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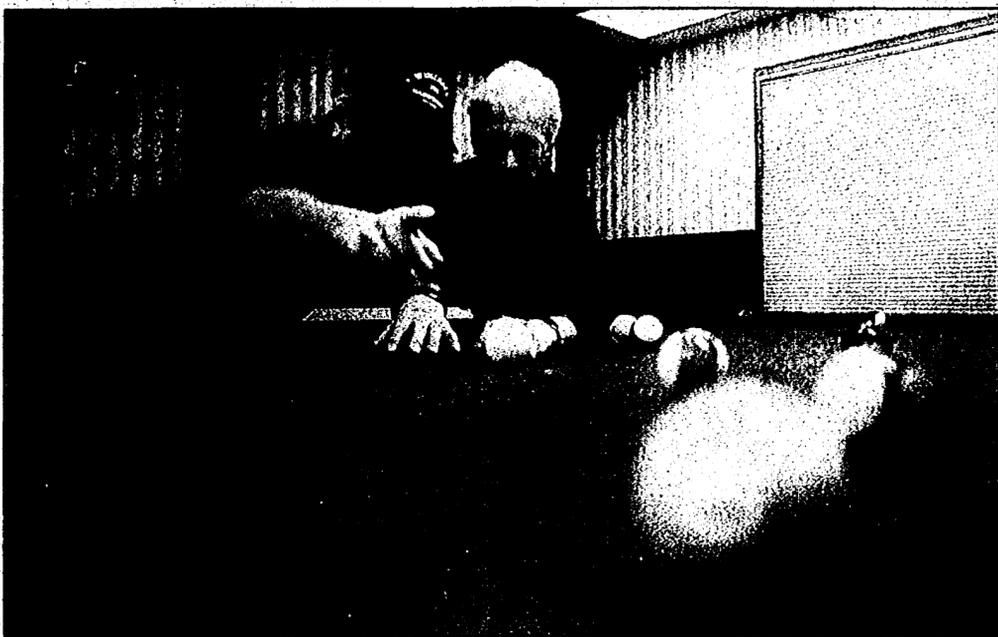
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## Taking aim



A few pointers: Leonard McDonnell gives Fran Zimecki a billiards lesson recently in the new billiards room at the Westland Friendship Center.

STAFF PHOTOS BY BRYAN MITCHELL

## Senior citizens pool talents in center's new billiard room

BY RENEE SKOGLUND  
STAFF WRITER

Rack 'em up, seniors. It's time to play some serious pool at the Friendship Center. After 12 years, the old billiard room has a new look, thanks to the generosity of George and Mary Marvaso, owners of The Electric Stick.

During the opening ceremonies last week, George Marvaso said he didn't need much persuasion from Sylvia Kozorosky-Wiacek, the center's director, to undertake the renovations. What started out as a "good deal on a table" soon turned into a donation amounting to approximately \$14,000.

"Sylvia said you can donate the whole table because you'll be blessed in your next life. It started snowballing from there," said Marvaso.

The room received a soup-to-nuts makeover: two new rose-felt billiard tables, new chairs, rose-colored carpeting, paneling, wallpaper and light fixtures, even a new TV. We're talking first-class all the way. Minnesota Fats would've approved.

Mayor Robert Thomas thanked the Marvasos for being a "fantastic part of the community. They just give and give and give."

The seniors "oohed" and "ahhed" as they filed in for their first peek of the new room. When Kozorosky-Wiacek asked "You guys want to

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In the pocket: Kathryn Johnson eyes a shot in the billiards room at the Friendship Center in Westland. After 12 years, the old billiard room has a new look, thanks to George and Mary Marvaso, owners of The Electric Stick.

## Ex-rec chief's trial set to start

■ Former Westland Parks and Recreation Director Charles Skene, fired from his \$53,339 job last April at age 46, faces a jury trial Monday on five felony embezzling charges.

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER



Fired Westland Parks and Recreation Director Charles Skene faces trial Monday on felony embezzling charges, amid allegations he took city money while he struggled with gambling addiction.

Defense attorney Stephen Boak predicted Tuesday that Skene will be cleared of allegations that he stole hundreds of dollars from his department. Boak said prosecutors lack evidence to convict Skene.

"They have to prove their case, and they don't have the evidence to do it," he said during a telephone interview from his Plymouth office.

Skene, fired from his \$53,339 job last April at age 46, faces a jury trial Monday on five felony embezzling charges. Wayne County Circuit Judge Timothy Kenney, an appointee of Gov. John Engler and a Livonia resident, is assigned to hear the case.

Court testimony that emerged during a May preliminary hearing had indicated Skene could face similar charges in Livonia, where he was involved in a local softball association and had access to its bank account.

But Skene was never charged in Livonia, and Boak said Tuesday that investigators knew all along those allegations weren't true.

"That was all baloney," he said, "and they knew it at the time."

Skene has maintained his innocence on all embezzling charges, despite testimony in May from Westland police Lt. Gary Sikorski that Skene "admitted that he was addicted to gambling" and that he borrowed money from his department.

Sikorski testified that Skene, while under police surveillance, visited Windsor's Riverboat Casino twice one evening and went to his office between visits.

Sikorski also testified that police found gambling paperwork discarded by Skene in trash near Westland City Hall, and Sikorski said Skene admitted that he gambled illegally.

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas fired Skene last April 22, amid allega-

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## City, chamber rift draws mixed reaction

BY DARRELL CLEM  
STAFF WRITER

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A political rift between Mayor Robert Thomas and Westland Chamber of Commerce leaders appears to reflect broader divisions in the community.

Some business owners and longtime chamber members criticize board officers such as President John Toye for actively campaigning against Thomas in elections as recent as Nov. 4.

Other chamber members and some

electd officials say the mayor should show leadership and maturity by accepting Toye's offer for new talks aimed at resolving differences.

Thomas severed ties between his office and chamber board officers in a Jan. 12 letter to Toye, fueling concerns that Westland's business community will suffer because of politics.

Thomas has stated vehemently that he refuses to work with Toye and other chamber leaders who have campaigned against him.

But Toye, chamber President-elect Kim Shunkwiler and others say chamber officers should be allowed as private citizens to campaign for political candidates.

"John Toye is the one who caused the problem, and he'll have to fix it," Elaine Tuttle, accountant for Great

Lakes Parts, said Tuesday.

Tuttle, who has resigned from the chamber board because she is retiring, said officers shouldn't become visibly involved in political campaigns.

### Election aftermath

But Westland City Councilman Glenn Anderson said Thomas shouldn't have severed ties with the chamber.

"He has a tendency to carry things

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## Cooper School study expected to get go-ahead

BY MARIE CHESTNEY  
STAFF WRITER

### LIVONIA SCHOOLS

If the toxic Cooper School site in Westland can be redeveloped safely and profitably, Livonia Public Schools district should know sometime this summer whether it has a buyer for the 43-acre site on Ann Arbor Trail.

The Livonia Board of Education Monday is expected to give the go-ahead to Jackson-based Consumers Renaissance Development Corp. (CRDC) to assemble a team to first study the former landfill site and then recommend how - or if - it can be redeveloped.

The clock starts ticking on the agreement once the Livonia district turns over to CRDC all documents it has on the site.

This includes boundary survey, title work, topographical map, geotechnical data, utilities location, site drainage, asbestos removal and building demolition costs, environmental data and all communications between the district and the public regarding the environmental condition of the former elementary school site.

Once CRDC receives the data, team members have up to six months to come up with a plan to redevelop the site under "brownfield" legislation passed in 1995 by the Michigan Legislature.

"Anything could be recommended, but commercial

or industrial doesn't make sense," said Randy Liepa, assistant superintendent for business. "But does some multi-use or recreational use, such as indoor hockey, make sense?"

Livonia schools closed Cooper in 1991 after soil tests showed high levels of lead, cadmium, mercury and PCB.

"Brownfield" legislation offers a way to reuse a site not being used because of environmental contamination. School administrators have said Cooper will never again be used as a school.

Under the agreement expected to be approved Monday, CRDC will:

■ Work with developer Jonna Realty Ventures Inc.

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over from Election Day," Anderson said. "The election is over, and the city still has to maintain good relations with the chamber."

Anderson said the mayor should show "more maturity" than he did when he broke off talks with the chamber and removed Deputy Mayor George Gillies from the chamber board.

Margaret Harlow, a chamber member and part-owner of Harlow Tires, said politics should be removed from chamber business. "It's too bad," she said of the latest controversy.

Harlow has friends on both sides of the dispute, but she said chamber officers should think twice about political campaign involvement.

"I think the people involved in this knew the risk they were taking when they became politically involved," she said. "Absolutely I do not feel there is any room for politics in a chamber of commerce, because you're representing the business community."

"I don't know what the impact will be on the business community, but I do feel that the chamber needs to have some rapport with the government of the city," Harlow said. "I think we need the cooperation of the current board members and the mayor's office. How that's going to be resolved, I don't know."

Westland City Councilman Charles Pickering, a Realtor and chamber member, said the entire organization shouldn't endorse political candidates, "but I don't think you should ever deny an individual the right to campaign for the candidate of their choice."

Pickering's campaign manager in his unsuccessful 1993 challenge against Thomas was then-chamber President Dennis LeMaitre, who came under fire much like Toye.

Setting aside the question of political campaigns, Pickering said the chamber as a whole should become more involved in taking a public stance on community issues such as taxes and ordinances.

"And I don't think they should be intimidated by who's in office," he said.

### Discussion time

As the mayoral-chamber dispute made headlines Sunday, chamber leaders had begun scheduling a Monday meeting to discuss the issue.

Shunkwiler said the consensus of leaders was not to change the chamber's direction, and he defended Toye's political involvement.

"Basically we're going to continue to do what we've been doing," Shunkwiler said.

"We can't ask a person to be a chamber member and give up his right of citizenship," he said, adding that Toye "didn't violate any chamber bylaws."

Thomas has said "nothing short" of resignations by Toye and Shunkwiler would convince him to resume ties with the chamber, although the mayor cautioned that he didn't initiate such a suggestion.

Shunkwiler said chamber leaders are ready to discuss the deadlock if the mayor agrees to a meeting.

"We'll continue to hold out the olive branch," he said.

# Observer wins national awards

The Observer Newspaper Group of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers has been honored with eight awards in the 1997 Suburban Newspapers of America Editorial Contest.

The Plymouth Observer took first place in Class A for "Best Breaking News" for the story on the 35th District courthouse fire. Plymouth Editor Joanne Maliszewski coordinated the coverage. Photos were taken by Bill Bresler and stories were written by Renee Skoglund and Joanne Maliszewski.

The Wayne County editions of the Observer also took first place in "Best Young People's Coverage" for "Life in the Sixth Grade," a story and photo project on students in local Observer towns. Staff members working on the project included Matt Jachman, Tammie Graves, Tom Hawley, C.J. Risak, Christina Fuoco and Steve Kowalski. It was coordinated by Canton Editor Tedd Schneider.

Another award for the sixth-grade project went to Tom Hawley, who took first place in "Best Feature Photo Story or Series" category for "Derek's Day," a series of photographs on the day in the life of a sixth-grader.

The Livonia and Westland editions took a second place for Best Sports Section. Brad Emons is the sports editor.

Photographer Tom Hawley received a second place in the Best News Photo category for "Clinton Rally," which appeared in the Garden City Observer.

Photographer Bryan Mitchell received a third place in the "Best Feature Photo Story or Series" category for a front

page picture entitled "Festival," which appeared in the Westland Observer.

The Farmington Observer took third place in the "Best Local Election" category and a second place in "Best Coverage of Local Education/School District Issues" for its "Back to School" series.

In all, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers took 28 awards in the national contest. The Observer Publishing Group includes the Livonia, Farmington, Plymouth, Canton, Redford, Westland and Garden City editions.

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to determine the feasibility of redevelopment.

Coordinate activities between Jonna, state agencies, the city of Westland, and environmental and legal experts in investigating the site. The city of Westland recently formed a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and plans to incorporate the Cooper site into its redevelopment plan. The plan allows Westland to use captured tax revenue to clean up and redevelop the Cooper site and others.

If redevelopment is possible, bring all parties to the table to negotiate a land sale.

Keep the Cooper community informed about what is going on at the site.

Work done by CRDC's team over the next six months will be done free of charge to Livonia schools, Liepa said.

CRDC, a nonprofit organiza-

**'There's been distrust by the (Cooper) community because of health risks. We would not want to go through this again. We must keep them informed, and not breed skepticism.'**

James Watters  
-trustee

tion funded through state grants to promote "brownfield" redevelopments, will be reimbursed by Jonna if Livonia schools sells the school property, he said.

Team members include: Bruce Rasher and Charles MacInnis of CRDC.

Gary Jonna of Jonna Realty Ventures Inc., a real estate development firm.

Grant Trigger of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn, an expert in environment law and "brownfield" redevelopment.

Curt Cramer of Geraghty

and Miller, a company with extensive experience in designing and explaining complex environmental evaluations.

ATC Environmental Consultants, a national environmental consulting firm specializing in site evaluations, creative environmental remedies and redevelopment of "brownfield" properties.

The city of Westland, which will ensure community concerns become part of the reuse planning process.

Jonna Realty Ventures has the

final say in whether the site can be profitably redeveloped, said CRDC in its strategic plan for Cooper.

Once team members start their work, CRDC will hold meetings for the Cooper community to keep residents informed as to what is going on.

In discussing the agreement at Monday's study session, the Board of Education stressed keeping open the lines of communication.

"There's been distrust by the (Cooper) community because of health risks," said trustee James Watters. "We would not want to go through this again. We must keep them informed, and not breed skepticism."

If Jonna declines to redevelop the site, all information gathered by the team will be turned over to Livonia schools.

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tions that Skene embezzled money between Aug. 7, 1996, and April 12, 1997, from parks department funds.

Former Westland Finance Director Michael Gorman testified that Skene's department failed to turn over about \$7,000 in monies.

But Nora Herbert, who was Skene's secretary, testified that the city had cashed checks submitted by the parks department on the days in question. Her tes-

timony indicated that Skene's department did, in fact, turn the money over to the city treasurer's office.

Other employees have said that Skene took money from city funds and left personal checks, although testimony indicated similar actions by other workers. Then-Westland Personnel Director Kent Herbert said the city had no policy against taking cash and depositing personal checks.

Meanwhile, Boak said Skene will not suddenly avert his trial by pleading guilty to a lesser charge - because he still maintains his innocence.

Boak suggested Skene was accused of taking money because of a "vendetta" by other city officials who didn't like him.

Still, Boak said he didn't expect any startling revelations to emerge during Skene's trial.

"I don't expect any smoking guns to come out on either side,"

he said.  
 On Friday, three days before the trial, attorneys are expected to argue motions aimed at adding prosecution witnesses and restricting Westland police statements.

But Boak predicted no delays in the trial unless Kenney has another case that unexpectedly carries over into next week.

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play some pool?" they grabbed the pool sticks.

"We're not always good, but we play at it," said Kathryn Johnson, 82, taking aim at the cue ball.

Arlene Spohn, 63, Johnson's partner, looked over at the other male-dominated table and boasted: "We were the first women to break the barrier here."

"You got to shoot the white ball!" said bystander Bud O'Leary, 70, a commissioner for Westland's Department of Aging. "These girls didn't spend too much time in the old pool room. I spent a lot of time when I was a kid in the pool room."

**'We're not always good, but we play at it.'**

Kathryn Johnson  
age 82

Meanwhile, the action warmed up at the men's table as David Pasqualine, 74, and William Carter, 87, chalked their sticks. Pasqualine said he'd been playing for 60 years, until his eyesight got worse. "I'm as good as anybody in here," he said.

Carter was ready for the challenge. "I'm not the best, not the worst. I could beat him. I don't know how many games it would take." Carter sunk one ball, missed another.

Someone read a poem aloud: "I was told, our relatives we cannot choose, but our friends we get to pick. How can the Friendship Center lose with true friends like The Electric Stick? With gratitude we say, 'Thank you.' We seniors appreciate all the good things you do."

As a tribute to the Marvasos, Kozorosky-Wiacek led everyone in a rousing rendition of "For they're the jolly good people." Afterwards, everyone filed out for refreshments.

Bea Morgan, a senior who serves as a commissioner for the Department of Aging, said the new billiards room - tentatively named "The Electric Stick II" - is a great contribution to the Friendship Center. "I think it's marvelous. It's just going to bring more love to this center. We're making people live longer. The center is life-saving. You could cut the love with a knife."

Is Morgan as good with a pool stick as she is with compliments? "No! Play pool? Gosh!" she said.

Pool shark Dave Pasqualine was one of the last to hang up his stick. He brushed a chalk mark off the felt. "We won the first game on the new pool tables. It's a great experience playing under these conditions."

# Churchill grad to ride in 63-day bike trip

BY CASEY HANS  
STAFF WRITER

When Jeff Kozlow does a 63-day cross-country bicycle trip this summer, the 1996 Churchill High School graduate and lifelong Livonia resident will get fit - and more.

He will be a member of the Journey of Hope team raising more than \$300,000 to benefit PUSH America, a national group serving people with developmental disabilities. Between 50 and 60 young men from the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, which sponsors the event, are expected to comprise the team for the 10th annual event, which begins in San Francisco and ends in Washington, D.C., visiting 28 states along two routes of 3,500 miles each. Half of the group will ride a north route and the other half a southern route.

Since the annual race began in 1977, underclassmen members of Pi Kappa Phi from various universities and colleges around the country have raised more than \$3 million.

"It's just ordinary people doing something extraordinary," Kozlow said. He became interested when he saw information at his fraternity house about the event, and asked if he could be involved. To date, he is the only one representing Cornell in the race.

"I'm doing it because it's going to be an unbelievable experience," said the Cornell University sophomore, who recently pledged the fraternity because of the organization's

dedication to helping others. "Most people don't get a chance to see the country from a bike seat." He's hoping people will give at least \$25, or whatever they can.

"We're the only fraternity to do our own philanthropy," he added.

That's important to Kozlow, who grew up with disabled students throughout his career in the Livonia school system, and especially wants to help kids. For the past three years, he has also worked for the Inkster-based Youth Living Centers summer camp program, and currently volunteers his time helping an autistic 17-year-old teen who lives near the Cornell campus.

He has learned that "all people are capable of growth" and his experiences with people, especially in the volunteer arena, have helped him grow personally. Kozlow said the ride will give him an opportunity to continue to expand his own horizons, as well as helping to educate the public across the country.

Kozlow has begun fund-raising for his ride and will continue through the start of the race on June 19. Riders are required to raise at least \$4,000; Kozlow said his personal goal is \$10,000, which he will raise from family, friends, businesses and local groups both here and at school.

He's not a long-distance bike rider, unless you count rides from Livonia to 12 Oaks Mall in Novi and around town.

So is he ready to ride? Kozlow said he is doing basic things to keep in shape like lifting weights and walking around campus - which is "pretty rugged," he said - and will ride when the weather breaks. He and other team members will meet one month prior to the race for a month of hard training.

The race will include visiting with local leaders, visits with group home residents in some communities, and public entertainment like puppet shows to highlight issues faced by people with disabilities.

The group is expected to come through the Livonia area on Sunday, Aug. 2, but exact details have yet to be worked out, Kozlow said.

Meanwhile, Kozlow is back to school for winter term, where he is on the Student Assembly, the Ivy Council, and the Cornell University Assembly, the dean's list and is busy with a full class load in premed psychology and chemistry. He will sandwich in his fund-raising and race preparations for this trip of a lifetime.

"The visits you make and the smiles you bring to people's faces - you just make a lot of memories and really accomplish something," Kozlow added. "It's going to be awesome."

For information about pledging for Jeff Kozlow the Journey of Hope bike trip, contact Kozlow at (607) 257-5594 or write to 55 Ridgewood, Ithaca, N.Y. 14850.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

**Getting ready:** Jeff Kozlow, a 1996 Churchill High School graduate, plans to do a 63-day cross-country bicycle trip this summer. He will be a member of the Journey of Hope team raising more than \$300,000 to benefit PUSH America, a national group serving people with developmental disabilities.



PHOTO BY RON POWERS

**Fatal scene:** Fire rescue workers assist at an accident in Redford Township Saturday evening. A Redford woman was killed.

# Westland man involved in fatal auto accident

BY BILL CASPER  
STAFF WRITER

A 46-year-old woman was killed Saturday night in a head-on collision in southwest Redford Township.

Police suspect the driver of the other auto, a 29-year-old Westland man, may have been drinking alcohol prior to the two-car collision, Redford traffic Officer Brian Greenstein said.

The accident remains under investigation, he said.

"We suspect alcohol was a factor in the accident, but we're awaiting the results of a blood screen analysis by Michigan State Police," Greenstein said. "No charge has been filed pending completion of our investigation."

Pamela Ann Rodriguez of Redford was alone as she drove to meet family members at an annual company dinner at the time of the accident, said her sister, Judy Ferrell of Livonia.

Rodriguez was within two miles of her house in south Redford where she left three children, ages 11 through 14, Greenstein and Ferrell said. She was pronounced dead at the accident scene on Beech Daly, north of Plymouth Road, Greenstein said.

She was pinned inside her car and it took township firefighters about two hours to get her out with the use of a power cutting tool, Ferrell said.

A motorist and the passenger, driving behind Rodriguez, witnessed the accident, Greenstein said.

The preliminary investigation indicates the man, driving south on Beech Daly, crossed the double-yellow lines dividing northbound and southbound traffic before colliding with Rodriguez's auto shortly before 7:30 p.m., Greenstein said. She was driving south in the left lane of Beech Daly, he said.

The man also was pinned inside his car and was freed by Redford firefighters using a power cutting tool, Greenstein said. He was taken by ambulance to a hospital where he was listed in stable condition, Greenstein said.

A passenger in the man's car, a 46-year-old Redford man, walked away from the collision without injury, Greenstein said.

Rodriguez was driving to a restaurant in Novi to meet Ferrell and her husband at a company dinner for employees of Transportation Lighting Sys-

tems, which he owns. Rodriguez worked at the Livonia firm.

"She was late and that's not like her," Ferrell said. "I beeped her (pager) and kept beeping, but got no response. I called the police and they told me there was an accident reported at Beech Daly and Capitol, but they had no details."

Ferrell then left the dinner. She drove to the site of the reported accident while talking on her cellular telephone to Rodriguez's oldest child, Aaron.

"I saw the police barricade on Beech Daly at Glendale and told an officer that my sister might be involved in the accident," Ferrell said. "Police let me through and I recognized her car. I asked police if my sister was dead. They said, 'yes,' and the kids went crazy."

A memorial service for Rodriguez was to be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses. She will be cremated and her remains buried with her parents in Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

Rodriguez also is survived by a brother, David C. Beurer.

"Her family was No. 1," Ferrell said of her sister. "She sacrificed everything for her family."

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# Stempien named to S'craft board

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

A local community college once served as an important academic stepping stone for Gregory Stempien.

The Northville resident and Livonia attorney attended Henry Ford Community College many years ago, because, he admits, he wasn't quite ready academically for the University of Michigan-Dearborn and later the Detroit College of Law.

"If it wasn't for a community college, I probably wouldn't have received my law degree," Stempien said.

But Stempien's respect and regard for community colleges and his community involvement helped Schoolcraft trustees decide Saturday to choose Stempien, 57, to fill a vacancy on the college's board of trustees.

"I think he will be a tremendous consensus builder, and he models that in his involvement in the community," said Patricia Watson, board president. "He understands the mission of the community college, he's a product of the community college, and he's been successful as an attorney."

"We had a tough decision. Everyone we interviewed I would have been comfortable with on the board."

## Stempien's background

Stempien was raised in Dearborn, and later attended Henry Ford Community College. He transferred to UM-D, where he

obtained a bachelor's degree in 1966. In 1971, he received his juris doctorate from Detroit College of Law.

Stempien's law office is located in Livonia. He was a co-founder and president of the University of Michigan Club of Northville, a member of the Rotary Club, co-chair of the Fourth of July Parade in Northville and volunteered during Northville's Easter Egg Hunt.

Stempien has contributed to the Schoolcraft College Foundation and Women's Resource Center. Stempien's wife, Jeanne, is a former Schoolcraft trustee and now a Wayne County circuit judge.

Prior to his selection, Stempien told trustees he believed a trustee should work for a consensus, which he has experienced in resolving legal disputes as a mediator and an arbitrator. He also cited his financial expe-

rience in his legal practice.

"I also run a business. No matter what kind of service you provide, you need money and you need a budget," Stempien said.

Stempien told trustees he believed HFCC was "very good academically."

"I thought Henry Ford was more difficult than U of M," Stempien said. "My grades actually improved at U of M." Stempien said he took remedial classes at HFCC. Not every child at 17 is ready for college, Stempien said. "I, at 18, was not," he said.



Stempien

## Boon to clients

Stempien said he promotes Schoolcraft's Women's Resource Center with clients, particularly those going through a divorce. He also takes cooking classes in the Continuing Education program.

When asked what improvements were needed at the college, Stempien said maintaining academic quality should be a top priority of the board. "I think

that it sets a tone for the overall college."

When asked what he believed was the top issue facing trustees, Stempien said, "We don't need to create new programs, but just continue to improve current programs."

Stempien said he would run for trustee next year.

"I don't see anything I would get out of this, other than putting something back in the community. (Being a trustee) is a lot of hard work. It isn't just simply one meeting a month."

Stempien called the appointment "an honor."

"I look at it as giving back to the community and use what I know from being a part of that community. I have no political agenda, I have no political philosophy and I don't have any personal agenda except what we tackle as a board."

Stempien was expected to be sworn into office last night (Wednesday) during the board meeting.

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## Civil rights program planned

A forum on the Civil Rights Movements featuring U.S. Rep. John Lewis of Georgia has been scheduled for 2-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the annex building of the Wayne County Regional Education Service Agency.

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor, is sponsoring the program titled "The Civil Rights Movement - Is It Over?"

A civil rights activist, Lewis

led the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee between 1963-66.

In 1967, Lewis led 535 marchers across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Alabama.

That march became known as "Bloody Sunday" and led to the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Lewis is an advocate of the philosophy of nonviolence.

### \*SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION Livonia Public Schools 15125 Farmington Road December 15, 1997

\*The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of December 15, 1997; the full text of the minutes is on file in the Office of the Superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Kokenakes convened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. Present: Frank Kokenakes, Daniel Lessard, Joanne Morgan, Patrick Nalley, Dianne Nay, Kenneth Timmons, James Watters. Absent: None.

**Amend Agenda:** Motion by Timmons and Lessard that the Board of Education amend the agenda for December 15, 1997, to add two items to Item No. VII. Personnel Matters: VII.E Contract Approval for Administrator and VII.F Registration of Administrator. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Golden Apple Award:** Secretary Joanne Morgan presented the Golden Apple Award to Janet Kilas, teacher, Holmes Middle School.

**Board Presentation:** President Kokenakes presented a brass apple to Joseph M. Laura for serving on the Board for ten years.

**Recess:** President Kokenakes recessed the meeting at 7:24 p.m. and reconvened at 7:31 p.m.

**Audience Communications:** Robert Lukofsky, 9001 Merriman Road, addressed the Board regarding the Shared Time Program. Sheila Taormina, 30542 Puritan; David Tyrpak, 17390 Myron; and Terry Godfroid-Marocki, 16519 Ronnie Lane, addressed the Board regarding Dr. Dale Collier, principal at Stevenson High School. Dawn Welling Starks, 27625 Lyndon, addressed the Board regarding the separation of staff at Franklin High School. Suzanne Czulow, 14399 Melvin, addressed the Board and audience regarding the duties and integrity of the Board. She also asked Board members to hold steadfast in the face of unfair criticism.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Lessard and Morgan that the following consent agenda items be approved as recommended by the superintendent: IVA Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of December 1, 1997; IVB Minutes of the Closed Session of December 8, 1997; VLA Approval of general fund check nos. 291189 through 291932 in the amount of \$1,941,725.46 be approved for payment. Approval of general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$1,493,077.59 be approved; VLD Approved the following resolution to accept the 1998 Summer Property Tax Collection: **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Livonia Public Schools School District implement its continuing resolution with respect to the collection of one-half of the school property taxes in the summer; that the cities of Livonia and Westland be requested to collect those taxes in the summer on behalf of the District; and that the Secretary of the Board of Education be directed to write a letter to the city of Livonia and Westland prior to January 1, 1998, informing them of the district's continuing resolution and requesting that they collect the summer property taxes on behalf of the district. VLE Approved the low bid of \$35,411.20 from Unisource for the purchase of paper for the 1997-98 school year. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Presentation-Shared Time Program:** Jay Young, director of Community Services, and the teaching staff of the Shared Time Program presented a description of this program that serves Livonia students who are enrolled in six private schools for instruction in art, music, PE, computers, general language, and Spanish. The enrollment has increased to accommodate over 900 students this year at Dickinson Center.

**Pool Renovations-Electrical Work:** Motion by Nalley and Timmons that the Board of Education approve the low qualified bid from Wades Electric in the amount of \$35,445 to do the electrical portion of the pool renovation work. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Temperature Control Service Contracts:** Motion by Nalley and Nay that the Board of Education approve the low bid in the amount of \$145,781.25 from Hytec Controls to provide Pneumatic/Electronic Controls Calibration for the 1997-98 and 1998-99 school years. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Approval of Teachers:** Motion by Lessard and Morgan that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 1997-98 school year to Sarah F. Fyzik. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**30-Year Employee:** The Board unanimously adopted a resolution of appreciation for Marilyn Pobanz upon her completion of 30 years of service with the district.

**Retirements:** Motion by Nalley and Timmons that the Board of Education adopt a resolution of appreciation for the services rendered by Susan McNamee, Mildred Rodolosi, and Judy Stockman. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Sympathy Resolution:** The Board unanimously adopted a sympathy resolution for the family of Lois Eberlin.

**Contract Approval of Administrator:** Motion by Timmons and Watters that the Board of Education approve a two-year administrator contract for Dr. R. Dale Collier commencing on July 1, 1998 and ending on June 30, 2000.

Mr. Nalley made a motion to postpone this item until the next Board Committee meeting due to his lack of information on the item. Ms. Nay supported the motion.

Mr. Rennels, assistant superintendent of Administrative Services, explained to the Board that this item had to be voted on today otherwise there would be no agreement between the parties on a resolution to this matter.

Mr. Kokenakes asked for a roll call on the postponement of Item VII.E. Ayes: Nalley, Nay. Nays: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Timmons, Watters. Motion to postpone Item VII.E was defeated. Roll Call for Item VII.E. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Timmons, Watters. Nays: Morgan, Nalley, Nay.

**Registration of Administrator:** Motion by Watters and Lessard that the Board of Education accept the resignation, as an administrator, of Dr. R. Dale Collier, effective June 30, 2000. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: Nalley.

**Report from the Superintendent:** Dr. Watson stated that Jeanine Dotson was acknowledged and commenced for her contributions to the Michigan Department of Education Elementary and Secondary Content Literacy Committee; read a demo from Dr. Kent Gage in which he spoke of teamwork in reproducing multiple sets of Punctuation Puppet Posters under the leadership of Jennifer Dallacqua, CHS English teacher, and 12 of her students; read a letter from Principal Jane VanPoperin, McKinley school, about their first "Grandparents and Special Person Day" informed us that Elaine Koons' booklet entitled, "Loving Learning, Growing" received national recognition in the publication *Frontline*; received a letter from the Detroit Area Council Boy Scouts of America that stated JoAnn Clements and Michael Howard helped them during their annual popcorn pick-up; and showed a video clip of the Livonia Career/Technical Center which shows the many uses of the new technology that have been implemented in the district and commended both Jan Haas and Jack Bauman for continuing to be on the cutting edge at the center.

**Second Reading & Revision of Board Policy JD:** Motion by Morgan and Mr. Lessard that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Policy Committee and adopt new/revised Board policy language for Board Policy: **JD-STUDENTS/STUDENT DISCIPLINE**. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**January 19 Board Meeting Start Time:** Motion by Watters and Morgan that the Board of Education begin its regular meeting of January 19, 1998, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board of Education offices, 15125 Farmington Road Livonia, MI. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

**Hearing from Board Members:** The Board members addressed the Shared Time Program, Grandparents' Day in the school district, student holiday cards, Franklin High School play director, Goodfellows and the can goods project, and wishes for a happy holiday.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Timmons and Lessard that the regular Board meeting of December 15, 1997 be adjourned. Ayes: Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons, Watters. Nays: None.

President Kokenakes adjourned the meeting at 9:54 p.m.

Published January 29, 1998

## Schools of choice

Wayne-Westland Community Schools will offer district residents a schools of choice program for the 1998-99 school year.

The schools of choice program gives parents the opportunity to move their child from one school to another within the boundaries of the school district provided there is room available in the school.

Transportation to and from the school of choice must be provided by the parent or legal guardian.

School district residents who would like their child to attend a school other than their school of residency must submit a 1998-99 schools of choice application.

These applications will be available in every Wayne-Westland school by Friday, Feb. 6.

Applications for middle school and high school students will be accepted in the Pupil Accounting Office at the Board of Education, 36745 Marquette Road, Westland, through March 6, 1998.

Applications for elementary school students will be accepted in the Pupil Accounting Office between March 9 and April 9, 1998.

If more students apply for a grade/building than there are openings, a random selection process will be used to select students. The names of students not selected at this time will be placed on a waiting list for the 1998-99 school year.

Current schools of choice students must reapply to remain eligible for the program next school year.

After the deadlines, applications will be accepted until Sept. 16, 1998, at the school the parent/guardian would like the child to attend. These names will be added to the waiting lists on a first-come, first-served basis.

## PLACES & FACES

Building principals will use the waiting lists to notify qualified students of an opening. Building principals will be allowed to place schools of choice students only until Oct. 9, 1998. No schools of choice placements will be made after this date.

A schools of choice student will be moved back to his/her home school if an overcrowding situation occurs within the first 10 weeks of the school year. After 10 weeks, the student will be permitted to remain in the school of choice for the remainder of the school year.

## Voice of democracy

Five local high school students recently won awards in the Voice of Democracy Program of the Harris-Keherer Post 3323 and their Ladies Auxiliary. The program hosted John Glenn and Wayne Memorial High Schools.

Award winners from John Glenn are: first place, Mary Gillispie, \$500 bond; second place, Jessie Pardon, \$250 bond; third place, Sara Murray, \$150 bond.

Award winners from Wayne Memorial are: first place, Joshua Cecil, \$500 bond; second place, Candice Lyon, \$250 bond.

The two first place winners went to the Fourth District Voice of Democracy Program Awards Banquet Jan. 10 hosted by VFW Post 345. John Glenn's Mary Gillispie came in fifth place and received a \$100 bond.

## Vice president for editorial named

BY LARRY PALADINO  
STAFF WRITER

Jeanne Towar, a familiar and active figure in the publishing industry in southeast Michigan for nearly 40 years, will join HomeTown Communications Network as its vice president-editorial, effective March 2.

"Jeanne has had a long and outstanding career in newspaper publishing," said Richard Aginian, president of HomeTown Communications. "I am pleased that she will be joining us. She will be invaluable in contributing to the continued success of our corporation."

HomeTown, formerly called Suburban Communications Corp., publishes community newspapers, local telephone directories and specialty publications in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky. It also provides Internet services. The Livonia-based company's holdings include both the Observer and the Eccentric newspapers.

Towar has worked as a consultant for the company the last two years on a variety of special projects. They included service as interim publisher of three newspapers in the

company's Lansing Community Newspapers division and also in the 11 papers in its Cincinnati Community Press division.

"I am delighted at the prospect of working for this company," said Towar, who was publisher and vice president of The Daily Tribune in Royal Oak when it was owned by Ingersoll Publications. After leaving there in 1989 she joined Crain Communications where she became marketing director and was promoted to vice president in 1992.

"Community journalism is my first love," Towar said. "HomeTown Communications does very well at that and I'm excited to be part of it."

Her career at Crain's included serving as publisher of Detroit Monthly magazine. She founded Crain's Detroit Custom Publishing Division.

"She'll make a significant contribution to our newspapers," said John Reddy, who is retiring as vice president-editorial and publisher emeritus of The Eccentric in Birmingham. "Her background in newspapers and magazines makes her sensitive to the importance of editorial content and the success of any publication."

Towar's newspaper career began in 1959 with Associated Newspapers, which included the Wayne Eagle and Garden City Guardian-Review. She was the classified manager when she left there in 1965 to join The Daily Sentinel in Utica, part of the Times Herald Corp.

From there she went to The Macomb Daily in 1971 as a sales representative, rising to advertising director in 1981. During her time there she took a leave of absence to serve as an administrative officer of The Newspaper Guild of Detroit, 1978-80.

Towar was elected to a six-year term on the Oakland Community College board in June 1996. She currently is interim executive director of the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce. She is a member of Rotary International, Royal Oak Historical Society, AdCraft Club of Detroit and has been involved in projects with the Salvation Army, Haven, Boys & Girls Club of South Oakland, Stagecrafters, Oakland Community College Foundation, SEMCOG and Women's Economic Club.

Towar, originally from Dearborn, lives in Royal Oak.

## Rotary hosts Madison fifth-graders

Amanda Krause and Angela Uhlian brought the books they've recently read to the Westland Rotary Club Meeting last week.

They were among a group of fifth-graders from Madison Elementary School in Westland who attended Thursday's meeting.

The Westland Rotary has set aside money for Madison school to sponsor the school's literacy program, according to Margaret Harlow, president of the Westland Rotary.

The school is partnering with the Rotary and as part of that program the children were told about the club's Four-Way Test and given posters of the test to display at school, she said.

The \$500 donation from the Rotary will be given to Gail Lynn, the volunteer coordinator of the school's Accelerated Reader reading program, according to Mary Goedert, principal at Madison Elementary.

As part of the program students read children's literature

books and then take a test on their reading. They are awarded points based on how long and how hard the book is and on their reading retention.

Those students who earn 100 points in a year get to go to lunch with the principal.

Last year the whole school earned 3,000 points and part of their prize was the chance to watch their principal kiss a pig.

The year before, Goedert got on the roof and did a chicken dance when the students met their reading goal.

This year's event hasn't been decided yet, she said.

To start the program Madison's PTA gave thousands to purchase books for the program, Goedert said.

Krause had just finished "The Babysitter's Club The Ghost at

Dawn's House" while Uhlian had read "Kidnapped." Both said they hoped to reach 100 points by the end of the school year.

Also as part of the program Thursday, the students were presented with posters and magnets of the Four-Way Test. A test designed to help in forming strong values.

The test of what we think, say or do asks four questions: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendship? and Will it benefit all concerned?

The test transcends cultural, racial, religious and national differences, according to Lloyd Morgan, chairman of the Four-Way Test.

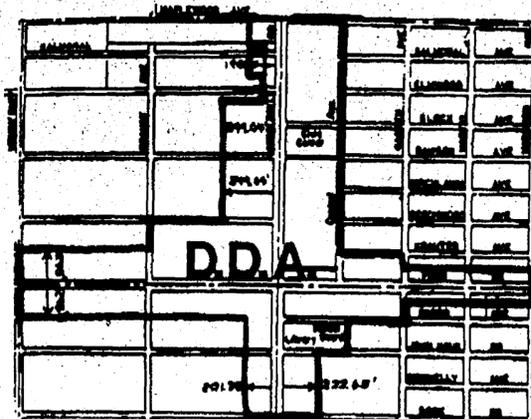
Madison was given posters for every room in the school and magnets to take home and put on the refrigerator.

### CITY OF GARDEN CITY COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN FOR THE GARDEN CITY DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Garden City, Michigan, will hold a public hearing on Monday, the 23rd day of February, 1998 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time, in the Council chambers in City Hall, located at 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan, to consider the adoption of an ordinance approving an amendment to the Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Garden City Downtown Development Authority pursuant to Act 197 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1975, as amended.

The boundaries of the development area which is the subject of the Plan is generally described as follows:



Maps, plats, the Development Plan and the Tax Increment Financing Plan and the proposed amendments are available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk-Treasurer, Garden City City Hall, at the foregoing address, during regular business hours.

All aspects of the Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan will be open for discussion at the public hearing, and all interested person shall have an opportunity to be heard. The City Council also shall receive and consider communications in writing with reference thereto. The hearing shall provide the fullest opportunity or expression of opinion, for argument on the merits, and for introduction of documentary evidence pertinent to the Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan.

THIS NOTICE is given by order of the City Council of the City of Garden City, Michigan, in accordance with the requirements of Act 197 of 1975, as amended.

STEVEN J. SMITH  
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OBITUARIES

**ROBERT A. RONELLI**

Funeral services for Robert (Tony) Ronelli, 51, of Livonia were Jan. 27 in Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with burial at Ft. Custer National Cemetery, Augusta, Mich. Officiating was the Rev. Drex Morton.

Mr. Ronelli, who died Jan. 24 in Livonia, was born in Hamtramck. He was resident-manager of the Plymouth Woods Apartments in Livonia. He grew up on the east side of Detroit and came to this area six years ago. He was a member of the Vietnam Veterans Chapter No. 154 out of Mount Clemens. He was a former member of the VFW Post in Mount Clemens. Mr. Ronelli served two terms of duty in Vietnam, receiving the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Marksman Medal (Rifle - M14).

Surviving are: wife, Blanche; mother, Julia of Westland; brother, Mark of Westland; stepchildren, Carmen, Anthony and Dominique; and six step grandchildren.

**JOHN H. RUPPEL**

A memorial service for John Ruppel, 87, of Midland will be 3 p.m. today, Thursday, Jan. 29, at Riverside Place, 400 E. Main, Midland. Arrangements were made by Uht Funeral Home, Westland.

Mr. Ruppel, who died Jan. 24, was born in Detroit. He was a former resident of Wayne and Lake City, Mich. He retired from Unistrut Corp. as assistant manufacturing manager in May 1974 after 27 1/2 years of service. He was a member of The First Congregational Church of Wayne. He

was a member of the Lions Club of Wayne and Cadillac. Mr. Ruppel was active with the senior citizens of Lake City. His greatest love was his children and family. He was an avid gardener and enjoyed hunting, fishing, metalworking, wood-working and carpentry.

Surviving are: son, John Ruppel of Midland; daughters, Kay Hohenbaugh of Rockwood and Pamela Ruppel of Westland; sister, Ann Grajek of Wayne; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Ruppel was preceded in death by: wife, Edith; parents, Herman and Anna Ruppel; brother, Herman; sisters, Nettie Schultz, Gertrude Dacher.

Memorials may be made to The First Congregational Church, Wayne; Council On Aging, Midland County, Hospice Midland or American Cancer Society.

**DOUGLAS W. EVERLY JR.**

Funeral services for Douglas Everly Jr., 26, of Westland were Jan. 27 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating were the Rev. Arthur R. Mack and Michelle R. Everly.

Mr. Everly died Jan. 23 in Adrian. Surviving are: father, Douglas; stepmother, Helene Everly; sister, Michelle Everly; stepsisters, Esther Baiz and Rebecca Jusino.

Mr. Everly was preceded in death by his mother, Brenda.

**HAROLD A. PENNY**

Funeral services for Harold Penny, 82, of West-

land were Jan. 27 in John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home. Cremation rites were accorded. Officiating was Michael Bain, Builders Lodge No. 563, F. & A.M.

Mr. Penny, who died Jan. 24 in Garden City, was born in Carp Lake, Mich. He was an electrical engineer.

Surviving are: wife, Geraldine; son, Merle Penny; daughters, Judith Suszek and Carol Malivuk; sister, Mildred Pearson; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Penrickton Center for Blind Children.

**WAYNE R. WILSON**

Funeral services for Wayne Wilson, 51, of Westland were Jan. 28 in John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights. Officiating was Deacon Michael Markulike from St. Dunstan Catholic Church.

Mr. Wilson, who died Jan. 23 in Livonia, was born in Detroit. He was a research engineer.

Surviving are: mother, Genevieve Wilson of Whitmore Lake; sister, Gail Misko; two nieces and nephews; and three great-nieces and nephews.

**ALLEN F. GLASGOW**

Funeral services for Allen Glasgow, 80, of Westland were Jan. 28 in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. Jerry A. Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran Church. Cremation rites were accorded.

Mr. Glasgow, who died Jan. 24 in Garden City, was born in Barberton, Ohio. He was a truck driv-

er.

Surviving are: wife, Beatrice; son, Jerry LaDuc; daughter, Patricia Gross; two grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

**MILDRED A. CORMACK**

Funeral services for Mildred Cormack, 68, of Westland were Jan. 27 in Church of the Redeemer in Southfield, with burial at Acacia Park Cemetery. Arrangements were made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

Miss Cormack, who died Jan. 24 in Garden City, was born in Detroit. She was a bookkeeper. She was a volunteer in the Botsford Hospital Guild.

Surviving are: sister, Margaret Roberts; two nephews; three great-nieces and one great-nephew.

**PEARL I. HERSHEY**

Funeral services for Pearl Hershey, 88, of Westland were Jan. 28 in John N. Santeiu & Son Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating was Deacon Paul Ballien.

Mrs. Hershey, who died Jan. 25 in Westland, was born in Conneaut, Ohio. She was a cashier in an auto dealership.

Surviving are: son, Glenn Hershey; brother, Norm McCaa; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Hershey was preceded in death by: husband, C.L. "Peck"; son, Larry; sisters, Betty and Clairbel; and grandson, Ed.

Memorials may be made to American Diabetes Association.

**CARRIER OF THE MONTH: WESTLAND**



Bradley Valentine

Bradley Valentine, 13, of Westland has been named the Westland Observer's carrier of the month for January.

An eighth-grader at Emerson Middle School, Valentine has a B average. He started his route in April 1995.

He is the son of Terry and Donna and brother of Cameron, 2.

His favorite subjects are social studies, speech and drama. His hobbies include snowboarding and bowling.

His plans include drama and acting as well as continuing his saxophone lessons. He hopes to one day be a voice artist for Disney.

He likes having an Observer route because he earns Observer bucks and meets new customers. He has also developed responsibility and manners, and skills with finances.

He thinks having a route would help other young people learn not to be shy and allow them to work for money to do fun things.

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**United Way seeks awards nominees**

Continuing a long tradition of volunteer recognition, United Way Community Services is accepting nominations for several volunteer awards.

The awards will be presented at the Celebrate Volunteers Luncheon on Tuesday, April 21, during National Volunteer Week. Celebrate Volunteers is about recognizing the invaluable contributions made by volunteers serving Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Nomination forms can be obtained by calling the George W. Romney Volunteer Center at United Way Community Services at (313) 226-9430 or (800) 392-4833. Entries must be received by Friday, Feb. 6.

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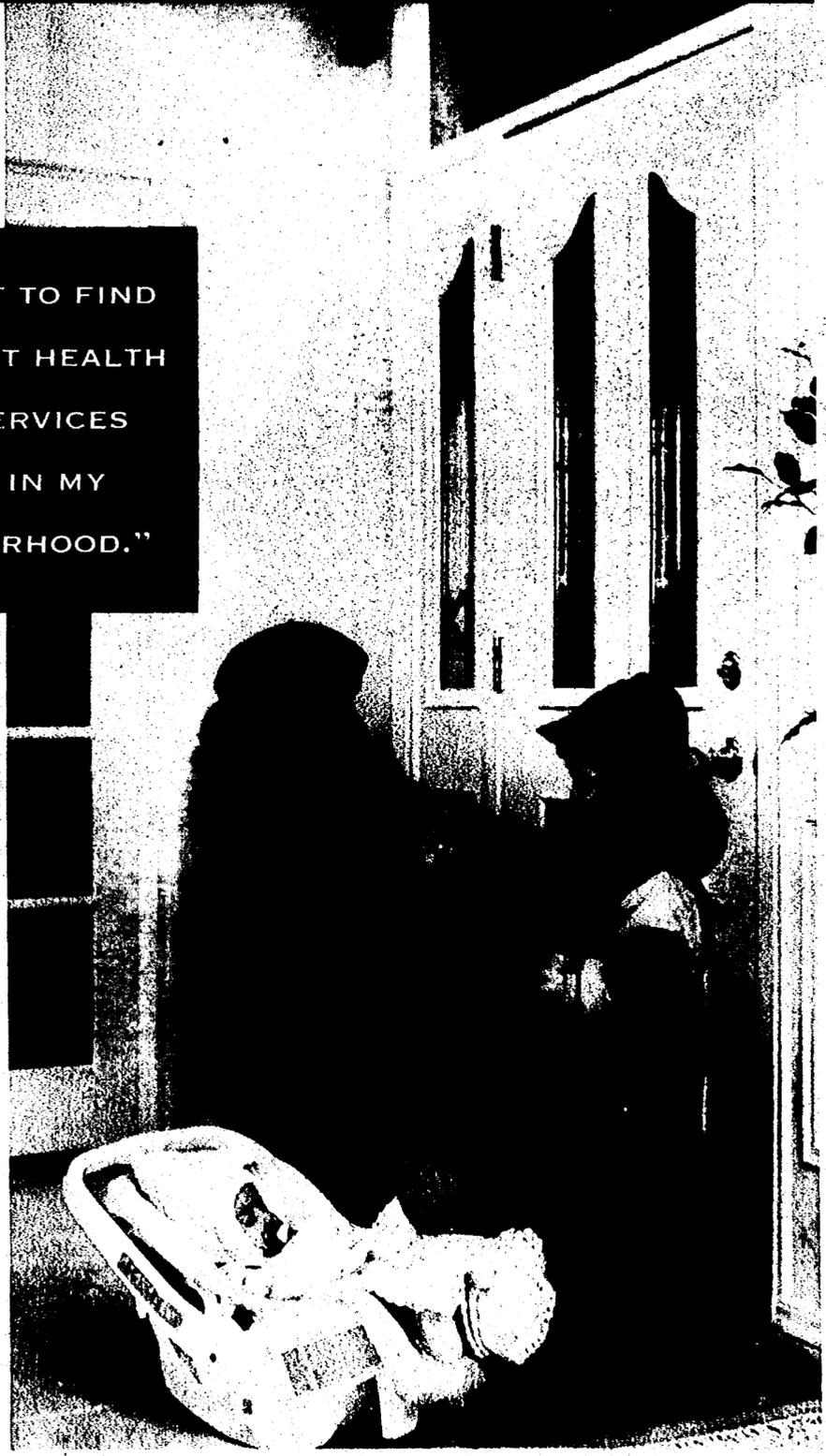
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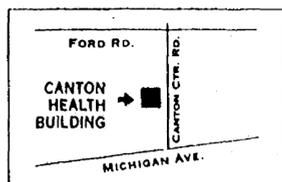
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# Korean veterans get medals some 50 years late

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

Tears of joy flowed recently as family and friends watched 10 members of Naval Patrol Squadron 731 accept the Distinguished Flying Cross, the highest aviation honor bestowed by the U.S. Navy.

The honors came nearly 50 years after the squadron's outstanding performance in Korea.

William Peterson of Livonia, Michael McDonnell of Farmington Hills, Raymond DeGroote of West Bloomfield, Pete Giorio of Allen Park and John Reardon of Grosse Pointe Farms were among the Michigan men who received medals Jan. 18 during an emotional ceremony in Livonia's Herc's Leather Bottle.

In addition, squadron members from California, Tennessee, Florida and Arizona traveled to Livonia for the special program which recognized the forgotten Naval Reserve Squadron that served during the Korean Conflict.

The men, now in their late 60s and 70s, finally received medals they earned while serving in Korea during the early 1950s.

Patrol Squadron 731 was a Naval Reserve unit that drilled at Naval Air Station Grosse Ile in the late 1940s. The squadron was recalled to active duty in September 1950 and reported to Korea in January 1951. The squadron returned in August 1951 and received no recognition at the time, although the active

duty squadron which preceded them received Distinguished Flying Crosses, Air Medals and gold stars in lieu of second and third air medals.

The squadron deployed again in 1952 and this time members were given awards as they were earned. The unit was redesignated VP-48 in February 1953.

## 'Forgotten war'

"Some call the Korean Conflict the forgotten war and you could say these men were the forgotten squadron," said Commander Gary Dye, commanding officer of Navy Recruiting District Michigan, during the awards presentation.

Peterson, who hadn't seen some of the men gathered in the room since 1952 in Korea, said it was a joy just being with these people again. His medal, earned for completing 37 flights from Feb. 8, 1951, to Aug. 5, 1951, in Korea, was a bonus. "It's something I didn't expect," he said.

As for any bitterness for having to wait almost five decades to finally get the medal, Peterson said: "I didn't give it much thought. With working and so on it didn't give me much time to think about it."

Farmington Hills resident Michael McDonnell said he had "a great feeling of accomplishment."

"We were called out for active duty against our will, but that's what we were training for and we really can't complain," said McDonnell.

The Korean Conflict was a three-year police action that was officially over in July 1953.



**Special honor:** The award came nearly 50 years late, but members of Patrol Squadron 731 received their Distinguished Flying Crosses in a special ceremony Jan. 18. Commander Gary Dye (top from left) made the presentation. Honorees are (from left) Frank Phillips, Fallbrook, Calif.; Pete Giorio, Allen Park; Michael McDonnell, Farmington Hills; Andrew Yancey, Memphis, Tenn.; John Doyle, Sarasota, Fla.; (bottom from left) John Reardon, Grosse Pointe Farms; Raymond DeGroote, West Bloomfield; Charles Lipari, Peoria, Ariz.; Robert Backmer, Whittier, Calif.; and William Peterson, Livonia. An old photo (below) was a reminder of the squadron in 1951.



William Peterson



Michael McDonnell

American troops fought to defend South Korea from communist invasion when North Korea crossed the 38th Parallel.

"The 46-year delay in presenting these awards in no way diminishes their values or significance," said Dye.

"These awards recognize the dangers and challenges you faced, and the achievement you made during those arduous months you spent in Korea," added Dye.

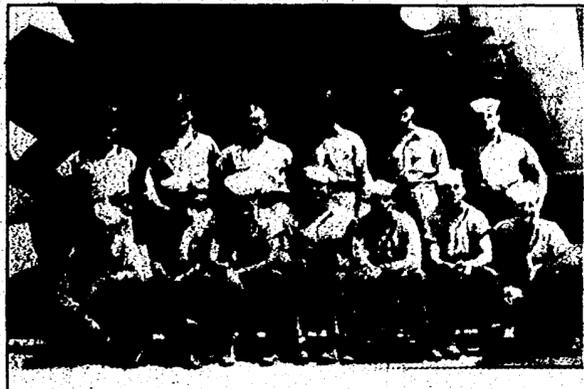
## Special effort

Many of the men in Squadron 731 left family, friends and jobs to take part in the war. Hope

was fading that they would ever see the medals, until crew members Andrew Yancey, who now lives in Memphis, Tenn., and Bill Masser of Detroit made sure they weren't forgotten. Masser previously received an Air Medal with two gold stars.

Many rounds of applause and a standing ovation during the ceremony showed a tremendous outpouring of gratitude for their work.

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HOPELESS ROMANTIC

Attractive DWCF, 40, 5'4", full-figured, outgoing, friendly, enjoys music, the arts, museums, movies, seeks caring, SWCM, 40-51 for possible relationship, Ad# 6788

LOVES THE LORD

DW mom, 45, 5', friendly, easygoing, N/S, non-drinker, old-fashioned morals, enjoys working out, country-western music, dining out, seeks honest, sincere, SWM, 40-50 for friendship first, Ad# 1216

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

WVWCF, 51, 5'3", smoker, enjoys reading, gardening, theater, staying home, seeks SWCM, under 60, with similar interests, Ad# 1982

WEST BLOOMFIELD AREA

Honest WWWW, 42, 5'6", Catholic, educated, enjoys dining, movies, dancing, sports, looking for Catholic SWM, 43-52, Ad# 1955

GET TO KNOW ME

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

SAME INTERESTS?

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

BEST THERE IS

Professional SWF, 61, 5'3", athletic, outgoing, intelligent, world traveler, seeks an energetic SWM, N/S, 55-65, who is a good conversationalist, Ad# 3134

A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN

Bi-racial SCF, 30, 5'3", dark brown hair, enjoys concerts, movies, loves to browse in markets and interesting shops, in search of Born-Again SCM, under 42, for friendship first, Ad# 3722

ENTIRELY YOURS

SBF, 47, 5'6", employed, friendly, enjoys bowling, fishing, crafts, seeks laid-back, SBM, over 47, to share fun times with, Ad# 6935

ONE OF A KIND

DWF, 36, 5'6", blonde hair, blue eyes, professional, outgoing, physically fit, enjoys cooking, arts, seeks SWM, 34-48, Ad# 1954

ADVENTUROUS

SWF, 33, 5'5", brown hair/eyes, N/S, enjoys the outdoors, golfing, boating, fishing, concerts, seeks SWM, 28-37, for friendship, possible relationship, Ad# 5264

END MY SEARCH

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

DEEP BELIEFS

Independent SBF, 27, 5'5", full-figured, Protestant, employed, enjoys bible study, movies, sports, boating, opera, classical music, seeking never married Christian SBM, 28-35, Ad# 8201

A BRIGHTER SIDE

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

GOOD VALUES

DW mom, 42, 5'2", professional, Catholic, participates in bible study, youth ministry, enjoys camping, family activities, the outdoors, seeks family-oriented Catholic WM, 35-49, children okay, Ad# 5515

WHAT MORE DO YOU NEED?

SWF, 47, 5'4", shy, college educated, enjoys concerts, plays, dining out, sailing, seeks educated, SWM, 45-53, Ad# 1964

WISHING UPON A STAR

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

LOVER OF LIFE

Artistic, creative DW mom, 43, 5'1", participates in bible study, N/S, non-drinker, loves playing the guitar, looking for enjoyable SDWCM, Ad# 4283

WANT TO KNOW MORE? CALL!

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

LOVE ANGEL

Catholic SWF, 48, 5'2", 118lbs., green-eyed blond, caring, N/S, enjoys barbecues, going to church, seeking spiritual, tall, active, down-to-earth SM, N/S, Ad# 6258

VERSATILE

SW mom, 24, 5'9", enjoys dancing, reading, movies, photography, seeking a SWM, 24-32, with high morals, Ad# 3237

LOVES THE LORD

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

MARRIAGE-MINDED

Catholic SWF, 26, 5'5", outgoing, friendly, from the Oak Park area, employed, enjoys traveling, shopping, the casino, concerts, seeks SWCM, 26-35, for serious relationship, Ad# 9811

NEW CHAPTER

SWF, 70, blonde hair, enjoys long walks, quiet evenings at home, dancing, seeks caring SWM, 62+ for companionship, Ad# 6255

SOUND INTERESTING?

Protestant SWF, 23, 5'7", blonde hair, brown eyes, friendly, enjoys sports, movies, fishing, computers, seeking congenial SWM, 23-30, Ad# 1273

INSPIRED!

Catholic WWWW, 47, 5'5", full-figured, gregarious, from Detroit, loves Bingo, current events, singing in the choir, attending church, seeks Catholic WWWW, Ad# 3190

ROMANTIC & SPIRITUAL

DWCF, 48, 5'5", full-figured, dark hair, green eyes, bright, pretty, down-to-earth, professional, seeks sincere, sociable, fun-loving SWCM, 42-52, for possible long-term relationship, Ad# 7455

SHE'S THE ONE

Friendly DWCF, 47, 5'6", long blonde hair, blue eyes, enjoys singing, seeks SM, 35+, for friendship first, Ad# 2285

FOCUS HERE

Catholic SWF, 34, 5'6", reserved, enjoys traveling, movies, classic car shows, dining out, seeking SWM, 29-36, for possible relationship, Ad# 5656

FAITH & HOPE

DWCF, 48, 5'4", 112lbs., reddish-blonde hair, brown eyes, sociable, self-employed, lives in Rochester Hill, likes dining out, jazz, concerts, plays, seeks well-balanced, spiritual SWCM, 45-52, Ad# 7777

ONE OF THE FINEST

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

EXTRA NICE

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

FUN-LOVING GAL

Protestant SWF, 37, athletic, lives in Rochester, employed, loves dogs, enjoys animals, enjoys travel, seeks happy, Protestant SWM, 30+, who has a positive attitude, Ad# 1514

PATIENT & LOVING

Born-Again DW mom, 44, 5'2", resides in Troy, enjoys Bible study, science fiction movies, Star Trek, seeks compassionate, honest, Born-Again SWCM, 38-53, Troy area preferred, Ad# 2948

DON'T WAIT TOO LONG

Catholic WWWW, 68, 5'4", honest, lives in Sterling Heights, enjoys golf, dancing, travel, easy listening music, seeks SWM, with similar qualities, Ad# 5569

WORTH THE CALL

Catholic SWF, 27, 5'10", brown hair, hazel eyes, friendly, enjoys running, camping, dancing, seeks secure, professional SWCM, 27-38, with a positive attitude, Ad# 3267

CHILD OF GOD

Religious DWCF, 38, 5'3", 165lbs., red hair, brown eyes, affectionate, kind, enjoys long walks, movies, the country, seeks down-to-earth, caring, humorous, loving SWM, N/S, Ad# 1000

LIFE'S LITTLE WONDERS

Baptist SWF, 26, 5', sincere, honest, enjoys hockey, the theater, movies, singing, reading, seeks SWCM, 25-36, with similar qualities and interests, Ad# 1526

SPEND TIME TOGETHER

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

SWEET & CUTE

Outgoing, never-married SBCF, 23, 5'6", student, enjoys outdoor activities, seeking understanding, sensitive SCM, 25-33, Ad# 8044

LOVING AND CARING

Protestant DWCF, 53, 5', 110lbs., N/S, warm, witty, fun, happy, enjoys dining out, cooking, day trips, music, seeks neat, professional SWM, for friendship, possible long-term relationship, Ad# 3334

CLASSY

SBF, 42, 5'8", well-educated, compassionate, God-fearing, enjoys the theatre, opera, aerobics, tennis, the outdoors, ethnic cuisine, seeks easygoing, caring, loyal, non-deceptive, SWM, 40-60, with children at home, Ad# 4020

LIGHT UP MY LIFE

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

STRONG BELIEVER

DW mom, 43, 5'6", 160lbs., friendly, down-to-earth, witty, serious, participates in Christian activities, seeks humorous, trustworthy, sensitive, faithful, honest, employed SWM, 40-55, Ad# 3845

HAVE TIME FOR ME?

Catholic DWCF, 45, 5'3", medium build, enjoys concerts, barbecues, amusement parks, dancing, museums, the beach, quiet times at home, seeks DWCM, 40-49, children welcome, Ad# 7259

SUPER WOMAN

Protestant SWF, 59, 5'4", upbeat, loving, laid-back, kind, hobbies include walks, reading, golf, religion, seeks honest, open SWM, 57-77, integrity a must, Ad# 5557

RELIGION IS THE KEY

Baptist SB mom, 33, 5'7", outgoing, intelligent, attractive, lives in Detroit, likes movies, working out, quiet times, seeks good-hearted, compatible SBM, 27-39, with good morals, Ad# 1936

GOD COMES FIRST

SWF, 45, 5'5", blonde hair, blue eyes, outgoing, friendly, hobbies include Bible study, family activities, seeking SWM, 46-56, for friendship first, Ad# 3257

HARDWORKING

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

TEDDY BEAR TYPE?

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

NEW DIMENSION OF LIFE...

DWCF, 49, 5'6", from Commerce, ready to make a commitment, in search of an educated SWCM, 47-56, N/S, light drinker preferred, Ad# 3569

LET'S TALK

Energetic, pleasant SBF, 19, 5'6", goal-oriented, enjoys biking, dancing, watching sunsets, seeks SBM, to share great times, lots of laughter, Ad# 4610

A WARM WELCOME

Professional DWCF, 40, 5'7", slim, brown hair, blue eyes, marriage-minded, owner of dog and parrot, seeks SWM, 35-48, for relationship, kids okay, Ad# 3957

MEANT TO BE?

Catholic SWF, 23, 5', shy, honest, romantic, from Royal Oak, enjoys rollerblading, movies, dancing, seeks N/S, childless, Catholic SWM, 23-27, with similar interests, Ad# 4808

FIRE OF GAMES?

SWF, 24, 5'3", full-figured, enjoys camping, cooking, the theatre, children, seeking honest, sincere, commitment-minded SWM, under 30, Ad# 2572

LONG-TERM?

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

COLLECTS TEDDY BEARS

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

HONESTY COUNTS

Catholic SWF, 50, reserved, practical, enjoys skating, walking, photography, dancing, music, theatre, looking for supportive SM, Ad# 3839

VERY FRIENDLY

Catholic SWF, 21, outgoing, attends Christian activities, enjoys the outdoors, seeks honest, sincere, romantic Catholic SM, with a good sense of humor, Ad# 1572

ANYTHING IN COMMON?

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", 190lbs., enjoys sports, working out, outdoors, seeks slender, professional, SWF, age unimportant, 21-33 for a monogamous relationship, Ad# 1451

MATE FOR LIFE

SWCM, 39, 6'1", outgoing, seeks slim, relationship and commitment minded SWCF, age unimportant, for serious relationship, Ad# 4445

RESCUE MY HEART

Catholic SWM, 42, 5'11", 180lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, N/S, affectionate, caring, professional, enjoys going to church, dining out, movies, seeks N/S, Catholic SWF, 34-48, Ad# 7456

WOULD LOVE TO MEET YOU

SWM, 23, 5'6", dark hair, brown eyes, enjoys movies, camping, skiing, seeking a SWF, 20-30, for possible long term relationship, Ad# 7594

ONE IN A MILLION

Handsome SWM, 29, 6'3", employed, enjoys skiing, outdoor sports, dining out, music and more, seeks SWF, 26-33, with same interests, to share quality time with, Ad# 2929

CHARISMATIC

SWM, 48, 6'1", outgoing and friendly, loves life and is very active in church, enjoys board games, seeks SWF, under 45, for friendship, that could grow into something special, Ad# 6847

WARM-HEARTED

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", medium build, outgoing, friendly, likes a wide range of activities, seeking slender, romantic, spontaneous, educated SWF, Ad# 1133

HEAVEN SENT

SBM, 18, 6', student, enjoys sporting events and movies, participates in youth ministry, bible study, seeking a SBF, 18-25, for companionship, Ad# 1348

GOOD TIMES

SWCM, 39, 6'1", medium build, secure, caring, romantic, interests include sports, traveling on the weekend, seeks romantic, slender, SBF, age unimportant, Ad# 3374

MEMORIZING PERSONALITY

Handsome, professional, DWCM, 29, 5'8", dark hair, hazel eyes, enjoys dinners and movies with good friends, likes to bike and spend time at amusement parks, seeks an independent and outgoing SWCF, 25-33, Ad# 7287

THE TIME IS RIGHT

Outgoing SWM, 49, 5'10", 150lbs., brown hair, green eyes, professional, seeks sincere, caring, SWF, 18-65, to spend quality time with, Ad# 2525

MARRIAGE-MINDED

Attractive SWCM, 33, 6'1", attractive, professional, thoughtful, fun loving, spontaneous, humorous, warm, bonded, looking for slender, professional, romantic SWF, with direction in her life, Ad# 1013

FOLLOW YOUR HEART

SWCM, 40, 5'8", outgoing, enjoys gardening, song writing, seeks feminine, petite, SWCF, under 46, Ad# 2154

FANTASTICALLY FAITHFUL

Catholic DW dad, 38, 5'9", brown hair, hazel eyes, professional, outgoing, enjoys camping, cooking, dancing, being with his kids, romantic nights, seeks Catholic DWCF, 32-40, Ad# 5858

CATHOLIC

SWM, 25, 5'11", 160lbs., enjoys sports, travel, movies, looking for SWF, 20-30, for friendship first, Ad# 7972

FAITH & HOPE

Handsome, outgoing SWM, 23, 6'1", shy, employed, enjoys sports, dining out, music, movies and more, seeks honest SWF, 19-30, to spend quality time with, Ad# 9836

ENJOYS ROMANCE

Professional, Catholic SWM, 39, 6'1", thoughtful, sincere, seeks faithful, active, slim, open-minded Catholic SWF, over 30, kids welcome, for long-term relationship, Ad# 2740

END MY SEARCH

Protestant SWM, 31, 5'11", hardworking, outgoing, enjoys outdoor activities, weekend getaways, seeks SWF, age unimportant, with similar interests, Ad# 2828

PLEASE CALL ME!

SWM, 44, 6', shy, athletic, romantic, enjoys ballet, movies, weekend getaways, seeks spontaneous, SWF, 34-45, to spend quality time with, children, welcome, Ad# 6110

GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'2", independent, lives in Western Wayne, enjoys concerts, movies, walks, quiet dinners, seeks understanding, affectionate, SWCF, 28-45, who is generous with her time, Ad# 9876

FOLLOW YOUR HEART

Handsome SBM, 38, 5'9", outgoing, friendly, who serves the Lord, seeks a SBCF, 25-45, for companionship, possible long-term, lasting relationship, Ad# 3959

LIKES TO LAUGH

Never-married, fun-loving SBM, 36, 6'2", enjoys sports events, working on cars, seeking attractive, down-to-earth SWCF, age unimportant, with similar interests, Ad# 9457

SEEKS OPEN-MINDED MATE

Professional, handsome DWCM, 39, 5'6", N/S, non-drinker, participates in Bible study, enjoys running, bodybuilding and fitness, searching for attractive, intelligent, athletic SWCF, under 40, Ad# 5252

YOUNG-AT-HEART

Catholic DW mom, 53, 5'10", brown hair, blue eyes, affectionate, monogamous, likes sports, movies, walking, dining out, seeks honest, caring Catholic SWF, under 53, with similar traits, Ad# 6572

NEVER-MARRIED

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

GET TO KNOW ME

SWM, 52, 5'8", outgoing, active, enjoys dancing, movies, concerts, traveling, seeks slender, SF, under 51, for long term relationship, Ad# 5094

INTRODUCE YOURSELF

SWCM, 30, 5'9", professional, educated, outgoing, honest, sincere, enjoys hockey, sporting events, movies, outdoors, seeks SWCF, 24-34, to share same interests, Ad# 3229

MARRIAGE MINDED

SWM, 40, outgoing, sincere, athletic, romantic, well educated, seeks slender, SF, age unimportant, to spend quality time with, Ad# 4567

WARM & LOVING

SWM, 43, 6', 220lbs., brown hair/eyes, handsome, outgoing, seeks honest, sincere, SWF, 38-46, with a zest for life, Ad# 9781

BELIEVE IN LOVE

Loving, caring, sensitive, SAM, 26, 5'6", 170lbs., black hair, blue eyes, Catholic, seeks commitment minded, Catholic SWF, 18-35, children welcome, Ad# 6275

HERE'S TO NEW BEGINNINGS

SWM, 45, 5'11", 185lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, professional, college educated, physically fit, outgoing, enjoys music, movies, theatre, dining out, seeks SF, 38-51, with good sense of humor, down-to-earth, Ad# 3639

FOR THE FUTURE

Outgoing SWM, 50, 5'10", 175lbs., professional, lives in West Bloomfield, enjoys dining out, dancing, special times, seeking SWF, 35-55, Ad# 9999

# SC board post takes 6 ballots

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Schoolcraft College trustees went through six ballots Saturday to select Livonia attorney Gregory Stempien to fill the vacancy on the college's board.

Board President Pat Watson asked the trustees who were their top contenders for the vacancy in a "straw" vote.

Watson, Brian Broderick and Steve Ragan each named Stempien, Bryan Amann of Canton, Harry Greenleaf of Livonia, and John Lynch of Plymouth in "no particular order" of preference. Naming Amann, Lynch and Greenleaf were Richard DeVries, while Carol Strom named Amann, Greenleaf and Stempien; and Mary Breen chose Amann and Stempien.

With those four final candidates, board Secretary Fran Joswiak passed out ballots to the six trustees. Each trustee voted for one finalist and signed each ballot. The process continued until one candidate received four votes.

The first official written vote was a three-way tie, with Amann, Greenleaf and Stempien each receiving two votes. Broderick and Ragan supported Amann; DeVries and Strom backed Greenleaf; Breen and Watson voted for Stempien.

Joswiak had printed each set of ballots on different colored paper for trustees to use. She passed out yellow ballots for the second vote, in which DeVries switched to Amann.

DeVries considered Amann and Greenleaf "equal" candidates. "I felt comfortable voting either way," DeVries said. Strom continued voting for Greenleaf because she believed Greenleaf was the best candidate.

Breen said candidates generally do not return to the college for activities once trustees

appoint a new board member, which bothers her, but explained her support for Stempien.

"Greg has been here. Greg won't go away. He will continue to be involved because that's the kind of person he is." Breen never wavered in her support of Stempien.

The next vote found another three-way tie, and was the same as the first vote. Subsequent ballots found Amann obtaining three votes, but never the four-vote minimum.

Finally the sixth ballot found Stempien receiving four votes from Breen, Broderick, Strom and Watson. Ragan and DeVries backed Amann.

Ragan then moved and Breen supported the selection of Stempien to fill the board vacancy.

Strom said the caliber and qualifications of the candidates were a real tribute to the college. She said later she switched from Greenleaf when she realized she would not get four votes.

Another trustee who switched was Broderick. Amann and Stempien were "equally qualified," he said. Broderick switched because "Stempien has a presence in the community, and has been active at Schoolcraft College for a number of years," Broderick said.

### Others interviewed

Trustees also interviewed Amann, Greenleaf and Ken Harb that morning.

Amann, an attorney at a Livonia firm and a former county commissioner representing Canton, and assistant county executive, told trustees he believed it was an exciting time at the college and in western Wayne County, particularly along I-96, I-275 and M-14.

"As a county commissioner, I was amazed at some of the

things going on in your own back yard." Amann hoped to expand on the college's relationship with local businesses and industries. "One part of the (trustee) job is preparing people for the rest of their life," Amann said.

Amann cited the Women's Resource Center, Business Development Center and police and fire training as some of the college's assets. Amann called Canton an "underutilized asset" for the college, but quickly added that the entire district needed to be utilized as a resource.

Greenleaf, a director of college transfer programs for the College of Engineering and Science at University of Detroit-Mercy and an industry adviser consultant at the University of Michigan, served as a Schoolcraft trustee from 1977-95. He worked for 36 years at Ford Motor Co. in specialist, supervisory and managerial positions in engineering, human resources management, education and training.

Greenleaf said he wanted to serve again because he was committed to public service.

Harb, a vice president of investments with Prudential Securities and Livonia resident, said trustees should work together with administrators and teaching staff to reach goals in the mission statement.

"We're the board of directors of a multi-million dollar corporation," Harb said.

Harb suggested the college should promote evening and weekend programs to enhance revenue, as overhead costs for these programs remain constant. Harb believed the college should provide programs at satellite campuses "if the economics were right."

## Veterans from page A9

prove that he and other members of his squadron completed the missions and were deserving of the DFC.

It was even questioned whether Squadron 731 was ever in Korea. Using the Internet, the federal Freedom of Information Act, countless long distance phone calls, numerous ribbons for his printer and every military contact he could muster, Yancey succeeded in convincing the Navy that these men were overlooked.

"This squadron is like a family," Yancey said. "It's been a labor of love."

He gives credit to Masser for starting the effort with a letter writing campaign in 1979. "All I've done is assist," Yancey said.

Together, they learned that the squadron of 278 men earned 43 air medals, 72 gold stars and 14 DFC medals. Only the men in the squadron who could find their flight books to prove they had flown the missions had the necessary documentation to get

the medal.

### Tide turns

The tide began to turn in 1997 when Congress passed an act to waive the time limitation and the National Defense Authorization Act was signed into law by President Bill Clinton and finally these men were remembered for their heroism.

Family members at the ceremony were obviously proud. Fern Ray of Westland explained that she attends annual squadron meetings to represent her late husband, William, the squadron's executive officer, who died in 1971.

"He would be so happy to see this if he were here today," Ray said. "Can you believe how long it's taken them to get these medals?"

The delay didn't diminish the effects of the medal for those who received them.

Ray DeGroote of West Bloomfield said: "I feel humbled con-

sidering the fact that I'm among many of the others who got the medals and to be included among them."

It's still a mystery why receiving the medals took so long. "We really didn't know why we didn't get the medal," Masser said.

Bob Blackmer traveled from California to receive his medal. "This is a big thing as far as we're concerned. It's 46 years too late and no one can figure out why."

One explanation was that their commanding officer was supposed to submit the required paperwork, but he was killed in an airplane accident after returning to the U.S. For some reason the paperwork was never completed.

On Sunday, the men were much more elated than embittered. "I enjoy bringing these people together," Masser said. "It makes me feel good that it's finally happening. It should have happened in 1952."

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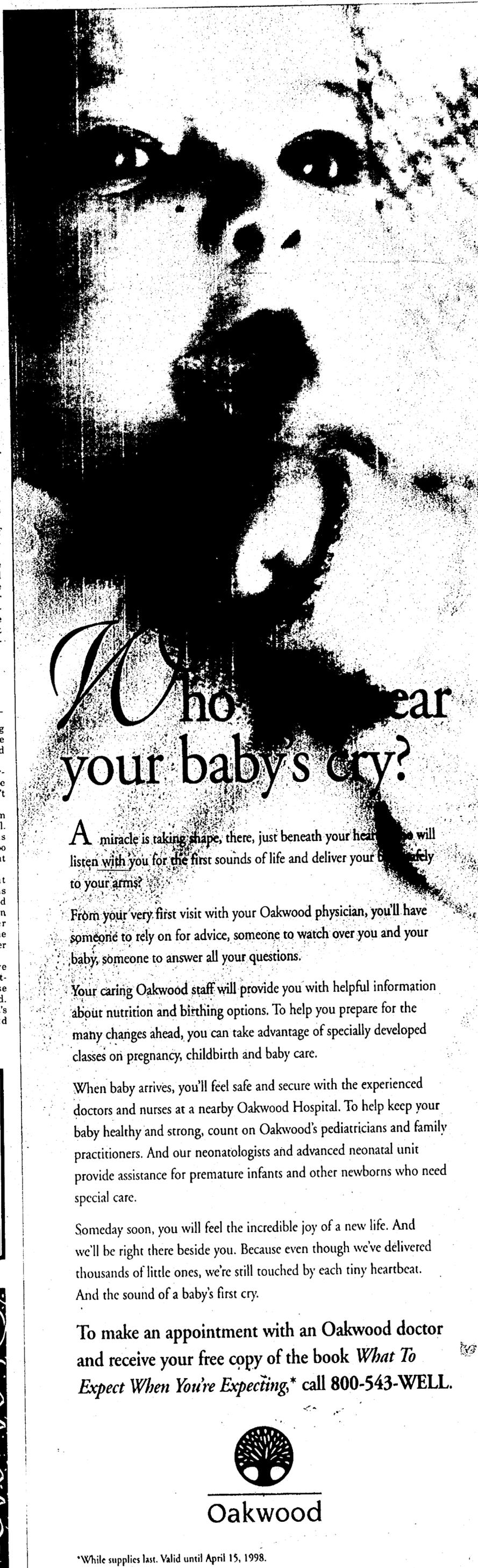
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## City, chamber rift Both sides should reconcile

This is a situation that really needs to be worked out or the local business community will suffer.

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas has severed ties with the Westland Chamber of Commerce. He has raised many concerns, among them are that chamber President John Toye, chamber President-elect Kim Shunkwiler and former chamber President Dennis LeMaitre have campaigned against him.

We agree that the mayor has legitimate concerns about this involvement of some chamber board members in local politics, and we think the chamber board should clearly define its policies on this issue and abide by them.

That said, we do hope the mayor can move past these problems to work with the chamber.

As a politician, he has learned to work with those he doesn't agree with, and we hope he can continue to do so in this case. As the elected leader of Westland, we feel he owes it to the community and his constituents to try to come to some working relationship with the chamber.

Meanwhile, we don't agree that the president of the chamber of commerce should place his support publicly behind any candidate and actively campaign on the local political scene.

While it has been said that Toye did this as a private citizen, not as chamber president, we don't agree that he can take on separate iden-

titles in the community. While he is the chamber president, he is the president in public and in private.

This is an issue many people face in their jobs. They must keep their political leanings to themselves in order to maintain their credibility.

How can the chamber president expect to work with any administration after becoming involved in local politics? If Thomas' opponent had won, it would still be inappropriate. Unfortunately, this issue dates before this past election as LeMaitre also became involved in local politics as chamber president.

The chamber's purpose is to support, strengthen and assist in the growth of the business community, and we hope it can continue to do that. However, how can it hope to do that if a split remains between the city and the chamber? How can it do that if some members of its board are becoming embroiled in local politics?

We hope the mayor takes the high road and shows just how strong and principled a leader he is and sits down to discuss this with Executive Director Linda Shapona and the Westland Chamber of Commerce board.

But, we also hope the chamber board members involved can reflect on how to conduct themselves properly in their positions. We don't think the entire business community should have to suffer.

## Mass transit system needed

Recent cancellation of Detroit Department of Transportation bus service to suburban areas only underscores the need for a truly united regional mass transit system.

Nowhere is the lack of cooperation between Detroit and its suburbs more apparent than with regard to mass transit — even this far into the Archer era, a so-called golden age for urban/suburban cooperation.

Nowhere has that lack of cooperation had a more devastating economic effect.

Many of the now-canceled suburban lines were relatively new, added one year ago to help Detroiters find jobs in the suburbs.

They were canceled because they were unprofitable, according to D-DOT, but mass transit itself is generally unprofitable on its own. Even the most successful systems demand subsidies from government. SMART, the area's suburban line, has said it will pick up some of the slack. But SMART, subsidized on a community-by-community basis, can't cover the whole load.

The situation shows just what a political pawn mass transportation and those who need it — employers and employees — have become in our region.

We are left with a patchwork system. On one hand, we have a Detroit bus system that serves Detroit and a suburban system that serves most, but not all, of the communities in Wayne and Oakland counties.

Mass transit has become the province of the poor. While our area's poorest residents most definitely need access to jobs and, therefore, to transportation, unified systems in other cities have long served people of all social classes.

Our too-heavy dependence upon the automobile is already bringing dire consequences. Businesses and residents are moving ever further away from the central city. Urban sprawl eats up valuable farmland and open space, defeating the goal of seeking out peace and

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The quality of life is diminished as rush hour is extended and individual commutes to work grow longer.

A reasoned and reasonable, unified mass transit system will benefit employers and employees.

At the Sears store at Livonia Mall, about 50 employees, out of a workforce of 400, relied on D-DOT, said Jim Spilos, the store's human resources manager. Most now use SMART, but Spilos said there are five who decided the added hardship is not worth their jobs.

"Can't we really get a viable transportation system that's cost-effective for the city and the suburbs?" he said.

It's time for county leaders in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and representatives from Mayor Dennis Archer's office along with SMART and D-DOT officials to huddle and find a solution to the mass transit problem that has plagued this region for too long.

### Successful celebration



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

**Student skit:** Westland's first Martin Luther King birthday celebration last week was a success with many activities commemorating the event. Above, a skit was performed by Adams Middle School students about segregation in America. Above center (sitting) is Nicole Dawson portraying Rosa Parks on a bus.

### LETTERS

#### Technology is needed

I am the parent of two Marshall Middle School children. I am writing in support of the bond election that will be held on Feb. 17. We have been residents of Westland for 15 years, therefore our children have had their entire education here. I am more than satisfied with the education they have received.

Although maintaining our buildings is important, my main reason for support is the technological advances. Computers are definitely the way of the future. I want our students to have as much exposure to them as possible.

Many people seem to think private school is the only way to get a quality education. I feel if we are unhappy with our public schools, do something about it. This bond is a step in the right direction.

Linda Knutson  
 Westland

dumps its precious, cherubic life, disposing it on a garbage dump ... as if it weren't human. Isn't it evident, that since Roe vs. Wade, the disrespect for life, and the crimes occurring ... are a consequence of the latter?

We must be further reminded, that it's imperative, immediately, that a "ban on partial abortions" the most brutal, savage assault on these defenseless cherubs, must be stopped.

Write to President Bill Clinton now, and voice your strong opposition to his continuing support of "partial abortion."

Write to your senators and other representatives as well. We can all make a difference.

Julianne Pieknick  
 Westland

#### Remember kids

As a Wayne resident, I am very concerned about the upcoming bond issue. I grew up in Wayne going to Taft, Franklin and graduating from Wayne Memorial High School in 1987. I now have two children who in the next few years will be attending Wayne-Westland schools. I have seen first-hand the condition of some of the schools and there are some things that just are not safe for our children.

Wayne has so much to offer the community with a new aquatic center, library and senior activity center, that I feel we need to support our schools also. My children are not in school yet, but I will vote yes now and continue to vote yes for years to come regardless if it is for my children or their children, because it is great to live in Wayne. By helping this bond issue pass it will only make our community a better place. Aren't our children worth it?

Carrie Shelton  
 Wayne

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#### 25 years of 'holocaust'

Jan. 22, 1998, commemorated 25 years of the "Abortion Holocaust," since the legalization of abortion on demand.

Over 33 million unborn babies, aborted as a "choice." A perversion of mankind's inhumanity to innocent, defenseless, unborn babies in the womb ... has reached the most corrupt plateau of such traumatic substance as to render our humanity's mentally unhealthy environment. Having in mind that it is counter-productive to human nature, to destroy conceived life ... God created.

In 1939, Hitler invaded Poland and soon after, the German Holocaust, the deliberate murder of millions of Jews, Poles and other nationalities, took place in the chambers and ovens of Auschwitz. The world was shocked, and responded "this must never, ever, happen again." Yet, the Holocaust of the centuries is evident in the willful murder of conceived, healthy unborn babies, aborted by personal choice ... from 1-9 months of gestation.

We called Hitler a madman, to have committed genocide. What say "we" to the abortion of babies, by a pro-choice humanity, though an erroneous legality exists?

What does this say of a society which abandons them totally, and as a consequence,

### COMMUNITY VOICE

**QUESTION:**  
 Do you trust President Clinton?



"I would say I don't — not just because of this latest incident (involving Monica Lewinsky), but because of his entire presidency."  
 Matthew Talbot



"Not completely. First it was Whitewater, and it has gone from one thing to another."  
 Marilyn Ethel



"Yes, I separate his private life from what he's doing for the presidency. People have forgotten the respect due the office."  
 Parke W. Hoffman



"I don't think I really trust him. He's good for business and the economy, but it's his morals I'm not sure about."  
 Ted Kozlowski

We asked this question at the Westland post office.

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POINTS OF VIEW

# Cloning isn't as appealing as reproduction

**L**egislatures are reactive bodies. As quickly as they perceive public interest in a topic — such as cloning an animal, or even a human — they rush to write news releases and laws.

So it is in Michigan in the wake of Chicago physicist Richard Seed's statement that he intends to clone humans.

Cloning: the duplication of the genetic material of one creature. Princeton's Harold Shapiro, the former University of Michigan president who chaired the president's National Bioethics Advisory Commission, said the Scottish cloned sheep Dolly is merely a genetic twin, delayed, of a single adult sheep.

Rep. Kirk Profit, D-Ypsilanti, is horrified at the prospect of cloning a human. "A clone is a result of genetic manipulation in a lab that doesn't reflect the Creation you and I and all of us are," he said during the Jan. 25 Channel 7 "Spotlight on News" show.

"Life comes from one Source with a capital S." He refers to a clone as "an entity they might call a human." Prof. it seems to suggest a human clone wouldn't have a soul.

"Immoral," added Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton. "God is the entity that creates life. Just because we have the technology to do it, that doesn't mean we should do it."

What bothers me is not whether a clone would have a soul (I think it would) but the fact that it took 277 embryos, a bunch of spontaneous abortions and stillbirths to produce Dolly. The chance of wasting as many innocent human souls is too costly.

Profit, a 45-year-old ex-undersheriff and five-term lawmaker, chaired the committee that produced three bills awaiting full House action:

■ **HB 4846** saying one "shall not clone or attempt to clone a human being," revoking the medical license forever of anyone who tries it, and fining the miscreant \$10 million in civil



TIM RICHARD

damages.

■ **4962** amending the penal code to make cloning a crime punishable by 10 years in prison and a fine of \$5,000.

■ **5475** prohibiting state funds for cloning research.

Bennett has parallel bills, except that his "sunset" after several years and would need to be reconsidered. "With term limits (taking effect after 1998 in the House and 2002 in the Senate), we must build in more sunsets. We might make a mistake."

They agree that even research on

human cloning ought to be stopped. "The public is demanding it. It's the right thing to do," said Bennett, a 46-year-old former township official and first-term senator.

Not so fast, said professor Toby Citrin, a lawyer and public health expert at U-M. "Cloning also has the potential of alleviating a lot of pain and suffering ... I don't think there's anything essentially immoral about cloning ..."

"We're not ready to clone a human yet ... Scientists I've talked to say we're years away. We're going at it (legislatively) the reverse of the way it ought to be."

"A temporary hold (advocated by Shapiro's commission) makes good sense. We should leave our options open beyond that," Citrin said. While he personally likes Profit, Citrin is clearly unhappy with the Legislature's rush to legislation.

I see a glut of confusing rules coming down the pike.

The federal Food and Drug Administration last week declared it has the power to block scientists from cloning through denying "investigational new drug applications."

Meanwhile, U.S. Rep. Vern Ehlers, R-Grand Rapids, the former college physicist, has a congressional bill to ban federal financing of human cloning experiments.

And then we have the half-dozen legislative bills in Michigan.

So who is in charge? Who needs this triplication?

We should be able to agree that the way nature and nature's God designed reproduction would result in less "inbreeding," and a better genetic mix and more fun.

There's just something innately more healthful about a mom and dad producing and raising a baby.

Tim Richard reports on the local implications of state and regional events. His Touch-Tone voice mail number is (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1881.

LETTERS

Letters not local

I believe Mr. (Walter) Warren should write his articles in the paper, on his own. I have read most all of his articles and they take up too much space and too often, even though they are interesting. His news is more international than local. He should try writing his articles in the Detroit News or so. He'd get more coverage and therefore save more space for local news in our local papers.

Betty Savage  
Westland

Yes vote urged

Let me tell you a little story. My 3-year-old received Elmo's Preschool,

a CD-ROM, for Christmas. I installed this program on our PC, in less than five minutes my son tells me "I can do this myself." He turns it on, runs it, and shuts it down. This ability comes from exposure to a computer.

Which brings me to the fact that not everyone in the Wayne-Westland school district can afford computers for their children. Guess what! We can fix this, on Feb. 17.

All you have to do is vote yes on the bond proposal. By this simple action, you will give computers and so much more to every child in this district.

This can be done for less than pennies a day from each of us. I think the children are worth it and I urge you to vote yes on the bond proposal Feb. 17.

Martha Dugan  
Westland

Look to the future

I am writing about the remarks that are being made regarding the upcoming bond issue for the Wayne-Westland Community Schools. I just can't understand why people make remarks about something when they really have no knowledge about it.

One question that was raised was, "How do we know we are getting the most for our money?"

I would ask those that feel that way to attend one of the informational meetings that are being held to see what improvements are being planned for our schools.

It was a group of citizens from this district that went around to each and every building and "they" determined what items were in need of improve-

ment.

The Michigan Department of the Treasury, with whom the application was filed, visited the district to determine that this was a valid bond issue.

The treasury department will also monitor the progress of the improvements to make sure that each and every penny will go for the items addressed in the 250-plus page application that was filed with them.

The word "credibility" has been tossed around like "confetti in the wind." But as my grandmother always told me, "Don't rehearse ... reverse."

It is the duty of this board of education to reverse the direction in which this district has been going. And, my friends ... things are improving.

But it can't be done overnight, or with people bad-mouthing the board

and the administration because they have a personal problem with some people. I don't see these people walking on water.

All I ask is that you have an open mind ... get the facts before you go to vote.

Visit your local school building and see for yourself just what is needed.

The improvements are posted at every building so you can see just what you are getting for your money.

Let's stop looking in the past. We won't find the answers there ... look to the future ... that future is our young people.

Ed Turner  
Westland

## Journalist earns his stripes

In my experience, most newspaper folks feel slightly uncomfortable when they are the ones being written about. Perhaps it's because they prefer to be judged on the basis of their own work.

But there's a good reason to violate this practice in the case of Tim Richard, who for many years has been the head of this newspaper's statewide news service, reporting on Lansing and on state stories that have local significance to our readers. You see, Tim has just been elected to the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame, a very big honor, especially for a reporter still in the prime of his career.

Because Tim would never do it himself, I'm writing this column to mark his achievements and to say how fortunate I've been to have worked with him for more than 30 years.

I first met Tim Richard back in the early '60s when I was administrative assistant for U.S. Rep. Paul H. Todd Jr. Tim was the political reporter for the Kalamazoo Gazette.

He asked tough questions, time after time. He quoted me and the congressman accurately, time after time. He saw through the spinning, time after time, but he was never unfair, never played "gotcha" in the news columns. He was one terrific reporter.

After I started my own company in 1966, I asked Tim if he'd come back home to southeastern Michigan and help me create a new kind of community journalism, focused on what the news really meant for real people, living in their own hometowns. I was so pleased when he agreed to come, and over all the years we've worked together I've never felt any different.

When I told Tim I was going to write this column about him, he got a little grumpy. But he lightened up when I asked him to tell me about his favorite moments in journalism. Here they are, in his own words:

"The 1966 expose on how the Western Michigan University board held secret meetings (from which I was specifically excluded) and made policy decisions. The story was spiked (killed) by the editor of the Kalamazoo Gazette, who devoutly believed that the 'community leaders' serving on the board were incapable of doing bad.

"This led directly to advocacy of the 1976 Open Meetings Act and my activity in the Society of Professional Journalists and Michigan FOI Committee Inc. to defend the 'sunshine' laws, teaching people how to use them through seminars and newsletters. Our biggest thrill is when civic troublemakers and journalists use the 'sunshine' laws to learn about government and have their own chances for input."

Tim adds another highlight: "In the 1980s, I edited columns of freelancers Penny Wright-



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Steele and Tim Nowicki. Both won Michigan Audubon Society awards as journalist of the year.

"We turned Steele's casual observations of crowded ladies' rooms into a series that resulted in Michigan's 'potty parity' law sponsored by Rep. Jan Dolan, R-Farmington Hills. It will require adequate ladies' restrooms in the new Tigers' and Lions' stadiums."

In the early '90s, Tim began to notice the busy doings of the Religious Right at the local level. He wrote me a compelling memo on the subject that led to "stories and columns exposing the Religious Right's 'stealth' political tactics and hidden agenda toward public education."

Tim also covered national politics, but from a local angle. In 1988, he caught "Gov. Jim Blanchard's remark that Jesse Jackson's Democratic national convention speech was 'left-wing baloney; warmed-over McGovernism, but not as good.' This brought me the most fame, but in terms of its impact on people it was not as good as my open meetings, age of majority, environmental editing and Religious Right work."

Did you catch the key phrase, "impact on people"? That's the core of Tim's work ethic and why at the end of the day he's in the Journalism Hall of Fame. The guiding objective of his reporting is the eventual impact on people in their daily lives.

Tim is probably as good a reporter as exists today in Michigan; he's accurate, thorough and knowledgeable and he's got a memory like an elephant. He insists on being detached from the news events he's covering, but he is passionate about the concrete results his work produces.

I've gained immeasurably as a journalist and a manager by working alongside Tim. But the people of Michigan have gained far more from his career than I.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@oeonline.com.

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BEAUTIFUL, BLUE EYES
SWF, 28, enjoys music, dancing, romance, seeks SW/M, teddy bear type, 27-32, for LTR only, serious replies please. #8932

UNCONDITIONAL LOVE
Holding hands, stroking, concerts, theater, and dancing with you NS SW/M, 30-45, tall and slight, for long-term. I am 31, years young SBF 5'7", for LTR. Let's talk. Must like kids. #8940

NO GAMES
Attractive SWFF, young 50, blond, brown, NS, not into games. If you believe honest communication is essential, and you're romantic and secure with many varied interests, please call. #8918

NOT A BARBIE
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SNOWMOBILE WANTED
SWF, 28, 5'5", 110lbs, professional, Livonia area, seeks SW/M, 26-34, to share snowmobiling/skiing. I enjoy working out and watching hockey. If you have the same interests, you could be Mr. Right! #8931

PRETTY PROFESSIONAL
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Kind, affectionate DWF, 35, 5'7", 126lbs, down-to-earth, one child, NS, enjoys running, warm weather, beaches, dancing. Seeking SW/M, 35-49, blonde-green, who's nice, has secure, NS, to enjoy life together. #8942

MELTDOWN
Break the ice with this attractive, slender, 5'4", blonde, green, and blue-eyed, humorous, secure, tall SW/M, 47+, with a light touch, could chase the winter chill. #8934

ATTRACTIVE, OUTGOING
Ft SWF, 5'10", 29, enjoys traveling, sports, music, dining out, and laughing. Seeking tall, fit SW/M, 30-42, who is very responsible but not married to his job, with a good sense of humor. Kids ok. #8920

WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?
I didn't think I'd be this hard to find a man who is 24-35, dark-haired, in shape, college educated and seeking warm, beautiful woman - me. Please help me and my search. #8820

CAN YOU DANCE?
Vivacious, spiritual SWF, 28, 5'2", petite, healthy mind/body, seeks confident, smart, kind SW/M, 27-35, who can walk, laugh, love, raise planet consciousness. #8866

TRUST
Independent DWF, 28, 5'10", 125lbs, mother of one, honest, hard to find, very ambitious. Seeking tall SW/M, 28-35, who is sensitive, romantic and has a variety of interests. #8797

PLEASE, MR. SANDMAN
DWF, 26, 5'8", 100lbs, reddish, four children, looking for LTR, possible marriage. Seeking SW/M, 30-40, 5'10", 150lbs, 32-48, financially secure, must be romantic, spontaneous, love kids. No games. #8656

PROTECTIVE GENTLEMAN ONLY
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Outspoken, fun-loving SBF, 27, 5'5", tall, fit, NS, ND, enjoys opera, classical music, movies, sports, bowling. Seeking tall, well-groomed SM, 28-35, NS, ND, for friendship, possible relationship. No kids please. #8222

LET IT SHOW
Attractive, fun SWF, 35, 5'5", blonde/blue, medium build, seeks friendship, romance, and someone to share the winter and skiing, snowball fights, and hot chocolate by the fire. #8313

SEEKING TOOL-TIME AL
SWF, 33, 5'5", NS, enjoys the outdoors, concerts, hiking, fishing, seeks SW/M, 28-37, who would someday like to build a dream house in the mountains. #8362

BEAUTIFUL SUCCESSFUL DOCTOR
30s, 5'7", white, slim, elegant, charming, accomplished, well-traveled, honest, sincere. Loves sports, golf, theatre and cooking. Seeking educated, successful, mature gentleman, 32-46, for peer relationship, to start family. #8470

HAWAIIAN HEART
Attractive, sincere, kind-hearted, humorous DWF, 36, 5'8", dark/brown, Hawaiian, part-time college student, moonlighting, bowing, billiard, dancing, sunshine. Seeking honest, sincere, fun-loving SW/M. #8517

PRETTY, BLENDER, SENSUAL
Sophisticated, smart, secure "sweet-heart" seeks best friendlover for life, "nice guy": good-looking, in-shape, refined, cultured, romantic, young 50s. Let's enjoy adventure, world travel and life's finer things. Golf a plus. #8910

BEST OF BOTH WORLDS
Attractive, affectionate, athletic, adventurous, warm, romantic DWF, 5'5", 5'5", blonde/blue, medium built, educated, seeks gentleman, 30-54, 48-62, who's honest, NS, who likes the arts, outdoors, travel, for possible LTR. #8941

COULD CONNECT...
with tall, HW proportional, secure, ethical, non-lookng guy, 47+, with a Prity, dark-haired SWFF, 40ish, 5'4", 115lbs, with varied interests, great legs and good heart, would like to talk with you. #8819

LOOK NO FURTHER
Petite DWF, 43, 5'1", 120lbs, dark-brown/black, NS, Catholic, seeks companionship with DWM, HW proportional, good listener and attentive, for LTR. #8821

PRETTY, SWEET, AND PETITE
SWFF, 43, seeks SW/M, 40-50, that is young-at-heart, loves to laugh, dine, dance, cook, and take off for the weekend, some place remote and romantic. Honest, compassionate, sensual, and appreciative are some of the qualities I have...do you? #8824

LOOKING FOR LOVE...
In all the wrong places. Do you like pretty, classy red heads, moonlight bowling, country dancing, good music? Are you 40-50, under 6'7" Let's be kids again! #8887

LOOKING FOR BEST FRIEND
Attractive, 30s, 5'5", 115lbs, successful professional with varied interests, traditional values. Looking for best friend/partner, attractive, fit SW/M, 35-43, NS, college-educated, successful professional ready for commitment. #8843

CUTE BUT FUSSY
Hard-working, dependent on one DWF, 24, 104lbs, blonde/blue, seeks a humor, caring, attractive, funny SW/M, 24-30, for LTR. #8759

SEEKING ROMANCE
I'm attractive, slender, tall, and a young looking 51, plus intelligent, refined, humorous and a smoker. Seeking pet, 50-65, intelligent, tall, classy, confident, and selectively marriage-minded. #8770

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND
Down-to-earth DWF, mid 50s, petite, blonde/blue, seeks a sense of humor, enjoys dancing, movies, dining out. Seeking SW/M, 55-65, sense of humor, with similar interests, for friendship first, possible LTR. Midland. #8770

ATTRACTIVE
BF, 49, 5'6", 145lbs, HW proportionate, employed, educated, social drinker, NS, wide variety of interests, seeks male, 40-55, for monogamous relationship, NS, Race open, no baggage, mature, romantic, passionate. #8636

KING SIZE MAN WANTED
Fun-loving, attractive, full-figured DWF, mid-40s, smoker, social drinker, enjoys dining, movies, concerts, comedy clubs, travel, riding motorcycles. Seeking mentally/financially stable SW/M, 43-55, 5'8", for a monogamous LTR. #8728

SINCERE GENTLEMAN
Romantic, attractive SWF, 48, 5'7", 120lbs, brown/brown, selectively seeking professional, sincere gentleman, for friendship, laughter and adventure, leading to more. Health-conscious and NS. Interests: travel, theater, jazz and nature. #8739

SPARKLING, SPUNKY, STYLISH
Sensual, gorgeous, fit, 40, 5'7", 130lbs, MA degree, into hiking, reading, dancing, going to concerts, NS, degraded, fit, outgoing guy. #8668

61 YEAR-OLD ENTREPRENEUR
Pretty, successful, giving, loving, looking for her soul mate. Fine, sincere, successful, successful gentleman, 45-70, please respond, and let me know your best, and make your day. #8484

LOOKING FOR A MAN IN UNIFORM
SF, 5'10", 120lb, brown/black, good sense of humor, likes sports, seeks SM, 35-47, down to earth, preferably a policeman or fireman, race not important. #8545

BLONDE/BLUE IRISH CATHOLIC
Extremely attractive, successful, fun DWF, 48, 5'5", 115lb, is athletic, financially secure, honest, positive, like. Seeking executive, 44-56, with similar traits. Bloomfield area. #8549

LOOKING FOR LOVE NOT GAMES
Attractive DWF, young 49, 5'4", brown/blue, NS, financially/emotionally secure, enjoys movies, dining, sports, travel, and romance. Seeking attractive, fun, 45-55, financially secure, for friendship, leading to LTR. #8063

YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED IF...
you're looking for a petite, creative, sensitive, very attractive, multi-degreed SFF, 49, with a twinkle in her eye and rollerblades on her feet. Seeking intelligent man, 45-60. Physical fitness important. #8781

SPECIAL LADY
Sensuous, attractive DWF, 5'5", 135lbs, black hair, sexy eyes, seeks tall WM, 45+, to share fun, romance, and adventure, in rewarding LTR. Serious only reply. #8033

64 AND PRETTY
Two lives can be joined together in friendship. Pretty SWF, short blonde/blue, sometimes shy, always honest, enjoys fine dining, and casinos. #8042

SOULMATE, WHERE ARE YOU?
SWF, mid-40s, dark hair/eyes, seeks outgoing, fun-loving SW/M, mid-30s-mid-40s. My interests: bowling, bingo, auto books, spectator sports, and smoking trips, walking, funny movies. #8034

NORDIC SKI ENTHUSIAST
Attractive, fit, petite SWF, 40 plus, seeks ski partner, for weekend trips, North, Lower, Up. If you know difference between freestyle/skiing, "and" classic, can ski 20K plus (both styles), call me. #8048

FUN-LOVING, PRETTY, CULTURED
Blonde lady, fun and adventurous, respects life and people, appreciate kindness and honesty. Seeking emotionally available, secure, tall gentleman, 45-50, for travel, adventure, and companionship. #8050

I HAVE ELAN
Eclectic, attractive, active, classy, slender SF, 5'7", brunet/haired, NS, enjoys tennis, golf, dancing, boating, most music, gardening, spectator sports. Seeking a tall, special, loyal, active, flexible, fun gentleman, 50+. #8068

OUR TURN NOW
why not, DWF, late 40s, seeks degreed, NS, for a life's finer moments, let's journey through life together. Enjoys dinners, plays, stimulating conversation, travel, and antiques. Now that the kids are raised, it's our turn to enjoy life. #8090

FAST, CHEAP, OUT OF CONTROL
That's not me. Humorous, honest, intelligent DWF, mid-30s, NS, fun, romantic, financially secure gentleman, 40-49, with similar qualities. The only games I'll play are monopoly and pinball. #8091

PRETTY BLONDE LADY
Refined, giving, loving, educated, young 60s, 5'5", good figured, NS, very interested in seeking gentleman, 65-75, with sense of humor, caring, intelligent, secure, NS, for lasting relationship. #8117

UNCHAINED MELODY
Slim, attractive DWF, 50, NS, seeks SW/M, 45-55, 5'8", HW proportional, for C&W dancing, entertaining, and companionship. West Side area #8121

HAVE HERPES?
SWF, 38, 5'7", mid-40s, NS, enjoys traveling, great sense of humor, enjoys sports, travel and more. Seeking a humorous, honest, marriage-minded, NS man with herpes, to build a relationship. #8130

IN YOUR DREAMS
You're in mine, if you're a tall, medium-large built, S/DW/M, honest, a DWF, 37, 5'9", light-brown/black, attractive, full-figured, NS, various interests, with one child. #8178

WHO KNOWS?
Versatile, independent, family-oriented DWF, 41, hoping to meet someone 33-49, who's similar. #8223

FUSSY BUT FUN
Petite SWFF, 45, enjoys reading, movies, sports, concerts, and late living, seeks "honor" PM, 43-52, average height/weight. #8273

NOT DESPARE
DWF, 45, 5'5", 130lb, no kids, seeks the same in male. Many interests. I'm caring, giving, spontaneous, hopelessly romantic, down-to-earth, employed. Would like to meet special friend, or more. Royal Oak. #8361

FIRST TIME AD
DWF, 50s, seeks confident, tall SW/M, financially secure, 50s, who enjoys travel, dining in/out, movies, sports, for friendship first. #8475

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Pretty, intelligent SWF, 22, 5'7", college student, seeks sweet, honest, funny, intelligent, attractive SW/M, 22-30, who enjoys music, travel, hockey, travel, romance, for friendship, first, maybe more. #8476

LADY WITH CLASS
Bridal SFF, 40s, enjoys jazz, week-end getaways, dining, concerts, movies, theatre, and quiet evenings at home. Seeking spontaneous SM, 45-55, 6', must have good sense of humor. Race open. #8477

WOULD YOU BE MY ANGEL?
SWF, 43, 5'5", brown/black, NS, enjoys sports, jazz, C&W, quiet times at home. Seeking honest, family-oriented SW/M, 38-53, NS. #8479

LOOKING FOR...
SW/M, 30-50, 6'3", fun, humorous, loves people. This understanding, considerate, kind, caring, sharing SWFF who loves children. Serious replies only. #8733

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT
DWF, 28, likes to have fun. Searching for very attractive, fit, fun guy to spend time with. Sense of humor required. #8775

SOMETHING DIFFERENT!
SBF, 24, 5'4", dark skinned, curvaceous, feminine, seeks financially secure, WM, 30+, for fun and friendship. #8485

DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL, PH.D.
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Handsome, tall SW/M, enjoys hockey, concerts, and quiet times with someone special, seeks pretty female, 20-35, who enjoys the same. #8913

ANTIQUE ENTHUSIAST
Athletic, spiritual, politically left DWM, 44, 5'6", 160lb, NS, ND, western suburban, enjoys history, museums, antiques, old houses, unpaired wideness. Seeking compatible, caring SF. #8927

1ST TIME AD
Intelligent, handsome DWM, 39, 5'11", 220lb, enjoys movies, bowling, dining out, and the water. Seeking attractive SF, 35-50, with similar interests, for friendship first possible LTR. #8928

ALL THE GOOD ONES TAKEN?
Very attractive, earthy, eclectic, introverted, extroverted, honest, sincere SW/M, 30, 6', 185lb, enjoys wine, professional, outgoing. Seeking natural blonde, fit, beautiful, educated SWF, 28-35, NS, ND, ND/Drugs, for LTR. #8840

AROUND THE WORLD...
I've traveled to find you, an attractive, fun, energetic SWFF, 35-47, who enjoys life, sports, culture. A romantic, athletic DWM, 43, 5'9", 160lb, who enjoys dancing, sports, and the finer things of life, is looking for you! #8937

HANDSOME BUSINESSMAN
Professional, sincere, romantic DWM, 51, 5'10", seeks honest woman with sense of humor, for dining out, dancing, plays, weekend getaways, traveling. Seeking special friend to share great times with. #8563

BANDY HAIR, BLUE EYES
Trim, somewhat rugged SW/M, 35, 5'11", good-looking, would appreciate a nice, sweet, trim girl who enjoys outdoor activities, lakes, woods and back roads on motorcycle or working around home, garden. Kids ok. #8823

SUGAR DEFICIENCY
Healthy, attractive, passionate SW/M, 42, 5'11", 160lb, falls living by the golden rule, would like to meet trim girl, for dinner to discuss newtonian physics or whatever. #8825

NOT THE GREATEST
Not too bad, emotionally, decent-looking SW/M, 33, 6'3", 190lb, enjoys dining out, movies, sports, travel, darts, kids, and more. Seeking decent-looking SWF, 26-38, for friendship, possible relationship. #8827

PALACE AWAITS PRINCESS
Honest, charming, special DWM, 43, 5'7", 160lb, multiple home-owner, financially secure, various interests. Seeking sincere, communicative SWFF, 32-42, HW proportionate, who likes variety, nature, travel, romance, for possible LTR/marriage. #8828

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
SW/M, 41, 5'10", 160lb, enjoys skiing, boating, long walks, and drives, frusee, outdoor, etc. seeks slender SW/M, 6'2", engineer. Seeking attractive SWF, must have sense of humor, with similar interests, for LTR. #8829

HAPPY NEW YEAR
SW/M, 26, 5'9", 145lb, brown/brown, like to keep in shape, seeks a female who knows what she wants out of life, for companionship that could lead to LTR. #8833

NEAT AND CLEAN
Senior SW/M, NS, ND, seeks retired SW/F, any age, full-figured ok, financially secure, with no dependents. #8834

LOOK NO FURTHER
I will like to meet someone white, good moral character, I am a school teacher, I am French, I am warm and sensitive. Thank You. #8814

ADVENTUROUS
SW/M, 28, 5'10", 155lb, professional, dark hair and eyes, considered good-looking, enjoys traveling, skiing, sports, events, good conversation, humor, romantic, and much more. Seeking an outgoing and attractive woman. #8917

HELLO THERE
SW/M, 40, 5'10", 185lb, physically fit, NS, ND, enjoys the outdoors, quiet evenings, reading, writing, going to the inter-movies, dancing, comedy clubs. Seeking SWF, 35-45, similar interests. NS, ND, kids welcome. #8918

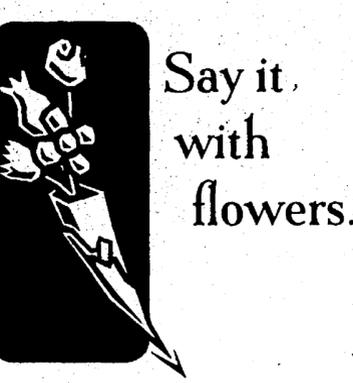
SINCERE AND CARING
Sincere, honest, non-egotistic, degreed DWM, 55, 5'9", 145lb, NS, social drinker, enjoys movies, theater, concerts, sports, dining out, long walks, quiet talks. Seeking SWFF, 42-50, HW proportional NS, social drinker, for LTR. #8921

PAUL MCCARTHEY SEEMS...
Linda, you are artistic, musical, pretty, professional female, 34-50, slender, humorous, financially secure, and like karate, ex-Bebe co-owner. Me: school in the arts, with Tim Allen-memories. Help! #8926

SPIRITUALLY MINDED
Intelligent, philosophical SW/M, 39, 5'10", 170lb, enjoys nature, quiet meditation, long walks. Seeking very serious, non-materialistic SF, for companionship, possibly more. #8463

TIMES ARE VALUABLE
Secure, affectionate, giving, humorous DWM, 43, 5'9", NS, enjoys current events, bowling, casinos, kids hockey. Seeking witty, caring, fun WF, 40-50, NS, one-on-one. #8930

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Seeking big, warm, cuddly S/DWM, 38-50, to keep out, heaviest, romantic, caring, active SWF, 41, 5'5", warm. #8135

LIFE IS BEST WHEN SHARED
Attractive, warm female, 42, seeks attractive, healthy, warm male, for friendship, possibly romance. #8142

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Classy, vivacious, energetic SWFF, 23, blonde/blue, enjoys dancing, theater, travel, conversation, Pistons, and the Red Wings. Seeking SW/M, 30+, to share same interests. #8307

CUTE CONSERVATIVE MALE
SPM, 37, physician, seeks intelligent, attractive SWF, for special relationship. #8315

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Nice-looking DWM, 40, 5'9", 165lb, passionate, romantic, very financially secure. Seeking smart, sensitive smoker, who enjoys coast surfing, casinos, spirited conversation, freetraps, hot tube. #8922

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Handsome, loving, sensitive, well-mannered, clean cut DWM, 40, 5'7", 165lb, good dancer, NS, ND, ND/Drugs, professionally employed. Seeking natural blonde, fit, beautiful, educated SWF, 28-35, NS, ND, ND/Drugs, for LTR. #8840

I LOVE OLDER WOMEN!
Handsome, romantic, athletic, confident, honest, clean-cut, Italian SW/M, 25, 6', dark hair. Seeking attractive, slender, caring, athletic, WF, 28-45, for heavenly friendship/relationship, that will keep you smiling. #8841

HUMOROUS LANDSCAPE DESIGNER
Nice-looking, honest, affectionate, caring SW/M, 41, 5'9", 160lb, NS, enjoys jazz, classic rock, blues, and long sea. Seeking cute, funny, athletic SWF, NS, with similar interests, to share times together. #8870

HAPPY TOGETHER
Handsome, caring, affectionate, DWM, 51, 5'7", 180lb, no kids, loves movies, dining out, doing things together. Seeking woman, petite to medium, for friendship to monogamous relationship. No games. #8671

SUNNY AND WARM
Affectionate, caring, handsome, humorous SW/M, 39, 5'9", 175lb, with no dependents, seeking SWF, 30-55, for friendship and fun. #8757

PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS
I will pursue a creature, unlike any other. She must be attractive, intelligent, with a sweet disposition. Beyond the rules and call. Widowed WM, 40, 5'8", fit, attractive, warm open, honest. #8760

HERE IN WESTLAND
Attractive, rugged, sincere SW/M, 33, 200lb, HW proportionate, seeks attractive, passionate SWF, 33 and under. Let's live, love and laugh. Interested in LTR with the right woman. #8761

ROMANTIC
Educated, good-looking teddy bear, 46, DWM, 5'11", brown/brown, enjoys literature, movies, music, and conversation. Seeking a positive, cute, Goldilocks 35-49, to wine and dine. #8762

CHILD OF UNIVERSE
Spiritual, growth-minded SW/M, 41, seeking stable, proportional SWF, 32-42. #8763

YOUNG WIDOWER
Professional, honest, intelligent, good-natured, caring, humorous, outgoing SW/M, 39, 5'7", 160lb, no dependents, homeowner, enjoys dining, movies, dancing, sports, outdoors. Seeking SWF, NS, fit, similar interests, for friendship, open to commitment. Livonia. #8299

LOYAL AND SINCERE
Tall DWM, 53, 6'4", slender, in good physical condition, seeks a female of humor, NS, self-employed, would like to meet a steady, attractive lady, 41-49, for companionship, possible LTR. #8765

COMPLETE ME!
Romantic, professional SW/M, 34, has everything now except you. Like me, please be Catholic, NS, never married, and unbelievably affectionate. Capture my heart forever! #8836

WESTLAND'S MOST ELIGIBLE
Handsome, sincere DWM, young 51, brown/brown, 5'8", 165lb, NS, ND, financially/emotionally secure, no dependents. Seeking attractive female, 35-45, for LTR. No games. #8837

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Self-reliant, honest, romantic SW/M, 26, college graduate, financially independent, never married, enjoys cooking, movies, outdoor activities, hunts and fishes now and again. Seeking SWF, 23-30, who is interested in developing a possible long-term relationship. #8838

SEEKING SPIRITUAL LADY
Admirable, august, able-bodied, quiet, confident, degreed DWM, 43, 6', 183lb, handsome, great cook, seeks same qualities in SF. #8741

ROMANTIC TIMES
DWM, 32, 5'9", 155lb, enjoys sports, movies, romantic, outgoing, seeks female, 25-39, petite, full of life, to share those romantic evenings. Kids ok. Give me a call. #8879

CURIOUS GEORGE
Honest, sincere, lovable SW/M, 30, physically fit, very attractive, seeks SWF, 25-40, physically fit, to grow together with. #8881

TRYING TO BE MORE PROSPEROUS
 Carpenter/handyman, mid-30s, Midland/Novia area. Seems dumb being alone all winter. Seeking lady for friendship. Surprise me. #8884

POLICE OFFICER
Honest, loving, caring SW/M, 35, 5'8", blonde/blue, seeks honest, romantic, passionate, marriage-minded SWF, 25-35. #8888

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## Sing, sing a song



NANCY K. SWANBORG

### From welfare to work: It's not a quick fix

There's been a lot in the media describing the necessity for the transition from welfare to work. Recently, I read a very interesting article by Dana Milbank, called, "Under the Underclass: A Bold Welfare Experiment Fails." The article describes the Marriott Hotel program that takes the client through a six-week program culminating in employment.

As I reflect on this situation, I have been looking at my own life experiences and those of the people around me. From my first memories, my father got up every morning and left home to work. My mother stayed within the home environment and worked everyday. If the family wanted to do something or go somewhere, it took planning. Individual members needed to be physically ready and have the finances to accomplish the event. I heard about the checks and bank accounts, mortgages and utility bills.

As I moved into adulthood, I began to take on the responsibilities for these livelihood activities myself. I expected to join the workforce. I was encouraged to complete an educational program and seek employment. Without a conscious intent, I learned

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**Practice, practice:** Gerry Wyrabkiewicz of Wayne (from left), Carol McKee of Canton and Pam Majewski, also of Canton, join fellow members of the members of Spirit of Detroit Chorus in rehearsing "Orange Color Sky," by Nat King Cole.

## Chorus readies its world-class sound

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

Watching the Sweet Adelines belt out songs during a recent practice felt like having front row seats to a Broadway show instead of a folding chair in the basement of a church.

The local group, called the Spirit of Detroit Chorus, has every reason to look polished and there are a lot of professional eyes and ears who think so. The 111 women recently won the regional division competition among 27

other Sweet Adeline choruses in eastern Michigan and western Canada.

"It's awesome to win it and know that everyone worked together to make it come together," said Carol McKee, membership co-director with Pam Majewski.

And their spirits are soaring, because this entitles them to go onto the international competition next November in Nashville, Tenn., to compete against other Sweet Adeline groups from around the world.

For the last nine years, the Spirit of Detroit Chorus has won every regional division competition they've entered. However, the highest they've rated at the international level was 15th, and this year they hope to place in the top 10.

### Variety in group

Members of the local group range in age from 14 to their late 70s and they live in just about every community in the metropolitan Detroit area as well

as Canada and Ohio. By day they work as secretaries, travel agents and countless other jobs.

And their musical repertoire is just as varied ... Nat King Cole, Gloria Estefan and Barbra Streisand, songs from Broadway to Motown, Big Band to jazz.

"The Sweet Adelines are great, because we don't have to read music," Majewski said. "You just have to carry a tune and swing."

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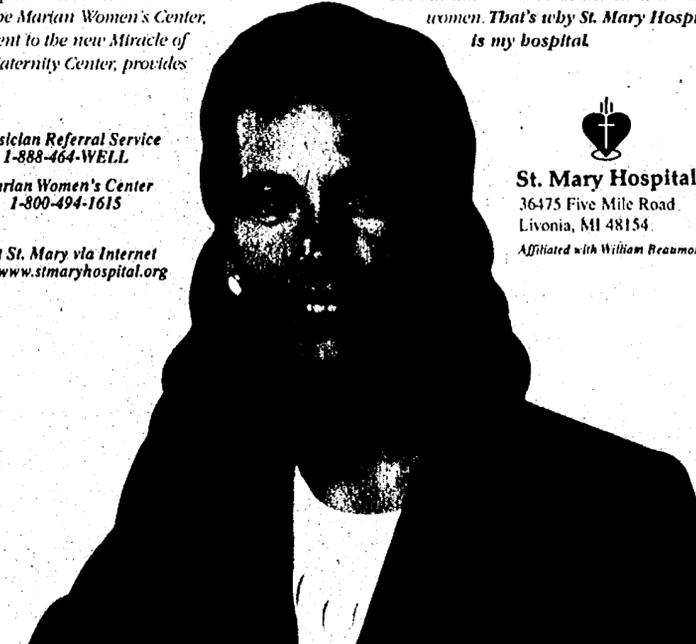


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"And smile," added McKee. Dodi LaMarte, a Sweet Adeline for 20 years, said the group takes pride in teaching people how to sing.

"We show them correct posture, breathing and vocal production," LaMarte explained.

Marge Dugan, a member for 33 years, said the group has developed professionally over the years, "and the educational aspect has grown by leaps and bounds."

Their standout performances of four-part harmony in the barbershop genre don't come by accident. From 7-10 p.m. every Tuesday, all year long, they practice at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church on Five Mile in Livonia. They also practice songs and routines on their own.

Their next public performances are at 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 16, at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills.

Or, you might find them at nursing homes, women's auxili-

ary groups, weddings, funerals and other functions. They also perform during the summer Music Under the Stars program in Livonia as well as events in Farmington and Birmingham.

A week before the Mercy performance, the Sweet Adelines will take part in this year's regional competition. However, they won't be able to compete in it because they are last year's winners.

They will perform the two songs, "So Mother, Kiss Your Boy Goodbye" and "World War I Medley" that they plan to perform during the international competition. The judges at the regional performances will make critical comments to help them perfect their act.

"Singing with this group is a thrill," Dugan said. "The chemistry is very good and the director (LeAnn Hazlett) is wonderful."

In fact, Hazlett drives back and forth to Swanton, Ohio, weekly for every rehearsal and

for each performance. A Sweet Adeline since she was 17, Hazlett is also the lead singer of the 1991 International Queens of Harmony quartet, "Swing Street."

What motivates this all-volunteer group to maintain such a high level of energy and dedication?

"Most people are here, because they love to sing and it's a definite opportunity," said LaMarte, adding that the group offers positions in costume design, choreography and many administrative posts.

During the practice, the Sweet Adelines fine-tuned their choreography and voices to "World War I Medley," Linda Lupo, Sweet Adelines' chorus choreographer, coaxes them every step.

"Move into the hand gestures," she pleads. "Feel it. Establish that championship attitude."

They have to be in tune with one another for every step and note on stage and their comradeship is just as strong when they're not performing.

"My mother passed away suddenly and I had vans full of people coming over with food," LaMarte said. "It bowled me over by their support."

Membership seems to run in blood lines, too. LaMarte has two sisters, Peggy Gibb and Marilyn Grimes, who are fellow Sweet Adelines. There also are numerous mother-daughter teams and even twins in the group.

The Sweet Adelines are always looking for new members.

"All you need is a love of music and a spirit of fellowship," McKee said.

For more information or for



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**Cool moves:** Not only do Margaret Morgan of Westland (from left), Kathy Green of Farmington Hills and Dianna Sanburn of Livonia sing, they also dance as part of the chorus's rendition of "Heat Wave."

## Prospective volunteers invited to orientation

Volunteer Impact is holding a prospective volunteer orientation for people interested in learning where their help is needed in the community.

The orientation will be 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit.

Families, friends and co-workers are invited to come and find out more about where they can

volunteer together. Some projects are appropriate for youth and seniors.

Preregistration is required and can be completed by calling Volunteer Impact at (248) 559-4950.

Based in Southfield, Volunteer Impact offers monthly calendar of approximately 25 volunteer projects to participate in based on interest and availability. There is no required time commitment or fee for membership.

## Swanborg from page B1

the value of getting up on time, being responsible for my attendance, being appropriately dressed, and having the language and communication skills to work well with others.

Today, as I watch colleagues anticipating retirement, I see the overt planning that they are doing as they are adjusting to a lifestyle change. Many employers hold classes in retirement planning; financial planners are sending materials everyday; and organizations and resorts are very willing to help in this transition time. What would my life be like if none or most of those underlying expectations were not present?

This description of a middle class lifestyle helps me frame the concerns that I have about the concept of welfare-to-work in a six-week project/program.

If I look at a welfare recipient, I find a woman who has a depen-

dent child (AFDC = Aid to Families with Dependent Children). I find a woman who has multiple barriers to her success in the world of work: child care, medical care, time management, financial planning, physical and mental abuse, poor social skills, low reading and critical-thinking skills, poor self-esteem, a weak or nonexistent support system, repeated failure in a wide spectrum of choices, often no working private transportation or poor public transportation and often a lack of personal responsibility. Is it any wonder that individuals participating in these programs fail to adapt to their lifestyle changes as a result of a six-week training program?

In addition to learning the specific skills required for the job, the participant must reframe her day by arranging for the care of her children when they are well and when they are sick, find

transportation to the place of training/employment, acquire the clothing necessary for the workplace or dress in the uniform provided, continue to maintain her household with meals, laundry, maintenance, interact positively with supervisors, address chemical dependency if it is an issue, and learn to balance the many simultaneous requests for her time and attention.

There is never the luxury of time to address her own personal needs and wants, hopes and dreams.

Those who have the ability to retire from full-time employment tell me that they are often disoriented (unaware of the day of the week) and initially experience anxiety due to change. Learning about and planning for retirement is a process that consumes them for many months, even years, before they embark on the

change.

The more aspects they have thought about and anticipated, the easier the transition. As one humorist wrote, "For better or for worse, but not for lunch every day." Often the seemingly easy changes are the most problematic.

### People in transition

The Women's Resource Center staff has worked with many women who are in transition. Some of the transition is from the home environment to the paid workforce. In our "Chips" (From Chocolate Chips to Micro Chips) program, we systematically address many of the issues mentioned here.

After 16 weeks in the formal program, we can see a dramatic change in many of the participants. Often the affirmation that each is a capable human being has been internalized to the

point of belief and that is the driving force for continuing change.

They have 16 weeks to begin to know themselves and to use that information to make a positive choice. The values of a support system become a reality: someone to call, someone who cares whether you make it or not, someone who will listen, someone who will help solve those difficult decisions, and resources.

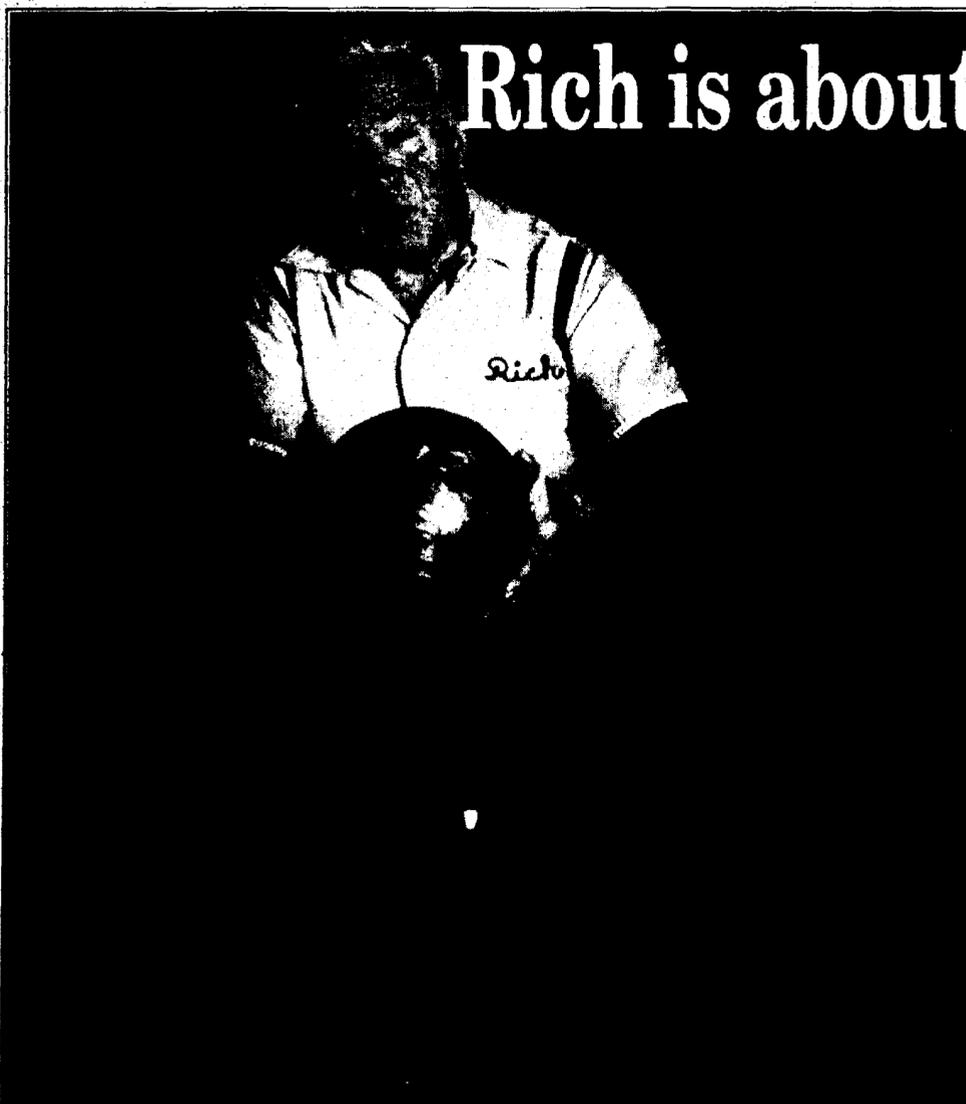
After 16 weeks, the participants have their feet firmly in the starting blocks. They are ready to move ahead. Often their track is like a marathon route that has twists and turns, hills and plains, and the finish line is not in sight as they begin. But the cheering crowd is there and some refreshment, too. Some of the hurdles are lower and some are disappearing, while some remain ever-present to be over-

come.

Some participants are ready to begin looking for paid employment; others need to build basic skills before employment is realistic. Taking the time to build a strong foundation will have enormous benefits for the future. It reminds me of the adage: "Give one a fish and one eats for a day; teach one to fish and one eats for a lifetime."

Are the welfare-to-work programs unrealistic? I think they are. Lifestyle changes require time for the process. They are not quick fixes. To be effective, they must be integrated into every aspect of a person's life. Six weeks is not long enough for that process to happen and to learn a marketable skill at the same time.

Nancy K. Swanborg is director of the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia.



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**WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS**

**Pryce-Swiderek**

Matthew David Pryce and Sharon Marie Swiderek were married Oct. 11 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth by the Rev. John Sullivan.

The bride is the daughter of Bill and Pam Swiderek of Canton. The groom is the son of Brad and Jane Pryce of East Lansing.

The bride is a graduate of Divine Child High School in Dearborn and the University of Michigan. She is a fifth grade teacher at Burns Park Elementary School in Ann Arbor.

The groom is a graduate of East Lansing High School and the University of Michigan. He is an assistant business manager at Equity Residential Properties and Trust in Southfield.



They reside in Dearborn Heights and are planning a Caribbean honeymoon cruise at Easter.

**Hagan-McCormick**

Ken and Gail Hagan of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephania, to Sean McCormick, the son of Don and Jerri McCormick of Livonia. The bride-to-be is a student at Eastern Michigan University student where she is pursuing a teaching certificate.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed as a police detective by the Pittsfield Police Department.

A July wedding is planned at St. John Neumann Catholic Church in Canton.



**Thompson-Huntington**

Sandra Thompson of Plymouth and Norman J. Thompson of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey C., to Charles R. Huntington Jr., the son of Joann and Charles R. Huntington Sr. of Pennsylvania.

The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. She is employed as a registered nurse at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Ill. He is employed at Smith Barney in Bala Cynwyd, Pa.

An August wedding is planned at Narberth Presbyterian



Church in Narberth, Pa.

**Bernstein-Laurette**

Lawrence Hui and Judy Hasty of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Sue Bernstein, to Philip David Laurette, the son of Frank and Nancy Laurette of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She is employed as a dental receptionist in Westland.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Schoolcraft College with an associate degree in applied science. He is employed as a controls designer for Motorama Engineering Group in Farmington.

A July wedding is planned at the Universalist Unitarian



Church of Farmington.

**Clement-Shuttleworth**

Clarence Clement of Westland and Mildred Pariseau of Weldon, Calif., announce the engagement of their daughter, Terri L., to Thomas G. Shuttleworth, the son of Michael and Norma Shuttleworth of East Tawas.

The bride-to-be is a 1990 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. She is employed as a legal secretary by KPM Group.

Her fiancé also is 1990 graduate of Livonia Churchill High School. He is employed by G. Campo Inc.

A February wedding is planned at St. Genevieve Catholic Church in Livonia.



**Opper-Ritchie**

Michael and Elaine Opper of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Ronald William Ritchie, the son of Clyde and Sandra Ritchie of Southgate.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Madonna University, and a master's degree candidate at University of Detroit Mercy. She is employed by Southgate Community Schools.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Wayne State University. He is employed as a supervisor with United Parcel Service.

An April wedding is planned at St. Edith's Catholic Church in Livonia.

**Bist-Badrak**

Donald and Delores Bist of



Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Laure, to Derek Badrak, the son of Donald and Jo Badrak, also of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. Her fiancé is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School.

A May wedding is planned at St. Aidan's Catholic Church in Livonia.



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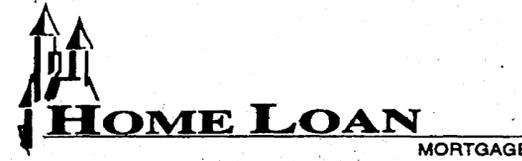
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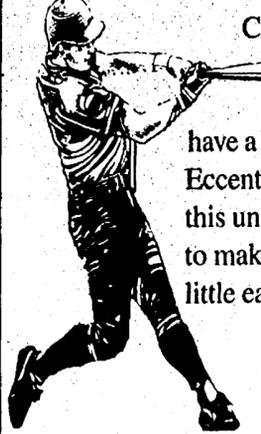
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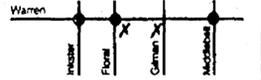


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# Duggan's 8th annual dance raises money for First Step

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

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The Livonia city councilman  
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charity dance to benefit First Step 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, Feb. 6, at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia.

Steve King, who like Duggan graduated from Livonia's Bentley High School, and his band The Dittillies will provide the entertainment.

Complimentary hot and cold hors d'oeuvres will be served 7:30-9:30 p.m. Like years past, a chef will carve roast beef for dinner. To ease hunger pangs later in the evening, pizza will be served around 11 p.m.

Individual tickets are \$18 in advance, \$23 at the door. Checks should be made out to First Step, tax I.D. No. 38-220 8980. For more information, call Duggan at (734) 422-4333 or (734) 591-1900. Corporate sponsorships are also available.

Duggan came up with the idea for a First Step benefit more than eight years ago.

"I met Judy Ellis, the director of First Step, and she gave me a little pitch about what First Step is all about," he said of his partnership with the shelter. "I felt that it was a really good charity to work on. I've been doing it ever since."

First Step is a private, no-profit agency serving 35 communities in western Wayne County and Downriver. It provides such comprehensive programs as a 24-hour help line, First Response Team to answer calls for intervention in hospitals, clinics and police stations and temporary emergency shelter for the victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Duggan's original idea was to have a beach party at Camp Dearborn, but when those plans fell through he chose a charity dance. "A couple years later I came up with the idea for corporate sponsors; that gives me

more of an insight of how many people are coming. It's been growing since then," he said.

Last year, more than 1,200 people attended the event, and 200 businesses signed on as corporate sponsors or donated door prizes.

There are three types of sponsorships. The \$1,000 platinum sponsors receive a separate, 3-by-10 banner with its name on it, a full-page ad in the program, 30 tickets (three reserved tables) to the dance, a bottle of champagne, a table sign identifying the company as a sponsor and company recognition in the program.

Gold sponsors who give \$500 get a separate 3-by-6 banner with their company name on it, a half-page ad in the program, 20 tickets (two reserved tables) to the dance, a bottle of champagne, a table sign identifying the company as a sponsor and

company recognition in the program.

For \$200, silver sponsors receive 10 tickets (one reserved table) to the dance, a bottle of champagne on each table, a table sign identifying the company as a sponsor and company recognition in the program.

Duggan has tried to make other changes to the event, but admits patrons look forward to dancing.

"I have tried different things," he said. "I've been trying to get comedians out there, but people enjoy the atmosphere and they enjoy the dancing. That's pretty much what they want to do."

Even when the 60 to 100 door prizes are handed out, people are anxious to return to the dance floor.

"Sometimes that gets too long because they really want to dance," Duggan said.

## St. Vincent DePaul holds 99-cent sale

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul will be selling coats, jackets, sweaters, blouses and pants for rock-bottom prices during February as part of its 12th annual 99-cent sale.

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Thanks to the contributions of people in the metropolitan Detroit, the society is able to continue the largest nonprofit coat sale in the area.

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**ON THE INTERNET**

Newburg United Methodist Church is asking the community to take a few minutes to visit its Web site - <http://www.gbgm-umc.org/newburgumc/> - to find out the many activities and events taking place at the church at 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia.

**ANNUAL CARD PARTY**

St. Richard's Women's Guild will have its annual card party at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, in the church social hall, 35851 Cherry Hill Road, Westland. Sloppy Joes, salad, beverage and dessert will be served. Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased at the door, from a Guild member, or by calling Jan at (734) 721-5353.

**BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST**

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance divorced and separated Christians, will have a Together Dance at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Divine Providence Catholic Church, Nine Mile Road between Beech Daly and Telegraph roads. The charge will be \$8, including refreshments. For more information, call Rose at (734) 464-3325.

The group also meets on Sundays for breakfast and Mass - 10 a.m. at the Redford Inn, Five Mile Road west of Beech Daly Road, Redford, and at 11:15 a.m.

at St. Aidan's Church, Farmington Road north of Six Mile Road, Livonia - call Val at (734) 729-1974 - for coffee and conversation at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Archie's Restaurant, Plymouth Road east of Merriman, Livonia, and for pinocle at 7 p.m. every other Friday - call Rose.

**SINGLE POINT**

Single Point Ministries' next installment of "Talk It Over" program will feature Linda Limbers Mitchell speaking about "Goal Setting" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 23, in Knox Hall of Ward Presbyterian Church, 17000 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Indoor volleyball is offered at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Knox Hall. A \$1 donation is suggested to help maintain the equipment. For more information, call (734) 422-1854.

**SUNDAY LESSONS**

"Ground Hog Day" will be the lesson at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at Church of Today West in Village Oaks Elementary School, 23333 Willowbrook, between Haggerty and Meadowbrook roads, Novi. The church also offers youth education, a course in miracles at 7 p.m. Tuesdays and others courses in 4T, meditation and unity basics. For more information, call (248) 449-8900 or at its Web site, <http://www.cotw.com>.

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**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

The radio series, "What is This Christian Science and Who Are These Christian Scientists?" is being broadcast at 1:30 p.m. Sundays of WQBH-AM 1400. The topic will be "Does Christian Science do anything about the world's problems?" on Feb. 1 and "What would a Christian Scientist do if he were in a serious accident?" on Feb. 8. "The Christian Science Sentinel-Radio Edition" also can be heard at 9:30 a.m. Sundays on WAAM-AM 1600. The conversational program discusses current public topics as well as shares healing through prayer from people all over the world.

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**NEW BEGINNINGS**

New Beginnings, a grief support group held year-round at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile Road, east of Merriman Road, Livonia, continues with its monthly speaker series at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, with "The Grief Process," presented by the Rev. Chuck Sonquist. The program is for people suffering as the result of the death of a loved one. There are no fees. Anyone may attend any or all sessions as they feel the need. For more information, call the church office at (734)

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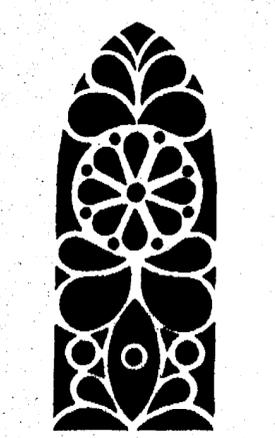
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In Italy: Marian and Clayton Roshirt of Tampa, Fla., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in a grand style. They joined daughter Kathy Herrino (left) of Livonia on a trip to Italy. Herino, armed with a Livonia Observer, the trio struck a picture postcard pose in front of the ruins of Pompeii.

# McLarens ask friends to tour hospice residence

**'My daughter one day said, 'When Dad dies, I'm going to have a golf outing for him.'**

*Margaret McLaren hospice supporter*

About the only thing Alexander McLaren loved more than golf was his family. They were very close, and when he died, his wife, Margaret, and their six children and many grandchildren wanted to remember him in a special way.

"He had been ill for five years," Margaret said. "Then that last year he was really sick and we had him in Arbor Hospice care for the last five weeks. That's one good thing about hospice is that they get you talking about the death."

"My daughter one day said, 'When Dad dies, I'm going to have a golf outing for him.'"

It seemed appropriate. Every time Alexander McLaren wound up in the hospital with complications from his emphysema or gallbladder cancer, the doctors would ask him what his expectation were.

"To swing the golf club one more time," he would reply.

He died in March 1996 and that August the first Alexander McLaren Memorial Golf Tournament took place in Canton.

The family, which hails from Livonia, Canton, Allen Park and White Lake, set up a foundation to run it, elected board members and had monthly meetings.

They contacted businesses for donations and asked for hole

sponsors. The community response was generous, and they had prizes such as a new Saturn car to give away to the winner of the hole-in-one contest.

From the beginning, Margaret knew she wanted the money to go to Arbor Hospice. Since 1984, the agency has cared for more than 5,000 patients and their families throughout southeast Michigan with more than 600 doctors referring patients.

Margaret and the children were very pleased with the care Alexander had received. With a new residence being planned to provide comfort and care for terminally ill patients during their last few months, the McLarens made it a goal to sponsor an entire private room.

The Arbor Hospice Residence will open in February, and the Alexander McLaren room is one of many rooms that will provide a comfortable, home-like place for patients who can't die at home for a number of reasons.

The Arbor Hospice Residence has been widely supported by the residents of southeast Michigan. Sixteen of its 26 patient rooms plus the gift shop, hallways, a conference room and dining room were donated by people living in western Wayne County.

Each room is individually decorated, and the McLaren room

has a hummingbird theme. Shades of soft green and pale pink and a handcrafted quilt, decorated with appliqued hummingbirds gathering nectar from flowers accent the room.

Along with the two golf tournaments, the foundation has hosted a euchre tournament at the Union Lake Grill and Bar where the owner donated a full course spaghetti and chicken dinner to the card players.

And financial support isn't the only help the McLarens have provided Arbor Hospice. Family members have helped with the Tree of Remembrance ceremony and other projects.

Margaret feels the residence, located in Ann Arbor, is an especially important part of Arbor Hospice.

"At the Tree of Remembrance ceremony, this woman came up to me and said, 'I'm so glad they're building that residence; it gives me a little bit of peace of mind,'" Margaret said.

When asked why, the woman told Margaret, "I've taken care of my mother, my sister and my husband. I'm the only one left. There's no place close enough for me to go."

Thankful for the community support, the McLarens are inviting their supporters to join for an open house 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the residence, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor.

"We've had a lot of good support from a lot of good people," said Margaret.

People wishing to join the McLaren Foundation, can call Debbie Gambino at (734) 383-8800. For more information about a guided tour of the residence, call (734) 662-5999.

## CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to Sue Mason at 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, or by fax at (734) 591-7279. For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

### SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

Applications are being accepted for the spring craft show Saturday, March 7, at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. The fee is \$90 for a 12-by-12-foot space, \$55 for a 10-by-10-foot space and \$40 for a 8-by-9-foot space or an 8-by-4-foot hallway space. There is an additional \$15 fee for electricity. To receive an application, call the department of marketing and development at (734) 462-4417.

### ST. MEL'S

St. Mel's Catholic Church will

have its spring arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 7 at the church, 7508 Inkster Road, Dearborn Heights. In addition to crafts, food and beverages will be available. There also will be a special crafters raffle. Table and a 5-by-10-foot space costs \$30 and a 5-by-10-foot space only is \$25. For more information, call Debbie at (313) 6881.

### LIVONIA CHURCHILL

Crafters are wanted for the Livonia Churchill High School PTSA spring arts and crafts show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 21 at the school, 8900 Newburg Road, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 523-0022 or (734) 523-9200.

### LIVONIA FRANKLIN

The Livonia Franklin High School Patriots Club will have a craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 21 at the school, 31000

Joy Road, Livonia. More than 175 crafters will be featured. Admission will be \$1 for those older than 5 years of age. No strollers will be permitted, however, people in wheelchairs will be admitted at 9:30 a.m.

### DEARBORN HIGH

The Dearborn High School Yearbook Staff and Class of 1998 is sponsoring a spring arts and crafts extravaganza 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 21 at the school, 19501 Outer Dr. Admission will be \$1. Spaces are still available. For applications, call (313) 562-2677 or (313) 561-0158. Deadline is March 1.

### LIVONIA STEVENSON

Crafters are needed for the Livonia Stevenson High School Booster Club's Spring Spectacular craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 28 at the school, 33500 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Spaces - 10 feet by 10 feet or 5

feet by 16 feet - cost \$50. Limited electricity is available at no additional cost, and chairs (no tables) are available upon request. For an application or more information, call (734) 464-1041 or (248) 478-2395.

### MADONNA UNIVERSITY

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 13th annual spring arts and crafts showcase 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 28, in the Activities Center on campus, Schoolcraft and Levan Road, Livonia. Booth space measuring 9 feet by 6 feet with two chairs and one 6-by-8-foot table is \$50. Booths with electricity are limited and are an additional \$5. Exhibitors may purchase up to three spaces. Crafters will receive a \$5 discount, if their forms are received by Sunday, Feb. 1. For more information, call the university at (734) 432-5603.

## Suburban West BPW hears about 'hidden job market'

Joyce Fortier of "Create Your Career" will discuss the hidden job market when the Suburban West Business and Professional Women's Club meets on Monday, Feb. 2.

The group will meet at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Livo-

nia, 1-275 and Six Mile Road. The evening will begin with a social hour at 6 p.m., followed by the dinner and program at 6:30 p.m. There also will be a silent auction.

For more information, call Eunice Taylor at (313) 254-9617.

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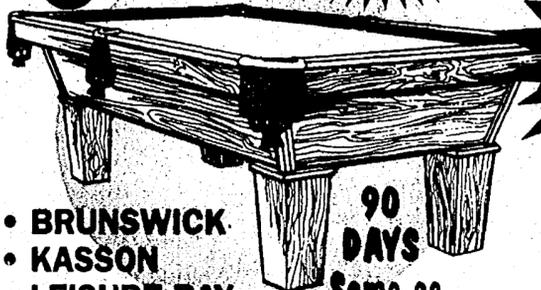
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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Scholar-Athlete nominees

Here is a list of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Award nominees.

Farm Bureau Insurance underwrites the award, and presents a \$1,000 scholarship in each sport.

To be nominated, students must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.50 (on a 4.0), and have previously won a varsity letter.

Students were also asked to show community involvement, submit two letters of recommendation and a 500-word essay on importance of sportsmanship in athletics.

The top 24 Scholar-Athlete Award recipients will be honored Saturday, March 28 during halftime of the Class C boys basketball finals at the Breslin Student Events Center in East Lansing.

•Livonia Clarenceville: Agnieszka Palaz, girls volleyball.

•Livonia Churchill: Rob Aloe, boys tennis; Kellie Dodd, girls swimming; Lisa Fabirkiewicz, girls soccer; Dave George, boys soccer; Mark Giska, football; Kristen Hetra, girls track; Rob Shereda, boys swimming; Jessica Sherman, girls volleyball; Katie Singer, girls cross country; Sarah Stiles, girls softball; Matt Weber, boys track.

•Livonia Franklin: Brent Accurso, boys basketball and boys track; Julie Cencer, girls basketball; Guinevere Duffy, girls swimming; Stacey Goodrich, girls soccer; Sarah Gush, girls volleyball; Emily Kracht, girls soccer; Melanie Maxwell, girls volleyball; Andrea Reetz, girls track; Julie Warner, girls basketball; Danielle Wensing, girls volleyball and girls track.

•Livonia Ladywood: Leigha Agoston, girls tennis; Kathryn Brogan, girls volleyball; Kendall Carey, girls track; Kristen Chapman, girls competitive cheer; Holly Davis, girls track; Meryl Denton, girls soccer and girls basketball; Ann Droste, girls soccer; Susan Droste, girls cross country; Ann Figurski, girls cross country and track; Lisa Haller, girls cross country and track; Kelly Jeffrey, girls basketball; Anne Kijek, girls softball; Marisa Koczara, girls golf; Jennifer Lachapelle, girls volleyball, basketball and soccer; Carrie Laird, girls soccer; Lisa Morrison, girls track and cross country; Kelly O'Brien, girls track; Molly O'Connell, girls track; Bridget O'Grady, girls competitive cheer; Ann Obrecht, girls soccer; Leslie Orzech, girls volleyball; Sarah Poglits, girls basketball and volleyball; Eve Radzialowski, girls track; Andrea Rahaley, girls volleyball and swimming; Danielle Rabu, girls softball; Megan Reardon, girls soccer and cross country; Jessica Delos Reyes, girls tennis; Erin Roberts, girls golf; Jennifer Sala, girls competitive cheer; Alison Spohn, girls track; Kristin Stachura, girls soccer; Sarah Stewart, girls skiing and soccer; Sarah Townsend, girls golf; Sheryl Wroblewski, girls basketball; Jennifer Wychowski, girls soccer; Melanie York, girls soccer.

•Livonia Stevenson: Jennifer Baker, girls soccer; Kasey Bracken, girls cross country; Carolyn Courtright, girls basketball; Delia Dumitrescu, girls cross country; Kal Farah, football; Katie Gardner, girls cross country; Janelle Gerken, girls cross country; Danielle Harris, girls cross country and track; Jeff Lang, boys golf; Kelly McNeillance, girls cross country; Rebecca Noechel, girls swimming; Elizabeth Peterson, girls cross country; Katsuhiko Sueda, wrestling; Michael Voutsinas, boys basketball.

•Westland John Glenn: Brian Huber, boys soccer.

•Wayne Memorial: Mary Crawford, girls track; Dalna Haidous, girls tennis; Kristin Herrin, girls soccer; Angela Hill, girls softball; Andrea McCallill, girls swimming, girls soccer; Alex Poniatowski, boys soccer; Alana Tucker, girls tennis.

•Lutheran High Westland: Brad Woehlke, boys soccer; Megan Zehel, girls competitive cheer.

•Redford Catholic Central: Matthew Firlik, boys basketball; Paul Garabelli, boys swimming; Matthew Kessler, boys skiing; Kevin Nowak, boys track; Matthew Peterson, boys wrestling; Kevin Pletzke, boys cross country; Nicholas Reid, boys soccer; Joseph Sgrol, football; Marc Siciliano, boys tennis.

### Youth hockey champs

The Livonia Squirt Blues recently captured first place in the Detroit Skating Club Christmas Tournament with a 7-2 win in the finals over of the USA Tigers.

The Blues also scored wins over the Royal Oak Panthers, 7-1; USA Firebirds, 4-2; and USA Tigers, 6-2.

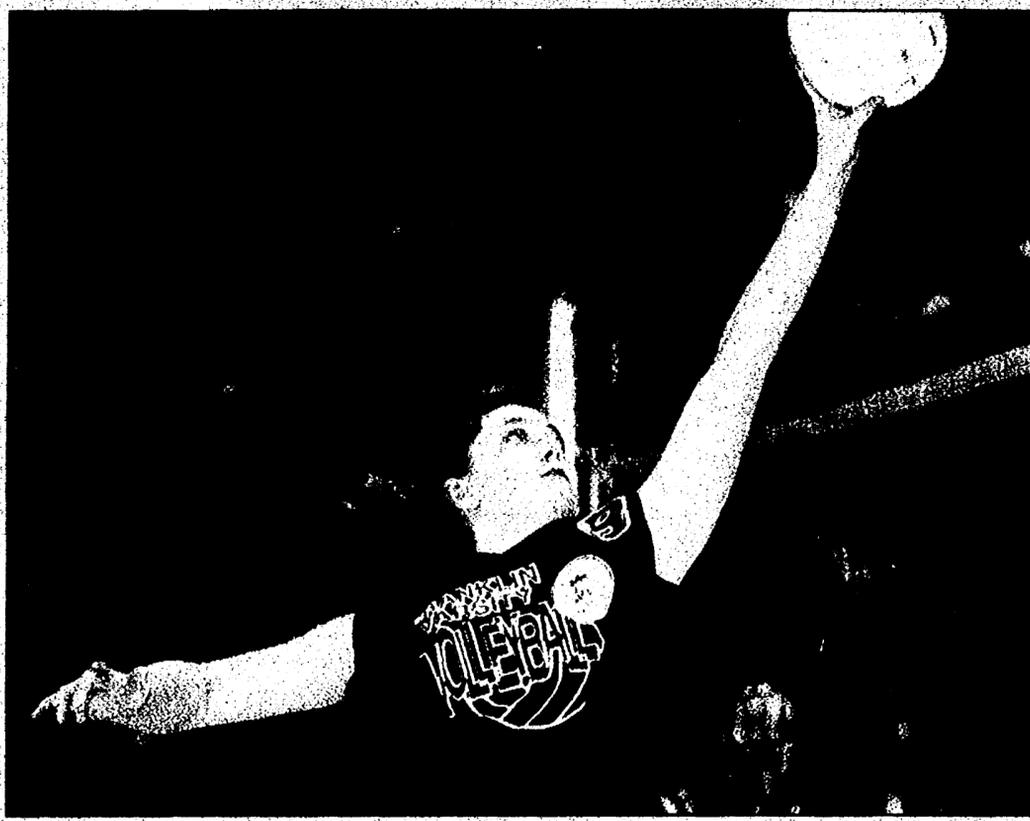
Members of the Blues include: Justin Aguis, Erik Anderson, Mike Barnett, Michael Bay, Laura Conner, Aaron Czajka, Steve Eckert, Sam Hoyt, Edward Isabell, Brad Mangas, Lauren Nadeau, Tony Rini, Morgan Sieber and Steve Streicher. Team members who did not participate in the tournament were Alex Kadarjan and Steve Roberts.

The coaching staff includes Paul Anderson, Terry Hoyt, Fred Rini and Mark Steicher. The team sponsors include Aguis Garage Doors, Mike Tonarelli Construction and Westland Veterinary Clinic.

### Youth soccer champs

The Michigan Hawks, an under-12 Little Caesars Premier Soccer League team, went undefeated in the Total Soccer indoor regional tournament last weekend to qualify for nationals next month in Cleveland, Ohio.

Members of the Hawks, who will try to defend their national title, include: Elizabeth Albulou, Colene Brockman, Nicole Cauzillo, Erin Doan, Kathryn Cumming, Melissa Dobbyn, Jordan Falcusan, Whitney Guenther, Nikki Hermann, Lindsay Hill, Jill Kehler, Deanne Kubas, Kelly McMann, Sophia Naum, Jamie Poole, Mariassa Sarkesian and Jennifer Szymanski.



### Tower of power

Carrying the load: Livonia Franklin senior co-captain Brooke Hensman, playing the front row, has things under control at the net during Monday's Western Lakes Activities Association match against arch-rival Livonia Churchill. Hensman had four kills and seven blocks as the Patriots earned a 15-9, 15-3 triumph over the Chargers. For a complete roundup of area high school volleyball matches, turn to page C4.

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## Observerland mat title on line

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

Sooner or later, time changes everything. Even an American Football Conference team will eventually win a Super Bowl, given enough time.

So when the Seventh Annual Observerland Wrestling Tournament gets under way Saturday morning at Westland John Glenn, expect some changes.

Nothing too drastic — three of last year's top four teams will probably still be at the top of the standings by day's end. What seems likely to change, however, is the order of their finish.

Livonia Stevenson is the reigning Observerland king. Indeed, the Spartans have owned the tournament the last few years, winning three of the last four. Only Redford Catholic Central was able to interrupt that dominance with a championship in '96.

"We've been lucky," said Stevenson

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coach Don Berg. "We've had some good wrestlers. We still have some good wrestlers, but I don't know if we're good enough to win it this year."

While the Spartans have had to plug holes in their lineup due to injury and graduation losses, the team that gave them the most trouble at last year's Observerland — Plymouth Salem — has flourished.

Which is why the Rocks, beaten by a mere six points at last year's tournament, are the favorites this time.

None of it means too much to Salem coach Ron Krueger. "You know, we're not even ranked in the top 10 in the state, and we've beaten several teams that are," Krueger said. "All that being favored and that other stuff doesn't mean anything."

Well, adhere to that path and the

question that follows is: How important is the Observerland Tournament?

The answer: Don't underestimate it. "It's our last tune-up," Krueger said. "After this weekend, we have a week off, then we come right back in with the (Western Lakes Activities Association) tournament."

"We just have to keep ourselves together."

That's something the Rocks have done quite well all season. Their lineup has few weak spots.

"They're real solid, all the way through," said CC coach Mike Rodriguez of Salem. His Shamrocks placed fourth last year, but he believes Salem's lineup is too complete for his team to challenge.

What Rodriguez will have in his lineup are two returning Observerland champs in Mitch Hancock, who won in '97 at 112 but has wrestled up to 135

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### Observerland Tournament

■ **When:** Wrestling begins at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

■ **Where:** Westland John Glenn HS.

■ **Admission:** \$4 (for all day). Concessions available.

■ **Teams competing:** Plymouth Canton, Plymouth Canton, Farmington, Redford Union, Farmington Harrison, Garden City, North Farmington, Redford Catholic Central, Westland John Glenn, Wayne Memorial, Livonia Churchill, Redford Thurston, Lutheran Westland, Livonia Clarenceville, Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevenson.

■ **Defending champion:** Livonia Stevenson.

## Lutheran Westland clips Clarenceville

BY NEAL ZIPSER  
STAFF WRITER

Life without Albert has not been fun for Livonia Clarenceville.

The Trojans have had to play without junior Albert Deljosevic and his 25-point per game average the past two games. The guard was forced to miss Friday's game against Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett and Tuesday's game against Lutheran Westland after being suspended from school.

Clarenceville didn't play as poorly as it did against Liggett (an 80-53 defeat), but couldn't overcome Deljosevic's loss against the visiting Warriors in a 62-54 loss.

The good news for the Trojans is that Deljosevic returns Friday for a game at Hamtramck, the Metro Conference leader.

Clarenceville trailed for most of the game but was able to close what was a 10-point deficit to 54-52 with 2:13 remaining. But the Warriors scored eight of the final 10 points of the game — all from the free throw line — to hold on for the win.

The hero for Westland was senior guard Scott Randall who hit seven of nine foul shots in the fourth quarter. He finished with 13 points.

For Westland, the victory keeps the team's slim hopes for a league title alive. The Warriors snapped a two-game losing streak and improved to 4-5 overall and 4-3 in the league.

"We'll take any win we can, especially on the road," Lutheran Westland coach Dan Ramthun said. "We had Clarenceville today and Harper Woods Friday, and I considered these must wins if we want to get back into it."

The Trojans, who are heading in the other direction, slipped to 3-6 overall and 1-6 in the Metro.

### BOYS BASKETBALL

"We've hit some rocky roads and it doesn't get any easier with Hamtramck on Friday," Clarenceville coach Rick Larson said. "Getting Albert back in practice will give us a boost and get our chemistry back. I did see some good things from players who received extended minutes in his absence."

Senior forward Justin Villanueva, who has had to carry the load in Deljosevic's absence, finished with a game-high 23 points and 12 rebounds.

Senior center Brad Woehlke was stellar underneath for Westland, collecting 16 points and 10 boards. Tom Habitz and Jake Hatten chipped in with 10 and nine points, respectively.

With Deljosevic out, the Clarenceville backcourt struggled, recording only 15 points against the Westland zone.

With Deljosevic out, Ramthun's strategy was to stop Villanueva.

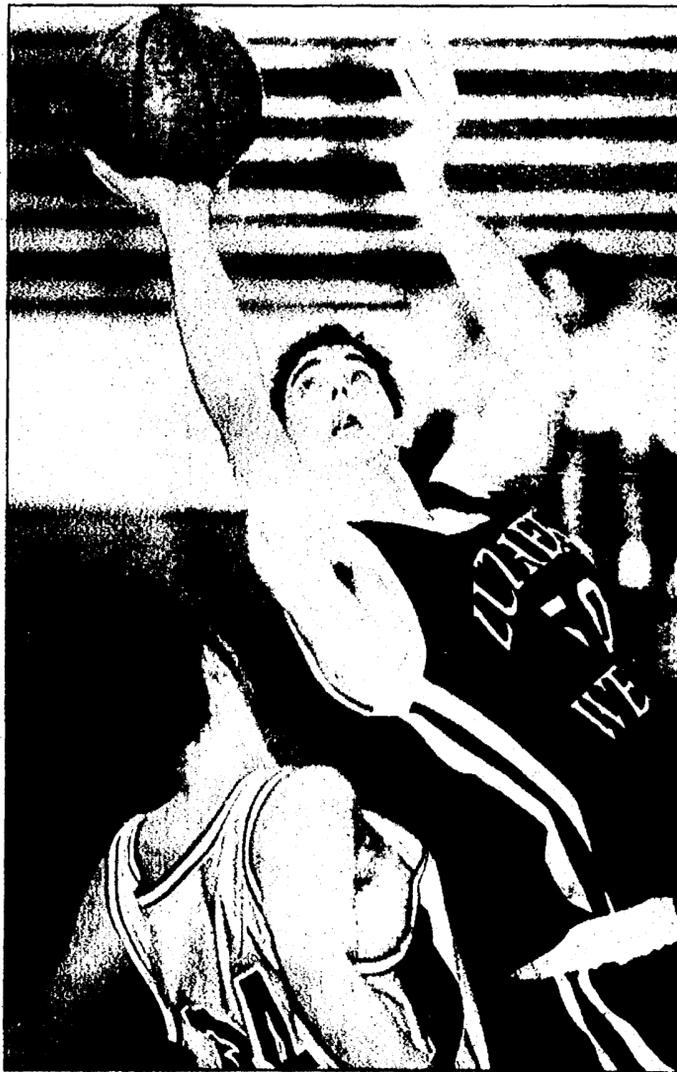
"Our plan was to double him, but he's so strong; he's a bull," the Westland coach said. "We knew we had to box out against them and their big bodies."

Villanueva did get the Trojans going with two quick baskets to give Clarenceville a 4-0 lead — its only lead of the game.

The Trojans trailed 32-22 after the Warriors went on a 12-3 run to end the half. A three-pointer by Rick Murphy cut the Westland lead to 42-38 entering the fourth quarter.

Two baskets by Hatten extended the lead back to eight, but the Trojans fought back behind a full-court press and cut the margin to 54-52 after con-

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STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JACOBSON

Leaning tower: Lutheran Westland's Brad Woehlke (right) angles his way past Livonia Clarenceville defender Rick Burack.

**HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY**

# Spartans win shootout; CC rebounds from loss

It was a shootout Saturday at Adray Arena as Livonia Stevenson skated to a 9-4 Suburban High School Hockey League triumph over host Dearborn.

Stevenson is now 12-4-1 overall and 11-0 in the SHSHL.

Mike Radakovich had four goals for the first-place Spartans, while Bill Marshall and Dan Cieslak each contributed four assists.

Stevenson led 2-0 after one period and 4-2 after two before breaking it open with a 5-2 outburst in the final period.

John May added two goals for the winners, while Jeff Lang, Ryan Sinks and Willie Wilson contributed one each.

Lang and McCowan had two assists apiece, while Adam Heseltine, Wilson and Mike Walsh had one each.

The Spartans outshot Dearborn, 27-24.

Matt Savickis had one goal and three assists, while teammate Matt York added a goal and two assists for Dearborn, which slipped to 9-7-1 overall and 4-3-1 in the division.

**•REDFORD CC 3, A.A. PIONEER 1:** The ups and downs of high school athletics paid a visit to the Redford Catholic Central hockey team.

On Jan. 22, host Riverview Gabriel Richard upset CC, 3-2, but the Shamrocks rebounded Saturday night, going to Ann Arbor to defeat Pioneer, 3-1, at the Ice Cube.

"We just came off a big win over Trenton," CC Coach George St. John said. "We played Gabriel Richard and didn't show up."

"It was just a poor performance and we just got beat. It's been about a year since a high school team beat us. So it was kind of a shock. A jolt into reality."

Saturday we played a much better game against Ann Arbor and ended up winning that.

"Even then that was, well, it hasn't been the best week or so," St. John said. "We haven't played as well as we should have. But we were able to win and that

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was a good thing." The split left the Shamrocks, defending Class A state champions, with a nice 7-2-2 record.

Gabriel Richard, playing on its home ice at Wyandotte's Yack Arena, spotted CC a 1-0 lead on a goal by Joe Beaudoin at 9:06. Jim Melton and Todd Bentley drew the assists.

Four minutes later Gabriel Richard tied the score. CC's Keith Rowe gave his team a 2-1 lead 1:53 into the second period but Riverview scored at 7:36 and 14:50 to win the game.

Eric Hawkins and Dave Moss assisted on Rowe's goal. Sophomore Ben Dunne played goal for the Shamrocks.

At the Ice Cube in Ann Arbor, Pioneer jumped out to a 1-0 lead after one period of play.

However CC's Ian Devlin, assisted by Rowe and Hawkins, knotted the score on a power play and Brad Holland, with Joe Hillebrand and Devlin assisting, put the Shamrocks ahead for good with a goal at 10:55.

David Phillips closed the scoring with a shorthanded score in the third period. David Turner assisted.

"Both Holland's and Phillips' were the first goals of the season those kids have scored," St. John said. "We've gotten a lot of help from kids who were filling in."

"We've got our big right winger (Pat O'Dea) out. And a couple of other fellows were out that night."

Senior Tom Mopner played goal against the Pioneers.

"We had an emotional week the week before where we beat Cranbrook and Trenton," St. John said. "It's awfully hard to stay on that kind of a high."

"It's hard to maintain that intensity. But that's really natural for a young group of fellows. It's understandable."

"That's what you have to deal with until the state's (tournament) come around. You learn to live with that and deal with it."

"And hope they learn they have to play with that kind of intensity."

**SUBURBAN HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS**  
(as of Jan. 26)

South Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Livonia Stevenson	11	0	0	22
Livonia Churchill	6	5	2	14
Dearborn Unified	4	3	1	9
Northville	3	6	1	7
Walled Lake Central	3	4	1	7
Livonia Franklin	2	4	2	6
Walled Lake Western	2	5	1	5
Redford Union	1	8	0	2

North Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Clarkston	9	1	0	18
Royal Oak	8	1	1	17
Birmingham Unified	7	1	0	14
Bloomfield Hills Andover	5	3	1	11
Waterford Mott	5	5	0	10
Troy Unified	3	4	1	7
Bloomfield Hills Lahser	2	6	0	4
Southfield Unified	0	11	0	0

**SOUTH OVERALL RECORDS:** Stevenson, 12-4-1; Churchill, 9-3-3; Dearborn, 9-7-1; Franklin, 7-5-2; Northville, 7-6-1; W.L. Western, 7-6-1; W.L. Central, 6-8-1; Redford Union, 3-12-0.

**SOUTH SCORING LEADERS:** 1. (tie) Matt York (Dearborn), 11 goals-11 assists/22 points; Matt Savickis (Dearborn), 11-11/22; 4. (tie) Darin Fawkes (Stevenson), 8-11/19; 6. John May (Stevenson), 8-11/19; 7. Bill Marshall (Stevenson), 4-11/15; 8. (tie) Mike Walsh (Stevenson), 5-9/14; Dan Cieslak (Stevenson), 5-9/14; 10. (tie) Justin Robinson (Western), 8-5-13; Mike Radakovich (Stevenson), 8-5/13; Willie Wilson (Stevenson), 7-6/13; Brandon Martola (Churchill), 6-7/13.

**SOUTH LEADING GOALIES:** 1. Chris McComb (Stevenson), 11 goals against/1.49 average; 2. Greg Sliwka (Churchill), 12/1.76; 3. Rick Ryan (Northville), 8/2.67; 4. Rex Trott (Western), 20/2.9; 5. Phil Brady (Franklin), 18/3.27; 6. Justin Yanlunas (Central), 28/3.34; 7. Don Strauch (Northville), 18/3.38; 8. Matt Raschke (Dearborn), 25/3.57; 9. Mike O'Keefe (RU), 33/3.81.

**ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE**

## Legwand spurs Whalers' win

The Ontario Hockey League's leading scorer among rookies, David Legwand, continued to increase his point production Tuesday with a pair of goals, leading the Plymouth Whalers to a 4-1 victory over the host Sault Ste. Marie Greyhounds before 3,113 fans.

Legwand, sixth in the OHL in scoring, now has 41 goals and 31 assists.

Harold Druken added a goal and two assists for the Whalers, now 25-16-4. They trail the West Division leading London Knights by 11 points.

Sergei Fedotov had the other Plymouth goal, while Nikos Tselios and Andrew Taylor each contributed two assists.

Robert Esche went all the way in goal for the Whalers, stopping 22 of 23 shots.

The Whalers outshot the Soo, 34-23.

On Saturday, the host Whalers were battered by London, 6-1, as first star Max Spirodonov had one goal and three assists. Goalie Gene Chiarello, the second star turned away 37 Whaler shots.

Jay Legault, Chris Kelly, Mark Cadotte, Richard Pitiri and Rico Fata also scored.

The only Whaler goal came on a power-play in the opening period by Druken from Eric Goody.

**Top 40 on parade**

The Top 40 will be put on ice Feb. 10 in Toronto, and a pair of Plymouth Whalers will be there.

Grosse Pointe native Legwand and second-year defenseman Kevin Holdridge were both selected to the 40-player roster for the Chrysler

**ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS**  
(as of Jan. 28)

East Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Belleville Bulls	31	16	2	64
Ottawa 67's	26	11	7	59
Kingston Frontenacs	26	17	3	55
Oshawa Generals	19	25	4	42
Peterborough Petes	10	25	5	37
Toronto St. M. Majors	10	27	8	28

Central Division	W	L	T	Pts.
Guelph Storm	31	12	4	66
Barrie Colts	30	13	3	63
Kitchener Rangers	18	20	6	42
Owen Sound Platers	19	25	2	40
Sudbury Wolves	16	30	4	36
North Bay Centennials	12	31	6	30

West Division	W	L	T	Pts.
London Knights	31	14	3	65
Plymouth Whalers	25	16	4	54
Sarnia Sting	22	17	8	52
Erie Otters	20	26	2	42
SSM Greyhounds	15	27	5	35
Windsor Spitfires	15	30	3	33

Cup Challenge, a game featuring hockey's top prospects.

Legwand is rated second overall for the National Hockey League entry draft, according to the NHL's Central Scouting Bureau.

Holdridge, a 6-foot-4, 200-pound defensive defenseman from Novi, has four goals and 11 assists in 40 games. The Redford Catholic Central High student sports a plus-19 plus/minus rating. Holdridge is rated a late first-round pick.

The three-day event surrounding the Chrysler Cup features practices and skill testing, ending with the prospects game, with one team coached by Hockey Night in Canada analyst Don Cherry and the other by Boston Bruin Hall of Famer Bobby Orr.

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this year, and Casey Rogowski, now a heavyweight who is unbeaten this season.

"We're young," said Rodriguez. "We only have two seniors."

Stevenson, which had just one Observerland champion last year (Nick Petryk, who graduated), still has plenty of firepower in Katsuhiko Sueda, Chris Goins, Dan Seder, Jeff Brach, Brian Barker and Joe Moreau. Goins and Barker placed third at the '97 tournament, while Sueda, Seder, Brach and Moreau all lost in the finals.

Several other defending Observerland champs return, like Wayne Memorial's William

Laramie (heavyweight) and Nate Wensko (103) and John Glenn's John Fedulichak (140) and Matt Biddinger (152).

"Both Salem and CC have strong teams, strong traditions," said Berg. "It'll be interesting. If everything falls just right, we could wrestle well."

"We'll show up. We'll be there, we'll battle. You never know, if things fall our way."

Krueger won't be hoping for luck, although the status of one of his better wrestlers — 140-pound Dan Hamblin, who lost in the Observerland finals last year — is still in doubt. Hamblin injured his hand at the Holt

Invitational last Saturday.

Salem does have one returning Observerland champion in James Greene at 135. Several others could challenge for titles, including John Mervyn at 103, Rob Ash at 112, Dan Morgan at 119, Anwar Crutchfield at 160, Teono Wilson at 189 and Charlie Hamblin at heavyweight.

"If we go in and wrestle the way we can, we'll do well," said Krueger. With victories already this year over Stevenson and CC, the odds would certainly seem to be in the Rocks' favor.

Of course, Green Bay was thinking the same thing at Sunday's Super Bowl.

## Stevenson grapplers wind up 2nd Hartland Team Dual Tournament

Livonia Stevenson improved its dual meet wrestling record to 11-3 by winning four of five matches in Saturday's Hartland Team Tournament.

The Spartans scored victories over Lansing Everett (44-29), Oxford (38-36), Marlette (68-9) and Monroe (51-28) before losing to the host Eagles

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(51-21).

Stevenson had three unbeaten wrestlers on the day, each winning five matches — Katsuhiko Sueda at 112 and 119 pounds; Dan Seder, 135; and

Brian Barker, 160-171.

All five of Barker's wins were by pin.

Chris Goins (125) and Jeff Brach (145-152) each finished 4-1 on the day, while Josh Gunterman (103), Mike Radley (171-160) and freshman Imad Kharbush (140-145) posted 3-2 records.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

<p><b>BOYS BASKETBALL</b> Friday, Jan. 30</p> <p>Clarenceville at Hamtramck, 7 p.m. Harper Wds. at Luth. W'sld, 7 p.m. Wayne at Romulus, 7 p.m. Lincoln Park at Garden City, 7 p.m. Southgate at Redford Union, 7 p.m. Melvindale at Thurston, 7 p.m. W.L. Central at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Farmington at John Glenn, 7 p.m. Northville at Harrison, 7 p.m. Wayne at Canton Agape, 7:15 p.m. Canton at Churchill, 7:30 p.m. Franklin at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m. N. Farmington at Salem, 7:30 p.m. Redford CC at Borgess, 7:30 p.m. St. Agatha at Det. Loyola, 7:30 p.m. PCA at Taylor Baptist, 7:30 p.m. Huron Valley vs. Warren Bethesda at Marshall Middle School, 7:30p.m.</p> <p><b>MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL</b> Saturday, Jan. 31</p> <p>S'craft at OCC-Orchard Ridge, 3 p.m.</p>	<p><b>WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL</b> Thursday, Jan. 29</p> <p>Madonna at Aquinas, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Jan. 31</b></p> <p>S'craft at OCC-Orchard Ridge, 1 p.m. Madonna at Bluffton (Ohio), 3 p.m.</p> <p><b>GIRLS VOLLEYBALL</b> Thursday, Jan. 29</p> <p>Clarenceville at Liggett, 6:30 p.m. Aquinas at Borgess, 7 p.m. Huron Valley at Taylor Baptist, 7 p.m. PCA at Oakland Christian, 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Friday, Jan. 30</b></p> <p>Ply. Christian at Agape, 4:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Jan. 31</b></p> <p>Romulus Invitational, 8:30 a.m. UM-Dearborn Tournament, 8:30 a.m. E. Kentwood Tournament, TBA. Country Day Tournament, TBA. Greenhills Invitational, TBA.</p> <p><b>PREP HOCKEY</b> Thursday, Jan. 29</p> <p>Redford Union vs. Franklin</p>	<p>at Redford Ice Arena, 8:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Friday, Jan. 30</b></p> <p>Churchill vs. Stevenson, at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Jan. 31</b></p> <p>Franklin vs. W.L. Central at Lakeland Ice Arena, 8:20 p.m. Redford CC vs. G.P. North Redford Ice Arena, 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE</b> Friday, Jan. 30</p> <p>Whalers at Sarnia, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Saturday, Jan. 31</b></p> <p>Ply. Whalers vs. Sarnia at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Sunday, Feb. 1</b></p> <p>Ply. Whalers vs. Kitchener at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>PREP WRESTLING</b> Saturday, Jan. 31</p> <p>Observerland Tournament at Westland Glenn, 9:30 a.m. TBA — time to be announced.</p>
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# Ocelots, Mott tied for 1st

The Schoolcraft College men's basketball team wasted little time in bouncing back from its first conference defeat.

Flint Mott rallied from a 42-36 halftime deficit Saturday to beat the host Ocelots, 85-76.

On Monday, Schoolcraft raced out to a 50-31 advantage at intermission en route to a 93-84 triumph at Macomb.

"We didn't handle their pressure well at all," said Briggs of the loss to Mott. "And it's something we can do. It was just one of those games."

"We didn't rebound the basketball well, either. (Mott) outrebounded us badly."

Monday's win raised SC's overall record to 18-4 and 7-1 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association (tied with Mott).

Derek McKelvey's career-best 35-point scoring performance, which included six three-pointers, keyed the victory over Macomb.

Others also played major roles, however. Kevin Melson contributed 26 points and 14 rebounds, Emeka Okonkwo tossed in 16 points, and Dan Gomez netted 10 points.

Reno Thompson's 30 points was tops for the Monarchs (7-1, 2-6).

Mott, which improved to 15-4 overall with a victory Monday over Oakland CC, got strong play from its guards in beating SC last Saturday.

Alex Spivey collected 17 points and Roy

## MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS

Davis scored 14 as the Ocelots battled to overcome the Bears' pressure.

Okonkwo sat out most of the second half in foul trouble; he eventually fouled out with three minutes left, and SC trailing by six.

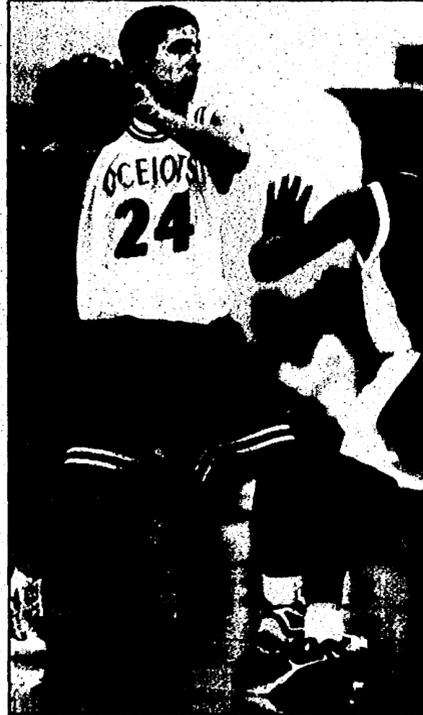
Melson's 23 points paced the Ocelots. McKelvey added 17 and Jose Bru came off the bench to score a much-needed 14.

SC will get another shot at the Bears Feb. 18 in Flint. "If we attack their pressure, this is a team we can beat," said Briggs.

**ST. MARY'S 99, MADONNA 88:** Three Eagles combined for 73 points Saturday in Orchard Lake as St. Mary's College bested Madonna University for the second time this season.

The loss dropped Madonna to 2-19 overall. Kevin Spencer did most of the damage for St. Mary's, pouring in 33 points (on 12-of-20 floor shooting) and grabbing 16 rebounds. Al Rogers and Pierre Brown contributed 20 points apiece; Rudy Elliott netted 12. The quartet combined to make 27 of 46 shots (58.7 percent).

For the Crusaders, Mark Hayes led with 19 points and seven assists. Jason Maschke (from Livonia Franklin) had 17 and nine boards, Erick Giovannini (Livonia Stevenson) collected 14 points and nine rebounds, Chad Putnam (Redford Thurston) scored 13, grabbed six rebounds and had three steals, and John-Mark Branch and Narvin Russaw each totaled 11 points, with Branch hauling down eight boards.



On guard: Schoolcraft's Pete Males (left) is hounded by a Mott defender.

# Lady Crusaders split pair

Madonna University rebounded from a lopsided loss in Friday's first round of the University of Michigan-Dearborn Classic Tournament to earn a split by beating Indiana Tech Saturday in women's basketball.

On Friday, the Lady Crusaders were thumped by Central State (Ohio) 98-73. The Marauders are ranked in the NAIA's top 10.

On Saturday, five players reached double-figures in scoring to propel Madonna to a 93-86 triumph over Tech.

The split left the Crusaders at 13-8 overall.

The loss to Central State overshadowed a career-best performance from freshman center Lori Enfield, who led Madonna with 18 points (on 8-of-13 shooting) and 11 rebounds. Jennifer Jacek contributed 16 points.

However, for the second-straight game, the Crusaders top points producers were throttled. Chris Dietrich and Katie Cushman, who combined to score just nine points in a loss to Siena Heights a day earlier (they average more than 27), totaled 11 on 5-of-16 shooting

against Central State. Cushman did have six assists and Dietrich got four.

Central State was led by Marieme Lo, who poured in 30 points (13-of-21 from the floor), grabbed nine rebounds and had three steals.

In the win over Indiana Tech, Cushman and Dietrich combined for 26 points on 8-of-14 shooting; Cushman had 19 points and four assists; Dietrich added seven points and four assists.

Enfield turned in her second consecutive strong performance, going 8-for-8 from the field to score 16 points. Angie Negri added 13 points, five assists and two steals; Michelle Miela got 11 points; Melissa Poma finished with 10 points; and Dawn Pelc totaled seven points, and 10 rebounds.

Indiana Tech got 25 points from Jan Johnson.

**MACOMB CC 68, SCHOOLCRAFT 66:** On Monday, visiting Schoolcraft College (9-9, 5-3) proved no match for Eastern Conference leader Macomb (13-4, 8-0).

Deirda Fields riddled SC for 35 points and 13 rebounds. The Ocelots were paced by Amber Tackett's 18 points. Last Saturday at SC, the Ocelots were upended by Mott CC 59-56.

# Churchill rallies for victory

## Moton leads Glenn to OT triumph over Franklin

Livonia Churchill made it a clean sweep of the three Farmington schools Tuesday, clawing back from a 17-point halftime deficit to earn a 72-71 boys basketball triumph at Farmington High.

The Chargers, fresh from a 51-45 upset Friday of Farmington Hills Harrison, outscored the host Falcons 46-28 during the final two quarters.

Churchill is 4-6 overall and 3-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Farmington drops to 6-4 and 1-3.

Corey Cook, Lamar Smith and Erik Uhlinger combined for 32 second-half points to lead the comeback.

Cook, a senior forward, finished with a game-high 19. Smith added 17, while Uhlinger had 12, including the game-winning free throw with 16 seconds left.

Uhlinger also had nine assists and eight steals. Junior guard Justin Jakes added 10 points, 12 assists, four steals and four rebounds.

"We had the post big-game blues after our big win over Harrison," Churchill coach Rick Austin said. "We were asleep in the first half."

"But I'm so proud of the kids after coming back down after 17. They have that hunger. We're playing well defensively."

Farmington's 6-foot-6 senior center Trevor Gaines, who is headed to the University of Vermont, led all scorers with 24.

Matt Orr and Justin Milus contributed 15 and 14, respectively, for the Falcons.

"We made some adjustments on Gaines at halftime," Austin said. "I thought Michael Kennedy, Ryan Kearney, Ryan Vickers and Randall Boboige all helped to keep Gaines in check. They were good off the bench."

"And Cook and Smith were terrific offensively in the second half."

Farmington's Ryan Gargol cut the deficit to one with a pair of free throw with 10 seconds left.

Churchill followed with a turnover, but the Chargers' George Kithas sealed the win when he deflected a lob pass intended for Gaines and into

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the hands to Uhlinger as time expired. Churchill was 14 of 18 from the free throw line, while Farmington was 18 of 27.

**JOHN GLENN 73, FRANKLIN 72 (OT):** Sophomore Yaku Moton poured in 17 of his career-high 25 points during the second half Tuesday as host Westland John Glenn (7-3, 5-0) outlasted Livonia Franklin (4-6, 0-6) in overtime.

The 6-7 Moton and sophomore guard Eric Jones combined for 10 of 11 Glenn overtime points.

Jones had six, including a three-pointer, en route to a 19-point outing. Junior forward Stephen Lawson added 11 points.

Franklin senior guard Nick Mongeau led all scorers with a 27 points, hitting seven 3-pointers. He scored all 10 Franklin overtime points.

Senior guard Eddie Wallace contributed 24, including 13 in the final period.

Wallace scored with nine seconds remaining to give the Patriots a 62-60 lead. Jones answered, forcing overtime on a basket with just one second to go in regulation.

Franklin led 21-17 after one quarter as Mongeau connected on a desperation three-pointer from half-court.

"All those Livonia teams play hard and I thought Franklin played a great game," said Glenn coach Mike Schuette, whose team completed the hat trick against Livonia schools.

"Yaku had a great game today and Reggie Spearman did a great job on Mongeau during the last two minutes."

**W.L. WESTERN 61, STEVENSON 40:** Ben Dewar and Wes Hazel tallied 18 and 14, respectively, leading Walled Lake Western (6-3, 3-1) to the Western Lakes victory Tuesday at Livonia Stevenson (0-9, 0-4).

Western jumped out to a 12-7 first-quarter lead and outscored the Spartans 39-33 over the final three quarters.

Mike Blazaitis led Stevenson with 15 points, while Brian Schleif, who chipped in with seven, played a strong all-around game.

**MACOMB CHRISTIAN 73, HURON VALLEY 64:** In a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game played Tuesday at Marshall Middle School, Warren Macomb Christian (6-5 overall) rallied from a 28-26 halftime deficit to defeat Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (2-8 overall).

Aaron Salter paced the victorious Crusaders with 25 points, while teammates Jeff Holland and Ryan King contributed 19 and 10, respectively.

Jeremy Zahn scored 24 to lead the Hawks. Tom Husby chipped in with 17.

# Catholic Central holds off Brother Rice in test, 71-67

BY JOE KYRIAKOZ  
STAFF WRITER

Birmingham Brother Rice found no answer or solution to the interior dominance of senior center Chris Young.

The two-man game between visiting Redford Catholic Central junior guard Nick Moore and Young smarted the Warriors time and again as the Shamrocks held off a late but inspired comeback by Brother Rice to claim a 71-67 boys basketball victory Tuesday in Catholic League Central Division action.

"In our league on the road you've just got to be happy to get the win," Central (7-2, 4-1) coach

Rick Coratti said.

Rice, which fell to 6-5 overall and 2-3 in the league, nearly avenged a 13-point third-quarter deficit with a 29-20 fourth quarter, but fell short as CCl hit 8-of-8 free throws down the stretch.

"I felt pretty good with our free throw shooting toward the end," Coratti said. "I thought we had our best free throw shooters in the game."

Rice stayed competitive throughout the contest thanks to the sharp shooting of senior forward Jon Poyer, who scored 10 of his 29 points in the final period. But Central countered with the interior dominance of 6-11

senior Chris Young. The University Michigan-bound center collected 24 points, including 15 in the second half.

"In a game like this," Rice coach Bill Norton said, "they go to young and we go to Poyer. If anything (we didn't go to Poyer) enough. I'd like to have two Jon Poyers, one to play inside and one to play outside."

Young added 10 rebounds and four steals to his team-high 24 points.

Joe Jonna scored 13 points and hauled down nine rebounds and Rob Sparks tossed in 12. Moore added 10 points and eight assists.

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secutive fast-break layups by Corey McKendry. "I complimented them at halftime that no press has affected us all year, so it was my fault," Ramthun said.

Down the stretch, Westland nailed its free throws while Clarenceville lost its composure and made three turnovers in the final minute.

"We played hard but we're young and make young, inexperienced mistakes," Larson said.

A bright spot for Clarenceville was the play of sophomore forward Rick Burack, a sophomore center, who had 10 points and eight rebounds.

"I hope tonight is his coming out party," Larson said. "I told him during a timeout 'welcome to a basketball game.' He's quick for a big man and has

good range." Even though Deljosevic returns for Clarenceville Friday, the status of Ben Singleton is uncertain after he failed to report to the team by tip-off.

**HAMTRAC 66, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 63:** On Saturday, the Warriors lost a heartbreaker to league-leading Cosmos.

Sophomore Eli Warren hit a three-pointer with two seconds remaining to win it for the hosts.

Warren finished with 17 points, while Jason Popov added 14 for Hamtramck.

The Warriors got a game-high 19 points from Brian Spoljarick. Randall and Habitz added 16 and 11 points, respectively.

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# Franklin hit parade smothers Churchill

Livonia Franklin girls volleyball coach Ann Hutchins gave her team high marks in Monday's 15-9, 15-13 Western Lakes Activities Association win at Livonia Churchill.

"We had a well balanced attack," said Hutchins, whose Patriots improved to 13-8-4 and 2-1 in the WLAA. "It was a division match and they were real focused. They played well together. They came to play."

Senior Sarah Gush was Franklin's top attacker with seven kills.

Other Franklin standouts included sophomore setter Lindsay Sopko, who had 14 assists and three blocks; senior co-captain Danielle Wensing, four kills, 15 digs and two aces; senior co-captain Brooke Hensman, four

kills and seven blocks; sophomore Andrea Kmet, six kills, four blocks and two aces; and junior outside hitter Paula Sancha, two blocks.

Lauren Ruprecht led Churchill with five kills.

The loss dropped Churchill to 5-5-4 overall and 2-1 in the WLAA.

"Franklin played with a lot of enthusiasm and defensive desire for the ball," Churchill coach Mike Hughes said. "And we were prone to serving and passing errors. Franklin deserved the victory and the final score indicated the final margin of victory."

Franklin was riding high following Saturday's runner-up showing in the Saginaw Valley State University Invitational.

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

The Patriots, who finished 3-3 on the day, were ousted in the final by Grand Rapids Christian, 15-11, 15-12.

Franklin reached the final with a 10-15, 15-11, 15-8 triumph over St. Clair as Nicole Boyd chipped in with five kills.

Sophomore Tera Morrill had fined all-around day with 26 kills, 10 blocks, eight aces and 63 digs.

Hensman had a team-high 44 kills and 12 blocks, while Wensing contributed 24 kills, a team-high 70 digs and served at a .975 clip.

Kmet added 38 kills, nine aces, a team-high 18 blocks and 54 digs. Senior defensive specialist Jackie Ziem, who stood out in the back row, had a team-high 14 aces and added 38 digs. Set-

ter Lindsay Duprey had 36 assists and 21 digs.

In pool play, Franklin lost to Grand Rapids Christian (12-15, 8-15) and defeated Elkton-Pigeon-Bayport (9-15, 15-7, 15-9).

In the second round, the Patriots defeated St. Clair (17-15, 12-15, 15-5) and lost to Christian (13-15, 10-15).

## Spartans drop North

Livonia Stevenson ran its overall record to 24-3-1 Monday with a 15-5, 15-5 WLAA triumph over visiting North Farmington.

The Spartans, now 5-0 in the Western Lakes, featured a balanced attack as junior Stephanie Dulz led the way with six kills.

Setter Irena Bicankova, an exchange student from the Czech Republic, added four kills, eight assists and one ace.

Setter Sarah Wittrock was eight-for-eight serving with three assists, while Lindsay Pfeifer, Kristi Copi and Kate LeBlanc added two kills each.

Copi had a team-high five ace serves.

## Vikings sink Glenn

Juniors Amanda Mendenhall and Leah Douglas teamed up for 23 kills Monday, leading state-ranked Walled Lake Central (25-2, 4-0) to the WLAA win at Westland John Glenn (4-11-3, 1-4).

Sophomore Noelle Swartz led Glenn with seven kills and received front-row help from Megan Brady.

Senior Jessica Pickup served four aces. Jamie Barker and Amanda Bell each had five digs.

Setter Jessica Letourneau contributed 13 assists.

## Ladywood romps

The much-anticipated rematch for first place in the Catholic League's Central Division turned out to be a one-sided affair Tuesday as host Livonia Ladywood whipped Birmingham Marian, 15-4, 15-10.

Marian, the only Catholic League team to beat Ladywood in the last six years, lost on Jan. 6 to the Blazers, 15-11, 15-11.

But on Tuesday, Ladywood's

front row attack dominated.

Senior Sarah Poglits had a team-high 10 kills, while junior Jenny Young chipped in with nine as the Blazers improved to 27-5 overall and 8-0 in the Catholic League.

Jenny Lachapelle, a senior, added eight kills and a team-high three aces.

Katie Brogan and MaryLu Hemme paced the defense with nine digs apiece.

## Hawks outserve foe

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (4-7-3 overall) connected on 39 of 42 serves Tuesday to beat Southfield Franklin Road Christian in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference match.

Sophomore Gretchen Grosinske was the Hawks' top server with nine points. Freshman Rachel Zahn and junior Stephanie Graves also served effectively.

Zahn stood out with her back row play defensively, while Graves contributed a pair of blocks. Sophomore setter Stacie Graves also controlled the offense with her passing.

"We played outstanding all the way around and it was a tremendous team effort," Huron Valley coach Jeff Hale said.



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# Glenn 3-peats title

Six first-place finishes carried Westland John Glenn to its third consecutive Wayne Memorial Invitational boys swim title held Friday and Saturday.

The Rockets scored a team-high 211 points to win the 10-team field. Livonia Franklin was runner-up with 184. See statistical summary.

"Our kids were chanting 'Three-peat' at the end," Glenn coach Jim Daniel said. "We had a lot of kids up there high and had enough to pull it off."

Glenn captured two relays, worth 32 points each, and four individual races, worth a total of 64.

Senior Ryan Zoubaris and junior James McPartlin each figured in four firsts.

Zoubaris won the 50-yard freestyle (23.95) and 100 breaststroke (1:04.82), while McPartlin took the 200 individual medley (2:09.91) and 100 butterfly (56.31).

The two Glenns standouts combined with Dan Zoubaris and Jeff Phillips to win the 200-yard medley relay (1:50.13). The foursome of McPartlin, Ryan

Zoubaris, Kevin Razor and Justin Ballard also hit the wall first in the 400 freestyle relay (3:39.88).

In diving, Phillips finished second to Garden City's Chris Totten, who set meet record for 11 dives with a point total of 448.85, breaking the mark of 439.70 set by Glenn's Matt Rogers in 1988.

Wayne's top individual was Sam Raub, who won the 500 freestyle (5:29.72). He was also runner-up to Trenton double winner Adam Cusin in the 200 freestyle. (Cusin also won the 100 freestyle and led the Trojans to a win in the 200 freestyle relay.)

Wayne's other first was recorded by Adam Chiasson in the 100 backstroke (1:03.85).

"It was a great meet, competitive from top to bottom," Wayne coach Mike Greuber said. "I've been coaching since '91, and this was the closest. At one point, four different teams led."

### Domin sets pool record

Senior Steve Domin broke a Livonia Churchill pool record in



Spartan effort: Stevenson's Mike Malik took the 200 individual medley and 500 freestyle against Canton.

the 100-yard butterfly as unbeaten Livonia Stevenson remained perfect in dual meets with a 112-74 win Tuesday over Plymouth Canton.

Domin, who figured in four firsts, went 53.16 in the butterfly to eclipse the record of 53.70 held since 1985 by North Farmington's Brian Goins.

Domin also captured the 50 freestyle (22.51) and was a mem-

ber of Stevenson's victorious 200- and 400 freestyle relay teams. Stevenson, now 6-0, won 10 of 12 events.

Mike Malik was also a double winner, capturing the 200 IM (2:08.58) and 500 freestyle (5:05.84).

The Spartans return to action noon Saturday to face two state-ranked teams, host Ann Arbor Pioneer and Plymouth Salem.

## BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES

Following is a list of Observers boys best swimming times and diving scores. Coaches can report updates to Dan O'Meara by calling (313) 953-2141 or faxing the information to (313) 691-7279.

### 200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY

Livonia Stevenson 1:40.82  
Plymouth Salem 1:43.04  
Redford Catholic Central 1:44.38  
Plymouth Canton 1:44.82  
North Farmington 1:46.23

### 200 FREESTYLE

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:45.45  
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 1:48.97  
Nick Corden (Salem) 1:49.39  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 1:50.30  
Matt Baran (Redford CC) 1:52.31  
Jason Musson (Canton) 1:53.35  
Brent Melis (Salem) 1:53.37  
Pete Bosler (Farmington) 1:54.50  
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 1:55.18  
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 1:55.20

### 200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 2:00.73  
Nick Sosnowski (Redford CC) 2:01.87  
Steve Domin (Stevenson) 2:06.49  
Brent Melis (Salem) 2:08.73  
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 2:08.18  
Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington) 2:07.36  
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 2:07.44  
Nick Corden (Salem) 2:07.49  
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 2:08.58  
Brian Mertens (Salem) 2:11.51

### 50 FREESTYLE

Steve Domin (Stevenson) 22.11  
Nick Corden (Salem) 22.14  
Andrew Locke (Salem) 22.44  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 23.08  
Dan Kelly (Salem) 23.10  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 23.13  
Jacob Varty (Stevenson) 23.21  
Matt Zald (N. Farmington) 23.29  
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 23.36  
Matt Baran (Redford CC) 23.70

### DIVING

Joe Lebovic (N. Farmington) 243.40  
J.T. Svoke (Harrison) 237.10  
Jeff Phillips (John Glenn) 223.55  
Chris Cameron (Salem) 223.00  
John Lowry (Farmington) 221.00  
Mike Behvitch (Salem) 189.40  
Dave Sutton (Redford Union) 183.60  
Mike Dzikowski (Franklin) 182.00  
Greg Brazunas (Redford CC) 174.90  
Ryan Cunningham (Canton) 172.45

### 100 BUTTERFLY

Steve Domin (Stevenson) 53.18  
Mark Sgriccia (Stevenson) 54.17  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 55.34  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 55.56  
Nick Sosnowski (Redford CC) 55.66

### 100 FREESTYLE

Nick Corden (Salem) 48.47  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 49.02  
Ryan Meekins (Redford CC) 49.80  
Steve Domin (Stevenson) 49.84  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 50.00  
Andrew Locke (Salem) 51.14  
Matt Baran (Redford CC) 51.40  
Pete Bosler (Farmington) 51.86  
James McPartlin (John Glenn) 51.17  
Ryan Zoubaris (John Glenn) 51.90

### 500 FREESTYLE

Keith Falk (Stevenson) 4:48.79  
Nick Sosnowski (Redford CC) 4:49.30  
Steve Domin (Stevenson) 4:57.05  
Brian Mertens (Salem) 5:03.00  
Tim Buchanan (Salem) 5:03.41  
Brent Melis (Salem) 5:03.43  
Mike Malik (Stevenson) 5:05.84  
Kurtis Hornick (Canton) 5:09.06  
Paul Perez (Salem) 5:11.80  
Justin Barringer (Harrison) 5:14.21

### 200 FREESTYLE RELAY

Plymouth Salem 1:29.70  
Livonia Stevenson 1:34.36  
North Farmington 1:38.90  
Plymouth Canton 1:38.16  
Redford Catholic Central 1:38.54

### 100 BACKSTROKE

Dan Gabriel (N. Farmington) 55.23  
Nick Corden (Salem) 55.03  
Nick Corden (Salem) 56.17  
Joe Bublitz (Stevenson) 56.61  
Mark Sgriccia (Stevenson) 57.23  
Brent Melis (Salem) 57.53  
Aaron Reeder (Canton) 58.74  
Devon Hopper (Farmington) 58.85  
Josh Duffy (Harrison) 58.91  
Jim Gabriel (N. Farmington) 59.39

### 100 BREASTSTROKE

Ryan Zoubaris (John Glenn) 1:04.05  
Keith Falk (Stevenson) 1:04.47  
Matt Walker (Harrison) 1:03.34  
Jody Gomez (Franklin) 1:04.67  
Paul Connolly (Redford CC) 1:05.67  
Matt Heiss (Canton) 1:06.27  
Adam Farber (N. Farmington) 1:07.31  
Mike Nemer (Stevenson) 1:07.67  
Dave Bosman (Franklin) 1:07.73  
Kevin VanTiem (Stevenson) 1:07.80

### 400 FREESTYLE RELAY

Plymouth Salem 3:20.38  
Livonia Stevenson 3:21.07  
Redford Catholic Central 3:26.34  
North Farmington 3:33.32  
Plymouth Canton 3:34.18

## WAYNE MEMORIAL BOYS SWIM INVITATIONAL & DUAL MEET RESULTS

### WAYNE MEMORIAL BOYS SWIM INVITATIONAL Jan. 24 at Wayne Memorial

**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Westland John Glenn, 211 points; 2. Livonia Franklin, 184; 3. Trenton, 170; 4. Wayne Memorial, 167; 5. Garden City, 160; 6. Dearborn Heights Crestwood, 155; 7. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 133; 8. Dearborn Edsel Ford, 111; 9. Dearborn Heights Annapolis, 66; 10. Dearborn Heights Robichaud, 20.

### FINAL RESULTS

**200-yard medley relay:** 1. John Glenn (Dan Zoubaris, Ryan Zoubaris, James McPartlin, Jeff Phillips), 1:50.13; 2. Franklin, 1:51.01; 3. Crestwood, 1:53.99; 4. Garden City, 1:54.54; 5. Wayne, 1:55.85; 6. Trenton, 2:00.09.

**200 freestyle:** 1. Adam Cusin (T), 1:53.35; 2. Sam Raub (WM), 1:59.27; 3. Erik Koppin (LF), 1:59.64; 4. Dave Bosman (LF), 2:01.02; 5. Ian McGuire (WM), 2:05.49; 6. Lee Van Valkenburg (T), 2:10.6

**200 individual medley:** 1. McPartlin (WJG), 2:09.91; 2. Jody Gomez (LF), 2:15.56; 3. Eric

Kettler (WR), 2:23.56; 4. Nick Martineau (DEF), 2:24.34; 5. Curtis Matties (WM), 2:28.53; 6. Sonny Webber (WM), 2:29.88.

**50 freestyle:** 1. R. Zoubaris (WJG), 23.95; 2. Ryan Wetter (GC), 24.02; 3. Pat Lowry (DHC), 24.16; 4. Chris Supplee (LF), 24.37; 5. Brad LaCombe (DHC), 25.2; 6. Jeff Morales (DHC), 25.33.

**Diving:** 1. Chris Totten (GC), 446.85 (11 dives-meet record); 2. Phillips (WJG), 376.10; 3. Kyle Burns (WR), 344.45; 4. Brad Carroll (T), 328.90; 5. Mike Dzikowski (LF), 305.05; 6. Chris Robinson (DHC), 279.05.

**100 butterfly:** 1. McPartlin (WJG), 56.31; 2. Lowry (DHC), 58.62; 3. Josh Morgan (GC), 1:01.18; 4. Kettler (WR), 1:02.98; 5. Adam Chiasson (WM), 1:05.82; 6. Jason Maurus (DEF), 1:06.41.

**100 freestyle:** 1. Cusin (T), 51.23; 2. Wetter (GC), 52.51; 3. Supplee (LF), 54.52; 4. Justin Latham (GC), 56.55; 5. Kevin Razor (WJG), 56.77; 6. Justin Ballard (WJG), 57.43.

**500 freestyle:** 1. Raub (WM), 5:29.72; 2. Koppin (LF), 5:34.9; 3. Morgan (GC), 5:37.43; 4. Ryan DeSana (T), 5:39.58; 5. Steve Prush

(WR), 5:51.17; 6. McGuire (WM), 5:53.67.

**200 freestyle relay:** 1. Trenton, 1:38.11; 2. Crestwood, 1:39.13; 3. Garden City, 1:41.49; 4. John Glenn, 1:42.29; 5. Edset Ford, 1:43.43; 6. Wyandotte, 1:46.2.

**100 backstroke:** 1. Chiasson (WM), 1:03.85; 2. Tim Clark (WR), 1:04.18; 3. Jim Bumgarner (DEF), 1:05.85; 4. Jim Muller (DHC), 1:06.04; 5. Matties (WM), 1:07.31; 6. Martineau (DEF), 1:11.63.

**100 breaststroke:** 1. R. Zoubaris (WJG), 1:04.82; 2. Gomez (LF), 1:05.28; 3. Nick Skinner (T), 1:07.16; 4. Maurus (DEF), 1:07.63; 5. Bosman (LF), 1:07.73; 6. Josh Warrick (DHA), 1:13.29.

**400 freestyle relay:** 1. John Glenn (Razor, Ballard, McPartlin, R. Zoubaris), 3:39.88; 2. Franklin, 3:40.17; 3. Trenton, 3:45.69; 4. Wayne, 3:57.98; 5. Wyandotte, 3:58.52; 6. Garden City, 4:06.85.

### LIVONIA STEVENSON 112 PLYMOUTH CANTON 74 Jan. 27 at Livonia Churchill

**200-yard medley relay:** Stevenson (Joe Bublitz, Kevin VanTiem, Mark Sgriccia, Jacob Varty), 1:45.74; **200 freestyle:** Keith Falk (LS), 1:48.35; **200 individual medley:** Mike Malik (LS), 2:08.58; **50 freestyle:** Steve Domin (LS), 22.51; **diving:** Ryan Cunningham (PC), 172.45 points; **100 butterfly:** Domin (LS), 53.16 (broke pool record of 53.70 held since 1985 by North Farmington's Brian

Goins); **100 freestyle:** Falk (LS), 49.98; **500 freestyle:** Malik (LS), 5:05.84; **200 freestyle relay:** Stevenson (Domin, Varty, Brad Buckler, Falk), 1:34.28; **100 backstroke:** Bublitz (LS), 56.43; **100 breaststroke:** Matt Heiss (PC), 1:07.98; **400 freestyle relay:** Stevenson (Domin, Bublitz, Sgriccia, Falk), 3:32.55.

**Dual meet record:** Stevenson, 6-0 overall; Canton, 1-4 overall.

**Stevenson's next meet:** 6:30 tonight vs. Farmington at North Farmington.

### LIVONIA CHURCHILL 107 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 79 Jan. 21 at Churchill

**200-yard medley relay:** Franklin (Jeff Sharpe, Jody Gomez, Erik Koppin, Chris Supplee), 1:55.01; **200 freestyle:** Rob Shereda (LC), 2:01.00; **200 individual:** David Duluk (LC), 2:27.59; **50 freestyle:** Bill Randall (LC), 24.91; **diving:** Mike Dzikowski (LF), 182.00 points; **100 butterfly:** Koppin (LF), 1:03.44; **100 freestyle:** Randall (LC), 54.12; **500 freestyle:** Charlie Corazza (LC), 5:43.82; **200 freestyle relay:** Churchill (Ron O'Connor, Randall, Shereda, Corazza), 1:41.89; **100 backstroke:** Kevin Grant (LC), 1:07.63; **100 breaststroke:** David Bosman (LF), 1:11.65; **400 freestyle relay:** Franklin (Supplee, Koppin, Gomez, Bosman), 3:50.16.

**Churchill's dual meet record:** 2-2 overall.

**Next meet:** 7 tonight, Walled Lake at Churchill.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Wayne County Commission will hold a public hearing to consider:

An ordinance to amend Enrolled Ordinance No. 92-676, as amended, to add Section 3 to establish a duty upon the Director of each Executive Branch department to send to the Auditor General a copy of each audit or management or operations analysis performed on activities under their purview by auditors other than those of the Auditor General; and to establish civil infraction penalties for a failure to comply with this duty; and to establish misdemeanor penalties for a refusal to comply.

The hearing will be held:

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1998  
Commission Chambers, 10:00 a.m.  
Wayne County Building  
600 Randolph, Detroit, Michigan

Copies of the proposed amendment to the ordinance may be reviewed at the Commission Clerk's Office, 406 Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, Detroit 48226. (313) 224-0903.

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### RESA HEAD START PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Wayne County RESA Head Start, a federally funded, comprehensive preschool program serving 3 & 4 year olds is announcing the availability of \$1,000,000.00 in Head Start funds to serve 340 children and families in the Western Wayne area, as a delegate of the above grantee. (Inkster)

Wayne County RESA Head Start has operated Head Start in Wayne County outside of the city of Detroit for nearly 30 years. The present enrollment of this grantee is 3,743 children and families. Comprehensive services including health, nutrition, family services, parent education and parent involvement are provided in 23 sites throughout the service area.

Recent Community Assessments indicate an ongoing need for services in this area. Thus opening up an opportunity for an agency to expand their service commitment to children and families in the Western Wayne service area. (Inkster)

The program must open September 1 and be able to provide the required weeks and hours of service.

The minimum number of children to be served is 340. At least 85 children must be provided full day service to meet the needs of working parents. Delegates must provide a 20% local match/non-federal share. The non-federal share is computed on the amount of the federal funds. The non-federal share may be met by cash and/or in-kind contributions in the form of space, equipment or services which has been fairly evaluated.

The Head Start program provides comprehensive health, education, nutrition, social and parent involvement services to primarily economically disadvantaged pre-school children. The legislative authority for the Head Start program is Title VI, Subtitle A, Chapter 8, Subchapter B of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981, PL 97-35 commonly known as the "Head Start Act", which is codified at 42 U.S.C. 9801, et seq. The Head Start program can be found in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) at 93.600.

Eligible applicants are limited by 42 U.S.C. 9836 to local public or private non-profit agencies, a federally-recognized Indian tribe or a local government entity. Any non-profit organization submitting an application must include proof of its non-profit status at the time of submission. The non-profit agency can accomplish this by providing a copy of the applicant's non-profit status as shown on the IRS Form 990 or by providing a copy of the articles or incorporation bearing the seal of the State in which the corporation or association is domiciled.

The annual funding level for Head Start is dependent upon Congressional action but it is expected to continue. The successful applicant can expect continued funding if the program is operated in compliance with program requirements and provides quality services.

Requests for applications must be received by 3:45 EST on February 6, 1998. The requests must be made at the Bidders Conference or addressed to:

Patricia J. Horne McGee, Director  
WCRESA Head Start  
33500 Van Born Road  
Wayne, MI 48184

No phone requests accepted.

Complete applications are due by 3:45 on March 27, 1998.

An applicant conference will be held at Thursday, February 5, 1998 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 a.m. in Room 20, WCRESA Annex. Questions will be answered at this time.

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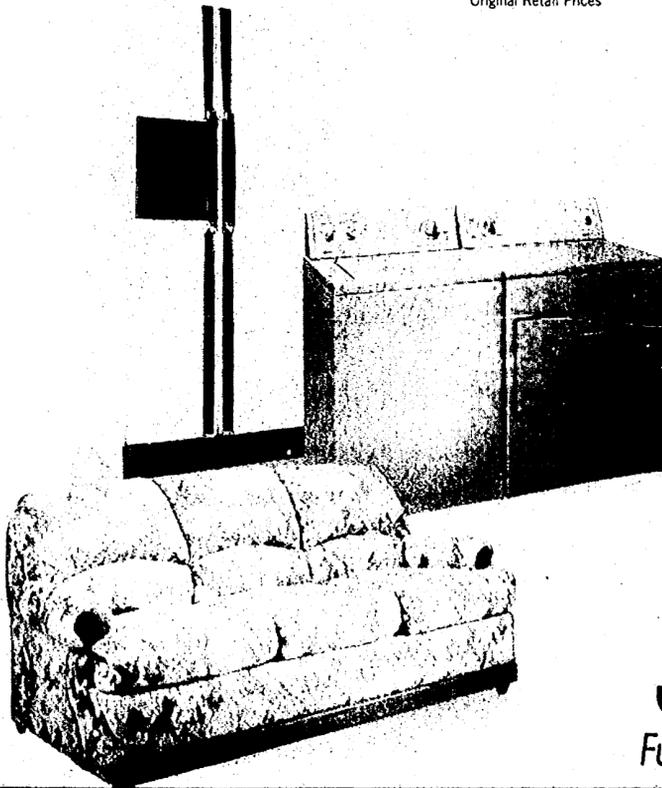
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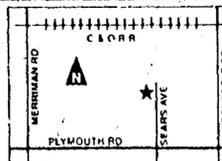
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# CALENDAR

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### CARD PARTY

St. Richard's Women's Guild Annual Card Party will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, at St. Richard's Social Hall, 35851 Cherry Hill Road, Westland, a quarter mile west of Wayne Road. Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased at the door, from a Guild member or call Jan at (734) 721-5353. Refreshments will include sloppy Joes, salad, beverages and dessert.

### LAS VEGAS NIGHT

St. Theodore Catholic Church in Westland will sponsor a Las Vegas Night from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Admission is \$3; parking is free. A 50/50 drawing will be held every hour. Beer, food and refreshments will be available at a nominal charge.

### VALENTINE'S PARTY

The Westland Jaycees will host a Valentine's Day Party 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14, at Bova VFW Hall. Singles and couples welcome. Jaycees and non-Jaycees welcome. \$5 entry. RSVP by Feb. 12. Tracy Chovanec, (734) 844-7770.

### RAFFLE AND BANQUET

The Notre Dame Council Knights of Columbus in Wayne will hold its second annual raffle and banquet Wednesday, Feb. 18. First prize is \$3,000, second prize is \$500. Tickets are \$100 each, for an additional \$20 two people may attend on one ticket. Only 100 tickets will be sold. Includes dinner, open bar and raffle. For information, call (734) 728-3020.

### POLISH DINNER

A Polish dinner with DJ music will be 1-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, at William P. Tutro No. 4644 VFW Hall, 16921 W. Warren, Detroit. \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 10 and under. Call (313) 561-2754 for more information. Advance tickets are \$5.

### SOCIAL SECURITY

A program on changes in Social Security will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, at American House Westland II, 39201 Joy Road, near Hix in Westland. Sarah Talley from the Social Security Administration will answer questions. The program is free and open to the public. Call (734) 454-9838.

## AT THE LIBRARY

### BOOK DISCUSSION

The book discussion group meets 7-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month in the community meeting room of the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland. Join the group by signing up at the Reception Desk. Participants are expected to have read the books and to be prepared to discuss them.

Upcoming books for discussion include:  
Feb. 17 - John Dunning, "Booked To Die."  
March 16 (Monday), Laurie King, "The Beekeeper's Apprentice."  
April 21, Michael Connelly, "The Poet."  
May 19, Margaret Atwood, "Alias Grace."

### TRAINING

Training sessions are held 10:30 a.m. each Saturday to train library patrons on the use of the public access catalogs. The computers are the modern-day equivalent of the traditional card catalog. These training sessions take about 15-20 minutes. Library staff will

teach the fundamentals regarding use of the public access catalogs and will be available for questions. This training is free and no registration is required.

### CREATION STATION

Get crafty at the Creation Station. Designed for ages 4-10 years. At 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, in the Children's Activity Room. No registration required.

### READ TO YOUR CHILD

Feb. 14 is "Read to Your Child Day." Come to the Children's Services Area and read with your child for 10 minutes. For sharing the gift of reading with your child you will both receive a small prize. The event goes on all day in the Children's Services Area.

### FRIENDS OF LIBRARY

The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library meet monthly 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway. (734) 326-6123. Meetings last about one hour and are open to the public. The friends also hold a Friends Shop Book Sale during regular library hours at the library.

## CHAMBER EVENTS

### BOWLING OUTING

The Westland Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the WinterFest Bowling Outing from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, as part of Westland WinterFest '98. (734) 326-7222. Games will include Red Pin and 10-pin No Tap. Sponsorship of a team for \$150 includes bowling, two drinks, buffet dinner, trophies and prizes.

## RECREATION

### RECREATION AND FUN

A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled will be the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. (734) 722-7620.

### FIGURE SKATING

The Westland Figure Skating Club is forming an Adult Introductory Precision Team. The team is for those who want to have fun with other skating adults and get good exercise. Practices are 6-6:50 a.m. Saturdays. All levels are welcome. For information, call (734) 722-1091.

### VOLLEYBALL

Open volleyball is offered for those age 18 and older 6:30-8 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month at the Salvation Army, 2300 Venoy, Westland. All skill levels play just for fun. There is no charge. Baby-sitting is provided. For information, call (734) 722-3660.

## SCHOOLS

### GARFIELD COOPERATIVE

Garfield Cooperative Preschool will hold its open house from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, at Cass Elementary School, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and east of Wayne Road. Programs for children 18 months to 5 years. For more information, call (734) 462-0135.

### MCKINLEY COOPERATIVE

McKinley Cooperative Preschool, housed in Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne Road at Hunter, will hold alumni registration through Feb. 2. Open registration begins Feb. 3. Morning and afternoon classes are available. Call (734) 729-7222 for information.

### SUBURBAN CHILDREN'S

Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in all classes 18 months through 5 years old. Located in

Livonia bordering Westland. Call Michelle at (734) 421-6196.

### PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The Wayne-Westland Community School District has ongoing registration for the preschool programs at Stottemyer Early Childhood and Family Development Center, on Marquette between Wayne and Wildwood. Programs include an Early Intervention Program, Head Start, Kids/Plus Preschool, a Pre-Primary Impaired program and Sparkey Preschool. Registration is ongoing from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (734) 595-2660 for information.

### CHURCH PRESCHOOL

The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in the morning and afternoon sessions. The younger pupils attend Tuesdays and Thursdays with the other pupils attending Mondays and Wednesdays. A Friday enrichment class is also available. The preschool is at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. (734) 728-3559.

### YWCA READINESS

The YWCA of Western Wayne County Early Childhood School Readiness Program is available to 4- and 5-year-old children. The YWCA is at 26279 Michigan Ave., Inkster. (313) 561-4110.

### CHARTER SCHOOL

The Academy of Detroit-Westland, an entrepreneurial and business charter school, serves kindergarten through seventh grade. The school emphasizes a basic education with business and entrepreneurial skills. The school offers a foreign language class, music and art, a dress code and a computer lab with Internet. Call (734) 722-1465 or (248) 569-7787.

### LITTLE LAMBS

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road in Livonia, has openings in the Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoon session for 3- to 5-year-olds. For information, call (248) 471-2077.

### FRANKLIN PTSA

The Franklin High PTSA is seeking new members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and community, and members aren't required to have a student in the school. Price is \$3 for students, \$5 for adults. Checks should be made payable to Franklin PTSA and sent to 31000 Joy, Livonia 48150.

### TUTORIAL PROGRAM

A free tutoring program for students is offered at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center, 2300 Venoy, Westland. The program is for students in Wayne, Westland and Romulus. It will meet 3:30-6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. For information on participating or volunteering, call Shabaura Cobb, (734) 722-3660.

## For traumatized kids



Bear It: William P. Tutro Auxiliary Post 4644 president Stella Robak of Westland presents Westland Police Lt. Steve Ryskamp with teddy bears donated by the auxiliary.

## Auxiliary donates teddy bears

William Tutro VFW Ladies Auxiliary #4644 of Detroit recently donated teddy bears to the Westland Police Department to be given to children in a trauma situation.

President-Stella Robak, president of the auxiliary and District 2 VFW, presented the bears to Lt. Steve Ryskamp of the Westland Police Department.

## HISTORY ON VIEW

### WESTLAND MUSEUM

The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays at 857 N. Wayne Road, between Marquette and Cherry Hill. (734) 326-1110.

### FRIENDS MEET

Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meet 7 p.m. on the second Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September and November at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette between Newburgh and Wayne roads. Information, president Jim Franklin, (734) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

## FOR SENIORS

### TRAVEL GROUP

The Travel Group meets 12:45 p.m. every Friday in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or program is planned. Programs include speakers, films, celebration of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is a \$3 membership fee for residents, \$12.50 for non-residents. (734) 722-7632.

### CARD GROUP

The Friday Variety Card Group at the Westland Friendship Center meets at 2 p.m. Players enjoy euchre, pinochle, bridge, Uno, rummy and poker. Light refreshments are served. Call (734) 722-7632 for information or just show up to play cards. The Friendship Center is at 1119 N. Newburgh Road.

### DYER CLUB

The Dyer Seniors' Center

Travel Club meets the first and third Thursdays of each month in the center, on Marquette between Wayne Road and Newburgh.

### MONTHLY MEAL

The Wayne Ford Civic League schedules its senior meal 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month at the league hall, on Wayne Road, two blocks south of Ford, for people 50 and older. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. The meal includes beer, beverages, dancing to Big Band music, and door prizes. (734) 728-5010.

### DANCE FUN

Westland Shopping Center hosts a senior citizen dance 11 a.m. the first Monday of each month in the lower level auditorium, Wayne and Warren roads. Coffee and refreshments will be served at 12:30 p.m. The dance will end 2 p.m. The dance is held on the first Monday, with the exception of holidays.

### SENIOR DANCE

Senior dances will be noon to 4 p.m. the first Sunday of every month at the Wayne Ford Civic League, 1651 N. Wayne Road, Westland. There will be dinner, a live band, beer and pop. Members \$5, non-members \$7. (734) 728-5010.

### WORK REFERRAL

Information Center Inc. refers workers to seniors who need help. The program is for people interested in providing transportation, yard work, housework, etc. Workers can specify the type of work they are willing to do and the communities they want to serve. Chore Worker

Program, (734) 422-1052.

### DYER CENTER

The Wayne-Westland School District's Dyer Senior Adult Center has activities Monday-Thursday at the center, on Marquette between Wayne and Newburgh roads. Mondays, Senior Chorus at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, arts, crafts and needlework at 9:30 a.m.; Wednesdays, Kitchen Band, 10 a.m.; bingo at 1 p.m.; Thursdays, ceramics, arts, crafts at 9:30 a.m.; a Hawaiian dance exercise class will be held at 1 p.m. every Wednesday in the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh, Hall A. Instructor is Kammo Oris. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632.

## VOLUNTEERS

### BOY SCOUTS

A few good young men ages 11-18 are needed to work with Boy Scout Troop No. 865 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesdays at Hamilton Elementary School, corner of Avondale and Schuman in Westland. Monthly campouts will be featured. For information, call (734) 729-1283.

### PET-A-PET

The Pet-A-Pet Club, which offers pet visits to nursing home residents, needs special pets and people. Pets undergo a slight screening and need proof of shots to participate. Local sites include Camelot Hall Convalescent Center (Debbie McDermott, 427-3791, 10 a.m. the second Saturday of the month), Garden City Rehab (Stacy Suida, (734) 422-2438, 3 p.m. the second Thursday of the month) and Roosevelt-McGrath School (Lynn Eichbrecht, (734) 591-3347, the last Wednesday of the month). Information is available from Ruth Curry, (313) 535-0410, or Daisy Doran, (313) 565-1981. There is a \$5 membership charge.

## BINGO

### DEMS' BINGO

The Metro Wayne Democratic Club sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Joy Manor Bingo Hall, on the south side of Joy, east of Middlebelt. Proceeds are used by the club to sponsor Little League baseball teams, the Salvation Army, School for the Blind. (734) 422-5025

or (734) 729-8681.

### DEMS' BINGO

The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, in the M.J. Hall, 35412 Michigan Ave., next to Farmer Jack, in Wayne. (734) 421-1517.

### BINGO AND SNACKS

The VFW Post 3323, Westland, serves snacks and hosts bingo at 1 p.m. every Sunday in the post hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road at Avondale. Doors open 9 a.m. (734) 326-3323.

### SMOKELESS BINGO

"Smokeless" bingo meets at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, at Sts. Simon and Jude Parish Hall, 32500 Palmer, east of Venoy, Westland. Offered are three jackpots of \$400, \$300 and \$200.

### NO SMOKE

"No smoking" bingo will be 1 p.m. every Tuesday at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh Road, Westland. Residents from Westgate Towers, Taylor Towers, Greenwood Towers, Liberty Park, Presbyterian Village and Carolon Condos, etc., are eligible for transportation to bingo if they have a minimum of five players. (734) 722-7632.

### JAYCEES

Westland Jaycees host bingo games at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, Westland. Three jackpots paying \$250, \$300 and \$300, progressive. Call the Jaycee Information Hotline at (734) 480-4984.

### PUP TENT BINGO

The MOC pup tent 18 bingo will be held 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the VFW Post Hall, 1055 S. Wayne, Westland. A snack bar is available. Doors open at 2 p.m. (734) 326-3323.

## CLUBS IN ACTION

### CHADD

CHADD of Northwest Wayne County meets the first Thursday of the month throughout the school year at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. "How To Be a Better Advocate For Your Child" will be the topic of the next meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12. It will be presented by Tricia Luker, coordinator of the ASSET network, which is an advocacy group for parents of children with special needs. She will provide information on the Michigan protection and Advocacy Service, and the resources available to parents of children with ADD. Registration starts at 7 p.m. A \$5 donation is requested of non-members. This can be deducted from the membership fee if an application is submitted at the meeting. Call (313) 438-3099.

### VFW AUXILIARY

Membership in the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Ladies Auxiliary Grand River Post 1519, is open. Relationship to a veteran of combat on foreign soil will insure eligibility. Make reservations by calling membership recruiter Dolores M. Griffin, (734) 427-2791. Meetings are the first Thursday of each month at 27555 Grantland, Livonia. Current Post 1519 Ladies Auxiliary members include individuals from Westland, Livonia, Redford, Detroit and surrounding areas.

### WEEKENDERS

The Weekend family campers meet the second Wednesday of the month in Franklin High School, on Joy east of Merriman. (313) 531-2893.

## CALENDAR FORM

The Observer Newspapers welcome Calendar items. Items should be from non-profit community groups or individuals announcing a community program or event. Please type or print the information below and mail your item to The Calendar, Westland Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI. 48150, or by fax to 734-591-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2104 if you have any questions.

Event:

Date and Time:

Location:

Telephone:

Additional Info.:

Use additional sheet if necessary

## FRIDAY



Saxophonist James Carter, and his Quartet, plus the Cyrus Chestnut Trio, perform 8 p.m. at Orchestra Hall, Detroit. Tickets \$38 to \$13, (313) 576-5111.

## SATURDAY

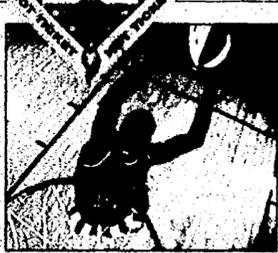


The Polo Fields Golf and Country Club in Ann Arbor presents Soupy Sales with special guest comedian Bill Barr, 7 p.m. (dinner) 8:30 p.m. (show), \$60 per person, (313) 998-1555 or (248) 645-6666.

## SUNDAY



Robert (Dean Gaboury) watches as Sarah (Laurie Freedman) helps her husband Harry (Kevin Edwards) up after showing off her karate moves in "Company," 2 p.m. at Stagecrafters' Baldwin Theatre in downtown Royal Oak. Tickets \$12-\$14, call (248) 541-6430.



The Harlem Globetrotters suit-up for an all-star performance 5 p.m. Sunday at The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$18, \$15, \$13 and \$11.50, (248) 645-6666.

## ANN ARBOR FOLK FESTIVAL

# Singers help float the Ark

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO  
STAFF WRITER

Grammy-nominated folk singer Guy Clark finally has the opportunity to help the Ann Arbor club that avidly supports him.

Clark will join Paula Cole, Doc Watson and David Grisman, Chris Smither, The Nields, Great Big Sea, Dee Carstensen, Karen Pernick and Willy Porter 6-11 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor for the 21st Ann Arbor Folk Festival, the annual fund-raiser for The Ark in Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$25.

The event will be emceed by Cheryl Wheeler, a hit songwriter whose songs have been covered by Bette Midler, Melanie, and Suzy Bogguss.

"I've always wanted to do it," Clark said via telephone from his Nashville home. "Every time I play there I tell them, 'You have to have me for the lineup.'"

Among the benefits of playing a festival, Clark said, is the opportunity to play with Doc Watson.

"Plus, it's an audience that's coming to see that kind of music. They know what they're there to see. It's like preaching to the converted. You're home free."

The festival offers a variety of music including the Canadian Celtic band Great Big Sea, harpist Dee Carstensen, folk legend Watson as well as multi-Grammy Award nominee pop singer Paula Cole.

David Siglin, director of The Ark, said the definition of "folk" is so vague that every year he's able to touch on a variety of genres.

"I don't even know what the definition of folk is anymore. Is Shawn Colvin folk or pop? Is Mary Chapin Carpenter folk or country? I don't know those answers anymore. Paula Cole's music fits what The Ark does," he explained.

"Jewel is called folk/pop, but she never played The Ark or any folk club that I know of. What we're trying to do with the headliner is find someone whose music is compatible even if it's different. Obviously she'll draw a younger audience and that's cool."

The room is designed for acoustic musicians so it's a really great environment when you walk through the



GUY CLARK

Money raised from the concert represents a significant portion of The Ark's \$750,000 budget, according to Siglin.

"It raises about \$50,000 for The Ark, which off-sets the about \$40,000 to \$50,000 loss that we make at The Ark every year. It is vital. It's not like icing on the cake," Siglin explained.

"We are a non-profit organization. The goal is to break even but we want to do better than break even. The non-profits that break even keep going, the non-profits that don't go under. The folk festival is absolutely vital to The Ark."

Pop/folk singer Willy Porter, who's playing to support his latest release "Dog Eared Dream," said he's thrilled to help out The Ark.

"It's a nice opportunity. There's some great artists on the bill. I've just seen the people who played it in the past and it seems to be somewhat of a time-honored thing," said Porter who opened for Toad the Wet Sprocket and the Cranberries at Pine Knob Music Theatre in the summer of 1996.

Like Clark, Porter is looking forward to seeing Doc Watson perform.

"That's something that I've never gotten to do. Hopefully there will be some other people there who want to sit around late night and jam. I like that more than performing."

After the Ann Arbor Folk Festival, Porter will return to The Ark for a headlining show in February, while Clark will perform there in the summer.

The room is designed for acoustic musicians so it's a really great environment when you walk through the

### Ann Arbor Folk Festival

Who: Paula Cole, Doc Watson and David Grisman, Guy Clark, Chris Smither, Cheryl Wheeler, The Nields, The Great Big Sea, Dee Carstensen, Karen Pernick and Willy Porter

What: Perform as part of the 21st annual Ann Arbor Folk Festival

When: 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31

Where: Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor

Why: To support The Ark, a folk-music club in Ann Arbor

How: \$25 tickets are available at the Michigan Union Ticket Office, Herb Davis Guitar Studio, Schoolkids Records, and all Ticketmaster outlets. For more information, call (734) 763-TKTS or (248) 645-6666. Tax-deductible patron sponsor tickets are available at The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor, or by calling (734) 761-1800.

### Other upcoming shows:

■ The Great Big Sea performs at 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, in the Capitol Theatre's Pentastar Playhouse, 121 University Ave. West, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. Tickets are \$20 Canadian. For more information, call (519) 253-8065, e-mail [capitol@mnsi.net](mailto:capitol@mnsi.net) or visit <http://www.mnsi.net/~capitol>

door," Porter said of The Ark. "You're not going to stomp them with your sound requirements. They've really sort of embraced contemporary acoustic music in a way that no other club has done."

Clark added that he feels comfortable playing The Ark.

"The venue supports the acoustic folkly songwriter stuff. It's always nice to play where you feel comfortable. I like smaller rooms. It's just easier to communicate and a little more relaxed."



DOC WATSON



WILLY PORTER

## MUSIC

# Shop for a band to join at the festival

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

Playing clarinet was something Ginny McDonald of Livonia used to do before she started having kids.

"I played in grade school, high school, and college," said McDonald who joined the Farmington Community Band after hearing them play at Twelve Oaks Mall during the Festival of Bands 10 years ago.

"I picked up a brochure the band gave out at the festival and gave them a call."

Since then, Monday nights are Ginny's, and she enjoys the time "playing a challenging selection of music," with other people who love music as much as she does.

If you miss playing in the band and are shopping around for a group to join, plan to spend some time at Twelve Oaks Mall Saturday during the 18th annual Festival of Bands. Six different community bands, including the Farmington Community Band, will be performing throughout the day.

"We performed in a festival in Flint, and talked about starting our own festival," explained Barber. With the support of management at Twelve Oaks Mall, the festival was launched.

"More bands called to see how they could participate," he said. "It's a win, win situation. The mall draws more shoppers, and it provides the general public with an opportunity to hear live music in an informal setting."

The musicians enjoy playing, and hearing the other bands play too. During the day there are two combined concerts.

"You get to know each other," said Barber. "It's fun to make music with one another."

South Oakland Concert Band, one of the oldest in the area, is among the participants.

"We started in 1965 in Royal Oak," said director George Gillespie. "Our band wants to do the festival every year. It's a good audience, and they know a lot of people in other bands. Over the years you develop friendships, and playing together as a mass band is exciting."

The music these concert bands play is as diverse as their membership. Farmington Community Band has 80 to 100 on their roster, and 50 to 60 members end up playing concerts. In addition to people like McDonald who studied music in school, and enjoy playing, the membership includes music teachers, and professional musicians.

South Oakland Band members include a policeman, lawyer, engineer, and retirees.

They play a variety of music, everything from light classical, pops, marches, and Broadway show tunes.

"We're here for folks to enjoy and have a good time making music," said Barber.

Farmington Community Band rehearses 7:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays at Harrison High School. You can call McDonald, who also serves as business manager, for more information, (734) 261-2202.

New members are always welcome. The

Please see BAND, E2

### Festival of Bands

When: Begins 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31. Last band plays at 7:30 p.m.

Where: Twelve Oaks Mall, I-96 and Novi Road.

Admission: Free, call (248) 261-2202 or (248) 489-3412 for information, or check the Farmington Community Band web site <http://www.mystery.com/fcb>

### Schedule:

- 11 a.m. - Schoolcraft College Community Wind Ensemble, directed by Dr. James Wissen.
- Noon - Plymouth Community Band directed by Carl Battishill
- 1 p.m. - Combined band concert featuring the Schoolcraft College Wind Ensemble, Plymouth Community and Novi Concert Bands.
- 2 p.m. - Novi Concert Band directed by Jack Kopnick.
- 4:30 p.m. - South Oakland Concert Band directed by George Gillespie.
- 5:30 p.m. - Birmingham Concert Band directed by Grant Hoemke.
- 6:30 p.m. - Combined concert featuring the South Oakland Concert, Birmingham Concert and Farmington Community Bands.
- 7:30 p.m. - Farmington Community Band directed by Paul Barber.

# St. Dunstan's goes to the dogs - and the result is hilarious

St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook presents "Sylvia," a romantic comedy by A. R. Gurney, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, (between Woodward and Lahser) Bloomfield Hills. Tickets are \$12, seniors and stu-

dents, \$10, and available by calling (248) 644-0527.

Please note that the play does contain some explicit language.

By SUE SUCHYTA  
SPECIAL WRITER

St. Dunstan's goes to the dogs in the comedic romp "Sylvia," a romantic love triangle about a wife, a husband, and his exuberant and affectionate mutt Sylvia. The interesting twist is that Sylvia the dog can talk - and the humans seem to understand her

as readily as we do. She may jump, drool, and wag an invisible tail, but the audience is privy to every amusing and doglike thought that crosses her canine mind (you can just imagine what she says to a disrespectful cat).

Kate and Greg are empty nesters who have traded the suburbs for a city apartment. Kate, played by Nancy Brassert, is finally free from the ties of motherhood. With a hard won masters degree in hand, she's ready to enjoy a career as well as travel and entertaining.

Greg, however, played by Keith Lepard, has become increasingly dissatisfied with his job, and discovers Sylvia, played by Janie Castagna, in the park one afternoon when retreating after a fight with his boss.

Greg and Sylvia fall instantly in love - she jumps all over him

and readily admits he's "God"-while Greg acts like a middle aged man having an affair with a nymph. Not only doesn't Kate want the responsibility of a dog, she quickly comes to realize that Greg pays more attention to Sylvia than her.

As the play progresses, Sylvia becomes a four-legged mistress as Greg fawns on her, and Kate plots to regain her status with her husband. Encounters with a fellow dog owner, a family friend, and a counselor further underscore the humor as we witness Greg's and Sylvia's bond grow as Kate's patience wears thin.

Janie Castagna brings unflappable energy and enthusiasm to the demanding canine role of Sylvia. She literally becomes a dog - albeit a wisecracking teenager of a dog. She pants, leaps, jumps on the furniture,

and strains on the leash. She even pulls the old "dog on the leg of the seated guest" stunt, much to the amusement of the audience. We love the dog and at the same time sympathize with Kate's growing frustration and jealousy.

Greg's behavior is partly explained by his wife's new found independence and the departure of his children. Sylvia becomes his adoring dependent - she makes him feel important. Kate's opposition to the relationship seems to drive them closer together.

Brassert and Lepard make a likable, realistic couple, and bring the comedy realistically to life. Tom Peterson is delightfully versatile in the triple role of Tom, Phyllis and Leslie.

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## Band from page E1

band is open to all adults, just show up for rehearsal. High school students must audition.

South Oakland Band rehearses 7:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays at Adams Junior High in Royal Oak, call (248) 548-5838. Like the Farmington Band, this band is also open to all adults. High school students can audition.

Birmingham Concert Band, led by Grant Hoemke, rehearses 7:30-9:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Groves High School. Membership is open to all adults, high school students may audition. For information, call (248) 474-4997.

"We have adults from all walks

of life in the band," said Hoemke. "We have a few who took lessons, and then decided to play in the band. It's an opportunity to immerse yourself in the music and forget about everything else. It's an escape, and then there's the camaraderie, and friendships that develop in the group."

Like the other bands, Birmingham plays a wide variety of music. "We enjoy the festival because it's a chance to hear what the other groups are doing, and our members enjoy playing in the combined band."

Novi Concert Band, directed by Jack Kopnick of West Bloom-

field draws its 45 members from throughout the metro Detroit area. They rehearse 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Novi High School, call (248) 932-9244 for more information.

"We don't hold auditions," said Kopnick. "All that's required is an ability to play."

The festival is just one of the many events these bands participate in throughout the year.

"We like to have a good time with music," said Gillespie. "The concerts are secondary."

Plan to attend the festival to learn more about the community bands in your hometown.

## Don't count on 'Great Expectations'

### TICKETS PLEASE



JOHN MONAGHAN

One of the occupational hazards of reviewing movies is seeing your favorite novels regularly mutilated for the screen. A case in point: "Great Expectations," a modern take on Charles Dickens' masterful treatise on

the hazards of social climbing that already ranks as one of the most miserable misfires this year.

Though my day job as a high school English teacher makes me something of a literature snob, I'm not adverse to updating the classics. Last year's MTV approach to "Romeo and Juliet" was precisely what the Bard needed, with plenty of clever updates and sincere, likable performers to keep the lines fresh.

The new "Great Expectations," starring Ethan Hawke and Gwyneth Paltrow, stays relatively close to its source. Doty old Miss Havisham still roams the overgrown family estate, where she was stood up at the altar three decades ago.

Instead of wearing her tattered wedding dress, Anne Bancroft's incarnation sports a new wig with each scene and is

obsessed with the Cha Cha.

The orphaned Pip is now Finn, raised in the Florida Keys by his sister and her boyfriend Joe. It's here that he meets and is almost killed by a shackled convict (Robert DeNiro) who promises to gut the boy in his sleep if he doesn't procure food, drink, and some heavy duty steel cutters.

Soon after, Miss Havisham hires Finn to "play" with her niece Estella, making it no secret that she hopes to use the girl to break men's hearts. Finn's visits are just the warm-up act.

In the book, Pip's great expectations took him to 19th century London where he was prepped as a gentleman. Here Finn is thrust into the New York art scene, where he's given painting supplies, a to-die-for loft space, and a one-man show, all compliments of a mysterious sponsor.

The identity of Finn's fairy godmother (hint: it's not Miss Havisham) should come as no surprise, because the movie streamlines Dickens' characters down to only a handful. The movie is so insulated that even the busy New York streets are only sparsely populated by routine screamers and dog walkers.

One of the most poignant scenes in the novel was Pip's snub of Joe, his one true friend, whose impromptu visit threatens the boy's position as a gentleman. And with what he's got to

work with, Joe is one of the few things that comes through the movie more or less intact.

The other performers take turns embarrassing themselves for the camera. For Ethan Hawke, most of these moments come when he's supposed to be in his late teens, sporting a fright wig and makeup only slightly less ghastly than Bancroft's.

Gwyneth Paltrow, who proved so charming in "Emma," is a statue in midriff-baring designer clothes. The erotic scene where she strips for Finn while he makes passionate sketches of her would have been tedious even if we hadn't just seen it in "Titanic."

As for Bancroft, the veteran actress tries to have fun with her Norma Desmond take on Miss Havisham. So why couldn't the filmmakers give her and the others a more interesting update of the story?

The answer: Because director Alfonso Cuarón has absolutely no idea how to make "Great Expectations" fly in the '90s. It's still a compelling tale, but in its present form one that will likely confuse Dickens novices as much as it irritates his scholars.

John Monaghan welcomes your calls and comments. To leave John a voice mail message, dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch-tone phone, mailbox 1888.

## SCREEN SCENE

A sampling of what's playing at alternative movie theaters as reviewed by John Monaghan.

**Detroit Film Theatre** Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 833-2323 (\$5.50; \$4.50 students/seniors)

"The Tango Lesson" (England-1997). Friday-Sunday, Jan. 30 to Feb. 1 (call for showtimes). Sally Potter stars as essentially herself, a talented and impatient filmmaker who becomes entranced by the art of tango. Soon she's taking lessons from a handsome and legendary Argentinian dancer living in Paris.

**Magic Bag** 22918 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 644-3030, (\$2)

"Full Metal Jacket" (USA-1987). 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29. This 10-year-old film is still the most recent film from director Stanley Kubrick. His Vietnam saga has two parts, both in training and in battle, but Lee Ermey's performance as a drill instructor in the early scene ranks as one of the screen's most vivid and frightening creations.

"Boogie Nights" (USA-1997). 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan.

Nearly three-hour odyssey about the porn film industry in the 1970s.

**Main Art Theatre** 118 N. Main Street at 11 Mile, Royal Oak, (248) 542-0180 (\$6.50; \$4 students, seniors & matinee; \$3)

"The Sweet Hereafter" (Canada-1997). A study in collective mourning from Canadian director Atom Egoyan in which a town feels the pain when most of its children are killed in a school bus accident.

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STREET SCENE

# Teddy Richards makes his own way



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Having purposely missed INXS's 1994 shows at the Pontiac Silverdome, Teddy Richards had no desire to travel to Grand Valley State University to see the Australian band's performance the



Showing material: Teddy Richards performs Friday at the Magic Bag in Ferndale.

goes as planned, "Brand New Day" may show up in an episode of the television show "La Femina Nikita."

On his demo tape, which is not available for purchase, Richards shows his affinity for ballads while dabbling in Motown-flavored funk and ethereal pop.

He performed the material when he opened for INXS in California where he was reintroduced to Nina Blackwood, a VJ for MTV during the 1980s. The two met at the opening of the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, Ohio.

"She offered some assistance. She could see that at that point I was running this thing on my own. All the people I was working with were in England."

Since his demo tape was finished, Richards played a showcase in England with his U.K. band that includes Depeche Mode's drummer. While rehearsing for the show, Richards was visited by Elvis Costello, who was practicing for a BBC special with the Bronsky Quartet.

On this side of the ocean, Richards will hit the Magic Bag's stage Friday, Jan. 30, to perform for the public and record company executives. His U.S. band includes longtime bassist Joe Hayden, keyboardist Randy Sly of the swing band Atomic Fireballs and formerly of BOP (harvey), guitarist John Antone, background vocalist Susan Calloway, and drummer Jerome Day of the Howling Diablos.

A musician all of his life,

Richards was hired to play guitar for his mother, Aretha Franklin, in the fall of 1984. Since then, he has backed her up at the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame opening, on "The Late Show With David Letterman," and on numerous tours. He and his mother will make a return appearance on Letterman's show in late February.

"I love working with my mom. It's a real honor. It's a wonderful thing to be able to do. But I have my own song to sing."

Although he is Franklin's son, it hasn't been an easy road for the Oak Park High School graduate.

"Being Aretha Franklin's son does not make me privy to anything. ... I don't think there's a musician in the world who has an easy road. The average serious musician works really hard. It's not an easy thing to be a full-time musician. Most musicians are weekend warriors and have a full-time job somewhere else," said Richards who earned a degree in telecommunications from Michigan State University.

Teddy Richards performs with special guests Stewart Franche and Sue Calloway Friday, Jan. 30, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Doors open at 8 p.m. for the 18 and older show. Tickets are \$6. For more information, call (248) 544-3030 or visit <http://www.themagicbag.com>.

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following day. But a good friend persuaded him to go, and it has proved to be a turning point in the Southfield pop singer's career.

Hanging out backstage with INXS, Richards slipped a copy of his six-song EP to Andrew Farriss, the band's songwriter/key-boardist.

"I thought it would end up in the garbage. This is a guy who has written 20 to 30 No. 1 hits, like he has time to listen to my tape," Richards said.

Not only did Farriss listen to the tape, he called Richards and suggested that they collaborate on a few songs.

"I couldn't believe he was making himself available, somebody of that stature. He thought he might be instrumental in helping me get this to the right people."

Farriss and Richards inked a deal through Farriss' publishing company to write two songs. By early 1995, Richards was on a plane to England, where Farriss resides. The two wrote the rock song "Naked" and the funk tune "Hangin'," both of which fell together quickly and easily. The two-song publishing deal evolved

into 11 songs.

"By watching him and working with him, I am able to reconstruct a song and make it more cohesive and not clutter the music. It lets it breathe," Richards said.

Richards also wrote songs with Oliver Lieber, who has penned songs for Paula Abdul and who is the son of Leiber and Stoller's Jerry Leiber, and also wrote with Gary Clark of the Interscope Records band Transistor.

Among the songs written with Clark is the ballad "Brand New Day," which Richards calls "the song that's getting my phone calls returned." If everything

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**DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE**  
"Fences," through Sunday, March 22, at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. \$15. (313) 869-1347

**MEADOW BROOK THEATRE/ PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY**  
"Thunder Knocking on the Door," a story about a young blind woman trying to win back her sight in a blues guitar-duel with an unearthly musician, and features songs by Grammy Award-winning blues artist Keb Mo played by a live onstage blues band, 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29 (\$22), 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30 (\$26.50), 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 (\$22), 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 (\$32), and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 (\$22), Meadow Brook Theatre, Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. (248) 377-3300

**PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY**  
"Julie Johnson," Wendy Hammond's poignant story of an uneducated young mother who seeks a better life for herself and her two children, 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays through Saturday, March 14. \$15 preview Thursday, Jan. 29, \$30 opening night Friday, Jan. 30, and \$20 Wednesdays-Thursdays and Sundays, \$25 Fridays-Saturdays. (734) 475-7902, group sales 475-5817

**WALK AND SQUAWK**  
"Inhlanzi Ishelwe Amanzi - As Fish Out of Water," a multilingual tapestry of diverse South African characters, images, observations and personal stories, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Performance Network, Ann Arbor, and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, and Saturday, Feb. 7, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Wayne State University's General Lectures Building, corner of Anthony Wayne Drive and Warren Avenue, Detroit. \$12 and \$15. (734) 668-0407

### COLLEGE

**WSU BONSTELLE THEATRE**  
"Flyin' West," the story of four African-American female pioneers who settled in the all-black town of Nicodemus, Kansas, by Pearl Cleage, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, and Feb. 6-8, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater, 3424 Woodward Ave., on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit. (313) 577-2960

**WSU HILBERY**  
"Saturday, Sunday, Monday," by Eduardo de Filippo, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Jan. 29-30; "Of Mice and Men," by John Steinbeck, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. \$10-17. (313) 577-2972

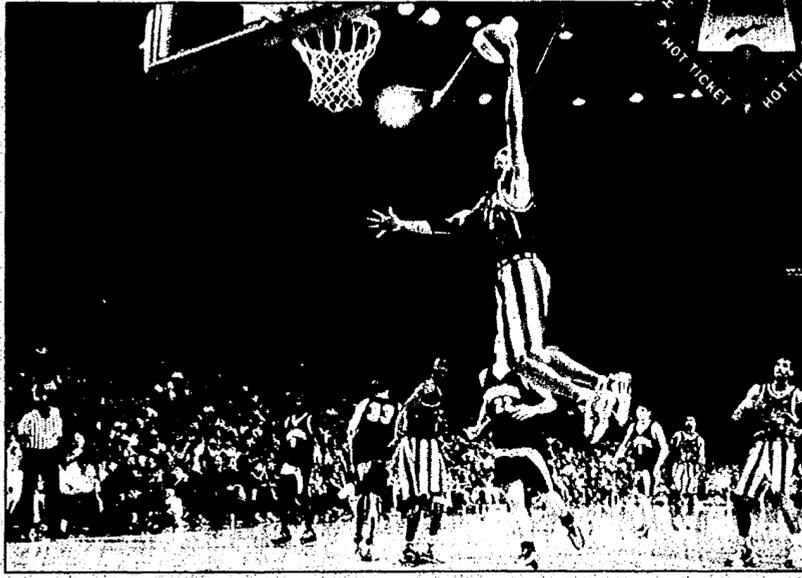
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"Three One Acts" including "The Jewish Wife," "The Informer," and "The Elephant Calf," by Bertolt Brecht, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater below the Hilberry, 4743 Cass Ave., on the Wayne State University campus, Detroit. (313) 577-2972

### COMMUNITY THEATER

**ANN ARBOR CIVIC THEATRE**  
"You Can't Take It With You," by Moss Hart and George S. Kaufman, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the theater, 2275 Platt Road, Ann Arbor. (734) 971-AACT

**HEARTLANDE THEATRE COMPANY**  
Birmingham-based federally tax-exempt professional arts organization, performs a selection of original 10-minute plays between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield Township. As part of the bookstore's book fair fund-raising program to support non-profit community organizations, Heartlande will receive a portion of the profits from books purchased at designated registers in the West Bloomfield store on this one day between 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds will be used to support Heartlande's festival of original plays, "Playscape '98." (248) 433-1233

**ST. DUNSTON'S THEATRE OF CRANBROOK**  
"Sylvia," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, West Bloomfield. \$12, \$10 seniors and students. (248) 644-0527



**Family show: The World Famous Harlem Globetrotters visit the Palace of Auburn Hills for an all-star performance 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1. Tickets \$18, \$15, \$13 and \$11.50, Superfan seating also available. Call (248) 645-6666. Children 12 and under and seniors 60 and over receive \$2 off \$18, \$16, \$13, and \$11.50 tickets. Group discounts also available, and members of the Catholic Youth Organization receive \$4.50 off \$11.50 tickets by calling (248) 377-0100. Special VIP packages include courtside ticket and a commemorative Globetrotter jersey, call (248) 377-0100 for details.**

### DINNER THEATER

**GENITTI'S HOLE IN THE WALL**  
"No Refunds, No Exchanges," through the end of January; "The Gaylords," Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7 (\$45), at the restaurant, 108 E. Main St., Northville. Price includes seven-course meal of soup, bread, pasta, antipasto salad, baked chicken, Italian sausage, Italian steak, vegetables and dessert. (248) 349-0522

### JACKSONN PRODUCTIONS DINNER THEATRE

"The Retirement Murders," an audience participation murder mystery comedy, 8:30 p.m. Saturdays through March 7, Florell's Restaurant, 26125 E. Huron River Dr., Flat Rock. \$28 in advance, \$33 at the door, includes dinner, show, tax and tip. Non-smoking dinner theater. (734) 782-1431

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

**CAPITOL THEATRE**  
"Schoolhouse Rock," the U.S. national touring children's show based on the Emmy-winning ABC television series, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31 (\$15, Canadian); "The Pied Piper of Hamelin," one-hour musical based on the children's fable, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5 (\$8, \$7 children, Canadian), in the theater's Pentastar Playhouse, 121 University Ave. West, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. (519) 253-8065 or capitol@mnsi.net or http://www.mnsi.net/~capitol

**CREATIVE ARTS CENTER**  
PuppetArt puppet theater performs "Close the Window - A Chelm Law," an adaptation of the I.B. Singer folk tale "The First Shlemiel," 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at the center, 47 Williams St., Pontiac. \$5, \$3 children under age 8. (248) 333-7849

**JET THEATRE**  
"Anne Frank and Me," by Cherie Bennett is a story of a contemporary girl studying Anne's diary in school, 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 \$10, \$5 children; student performances with teacher guides and talk-backs with cast continues 10:30 a.m. Mondays-Fridays to Feb. 13 (\$5), at the Millennium Theatre Center, Southfield. (248) 788-2900

**PONTIAC THEATRE IV**  
"Alice's Adventures in Wonderland," adaptation by Tim Kelly, 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, and 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Pontiac Northern High School. \$7, \$6 seniors/students. (248) 681-6215

**WALLED LAKE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL**  
The Performing Arts Program presents "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 5-7 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8 at the high school, Walled Lake. \$8, \$5 students/seniors, all seats reserved. (248) 960-8678

**WILD SWAN THEATRE**  
"Owl's Winter," a collection of stories for young children based on Arnold Lobel's "Owl at Home," 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Community House, 380 S. Bates St., Birmingham. \$6. (248) 644-5832

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**"BEACH BASH 1998"**  
Camp Ticonderoga restaurant's annual event featuring reggae music by O.C. Roberts and the Samaritans, 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, and La Trinity (formerly known as Trinidad Tripoli Steel Band), 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday,

Feb. 6-7, an oyster bar, hairbraiding, limbo contests, tropical food such as Jerk buffalo balls, blackened catfish, Jamaican jerk chicken, rum runners and pina colodas, and tattoos in the tattoo hut, at the restaurant, 5725 Rochester Road (south of Square Lake Road), Troy. Free. 21 and older. Weekend also includes polar golf tournament, 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7. \$42 includes shotgun scramble tournament, a polar party pack, a Jamaican lunch, an imported cigar and a chance to win prizes. (248) 828-BUCK

### DETROIT BOAT SHOW

"Charity Launch," 6-9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Cobo Center, Detroit. \$150 benefactors, \$100 patrons, benefits the Lighthouse of Oakland County, Vista Maria in Wayne County, and Turning Point in Macomb County; The 40th annual Detroit Boat Show featuring more than 300 boat dealers and marine businesses, 1,000 boats of all types and sizes, more than 100 manufacturers, and a Squalus Live Shark Show with a 9,000 gallon saltwater tank, divers with huge circling sharks and an antique and classic boat exhibit, Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 8, Cobo Center, Detroit. Noon to 10 p.m. Saturdays and Wednesday, noon to 8 p.m. Sundays, 3-10 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. \$8 adults, free for children ages 12 and younger with an adult, free for seniors ages 62 and older on Monday. (800) 932-2628 (benefit)/(800) 224-3008 (show)

### SPRING HOME AND GARDEN SHOW

Featuring 300 exhibitors, "Garlic Guru" Tom Reed, WXYT personalities, demonstrations on decorating, home repair, remodeling, and a daily treasure chest contest, 2-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Jan. 29-30, and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31-Feb. 1, Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Dr. (I-96 and Novi Road), Novi. \$6 adults, \$4 seniors, \$3 children 6-12, and free for children ages 6 and younger. \$9 family tickets for two adults and accompanying children available at Farmer Jack. (248) 737-4478

**"VISIONS TO REMEMBER"**  
Antiques show and sale, preview reception Friday, Feb. 6, show and sale 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, activities center, 1100 Lake Shore Dr., Grosse Pointe Shores. \$6 show, benefits Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. (313) 824-4710

### BENEFITS

**"GET THE RED OUT"**  
A black-tie bash with dinner, dancing to Mel Ball and the Colours, an interactive sneak peek at how to design the vehicle of the future, and an exhibition of "Out of the Workplace" fine art produced by artists from the GM Design Center, 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Feb. 14, GM Truck Product Center, 2000 Centerpoint Parkway, Pontiac. \$225 (\$185 is tax deductible), benefits the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association. Reservations must be made by Saturday, Jan. 31. (248) 644-0866

**"HEARTS FOR THE ARTS '98"**  
A benefit dinner and celebrity art auction presented by the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra and the Heart Care Program of the University of Michigan Health System, 6:30 p.m. champagne reception and silent auction, 7:30 p.m. dinner Friday, Feb. 13, Crowne Plaza, Ann Arbor. Last year's

auction included contributions by artists and celebrities such as Chris Roberts Antieau, John Travolta, Lloyd Carr, Steve Yzerman, George Bush, Matthew Hoffmann, Billy Joel and Dr. Michael DeBakey. \$75. (734) 994-4801

### FAMILY EVENTS

**BIRMINGHAM WINTERFEST**  
Featuring an Ice festival in Shain Park, and sales throughout downtown Birmingham, Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 5-8. (248) 433-3550

**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS**  
5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$11.50, \$13, \$15, and \$18. Superfan seating available. Children ages 12 and younger, and seniors ages 60 and older receive \$2 off. Groups of 15 or more receive \$3. Members of the Catholic Youth Organization receive \$4.50 off \$11.50 tickets only. Special VIP seating packages including a courtside ticket and a commemorative Globetrotter Jersey are available. (248) 377-0100

**JCC'S "FAMILY ARTS MAGICAL SUNDAYS WITH THE KIDS"**  
"Two Tales of Cinderella," with storyteller Corinne Stivish introducing the audience to Jewish fairy tales through the story of "Shmutzie," the Jewish Cinderella, and the Russian-American puppet troupe Puppet Art performing the original "Cinderella" story with marionettes and a classical music.



**On Stage: Janie Castagna stars as Sylvia and Keith Leopard as Greg in the St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook production of "Sylvia" a romantic comedy by A.R. Gurney. Performances 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Jan. 30-31, at the playhouse, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets \$12, senior and student tickets \$10, call (248) 644-5027.**

accompaniment, 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Jewish Community Center's Jimmy Prentiss Morris Building, 15110 W. 10 Mile Road, Oak Park. \$4 adult members, \$5 non-members, \$3 child members, \$4 child non-members. (248) 967-4030

### SESAME STREET LIVE'S "1-2-3 IMAGINE"

11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 31, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$9-\$15, with a limited number of VIP seats. (248) 433-1515

### CLASSICAL

**AMERICAN STRING QUARTET**  
"Beethoven the Contemporary," 8

p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 916 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. \$16-\$30. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

### DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

With conductor Neeme Jarvi and soprano Kathleen Battle performing "Symphony No. 48 in C Major" by Haydn, and "Daphnis and Chloe, Suite No. 2" by Ravel, 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 576-5111

### URSULA OPPENS

Pianist performs "Beethoven the Contemporary," 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Rackham Auditorium, Rackham Building, 916 E. Washington St., Ann Arbor. \$16-\$30. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

### OWAIN PHYFE AND THE NEW WORLD RENAISSANCE BAND

As part of the Rochester Conservatory of Music's program at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University campus, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$10, \$8 students and seniors. (248) 650-3366

### PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Performs a chamber concert 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, with harpists Allegra Lilly and Christina Szilag, and Youth Artist Competition winners Sarah Hamilton (flute) and Ross Huff (trumpet), in the Plymouth Canton High School Little Theatre, 8415 Canton Center Road (at Joy Road), Canton. \$8, \$6 seniors/college students, \$5 children K-12. (734) 451-2112

### ST. PAUL CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

With pianist Emanuel Ax, conductor Hugh Wolff, and the Dale Warland Singers, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Hill Auditorium, 825-N. University, Ann Arbor. \$16-\$45. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

### DALE WARLAND SINGERS

8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Ann Arbor. \$20. (800) 221-1229 or http://www.ums.org

### WINDSOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

"No Frills Friday," 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30; "Classics III: Rachmaninov Third Piano Concerto," 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Chrysler Theatre in the Cleary International Centre, 201 Riverside Dr. West, Windsor. (800) 387-9181 or http://www.city.windsor.on.ca/cleary

### POPS

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
With conductor Erich Kunze, special guest Mercedes Ellington, vocalists Monica Cantrell and Sam Gibson, and dancers Mark Esposito, Lyn Wiltshire-Beer Elam, Rory Johnson and Jennifer Ladner, as part of "Sophisticated Ellington: Symphony and Swing," 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, 8:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$17-\$60. (313) 576-5111

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### AUDITIONS

#### "SESAME STREET LIVE"

Holds auditions for male character performers, 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and full-body costume performers, 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Full-body costume characters (5'0" to 6'2") must be versatile in dance styles, with strong technical ability in jazz and musical theater. Gymnastics, tap and roller skating are a plus. Male live character auditioners should be prepared to perform a ballad and up tempo selections (a capella or instrumental tape). Show monologues and a dance combination will be part of the audition process. All auditioners should bring a picture and resume and wear or bring dance attire. Aerobic shoes can also be worn. Auditioners must be 18 and older. (612) 375-9670, ext. 704

#### STAGECRAFTERS

Auditions for "Lend Me a Tenor," by Ken Ludwig, 6:30 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Feb. 1-2, at the Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette Ave., Royal Oak. Roles available for four men and four women. Those auditioning for the roles of Max, Tito and the Bellhop must "sing reasonably well" and should be prepared to sing a portion of "Dio, che nell'alma infondere" from Verdi's "Don Carlo" or the famous aria from "The Barber of Seville." An audiotape is on reserve at the lower level of the Royal Oak Public Library. Showdates are weekends March 20-29 and April 3-5. Script cut is available for a three-day check out from the theater office. (248) 641-4832

#### WYANDOTTE COMMUNITY THEATRE

Auditions for everyone from age 8 to senior citizens for "Camelot," 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, and 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Copeland Center, Fourth and Mulberry street (south of Northline), Wyandotte. Be prepared to sing one song from the show. For performances May 1-2, 8-9. (734) 479-0266/438-0126

### CHORAL

#### RENAISSANCE VOICES

Performs "Requiem" by John Rutter, 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, North Congregational Church, 36520 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. \$5. All ages. (313) 317-6566

### JAZZ

#### DWIGHT ADAMS TRIO

9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (trumpet/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

#### MARCUS BELGRAVE

7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Oakland Grill, 32832 Woodward Ave. (south of 14 Mile Road), Royal Oak. Free, complimentary sushi. All ages. (248) 549-7700

#### SEAN BLACKMAN AND JOHN ARNOLD

8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Royal Oak Brewery, 210 E. Third St., Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older; 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 544-1141/(313) 861-8101

#### GARY BLUMER TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

#### SANDRA BOMAR TRIO

7-11 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (vocal/piano/bass trio) (248) 645-2150

#### JAMES CARTER QUARTET

With Cyrus Chestnut Trio, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-3700

#### HENRY GIBSON TRIO

8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (piano/bass/drums trio) (248) 645-2150

#### HEIDI HEPLER AND MICHELE RAMO

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, at Vic's Market, 42875 Grand River, Novi. (248) 305-7330

#### KIMMIE HORNE

9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (jazz/pop/R&B) (248) 852-0550

#### LEROY JENKINS

9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, MacKenzie Fine Arts Center, Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen Road (south of Ford Road), Dearborn. \$15. All ages. (jazz violinist/new music composer) (248) 648-9888/(810) 775-4770

#### JERICHO GUITAR TRIO

Three local guitarists performing jazz and pop arrangements, 8-10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Espresso Royale Caffe, 214 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (734) 668-1838

#### GARY KOCHER/PAUL KELLER QUARTET

9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. Please see next page

# 8 days a week

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Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 682-8310

**KATHY KOBINS**  
7:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 30-31, Fleetwood on Sixth, 209 W. Sixth St. (between Main and Washington streets), Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 541-8050

**SHEILA LANDIS**  
With Rick Matle and pianist Pat Cronley, 7-11 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older; With Rick Matle and guitarist/vocalist Lou Rye, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Borders Books and Music, 5601 Mercury Dr., Dearborn. Free. All ages; With Rick Matle, 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and with Rick Matle and percussionist Dennis Sheridan, 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, Smitty's, 222 Main, 222 Main St., Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 645-2150/(313) 271-4441/(248) 852-1600

**MATT MICHAELS TRIO**  
With vibist Cary Kocher, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29; With saxophone player George Benson, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, the Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington. \$5 cover waived with dinner. (248) 474-4800

**JEANNINE MILLER AND VINCENT SHANDOR TRIO**  
9:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 682-8310

**MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY (MAS)**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, D.L. Harrington's Roadhouse, 2086 Crooks Road (at M-59), Rochester Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (contemporary jazz/top 40) (248) 852-0550

**RUBBERBAND TIMMY**  
Featuring James Page, formerly of Brothers From Another Planet, 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Gold Dollar, 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (funky jazz trio) (313) 833-6873, gold\_dollar@mindspring.com or http://members.tripod.com/~gold\_dollar

**TANA REID QUINTET**  
9 p.m. and 11 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, and 2 p.m. showtime during 1-4 p.m. Sunday Brunch Sunday, Feb. 8, SereNgeti Ballroom, 2957 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Musicians workshop 1:30-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the ballroom. \$20 per show and for the workshop. (313) 832-3010/(248) 645-6666

**STEVE WOOD**  
7:30-11:30 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 29, and Feb. 5, Friday, Feb. 6, Fleetwood on Sixth, 209 W. Sixth St. (between Main and Washington streets), Royal Oak. Free. All ages. (248) 541-8050

## NEW AGE

**YANNI**  
8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$65 and \$39.50. All ages. (248) 377-0100

## WORLD MUSIC

**DADDY LONGLEGS**  
With Circus McGurkus and Grin, 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$3. 19 and older. (reggae/rock) (734) 996-8555

**HAWAIIAN SLACK KEY GUITAR FESTIVAL**  
With George Kahumoku Jr., the Rev. Dennis Kamakahi, and Cyril Pahinui, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$15. All ages. (734) 761-1451

**IMMUNITY**  
9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Library Pub, 35230 Central City Parkway, Westland. Free. 21 and older. (reggae) (734) 421-2250

## FOLK/BLUEGRASS

**ANN ARBOR FOLK FESTIVAL**  
With Paula Cole, Doc Watson and David Grisman, Guy Clark, emcee Cheryl Wheeler, Great Big Sea, Chris Smither, The Nields, Dee Carstensen, Willy Porter and Karen Pernick, 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Hill Auditorium, 825 N. University, Ann Arbor. \$25 festival tickets, \$55 patron tickets, \$110 sponsor tickets. (734) 761-1451

**AL AND EMILY CANTRELL**  
Featured in the movie "A River Runs Through It," 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11, \$10 members, students, seniors. All ages. (fiddle/vocals) (734) 761-1451

**CHESAPEAKE**  
With Sted Cleaves and the RFD Boys, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (bluegrass) (734) 761-1451

**DENNIS CYPORAN BAND**  
7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Borders Books and Music, 34300 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. All ages. (bluegrass) (248) 203-0005

**LISA HUNTER BAND**  
9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Xhedos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile Road (west of Woodward Ave.), Ferndale. Free. All

ages; 10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Woodward Avenue Brewers, 22646 Woodward Ave. (one block south of Nine Mile Road), Ferndale. Free. 21 and older. (248) 399-3946/(248) 546-3696

**JAN KRIST**  
10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 861-8101

**MATT WATROBA**  
Celebrates release of CD "Live at the Ark," with a performance, 9-11 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Xhedos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. (248) 399-3946

## DANCE

**AMERICAN BALLET THEATRE**  
"Giselle," 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Feb. 5-6, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8, Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$15-\$62. (313) 874-SING

**EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE**  
"Dances for Lovers," featuring seven dances about love and relationships, 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Smith Theatre, Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$16. (248) 471-7667

**ENGLISH COUNTRY DANCING**  
Workshop and dancing led by Eric Arnold and Don Theyken, with live music by David West and Donna Baird, hosted by the Ann Arbor Council for Traditional Music and Dance, 7-9:45 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, Chapel Hill Condominium Clubhouse, 3350 Green Road (north of Plymouth Road), Ann Arbor. \$4. (734) 663-0744 or (734) 662-5158

**CHRISTINA KAMMUELLER'S ADULT INTERMEDIATE AND ADVANCED STUDENTS**  
"Moore and More Dances," noon Sunday, Feb. 1, Lascu School of Ballet, 982 Dennison Court, West Bloomfield. Free. All ages. (248) 960-0778

**COUNTRY MAGIC FLOOR SHOW**  
Featuring Bobby Ray and Five-Piece Band, country music and music from the 50s and 60s, 3-7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 (dinner at 1:30 p.m.), at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road (at Dequindre Road), Troy. \$20 includes dinner and show. (248) 689-3636

**MID-WINTER BALL CONTRA DANCE**  
With music by Silver Strings Dulcimer Society, and callers Karen Missavage and Tom Allen, 8-11 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Masonic Temple, 730 Penniman St., Plymouth. Beginners welcome. \$7. (734) 332-9024/(734) 995-1336

**U-M DANCE DEPARTMENT**  
"Changing Steps" by Merce Cunningham, featuring three U-M choreographers' interpretations of each point on the compass and Cunningham's work representing east, 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Feb. 5-7, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$14 and \$18, \$7 students. (734) 764-0450

**VIENNESE STRAUSS BALL**  
Featuring the Eric Neubauer Ensemble and a 22-piece orchestra directed by George B. Stepulla, 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Riverview Ballroom at the Cobo Center, Detroit. \$55. (248) 650-0889

## COMEDY

**HOLLY HOTEL**  
Mark Knopp and Jeff Margrette, Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31, at the hotel, 110 Battle Alley, Holly. 8:30 p.m. Thursdays, and 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. 8:30 p.m. shows non smoking. (248) 634-0000

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB**  
Mike Veneman, Todd McCune and Jim Hamm, Thursday-Saturday, Jan. 29-31 (10); Chas Elstner and Joey Bielaska, Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 5-7 (10), at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays (free), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, 8 p.m. Sundays (new talent night/improv). (734) 261-0555

**JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S**  
Wendy Lieberman, 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 (\$12, \$25.95 dinner show package), and 10 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package); "Al the Only," 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5 (\$8, \$18.95 dinner show package), and 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7 (\$10, \$20.95 dinner show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

**ALAN KING**  
8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, Macomb Community College, 44575 Garfield Road (at M-59), Clinton Township. \$29, \$26 students and seniors. All ages. (810) 626-2141

**MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE**  
Cathy Ledman, voted "Best Female Stand-Up" at the 1992 American Comedy Awards, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31 (\$12), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor.

(734) 996-9080  
**SOUPY SALES**  
With Bill Barr, 7 p.m. dinner with 8:30 p.m. show Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Polo Fields Golf and Country Club, 5200 Polo Fields Dr. (off Zeeb Road, 1/2 mile south of I-94), Ann Arbor. \$60 Includes choice of soup or salad, petite filet mignon with bernaise sauce, herbal veloute chicken breast, non-alcoholic beverages or one glass of wine, tax, gratuity, and show. Vegetarian entree available upon request. (734) 998-1555 or (248) 645-6668

**SECOND CITY**  
"Generation X-Files" through Sunday, Feb. 8, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays (\$10), and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays (\$17.50) and Saturdays (\$19.50). The cast performs a free improvisational comedy set after Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday shows, and the late shows on Fridays and Saturdays. The show's title is reflective of current cultural trends, not necessarily the show's content. (313) 965-2222

## MUSEUMS AND TOURS

**DETROIT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
"Remembering Downtown Hudson's" exhibit, a nostalgic look at what made the Hudson's downtown Detroit store an icon of the city's prosperous era, runs through December, at the museum, 5401 Woodward Ave. (at Kirby), Detroit. Museum hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. Free admission Wednesdays; \$3 for adults, \$1.50 seniors and children aged 12-18, free for children ages 11 and younger Thursdays-Sundays. (313) 833-1805

**DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
African-American exploration on the web, Tuesday-Saturday, Feb. 3-7, at the library, 5201 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-4042

**DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER**  
IMAX movies include: "Super Speedway," 10 a.m. and 11:10 a.m. Mondays-Fridays (indefinitely), and 3:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and Sunday, Feb. 1; "Special Effects," 12:20 p.m. and 1:20 p.m. Mondays-Fridays (indefinitely), 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and Sunday, Feb. 1; "Tropical Rainforest," 1:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, and Sunday, Feb. 1; "Sharks" 2:15 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31; and "Destiny in Space," 2:15 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1; at the museum, 5020 John R (at Warren Road), Detroit. Special \$4.75 admission through Sunday, Feb. 1. Includes one IMAX Dome film, an interactive science demonstration, the Cyberspace Safari Exhibit Lab and a laser light show. \$2.50 each additional IMAX film; After Sunday, Feb. 1, \$6.75 for adults, \$4.75 for youths 3-17, and seniors 60 and older, includes one screening of an IMAX film, a visit to the Exhibit Floor, a live science demonstration in the Discovery Theatre and a short laser presentation. \$2.50 for each additional IMAX movie. Discounts available to groups to 10 or more. Hours are: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. (313) 577-8400 or http://www.science-troit.org

**HENRY FORD MUSEUM AND GREENFIELD VILLAGE**  
"Echoes Across the Prairies: The Vanishing Black West," film by writer and producer Ann Eskridge, shown weekends during February, Black History Month, at the museum, 20900 Oakwood Blvd. (west of the Southfield Freeway, and south of Michigan Avenue), Dearborn. Museum and village hours, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$12.50 adults, \$11.50 seniors age 62 and older, \$6.25 for kids ages 5-12, free for children ages 5 and younger and members. Group rates available. (313) 271-1620

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**  
"A Communion of the Spirits: African-American Quilters, Preservers and Their Stories" exhibits featuring 175 photographs of varying sizes, a selection of the surveyed quilts, interpretive panels, and a limited amount of other artwork related to the quilters, through Sunday, June 7. The exhibit features area quilters and celebrity quilters such as Maya Angelou, Rosa Parks, Bernice Johnson Reagon, Faith Ringgold, Sonia Sanchez and Alice Walker; "The Life and Times of Paul Robeson" exhibition featuring records, photographs and paintings on loan from private citizens and from the collection of the MAAH, runs Saturday-Tuesday, Jan. 31-June 30; "Walk to Freedom: Detroit Shares a Dream," photograph display of the 1963 civil rights march led by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Detroit, through Saturday, Feb. 28; Wednesday movie night featuring African-American films 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays in February; "The Spirit of Harriet Tubman: One Woman Show," 10 a.m. and noon Tuesday, Feb. 3, at the museum, 315 E. Warren Ave. (at Brush Street), Detroit. Museum hours 9:30 a.m. to 5

p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays. Open seven days a week during Black History Month, February, \$3 for adults and \$2 for children aged 12 and younger. (313) 494-5800

## POPULAR MUSIC

**JOHNNY BASSETT AND THE BLUES INSURGENTS**  
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

**BEAVER SHOOT**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Gold Dollar, 3129 Cass Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (experimental) (313) 833-6873, gold\_dollar@mindspring.com or http://members.tripod.com/~gold\_dollar

**BENNY AND THE JETS**  
With Unity, the Sea Monsters, and special guest "JT The Brick" from the sports radio station WDFN, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Diesel - Sports Rock Cafe, 22509 Ecorse Road (east of Telegraph Road), Taylor, part of the filming of "Benny and the Jets Movie." Cover charge. 21 and older (rock) (313) 730-1627

**BIZER BROTHERS**  
9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Pages, 23621 Farmington Road, Farmington. Free. 21 and older. (248) 477-0099

**BLUE RAYS**  
9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

**BLUE SUIT WITH GENE MORGAN**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty, Plymouth. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (734) 451-1213

**BLUESAHLICS**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Carriage House's Blues Alley, 24200 Grand River Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 535-3440

**BUGS BEDDOW BAND**  
6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 3, Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. Cover charge. All ages; 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Feb. 6-7, Beale Street Blues, 8 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$2. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 494-5800/(248) 334-7900

**BOTFLY**  
With Fat Amy and FACE, 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Canceled. (rock) (248) 544-3030 or http://www.themagicbag.com

**BR-49**  
With Gino and the Lone Valley Boys and Swingin' Demons, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11, rescheduled from Friday, Feb. 6, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$12.50 in advance. 18 and older. (honky tonk country) (313) 833-9700

**BRIDGE**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, and Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 5-7, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. \$3. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

**BUSTER'S BLUES BAND**  
10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Mount Chalet, 4715 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 549-2929

**THE CIVILIANS**  
10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (810) 731-1750

**COAL CHAMBER**  
With Day in the Life, 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (hard rock) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

**COOLBONE**  
8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8 in advance. All ages. (brass-driven hip-hop) (313) 961-MELT or http://www.961melt.com

**KACY CROWLEY AND CHRIS STILLS**  
3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Borders Books and Music, 612 E. Liberty St., Ann Arbor. Free. All ages. (pop) (734) 913-1100

**DELTA 72**  
With Bantam Rooster and The Gol, 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$6 in advance. 18 and older. (punk/soul) (313) 833-POOL

**SCOTT FAB**  
With Dorothy and Fat Amy, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$4. 19 and older. (alternative rock) (734) 996-8555

**FOOLISH MORTALS**  
10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Woody's, 208 W. Fifth St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (alternative rock) (248) 543-6911

**THE FOUR TOPS**  
7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1, at the Macomb Center for Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road (at M-59, Hall Road, and Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$29, \$26 students/seniors. (Motown) (810) 286-2222/(248) 645-6666

**FREAKWATER**  
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Blind Pig,

206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$6 in advance. 19 and older. (roots rock) (734) 996-8555

**GOVERNMENT HONEY**  
9 p.m. Sundays in February, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

**THE GRUESOMES**  
With Soot, 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

**HIS NAME IS ALIVE**  
With Outrageous Cherry and Velour, 100, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5 in advance. 19 and older. (ethereal alt/pop) (734) 996-8555

**JILL JACK**  
10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Free. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Captain Tony's, 3333 Woodward Ave. (between 13 Mile Road and Coolidge Highway), Royal Oak. Cover charge. 21 and older. (roots rock) (810) 731-1750/(248) 288-6388

**JIMMIE JACKSON AND THE BLUES CONNECTION**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

**NIKKI JAMES AND THE FLAMETHROWERS**  
10 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, Kodiak Grill, 45660 Mound Road, Utica. Cover charge. 21 and older. (R&B) (810) 731-1750

**KNEE DEEP SHAG**  
With Jazzoddy, 10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (funk) (734) 485-5050

**THE LOOK**  
10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (248) 349-9110/(248) 360-7450

**FREAKWATER**  
With Mike Ireland and Holler, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$6 in advance. 19 and older. (roots rock) (734) 996-8555

**MACHINE HOUSE**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 581-3650

**MASCHINA**  
10 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 18 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

**EDWIN MCCAIN**  
With Stewart Francke, 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. \$12 in advance. 18 and older. (pop rock) (248) 335-8100 or http://www.961melt.com

**JIM MCCARTY WITH MYSTERY TRAIN**  
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 543-4300

**MEDICINE HAT**  
9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, and Wednesdays in February, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. \$3 Friday-Saturday, free Wednesdays. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

**MR. FREEDOM X**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Cross Street Station, 511 W. Cross St., Ypsilanti. Cover charge. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 485-5050

**MORSEL**  
Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, and special guests Miss Bliss and Roundhead, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$5. 19 and older. (rock) (734) 996-8555

**MUDPUDDY**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, as part of a book-signing party for "MusicHound Blues" with editor Gary Gruff, and contributor/Observer & Eccentric music reporter Christina Fuoco, at Borders Books and Music, 43075 Crescent Boulevard, Novi. Free. All ages; 10 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older; 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Sisko's on the Boulevard, Taylor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 347-0810/(248) 543-4300/(313) 533-4477

**MUS30**  
With Earthmover, Gutterpunk, Suburban Delinquents and Ten-Cent Can, 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance. All ages. (ska/punk) (248) 333-2362 or http://www.961melt.com

**ROBERT NOLL BLUES MISSION**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, Long Shots, 27189 Grand River Ave., Redford. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Jan. 30-31, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older; 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, Lower Town Grill, 195 W. Liberty St., Plymouth.

Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313) 533-9350/(313) 581-3650/(734) 451-1213

**PAKISTANI TAMBOURINE**  
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Mondays in February, Bullfrog Bar and Grill, 15414 Telegraph Road (one block north of Five Mile Road), Redford. Free. 21 and older. (rock) (313) 533-4477

**ROBERT PENN**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. 21 and older. (blues) (248) 644-4800

**PULL**  
10 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30, Library Pub, 42100 Grand River, Novi. Free. 21 and older. (rock/alternative) (248) 349-9110

**LAURA RAIN**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, Moby Dick's, 5452 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. Cover charge. 21 and older. (blues) (313)

# Brothers pioneer new family tavern

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
STAFF WRITER

With the same can-do spirit of pioneers who traveled "westward ho!" Brothers Dan and Joe Josifoski rustled up family and friends to turn a long vacant restaurant into a welcoming wagon stop. They opened Pick-A-Bone Family Tavern on Wednesday.

"We love the community, and thought it would be a great place to operate a family restaurant," said Dan Josifoski who spent four years renovating the former Vargo's, which closed 10 years ago.

"We felt Livonia was lacking a place where family and friends could gather. We will be working together as a family. We'll both be on the premises all the time to greet customers."

The brothers live in Livonia, and their parents - Danny and Zlatka, brought them up in the restaurant business. Dan's grandfather started their family-style restaurant in Roseville.

While Joe worked at the restaurant with his father and mother, Dan, who has a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, and an associate's degree in electronics, worked on renovations at Pick-A-Bone.

"We did a 120 percent job," he

said. "Everything is new."

They worked with a designer, Roseanne Duncan of Bloomfield Hills, to create an Old West atmosphere that's fun, comfortable, and eclectic. A mural inside the saloon area was painted by local artist Frances Fletcher.

Like the setting, the menu also has a Western flare. Barbecue ribs are their specialty. Pick-A-Bone ribs are marinated in a flavorful blend of seasonings, smoked to enhance the flavor, then char-grilled and basted with the family's secret sauce.

Ribs are served with garlic toast and choice of dinner salad or cole slaw, steak fries, red skins or baked potatoes.

Appetizer offerings include a rib sampler, buffalo wings, and Jesse James Cajun Style Pizza.

The brothers recommend "Picadillas," which they describe as being like Quesadillas only better. Of course there's chili on this menu, and onion soup.

Try one of the salads - Antipasto, Chicken Caesar, Greek, Tropical Chicken, or Blackened Chicken Salad.

Pick-A-Bone also offers a variety of sandwiches including burgers, a barbecue pork sandwich, Reuben, turkey and barbecue chicken sandwich, served with choice of soup of the day or steak fries.

**Pick-A-Bone Family Tavern**  
Where: 30325 Six Mile Road, (between Middlebelt and Merriam) Livonia, (734) 782-2083, or (734) 782-RIBS  
Hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday; 11 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. Closed Monday.  
Menu: Western Style fare including ribs, steaks, chicken, some seafood, salads, sandwiches, soups. Children's menu for kids 12 and under. Lunch menu served until 4 p.m.  
Reservations: Accepted for parties of six or more.  
Credit Cards: All majors accepted  
Carry-out: Yes, they also offer Broasted Chicken by the piece for parties.  
Banquet Facilities: For up to 120 people, dance floor. Banquet room has private entrance.  
Seating capacity: Restaurant seats up to 190 people



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New restaurant: Joe (left) and Dan Josifoski welcome customers to Pick-A-Bone Family Tavern.

If you're not in the mood for ribs, there are a couple of steak options - Cowboy Steak - the original T-Bone Steak; City Slicker Steak - 12 ounces of classic New York Strip, or a one pound mouth-watering Porterhouse. Pick-A-Bone uses top quality Black Angus Beef for their steaks.

Broiled pork chops, prime rib in 16 or 12 ounce cuts, and sirloin steak are also available. Steaks and chops are served with garlic toast, vegetable of the day, choice of dinner salad or cole slaw, and choice of steak fries, red skins, or baked potato.

With so many choices, it's hard

to decide. Try one of the combos, barbecued ribs 'n chicken' barbecue ribs 'n shrimp, barbecued chicken 'n shrimp, or "The Ultimate B.B.Q." - ribs, chicken, shrimp, and pork loin. Combos are served with garlic toast, dinner salad or cole slaw, and choice of steak fries, red skins, or baked potato.

If you don't feel like "pigging out" seafood choices include jumbo shrimp, honey barbecued salmon steak, broiled white fish, char-grilled swordfish and tuna, or fish and chips served with salad or cole slaw, rice pilaf, vegetable of the day and garlic toast.

There are also many other entrees to chose from including broasted chicken, barbecued chicken and pork loin, lasagna, spaghetti, Chicken Monterey, Chicken Pecan, and Chicken Stir-fry, Steak, Chicken or Shrimp Fajitas, served with dinner salad or cole slaw.

"We want to appeal to all groups of people, and different palates," said Joe.

Pick-A-Bone offers a variety of beers, white, sparkling and red

wines, and specialty drinks including Margaritas - traditional or raspberry, strawberry or lemonade.

The prices are reasonable, ranging from \$4.45 for a Billy the Kid Burger to \$16.95 for Whole Slab of Ribs for Two.

"We're here to stay, we're not travelers," said Dan. "We're devoted to Livonia." Joe said he's "glad open a business and serve the people."

# Backstage Pass welcomes songwriter Bernie Taupin

BACKSTAGE PASS



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Right now, Wisconsin is full of cheeseheads analyzing their performance this past Sunday. "Maybe if my head were made of American instead of cheddar..." Assessment is a part of getting better, and we run each episode of Backstage Pass through a virtual spectroscopy of analysis. Did it succeed in getting people to events? Was it fun? Did it keep the hot side hot, the cool side cool?

Any way you slice it, tonight's show is a winner. For starters, we have one of the most prolific lyricists of the 20th century in the Detroit Public Television studio: Bernie Taupin. And here's a surprise, he sings. Bernie will lead a trio with words he's written for his own voice.

Of course, people know Bernie Taupin from his 27-year collaboration with Elton John, a pairing that has resulted in sales of more than 100 million records. Together, these talented men have authored countless pop classics, including hits like "Your Song," "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road," "Daniel," "Candle in the Wind," and "The One."

Praise for the Taupin/John team has really poured in recently, as if the industry and fans have taken stock of the most amazing songwriting tandem since Lennon and McCart-

ney. In '91, there was the CD/book/video package "Two Rooms," a tribute that included artists like George Michael, Sinead O'Connor, Sting, Eric Clapton and Phil Collins interpreting Bernie and Elton's music. Other accolades include 1994 ASCAP Songwriters of the Year, induction into the Songwriters Hall of Fame, six Ivor Novello Awards (the European equivalent to the Grammy), and the coveted INA's International Achievement of Excellence. Bernie was also inducted into the American Academy of Achievement in 1994.

Bernie has figured out the healing power of music, too. In 1992, he produced "Commitment to Life VI," which raised an unprecedented \$4 million for the AIDS Project Los Angeles. The event included top industry stars

and was so successful that in 1995 Bernie introduced a follow-up event, "Commitment to Life VIII - Under the Influence."

Switch gears from pop to jazz, and we have another blockbuster booking: a quartet of world-renowned Detroit jazz all-stars, fronted by James Carter on saxophone and including Harold McKinney on piano, Don Maybury on bass and Richard "Pistol" Allen on drums. Each one of these guys has chops on the world jazz scene in his own right, and they're playing together as an ensemble exclusively for Backstage Pass.

James Carter, who plays this Friday night at Orchestra Hall, is widely regarded as one of the most exciting young saxophonists to arrive on the jazz scene in the last 25 years. I called our Backstage Pass jazz hosts Kim

Hunter and W. Kim Heron for perspective on this special player. Hunter explained, "There's a big schism in jazz - there's the avant garde, and there's the classical. Most people can do one of the other. James can play both, and that's unusual. He's well respected in both camps, because he can play far out and really in."

Both Kims had great things to say about all the players in the Backstage ensemble. Kim Hunter said, "Harold McKinney is probably one of the best piano players on the planet. And he's gotten better as he's gotten older, which is rare for anybody. But Harold's still got it, and he's got

a lot of imagination, too." W. Kim concurred, "McKinney's nickname 'The Baron,' and is an elder statesman of the Detroit jazz scene. He's played with people like Charlie Parker, John Coltrane, Donald Byrd, Charles Mingus, Sarah Vaughn - the list goes on and on.

Hunter continued, "Don Maybury is an incredible bass player. He did a great collaboration with a singer named Angie Smith. It's just the two of them, which is unusual. You can really hear what each of them do. And he has a great tone." Heron said, "Pistol" Allen was a Motown mainstay. He's played with people like Nancy Wilson, Sammy

Davis Jr., June Christy and Arthur Prysock and worked a lot at Baker's in his heyday." Hunter summed up our assemblage of talent, "Each one of these guys can just flat out play. They're not these young pyrotechnic players with something to prove. They just play."

We also welcome actor John Amos ("Roots," "Good Times," "Coming to America," to name a few), at Music Hall with his incredible one-man tour de force, "Halley's Comet," and visit the exhibition "White" at the Center Galleries. That's tonight on Backstage Pass on Detroit Public Television at midnight, repeated Friday at 7:30 p.m.

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