times people will order one for an appetizer," Joling said.

At Grizzly Peak, everything on

the menu complements the beer. In fact, the Cheddar & Ale and Onion & Porter soups are made with house brews, as is the barbecue sauce. Soups are only \$1.95 when ordered with entrees, which run between \$8.95 and \$15.95.

Geoff Perkins, a first-time patron from Ann Arbor, ordered the popular Gorgonzola Filet, a seven-ounce filet mignon stuffed with gorgonzola cheese and served with roasted garlic mashed potatoes. He pronounced it "wonderful," but reserved most of his comments for the Grizzly Peak Pale Ale.

"First of all, I like designer beers. It's about time Ann Arbor has something like this. We're finally getting some beers in the



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Brew: David Chrzanowski, a bartender at the Grizzly Peak Brewing Company, pulls a 1/2 yard of Bear Paw Porter.

United States with character," he said.

Perkins' wife, Nancy Overall, who also had the Pale Ale, loved her generous serving of Bayou Pasta, made with Cajun sausage, bacon and Roma tomatoes.

Getting back to the beers, when asked what makes the perfect brew, Joling said, "For me, it's the balance. The sweetness of the malt is balanced by the bitterness

of the hops." He dispelled a typical beer myth when he added, "I think a lot of people have the idea that beer is best aged. But it's not. Beer is best fresh, unpasteurized, right from the tank."

Greg Burke, one of Grizzly Peak's brewers and a graduate of the American Brewers Guild apprenticeship program, spoke of the perfect beer in less technical terms: "I think the perfect beer is

one that is in your hand and drunk most definitely in the company of better friends."

There you have it: great beer, good food, wonderful friends. And the fact that guests can watch the beer-making process through a glass partition simply enhances the lively ambience. As Geoff Perkins said, "This is everything a restaurant should be." Cheers!

THEATER

Talented cast spins holiday gold in 'Rumpelstiltskin'

"Rumpelstiltskin," Anderson Center Theater in Henry Ford Museum, Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road, Dearborn. Shows 2:30 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, December 26-30. Tickets \$5.75. All seats reserved. Call (313) 271-1620, Ext. 383.

BY LIBBY PRYSBY
SPECIAL WRITER

A little bit of scariness and a whole lot of glitter. These are two of the ingredients that are making "Rumpelstiltskin" a hit with children and adults this holiday

season.

Performed by the Greenfield Village Theatre Company, and directed by Irene Hublick, this special musical version of the classic Grimm fairy tale has spooky creatures and mysterious ghouls who live in the dark Witching Woods and are led by Rumpelstiltskin.

Rumpelstiltskin, played by Tom Farrar, does a top-notch job of portraying this mischievous character. Farrar uses great body movements, wiggling of fingers and dancing about to name a few, and remains the scariest charac-

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ter of the musical. His booming voice reaches the back rows of this comfortable and elegant theater. This is his 25th role with Greenfield Village Theatre Company. Another superior performance is given by Nell, performed by Kate Peckham. She captures the audience from the start with her rap song, "What's Wrong with You," and continues to hold the viewers with her humorous lines

and ditz style.

King Dellekins, played by Henry Bennett of Farmington Hills, also receives his share of the laughter from the audience because of his juvenile yet appealing actions. The young audience is drawn to him when he cuddles up to his nanny and sucks his thumb. They also identify with his lines "when he is good, he is very good and when he is bad, he is very bad."

Betty Goddard, of Westland, portraying the king's nanny, also adds to this fine production. A

special "bond" is made between King Dellekins and Nanny that keeps the play lively and fun. Goddard demonstrates this bond well in her stupendous acting abilities.

Shining performances are enhanced by the glitter in the costumes of "Rumpelstiltskin." Every regal outfit and other costumes, designed by Sharon Torregrossa, give a "holiday touch" to this production.

One special example, the costume of Silver Curlew, played by Lisa Andres of Livonia, is spark-

ling with sequins and glitter and provides a radiant effect. She floats through the air, a special effect created by using a harness, with a glimmer as lights highlight the glitter of her costume. Even the simple costumes have a glow to them, truly making this a fairy tale experience.

Other special effects also add to the glitter. Flash pots set off at various times give flare to this fine production.

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BRAD EMONS

MSU spoils Dawn's day

Momma said there would be days like this. For nearly four years, Dawn Warner had waited for this night, but sometimes the best-laid plans go awry.

It was like throwing motor oil into the transmission.

Warner, who thrilled Observerland basketball followers with her All-State play at Livonia Franklin High, was making her only home-state appearance for the Lady Toppers of Western Kentucky University.

Family, friends, ex-teammates and I were all on hand Tuesday night at the Breslin Center in East Lansing to see the 5-foot-7 senior guard in person.

The last time I saw Warner play, she went out in a blaze of glory, scoring a school-record 47 points in a 69-66 regional setback back to Detroit Murray-Wright (in 1991).

WKU coach Paul Sanderford put Michigan State on the schedule just for Dawn's benefit, but the 7-2 Spartans certainly know how to spoil a good party.

The Spartans did everything right, while Western Kentucky did everything wrong en route to an 87-63 eye-popping loss.

This wasn't supposed to happen, and MSU coach Karen Langeland, who recruited Warner out of high school, may have summed it up best when she said, "I didn't expect this kind of game."

The Lady Toppers, an uncharacteristic 3-4 so far, have been to the NCAA Tournament 11 straight years. MSU, meanwhile, has been to one.

"It was good being back, but it was not the kind of homecoming I envisioned," said Warner, a 12.2 per game scorer who finished the night with eight points (on one of nine shooting) and five turnovers. "All four years I've waited for this. This is really the only opportunity for people who have followed from a distance to see me play."

"It's more or less embarrassing. I didn't expect to be blown out that bad."

One off night, however, shouldn't spoil a career, even when it comes on your home turf.

Warner, who carries herself just as well off the court as she does on it, has a shot to break the 1,000-point barrier this season. She should also move into second place on the school's all-time assist list.

Warner is the team's only returning starter from a year ago when the 28-4 Lady Toppers reached the NCAA's Sweet 16. Her crowning moment came in last year's Sun Belt Conference final when she nailed a buzzer-beating shot to nip perennial national power Louisiana Tech.

But things have changed this season, and Warner will be the first to admit it.

"I've never been on a losing team, and being my senior year, it's been hard," she said. "I've put more pressure on myself this season in basketball. Actually I've enjoyed myself more in the classroom. I pulled a 3.8 (grade-point) this semester."

Sanderford moved Warner from the point to the off-guard spot against MSU after backcourt mate Michelle Reed, the Lady Toppers' leading scorer, left the squad for personal reasons.

"She'll probably return to the point quickly," Sanderford admitted. "Not having the ball in her hands hurt us tonight."

To make matters worse, WKU's starting center was also out with a broken thumb.

"That hurt us right there, but it was tough for me to get open," Dawn said. "They (MSU) wouldn't let me get the ball. It was more frustrating than anything."

The game featured an interesting subplot featuring two players from the same neighborhood.

Four years ago, MSU freshman Tara Overalls and Warner were nearly teammates at Franklin. Overalls, however, opted for Livonia Ladywood and eventually found her way to Dearborn Divine Child where the senior transfer led the Falcons to the Class B state title in 1994.

The two finally crossed paths.

"We don't really know each other," said the 5-9 Overalls, who is learning to play on the perimeter after being primarily a post-up player in high school. "It was really the first time I've ever played against Dawn on the same court. And of course, I was pumped up."

See HOMEcomings, 3C



Tara Overalls

Patriots play like world-beaters



Livonia Franklin broke into the victory column in a big way with a convincing triumph Tuesday over Livonia Churchill behind 6-foot-8 junior Matt Bauman's game-high 26 points.

BY NEAL ZIPPER
STAFF WRITER

Everyone has heard the old adage that when two rivals play each other, you can throw the records out the window.

The saying proved truer than ever Tuesday as winless Livonia Franklin stunned visiting Livonia Churchill, 79-61, in the non-league boys' basketball game for both teams.

The Patriots didn't resemble their 0-4 record, as they dominated the Chargers and led for all but 19 seconds of the game.

"I didn't expect this type of margin, but I did expect that type of effort," Franklin coach Larry Jackson said.

"We have played tough competition and have been slowly improving. I think the darkest days are behind us."

The rout was led by Matt Bauman.

The 6-foot-8 junior center scored a game-high 26 points, including 13 in the first quarter to get the Patriots off to a quick start.

"This is a big rivalry for us and we came out on fire," Bauman said. "It helps to set the tone early and some of the guys out there were playing their best I've ever seen them play."

"Everyone stepped it up in the second half and I really didn't have to do too much."

Senior forward Tim Miller added a career-high 16 points and 13 rebounds for Franklin. Junior guard Craig Duprey and Mike Klisz chipped in with 13 and nine points, respectively.

Despite Franklin's record, Churchill coach Tom Lang knew the game would be tougher than expected.

"I was worried about this game," admitted Lang, whose team dropped to 2-2. "You see a team with an 0-4 record, but a team that has been steadily getting better. And I knew if they got up on us early, then we would be in trouble. What I thought came true."

Junior guard Shawn Woloszyn scored 14 of his team-high 20 points in the first half for Churchill. The Chargers also received 13 from senior forward Allen Polanski, 10 from senior forward Matt Hughes and nine from junior guard Kevin Renaud.

Bauman scored 13 of Franklin's 15 first-quarter points as the Patriots led 15-9 entering the second quarter.

Woloszyn and Polanski fueled a Churchill rally to begin the second. A long jumper by Woloszyn capped a 9-2 run that closed the margin to 21-20. A Woloszyn triple later gave Churchill its only advantage of the game, 25-24.

Four straight points by Duprey switched the lead for good back to Franklin, which led 30-28 at halftime. Franklin dominated the third quar-

ter, outscoring the Chargers 22-8. Miller led the barrage with seven points and outrebounded Churchill 4-3 by himself.

"They didn't miss many shots tonight," Lang said. "Bauman didn't miss and number 54 (Miller) was making everything he threw up at the basket. We tried everything to stop them, but nothing worked."

Rebounding proved to be the Achilles' heel for the Chargers. The Patriots doubled Churchill on the boards, 48-24.

Franklin converted 11 of 14 free throws in the fourth and led by as many as 24 points before the onslaught ended.

"I guarantee that we'll always play hard and that we'll give teams a lot of trouble this season — I guarantee that," Bauman said.

The Patriots made up for their 23 turnovers by outshooting the Chargers from the floor 49 percent (26-of-53) to Churchill's 40 percent (24-of-59). Franklin also hit 72 percent of its foul shots (24-of-33).

Canton wins WLAA relay with depth

By C.J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

No one expected Plymouth Canton's swim team to win anything at Saturday's Western Lakes Activities Association Relays meet, hosted by Plymouth Salem.

And in truth, the Chiefs didn't — except what mattered most.

Without winning a single event, Canton managed to outduel favored Salem and collect the relays championship in a meet that went down to the final race.

The Rocks — winners of the last three WLAA Conference titles and last season's relays meet — and the Chiefs — who have one previous relays crown and no conference championships to their credit — went into the final event, the 200-yard freestyle relay, tied for first with 182 points.

Westland John Glenn collected its only first-place finish of the meet, but Canton was second while Salem finished third.

Result: Canton, 208 points; Salem, 204.

North Farmington was third with 201, followed by Northville (154), Livonia Stevenson (150), Farmington (149), Livonia Churchill (147), Livonia Franklin (133), Farmington Harrison (110), Walled Lake (102) and Glenn (79).

"It surprised everyone," said Canton's first-year coach, Kyle Lott, adding, "including myself."

There were some good reasons why the Chiefs prevailed, none better than its depth. "This was our type of meet," said Lott. "We swam well and we didn't make any mistakes, and we had more depth than the others."

The second-place finish of Dave Berger, B.J. Page, Jason Musson and Steve Bollman in the 200 free relay (1:40.41) also earned Canton its only medal of the meet (presented to the top two teams in each of the 10 events).

However, the Chiefs collected five thirds and finished in the top six in all but one of the 10 events.

"Canton did quite well placing people (in events)," said Salem coach Chuck Olson. "They're pretty excited. This should move them up in the eyes of rest of league, that's for sure."

The Rocks won two events and took second in another. Pat Morgan, Nick Corden, Tim Buchanan and Brent Mellis teamed for a first in



BILL BRESLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Turbo Charger: Livonia Churchill's Mark Campbell swims a leg in the 500-yard freestyle relay at Saturday's WLAA meet.

the 400 free relay (3:28.87); Andrew Locke, Corden, Buchanan and Kyle Petroskey combined for a win in the 500 crescendo relay (4:34.91); and Mellis, John McLenaghan, Mark Dettling and Morgan collected a second in the 200 medley relay (1:47.11).

Stevenson was the only team with more than two firsts, the Spartans won the 400 medley (Brian Butrico, Ted Burmeister, Steve Domin and Keith Falk, 3:52.26); the 200 fly (Falk, Mike Malik, Mark Sgriccia and Victor Hakim, 1:49.04); and the 200 medley (Butrico, Burmeister, Domin and Chad Crosby, 1:45.83).

Glenn's team of Paul Merandi, Darren Draper, Matt Thomas and Ryan Swick won the 200 free relay in 1:38.62. The only other first was a repeat effort.

The Chiefs' victory will shake things up in the league, according to Salem's Olson. "It's true — the team that wins the relays meet is always one of the favorites in the (league) finals."

"Sometimes it's a monkey, sometimes it's a gorilla."

SWIMMING

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Dec. 16 at Plymouth Salem

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Plymouth Canton, 208 points; 2. Plymouth Salem, 204; 3. North Farmington, 201; 4. Northville, 154; 5. Livonia Stevenson, 150; 6. Farmington, 149; 7. Livonia Churchill, 147; 8. Livonia Franklin, 133; 9. Farmington Hills Harrison, 110; 10. Walled Lake, 102; 11. Westland John Glenn, 79.

FINAL RELAY RESULTS

400-yard medley: 1. Stevenson (Brian Butrico, Ted Burmeister, Steve Domin, Keith Falk), 3:52.26; 2. N. Farmington, 3:53.72; 3. Salem, 4:01.49; 4. Hampton, 4:04.11; 5. Canton, 4:04.91; 6. Franklin, 4:15.6.

400 freestyle: 1. Salem (Pat Morgan, Nick Corden, Tim Buchanan, Brent Mellis), 3:28.87; 2. Northville, 3:42.96; 3. Canton, 3:46.48; 4. Stevenson, 3:46.58; 5. Walled Lake, 3:49.12; 6. Franklin, 3:57.89.

200 breaststroke: 1. Farmington (Dan Berger, Matt Buckelew, Matt Crawford, Ryan Scheide), 2:08.04; 2. N. Farmington, 2:07.59; 3. Canton, 2:11.2; 4. Salem, 2:16.52; 5. Northville, 2:17.17; 6. Hampton, 2:18.56.

200 backstroke: 1. N. Farmington (Dan Gabriel, Brian Rajaj, Jay Rands, Jason Speer), 1:48.5; 2. Churchill, 1:48.66; 3. Canton,

2:06.99; 4. Northville, 2:13.45; 5. Franklin, 2:25.05; 6. Walled Lake, 2:34.59.

200 butterfly: 1. Stevenson (Keith Falk, Mike Malik, Mark Sgriccia, Victor Hakim), 1:49.04; 2. Farmington, 1:49.28; 3. Canton, 1:51.92; 4. N. Farmington, 1:51.99; 5. John Glenn, 1:52.79; 6. Salem, 1:59.03.

400 freestyle: 1. Walled Lake (Casey Guntzville, Joe Guzzo), 4:59.35 points; 2. John Glenn, 3:59.95; 3. Northville, 3:47.65; 4. Farmington, 3:45.20; 5. Salem, 3:51.80; 6. Franklin, 3:57.30.

400 individual medley: 1. Harrison (Chris Bailey, Justin Baminger, Robin Trombley, Matt Walker), 4:11.85; 2. Farmington, 4:16.22; 3. Canton, 4:18.85; 4. N. Farmington, 4:29.68; 5. Churchill, 4:30.12; 6. Salem, 4:32.60.

800 freestyle: 1. Salem (Andrew Locke, Nick Corden, Tim Buchanan, Kyle Petroskey), 4:34.91; 2. Churchill, 4:36.44; 3. Walled Lake, 4:59.69; 4. Franklin, 5:01.43; 5. Canton, 5:08.3; 6. Northville, 5:17.56.

200 medley: 1. Stevenson (Brian Butrico, Ted Burmeister, Steve Domin, Chad Crosby), 1:45.83; 2. Salem, 1:47.11; 3. Northville, 1:50.34; 4. N. Farmington, 1:55.18; 5. Hampton, 1:57.88; 6. Canton, 1:59.65.

200 freestyle: 1. John Glenn (Paul Merandi, Darren Draper, Matt Thomas, Ryan Swick), 1:38.62; 2. Canton, 1:40.41; 3. Stevenson, 1:42.13; 4. Salem, 1:46.92; 5. N. Farmington, 1:50.49; 6. Franklin, 1:56.29.

Petryk, Spartans get just rewards at GC

WRESTLING

freshman two years ago, he was in the lineup originally," Stevenson coach Don Berg said. "Last year, he wrestled behind Mullett and Goldman. He couldn't get in the lineup, toiled in the JV and never complained."

The Spartans, who had three first-place wrestlers, one second and one third, finished with 230 points. Melvindale, also with three champions, took second place (195) and Garden City was third (188).

Livonia Churchill and Dearborn tied for fifth (130), Westland John

Glenn was eighth (114), Livonia Franklin was 11th (81), Lutheran Westland, 14th (67), Livonia Clarenceville, 15th (66), Redford Union, 16th (63).

Thirteen Spartans had first-round wins on pins, the other won on a void to give the team 52 points, a first in Berg's memory as coach.

"I don't think any Stevenson team has done that," Berg said.

The Spartans have won their two dual meets decisively and finished second in the Trenton Tournament behind first-place Southgate Anderson. What makes the Garden City title more special than the last two

was the Spartans weren't heavy favorites this time.

Also winning championships for Stevenson were Dan Christenson (130) and Jon Sata (135). Christenson defeated Westland John Glenn's John Fedulchak, 10-2, in the 130 final; Sata defeated Garden City's Derrick Davis, 8-2, in the 135 final.

Dave Falzon was second at 126, losing in the final, 5-3.

Sata was Most Valuable Player of the lower weights, Eugene Barbu of Livonia Churchill was MVP of the upper classes, winning the 189-pound

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Dexter outburst ices Churchill

Livonia Churchill ended the Ann Arbor Play-Around Hockey Tournament with was 5-3 losses Saturday to Dexter at Veterans Arena.

Churchill, now 6-2 overall, won two of three games in the tournament along with four-time defending champion Ann Arbor Pioneer. But the Chargers won the tiebreaker on head-to-head competition after beating Pioneer, 3-1, on Dec. 13. Dexter and Ann Arbor Huron each finished 1-2.

The Chargers jumped out to a 3-0 second-period advantage before Dexter (5-4 overall) roared back for five unanswered goals.

Dave Higham had two goals and one assist for Churchill. Ed Rossetto had the other goal with Chris Kiebler collecting two assists. Sean Marshall and Matt Wysocki also had assists.

John Monteith's goal pulled the Dreadnaughts to within two after two periods, 3-1.

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Pelle Svanborg made it 3-2 early in the third and Adam Zylka tied it up.

Svanborg then scored what proved to be the game-winner with only 4:28 left. Kurt Wilson tallied an empty-netter with only 39 seconds remaining.

REDFORD CC 13, U-D JESUIT 0: Mark Wollschlager, a senior forward, had the hat trick Saturday as Redford Catholic Central cruised to the Michigan Metro High School Hockey League win over the University of Detroit Jesuit at Redford Ice Arena.

Junior center Eric Bratcher had five assists, while junior defenseman Scott Curtin and senior forward Matt Giordano each contributed two goals.

Reserve goaltenders Rich Bartley and Jordan Braciszewski combined on the shutout for the Shamrocks, now 4-1 overall and 3-0 in the league.

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Dec. 18 at Garden City HS

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 230 points; 2. Melvindale, 195; 3. Garden City, 188; 4. Monroe, 150; 5. (tie) Livonia Churchill and Dearborn, 130; 7. Northville, 117; 8. Westland John Glenn, 114; 9. Trenton, 95; 10. Dearborn Fordson, 87; 11. Livonia Franklin, 81; 12. Dearborn Heights Annapolis, 73; 13. Inkster, 69; 14. Lutheran Westland, 67; 15. Livonia Clarenceville, 66; 16. Redford Union, 63; 17. Dearborn Divine Child, 52; 18. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 29; 19. South Lake, 13.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

215 pounds: championship: Aaron Smitt (GC) pinned William Sari (LF), 3:27; consolation: Mike Connelly (RU) pinned Joe Ramlewski (LC), 5:2; fifth place: Derek Wieland (LS) pinned Mackie (DF), 2:45.
189: championship: Eugene Barbu (LC) pinned John Rose (Clar.), 3:25; consolation: Damman (Mel.) def. Mike Burgess (LS), 12:9; fifth place: Matthews (Dob.) pinned Joe Kemp (LW), 3:50.
171: championship: Kiley (Mon.) def. Tim Reeves (JG), 2:0; consolation: Goss (Dob.) def. Mike Allison (LS), 5:1; fifth place: Boyer (Tren.) def. Moran (RU), 10:5.
160: championship: Daniel (Mon.) pinned Chris Seder (LC), 1:00; consolation: Monessari (Mel.) pinned Hayden (GC), 4:03; fifth place: Matecki (RU) pinned Eric Reese (LS), 2:02.
152: championship: Scappaticco (Nor.) pinned Baker (Ink.), 3:35; consolation: Stewart (GC) def. Bares (Dob.), 2:0; fifth place: Cook (Tren.) default over Townsend (Ford).
145: championship: Nick Petryk (LS) def. Mike Farth (LW), 13:3; consolation: Striz (Mel.) def. Nat Muchow (LC), 4:0; fifth place: Totten (GC) def. Ekachi (LF), 1:0.
140: championship: Thompson (Mel.) pinned Jackson (Ink.), 4:14; consolation: Guido (DC) pinned Behrendt (Dob.), 2:9; fifth place: Eric Ledda (Clar.) def. Lesko (Tren.), 10:7.

135: championship: John Sata (LS) def. Derrick Davis (GC), 8:2; consolation: Wilburn (Mon.) pinned Larose (Dob.), 1:20; fifth place: Betz (Mel.) pinned Matt Biddinger (JG), 4:58.
130: championship: Dan Christensen (LS) def. John Feduchak (JG), 10:2; consolation: Griss (LF) pinned Cotton (Mon.), 2:07; fifth place: Calvert (Nor.) pinned Dowdell (Nor.), 5:1.
128: championship: Smith (Dob.) def. Dave Falzon (LS), 5:3; consolation: Scott (Mon.) def. Kyle (Nor.), 8:4; fifth place: Andy Ebedick (LW) def. Madigan (Mel.).
119: championship: Centu (Mel.) def. Keip, 4:1; consolation: McGahan (GC) def. Bensaley (Tren.), 4:0; fifth place: Brach (LS) def. Aaron Haddad (LF), 7:2.
112: championship: Louzon (Mel.) def. Matt Mine (GC), 7:2; consolation: Dan Seder (LS) pinned Antal (DHC), 3:31; fifth place: Straman (Nor.) def. Coleman (Ann.) by forfeit.
103: championship: Saran (Nor.) def. Scott (Tren.), 5:2; consolation: Baringer (Mel.) pinned Sueda (LS), 4:03; fifth place: Nowitzke (Mon.) def. Cooter (Ford), 14:2.
heavyweight: championship: George Palmer (GC) def. Jackson (Ink.), 10:8; consolation: Marc Dugas (JG) def. Bob Fowler (LC), 9:7; fifth place: Jerry Brammer (LS) def. Turner (LW).

PLYMOUTH SALEM WRESTLING INVITATIONAL Saturday at Salem

Team standings: 1. Holt, 298 points; 2. Redford Catholic Central, 256; 3. Saffee, 228; 4. Adrian, 203; 5. Plymouth Salem, 182; 6. Brighton, 157; 7. Ann Arbor Huron, 130; 8. Plymouth Canton, 98.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

215 pounds: championship: Andy Harrell (A) pinned Brian Evans (B), 1:36; consolation: Mike Taylor (H) def. John Leo (S), 6:5; fifth place: Jeff Bracken (CC) pinned James Walker (PS), 4:8.
189: championship: Clayton Walker (PS) pinned Cinque Carter (AAH), 3:37; consolation: Alex Redman (H) def. Bret Griffin (PS), 8:5; fifth

place: Josh Pinkin (PC) pinned Nay Smith (CC), 2:37.
171: championship: Tom Welsh (H) def. Teono Wilson (PS), 10:1; consolation: Lucian Harbar (CC) pinned Kevin Wilson (PS), 3:48; fifth place: Chris Doremus (A) def. Greg Fisher (AAH), 9:4.
160: championship: Matt McDermott (S) def. T. Hayes (H), 5:2; consolation: Jeremy Breighaupt (PS) pinned Ben Solis (A), 4:21; fifth place: Casey Rogowski (CC) pinned Nick Mouds (AAH), 3:30.
152: championship: Corey Mead (H) pinned Tom Keeling (PC), 2:5; consolation: Bryan Trapp (S) def. David Garcia (CC), 15:11; fifth place: Nathan Greene (B) def. Craig VanCamp (PS), 9:3.
145: championship: Kevin Griffin (CC) def. John Bowles (H), 5:2; consolation: Philip Murray (AAH) def. Jason Kohler (S), 8:3; fifth place: Dave Popeney (PS) pinned Shaun Bauer (PS), 4:46.
140: championship: Josh Kohler (S) def. Russell Clark (H), 10:8 (overtime); consolation: Rusty Dull (A) pinned Dan Hamblin (PS), 3:28; fifth place: Pete Kenny (B) pinned Jim Egan (PC), 1:07.
135: championship: Matt Griffin (B) def. Dave Gardner (CC), 12:3; consolation: Burke Porter (AAH) pinned Rodney Knott (H), 5:36; fifth place: Tom DeGrand (S) def. James Green (PS), 5:4.

130: championship: Gary Williams (H) pinned Paul Genapp (B), 6:06; consolation: Brian Hufnagel (PS) pinned Ruesch (A), 1:33; fifth place: John Demick (AAH) pinned Andy Lendum (CC), 4:44.
125: championship: Tom Shaver (H) def. Bob Hufnagel (PS), 15:0; consolation: Julian Guzman (A) def. Matt Peterson (CC), 3:12; fifth place: Nick Pence (B) def. Derek Rumbil (PC), 12:6.
119: championship: Paul Coburn (PS) def. Dario Ianni (CC), 7:4; consolation: Phong Pham (A) def. Ryan Amundsen (AAH), 11:8; fifth place: Greg Stuffer (PS) def. John Greath (H), 16:8.
112: championship: Greg Parrott (H) def. Mike Zelenock (CC), 8:6; consolation: David

Nieto (A) def. Adam Elgote (S), 8:4; fifth place: Sean Hughes (PS) pinned Tim Socco (B), 2:59.
103: championship: Dave O'Hara (CC) def. R.J. Eding (H), 15:8; consolation: Dan Morghetti (PS) pinned Pete Morb (A), 3:13; fifth place: Tom Lincoln (B) pinned Jason Gardner (AAH), 1:38.
heavyweight: championship: John Spolityk (CC) pinned Doug Cooper (PC), 1:46; consolation: James Shavers (PS) def. Ryan Keilor (B), 11:6; fifth place: Charlie Hamblin (PS) won on void.
LIVONIA STEVENSON 69 REDFORD FRANKLIN 6
Dec. 18 at Franklin
103 pounds: Katsuhiko Sueda (LS) pinned Derek Azgardi in 1:32; 112: Dan Seder (LS) p. Ryan Dalg, 1:54; 119: Jeff Brach (LS) def. Aaron Haddad, 6:3; 125: Dave Falzon (LS) p. Ryan Shiplett, 4:28; 130: Dan Christensen (LS) p. Alex Griss, 2:58; 140: Phil Ruetter (LS) p. Joe Contesso, 3:38; 145: Nick Petryk (LS) p. Ahmed Elkadi, 5:04; 152: Eric O'Neil (LS) p. Bill Campau, 1:06; 160: Eric Reese (LS) p. Sean O'Conner, 1:48; 171: Mike Allison (LS) p. Greg Paquette, 2:33; 189: Andy Hall (LF) def. Derek Wieland, 6:2; 215: William Sari (LF) def. Derek Wieland, 5:1; **heavyweight:** Rich Brammer (LS) p. Matt Lawson, 1:08; Stevenson's dual meet record: 2-0.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 78 REDFORD UNION 0
Dec. 13 at RU
103 pounds: Katsuhiko Sueda (LS) won by void; 112: Jeff Brach (LS) pinned Sean Donaldson in 1:10; 119: Dan Seder (LS) won by void; 125: Ed Little (LS) won by void; 130: Dave Falzon (LS) won by void; 135: Dan Christensen (LS) p. Adam Porter, 3:57; 140: Phil Ruetter (LS) p. Tony Aguilier, 1:07; 145: Seth Carriere (LS) def. Dan Gonzalez, 15:3; 152: Nick Petryk (LS) p. Dave Moore, 1:48; 160: Eric Reese (LS) p. Randy Malecki, 3:11; 171: Mike Allison (LS) def. Lenny Moran, 19:12; 189: Derek Wieland (LS) p. Bill Baker, 2:43; 215: Mike Burgess (LS) p. Mike Connelly, 2:58; **heavyweight:** Rich Brammer (LS) p. Joe Moorhead, 1:10.

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division with a pin over Livonia Clarenceville's John Rose in 3:25 in the final.

"It's a delicious thing, a very nice Christmas present for us," Berg said. "Definitely a lot of questions were answered. A lot of

kids came through." Garden City's finish was the best in the seven years Dave Chiola has been on the Cougars' coaching staff. Chiola is in his second year as head coach after serving five years as an assistant.

Heavyweight George Palmer and 215-pounder Aaron Smitt remained undefeated with titles in their divisions. Smitt pinned Livonia Franklin's William Sari in the final, 3:27 and Palmer beat his opponent, 10-8, in the final.

Matt Milne lost in the final of the 112 class to a Melvindale wrestler, 7-2.

The Cougars are 6-0 in dual meets, but this was the first time they were greatly tested, accord-

ing to Chiola.

"In the last round, we didn't wrestle bad, they just wrestled great," Chiola said. "I thought we wrestled well. A lot of my guys hadn't wrestled six minutes yet. Physically we were OK, but mentally, to win a close match, they hadn't had that yet."

Churchill's Chris Seder was second at 160, losing on a pin in the final in 1:00; Glenn sophomore Tim Reeves was second at 171, losing 2-0 in the final.

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Items for the Sports Roundup must be submitted by 6 p.m. Thursday (for special Monday holiday edition) and 6 p.m. Tuesday (for Thursday edition). Items run once only.

GLENN GYMNASTS ROLL

Westland John Glenn, led by all-around winner Shelley Underwood (34.00), opened the 1995-96 girls gymnastics season with a 132.60-117.85 victory over visiting North Farmington.

Underwood took firsts in vault (8.65) and balance beam (9.1). She added a second in floor exercise (8.7). Underwood tied teammate Katie Boogren for fourth on uneven bars (7.55 each).

Teammate Sarah Coombs was second all-around at 33.76. She took first on floor (8.85); second on vault (8.4) and uneven bars (8.3); and fourth on beam (8.2).

North's Amanda Lum was third overall with a 33.7 total. Lum won the uneven bars (8.45) finished second on beam (8.45) and third on vault (8.35). She added a fourth on floor (8.46).

Glenn's Jessica Beach, who was third on beam (8.25), was fourth all-around 31.7.

Other top Glenn finishers included Stephanie Thompson, third, uneven bars (7.85) and floor (8.6); and Kristy Broadrick, fourth, vault (8.25).

The Rockets return to action Tuesday, Jan. 9 at Hartland.

KNIGHTS VICTORIOUS

The Livonia Squirt AA Knights won the Silversticks Detroit Regional Hockey Tournament recently in St. Clair Shores.

The Knights, coached by Jim Boloven, move to the second

round next month in Sarnia, Ontario.

Members of the Knights include: Tommy Boloven, Wayne Bonkowski, Justin Dunn, Jason Gruchala, J.T. Katikos, Matt Kennedy, Rob McIntosh, Adam Miller, Roger Moody, Brandon Naurato, Jacob Norwood, Jason Price, Ryan Radakovich, Jimmy Riehl, Scott Sparks and Chris Walsh.

Assistant coach include Greg Bonkowski, Mike Radakovich and George Kennedy. The team sponsors include Huebner Manufacturing, Stanke Excavating and Max T. Walsh, M.D., P.C.

YOUTH SOCCER CHAMPS

The Canton Flames, an under-14 premier girls team, won both the under-14 and under-15 first division indoor seasons recently at Total Soccer in Southfield.

Members of the Flames include: Susannah Bryant, Jessie Bucks, Amy Dorogi, Jeannine Edwards, Jessica Pallas, Andrea Schimmel, Noelle Swartz and Heather Thompson, all of Canton; Claudia Sell and Lindsay Klemmer, Plymouth; Tiffanie Hembrough, Westland; Karen Kramer, Megan Urbats and Melissa Sultana, Livonia; Anne Marie Kotaylo, Northville; Jessica Booth, Dearborn; Emily Wilkinson, Belleville.

The team is coached by John Schimmel. He is assisted by Ernie Bucks and Gary Pallas.

The '85 Michigan Wolves, an under-11 boys team affiliated with the Livonia YMCA, recently won the first indoor session (A Division) with an 8-0 record at Total Soccer in Farmington Hills.

Members of the Wolves, who outscored their opponents 95-25,

include Tim Allen (goalkeeper), Brady Crosby, Nik Gjokic, Brian Ennis and J.T. Katikos, all of Livonia; Matt Okopyn (goalkeeper), Farmington Hills; Brian Popeney and Mike Simons, Canton; Mike Borowiak, Fraser; Keith Mullins, Dearborn Heights; Tony Zenn, Dearborn; Josh Churellan and Jeff Eehalt, Novi; John Haezebrouck, Southfield.

The coaching staff includes head coach Joe Knorel, along with assistants Pat Frederick and Andy Shiner. The team manager is Edward Allen.

COLLEGIATE NOTES

Concordia University's Lori Shingledecker (Livonia Stevenson) scored a team-high 21 points and grabbed five rebounds in the Cardinals' 72-46 women's college basketball win last week over Concordia (Ill.). Shingledecker is averaging 14.2 points per game.

The Albion College women's swimming and diving team is well represented by area performers. Team members include senior Heather White (Stevenson), junior Nancy Noechel (Livonia Franklin) and freshman Hilary White (Stevenson).

The men's team is represented by sophomore Sebastian Cruz (Stevenson).

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Warriors roll; Lavelle lifts Wayne

A 19-13 third quarter spurt helped the Lutheran High Westland Warriors shoot down the Dearborn St. Alphonsus Arrows, 61-45, in a boys basketball game Tuesday.

"We were a little sluggish in the first half," Lutheran Westland coach Scott Wiemer said. "In the second half, we played better defensively and started moving the ball better offensively. And we outrebounded them. That was a big key, overall."

Guard Bruce Williams led the host Warriors, who led 15-12 after one period and 25-20 at the half, by scoring 21 points. Junior forward Joe Pruchnik chipped in 10, as Lutheran Westland squared up at 2-2.

Guard Togar Walker was the show for the Arrows, scoring 25 points including four three-pointers. St. Alphonsus is now 0-2.

WAYNE 84, FORDSON 45; Lavelle

BASKETBALL

Guess knows how to keep everybody happy — give them the basketball.

And Guess did his job to near perfection Tuesday night, collecting seven assists to go with a dozen points as all five starters hit double figures in Wayne's pounding of previously undefeated Fordson.

The Zebras are now 3-1 overall and unbeaten in two Mega Red games, while the Tractors slipped to 3-1 overall and 1-1 in conference play.

Roland Patterson scored 13 points for Wayne while Richard Johnson joined Lavelle Guess at 12 points. Junior Lorenzo Guess got 11 points and Richard Rashad 10.

All the Zebras played and, once they got running, the score started going up. Kudo Velin scored 13 points and Nick Smith 12 for the Tractors.

Wayne went to the line just 12 times in the game, making eight, while Fordson sank 17-of-36 free throws.

Wayne will get a test tonight when it plays at Detroit St. Martin De Porres.

STEVENSON 59, MILFORD 42; Livonia Stevenson scored 15 points in

each of the first two periods to roll out to a 30-18 halftime lead and cruised from there.

Matt Quinter scored 21 points, Eric Curl had 12 and Erick Giovannini 11 in Stevenson's first victory in three tries this season.

The Redskins, 2-2, got eight points from Bill Nash. Milford made two more free throws, 11, than Stevenson with both shooting 17 in the game.

Stevenson put Jim Grewe on Milford point guard Nick Demester and took him right out of the game, limiting him to six points.

JOHN GLENN 68, SOUTH LYON 53: Albert Jones scored 15 points to help John Glenn even its record at 2-2.

Coach Mike Schuette got everybody into the game and all but one of them scored. It was 30-20 at halftime.

David Jarrett and John Eicher each scored nine points for the Rockets, who made 14-of-21 free throws.

South Lyon, which made 11-of-14 free throws, got 13 points from Kris LaMontagne and 12 from Steve White.

"We played well," Schuette said. "We tried to keep the pressure on them and dictate the tempo of the game, and we were successful doing that."

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But from one game to the next, Overaitis doesn't know when her name is going to be called. She played seven first-half minutes, hitting three of four free throws while taking a charge.

"It's not easy sitting on the bench, but you just have to go out and play hard every practice," she said. "You have to be ready mentally and physically. As long as you play hard, that's all you can

do. It's really out of your hands." Somehow, some way, these two players, cut out of the same mold — intelligent and full of savvy — will bounce back and survive their adversity.

SWIMMING

LIVONIA STEVENSON 108 DEARBORN HIGH 82 Dec. 19 at Livonia Churchill

FARMINGTON HIGH 108 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 78 Dec. 19 at Churchill

1:06.76; 400 freestyle relay: Farmington (Hawkins, Benivegna, Belanger, Bosler), 3:42.6. Dual meet records: Farmington, 1-1 overall; Churchill, 0-1.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 89 MONROE HIGH 81 Dec. 14 at Churchill

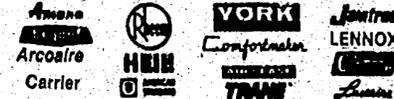
200 medley relay: Stevenson (Brian Butrico, Ted Burmeister, Steve Domin, Chad Crosby), 1:45.76; 200 freestyle: Keith Falk (LS), 1:52.5; 200 IM: Burmeister (LS), 2:11.6; 100 butterfly: Domin (LS), 57.68; 500 freestyle: Stevenson (Domin, Burmeister, Falk, Kevin Fordell), 1:39.75; 100 breaststroke: Burmeister (LS), 1:04.86.

200-yard medley relay: 1. Stevenson (Brian Butico, Ted Burmeister, Steve Domin, Chad Crosby), 1:45.92; 200 individual medley: 1. Domin (LS), 2:13.04; 2. Burmeister (LS), 2:13.45; 50 freestyle: 1. Crosby (LS), 24.49; 100 freestyle: 1. Crosby (LS), 55.48; 500 freestyle: 1. Keith Falk (LS), 5:03.97; 100 breaststroke: 1. Butrico (LS), 1:00.3; 100 breaststroke: 1. Burmeister (LS), 1:06.85; 400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Domin, Crosby, Victor Hakim, Falk), 3:39.33. Stevenson's overall dual-meet record: 2-0.

200 medley relay: Churchill (Mark Campbell, Matt Bayles, Rob Grant, Frank Richard), 1:52.16; 200 freestyle: John Hawkins (F), 1:51.55; 200 IM: Danny Belanger (F), 2:09.79; 50 freestyle: Campbell (LC), 24.65; diving: Jeff Thomas (F), 239.00 points; 100 butterfly: Pete Bosler (F), 1:05.35; 100 freestyle: Ken Kopf (F), 55.77; 500 freestyle: Hawkins (F), 5:07.77; 200 freestyle relay: Farmington (Hawkins, Mark Crawford, Todd Benivegna, Kopf), 1:41.75; 100 breaststroke: Bill Randall (LC), 1:05.94; 100 breaststroke: Belanger (F).

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VOLLEYBALL

Ladywood strong again behind versatile LeSage

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Who stands tall at the net when it comes to Observerland volleyball?



Look no further than Livonia Ladywood, which returns several key performers off last year's 41-9 team that reached the state Class A semi-finals.

Coach Tom Teeters lost first-team All-Area performers Anne Poglits, the 6-foot-3 hitting force (to Michigan basketball), along with setter Renee Rozell (Oakland Community College), to graduation.

But senior Erin LeSage, a 5-9 do-it-all performer, heads a talented cast which should keep the Blazers in top 10 state Class A rankings once again this year.

LeSage sparked the Blazers to the Central Division, Catholic League, Operation-Friendship, district and regional crowns a year ago.

"She's just a real consistent player," Teeters said. "She's a good hitter and does a lot of the little things you need to be successful."

"She's a hard worker and she's really competitive."

LeSage, who moved to a primary passing role late last season, will fill the setters spot along with junior Nicole Vondracek and senior Katie Brogan.

Senior Stacey Judd, who has been bothered by back trouble during the preseason, gives the Blazers a strong hitting attack along with junior Kristen Dause and senior Shannon Swish.

"Who will challenge Ladywood's four-year dominance in the Catholic League?"

"Birmingham: Marian will be stronger and they have a lot of good hitters," said Teeters, who did not lose a league match in four years. "That Marian program has been working year-round."

"There are a lot of people who

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would like to push us off the top, which is nice, because that means the league will be more competitive."

But under the guidance of Teeters, who has led the Blazers to five quarter-final berths in 10 years, including the 1989 state crown, it appears it will be an uphill climb for most area teams.

In the 12-school Western Lakes Activities Association, it looks like a two-team race in the Lakes Division.

Defending champion Plymouth Salem, which did not lose a WLAA match last season, is led by 6-foot Shellye Sills, a first-team All-Observer pick. Another Lakes contender is Walled Lake Central, paced by 6-1 Becky Cummings.

Livonia Stevenson (24-9-11) could make noise if players like Kristi DiBasio, Nicole Tobin and Gina Palmeri have big seasons.

Westland John Glenn, meanwhile, under second-year coach Stacy Graham, is rebuilding, but returns talented 5-11 junior middle hitter Chrissy Harkless.

On the Western Side of the WLAA, Livonia Churchill (31-10-4) should be a factor.

C'ville falls

Despite six aces from junior Nicole Riedl, Livonia Clarenceville dropped its season volleyball opener to Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 15-8, 15-12.

Jackie Kibliko added 18 digs for the Trojans, who were seeing their first action of the season.

"I wasn't really upset because this is our first match of any kind, we haven't had any scrimmages or tournaments," Clarenceville coach Alisha Love said. "I saw a lot of good things out there."



Tom Teeters

The Chargers, who won the 1990 state Class A crown, return coach Mike Hughes, now in his 20th season. Hughes is the dean of Observerland prep coaches.

Churchill has a tall, attacking team, but defense and passing will determine the team's success.

Key returnees include Jill Sarnovsky, Theresa Arciero, Kerri Verardi, Jenelle Mazaris and Kelly Ashworth. Juniors Lori Leszczynski and Megan McGinty should help make up for the loss of first-team All-Area pick Patti Maldonado, who graduated.

Livonia Franklin (32-12-7) will miss top hitter Jaclyn Deane (Madonna University) and setter Andrea Greer (Schoolcraft College), both first-team All-Area picks.

Melissa Wolvin, a 5-10 senior, is the Patriots' top returnee.

In the Metro Conference, Livonia Clarenceville (29-12-5), the regular season champ, is rebuilding after losing four-year standout Wendy Roy (Emporia State) and Tracy Sledz (Schoolcraft).

Another Metro team, Lutheran High Westland (19-7-5), is under new leadership as Joan Ollinger takes over for Donna Strang as head coach.

Second-year coach Leighanne Dunlap of Wayne Memorial hopes her team can improve on last year's 2-10 Red Division mark in the Mega Conference.

But the biggest challenge belongs to Westland Huron Valley Lutheran Jeff Hale, who has a meager six-girl roster and is searching for his first victory in four seasons.

See capsule summaries.

Capsule summaries of area prep teams

LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Head coach: Mike Hughes, 20th season. League affiliation: Western Lakes Activities Association (Western Division). Last year's overall record: 31-10-4.

Titles won: WLAA Western Division and U.M Dearborn Tournament.

Notable losses to graduation: Patti Maldonado (first-team All-Area), Sarah Fabrikiewicz (second-team All-Area now playing at Schoolcraft), Jamie Clark (Schoolcraft), Heather Boni (U-M Dearborn) and Mindy Sullivan.

Leading returnees: Jillian Sarnovsky, senior middle hitter; Theresa Arciero, senior outside hitter; Kerri Verardi, senior setter; Jenelle Mazaris, senior defensive specialist; Kelly Ashworth, senior middle hitter.

Promising newcomers: Lori Leszczynski, junior middle hitter; Megan McGinty, junior middle hitter; Makiko Nakashima, junior outside hitter (foreign exchange student); Danielle Sockolosky, junior defensive specialist; Karl Buzewski, junior setter; Amanda Eszes, junior outside hitter; Andrea Will, junior setter; Tina Nair, junior outside hitter.

Hughes' 1995-96 outlook: "We will be competitive. How competitive will be determined by how well we play defense and pass the ball. That will determine if we win or lose."

"This will be one of the better offensive teams we have. We'll do a good job hitting and blocking. This is also one of our biggest teams with five girls taller than 5-feet-8."

"The 1991 (Class A state championship) team didn't have this type of size, but we're much quicker and had more experience. We'll rely on our seniors but have two impact juniors in Lori (Leszczynski) and Megan (McGinty)."

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

Head coach: Ann Hutchins, season. League affiliation: WLAA (Western Division). Last year's overall record: 32-12-7.

Titles won last year: Madonna Classic. Notable losses to graduation: Jaclyn Deane (first-team All-Area), Andrea Greer (first-team All-Area), Sarah Camp, Mary Bagazinski, Shannon Weakley, Misty Yaffe and Asha Bell.

Leading returnees: Melissa Wolvin, 5-10 senior middle hitter (captain); Jennifer Atanasiu, 5-8 senior outside hitter; Amanda Ricotta, 5-6 senior outside hitter.

Promising newcomers: Randi Wolfe, 5-7 junior setter/outside hitter (transfer from Westland John Glenn); Janine Bosman, 5-7 junior middle/outside hitter (first-team All-Area); Stacey Judd, 5-10 senior outside hitter (second-team All-Area); Jessica Gerack, 5-11 senior middle hitter; Shannon Swish, 5-5 senior outside hitter; Nicole Vondracek, 5-9 junior setter/outside hitter; Jill Wilson, 5-4 senior defensive specialist; Kristen Dause, 5-11 junior outside hitter; Katie Brogan, 5-5 sophomore outside/defensive specialist.

Hutchins' 1995-96 outlook: "We're more inexperienced, but we have three or four kids who can pass and set. I think we'll be a good serving team. We're also a decent blocking team. They get along well. We just need our JV people to get to know the defense better."

"We'll have no dominating player other than Melissa. There's also the quickness factor because Andrea (Greer) covered the court so well. But Wolfe is a strong player."

"It should be a fun year and we hope to be more than competitive. We'd like to be in at least the top half of our conference."

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Head coach: Kelly Graham, season. League affiliation: WLAA (Lakes Division). Last year's overall record: 24-9-11.

Notable losses to graduation: Jen Monaghan (first-team All-Area), Jill Van Tiem (third-team All-Area); Jill Millington and AnnMarie Aquino.

Leading returnees: Kristi DiBasio, 5-7 senior outside hitter; Catherine Gary, 5-10 middle hitter; Stacey Nichols, 5-10 senior outside hitter; Julie Richardson, 5-4 senior defensive specialist; Amanda Domin, 5-9 senior middle hitter; Laura Krol, 5-6 senior outside hitter; Nicole Tobin, 5-5 junior setter.

Promising newcomers: Gina Palmeri, 6-0 junior middle hitter; Kelly Kristy, 5-8 junior outside hitter; Stephanie Waters, 5-8 junior outside hitter; Beth Pincus, 5-5 junior defensive specialist; Anita Kadarjan, 5-7 junior outside hitter.

Graham's 1995-96 outlook: "We have a relatively tall team. We have to utilize our height. If we can block, we'll be good."

"We're struggling right now as far as communication and transition on the court. They can all hit and pass the ball, but coverage of the court and transition is a concern."

"DiBasio is the strength of our team and Tobin is a talent. Palmeri jumps well and can hit the ball."

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN

Head coach: Stacy Graham, second season. League affiliation: WLAA (Lakes Division). Last year's overall record: unknown.

Notable losses to graduation: Stacy Stricker (second-team All-Area), Kety Carson, Jill Crosby, Julie Bule, Petra Cisar and Lisa Hammond.

Leading returnees: Chrissy Harkless, 5-11 junior middle hitter; Jenny Smith, 5-5 junior outside hitter; Rachel Satterlee, 5-8 senior defensive specialist/middle hitter; Jenny Tapper, 5-8 senior outside hitter.

Promising newcomers: Jamie Romei, 5-5 junior setter; Beth Bussard, 5-4 junior setter/defensive specialist; Jill Murphy, 5-0 junior defensive specialist; Anja Prosz, 6-0 junior right-side hitter (exchange student from Germany); Sarah Creless, 5-8 junior outside/middle hitter; Jamie Barker, 5-8 sophomore middle hitter; Julie Taylor, 5-7 sophomore outside hitter; Becca Harden, 5-7 junior outside hitter; Kelly Armstrong, 5-6 senior outside hitter.

Graham's 1995-96 outlook: "It's a rebuilding year. We lost a lot of experience. But each year we have more kids playing AAU and recreation. That's the way to build a team. We also have a good JV coach (Nancy Oestrike) and I won't have to re-teach the basic all over again."

"Harkless has worked on her defense. She's improved. She's strong in the middle."

"Smith played AAU and came back strong. She's a great defensive player and a definite spark to the team."

"Romei is adjusting real well as the setter. She works hard at it. She's quick and she jump. She's a tough little player."

LIVONIA LADYWOOD

Head coach: Tom Teeters, 10th season. League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division). Last year's overall record: 41-9.

Titles won last year: Fraser Invitational, Central Division, Catholic League playoffs, Operation-Friendship, Class A district and regional.

Notable losses to graduation: Anne Poglits (first-team All-Area), Renee Rozell (first-team All-Area), Christie Soter, Robyn Danczak and Debbie Sobczak.

Leading returnees: Erin LeSage, 5-9 senior setter/outside/middle hitter (first-team All-Area); Stacey Judd, 5-10 senior outside hitter (second-team All-Area); Jessica Gerack, 5-11 senior middle hitter; Shannon Swish, 5-5 senior outside hitter; Nicole Vondracek, 5-9 junior setter/outside hitter; Jill Wilson, 5-4 senior defensive specialist; Kristen Dause, 5-11 junior outside hitter; Katie Brogan, 5-5 sophomore outside/defensive specialist.

Promising newcomers: Sarah Poglits, 6-1 sophomore middle/right side hitter; Mary Lu Herme, 5-8 sophomore outside hitter; Jenny Lachapelle, 5-7 sophomore outside hitter; Cathy Hermann, 5-10 junior outside hitter; Mary Dankert, 5-8 junior outside hitter; Jenny Young, 6-2 freshman middle hitter.

Teeters' 1995-96 outlook: "We're still up in the air in terms of what kind of offense we're going to run. We'll start with a modified 6-2. We're looking at two or three setters. It's going to be a big change mainly because (Anne) Poglits is not back."

"I think we'll be a stronger defensive team. Dause is hitting well and Swish has really improved her outside hit Nicole (Vondracek) has stepped up and is taking on new responsibility. She's doing a lot of things for us."

WAYNE MEMORIAL

Head coach: Leighanne Dunlap, second season. League affiliation: Mega Conference (Red Division). Last year's division record: 2-10.

Notable losses to graduation: Audrey Raines (third-team All-Area), Stephanie Roberts and Shannon Harmon.

Leading returnees: Tammy Raines, 5-7 junior setter; Pam Ppchk, 5-7 outside hitter; Lisa Thompson, 5-8 senior right-side specialist; Wendy Sertz, 5-10 junior middle hitter.

Promising newcomers: Briane Moore, 5-9 sophomore middle hitter; Rachel Raines, 5-7 freshman outside hitter; Bridget O'Rourke, 5-7 freshman right-side specialist.

Dunlap's 1995-96 outlook: "We're going to

put up a fight this season in our division. We're still building and we still have things to work on, but if we progress, I'll be satisfied."

"We want to do better than last year. We have a little more height overall and a little more skill. We got our (school) mileage back and we have a lot more girls out."

"If we work hard and work as a team, I think it will be a good year."

LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE

Head coach: Alisha Love, sixth season. League affiliation: Metro Conference (West Division). Last year's overall record: 29-12-5.

Titles won last year: Metro Conference regular season champions.

Notable losses to graduation: Wendy Roy (Emporia State), Tracy Sledz (Schoolcraft), Nikki Courturier and Pam Inzano.

Leading returnees: Nicole Riedl, 5-7 junior setter; Amy Jones, 5-8 junior outside hitter; Michelle Berry, 6-0 sophomore middle hitter; Agnieszka Palasz, 5-10 sophomore middle/outside hitter; Kristin Jaber, 5-8 sophomore defensive specialist/outside hitter; Christie DeHaan, 5-7 junior outside hitter; Jackie Kibliko, 5-5 sophomore defensive specialist; Ashlee Henze, 5-8 sophomore outside hitter; Nora Kohluss, 5-9 senior middle hitter.

Promising newcomers: Danielle Sledz, 5-6 freshman setter/outside hitter; Joanna Sifela, 5-6 sophomore outside hitter.

Love's 1995-96 outlook: "This year we're going to have to be a team, team instead of one or two superstars. We have no standout, but our juniors — Nicole Riedl, Christie DeHaan and Amy Jones — have to step up. We have only one senior so we're in the rebuilding stage. I think we'll be alright."

"We won't be an attacking team offense-wise. We'll have to focus on defense. Defense wins games and defense wins championships."

LUTHERAN HIGH WESTLAND

Head coach: Joan Ollinger, first season. League affiliation: Metro Conference (West Division). Last year's overall record: 19-7-5.

Titles won: Co-champions of Metro Conference.

Notable losses to graduation: Julie Trifmeyer, Jenny Pruchnik (third-team All-Area), Emily Schroeder, Lauren Horton, Becky Cannon, Dana Purdy, Lisa Bartos, Amy Ebednick and Melissa Belinski.

Leading returnees: Katie Ollinger, senior setter; Amy Moudenbauer, senior hitter; Jenny Twitemeyer, junior hitter.

Promising newcomers: Stephanie Davis, junior hitter; Jessica Joyce, junior hitter; Jill Kopper, junior defensive specialist; Joy Tieman, junior hitter; Jackie Kemp, junior defensive specialist; Suzanne Thomson, junior setter; Lindsay Alor, junior defensive specialist; Jenny Blaine, junior hitter.

Ollinger's 1995-96 outlook: "This will be a learning year for all of us. Even though it's a rebuilding year, I still think we're going to be over .500 because the girls we do have are good."

"We have to work on our defense which is probably my biggest concern. Our attacking will be fine. We'll rely on our two seniors for leadership."

HURON VALLEY LUTHERAN

Head coach: Jeff Hale, second season. League affiliation: Michigan Independent Athletic Conference (Red Division). Last year's overall record: 0-17-3.

Notable losses to graduation: none.

Leading returnees: Michelle Ruth, 5-10 setter/outside hitter; Nikki Kightlinger, 5-11 senior middle hitter; Becky Haddad, 5-5 setter/back row specialist.

Promising newcomers: Amy Brandenburg, 5-8 freshman outside hitter; Katie Oriandoni, 5-8 middle blocker; Janice Dethloff, 5-7 freshman outside hitter.

Hale's 1995-96 outlook: "Six players didn't return from last year's team. We have three returning seniors, and they hope they will carry us. And we have three returning freshman. Nobody will be subbing. Everyone will get to play. We can't afford sickness and injury."

"We have a ways to go. It will take awhile for frosh to come along, because they're jumping into varsity level. But they're promising and by middle of season I hope they can excel and come together."

"This year we've added three tournaments. We're excited. This is new for HVL."

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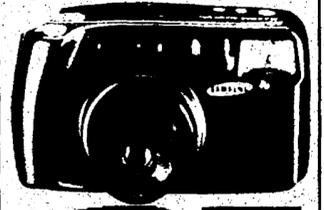
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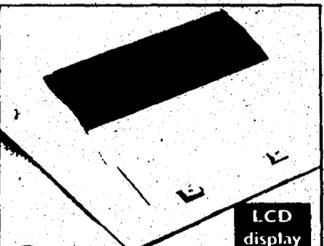
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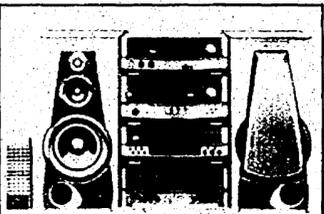
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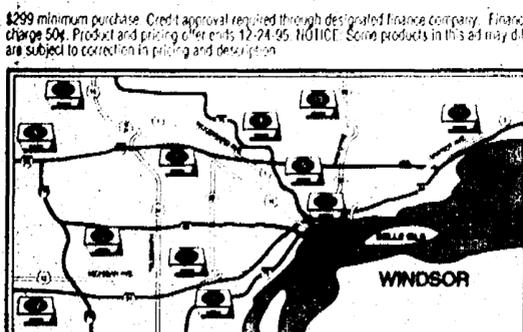
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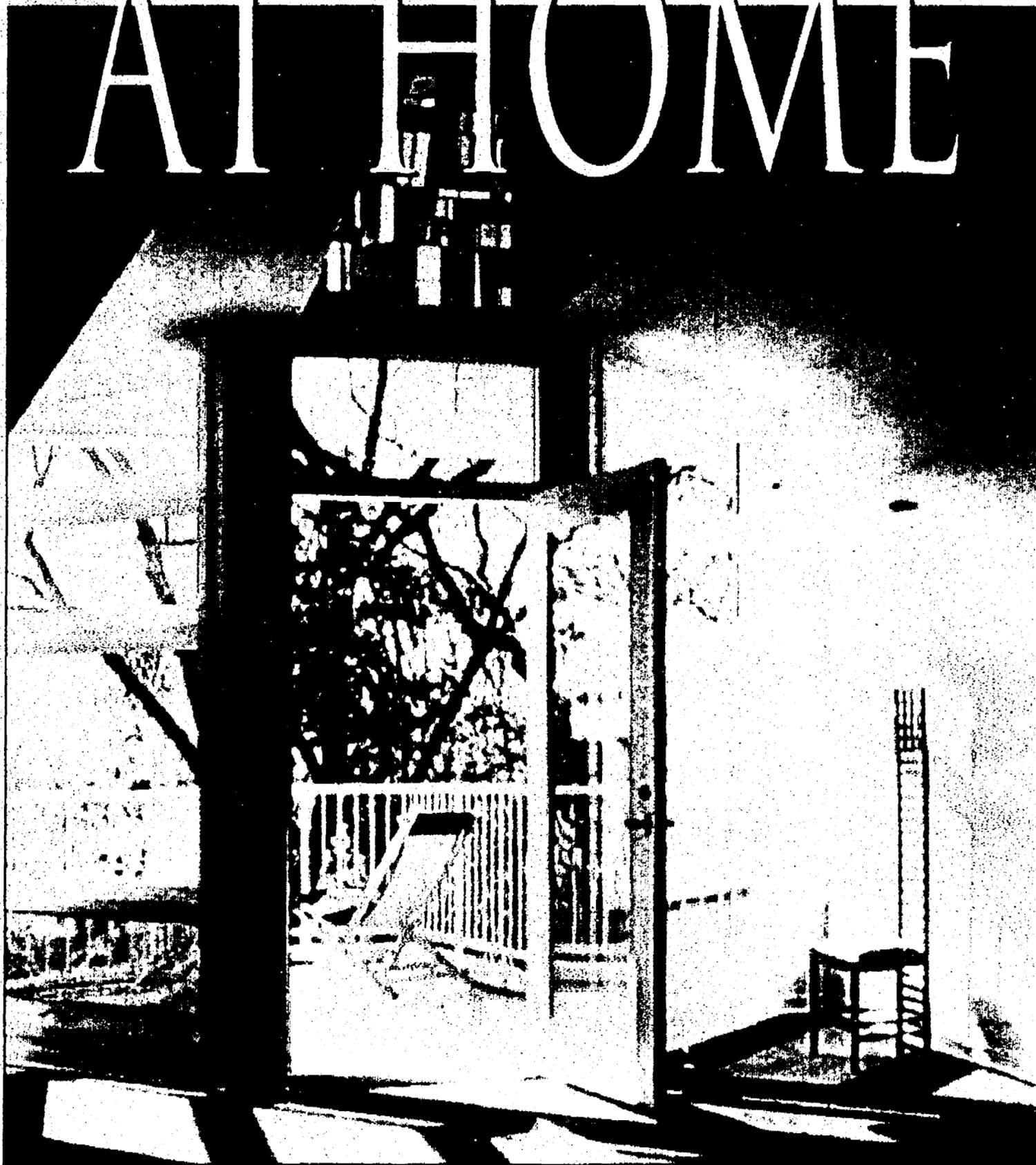
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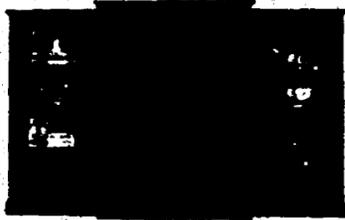
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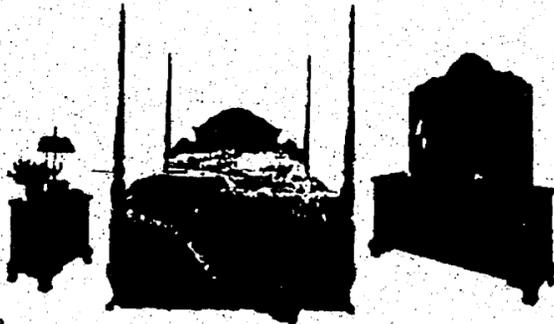
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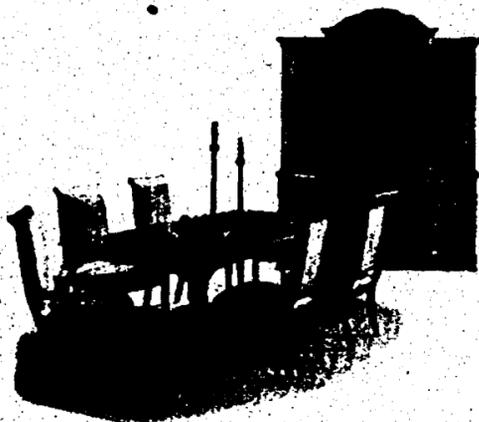
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INTERIOR MOTIVES

Entertaining requires rearranging some rooms



NAOMI STONE LEVY

A group of friends has been invited to your home to celebrate the holidays. Your normal placement of furniture will impede the traffic flow, and the fun; thus a rearrangement of your rooms becomes essential.

A huge punch bowl with cups (these can be rented) and the bar will be central to the convivial atmosphere and must accommodate the guests without crowding. If you or a friend tend the bar it is so helpful to stand behind the bar, with glasses, ice and bottles at hand. A long aluminum folding (draped) table is an excellent choice to hold everything. Wine bottles and glasses can be set out separately; use a small round table with a pleasing cloth to catch the drip, even though you wrap the wine bottles (red and white) in a napkin.

As much as I love a multitude of lighted candles, I urge caution in the placing of same. Atop a mantel is safest.

The new assemblage of the furniture to accomplish all of this is significant. You still want groups of seating, as everyone doesn't appreciate having to stand around for hours. It is also prudent to have a small table very close to set down a glass, or even a cup of coffee. Said table might favor small dishes of nuts and/or candy.

Of course there will be decorative bowls of greens or flowers, perhaps several of these are indicated. At one end of the ever-present coffee table you can

■ **A huge punch bowl with cups (these can be rented) and the bar will be central to the convivial atmosphere.**

place a festive arrangement, leaving space for a tray of canapes. Naturally there has to be adequate room for guests to gather around for these nibbles. Space is ever the key word.

I generally advise artful free-standing groupings; but for "occasions" it becomes expedient to diversify. Push the very largest furniture against the walls, or even relegate it to the garage. Judicious removal may be very important to the success of this venture. Now an additional assemblage of small chairs!

If your accessories and lamps are going to cause problems, be discerning. Sweep them up and out of the way. They will surely be knocked about when the crowd thickens. A potential disaster that can be avoided lurks in the background.

Most of all everyone wants to have fun, including you. The merrymaking will be commensurate with your preparatory endeavors. The final outcome of the revelry will be a party worthy of all your labors.

Naomi Stone Levy, a Franklin resident, is an interior designer and a former secretary of the American Society of Interior Designers. You can leave her a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then her mailbox number, 1897. Her fax number is (810) 644-1314.

Ford Estate ready for tours

The Henry Ford Estate announces newly acquired historic appointments and artifacts for the 1995 holiday season, themed "The Spirit of Christmas."

"The needlepointed chairs, new Gathering Room layout and the communion set will add greatly to the visitor experience," said Mark Braden, manager of business operations of the Henry Ford Estate on the campus of the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

"Return visitors will appreciate the significant work we have done since they were here last. Christmas is a very special time at Fair Lane, and we hope everyone comes to visit for a tour, a meal or both."

The new acquisitions are:

■ **Original handcarved wooden Nativity figures (1837-38).** The ox, donkey, shepherd and lamb were bought by Henry and Clara Ford during their trip to Oberammergau, Germany, in the 1930s. They are four of 10 handcarved wooden figures that the Fords bought in

Germany after attending the Passion Play of Oberammergau.

■ **Communion set.** This traveling communion set consists of a silver engraved footed paten, a silver chalice with knob stem and a glass jar with a silver screw top. Used by a minister in a mountain region to administer last sacraments, Henry Ford bought this set for Clara Ford.

■ **Historic furnishings.** Recently acquired antique needlepoint highback chairs and loveseat are displayed in the Gathering Room.

Local area florists joined the festivities by decorating the estate with elaborate floral designs. Many of the items will be available for sale during a silent auction the week after Christmas.

Special programs for all ages are planned at the estate, including candlelight tours Tuesday, Thursday, Dec. 26-28. Call (313) 593-5590 for information.

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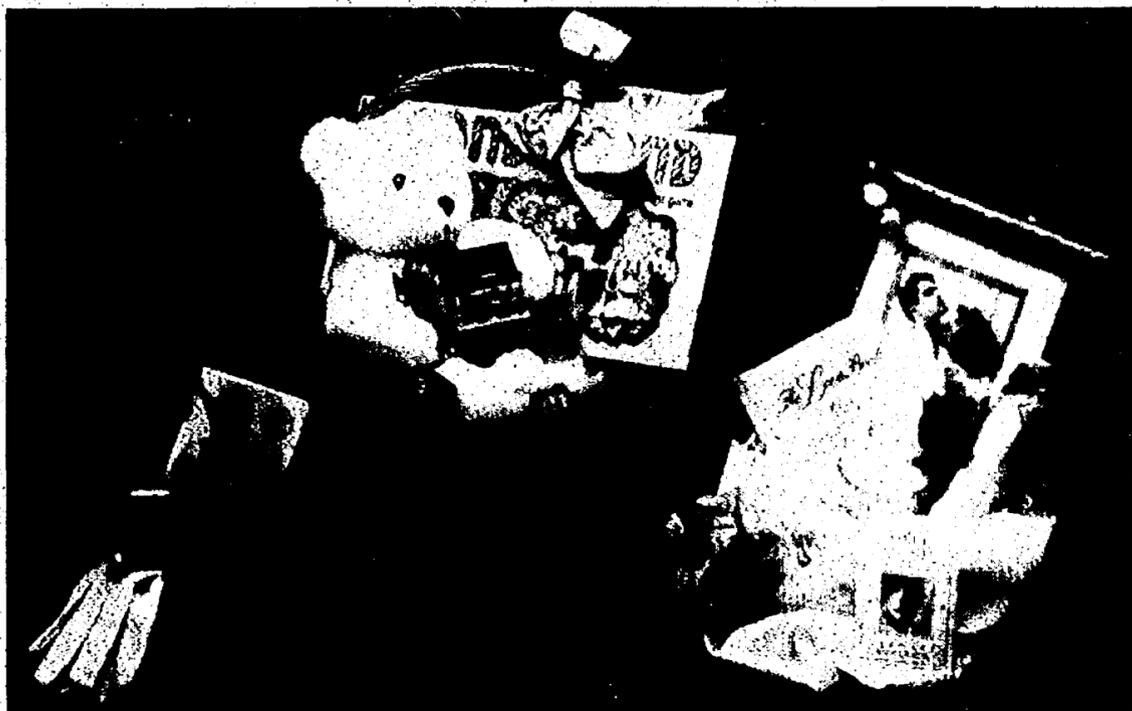
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Gift themes

Holiday ideas: Having trouble figuring out what to get your 6-year-old grandchild, or your uncle who's an avid fisherman, for the holidays? Consider a gift basket. Giving several "themed" items as a gift is a popular way to personalize your selections, says Deb Fritz, Target's home decor consultant. First, stop and think about the person. What are his or her hobbies and personality type? Second, make a list of several smaller items that would fit within your "theme," rather than one large gift.

AT HOME

Mary Klemic, editor

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INVITING IDEAS

If it's New Year's Day — it's brunch



RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON

It better be brunch if I'm entertaining on New Year's Day — I don't do mornings well on any given day, let alone the "morning after" — and all of my friends and family know it!! I'm a perpetual late-niter and sometimes an all niter. My internal clock, not

my biological one, is set for "high noon." My eyes may be open at 8:30 a.m., but my brain clicks in as the mid-day news hits the airwaves.

Planning ahead is the key to a successful New Years Brunch — that way morning isn't an issue, and of course my holiday decorations are still in full force, leaving just the well-planned menu to contend with.

Brunches are the best, you can do almost any type of food — pure breakfast food, carbs galore, salads, entrees, sophisticated teas sandwiches, even appetizer-type finger foods. Drinks can be freshly squeezed juices, exotic coffees, interesting and flavorful teas, hot chocolate, champagne or a tall glass of mineral water splashed with citrus. I always say: "Brunches are like hemlines in the

'90s anything goes!!' It's all *fare* game.

Different years I do different things — sometimes with a theme, sometimes just favorite foods. For overnight guests, you can do a bed and breakfast-type meal minus the eggs fried in bacon grease or deep fried bread. Start with fresh squeezed orange juice (preferably the ones your in-laws sent from Florida), grits or an Irish oatmeal, home-baked muffins, jams and marmalades, smoked fish, crispy bacon or sausage, fruit compote and a delicious fluffy omelet.

Cheese platters are fun and easy to do — choose some familiar cheeses add some unusual ones or make some easy cheese dips — add some fresh fruit as a garnish. Another garnish that goes well with cheeses are sun-dried tomato cut-outs. To make sun-dried tomato cut outs — buy sun-dried tomatoes packed in oil. Open up the tomato, place the cut side on a cutting board, blot with a paper towel to remove some of the excess oil. If there are any seeds, discard. Using your fingers, spread open the tomato halve — press down to get as flat a surface as possible — use tiny aspic cutters, miniature cookie cutters or cut shapes with small scissors to make shapes out of the tomato. Place the tomato shapes on top of the cheeses. Cream cheese or Neufchatel processed with fresh herbs, smoked salmon or interesting spices (curry is an interesting one) makes a nice spread for bread, bagels and rolls. The same idea can be done with butter or margarine — cinnamon butter is delicious on a piping hot bagel!

POTATO CAKES WITH CHEVRE CHEESE AND CHIVE

Yield: 8 potato cakes.

A deliciously different twist on the old potato pancake — a perfect addition with a smoked meat.

4½ pounds baking potatoes (russets are fine), peeled and cut into 1-inch dice

2 cups shallots, thinly sliced (approximately 12)

4 garlic cloves, peeled and sliced

2 cups dry bread crumbs (not Italian flavored), processed fine

7 ounces Chevre cheese (soft goats milk cheese), room temp.

½ cup fresh chives, finely chopped salt

Cayenne pepper

1 stick unsalted butter or margarine

Optional — Laban (heavy strained yogurt) or Sour Cream

Directions:

In a saucepan place the potatoes, shallots, and garlic — cover with enough water to go one inch over the mixture. Place over medium heat and simmer for 15 minutes, or until the potatoes are ten-

der.

Drain the potatoes, shallots, and garlic — return to the pan, steam it over medium heat, shake the pan until all the excess liquid is evaporated (this should only take a minute).

Remove the mixture and force through a ricer or process in a food processor on pulse — add 1 cup of the bread crumbs, the chevre (goat cheese), and the chives. Add salt and cayenne pepper to taste.

Divide the mixture into 8 equal sections — form into 3½ inch cake shapes — coat the finished potato cakes with the remaining cup of bread crumbs — giving them a nice even finish.

Heat the butter or margarine in a heavy saucepan over moderately high heat. When the butter foam subsides, gently saute the cakes, four at a time (unless you have a large skillet) — if doing in two batches only use ½ the butter or margarine for each group of potato cakes. Saute for approximately 5 minutes on each side — making sure they are nicely brown and crisp — Serve warm.

CHEDDAR CHEESE STRATA WITH BACON

YIELD: 8 SERVINGS

Bacon (use as much as desired), cooked until crisp

1½ pound loaf white bread (homemade or purchased), crust removed

2 pounds cheddar cheese, grated

10 large eggs beaten

4 cups milk (you can use a little half and half if you want it extra rich)

1 teaspoon dry mustard

1 teaspoon sea salt

1 teaspoon white pepper

2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

Directions:

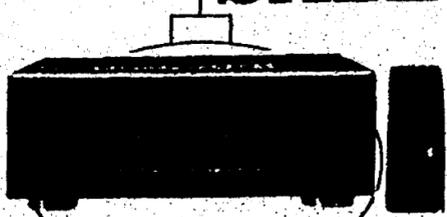
Preheat the oven to 350.

Drain the cooked bacon and crumble. Set aside momentarily. Dice the bread and mix with the cheese. Set aside momentarily. In a large bowl, mix together the eggs, milk and seasonings. Add the bread-cheese mixture — mix well. Let stand at room temperature for ½ hour. Add the crisp cooked bacon crumbles. Spray a 9-by-13 inch baking pan with no-stick cooking spray. Pour in the mixture.

Set the 9-by-13-inch baker in a larger pan of hot water. Do not fill with water too high so that it will over flow into your egg mixture. Bake approximately 40-50 minutes or until golden brown and fluffy in appearance.

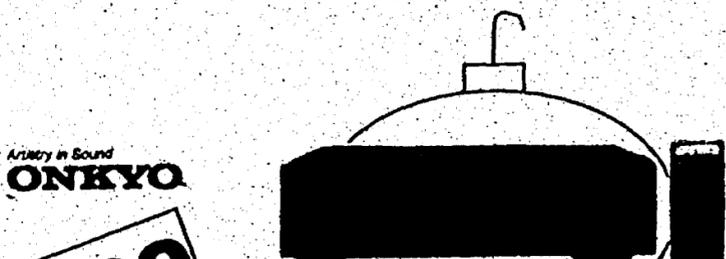
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JOE GAGNON

Throughout the years of owning my own business I've had the privilege of having my three sons work with me.

There were times when it was not easy trying to be a boss and a father all at the same time. One would say he's constantly late because he couldn't hear the alarm clock because he's sleeping, the other would say he makes mistakes because he's only human, and the other would practice two words (I'm sorry) 12 times before he left the house. All in all, my three sons turned out pretty well and are making a living working in the appliance repair industry. As tough as I was on them in their training, I was always more critical of myself whenever I made a mistake.

This column you are reading today is an apology to a customer of the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers. Her name

is Mrs. Marie Cullen of Birmingham who wrote me a letter on Oct. 1 of this year. She asked me to reply to her letter through the Eccentric newspaper, which I am doing today, almost three months too late. I'm sorry Marie, because I'm only human and I did hear the alarm clock when I saw your envelope in my desk with my own handwriting saying, answer in your next column.

Marie's beautifully handwritten letter is being put into this column because it is very important to the good health of many homeowners.

Dear Mr. Gagnon,

I visited a friend in one of those high-rise apartments on Woodward yesterday, and I noticed the vent line was vented right into the room which was in a little hallway across from the kitchen. The vent line was plastic, and the lint filter was like a little open bowl at the end of the vent line, to collect lint. Mr. Gagnon, don't you think this is very unhealthy, I am very worried about this,

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Technology offers dramatic outlook

BY RENEE SKOGLUND
SPECIAL WRITER

"With technology, glass can transpose what a house should be," said Art Smith, an award-winning architect who heads his own firm in Southfield.

Judging by one of his designs, a coldly modernistic rectangle in Birmingham known as "The Steel House," Smith has transposed glass technology into art.

The three-story house can best be described as angles geometrically wrapped and punctuated with glass. If gender can be used to describe a house, this one is thoroughly masculine.

Intentionally so. The owner, a steel company executive and bachelor at the time the house was built in 1993, wanted a house that reflected not only his profession but also his love of the martial arts.

"He wanted everything cold and hard," Smith said.

Glass action

Smith complied, even using industrial rubber flooring and industrial plate steel as part of the house's interior design components. The overall stark statement, however, was softened by one element: the imaginative use of colored glass.

Because the house's proportionately small lot was so constrictive to traditional landscaping, Smith interpreted landscaping through colored glass. The house became his palette.

"The greens were used at the low areas like grass, the reds and yellows represented flowers, and the blues, oranges and purples were the

different times of sunset. And the black, which actually was a dark gray, was rooted to the ground."

The result is best appreciated at night, when the house is lit up in a "subtle explosion" of harmonious color. Indeed, when it comes to glass windows, color can be beautiful.

"It all depends on the orientation, what's behind it," Smith said of the choice to use tinted glass in a

house's design. "Add some animation to a space through the introduction of color. You can use as little or as much as you want."

Birmingham architect Robert Ziegelman, a principal with Luckenbach, Ziegelman & Partners, said another trend in window design is vertically curving glass used on top of the roof.

"With the technology of glass allowing more direct sunlight coming through and less UV rays, it's becoming more popular than skylights."

Ziegelman said glass technology has lessened a homeowner's concern about faded furnishings.

Protection

"People are concerned about UV rays coming through and fading the carpeting, so glass now has a coating, low-E, that gets rid of UV rays."

Low-E refers to a clear, metallic coating applied to double-paned glass that has an argon gas-filled airspace. It isolates the cold air, eliminating condensation in the winter months.

Pella Corporation manufactures a low-E coated glass it claims blocks

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Architect Art Smith has put glass to dramatic use in residences.
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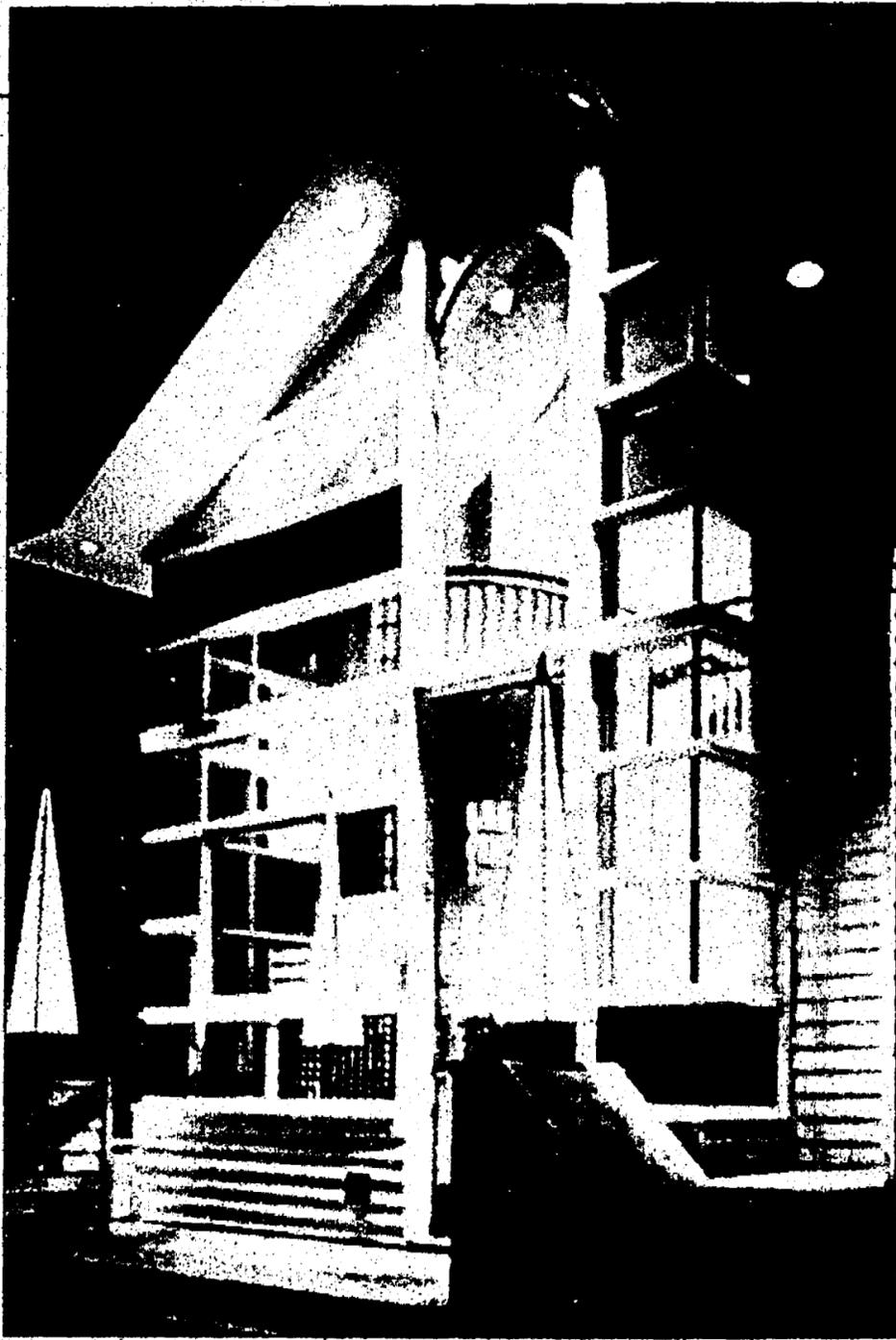


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Stu-pane-dous: "With technology, glass can transpose what a house should be," says architect Art Smith of Southfield. His designs, including "The Steel House" in Birmingham, are examples of this.



By nature: For his own home, which overlooks a large, wooded lot, Birmingham architect Robert Ziegelman is creating rooms with windows on three sides for "peripheral vision." The rooms seem to project into nature.

Windows *from page 6D*

out 74 percent of the sun's fading rays and reduces heating and cooling bills by 24 percent.

With technology enabling glass to remain clear and still be energy efficient, tinted glass (not the colored glass used as a deliberate design element) isn't as popular as it once was.

"Everyone is striving to have the windows be as clear as possible," Ziegelman said.

One thing, however, has remained constant since the days of the visionary American architect Frank Lloyd Wright: Everyone wants a room with a view.

Point of view

Ziegelman currently is working on two projects designed around magnificent views. One is his own home in Birmingham, which overlooks a large, wooded lot. He is adding on, creating rooms with windows on three sides for "peripheral vision." The rooms seem to project into nature.

"We have 180-degree rooms. It's like being in a big bay window."

His other project is a home in Mountain Star, Colo., that he is designing for a Bloomfield client.

"The home has incredible views of the mountains."

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great expanses of energy-saving low-E glass.

Both Smith and Ziegelman said the most dynamic window designs result from the integration of the client's desires, the house site and the architect's expertise. Of course, all this is fueled by a budget.

"I believe we can design any kind of window you want. If you're willing to pay, you can have anything," Ziegelman said.

Budgeting

Distinctive window designs don't necessarily mean a big budget.

Tom Masson, vice president of sales and marketing for Pella Window and Door Co., whose main office is in Bloomfield Hills, said his company often translates an architect's plans into a more affordable reality. Using fixed windows in place of vents is one example of cutting the budget while retaining the design.

"We do a lot of that with bow windows."

All Pella representatives are trained in product technology and window design, Masson said.

Styles

"We use the phrase 'window/scaping.' We work with the customer who

just wants to replace the patio door to somebody who comes in with the design for their home."

Arch-top, transom and trapezoidal windows are popular design features today, Masson said. So are Pella's new "options under glass," blinds or pleated fabric shades encased between two panes of glass. Not only are the blinds and shades (which come in a variety of colors) protected from dust, but "they don't cover up the window's beautiful lines."

Perhaps the most dramatic innovation in window design has been the seamless corner window. The "Pella CornerView" window was named "Product of the Year" at the 1995 National American Home Builders Show in Houston, Texas.

"It's mitered glass. The seam is virtually undetectable," Masson said. "It gives you an unobstructed view that is quite dramatic."

Technology and imagination have combined to widen the horizons of Frank Lloyd Wright's concept of barri-

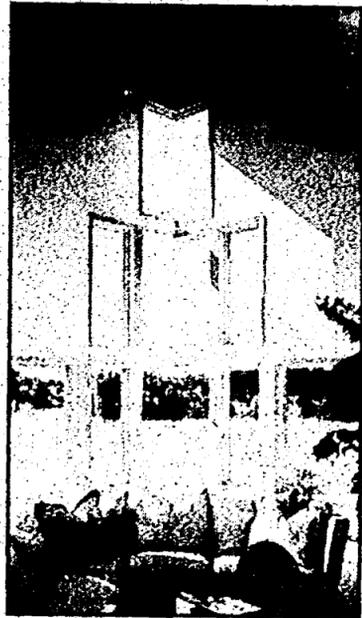


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In the corner: Pella's "CornerView" window gives an unobstructed, dramatic view.

er-free views. With nature's cooperation, almost any room can be "a room with a view."

"One way we have marked ourselves as a culture is through our architecture," Smith said.

Window design is very much a dynamic element of today's architecture. It is an art form.

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Gagnon *from page 5D*

and the woman who is renting there, and paying a very high rent, suffers a sore throat constantly. Mr. Gagnon, I would appreciate a reply through the Eccentric paper. Thank you so much.

Folks, let me tell you, when a simple man like myself is asked to write a newspaper column, he makes a commitment to not only the readers but also to the editor. The commitment has to do with answering his mail or else he puts himself in a very defensive position by not doing so. Once again Marie, I apologize for not writing sooner.

In Marie's letter she is describing a round bucket which you partially fill with water and attach your clothes dryer vent line to. These buckets have been around for years and so have the vent kits which you attach to your vent line to cycle the warm air into the house instead of outside. There is no doubt that these gadgets serve the purpose for which they were designed. Now let me give out some information that could help any poor soul suffering a sore throat who is using one of these gadgets.

It has been reported that the air we breathe inside of our homes is worse than the outside air. We caulk up the windows and cracks, put on the storms and make the home so draft free we hardly pay any energy costs these days. Add to this, these gadgets which put the exhaust air from our clothes dryer into

the house and no wonder we suffer colds, and flu like viruses all winter long. Vent your gas dryer into the house and it can kill you with carbon monoxide, your electric dryer can do the same thing, only in a slower more suffering way.

When the load of clothes is removed from the washing machine it still contains some of the additives which make up a laundry detergent. Those consumers who have a washing machine which doesn't rinse or spin like it's supposed to have even more of these byproducts in the clothes. When you place the clothes in the dryer, not only are they drying but they are also shaking these byproducts off by virtue of tumbling.

The most serious of the byproducts is called chlorine and it is very dangerous for you to breathe or drink this product. Chlorine which is air borne can cause copper solder joints to leak and can even cause a hole to eat through the heat exchanger in your furnace. It can do a lot more harm than just the few things I describe here but most importantly, think of what it can do to your lungs and your good health.

Yes Marie, I'm mad at myself for not answering your letter sooner, but most of all, I'm angry at myself for not helping your friend get rid of her sore throat before now. Tell her I'm sorry, I'm only human, and it won't happen again.

Adopt-a-pet

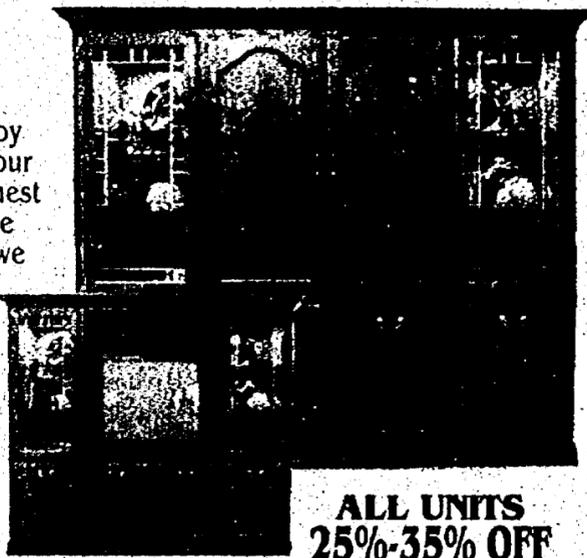


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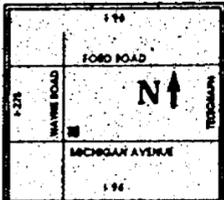
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'Square' eyes look sharp



MONTE NAGLER

Have you ever looked through a photography book or magazine and marveled at the strength and impact of the photographs? Ever been to a photography exhibit and wished you could take similar pictures that would earn you rave reviews?

Chances are the photographers you're admiring are using a very simple technique that I call "looking through square eyeballs."

Our peripheral vision is expansive and we're always looking at a vast world. We tend to see the whole and in so doing, we miss many photographic opportunities that are right in front of us.

But by training yourself to "look through square eyeballs," new and exciting possibilities will open up for you.

The best way to begin is to use a viewing mask. Cut a "window" about two by three inches out of a piece of cardboard and begin to view things through it. You can also use a discarded slide mount or simply look through the rectangle formed when you place together the thumbs and forefingers of both hands. You'll frequently see pro-

fessional photographers use this method to help them view their subjects.

Looking through "square eyeballs" will isolate subject matter from the surroundings. You'll be truly amazed at what you'll see. Even familiar surroundings will offer you photographic possibilities you never knew were there.

You may see, for example, the unusual pattern of brickwork under the window ledge embraced by a sprig of ivy that you won't see as a potential picture because you're always looking at the whole house.

Looking through square eyeballs allowed me to see the beauty and intimacy and striking texture of just a small portion of a large philodendron plant as shown here in the accompanying photograph.

No matter if you use a simple point-and-shoot or a more sophisticated camera, getting into the good habit of looking through square eyeballs will open up new and exciting photo opportunities for you.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (313) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, then his mailbox number, 1873. His fax number is (810) 644-1314.



Square deal: Looking through "square eyeballs" enabled Monte Nagler to see just this small portion of a large philodendron plant. As you can see, the picture has impact and stopping power.

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Training for conservatory docents will take place over a period of 12 weeks.

BOOK BREAK

Here are favorites of 1995



VICTORIA DIAZ

As 1995 bows out, and I take a look back at the newly published books I read during the year, these came up favorites:

"White Boys and River Girls," by Paula K. Gover (235 pp., \$17.95, Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill). Good old boys, Miss

America wannabees, aging flower children, weekend warriors, unsung artists, and singles looking for love make their appearances in this remarkable short story collection by a new Michigan writer. Only a writer with special gifts can navigate successfully the treacherous edge that separates funny from awful. In this sometimes heart-wrenching, sometimes comic collection, it is clear that Gover is that writer. Her stories are set in Michigan and in the deep South, and she evokes the unique flavor of each setting with a sure hand. The voices telling these stories vary also, but it is hard to find a false note in any one of them. So vibrant are some of Gover's images that her words seem to paint these stories, rather than to tell them.

"Making Movies," by Sidney Lumet (220 pp., \$23.00, Knopf) I haven't read every book published about filmmaking, but this has got to be one of the closest to perfection for avid fans who don't know much about the art/craft/technique itself, but yearn to learn. In a friendly-yet-serious, entertaining-but-informative way, the famed director of such acclaimed film as "Twelve Angry Men" and "Dog Day Afternoon" writes about how movies in general are made, and relates how some of his films in particular found their way to the big screen. In ever-fascinating detail, he covers just about every facet of the process, from directing to scriptwriting to acting to costuming to cutting, camera work, distribution, even pre-view screenings. When you finish this book, unless you were a professional filmmaker to begin with, you will definitely know much more about moviemaking than when you started out. Filmmaking instructors everywhere could do worse than to make this book a required read for students.

"Edsel," by Loren D. Estleman, (291 pp., \$21.95, The Mysterious Press). Middle-class, middle-aged Connie Minor grapples with mid-life crises in middle-America at mid-century. For reading fun and for a richly detailed trip back to Detroit in the chrome-plated '50s, Estleman's 35th novel is the way to go.

Minor, an advertising man, is given the daunting task of selling Ford's futuristic new Edsel to the nation. Sure, we already know just how successful Minor won't be, but that's not the point. The point is the trip itself, and the rocky road that speeds toward failure.

Here is the boozy Henry Ford II, overseeing the family fortune from glittery quarters atop the newly built Glass

House. Here is nemesis Walter Reuther, tough and mistrustful and shooting a very mean game of pool despite his shadowy basement "playroom." Here is the monstrous Rouge Plant, the old Ford Administration Building on Schaeffer Road, the Bel-Air Drive. In on Eight Mile, Olympia Stadium (smelling funny even then), and so much more of mid-century Motown. All is delivered in a first-person voice that's derivative of hard-boiled thrillers from day one, but somehow the voice seems perfectly suited for this briskly told tale out of the past.

"Katharine Hepburn," by Barbara Leaming (540 pp., \$27.50, Crown). Despite its title, this is not just the story of the famed actress. It's the story of her family, both before and after the morning she discovered her young brother's body hanging from a rafter in an attic room — an event which, according to Leaming's research, was rarely mentioned again in the Hepburn household. The weighty biography is probably best recommended for serious Hepburn fans only, since Leaming goes into considerable detail about this fiercely proud family long before "Kate" made an appearance in it. With an apparently deeply troubled Spencer Tracy, directors John Ford and George Cukor are among the major players. Howard Hughes makes a telling appearance, also, in the big, star-studded cast. For the right readers, it's hard to beat for comprehensiveness and depth, even if you think you've heard it all (I did, but I hadn't). And Leaming's research is awesome.

"Sleeping at the Starlite Motel," by Bailey White (238 pp., \$20, Addison-Wesley). White ("Mama Makes Up Her Mind") is obviously a natural-born storyteller. She not only recognizes the singular and unique in the everyday, but — lucky for us as readers — she is able to tell us what she sees so that we can see it, too. These stories/essays spill out onto these pages like so many bits kaleidoscopic treasure. Whether White is writing of spelunking in middle age, fish camp, Red the Rat Man, the death of gardenias, or the raucous conversations of alligators (she covers all in this book), she seems to literally embrace with her words at the outset, making us cry, making us laugh, and — no matter how offbeat the subject — showing us our own familiar hearts. Here, she writes specifically of journeys taken throughout her native Georgia and elsewhere, and concludes with dreamy memories of the Starlite Motel. Don't look for HBO or pay-per-view, but the little red sign out front always flashes VACANCY, and periwinkles bloom all night long. It "is in one of those vast central states, west of the Mississippi. As you drop off to sleep, you will feel the slight, vaguely comforting weight of the continent pressing in . . . from all sides."

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Plants are associated with Christmas traditions



MARTY FIGLEY

Christmas traditions are many, and some of the more interesting ones involve plants. Lighted candles throughout our homes, candles glowing in windows and the warmth of a path lined with luminaries all evoke a holiday spirit.

Bayberries are used to make bayberry candles. When lit then snuffed out then relit just before guests arrive, their fragrance fills the air. A nice custom in New England is the burning of bayberry candles on either Christmas Eve or New Year's Eve for good luck in the coming year. This idea is worth copying.

Gray-green bayberries grow on a bush, *Myrica cerifera*, along the Atlantic coast from Canada to Florida. It is also called candleberry or wax myrtle. A western relative, *Myrica californica*, grows in California, Oregon and Washington.

Although at one time the bush was very common, many state wildlife organizations have it on their protected plant list.

In England holly was thought to pro-

tect the houses against witches and wild beasts and in ancient Rome the evergreen leaves of holly were formed into wreaths, as is done in this country. The holly available at this time of year probably originated in Oregon or Washington, because our Michigan holly, *Ilex verticillata*, loses its leaves while the berries remain on the plant.

Other plants

There are other plants associated with Christmas whose legends need to be shared.

Rosemary, *Rosmarinus officinalis*, is one. Legend tells us that when the Holy Family fled into Egypt and Mary draped her blue cloak over the shrub, the flowers turned from white to blue. It has long been used to decorate homes and churches at Christmas time. It is a symbol of remembrance, friendship and love. This herb is an evergreen shrub in warmer zones, but needs to be handled as an annual here and taken indoors for the winter.

Another herb, Lady's Bedstraw, *Galium verum*, is thought to have been one of the herbs in the manger when the Babe was born, and burst into golden bloom at that time. This perennial herb grows readily in our gardens and gives a

light, delicate look to the garden.

Legend tells us that the Glastonbury thorn grew from a staff Joseph of Arimathea thrust into the soil when he arrived in England to Christianize that country. It bloomed on Christmas, and trees grown from its cuttings were believed to heal those who touched it on that day. After 1752 when England adopted the Gregorian calendar, the plant, *Crataegus monagyna*, bloomed later, not on the date of the new Christmas. Consequently some people rebelled against the new calendar. Botanically this plant is an ordinary English hawthorn.

"Fir" is a layman's term for all evergreens, therefore in legends the term fir is used, although the Norway Spruce, *Picea abies*, is probably the tree that was meant. In England it was symbolic of an enduring life; in Germany it was decorated with lights, colored eggs and flowers.

Several legends surround this tree. One says it bloomed the night Jesus was born and thus became the first Christmas tree. The Norway Spruce was considered the king of the conifer forests. This tree is native to central Europe and was introduced in this country in colonial times.

The Christmas Rose, *Helleborus niger*, and the Poinsettia, *Euphorbia pulcherrima*, share the same legend, although from different countries.

The Christmas Rose legend is about a little shepherd girl who wept because she had no gift for the Babe. An angel, using a lily for a wand, commanded this plant to bloom. It did, for the first time, and the girl gathered an armful and took them to the stable in Bethlehem, where the Babe reached for the flowers. This plant is a relative of the buttercup, not the rose.

The Poinsettia legend is of a poor Mexican girl who had no gift to lay on the altar at Christmas time. An angel told her to gather twigs from the roadside and when she arrived at the church they had become an armload of poinsettias. The poinsettia, native to America, is one of the very few native plants to be included in Christmas legends.

Need a last-minute gift? The Audubon Wildflowers Wall Calendar 1996 is outstanding with beautiful photos and interesting information about each flower featured. There are other subjects, each \$9.95. Artison is the publisher.

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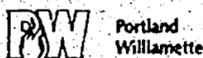
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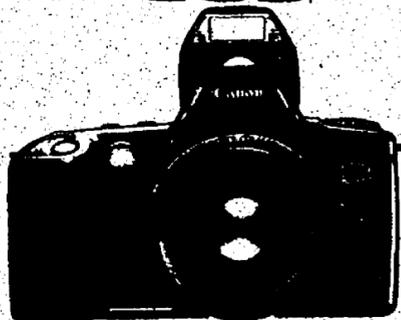
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Realtor earns GRI



Betty Bjarnesen, a Livonia resident and a Realtor with the Michigan Group in that community, has earned the Graduate Realtors Institute professional designation.

Betty "B" is a member of the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors and is past president of the Women's Council of Realtor Western Wayne Oakland Chapter.

Brand is assoc. broker



Linda Brand of Century 21 West in Novi recently earned the designation of associate broker.

Brand, a Walled Lake resident, primarily works the Novi/Walled Lake area and has been particularly successful listing and selling lakefront houses.

Wolf named chairman

Dennis Wolf, broker owner of Hall & Hunter in Bloomfield Hills, has been named chairman of the board of All Points Relocation Service, a 28-year-old national relocation network for leading independent brokers.

Wolf is a former Realtor of the Year for both All Points, based in Atlanta, and the Birmingham-Bloomfield Board of Realtors.

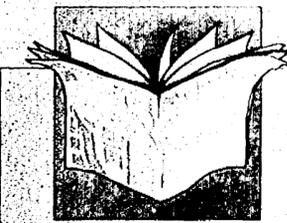
Wolf's firm has been a member of All Points since 1984 and received the 1995 Pinnacle Award, All Points' highest honor given to the organization that best exemplifies the network's standard of excellence.

Wolf also served as board chairman for All Points in 1991.

McCully earns CBR

Bill McCully, an associate broker with Coldwell Banker Preferred Realtors in Plymouth, has achieved the professional designation of Certified Buyer Representative.

McCully services the western suburbs.



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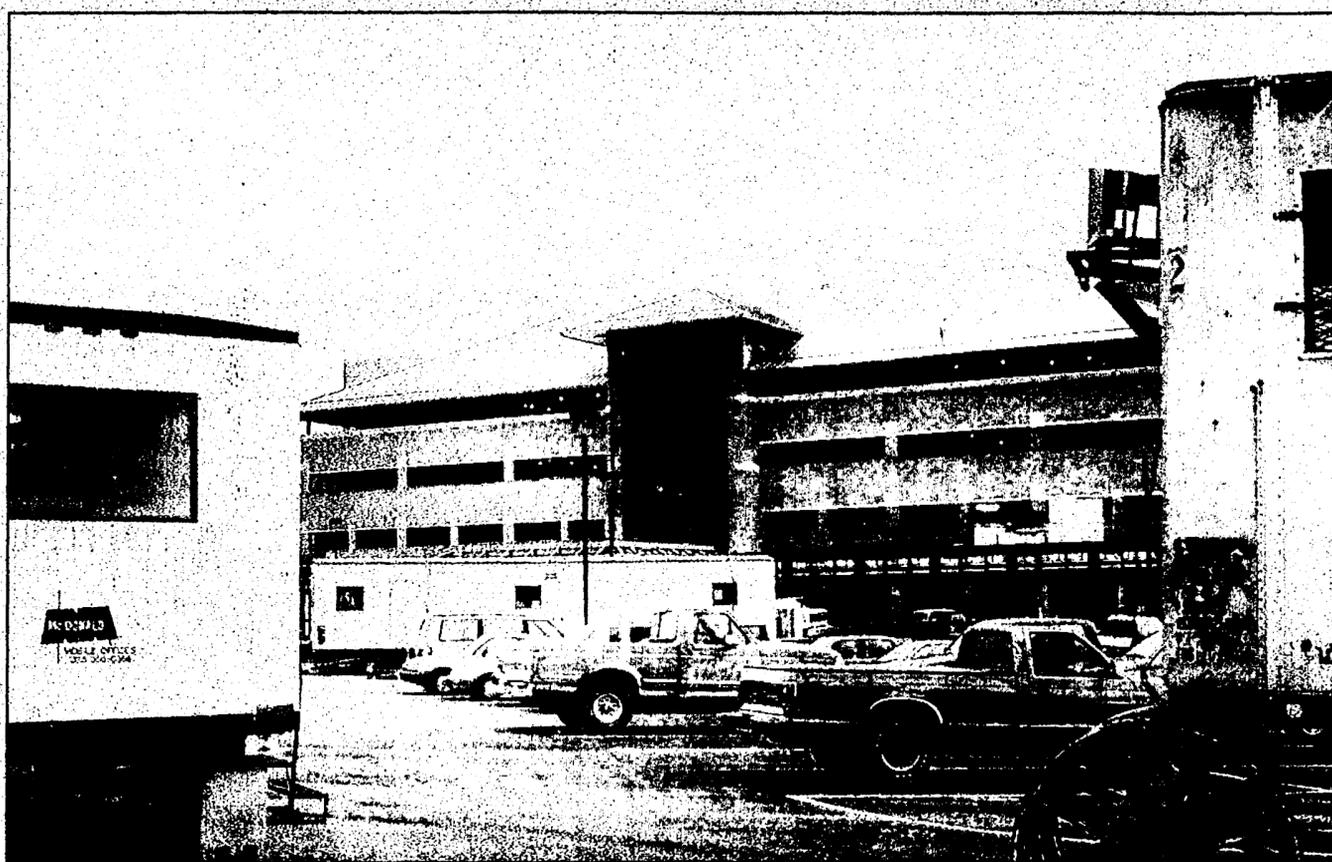
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Survey shocker: A recent survey shows people are concerned about safe and healthy commercial buildings. Architects say that most new construction, like this building, is structurally sound.

People aware of building safety

By Doug Funke
STAFF WRITER

Thirty percent of some 60 people in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties surveyed recently for a professional association of architects reported feeling unsafe or unhealthy in commercial buildings at some point in their lives.

Not that all of the buildings actually were dangerous, said several architects, who expressed surprise with the response.

"I think the concern is greater than the reality," said Stephen Vogel, dean of architecture at the University of Detroit Mercy. "I don't think a third of the buildings are unsafe."

"The vast majority are structurally sound," said Ben Tiseo, a Farmington Hills architect. "There's a significant amount of shoddy construction. Quality of workmanship can be improved."

Tiseo figures that bombings at the Federal Building in Oklahoma City and the World Trade Center in New York City have heightened awareness about structural soundness.

Publicity about air quality in Detroit Recorders Court, signs falling down in Las Vegas and sewer collapses in Warren also prompted people to take a closer look at their surroundings, he added.

There are other factors, too. "I think the reaction in Detroit is buildings are older," Tiseo said. "You can drive down the street and so many are in disrepair. Maybe they haven't been constructed poorly, but poorly maintained."

Some respondents may have equat-

A larger-than-expected number of people surveyed this fall in southeast Michigan said they've been in unsafe or unhealthy commercial buildings. Architects here speculate on why they would feel like that.

ed lack of maintenance with structural soundness, Tiseo said.

"Are doors falling off hinges? Does the roof leak? A portion (of concern) is probably what they saw from a maintenance aspect," he said.

Graham Dickens, director of construction services for Contract Interiors in Southfield and president of the American Institute of Architects Michigan, was surprised by the numbers here who said they've been inside unsafe buildings.

"I think most people aren't using necessarily some rational basis for making that decision," Dickens said.

But perception is reality, and a perception has developed over the years that quality of construction isn't as good as it once was, he said.

"Structural tolerances used to be so enormous," Dickens said. "In today's buildings, people worry more about things like will a floor support the filing system they put on it."

"When they see reinforcing added, they wonder, 'Why are they adding steel to this beam? What's wrong?'" he said.

Architects apparently have the best of both worlds, according to a telephone survey of 205 Michigan residents.

While nearly every respondent said an architect's primary responsibility is to design a structurally sound building, architects rank behind the builder, building owner and building code official in responsibility if the structure were to collapse.

"How do you sit down and try to figure out where they're coming from?" Tiseo said. "Maybe they have the correct perception we don't build buildings, we design them."

Architects sometimes aren't retained to manage construction projects and often are bypassed when clients direct change orders to contractors, Tiseo said.

The message is clear to Tiseo and Dickens.

"What we really have to look at is a more holistic team approach to development of property," Dickens said.

Other highlights of the statewide AIA Michigan survey:

■ 84 percent of respondents oppose efforts to relax regulations on who is qualified and responsible to design/plan a building.

■ 81 percent thought their communities have adequate building safeguards to protect personal safety in public buildings. Twelve percent didn't know.

■ 73 percent said some people choose to not use architects for building projects because architects cost too much money.

Both Vogel and Tiseo said they were surprised — and pleased — with answers to open-ended questions designed to give respondents a chance to define the architect's most important role in the next century.

People responded: "Accommodate the expanding population without resorting to society living in boxes; create attractive buildings that blend in well with existing surroundings and other architecture; and design disaster-proof buildings that aren't built on swamps or fault lines." AIA Michigan reported.

"There was more concern about the environment than I would have guessed," Vogel said. "I found that quite heartening," he added.

"We've heard of noise pollution and air pollution," Tiseo said. "To me, there's also vision pollution."

Specific performance judgment may take a long time

REAL ESTATE
QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

Q. I am the purchaser of some real estate, and the seller refuses to close. I have suffered a significant number of damages and want the property. What do you think I will be entitled to in damages as even if I get a specific performance decree, it may take several years to obtain?

A. You are correct in that it may take a significant period of time in order to obtain a judgment on specific performance of the contract for the sale of realty.

However, the trial court may also award such additional or incidental relief as is necessary as the court sorts out the equities of the parties.

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For example, a purchaser may be awarded compensation for any loss of the property during the delay

in conveying the property, such as loss of the rental value for the period, subject to compensation to the seller for any loss of the use of the purchase money during the delay in the form of interest on the money for the period of time.

Specific performance can, in many instances, be a very helpful remedy to give the purchaser the benefit of this bargain without subjecting the purchaser to a substantial loss in some of the incidental and/or additional damages which it may have suffered.

Q. I entered into a contract with a party on the other side, and I believe that the other side fraudulently induced me to enter into it. One of the provisions in the contract is that if there is a breach, the prevailing party gets attorney fees. Assuming that I am able to prove that the other party defaulted and I can get out of it, may I still be able to get attorney fees in going to court under the circumstances?

A. Based on a recent decision of the Michigan Court of Appeals, the court in a case similar to yours held that even though a contract was rescinded, the attorney fee provision contained in the purchase

agreement is not void. The case in the court of appeals involved a situation where one of the parties was suing for specific performance but ultimately obtained rescission of the contract.

The court held that he was entitled to all costs incurred in such action, including legal fees. The general rule, of course, is that all rights provided by a contract are annulled if a contract is rescinded. However, in the case discussed, the attorney fee provision was deemed to be severable from the purchase agreement.

The court held that in contract law, the failure of a distinct portion of the contract does not void valid, severable provisions.

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This column provides general information and should not be construed as legal opinion.

Here's help in understanding 'mortgage-speak'

If you're among the millions of homeowners who will be buying a house this year, or refinancing your current residence, you may be confused by the terms routinely used by the mortgage industry.

Terms such as APR, point, ARM and so on are peculiar to the mortgage industry. Many people don't understand these terms and how they can affect your ability to obtain and pay for a mort-

gage. It's best if you have a mortgage lender you can trust to explain all the financing process to you in easy-to-understand language. But, as a start, you might want to

read this short review of mortgage terms and their definitions. These might help you begin to ask the right questions when it comes time to finance or refinance your house.

ARM or Adjustable Rate Mortgage — These are terms that describe mortgages with adjustable interest rates. Your interest rate is based on changes in national financial indexes, so it may go up or down.

Some loan plans have rate or payment caps, limiting the increase in your rate. These caps may prevent large fluctuations in payments, but may cause negative amortization. What's that? Read on.

Negative Amortization — If mortgage payments do not cover the full amount of interest due, the unpaid interest is added to the mortgage principal. This could mean, after a few years of making mortgage payments, you could end up with a higher principal balance than when you started.

Point — A point is equal to one percent of the principal amount of the mortgage. The lender charges these points to increase the yield on the mortgage and make it more competitive with other types on investments.

APR or Annual Percentage Rate — As mandated by the Truth In Lending Act, the APR is the total interest rate you are charged for the loan, including interest, points and other costs.

Balloon Mortgage — This mortgage has a typically lower interest and a shorter term than the standard 15- or 30-year mortgage. The balance of the mortgage is then due in a lump sum payment at the end of the mortgage period. This type of loan could also result in negative amortization.

Escrow Account — A portion of the homeowner's monthly payment is held by a lender or servicer to help pay taxes, hazard insurance, mortgage insurance and other items as they become due.

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Wraparound Mortgage — A refinancing technique involving the creation of a second mortgage which includes the balance of any existing mortgages, plus the amount of any liens.

Of course, there are a number of other terms and issues you need to be aware of before taking that big step into a house. And with more than 20,000 lenders in the U. S., it's often difficult to determine which is the best one for you.

You need to start asking the right questions. If you'd like more information on any type of financing, from FHA to VA to conventional, please contact your local mortgage lender or mortgage broker. A few minutes of research can help save you thousands of dollars in the long run.

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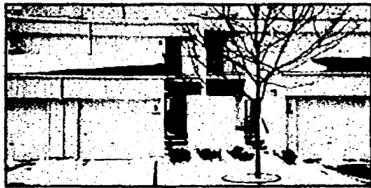
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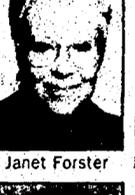
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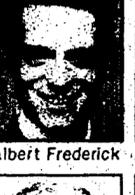
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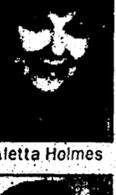
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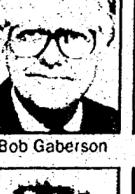
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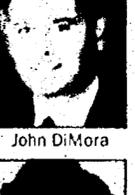
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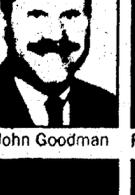
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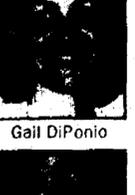
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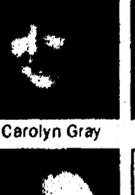
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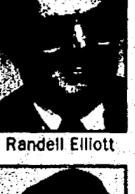
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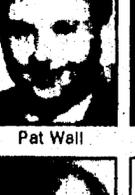
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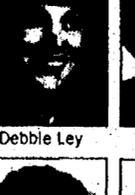
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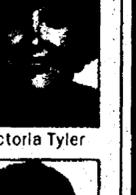
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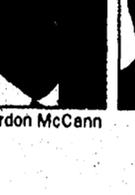
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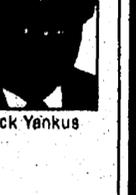
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- CANTON**
- 2236 Amber Dr 149,000
 - 2344 Amber Dr 150,000
 - 43838 Applewood Rd 116,000
 - 45144 Brunswick Dr 164,000
 - 1771 Christopher Dr 92,000
 - 8479 Congress Dr 156,000
 - 43673 Fleetwood Dr 113,000
 - 6592 Fox Hills Rd 177,000
 - 6941 Fox Path 200,000
 - 1369 Hampshire Dr 106,000
 - 41490 Hanford Rd 130,000
 - 47455 Hanford Rd 211,000
 - 454 Innsbrook Dr 247,000

- 1356 Kensington Dr 218,000
 - 45651 Morningside Dr 238,000
 - 46812 Morningside Rd 253,000
 - 45522 Mulfield Dr 284,000
 - 1951 N Arbor Way Dr 80,000
 - 1951 N Arbor Way Dr 80,000
 - 6839 New Providence Way 71,000
 - 1462 Oakview Dr 115,000
 - 273 Queens Way 140,000
 - 39805 Scottsdale Dr 127,000
 - 43419 W Arbor Way Dr 84,000
 - 8090 Warfield St 164,000
 - 6382 Westchester Ln 157,000
 - 7350 Willow Creek Dr 139,000
- Garden City**
- 32319 Avin St 78,000
 - 211 Belton St 79,000
 - 31005 Bock St 54,000
 - 29026 Bridge St 35,000
 - 6615 Fairfield St 78,000
 - 140 Gilman St 78,000

- 181 Helen St 85,000
 - 31235 Hennepin St 58,000
 - 32221 Hennepin St 127,000
 - 238 Henry Ruff Rd 63,000
 - 33541 Rosslyn Ave 80,000
 - 28387 Sheridan St 79,000
- Livonia**
- 19490 Antago St 81,000
 - 28589 Bayberry Park Dr 138,000
 - 11428 Berwick St 138,000
 - 19985 Brentwood St 107,000
 - 33386 Broadmoor Ct 211,000
 - 38643 Grandon St 150,000
 - 35718 Hees St 114,000
 - 8870 Henry Ruff Rd 115,000
 - 8881 Houghton St 83,000
 - 8931 Houghton St 119,000
 - 38348 Jamison St 137,000
 - 37451 Kingsburn Dr 258,000
 - 9749 Knolson St 119,000
 - 38135 Ladywood St 146,000
 - 15533 Levan Rd 156,000

- 28641 Lyndon St 97,000
- 11309 Melrose St 130,000
- 29976 Minton St 96,000
- 28215 N Clements Cir 84,000
- 37880 N Laurel Park Dr 165,000
- 38850 Northfield Ave 116,000
- 29862 Oakley St 105,000
- 33754 Orangelawn St 124,000
- 14636 Park St 126,000
- 16851 Park St 188,000
- 20235 Parkville St 90,000
- 16231 Quakertown Ln 173,000
- 19910 Rensellor St 77,000
- 29640 Richland St 95,000
- 30897 Richland St 114,000
- 15611 Riverside St 191,000
- 18405 Riverside St 158,000
- 17241 Rougeway St 109,000
- 18570 Southampton St 160,000
- 11301 Sunset St 94,000
- 9907 Westmore St 50,000

- Plymouth**
- 1450 Ann Arbor Rd W 40,000
 - 1040 Cherry 45,000
 - 10368 Chestnut Dr 170,000
 - 41318 Ivywood Ln 157,000
 - 9297 Mayflower 165,000
 - 41011 Micol Dr 116,000
 - 42015 Micol Dr 65,000
 - 40141 Newport Dr 70,000
 - 9225 Northern Ave 126,000
 - 40516 Orangelawn Ave 134,000
 - 480 Pacific St 127,000
 - 8905 Tavistock Dr 142,000
- Redford**
- 18727 Centralia 65,000
 - 15964 Dalby 55,000
 - 15644 Denby 88,000
 - 19303 Denby 68,000
 - 24778 Donald 88,000
 - 14038 Farley 104,000
 - 8809 Fenton 84,000
 - 20422 Gayford 63,000
 - 19820 Imperial Hwy 21,000
 - 19934 Indian 60,000
 - 15414 Kinloch 63,000
 - 12073 Marlon 79,000
 - 11360 Mercedes 81,000
 - 9648 Riverdale 60,000
 - 12015 Rockland 64,000
 - 13042 Sioux 92,000
 - 9201 Virgil 79,000
 - 11366 Worman 75,000
- Westland**
- 7250 Cavell St 52,000
 - 7635 Donna St 108,000
 - 34125 Florence St 83,000
 - 34761 John Hawk St 72,000
 - 7435 Kingston Ct 87,000
 - 30017 Mahern St 95,000
 - 38360 Timberland Dr 177,000
 - 27651 Trailbrooke Cir 84,000
 - 7482 Woodview St 46,000

Buying a home stereo: the basic building blocks

Buying a new stereo system doesn't have to be an intimidating venture. Simply by going into a shop with a clear understanding of your needs and budget, you will be able to eliminate many brands or models that have gadgets you will never use or ones that don't come with what you want.

The major decision you have to make is whether to base your stereo system around a receiver or whether you want separate components. A receiver is comprised of a pre-amplifier (strengthens weak signals for more power amplification stages), tuner (radio), a power amplifier (links power and sound information) all under the same happy roof. Separate components might include combinations of a tuner, pre-amp and power amp, a tuner/pre-amp and power amp, or a tuner and integrated amp, which combines a pre-amp with a power amp.

So, which should you choose? There is no easy answer, because it depends on your needs, your space, your paycheck, your neighbors and, really, how important sound quality is to you. Purists contend that separates are the only way to go for the highest level of performance, audio ability and flexibility. Separates allow you to pick just the features you really want, and many will argue that they employ better parts. The separates will cost you more, but may be worth the money.

Receivers are cost-effective, because they combine many features in one unit, and convenient, because you only need one remote. Since they are so popular, you benefit from low prices due to large-scale production and heavy competition.

More is not necessarily better. Beware of too many buttons. If you want functions that filter sound into various effects, like "echo," you should get them. Be reminded that these buttons and others, like a "loudness" button or a graphic equalizer — that separates and raises or lowers certain frequencies like the high treble tones are, in fact, distorting the "true" sound. A serious stereophile even will scoff at bass and treble tone controls, insisting that if you have them, a "tone defeat" button, which negates these controls, is a must. Serious listeners contend that any interruption (button, knob, etc.) in "sound information" flowing through wire from point A to point B degrades and strips away the subtle textures of an instrument or voice. Some of the best components have the fewest features, but if your system is mediocre or if a favorite cassette is getting old, these features may make your system sound "brighter."

Whether you have separate components or a receiver, you probably want to know how much power you need. There is no easy answer, but it's impossible to have too much power. The amount of power you need depends on your speakers' sensitivity, the size of the room, its acoustics and how loud you play your music. An amplifier power rating indicates capability, not the amount of power going into your speakers at any given time. Ten watts per channel (stereo sound has two channels — right and left) may be all that is needed for background music, though your amp may be rated at 80 watts per channel. Serious listeners may want 100 watts per channel. The danger to your speakers comes from asking your amplifier to deliver more power than it really has. Though the volume knob may be numbered up to 12, it doesn't

mean that you should necessarily use in some cases, it's just there.

Chances are that you are also going to want speakers and a CD player. It's important to test each component: different receivers plugged into the same speakers, different CD players with the same receivers or with the same components and speakers, a different pair of speakers with the same receiver or components. Can you hear a difference? If you can't, common sense says you should get the least expensive model. Bring in CDs that you are familiar with and that represent the types of music you listen to most. If you test a system with an acoustic CD, it may not sound as good when you bring it home and put your reggae or rap collections — music laden with heavy bass.

Your ears will get tired after about 20 minutes of really critical listening and everything may begin to sound the same. So, you may want to spend a few days at it before you buy.

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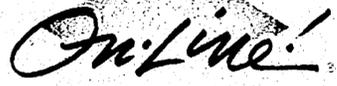


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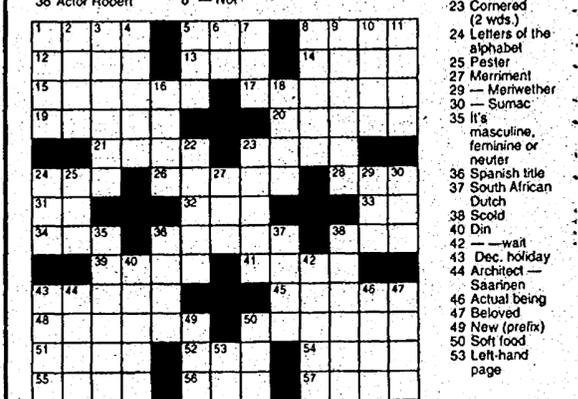
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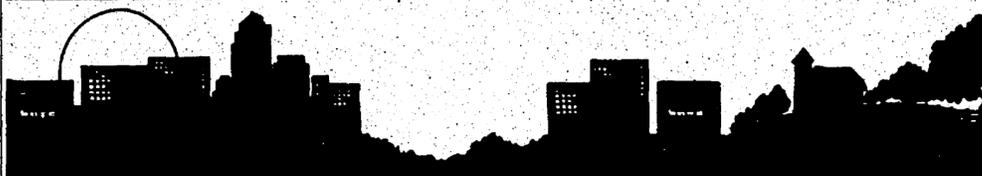
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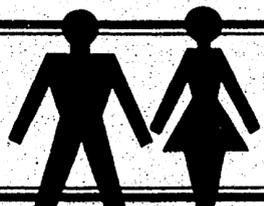
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Furnace Tech. No experience necessary, some sales ability helpful. Energetic, hard working, positive attitude is a must. We will train. Opportunity to earn \$300 to \$600 per week. We also offer a competitive benefits package. Call Mike for details. Accair Heating, 32483 Schoolcraft, 313-522-3773.

HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

Residential installers. Sheet metal layout is helpful. Steady work, hourly or sub work. Call Mike for details. Accair Heating, 32483 Schoolcraft, 313-522-3773.

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- Bus Persons - part time...ext. 222
- Cook/full time...ext. 253
- PM Dishwasher - full time...ext. 255
- PM Food Prep - full time...ext. 263
- Banquet Servers - part time...ext. 268
- Banquet Set-Up - part time...ext. 270
- AM Room Service Server - full time...ext. 343
- Housekeepers - full time...ext. 471
- PM Concierge - full time...ext. 512
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Consultant. One person needed full time for combined duties of housekeeping/leasing. Some weekends. Small complex in Canton. 313-997-0200

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for apartment community in Plymouth. Full time. Hourly. Call Helene, 313-453-7144

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HVAC INSTALLER & HVAC SERVICE TECH

needed for Royal Oak company. Min. 5 yrs. experience. Benefits & transportation provided. Send resume to 728 E. Eleven Mile, Royal Oak MI 48067 or FAX to: 810-547-7349

500 Help Wanted General

HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER WANTED

Rapidly growing auto finance company seeking high energy Human Resource Manager. College degree and 2-3 years experience required. General HR functions; concentration in recruiting. Includes a healthy dental/401K. Send resume to: CAC, 26505 W. 12 Mile Rd., Ste. 3000, Southfield, MI 48034. Attn: Lynk, Human Resources

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Growing company located in Livonia has an immediate full-time position open for a Human Resources Assistant with an Associate's degree or equivalent and 1-2 years experience in the Human Resources field to assist the Human Resource Manager in the day-to-day activities. Primary responsibilities for this position include recruiting and maintaining Human Resource database. Candidates must type 50 wpm accurately, dates must type 50 wpm accurately, have working experience with WPS 1.0 or Word, and be able to work with minimum supervision. Computer skills a plus. Experience on ABRA 8000-Human Resources System a significant plus.

We offer a fringe benefit program which includes medical, dental, and vision and a 401(k) retirement plan. Interested candidates should send their resume and cover letter, with salary requirements, in confidence to: Personnel Department HR, P.O. Box 51142, Livonia, MI 48151-5142. An Equal Opportunity Employer

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JACK OF ALL TRADES

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500 Help Wanted General

INSURANCE COMMERCIAL and Personal

Customer Service Reps., Producers/Sales. Many Openings. Experienced Only. Field Company Paid. Ann Ball Personnel, 24044 Bingham Pointe Dr., Bingham Farms, MI 48025-4348. (810)540-3355 Fax 540-8165

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FLOOR TECHNICIANS

Experienced. MAINTENANCE TECH. No experience necessary. Part time/full time. Benefits. (313) 863-9178

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cleaning positions available in Northville, Plymouth & Livonia. Experience preferred. Excellent pay. Call 313-453-4545

JANITORIAL - Bob Sals Dodge is in

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JANITORIAL - Building maintenance

firm has immediate full & part time openings. Westland, Novi & Canton areas. Up to \$350/wk to start. All applicants must have previous experience & advancement. 313-459-3163 EOE

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JANITORIAL

Massive hiring for Northville & Farmington Hills areas. 10 positions available. Mon - Thurs. 6pm-10pm. Sun. 10pm-5pm. \$6.50/hour to start. 313-981-9008

JANITORIAL

Part time evenings. Mon-Fri. in Northville area. Call. 810-332-4242

500 Help Wanted General

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FLOOR SPECIALISTS SUPERVISORS Growing building maintenance company has immediate openings for full & part-time positions. Health, life, dental, vision & prescription programs. Must be a team worker. Fax resume to Diane 810-473-8555

JANITORIAL POSITIONS

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JOB COACH (full and part time)

trained \$6.50; untrained \$4.00 Days and afternoons available. Call to set up an interview. 313-595-0139

JOB COACH

working with developmentally disabled adults at community work sites. Farmington Hills. Call: (810) 474-9973

LATCHKEY TEACHER ASSISTANT

sought by Farmington Hills YMCA. Call Mary Beth Ginn at: (810) 553-4020

LAYOUT/FITTER

Structural & Misc. Steel 5-10 Years experience. MIG & stick welding required. Excellent benefits. Cleveland Tramrail (313) 491-6250

Leasing Agent

For luxury apartment community in Livonia. Experience helpful. Top pay, references. 810-352-2220

LEASING AGENT - Full time

for Farmington Hills apartment complex. Benefits included. Call: Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. 810-851-0111 An Equal Opportunity Employer

LEASING

Brookdale Apartments in South Lyon is currently seeking a leasing professional to join our team. Candidates must be highly motivated & reliable. Please apply in person at 22250 South Rd., South Lyon, MI 48176 or call (810) 437-1223

LEASING/CLEANING

Detail oriented person needed in leasing office and at times to help prepare apartments for new move-ins. Must have previous experience & will train. Friendly atmosphere. Call Waterview Farms, 810-624-0004

LEASING CONSULTANT - part time

for apt. community in Westland - 313-452-6600

LEASING CONSULTANT needed

full time at large apt community in Westland. Previous experience a plus but will train applicant with prior sales experience. Excellent pay plus commission & benefits. Apply at Sutton Place Apts., 23275 Riverside Dr., (on 9 Mile Rd. between Lakeshore & Telegraph). 810-338-4954

LEASING CONSULTANT - are you

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LEASING POSITION for apt. community

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Clean, efficient metal stamping facility seeks associates for running a lathe/turning machine. No experience necessary, willing to train. Knowledge of GED helpful. Days, afternoons, mid-nights available. Salary based on experience. Excellent benefits. Apply in person at Manufacturing 300 Industrial Dr., Plymouth (across from Unisys)

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MAINTENANCE/GROUNDKEEPER

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MAINTENANCE HELP

Full time for Plymouth apt. complex. Must be qualified and responsible. (313) 455-1215

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MAINTENANCE PERSON needed at

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BOOKKEEPER
Part time (flexible hrs) w/ Farmington Hills Co. Payroll, financial statements, computer experience. Resumes to: **Barbara Schwartz**, Fax: 810-932-1214, **Harper Associates**, 29870 Middlebelt Farmington Hills, MI 48334

BOOKKEEPER/SECRETARY
Self-starter wanted for Bookkeeper/Secretary position in Novi area. Computer literate, experience with receivables, payables & general ledger required. Send resume to: **L.D. 28211 Central Park Blvd., Suite 601, Southfield, MI 48078**

502 Help Wanted-Office Clerical

CLERICAL EMPLOYEES needed part time and full time, evenings & weekends. For busy Birmingham location. Call Sharon at (810) 433-3300

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Good organizational skills and work ethic. Verbal responsibilities include individual to work in our personnel department. Fast paced environment. Experience with health insurance a plus. Send resume to: **Yale Materials**, 113, 11844 Hubbard, Troy, MI 48150. Fax: 313-427-1885

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CUSTOMER SERVICE
The professional atmosphere of our store clerks requires a customer oriented person for our busy location. Duties include light data entry, & customer service. If you are positive and motivated call us to join our team today. Dearborn area. **ANDERSON MUSIC** (313) 278-0100

CUSTOMER SERVICE
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Looking for aggressive, self-motivated person with basic accounting & computer skills, good telephone communication skills & good typing skills. \$7.00 an hour to start with growth potential. Send resume to: **Office Manager**, 42000 Vanborn Rd., Canton, MI 48188

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Full time, Ambitious organized person needed in fast paced office to answer phones, collect supplies, run high volume copiers. Overwork typing & filing. Excellent benefits. Send resume and cover letter to: **CLERICAL**, 2777 Franklin Rd., Suite 300, Southfield, MI 48034.

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Full time. For busy service oriented person. Friendly local area. Must be motivated individual with computer knowledge. Benefits. Call: **313-459-4040**

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We are looking for an experienced, energetic full time secretary to assist us in our busy expanding West Bloomfield Real Estate office. Computer & real estate experience a plus. Call Claudine at (810) 625-9800 or 273 or fax resume to: **HR**, (810) 855-0831

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IMMEDIATE OPENING. Large property management company seeks clerical employee. This individual must have typing skills of 35 wpm & be able to use Microsoft Word, computer skills, 40 hours a week. Negotiable. If interested, please call: **B. Belasco**, Real Estate Insurance, 810-649-5420

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LEGAL SECRETARY for a Southfield law firm. Minimum 5 years experience in corporate/legal estate law. Word for windows experience preferred. Excellent benefits. Send resume to: **Office Admins.**, P.O. Box 215, Southfield, MI, or call (810) 355-5200.

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LEGAL SECRETARY
★ Must be computer literate. Word Perfect 6.1, & typing skills. Salary & benefits depend on experience. Respond to: **HR**, 313-459-4040

LEGAL SECRETARY
needed for non-smoking law firm in Bloomfield Hills. 1.5 yrs. experience in litigation, type 60-80 wpm; computer skills necessary. Send resume to: **M. O'Brien**, 14000 Woodward, Suite 250, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302.

LEGAL SECRETARY needed for busy Rochester Hills law firm. 1/2 yrs. of commercial litigation experience. Computer literate. Please forward resume with cover letter indicating wage requirements to: **Box #2092**, Observer & Economic Newspapers, 36251 Schock Road, Livonia, MI 48150

LEGAL SECRETARY - litigation & litigation experience a must. WP 5.1, & Microsoft Windows. Send resume to: **HR**, 313-273-7500

LEGAL SECRETARY
Troy law firm. Insurance defense experience preferred. Salary commensurate with experience. Call: (810) 644-7800

LEGAL SECRETARY
Livonia Wholesale Distributor seeks clerical employee. This individual must have accurate data entry skills, high volume and some inventory control helpful. Able to work in fast-paced, high volume, friendly atmosphere. Please send or fax resume to: **Personnel Dept.**, 36251 Schock Road, Livonia, MI 48150

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OFFICE COORDINATOR
Accounts payable experience desired. Excellent benefits. Send resume to: **HR**, 313-273-7500

OFFICE MANAGER
Must have computer & accounting background. Call Tam: (810) 352-2241

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PAYROLL ADMINISTRATOR
Contract Staffing Company in Farmington Hills has a full time position available for an experienced payroll processor. Experience in computer applications, payroll, Accounting, Lotus, DBase, and operations is preferred. Competitive benefits. Send resume to: **HR - FT/PT**, 31700 Middlebelt Rd., Suite 140 Farmington Hills, MI 48334

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Cambridge West Nursing Care Center has an opening for Personnel/Payroll Coordinator. Candidate must possess excellent phone typing & organizational ability. For more information, please send resume/cover letter to: **Personnel Dept.**, 36251 Schock Road, Livonia, MI 48150

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RECEPTIONIST
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For growing software company. Excellent phone, communication, and organizational skills required. General office duties including: answering phones, mail merge and secretarial support. Competitive benefits. Send resume to: **HR**, 31700 Middlebelt Road, Suite 140 Farmington Hills, MI 48334

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EMPLOYMENT

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
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Applicants must provide picture identification of both certificate at time of application. Applications available and taken in person only at City of Garden City Personnel Office, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, MI beginning 12/18/95 through 1/12/96 during regular business hours (closed 12/25-26/95 and 1/1-2/96).

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534 Job Wanted Female/Male

CHILD CARE
Westland mother wishes to babysit full time weekdays for 2 yr. olds & 1 yr. (313) 729-2951

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NANNY, LIVE-IN, own room and bath, 1 toddler, minimal cleaning, generous salary, West Bloomfield. References. (810) 681-5955

NANNY needed in Northville home. Feb. 1, Mon-Fri, 7-8:30 children under 2. References needed. Light housework. After 5pm. (810) 477-7129

NANNY Part-time, 25-30 hrs. per week. Troy area. 1 child, 5+ years experience. CPR certified preferred. Flexible transportation. No car or fax resume to Dorene Williams: 810-299-1900, FAX: 810-299-5681

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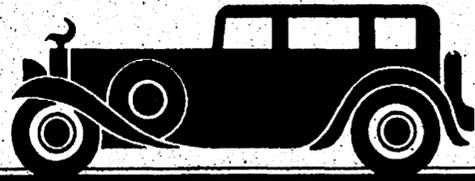
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PROBE 1993, red/gray, 5 speed, air, all power, keyless entry, cruise, well maintained. \$7,400. 810-543-9423

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PROBE 1993 SE, red, alarm, warranty, 34,000 miles, 97 owner, \$12,500. (810) 474-0784

PROBE 1993 SE, red, 5 speed, many options, ABS, 42,000 miles, mint condition \$7800. 313-455-3982

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854 Lexus

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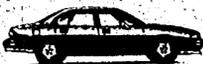
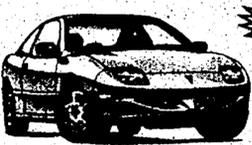
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The Enclave next to Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi isn't your typical apartment to condominium conversion.

The units are large — about 2,200 square feet — with an open, flowing, contemporary floor plan.

Amenities include club room, indoor pool with hot tub and sauna and exercise room. There's covered parking under the buildings and single-story parking structures. Lawns, ponds and trees are pleasing to the eye.

"There is nothing like this in the marketplace . . . if you compare to other mid-rise and high-rise units and amenities," said Jeffrey Spoon, president of Farman Equities of Southfield, the developer/builder for the conversion.

Prices start at \$189,900.

The former Glen Oaks Apartments opened in 1984. Monthly rents have ranged recently from \$1,400 to \$1,750. Occupancy reportedly has been outstanding.

"Novi has changed," Spoon said. "Population is coming out this way. Now, the market is ready for these units to be condos."

Ninety units, thirty each in three buildings, are available at the Enclave. Each building has six units on five floors and units are clustered in twos with their own foyers.

Premiums over base price range from \$2,000 to \$16,000 depending on the view and what floor the unit is located. Eighteen of the 90 units have no premium.

Buyers can upgrade floor coverings, cabinetry and appliances. They can move walls.

"I think we'll see everyone go to a marble foyer, ceramic tile and some upgrades in the kitchen, maybe ceramic in the sunroom to get a different feel," said Ted Guarnero, sales director.

"A lot of residents (tenants) in the past have put in upgraded carpeting and cabinetry from the day they moved in," he said.

"You'll see granite counter tops, marble tops, oak flooring," Spoon added.

The units come with carpeting and all appliances — refrigerator, oven, dishwasher and washer and dryer.

'The market we're selling to is 45 and above. This unit is for someone coming from an existing home whose children have grown up. They don't want the maintenance of a house but want the space of an existing home. The key to the whole thing is when you walk inside these units, they're so spacious, so huge . . . you have the feeling you're not giving up what you came from.'

Jeffrey Spoon
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condo at the Enclave would pay about \$2,975 the first year.

The association fee for insurance and maintenance is \$284 per month.

Donna and Leslie Kutinsky, who have lived in Glen Oaks as tenants for six years, decided to buy at the Enclave.

"Actually, we like the space," Donna said. "We rented because it was the largest space in the area. We like the mid-rise aspect."

"Each unit has its own laundry room and a nice kitchen," Donna added. "It's a very open space. If you came out of a home like us, I could put all my furniture in."

"This place fits a particular lifestyle," she said. "It's not for children. There's no place for them to be."

Tenants George and Diane Tunis also have decided to buy.

"It's luxurious," George said. "I love the lakes, trees. The indoor swimming pool is great. They just built a beautiful deck out there. They're doing a fabulous job re-conditioning the place."

"I've had 15 houses," Tunis added. "I find it (Enclave) is better than home living. It's great for semi-retired people. They take care of everything. I just don't want to move now so I decided to buy."

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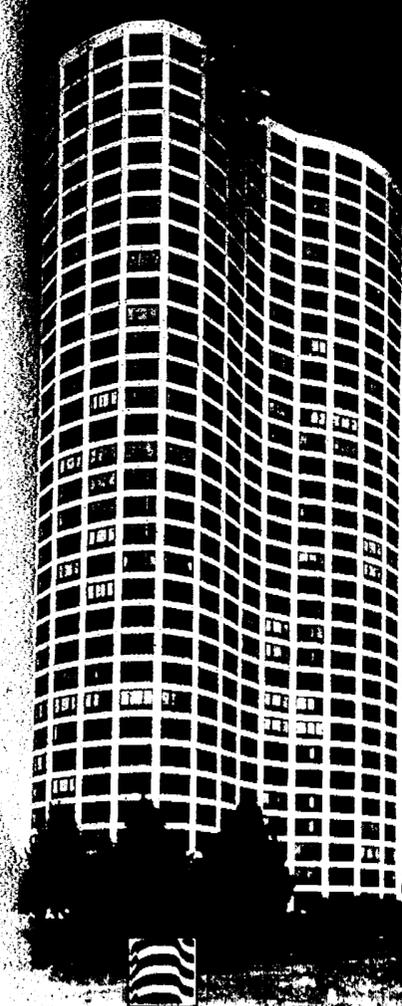
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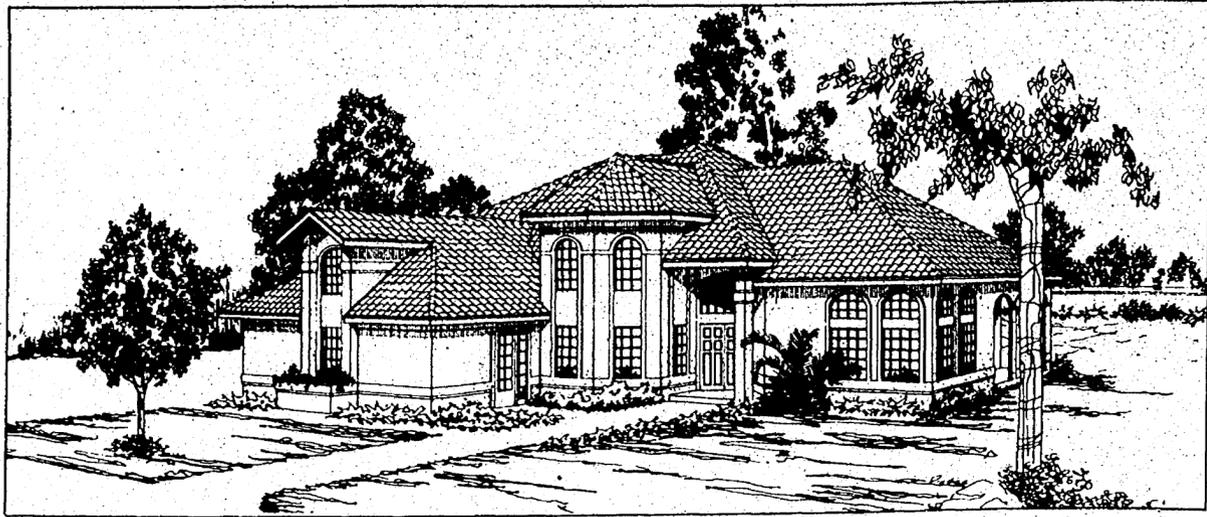
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The Stanfield: A wide variety of living spaces, an open floor plan and an unusual two-floor library are featured in this Mediterranean-style home. See plans below.

Octagonal library highlights Stanfield

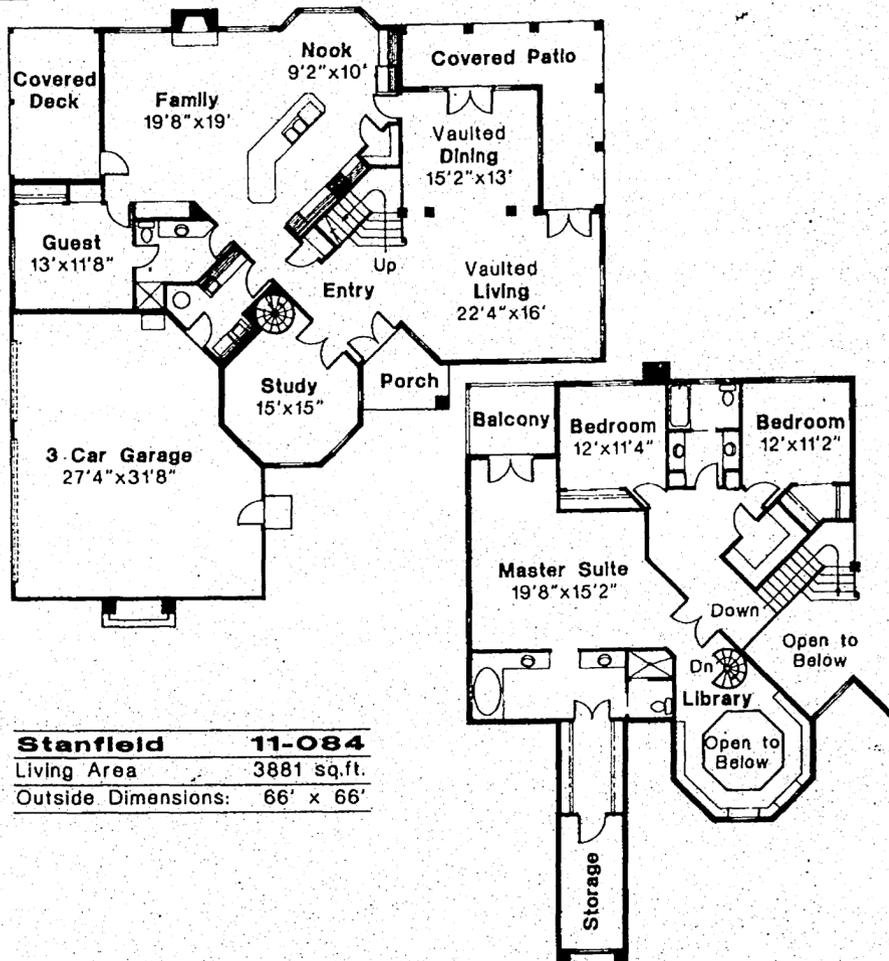
For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$15 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Dr., Eugene, OR 97402. Please specify the Stanfield 11-084 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring over 170 house plans is available for \$12. For more information call (800) 634-0123.

An octagonal study with a library loft is one of the most intriguing features of the Stanfield, a large, two-story Mediterranean-style house with a wide selection of living environments inside and out.

French doors to the left of a two-story high, naturally illuminated entry foyer open into the octagonal study. At the rear, a graceful wood and metal stairway circles up to a loft, open at the center, lined with bookshelves and arched windows.

Taking a few steps behind the stairway's upper landing puts you in a huge master suite, complete with sitting area, deck and luxurious bathroom. Amenities include twin basins, oversized shower, spa tub, and a deep walk-in closet with a roomy storage space behind. Two additional bedrooms share a bathroom outfitted with twin vanities. Linen storage and another big storage closet line the hallway.

A spacious, window-rich family room/kitchen is at the heart of the house. Sink and dishwasher nestle into a lengthy, wrap-around eating bar that faces into the family room. Other features include a walk-in pantry, bayed nook, entertainment center and fireplace. Laundry facilities are close by, in a generously sized



Stanfield 11-084

Living Area 3881 sq.ft.

Outside Dimensions: 66' x 66'

utility room that connects to the three-car garage. For outdoor dining, there's a screened porch to the left. The elegant vaulted dining room and living room are to the right. Columns or posts support a plant shelf that defines the boundary between the two, and both rooms offer sliding door access to a wrap-around covered patio. A centrally located bathroom also serves the Stanfield's first floor guest bedroom.

New plastic product could pass for wood

A new family of non-wood, prefinished mouldings has been developed by ABT Building Products.

The Affinity line is available at home centers here now, nationwide in January.

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wood," said Robert E. Crohan, product manager for the plastics division.

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ABT has sales and administrative offices in Troy. The mouldings are manufactured in Indiana.

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WAYNE BUSINESS Finance

Livonia company finds niche in diabetes care

By BETH SUNDRLA JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

Alan Korby didn't want to work for anyone else — so he decided to start a business.

After starting the business out of his brother's chiropractic office, Korby, a Livonia Stevenson graduate, became partners with Matt Gietzen, a Westland John Glenn graduate, in early 1988 to form Patient Care Services.

Universal Self Care Inc., which merged with Patient Care Services in April, is a specialty provider of supplies and support services for individuals with diabetes. Also, three diabetes divisions — Patient Care Services, SugarFree Centers and the Thriftee Group — began doing business as Diabetes Self Care Dec. 1.

"I was working in a medical ancillary service — that's where I met Matt. I decided that I was tired of working for other people," Korby said.

"I called Matt and offered him equal partnership, but no pay," he said. "It kind of snowballed really," he said. He attributes the success to "diligence more than anything."

In 1990 Brian Bookmeier, a Livonia Bentley graduate, came in as a partner. He helped develop new territories and came up with a supply maintenance program, in which supplies are delivered monthly to diabetic patients.

Supplies are based on the physician's requested testing and treatment.

Korby said he was told he couldn't distribute more than 100 glucose monitors a year, but the partners decided they would do 100 glucose monitors a month.

Now they distribute between 2,000 and 3,000 a month.

Korby and Gietzen started off calling private physicians and offering products and services to them for their diabetic patients.

Then they called diabetes education departments at area hospitals.

They discovered they were in a

niche market. "When we started we thought everybody did what we did," Korby said.

But they found that most physicians in private practice don't have time to teach people how to use the equipment. It takes more than an hour to teach, Korby said.

About 60 percent of their clients are retirees, a group that finds it more difficult to comprehend how to use equipment for diabetics.

And that information is important as recent statistics estimate the prevalence of diabetes in the United States at 16 million people.

To gain information on which services to offer, they went to physicians and asked what they'd want. The home visits started then and have continued. In the home, the person is in a comfortable setting. "They're in their domain. It works much better that way," Korby said.

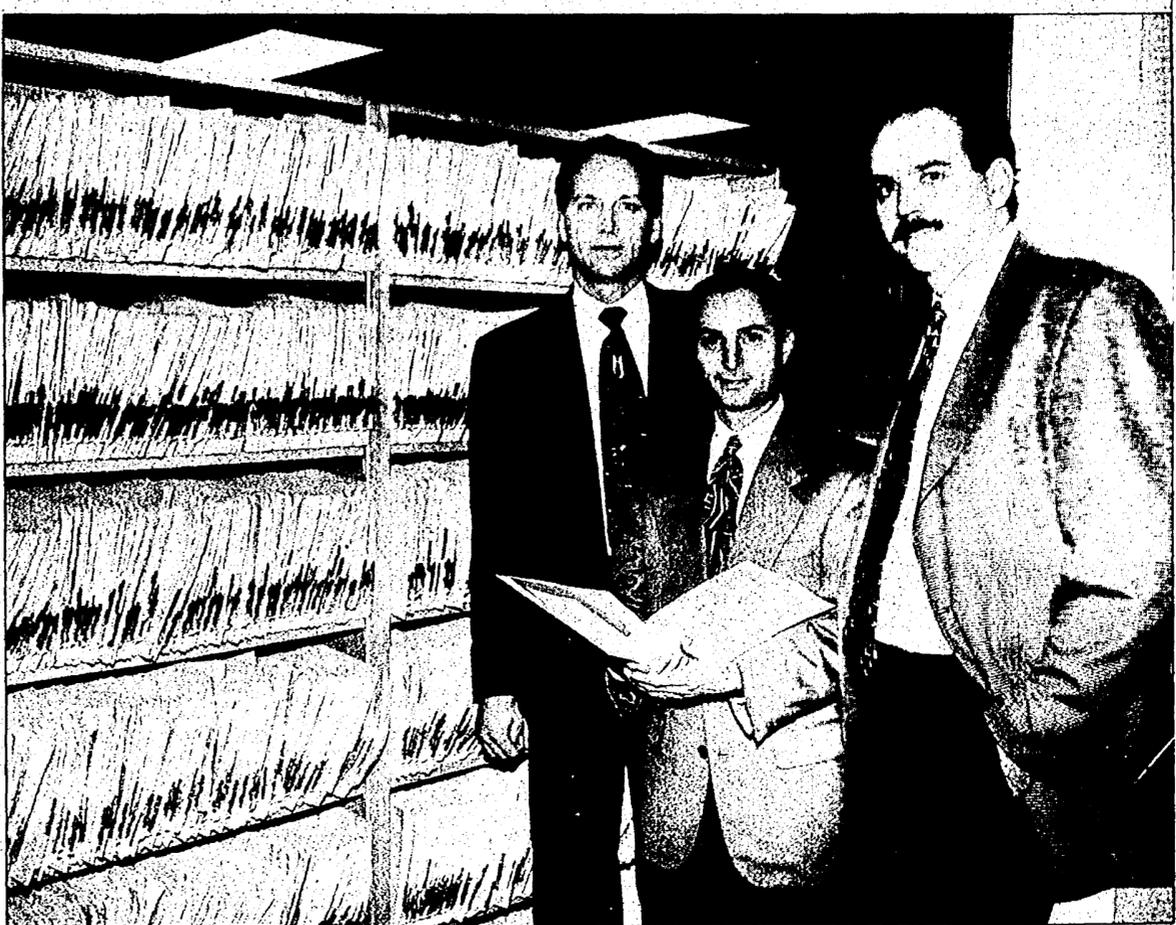
A person newly diagnosed is often traumatized. They find that not only do they have to poke themselves with a syringe, they also have to poke their finger three times a day, Korby said. Sometimes the person is crying, saying they can't do it or won't do it, he said.

When the business started, the partners did all the work, then as the business expanded they started hiring trainers. Now there are 70 employees in the Livonia office, and many more in other states.

They started out in the business with no expertise in diabetes. "Actually I didn't know what a glucose monitor was," Korby said. His grandmother had diabetes, but she didn't use one.

He used his credit card to start the business, and the fledgling company provided one product — glucose monitors. Later it became the dealer for all products for diabetics.

"We have enhanced our services," Korby said. A big service is navigating the insurance maze for customers, he said.



Livonia company: Brian Bookmeier, president and chief executive officer of Universal Self Care Inc.; Alan Korby, executive vice president of sales for Universal Self Care; and Matt Gietzen, executive vice president of Universal Self Care, run a company that offers services for diabetics.

In fact, probably the two biggest services the company performs are adult training in the use of products and establishing or finding insurance coverage for customers, Bookmeier said.

The success of the business may stem from the enhanced level of service offered, Bookmeier said. "We've revolutionized the diabetes industry. We set the standard," Gietzen said.

Diabetes Self Care recently has been chosen as the preferred provider by the National Provider Network to provide diabetes supplies and services to Ford Motor Co., Michigan Public School Em-

ployee Retirement System and General Motors employees enrolled in Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan's Preferred Provider Organization — Blue Preferred Plus.

Internet offers access to information on Bosnia

O&E ONLINE



EMORY DANIELS

Americans who want to be informed on the Bosnia war and the U.S. involvement in that civil strife would do well to turn to the Internet for up-to-date news as well as background information.

A good site I found with several links to Bosnia and Croatia is maintained by Mario Profaca, a freelance journalist from Zagreb, Croatia. I visited the site on Dec. 11, and it had just been refreshed on the previous Friday, Dec. 8, so it should be up-to-date on your visit. Point your Web browser to

[http://www.unm.edu/\(tilde\)mark\)vuksan/mario/mcsero2.html](http://www.unm.edu/(tilde)mark)vuksan/mario/mcsero2.html).

One connection Mario offers is to the "Pentagon Bosnia Link," a site maintained at the U.S. Department of Defense. Point to <http://www.dtic.dla.mil/bosnia/index.html> and you will find fact sheets and news releases on U.S. military peacekeeping activities, biographies of key commanders and leaders, briefings, and a map of the implementation force (IFOR) disposition.

Within his own site, Mario provides information on the Dayton Peace Agreement at [http://www.unm.edu/\(tilde\)vuksan/mario/peace2.html](http://www.unm.edu/(tilde)vuksan/mario/peace2.html) and offers another link for war press releases from NATO at gopher://wiretap.spies.com/11/Gov/

NATO. For hard news, Mario directs you to "CNN: The Balkan Tragedy" <http://www.cnn.com/WORLD/Bosnia/index.html> and information on "Bosnia and Herzegovina" he provides at his own site at [http://www.unm.edu/\(tilde\)vuksan/mario/news014.html](http://www.unm.edu/(tilde)vuksan/mario/news014.html). There are other interesting non-Bosnia and non-Croatia pointers at Mario's site so stick around for awhile before leaving.

Another general Website with several Bosnia links is one built by CalTech. I also visited this site on Dec. 11, and it had been last updated on Dec. 7 so this site also should be up-to-date. Point to [http://www.cco.caltech.edu/\(tilde\)bosnia/bosnia.html](http://www.cco.caltech.edu/(tilde)bosnia/bosnia.html) and you will find links to press releases from the Bosnia and Herzegovina

governments, a brief history of the war, maps, a factbook, and ethnicity information, images of the tragedy, information on major war criminals and suspects, articles, interviews, letters, and more.

CalTech also offers information resources on Bosnia broken down into Web servers, Gopher servers, FTP sites, Newsgroups and Mailing lists (i.e., Listserv). For non-Web pointers look at [http://www.cco.caltech.edu/\(tilde\)bosnia/others/resources3.html](http://www.cco.caltech.edu/(tilde)bosnia/others/resources3.html).

Look at the Final Report of the UN Commission of Experts on the Former Yugoslavia by pointing to <http://www.cij.org/cij/commission.html>. You will find more than 3,000 pages documenting war crimes in Bosnia. The information is more interesting from a

historical perspective, though, as the study was concluded some 18 months ago. An interesting option at this site is annexes to the final report that are made available in Wordperfect 5.1 files. There's also a pointer to the War Crimes Tribunal home page.

Other sites with Bosnia information may be found at:

- U.S. Department of State offers the full text of the Dayton Agreement as well as speeches, testimony, and press releases at <http://dosfan.lib.uic.edu/boshome.html>.

- A gopher menu on "NATO: Conflict in Former Yugoslavia" includes documents from NATO and the UN dating back to 1993. Access at gopher://marvin.stc.nato.int/70/11/yugo.
- The U.S. Army offers its hand-

book, a good source for background information, at gopher://umslvma.umsl.edu:70/00/library/govdocs/armyabhs/aabh2.

■ And, finally, check out the CIA World Factbook (always a good source) at <http://www.odci.gov>.

For the above list of Bosnia sites I am indebted to Greta E. Marlatt, documents librarian for the Naval Postgraduate School, Dudley Knox Library in Monterey, Calif.

You can direct questions to Emory Daniels by E-mail with emory@oeonline.com or fax number 591-7279. To sign up for O&E On-Line, dial (313)591-0903, at "log-in" prompt type "new" and at "Key" prompt type GL6NY2. Past columns may be accessed online at [http://oeonline.com/\(tilde\)mark\)emoryd/archive.html](http://oeonline.com/(tilde)mark)emoryd/archive.html).

Give to yourself to invest in financial security



BETH ALLEN

One of the best holiday gifts you can give is a gift to yourself.

Women in particular are great at giving away both their time and money. In this holiday season don't forget about yourself. You may have heard it all too often, but pay yourself first. The investment doesn't have to be a big one. A small gift now can pay off big rewards in years to come.

Women often find it hard to put themselves first. They are raised

to be caregivers, putting themselves last on the list. It's true whether we are at work or at home and especially when it comes to our families.

The problem is there is usually nothing left for us to keep. Wonderful attributes are associated with the giving of ourselves. A woman who gives to her family and others is said to have a heart of gold. The image of a loving and caring person comes to mind.

However, the moment she puts herself first these descriptions can take a 180-degree turn. Now the heart of gold suddenly changes to a heart of stone. By

taking care of herself, is that really true? I don't think so.

Taking care of your own financial security makes it easier to help take care of others. It has been my experience working with women their goal is to be financially independent. They don't want to be a financial burden in their senior years to their children or other family members. The struggle for women to take care of their families, especially their children, often means jeopardizing their own financial future.

A solution to this problem begins with setting up a regular savings plan as a part of your budget.

Putting money into a savings account is as important as paying all your other bills. It's perfectly all right to put yourself first. The decision comes with how much you are going to save.

No amount of money is too small. Starting with a dollar a day may seem like nothing to most people, but most people have a difficult time coming up with \$365 on the last day of the year. That dollar a day can add up quickly. Saving \$365 a year into a growth mutual fund at 10 percent for 30 years would yield an account worth \$60,000. A more aggressive savings would mean having the financial independence

desired.

The best way to save is to have money taken directly out of your paycheck or bank account in a systematic savings plan. There are several mutual fund companies that have systematic savings plans for as little as \$25 per month. These plans are painless because the money is not passing through your hands. You can get started by directly contacting the mutual fund company of your choice or calling a financial adviser to assist you in finding a plan that works for you. As we approach the new year, vow to make one of your New Year's resolutions a commitment to save and

invest money systematically. It should be your No. 1 resolution.

Questions and comments are welcomed. If you would like to have a particular financial subject addressed, contact: Elizabeth A. Allen or Thomas E. Hogan at the Observer Newspapers Editorial Department, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Mich. 48150.

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INVESTORS BROADCAST
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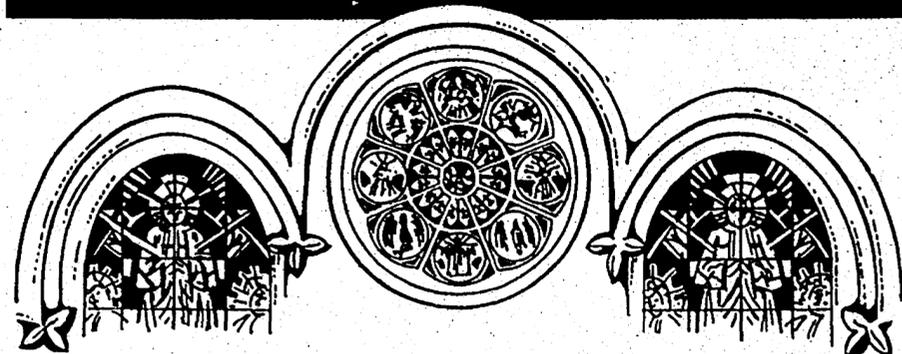
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Redford Twp.
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Sunday School
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RELIGION CALENDAR

Away in the manger: The reason for the season is the birth of Christ and at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia, Mary and Joseph keep watch over the Christ Child in its outdoor Nativity scene.



Carols, candlelight mark Christmas

Christmas is celebrated throughout the modern world through the observance of both religious and secular carols with a heritage of many centuries.

The word carol comes from the Italian "carolare," a medieval ring dance accompanied by singing. Today, the carol has come to mean all sorts of hymns or songs which relate mostly to Christmas.

The actual origin of caroling as a part of the Christmas celebration is really unknown, and authorities differ. Several countries even claim to be the birthplace of the custom. England and Germany claim the "true carol" originated during the 15th century and was performed in the village streets.

From the beginning, music of some kind was a part of the church festival in honor of the birth of Jesus. Historians of France say that Bishop Telesphorus of Rome introduced the custom of celebrating Christmas with songs about 129 A.D.

Aurelius Prudentius (born in 348) is said to have written so-called carols. The words still exist, but the tunes have been lost. And according to St. Jerome, carols were in use in the fifth century.

Whatever the actual date of the earliest carols, the true carols were folk in origin. At first they were sung in Latin, but later in the language of the people. They were influenced by secular music, were simple in thought and expression, and were of different types — dramatic, narrative or lyrical.

A part of Christmas, carols will be prominently featured at church services Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, Dec. 24-25.

A blend of traditional and contemporary carols will be performed at Christmas services this year at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia. Through song, Scripture, prayer and selections by the Choir of Christ Our Savior, Handbell Choir and instrumentalists, the Christmas story will unfold at the 11 p.m. candlelight service on Christmas Eve.

Worshippers will be given a votive candle to raise during the singing of one of the most popular German carols, "Silent Night." A pre-service concert of organ and handbell music will be at 10:30 p.m., featuring carols from many nations.

Christ Our Savior also will have a Family Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m., featuring the Cherub, Choristers and Handbell choirs and a special children's message.

Christmas Day worship with Communion will be at 10 a.m., featuring joyous music. The church is at 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. For more information, call (313) 522-6830.

St. Matthew Lutheran Church will have morning worship with Communion at 10 a.m. Christmas Eve at the church, 5885 Venoy, Westland. It will have its family service at 6:30 p.m. and a candlelight service with Communion at 10:30 p.m. The Christmas Day service with Communion will be at 10 a.m.

Three services also are scheduled for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. There will be services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. (with Communion) on Dec. 31 and at 10 a.m. (with Communion) on Jan. 1. For more information, call (313)

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425-0261.

Main Street Baptist Church will have a special candlelight service during its regular evening service at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve at the church, 8500 N. Morton Taylor Road, Canton. Regular Sunday services are at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

On New Year's Eve, the public is invited to come for a special time of song and music at 8:30 p.m. to prepare to welcome the New Year. There will be a break at 10:30 p.m. for snacks and refreshments and then a return to the auditorium at 11:30 p.m. to watch and welcome the New Year. For more information, call (313) 453-4785.

Merriman Road Baptist Church will have its Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion service at 6 p.m. at the church, 2055 Merriman, Garden City. There will be special music, a message and observance of the Lord's Supper. There will be no nursery care, however an area in the church narthex will be reserved for those who bring children to use. The New Year's Eve celebration will be 6:30-8:30 p.m., with participants gathering for a fifth Sunday sing to celebrate the coming of the New Year. There will be special music and message for the New Year. Child care provisions will be as usual. For more information, call (313) 421-0472.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church will have its festival worship service at 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve at the church, 26112 W. Six Mile at Kinloch, Redford. The service will include carols, candlelight and Holy Communion. For more information, call (313) 537-3778.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church will have its Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m., with church-goers gathering at the church, 17810 Farmington Road, Livonia, at 10 a.m. for worship services on Christmas Day.

The New Year's Eve service will be at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call (313) 261-1360.

A traditional candlelight Christmas Eve service will begin at 7 p.m. at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile, Farmington Hills.

The service will feature Nancy Stelter of Canton on handbells, selections by pianist Ruth Jones of Livonia and Stelter, and seasonal selections by the Sunshine Bells, the junior handbell choir. For more information, call the church at (810) 348-7600.

Good Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church will begin its Christmas celebration with a cantata, "Love Came Down," presented by the choir at the 11 a.m. worship service Christmas Eve morning.

The Christmas Eve family worship with Communion, children's sermon and special anthems by the choir will be at 7 p.m., and the Christmas Eve candlelight worship at 11 p.m. will include Communion and a candlelighting ceremony involving all worshippers. The church is at 28680 Cherry Hill Road, Garden City. For more

information, call the church at (313) 427-3660.

Plymouth Church of the Nazarene will have its Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship at 11 a.m. Christmas Eve at the church, 45801 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. In the evening, there will be a special candlelight service at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call the church at (313) 453-1525.

At Memorial Church of Christ, the Christmas Eve service will be entitled "Christmas Eve: Mixed Emotions." The service will be at 6:30 p.m. at the church, 35475 Five Mile, Livonia.

A candlelight service, it will feature traditional sacred music combined with readings and testimonies about the reactions Christ's birth inspires. For more information, call the church at (313) 464-6722.

Grand River Baptist Church will present an evening of music and chalk-art at 7 p.m. Christmas Eve in the sanctuary of the church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia.

Senior pastor the Rev. David Bevington had an extensive chalk art ministry during his pastorates in the Buffalo, N.Y., area. He developed his own system of remote controlled lighting effects, including three sets of "black" lights for special effects.

The lighting, combined with the stereo musical background and narration, will create an inspirational presentation for people to enjoy. A time for singing by candlelight will follow the presentation. For more information, call the church at (313) 261-6950.

At Newburgh United Methodist Church, there will be four services on Christmas Eve, starting with worship at 10 a.m. at the church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

Nursery will be provided for the three evening services — a special family worship service with carols and candlelighting at 6:30 p.m.; worship, also with carols and candlelighting, at 8:30 p.m.; and worship with carols, candlelighting and Holy Communion at 11 p.m.

A 10 a.m. worship service also is planned for New Year's Eve. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-0149.

At Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Sunday worship services will be at 8:30 and 11 a.m., with Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. at the church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia.

Christmas Eve services will be at 7 p.m. for families with a candlelight Communion service at 11 p.m. The Christmas Day Communion service will be at 10 a.m. For more information, call (313) 464-0211.

At Faith Lutheran Church, the morning service at 10:45 a.m. will be the Fourth Sunday of Ad-

vent carol history service. At the early evening service at 7 p.m., participants will "Meet Bethlehem's Innkeeper." There also will be special Christmas music at 10:30 p.m., followed by the festival worship service at 11 p.m. There will be only one service commemorating the Holy Innocent at 10:45 a.m. Christmas Day.

The New Year's services will be at 7 p.m. New Year's Eve and at 10:45 a.m. New Year's Day at the church, 30000 Five Mile, Livonia. For more information, call (313) 421-7249.

The Music and Worship Committee of Livonia Baptist Church will sponsor a drama at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve at the church, 32940 Schoolcraft, Livonia. The half-hour drama will tell one possible story of Luke as he was preparing to write the Gospel of Luke. For more information, call the church at (313) 422-3763.

Items for the religion calendar should be submitted no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue.

LIVING NATIVITY

The Teen Department of Fair Haven Baptist Church will present a narrated, outdoor Live Nativity at 7 and 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 21-22, at the church, 34850 Marquette, Westland. Candy canes will be given to children at the free event. For more information, call (313) 513-6086.

The Cherry Hill Baptist Church will have a narrated Living Nativity with presentations at 6:30, 7 and 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, at the church, 1045 Gully Road at Wilson. For more information, call (313) 561-1460.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church will have a Christmas celebration in Knox Hall at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, with dinner at 6:30 p.m. on a first come-first served basis. Cost will be \$5 (free child care available).

Other activities include First Friday Night Live at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5, in Knox Hall. Author Tom Jones will discuss "Sex and Love When You Are Single Again." Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. on a first come-first served basis in the Fellowship Hall. Cost will be \$5 and child care will be available.

There's also BYOS (Bring Your Own Sneakers) for adults only at 8 p.m. the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at the Livonia Family YMCA, Stark Road north of Schoolcraft, and volleyball in Knox Hall at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

For more information, call the Single Point office at (313) 422-1854.

RADIO SHOWS

The radio series "What Is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. Topics include "What Makes Christian Science Christian?" on Dec. 24; "What Proof Do You Have That Christian Science Heals?" on Dec. 31; "How Do Christian Scientists Feel About Modern Medicine?" on Jan. 7; "Is Care in Christian Science as Reliable as Medicine?" on Jan. 14; "How Do Christian Scientists Feel About Jesus?" on Jan. 21; and "What

Kind of Faith in God Heals?" on Jan. 28. The series also can be heard at 8:30 a.m. Sundays on CKLW-AM 800. The series is produced by the Christian Science Committee on Publication for Michigan and sponsored by local Christian Science churches. For more information, call 1-800-886-1212.

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION

Ward Presbyterian Church will celebrate New Year's Eve, Sunday, Dec. 31, with an evening of fellowship. It will begin at 9 p.m. with a sacred Christian concert featuring Robin Hirschman. A buffet will be available at 10 p.m. by advance reservation only. The evening will conclude with a Watch Night Service at 11 p.m. Chimes will ring in the New Year and close the service just after midnight. For more information, call (313) 422-1826.

COMMUNITY PARTY

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church will host a New Year's Eve dinner party for the community following the 7 p.m. worship service New Year's Eve, Sunday, Dec. 31. There will be a buffet dinner, disc jockey, non-alcoholic beverages, games, dancing and the usual countdown to midnight. Tickets are \$15 per person and are available by calling Bob at (313) 522-6830 or Jackie at (313) 953-9619.

75TH ANNIVERSARY

Former members of Redford Lutheran Church are invited to come back to the church at 22169 Grand River, Detroit, on Sunday, Jan. 21, to celebrate 75 years of grace.

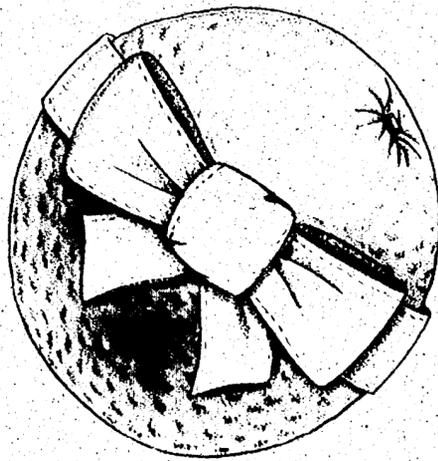
A service of praise and thanksgiving at 10:30 a.m. will have the Rev. Carl E. Mehl, former pastor of Redford Lutheran, as the guest speaker. Following the Holy Communion service, a luncheon buffet will be held in Mossner Hall at 1 p.m. There also will be a program of entertainment and reminiscing with present and former members.

Reservations for the luncheon are necessary and must be made by Jan. 15 by calling the church at (313) 535-3733.

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH?

An open invitation is extended to anyone inquiring about membership in the Catholic Church by St. Richard's Church, 35637 Cherry Hill, Westland. For more information, call Claudia at (313) 729-4411.

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SOUND INTERESTING?

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ANYTHING GOES!

SWF 24, seeking down-to-earth, outgoing, laid back SWM, 21-29, enjoys doing various activities, for friendship, leading to possible romance. Ad# 2323

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SWF 29, 5'9", N/S, employed, likes ballroom dancing, mountain biking, seeks SWM, with a sense of humor, Catholic is preferred. Ad# 1793

ONLY SERIOUS CALLS

SBF 29, likes movies, dining out, candlelight, travel, seeking intelligent, down-to-earth, honest, outgoing, sincere, open, career-minded SWCM, 25-50, no games, for dating, long-term relationship, possible marriage. Ad# 8108

SHE'S UNIQUE

SWF 30, 5'5", 110lbs, enjoys talking about growth, serenity, nature, land, snow, wood-burning stoves, learning, unlearning, resourcefulness, seeks SWM, 30-35, for friendship. Ad# 2347

CATHOLIC

SWF 30, 5'1", petite, cute, professional, enjoys outdoor activities, cross country skiing, dining out, seeks Catholic SM, for conversation, possible relationship. Ad# 6702

SIMPLE THINGS IN LIFE

SBF 31, mom, loves church, travel, beach/park walks, reading, seeking sincere, honest, faithful, church-going SM, who loves children, for dating, maybe more. Ad# 7412

MOM OF ONE

SBF 31, loves movies, park, church, the beach, seeking honest, faithful SWM, same interests. Ad# 9874

GIMME A CALL!

SBF 31, full-figured, very sure, likes all things in life, seeks SM, to share life with together. Ad# 5456

READY?

SBF 31, 5'6", 130lbs, attractive, serious, career-oriented, fun-loving, loves the Lord and her child, seeks SM, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 1964

RESCUE HER!

SBF 31, full-figured, pretty eyes, lovely lip, patient, understanding, strong minded, analytical, seeks strong SM, with similar qualities, who stands by his beliefs, for possible relationship. Ad# 6710

LEAVE YOUR NUMBER

SWF 31, enjoys sports, working out, church-going, marriage minded, seeking SM, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 2814

REMMINGTON STEEL MIND

SBF 31, 175lbs, communicative, enjoys adventure, mystery, family games, seeking SM, for sharing/caring relationship. Ad# 4187

START AS FRIENDS

DW mom of two, 31, enjoys working out, church, hockey, football, crafts, cooking, seeks sweet, sincere, marriage-minded SM, with good attitude, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 7777

ARE YOU A CHARMER?

SWF 33, blonde hair, blue eyes, professional, seeking handsome SM, 35-50, into quality, N/S, non-drinker, sense of humor. Ad# 8717

CONVINCED & DEDICATED

Attractive DW, 34, N/S, no dependents, athletic type, enjoys symphonies, plays sports, outdoor activities, seeking college-educated, athletic SWM, 28-38, not allergic to cats. Ad# 3328

CALL HER

SWC 34, enjoys going to church, singing, candlelight dinners, good times, seeking special SWCM, with similar interests. Ad# 1316

STUDYING CRIMINAL JUSTICE

DWF 37, 5'3", 115lbs, brown hair, attractive, two children, seeking nice-looking M, active, duty police officer a plus, who enjoys outdoors, good food, good friends, and lots of romance. Ad# 6116

JUST AROUND CORNER

SWF 38, tall, professional, honest, romantic, affectionate, loves sports, outdoors, movies, sailing, seeking SM, 6'2", employed, romantic, confident, cuddly, for possible relationship. Ad# 8937

SEEKING SPECIAL SOMEONE

SBF 39, super queen-sized, seeks SM, who can love and appreciate a woman of size, for friendship and possible serious relationship. Ad# 7185

LOVES THE LORD

DBF 40, mom of one, friendly, open, nurse, likes aerobics, swimming, horseback riding, family/church functions, music, plays, seeking SM, for dating. Ad# 9291

NO GAME PLAYERS

SBF 40, 5'6", 165lbs, no dependents, warm, caring, sincere, seeks kind, considerate, well-groomed SM, 30-45, who is ready for a serious, committed relationship. Ad# 7080

ATTRACTIVE LADY

SBF 40, 5'5", medium build, N/S, social drinker, enjoys dining out, movies, cruising, travel, seeks honest, sincere, financially secure, good-humored SM, 40-60, 5'8", with similar interests, for friendship, possible special relationship. Ad# 5413

A MORNING PERSON

SWF 40, 5'4", slim, attractive, active, enjoys working/playing hard, being spoiled, seeks attractive SWM, N/S, with good communication skills, who is willing to share the good and bad times, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 1617

LIVONIA MOM

DWCF 40, 5'5", 130lbs, golden hair, loving, caring, son 8, N/S, enjoys music, dancing, bowling, family, seeking sincere, confident, committed SWM, Ad# 7164

LIKES NEW PLACES

DW mom, 41, 5'1", red hair, blue eyes, 2 children, enjoys camping, hiking, movies, seeking SM. Ad# 5254

ARTISTICALLY-TALENTED

SWF 41, 5'1", red hair, blue eyes, mom of two, likes biking, park walks, camping, art, music, concerts, dining out, dancing, seeking SM, with similar interests, for companionship, maybe more. Ad# 4283

SOMEONE SPECIAL

Professional SWF, mid-40s, petite, Rochester Hills area, enjoys dancing, museums, fishing, canoeing, Fox theatre, antique shows, seeking N/S, non-drinking SM, 50-65, 5'8", for dating, sharing activities. Ad# 1045

Likes a Talker

SWF 43, 5'6", red hair, green eyes, funny, honest, intelligent, enjoys the performing arts, hiking, dancing, seeking similar mainstream CM, N/S, light drinker, for relationship. Ad# 1130

Likes Children

SWF 44, down-to-earth, medium build, looking for a relationship built on honesty and communication, 40-49, Ad# 2147

HOPE YOU CALL!

DWF 44, 5'5", 125lbs, brown/blonde hair, blue eyes, college educated professional, seeks SM, to share fun times, activities, dates and possible long-lasting relationship. Ad# 4567

DREAMS DO COME TRUE

DWF 45, 5'5", blonde hair, green eyes, healthy, spiritual, loving, professional, seeking fit, secure, healthy, N/S, gentle, compassionate, loving D/SWM, 44-55, 5'11", who places God first, for possible happy relationship. Ad# 1378

OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS!

SWF 45, 5'3", 110lbs, brown hair/eyes, loving, compassionate, humorous, N/S, non-drinker, enjoys bowling, dining out, walks in the rain, seeking conversant M, for relationship. Ad# 2892

CHAT SOME TIME?

SWF 47, employed as a health care professional, seeks SM, who likes cappuccino, bookstores, long drives, music, country, waltz, freestyle, chatting over a plate of pasta. Ad# 4837

KEEP UP WITH HER?

SWF 48, 6', 140lbs, blonde hair, blue eyes, extremely active, enjoys biking, dancing, aerobics, long walks, seeks honest SM, 35-45, 6', with similar interests, for possible relationship. Ad# 7238

ATTRACTIVE

SBF 47, 5'7", 145lbs, N/S, social drinker, professional, seeking SM, 40-57, for one-on-one, honest, monogamous relationship. Ad# 9027

LET'S HAVE COFFEE

DWCF, mid-40s, petite, slim, attractive, enjoys reading, dancing, biking, gardening, seeks romantic, honest SWM, to share life and grow with, for a loving and caring relationship. Ad# 9432

TO SHARE FAITH WITH

SWC 47, slim, petite, attractive, honest, humorous, passionate, enjoys simple pleasures, seeking born-again, down-to-earth, romantic SM, to share life with. Ad# 2227

DINNER DATE

SWF 47, no dependents, employed, N/S, enjoys bookstores, long drives, music, country, waltz, freestyle, chatting over dinner, seeking SWM, with similar interests. Ad# 4833

CLASSY & ATTRACTIVE

Professional SWF, 48, 5'4", brunette, blue eyes, warm, caring, tender-hearted, employed, enjoys gardening, computers, seeking SWM, with similar qualities. Ad# 9238

EXPLORE NEW HORIZONS

SWF 48, independent, enjoys theatre, plays, concerts, music, flea marketing, Saturday mornings, antiquing, seeking M, educated, financially secure, for companionship. Ad# 4059

NEW TO MICHIGAN

SWF 49, 5'7", Auburn hair, brown eyes, outgoing, seeking nice, intelligent, fit, easygoing, humorous SM, who enjoys good conversation, going out, doing different things. Ad# 7183

TAKE CHARGE OF LIFE

SWF 49, trustworthy, honest, reliable, seeking educated SM, with similar qualities, who likes the finer things in life, but can also enjoy a Saturday morning. Ad# 9204

LET'S BEGIN TOGETHER

SWF 50, short, medium build, enjoys movies, dining in/out, bowling, camping, walks, Greenfield Village, seeks SM, to share interests and possible relationship. Ad# 2045

ALL REPLIES ANSWERED

SWF 50, employed, independent, enjoys sports, movies, theatre, music, outdoors, seeking S/DW/M, 49-58, for friendship, companionship, possible relationship. Ad# 1127

YOQUERT AT HUDSONS

DW mom, 60, enjoys dining, movies, flea markets, antiquing, weekend travel, seeking degreed SM, N/S, with same interests. Ad# 5454

"And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 16:19

LET'S MEET AND TALK

SWF 50, N/S, employed college graduate, has a daughter in college, two dogs and three cats, enjoys antiquing, flea markets, theatre, walking, coffee, conventions, seeking N/S SM, to share time/common interests. Ad# 4545

YOUNG MIND/HEART

SWF 51, 5'6", plus size, lively, smart, interesting, loves music, reading, movies, plays, friends, dogs, children, walking, board games, trying different things, seeking squeezeably-soft SM, 5'8", to share interests, life, for friendship. Ad# 3344

LET'S TALK!

SWF 55, 5'2", brunette, brown eyes, N/S, non-drinker, educated, flexible, enjoys family activities, movies, dining out, nature, seeking M, for companionship, possibly more. Ad# 1940

PLEASE CALL!

SWC 57, N/S, loves the Lord, enjoys walks, travel, entertaining friends, sports, seeks SWM, who also loves God, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 1938

SOUTHERN BELLE

DWF 58, 5'5", 135lbs, warm, caring, sincere, charming, enjoys antiques, dancing, Greenfield Village, basketball, museums, big band music, seeks a long-term, meaningful relationship with a quality, gentle SM. Ad# 2236

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ECLECTIC & INTELLIGENT

SWF 59, 5'7", brunette, slender, attractive, enjoys golf, tennis, dancing, water activities, gardening, spectator sports, music, seeking honest, caring SM, for friendship. Ad# 1930

CALL IF INTERESTED

WWBF 60, enjoys church, dining out, working, movies, a variety of quiet activities, seeking SM, for one-on-one relationship. Ad# 4135

SASSY SIXTY!

SWF 62, fun to be with, enjoys movies, walks, country dancing, exercising, seeking M, with similar interests, for relationship. Ad# 1961

MADE IN USA

Retired SWF 68, very active, enjoys people, seeks SM, who enjoys golf, bowling, cards, and more, for friendship. Ad# 7127

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IS THIS YOU?

SWF 19, 5'9", brown hair, green eyes, athletic, energetic, enjoys sports, seeking blonde, blue-eyed, model-type SWF, 19-24, 125lbs, for friendship/relationship. Ad# 3232

GET TO KNOW HIM!

SWM 19, 5'11", 165lbs, college student, enjoys hockey, baseball, reading, adventurous activities, seeks good-looking, self-confident, intelligent, fit, down-to-earth SM, to share interests and possible relationship. Ad# 4141

HE'S THE ONE

SBM 21, college student, likes to party, go out to dinner, seeking N/S, non-drinking SF, for fun, good times. Ad# 9321

WHADDYA THINK?

SWM 22, enjoys hockey, movies, going out, seeks well-proportioned, attractive, smiling SWF, 18-25, to share interests and possible relationship. Ad# 8888

SEE WHAT HAPPENS

SWM 22, 6', 245lbs, enjoys hockey, basketball, some football, movies, relaxing at home, seeks SF, 18-22, somewhat independent, kids okay, for fun times, maybe more, no one-night stands. Ad# 2380

VIRGIN SEEKING VIRGIN

SBCM 22, enjoys Bible study, walks in the park, learning about wildlife, seeks SWF, 20-23, any race, who looks on the inside first, for possible relationship. Ad# 1002

GIVE A JINGLE

SWM 23, 6'2", 175lbs, unlucky in love, loves sports, partying, quiet romantic evenings, outdoors, seeks SM SF, for a possible relationship. Ad# 1304

STOP HERE!

SWM 24, 6'9", 170lbs, seeking SWF, 18-28, petite, easy to communicate, bonus if you like movies, white water rafting, bowling, comedy clubs, working out, willing to try new things, don't hesitate, leave him a message. Ad# 9342

WOW!

Handsome SWM 24, financially secure, professional, enjoys coffee, talks, movies, novels, theatre, adventures, sincerely wishes to make of dreams come true for the right SF, in a wonderful, loving relationship. Ad# 9899

LET'S GO OUT!

SBM 24, 6', 170lbs, muscular built, brown-skinned, seeks SWF, to share fun times, dinner out, concerts, and a possible relationship. Ad# 8787

UP FOR ANYTHING

WM 25, good looking, self-employed, enjoys a wide variety of interests, seeking intelligent, fun-loving, humorous, slim SWF, who likes to laugh, for relationship. Ad# 2595

SOUND GOOD?

SWM 25, tall, honest, outgoing, enjoys outdoor adventures, spontaneity, music, candlelit dinners, seeks compassionate, affectionate SWF, to share activities, possibly develop a relationship. Ad# 9799

RACE UNIMPORTANT

SBM 25, degreed, enjoys cars, movies, cooking, walks in the park, seeking fun-loving, slim SF, 22-30, similar interests, for possible relationship. Ad# 4884

SPONTANEOUS, VIVACIOUS

Spirit-filled SWM, 26, 6'1", enjoys tennis, rafting, camping, lake, barbecues, dancing, dining out, family, friends, watching sports, seeks SF, any age, to share interests and possible relationship. Ad# 9599

LIKE BEING SPOILED?

SWM 27, 5'10", 180lbs, stocky, great humor, enjoys dancing, cooking, seeks attractive SF, 21-26, who enjoys having fun, wants to be pampered, for possible relationship. Ad# 5918

FARMINGTON HILLS AREA

Presbyterian SWM, 27, 6'1", 185lbs, athletic build, clean-cut, enjoys sports, aerobics, biking, meeting new people, movies, concerts, seeks special, kind, sweet, sincere SF, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad# 5481

BLOND CURLS, BLUE EYES

Attractive SWM, 27, 5'10", 165lbs, never married, degreed professional, seeks SF, 18-30, smokers/drinkers/kids okay, for some great and special times. Ad# 7668

BRUCE WILLIS LOOK-A-LIKE

SWM 27, stocky build, likes to dance, bowl, cook, seeking attractive SWF, 21-25, likes to have fun and be pampered. Ad# 8775

HOPE YOU CALL!

SWM 27, student, enjoys sports, praying, meeting people, seeking SF, under 30, interesting, for communicating, having fun, friendship. Ad# 9969

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

SBM 28, 5'11", medium build, enjoys travel, concerts, movies, dining out, outdoor activities, seeks honest, up-front, affectionate, fun SWF, 22-30, who knows what she wants, for possible relationship. Ad# 1169

HOPELESS ROMANTIC

SWM 28, 6'1", brown hair, attractive, athletic build, enjoys cooking, movies, walks, hockey/baseball games, seeking spirit-filled, Born-Again CF, 19-36, for friends first relationship. Ad# 9277

NICE VOICE

SBM 28, 6'2", 215lbs, athletic, caring, romantic, warm, passionate, student, likes sports, music, dancing, dining out, seeking intelligent SWF, 20-25, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 1867

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