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Happy homecoming



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Fun with friends: Westland John Glenn seniors Rob Mason (left to right), LeShaunta Chambers and Bobby Hagelthorn dance at the homecoming dance Saturday night. Westland John Glenn whipped North Farmington Friday night to the tune of 55-7. See sports, Section C



At the dance: At right, Westland John Glenn homecoming queen senior Shelly Irvine dances at the homecoming dance Saturday night. Above, Juniors Kevin Yudt and Tara McGhie dance to a slow song at the dance.



Council denies station plan

Carver residents succeeded in blocking a business that they feared would attract drug dealers and other troublemakers.

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Heavy lobbying paid off Monday for Carver subdivision residents who convinced Westland City Council members to reject a 24-hour gas station in their neighborhood.

Armed with petitions signed by nearly 300 people, Carver residents succeeded in blocking a business that they feared would attract drug dealers and other troublemakers.

"I'm ecstatic," Carver resident Sherry Mallard said, after all seven council members voted against the development proposed for the southeast corner of Middlebelt and Annapolis. "I want to thank the council for doing the right thing."

"I believe that our voices were truly heard tonight," resident Sabrina Guyton said Monday as Carver residents celebrated their victory outside of council chambers. "I'm very pleased."

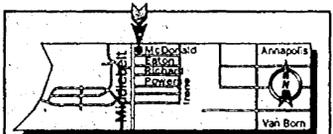
Businessmen said they believe that residents misunderstood their plans for a 24-hour gas station, convenience store and ice cream shop.

"We're not asking to put a bar there or a liquor store or a go-go bar," Tarek Zoabi said, adding that property owners even altered their earlier plans for a fast-food restaurant with a drive-up window.

"We've tried everything we can to make this a happy ending, if you will," he told the council. "A gas station does not attract drug dealers. A gas station does not attract crime."

With a one-two-three punch, council

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Gas station denied

Carver Subdivision residents opposed a proposed gas station in their neighborhood.



ELECTION 1998

Conley says he stresses basics

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Trying to win support for his state House campaign, Steve Conley is on his home telephone talking about education, crime and small business issues.

This 32-year-old Westland Republican seems polished and confident for a

first-time political candidate trying to unseat a veteran Democrat legislator, 18th District state Rep. Eileen DeHart.

Ending his phone conversation, Conley sits at a kitchen table as a mild

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Steve Conley

DeHart says focus is working people

BY DARRELL CLEM
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Sitting in Democrat election headquarters in Westland, state Rep. Eileen DeHart shrugs off any speculation that she is approaching her third-term election bid with complacency.

"I feel good but not overconfident," she said.

DeHart, 50, is campaigning tirelessly against first-time Republican candidate Steve Conley in the 18th District — a longtime Democratic stronghold.

A self-described moderate Democrat,



Eileen DeHart

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City to spend up to \$55,500 to study recreation

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Westland city leaders are edging closer to building a new, multimillion-dollar recreation center, although officials say they aren't bound to the proposal.

Westland City Council members Monday agreed to spend as much as \$55,500 to hire a Missouri firm to study local recreation needs and to survey residents about services they might want.

The firm, Sverdrup Facilities Inc., is expected to

complete its work in three months, giving city leaders information they will use in deciding whether to build a new recreation center.

Mayor Robert Thomas has suggested that the city needs a state-of-the-art recreation complex to attract and keep families and to become competitive with communities like Canton Township.

Still, Thomas said the survey of city residents "is of utmost importance" in helping officials decide whether to actually build a recreation building.

Sverdrup Facilities Inc. will:

Study public and private recreational facilities on a regional and local basis to provide data on consumer participation, spending habits and travel for recreation.

Evaluate the city's Bailey Recreation Center and how it could complement a new facility.

Help the city survey residents to determine what services and programs they would want in a recreation facility.

Provide an analysis — and possible space requirements — for an aquatics center, racquetball courts, banquet and meeting rooms, a gymnasium,

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autumn breeze blows softly through a sliding glass door that opens onto a backyard deck. It's 11 in the morning.

This father of two describes himself as a moderate on social issues but conservative when it comes to Lansing purse strings.

"I want the basics - police, fire, roads," he said. "I don't want government to build an art museum to tell me what kind of art I should like."

"I want to know where every penny is spent."

Spoken like a certified public accountant. And he is, although now he owns a small business that recruits and places accounting employees with other firms.

Conley said he and his wife, Nancy, lead a typical middle-class life in Millpointe, a private subdivision on Westland's south-west side.

"We have two kids," he said, naming preschooler Jonathan, who'll be 4 in January, and third-grader T.J., who attends Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth.

"And we have two careers," he added. His wife is assistant director of internal audit for Yazaki North America.

Hard work is important to Conley; he said his parents made sure of that.

His father, Marc, one of nine children, and his mother, Nancy, one of seven, grew up on small tobacco farms in eastern Kentucky. They knew the meaning of hard work.

Conley's father later worked for a butcher shop, then bought the store, then took a construction job and finally settled into a career as a Ford Motor Co. pipefitter. Conley's mother also works for Ford, although the couple is nearing retirement.

Like many Southerners, Conley's parents moved north to find better jobs in the auto industry. Conley describes his father as a Republican and his mother as a "Southern Democrat."



Steve Conley

STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

"My parents gave me a good foundation to know right from wrong, and they taught me core values," Conley said. "I guess I was spoiled, but not a brat. I've always worked, probably since I started mowing yards when I was 12 years old. My parents taught me responsibility, which is the best thing they ever did for me."

Conley grew up in Belleville. One of his fondest childhood memories stems from a family vacation to see Gettysburg, Pa., Washington, D.C., Arlington National Cemetery and, following a coastal drive, Myrtle Beach, S.C.

A Belleville High School graduate, Conley earned his accounting degree from Michigan State University and landed a job with Peat Marwick, where he met the woman he would marry. They will celebrate their fifth anniversary in November.

Conley likes to spend his spare



time at home, where he built the family deck and a wooden play structure for the children.

"This seems to be the gathering place for kids in the summer," he said. "We'll have 10 or 12 kids over here at once."

Like most parents, Conley worries about his sons growing up in a world that seems increasingly violent.

"I don't have any tolerance for violence," he said. "My biggest concern is the fact that I need to stay involved with my kids. We do homework together."

Conley wants honest relationships with his children when it comes to issues like crime, drugs, sex.

"I don't want to hide things from them," he said. "I will try to

give them that same foundation that my parents gave me. And it's important to teach kids to be respectful of other people."

Conley first delved into politics when he became a precinct delegate four years ago. He started meeting Republicans like Tom Hickey, now a U.S. House candidate, and he became involved in the GOP's Wayne 13th Congressional District Committee.

Conley decided late last year to try to help Republicans take DeHart's state House seat.

"I decided I would step up to the plate and take that challenge," he said.

His main thrust is fiscal responsibility, but he has definite opinions on certain issues.

■ Backed by Right to Life,

Conley opposes abortion but admits he won't be found on the front line of clinic demonstrations. He strongly opposes government money paying for abortions.

■ He believes that criminals should be punished for their crimes. He opposes coddling them and giving them services, such as elaborate weight rooms, that many law-abiding citizens can't even afford.

■ He demands prudent spending, from his own business and from his government. "And I know what it's like to meet a payroll."

■ He believes that better roads shouldn't just be an election-year issue, and he wants to hold contractors responsible for their work.

■ He believes that handgun legislation should be uniform statewide. And he said would-be gun owners should have the right to bear arms unless they are former felons or have a history of mental illness.

"I am for fiscal responsibility and individual freedoms with responsibility," Conley said.

He freely admits that his life will change dramatically if he wins the election and faces daily drives to Lansing and back. But he won't neglect his family.

"I will be at home when my kids go to bed," he said.

Conley bristles when asked if he could ever become a career politician.

"Don't ever label me that," he said.

And he said he hasn't given much thought to any other offices he might seek if he loses the state House race.

"Right now," he said, "I'm focusing on the task at hand."

**CITY OF WESTLAND
NOTICE OF PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST**

The City of Westland will hold a Public Accuracy Test on the Unilect Patriot voting equipment for the November 3, 1998, General Primary election on Thursday, October 29, 1998 at 10:00 a.m. at Westland City Hall, Council Chambers, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan.

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Westland City Clerk

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Election '98

Incumbent Democrat Eileen DeHart of Westland and Republican challenger Steve Conley of Westland are seeking a two-year term to represent the 18th State House District which represents most of Westland and part of Canton Township. Voters will go to the polls on Tuesday, Nov. 3

- **What is your position on Proposal B, which would legalize physician-assisted suicides for terminally ill adults? Explain.**
- **Should Michigan amend its constitutional prohibition against aid, vouchers, grants and tax credits for private and parochial schools? Why or why not?**
- **There's a lot of political rhetoric about fixing Michigan's roads. What would be your solution?**
- **What's your position on Proposal C, a state measure that would authorize bonds for environmental and natural resources protection programs?**
- **Should state handgun licensing rules be changed? If so, how would you change them?**

REPUBLICAN

STEVE CONLEY



Westland resident, owner of a recruiting and staffing business. Five-year resident of district. Bachelor's degree in accounting from Michigan State University. Certified public accountant. Community service includes United Way and Coats for Kids.

Member of the Westland Chamber of Commerce, Economic Club of Detroit, Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants. Married with two sons.

I don't believe that government should have any involvement in condoning or financially supporting the taking of life whether for the terminally ill or for the unborn. I understand that some of these terminally ill patients are suffering greatly, but I believe that God will not burden us with more pain than we can endure. And that it is God's decision when our time is up. Therefore, morally I am opposed to Proposal B. Then there is the bureaucracy that passage of Proposal B would create....

I am a firm believer that competition is good for the consumer and in this case good for the students. When the parents have the choice to send their children to the best school available it will force the poor performing schools to improve to compete. This will raise the bar and benefit students across the state whether they are in public, private or parochial schools. Therefore, I do believe that parents should have the choice to spend their educational tax dollars in the way they see fit.

Keeping our roads in appropriate condition should be a continuous process and not just an election year project. We also need to evaluate the materials used in construction of our roads. It may make much more sense to spend more upfront to fix roads if they will have a longer life and require less maintenance. Lastly, we need to hold contractors responsible. If their roads don't last through a guarantee period then they need to bear the cost of repairs, not the taxpayer.

I am in favor of the bond issue. I believe that it will allow us to clean up major projects that would otherwise take years or even decades to clean up. By doing this quickly, we make way for new developments which will create jobs and help the overall economy of the state.

Yes, I believe the rules should be changed. First, the rules should be uniform throughout the state. Second, the rules should be simple. If, after a thorough and efficient background check, the applicant is found not to be a felon or have a history of mental illness a license should be issued. We as citizens should not have to beg a local gun board for something that is guaranteed under the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

DEMOCRAT

EILEEN DEHART



Westland resident, state representative. 32-year resident of district. Belleville High graduate, studied journalism at Michigan State. Legislator of year award from Michigan Sheriff's Association, Toll Fellow. Community service includes: Civitans, Elderly Housing board of directors, Goodfellows, Westland Summer Festival, WinterFest, Turn off Violence. Married, five children, 11 grandchildren.

I believe terminally ill patients have the right, in conjunction with their family, clergy and doctor, to die with dignity. The patient would have to be terminally ill, all family members have to be in agreement and a panel of three or five physicians should make the decision. Both of my parents died of medical problems from which they would never recover, both were on life support and both decided their own fate with which all of my siblings and I agreed.

No, I don't personally believe so. We have a wonderful public education system with qualified, dedicated, certified teachers. There is currently no state oversight of the private schools and we need to ensure our children get the best possible education. This can only be achieved with oversight and basic curriculum standards which are part of our public school system.

It's unfortunate that all of a sudden, during an election year, we have miles and miles of orange barrels and pylons. Also, for many of those miles, you see the barrels but no sign of any work being done. I see the signs "Fixing Michigan's Road" and I want to add "finally." I believe the repair of roads should be on an ongoing basis with a specified number of miles being repaired every year. If we maintain annually then we don't create a crisis. We also need to increase the diesel fuel tax to bring truckers in parity....

In Lansing, I am proudly known as a tree hugger. Initially, I was concerned about the bond proposal because it was primarily an industry cleanup bill. Most of my concerns were addressed when we actually earmarked the money to many true environmental cleanup measures.

Yes, state handgun laws should be changed. ... In states where the issue has been addressed, violent crime has decreased. I am a sponsor and co-sponsor of a nine-bill package which would address the issue. It allows (guns) for law-abiding citizens who are not convicted felons, who have no background of mental illness, who the gun board feels are no threat ... and who complete an extensive educational program. ... There would be specified places where guns could not be carried. ...

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DeHart nonetheless views her district's race as crucial not only for her own re-election but also to help her party keep or widen its slim House majority.

But heavy campaigning takes its toll. Leaning slightly over her desk, DeHart struggles to talk in a hoarse voice. She has not one, but two bags of throat lozenges in front of her. And still she sounds cheerful.

"I don't feel as bad as I sound," she said, smiling. This grandmother of 11 knew Lansing politics even before she was elected in 1994 and re-elected in 1996 to two-year terms. She had worked more than seven years as a legislative aide to the former state representative she succeeded, Justine Barns.

"I used to say I was the only freshman (legislator) who already knew where the bathrooms were," DeHart said.

DeHart calls herself a fighter for issues affecting working people - partly because of her working-class childhood.

Born in Wayne, she was one of Bill and Dora Johnson's seven children. DeHart's father retired from Ford Motor Co.'s Wayne Assembly plant and was a union activist. Her mother was a restaurant cook and waitress. Neither is alive.

"I don't have one bad memory of my childhood," DeHart said. "We didn't have a lot of money, but we didn't know it. We went to church every Sunday, and my parents taught me good moral values."

DeHart grew up mostly in Belleville, graduated from high school there and later studied journalism at Michigan State University. She married her husband, Ben, 32 years ago and has lived in Westland ever since.

"I drive home from Lansing every night," she said. "I want to keep in touch with my family and my constituents. Nobody in Lansing voted for me."

DeHart has two children of her own, three stepchildren, 11 grandchildren and a 12th grandchild "in layaway" - due in March.

She answers quickly when asked how she prefers to spend her spare time. It's not watching her favorite movie, "The Sound of Music," or listening to her choice of music, country and western. She clearly has a No. 1 priority in her personal life.

"Being with my kids and my grandkids - that's what I consider a good time," she said. "I also like to travel. My favorite place is Walt Disney World. It's something that we can do together as a family."

DeHart said she taught her children the same values that her parents instilled in her.

"They taught me to use my brain to think, and they taught me to use my heart to think," she said. "You've got to use two parts of your body to think. And you've got to think of how your actions will affect other people."

That's a philosophy she said she carries to Lansing, where she said she places constituents' interests over party politics.

"Ninety-five percent of what happens in Lansing shouldn't involve party politics, but the parties make it that way," she said.

If elected to a third term, DeHart hopes to wield a little more positive influence in the House by seeking to become speaker pro tem. She has some definite ideas for what would be her last House stint, due to term limits.

■ As always, she said, "We have to watch out for working men and women."

■ She wants to ensure that issues close to senior citizens, such as protecting Social Security,



Eileen DeHart

are given the attention they need.

■ She hopes to pass legislation, now stalled in the Senate, to help protect consumers from most telemarketers. "My prime target is out-of-state, big-bank credit card companies," she said.

DeHart already is proud of some adopted legislation that she co-sponsored. She cited a bill that resulted in auto insurance companies returning \$180 to consumers for each insured vehicle.

DeHart and Conley differ on some key issues. On Proposal B, which voters will decide Nov. 3, DeHart believes that terminally ill patients should have the right to physician-assisted suicide and to "die with dignity" if their families agree. Conley said government shouldn't be involved in such issues and that death is "God's decision."

DeHart and Conley agree on some matters, such as fixing roads and avoiding election-time posturing on the issue.

DeHart, named 1998 Legislator of the Year by the Michigan Sheriff's Association, is hoping that voters will consider her experience in Lansing when she goes to the polls.

She also stresses a lifetime of being exposed to working-class issues, even before she was elected to office.

Not only was her father active in union politics, but her retired husband used to work in a staff job for Council 25 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees. Her husband also is a former Westland City Council member.

DeHart said she is campaigning as though she is trailing Conley, even though she is an incumbent who has name recognition in a House district that typically favors her party.

She has no poll figures to tell her where she stands. "We haven't done any polling," she said.

One thing is certain: If she wins, it will be her last House term. Beyond that, she hasn't hinted at what her political future might hold.

For now, DeHart - like Conley - is focusing on the campaign at hand. She wants to remain a voice in Lansing.

That is, if her lozenges hold up

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members knocked down the plans by denying a rezoning, a special land use permit and a site plan request.

Carver homeowners like Clarence Gray, who has lived there since 1949 "before Westland was a Westland," implored city officials to listen to residents. (Westland became a city in 1966.)

In the end, Carver residents swayed council members by arguing that a gas station wouldn't complement a neighborhood revitalization effort that is slowly taking root with a few single-family homes — the first new Carver housing in about 25 years.

"Nobody ever bought a house because there was a convenient

gas station," Mallard said prior to the council's vote.

Lori Wilson, a resident of Annapolis Park subdivision near Carver, said the city's southeast side already has several gas stations.

"Nobody's going to run out of gas that fast," she said.

Mayor Robert Thomas' administration had urged council members to approve the proposal, saying commercial development would complement new housing and a new fire station slated for the southeast corner of Annapolis and Irene.

"This may not be the absolute best thing that people would like down there," Thomas said, "but we think it fits."

Councilman Glenn Anderson

later chastised Thomas and accused him of implying that Carver residents should take whatever new development they can get.

"I'm sorry," Anderson said. "That's not good enough."

Anderson and other council members bowed to what they called an impressive show of neighborhood unity.

"I believe strongly in self-determination if at all possible," Anderson said.

"I am persuaded by the citizens' arguments on this issue tonight," Councilman Charles "Trav" Griffin said Monday.

Council members conceded that some form of commercial development will likely occur on the site, but they voiced hope for a plan that will aid revitalization efforts and gain neighborhood support.

"We need to have a positive with a positive," Councilman Charles Pickering said.

Developer Daryl E. Williams, who hopes to build as many as 64 new single-family homes just south of the existing Carver neighborhood, offered a lengthy

legal argument on why he didn't believe that council members had authority to approve the gas station proposal.

Moreover, Williams suggested the city should consider building the new fire station at Annapolis and Middlebelt, rather than the city's chosen site one block east of Irene.

Guyton has called for a development that "could help bring families together and to help get our children off of the streets."

"We are all for growth, development and definitely revitalization," she added later. "Help us to promote a safe, non-violent, drug-free community."

Mallard said she would like to see the city try to buy the property and use it for a "park-like setting" with trees, grass and a Carver subdivision welcome sign. She said children catch school buses in the area and suggested that a bus loop in a tree-shrouded area could be appealing.

"It would be some beautification that we're lacking in the area," she said.

1998 FIRST CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

NOMINATION FORM

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Nominator (optional):

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Purpose of the award: The First Citizen of the Year Award was created to recognize a local person for outstanding volunteer community service. The winner will be honored at the Westland Chamber of Commerce Business Luncheon 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at Joy Manor.

■ Outline of Community Service, including the impact on the population group or persons served. Include length of time and offices held. Local residency is not required.

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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A request for approval has been presented to the Westland Planning Commission for the following items:

#868E, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Coin-Operated Car Wash on Lot #918, Supervisor's Nankin Plat No. 19, NW Corner of Newburgh and Palmer Roads, SE-19, Angelo Mauti

#1070F, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Equipment Shelter Building on Lots #28 and 29, Ford Hix Westland Industrial Subdivision No. 2, Executive Drive North, East of Hix Road, North of Ford Road, SE-7, John Saggese (Michael Grover)

#1935F, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Parking Lot Expansion for Existing Office Building, 2257 S. Wayne Road, Lots #8-11, B. D. Wright's Subdivision, North Side of Norene Avenue, East of Wayne Road, NW-28, Ted Martin (Cheryl Polite)

#1430G, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Expansion to Existing Westland Crossing Shopping Center, Parcel #015-99-0014-001, NE Side of Warren and Wayne Roads, SW-4, Daniel L. Stern (Robert B. Austin)

#1956A, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Convenience and Liquor Store at 35201 Hunter Road, Lots #40 and 41 of Waynelawn Subdivision, West of Wayne Road, SW-9, Danny Plantus (Trpko Pavlovich)

#1994A, Site Plan Approval for Proposed Wonderground Coffee House, 539 N. Wayne Road, Lots #119 and 120 of Wayne Acres Subdivision, SW Corner of Wayne Road and Florence, North of Cherry Hill Road, SE-17, Betty J. DeBenedet

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public meeting of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held in the City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 4, 1998.

Written comments may be sent to the Westland Planning Department at 87095 Marquette Avenue, Westland, Michigan 48185.

ROBERT C. BOWERS, Chairman
 Westland Planning Commission

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dance studios, running tracks, multipurpose rooms and fitness/aerobics areas.

■ Prepare a budget outlining annual operating costs for a new facility.

■ Evaluate sites under consideration for a new recreation center. (Some city officials have suggested a site near the Westland library on Central City Parkway north of Ford Road.)

Councilman Glenn Anderson cast the only vote against the study Monday, saying he is concerned that a citizen survey will come near the end of Sverdrup's 90-day analysis. He said the survey should be conducted earlier,

considering that residents aren't being given an opportunity to decide the issue with a ballot proposal.

Economic Development Director Scott Veldhuis said Sverdrup needs to study recreation facilities before conducting a survey so that representatives will be better informed to ask the right questions.

Councilman Richard LeBlanc said he views Sverdrup's work as a "fact-finding mission" that will help officials decide the merits of building a new recreation center.

Councilman Charles Pickering agreed and said his support of the study shouldn't be counted as a future vote for a new center. Meanwhile, former council President Thomas Brown addressed the council Monday and addressed several issues:

■ He said a new recreation center, if built, should be placed in a location where it would be "more available to people." Parks Director Robert Kosowski said no site would be perfect.

■ Brown opposed using Tax Increment Finance Authority dollars collected in a special taxing district to pay for a new center, saying TIFA programs should be ended and the tax dollars used for general city operations.

■ He suggested the city should ask voters for a bond issue for the recreation center, giving voters a greater say in the proposal. "Build it the proper way. That's what really should be done," Brown said.

Nominations sought for 1st Citizen award

Here's a chance to give back to someone who has given of themselves to the community.

Nominations are now being accepted for the 13th annual First Citizen of Westland community service award.

The award will honor someone who has donated time and energy to one or more groups and has made an impact on the quality of life in the community generally or a segment of the community such as children, handicapped people or senior citizens.

The award will be announced in early November with the First Citizen to be publicly honored at a Westland Chamber of Commerce luncheon program 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, at Joy Manor.

Anyone who qualifies can be nominated by the Friday, Oct. 23, deadline. Local residency isn't a requirement.

Nominations should include as much specific information on the impact the nominee has had as

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possible. In past years the first citizens have represented a range of activities such as government, schools, business, scouting and recreation.

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Candidates offer their views of AG office

Smietanka: Expand technology

Granhholm: High-tech focus

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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John Smietanka wants to use the state attorney general's office to expand on technological capabilities of computers to fight crimes ranging from drug trafficking and gangs to stolen identities and consumer fraud.

Smietanka, a candidate for state attorney general, wants to help Michigan residents take back their neighborhoods from gangs, but he also emphasized a desire to keep consumers protected from credit card or identity thefts.

Smietanka, 57, currently has his own law practice. He's been a special counsel to the U.S. attorney general assigned to the prosecution of the El Rukn street gang, and was nominated by President George Bush in 1992 to be judge of the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Smietanka was one of 60 not acted on by the U.S. Senate in the 1992 election year.

He was also appointed by



Smietanka: Wants to help Michigan residents take back their neighborhoods from gangs.

President Ronald Reagan as U.S. attorney for the Western District of Michigan, in which he served from 1981-94. He was

also an associate deputy attorney general in Washington, D.C., and served in several capacities in the Berrien County Prosecutor's Office. Smietanka attended the Seminary system of Oblates of Mary Immaculate at facilities in Missouri, Mississippi and Illinois, and eventually received a law degree from John Marshall Law School in Chicago.

Protecting consumers

Smietanka said he would like to appoint a committee of attorney general staff members to look at consumer fraud cases. Identity theft and the use of stolen Social Security numbers and credit cards is a growing national problem.

"I have to see which statutes cover it, and may have to make recommendations to the state Legislature," Smietanka said.

"As we get into computers and the Internet, the theft of intangible rights is something that was not thought about." He would start with one or two staff mem-

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BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Jennifer Granhholm hopes to reorganize the state attorney general's office to put together a group of high-tech criminal prosecutors to deal with identity theft, credit card fraud and child pornography on the Internet.

Granhholm, 39, of Northville Township is the Democrat running against Republican John Smietanka in the general election on Nov. 3 for Michigan attorney general. The winner will decide who will succeed Frank Kelley, who is retiring.

Granhholm cited a criminal case in which a woman sought and found a photographer on the Internet, hired him, and he came to her house to take photographs of her 7-year-old daughter. The mother later discovered the man had photographed her daughter nude.

Those are the kinds of criminals Granhholm wants locked up. "In the criminal division, I would



Granhholm: "I will call them as I see them."

like to put together a 'high-tech' team," Granhholm said.

Granhholm also wants to see a

new state law to provide for a four-year-felony for bystanders who failed to help children under attack. Sen. Dianne Byrum, D-Onondaga, and Rep. Mark Schauer, D-Battle Creek, promised to introduce Granhholm's "Bystander Bill" in this session of the Legislature, though there's virtually no chance it will even receive a hearing.

Protests at Harvard

A California native, Granhholm attended the University of California at Berkeley and Harvard Law School with scholarships, loans and part-time jobs. At Harvard, Granhholm led sit-ins against the university's investments in South Africa, activities for which she says she was nearly expelled.

Granhholm said her protests "were important to stand up in the face of a brutal regime." She

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Deadline nears for application to U.S. service academies

Nov. 1 is the deadline for applications for nomination to one of the U.S. service academies from qualified young men and women from the 13th Congressional District, according to U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor.

Applicants must be at least 17 years old, but no older than 22, by July 1, 1999. They must be U.S. citizens, unmarried, without dependents and legal resi-

dents of the 13th Congressional District.

Once nominated, all nominees must pass competitive examinations given by the various academies. Those selected for admission will be notified early in 1999 and will report to the academy in June 1999.

For further information, please call April Lewis and Rivers' Ann Arbor office at (734) 741-4210.

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bers to investigate such crimes. Consumer protection isn't anything new for Smietanka. In 1974, as the Berrien County prosecuting attorney, he started a consumer protection unit with an investigator, examiner and secretary. "We received consumer complaints and heard about various behavior that was causing problems. We tried to find an amicable way to resolve the problems."

He would like to use a similar complaint resolution system at the state level, meeting with senior groups or other representatives with complaints.

Smietanka said he planned to continue current state Attorney General Frank Kelley's efforts in appearing before the Michigan Public Service Commission over utility rates and make sure they are fair and equitable for consumers.

"(Utility companies) have a right to a reasonable profit, on the other hand, you don't want to see the public gouged with an unfair rate hike," Smietanka said. He also said he would continue Kelley's five-member division investigating violations of the Freedom of Information and Open Meetings Act. "Whether it is five or three or 10, the concept is something that should be applied to all counties and not just Wayne County."

With casinos, Smietanka said they needed to be "run honestly."

Monitoring would be done by the state gaming board, but prosecutorial jurisdiction was needed over them as well.

The attorney general needs to investigate complaints of insurance, Medicare or Medicaid fraud. "We have an organized crime problem in this state that has been neglected by the state attorney general for many years."

Let's reorganize

Smietanka outlined his plans for his "First 100 Days" in office. Smietanka said he would reorganize the attorney general's office, coordinate law enforcement agency crackdowns on crime and revitalize neighborhoods.

Smietanka said he would reorganize the nearly 40 divisions of 290 attorneys, 18 investigators and 200 support staff members. He wants to double the number of lawyers in the criminal division, currently at eight. "We want people to be intelligent and competent, but who also are 'people' people. We don't them to convey an attitude of haughtiness, which happens sometimes out of that office."

But he believes street gangs are a law enforcement problem that crosses county lines. He cited a study that found hundreds of gangs in Wayne County, 53 in Oakland and 59 in Macomb.

"(Gang members) may live in Macomb and deal drugs in

Wayne," Smietanka said. "What happens is the prosecutors in individual counties don't have a clear structure. Their jurisdiction is mixed."

"It is primarily what is in front of you that gets your attention. The volume of work is too great for them to be concerned about other people's problems. You have to put people together to take on most jurisdictional problems."

He also wants to expand Weed and Seed, a program he developed as U.S. attorney for West Michigan and associate to the deputy U.S. attorney general. He wants the state attorney general to "act as a catalyst" with the program to encourage communities to realize their own goals for rehabilitation and help with some grant money.

"This program will only work with two components — people who live in the neighborhood must be willing to stick their necks out and many of these neighborhoods need teammates to do that." He cited businesses, churches and schools as potential teammates, helping gang members find jobs or lobbying for streetlights to be installed to prevent crime.

In 1991, he started with three programs in three communities. Today there are more than 50. "This is not just a dream, it's reality."

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said she would bring those same sets of values to the attorney general's office.

Harvard is also where she met her future husband, Dan Mulhern, an Inkster native. Granholt eventually settled in Michigan with her husband.

Drug dealers busted

Granholt worked at the U.S. attorney's office for four years where she prosecuted hundreds of criminal cases, including drug rings, armed drug dealers, bank robbers and child pornographers. Granholt said she attained a 98 percent conviction rate, which included the incarceration of 10 armed members of a drug ring who were accused of criminal conspiracy and distributing crack and cocaine.

Granholt remembers her days working at the U.S. attorney's office, driving with her husband in an 1986 Escort in Detroit, checking out a crackhouse and relive a scene of a crime, as any prosecutor would before a case is tried.

"Drug dealers were on the porch, and the kids were in the street playing tag," Granholt said. That occurrence was not unusual in drug cases, but what was important — in Granholt's eyes — was the people on that street and the prosecution and conviction of those drug dealers.

As a federal prosecutor,

Granholt prosecuted 154 felons and obtained convictions on 151 of them. Granholt said her experience was less than Smietanka only because she "hasn't been on this Earth" as long as Smietanka. "That does not mean fewer years make you less qualified," Granholt said.

Overseeing a budget

In 1994, Granholt became Wayne County's corporation counsel, overseeing 75 employees, including nine teams of lawyers.

As corporation counsel, Granholt does "what Frank Kelley does for the entire state" — prosecuting about 2,000 cases at one time and overseeing a \$9.5 million budget.

Granholt's office spent 52 percent less defending county lawsuits. "Every dollar we spend in our office is money out of the taxpayers' pockets," Granholt said.

Granholt was cited by Crain's Detroit Business as "Top 40 Under 40" and is a member of the Detroit Regional Chamber's Leadership Detroit Program.

She chaired a federal judicial selection panel in 1997, served as a first vice president of the

YWCA of Western Wayne County and served as a state bar commissioner and Democratic National Convention delegate.

Granholt has received an "outstanding" job rating from the Department of Justice and was singled out for a special achievement award.

The state attorney general's office is the "largest negligent defense firm" in the state with its 300 attorneys, Granholt said.

"I do worry about too much power being concentrated on one side," Granholt said, in reference to the Republicans probably controlling the gubernatorial office and Senate offices and possibly the state House.

Granholt also planned to run an issue-oriented campaign. "I do not plan to roll in the gutter like the Republican Party."

Granholt called ads portraying her support of Fieger's crime-fighting plans as "a lie." Granholt said she has publicly opposed Fieger's crime plan.

Granholt promised to work as an independent no matter who is governor. "I will take on Geoff Fieger, I will take on John Engler and I will call them as I see them," Granholt said.

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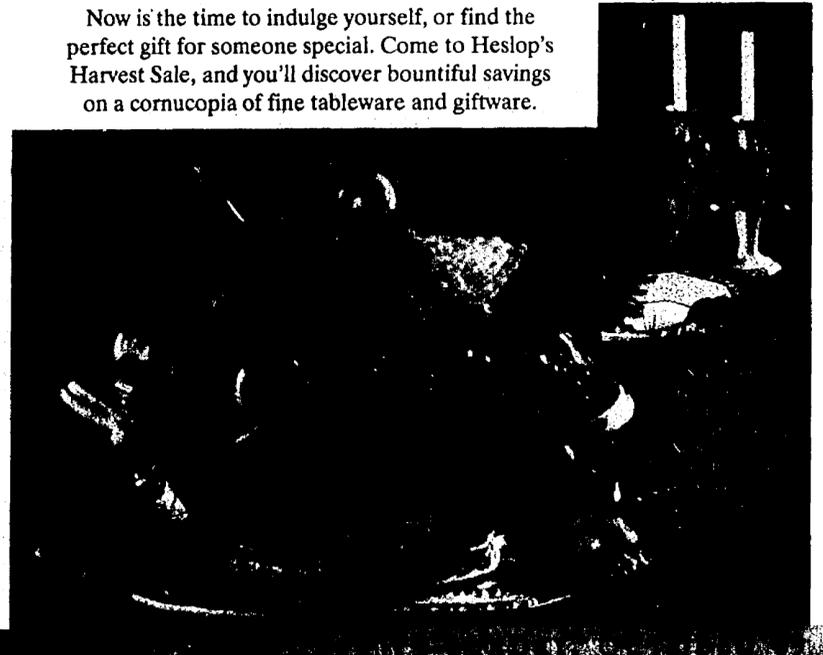
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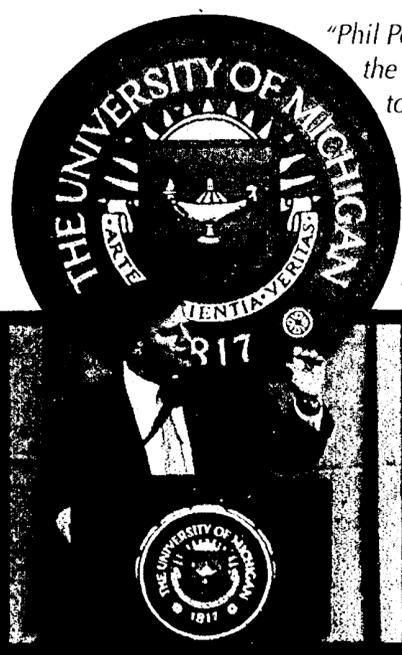
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Rouge ed project seeks donations

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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Last May students tested the water quality of the Rouge River and acted as scientists, investigating what really was in that river water.

They were mainly assisted and directed by their math and science instructors, but they were also assisted by other working adults who volunteered their time, including environmental engineers to scientists.

While the program was paid for by the Rouge Education Pro-

ject, the water sampling tests also let students see careers in math and science and allowed for a little mentoring.

Friends of the Rouge seeks local businesses to help students with their projects and raise \$170,000 so that 100 schools in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties can participate in the Rouge Education Project.

"We're looking at two things from local businesses," said Jim Graham, executive director of Friends of the Rouge. "We're asking for financial support, which is about \$1,500 per school.

"We are also looking for a partnership with that school. One of the ways is when students go out to test the streams in May. We ask them to send employees to help with activities with students. They can work with teachers as mentors or role models for that industry."

The project was established by Friends of the Rouge in 1987. It gives students from elementary to high school levels a chance to conduct water quality, chemical and biological tests to study pollutant levels in the river.

Last year the group raised \$50,000 from 15 companies.

The Rouge Education Project helps teachers provide a curriculum that combines "hands-on" science activities with social studies, language arts, math and computer skills.

Friends of the Rouge is a 13-year-old non-profit organization that also sponsors the annual Rouge Rescue river cleanup and other pollution prevention and community education programs.

For additional information, call Tracy Syr, the director of the Rouge Education Project, at (313) 792-9286.

Workshop tells how business can reduce waste

Manufacturers and automotive suppliers can learn about waste reduction and improving productivity at the sixth annual Great Lakes region environmental workshop Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, in Livonia.

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Open to the public, the event will feature entertainment, games, prizes and refreshments for children 12 and under. There is no charge for admission. Games and refreshments have a nominal fee.

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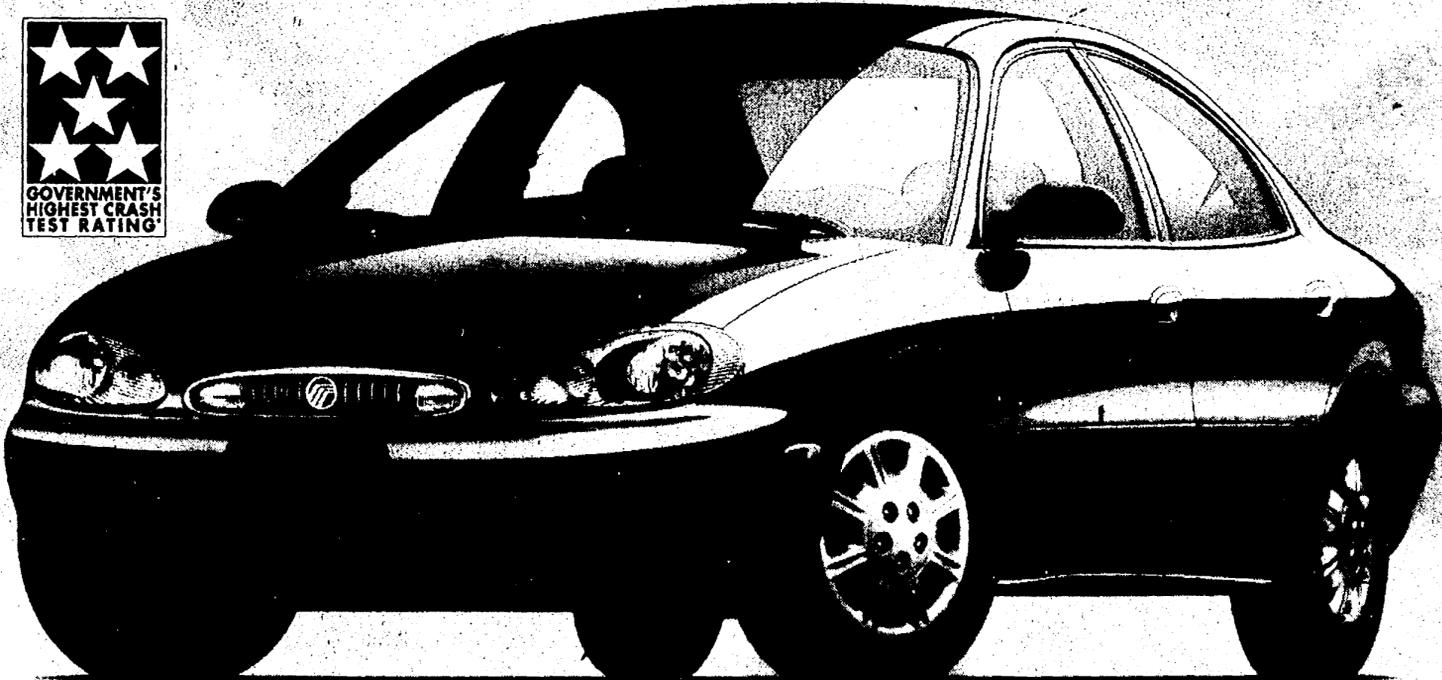
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SWF, 57, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys music, traveling, movies, long walks and more, is looking for a sincere, compassionate SWM, 52-62. Ad# 7141

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Pretty W/W/WCF, 50, 5'3", slender, with blonde hair and green eyes, enjoys dancing, movies, bowling, country drives. She seeks a tall, handsome DWCM, 45-50, 5'10", without kids at home. Ad# 2130

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Outgoing DWF, 51, 5'5", who enjoys living life to its fullest, is in search of a SWM, 50-60, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 1106

MAKE THE CONNECTION

Affectionate, caring Catholic DWF, 50, 5'4", who enjoys dancing, gardening, movies, indoor and outdoor activities, is in search of an affectionate, Catholic SWM, 45-55, with good morals. Ad# 1217

DIVERSE INTERESTS

D/W/C mom of two, 47, 5'3", with dark hair, who enjoys the outdoors, biking, reading, music, Bible study and the outdoors, is seeking a SWCM, for a possible relationship. Ad# 7388

REFLECTIVE AT TIMES

Discover this flexible DWF, 52, 5'6". She is employed and has many interests such as the theater, reading, art, music and walking. She's looking for a spiritual, D/W/M, 47+, with a positive attitude. Ad# 8081

SPECIAL LADY

You'll have a great time with this outgoing, loving SWF, 35, 5'9", N/S, who enjoys church, movies, concerts, sporting events, quiet times and more. If you are a secure SWM, 35-42, N/S, who shares similar interests, call now. Ad# 1963

MY SPECIAL SOMEONE?

Professional, brown-eyed W/W/WF, 51, 5'3", who enjoys traveling, the outdoors and quiet evenings at home. She seeks a caring, romantic SWM, under 58, for a possible relationship. Ad# 4641

TRUE BLUE

She's an outgoing, attractive SBCF, 45, 5'4", 135lbs., who enjoys personal growth, traveling, reading and is in search of a spiritual, educated SBCM, 40-53, with similar interests. Ad# 1652

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RESCUE MY HEART

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FAMILY-ORIENTED

I'm a full-figured, 34, 5'1", SW mom of one, with blonde hair and green eyes. I enjoy animals, outdoor sports, horseback riding and country music. If you are you open-minded and honest D/S/W/M, then give me a call. Ad# 5564

CHARMING

Here's a friendly DW mom, 44, who wants to find a humorous N/S, non-drinker DW/M of any age. She's 5'1" and enjoys art, music and the outdoors. Ad# 4283

DON'T MISS OUT

A down-to-earth, professional, Catholic SW mom of one, 42, 5'7", with blonde hair, has a great sense of humor and she is searching for a tall, fit, handsome, professional SWM, 42-48, for a possible relationship. Ad# 1431

DESERVING

She's an active, professional SWF, 38, 5'11", who enjoys music, art, church activities and is in search of a SWM, age unimportant, to share life with. Ad# 6785

REACH FOR THE STARS

Attractive, professional Catholic DWF, 50, 5'9", looking for a retired SW/M, 50-70, 5'9" plus, who is outgoing and has a good sense of humor. I love dancing, walking in the parks and biking. Ad# 4847

HIGH STANDARDS

Say hello to this shy DW mom, 45, 5'8", seeking an old-fashioned, clean-cut, stable SWM, 45-52, who enjoys family-oriented fun. Ad# 3913

FRIENDS FIRST

Meet this energetic, outgoing, full-figured, well-employed SBC mom, 38, 5'3", who enjoys long moonlit walks, dining out and meaningful conversation, is in search of a SBCM, 30-45, who likes children. Ad# 1437

SHARE LIFE WITH ME

Pretty, petite, trim, DWCF, 57, 5'4", 118lbs., blonde hair, green eyes, enjoys soft music, dining out, dancing, the theatre and being outdoors, seeking a tall, handsome, romantic, fit SWCM. Ad# 5554

SPECIAL REQUEST

Here is a professional Catholic DWF, 50, 5'8", who is seeking a Catholic SWM, 48-60, to spend quality time with. She loves walks on the beach, dining out and antiques. Ad# 3768

DEDICATION OF LOVE

Never-married SWM, 41, 6', 210lbs., who enjoys dining out, movies, working out and outdoor activities, is seeking a D/S/WF, 25-40, with similar interests. Ad# 2799

BE KIND TO MY HEART

Shy and reserved SWCF, 31, 5'6", full-figured, seeks an understanding, kind, dependable SWCM, 50's, to share moonlit walks, movies, traveling and meaningful conversation. Ad# 3567

THE TIME IS RIGHT

She's a outgoing, hardworking SWF, 45, 5'10", whose interests are antiques, flea markets and picnics. In search of a SWM, 40-60, to get to know. Ad# 9652

MAGIC IN THE AIR

Here is a sincere, employed SB mom, 25, 5'4", who enjoys going to church, traveling and reading, in search of a hardworking, professional SM, 28-40, for companionship, possible long-term relationship. Ad# 9273

FAMILY-ORIENTED

She is a quiet, reserved SW mom, 28, who enjoys picnics, long walks, coaching sports and is seeking an employed, caring SWM, who likes children. Ad# 8369

LEAVE YOUR NAME

A professional, educated SWCF, 45, enjoys reading, long walks, the theatre and dining out, is seeking a SWCM, with similar interests. Ad# 7646

SPECIAL REQUEST

She's an outgoing, witty SBCF, 42, 5'6", who enjoys outdoor activities, walking and reading, in search of an honorable SM, 46-50, for companionship. Ad# 3154

MAKE THE CONNECTION

Youthful SWF, 38, 5'6", brown hair/eyes, is seeking a handsome, sincere, honest SWM, over 35, to share mutual interests and friendship. Ad# 2356

ENERGIZED

She's an outgoing DW mom, 42, 5'2", with red hair, brown eyes, who enjoys outdoor activities, rollerblading and quiet evenings, in search of a SWM, 37-49. Ad# 7623

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MISSING YOU

Are you looking for a bright Catholic DWF, with a beautiful heart? She is 44, 5'1", with brown hair, who enjoys outdoors, dining out and walks in the park. She is looking for a Catholic SWM, 34-51, to share life. Ad# 3804

HEART TO HEART

Outgoing, friendly SWCF, 34, 5'9", is searching for a SWCF, over 24, who enjoys the outdoors, good conversation and old-fashioned fun. Ad# 4163

CAN YOU RELATE?

Catholic SWM, 42, 5'8", brown hair, blue eyes, educated, employed, outgoing, enjoys music, concerts, being with friends and family, seeks passionate, caring, SWF, 27-42. Ad# 4242

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Fun-loving, sincere SWM, 39, 6'2", enjoys skydiving, romantic times and lots more. He is seeking a slender SWF, 27-44, for a monogamous relationship. Ad# 6683

FOCUS HERE

I'm a well-built SWM, 27, 6'3", 240lbs., with brown hair and eyes, who enjoys quiet times. I'm seeking a loving, humorous SWF, 23-35, for possible relationship. Ad# 5150

SOMEONE SPECIAL FOR ME

He is a fun-loving, sincere, passionate, romantic, athletic SWM, 26, 6'2", who enjoys movies, dining out and spending time with friends. He is searching for a slender SWF, 22-45. Ad# 2222

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GO OUT WITH ME Caring, affectionate and educated DWCM, 38, 6', is looking to meet a SWCF, under 38, who likes dining out, watching movies and going to plays. Ad# 1991

LOVE & LAUGHTER Professional SWM, 28, 5'8", 155lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, N/S, who enjoys biking, weight training, target shooting and music, seeks a Catholic SWF, 22-31, N/S, without children at home, for a possible relationship. Ad# 4476

YOU COULD BE THE ONE Easygoing, physically fit SW dad, 39, 5'9", brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys sports, camping, cooking, and taking walks, looking to share a permanent, long-term relationship with a sincere, considerate and caring SWF, 30-40. Ad# 5858

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ENJOY LIFE WITH ME Handsome SBCM, 24, 5'9", is seeking a beautiful, caring SBCF, 22-35, who enjoys dining out, spending time with friends, the outdoors and more. Ad# 3615

STILL LOOKING SBC dad, 20, 6', who likes basketball, is seeking a compatible SBCF, 22-40, preferably never married, with children. Ad# 1470

OUTGOING This friendly SWCM, 58, 6', 195lbs., brown hair, green eyes, would like to meet a slender SWCF, 50-65, who's interested in a long-term relationship. Ad# 1546

BORN-AGAIN Outgoing and friendly, he's a professional DBC dad of two, 42, 6'2", 182lbs., who enjoys Bible study, travel, golf, music and seeks an attractive, fit, mature SCF, 28-40, without children, for fellowship which may lead to more. Ad# 1204

NO HASSLES He's an outgoing, hardworking SWM, 27, 5'9", who enjoys making people laugh, going to church, family activities and is in search of an honest SWF, 18-30, who enjoys life. Ad# 2160

BACK TO BASICS Outgoing SBC dad, 20, 6', who enjoys music, movies and family activities, seeks a SWF, for friendship and fun. Ad# 1564

COMMON BOND Outgoing and friendly, he's a professional W/W/M, 59, 6'2", whose interests include Bible study, golf, reading, theater, dining out and lots of laughter. He's seeking a special SWCF, 50-60, for companionship. Ad# 5845

ANGELS WELCOME This attentive Catholic SWM, 44, 5'10", who is a good conversationalist and has a wide variety of interests, is in search of a caring, affectionate Catholic SWF, 33-49. Ad# 4455

BACK TO THE BASICS Here's a DWCM, 40, 5'11", looking for a SWCF, 34-50, who enjoys outdoor activities, dining out, movies, and travel. Ad# 1001

IF GIVEN THE CHANCE... I could be the one you've always dreamed of. I'm an handsome, professional SBCM, 37, 6'2", 215lbs., in search of an attractive, established, emotionally mature SWCF, 24-43. Ad# 1998

GIVE ME A CALL Born-Again, musical SWCM, 35, 5'10", who enjoys volleyball, teaching Sunday school, bowling, golf, bicycling, travel, animals and more, seeks a SWCF, 25-37, with similar interests, leave a message and we'll talk soon. Ad# 9631

TELL ME ABOUT YOURSELF Never-married SWM, 81, 5'10", medium build, a Catholic, enjoys biking, rollerblading, going to movies, skiing and playing tennis, seeking a SWF, 24-35, for friendship first, maybe more. Ad# 7777

LISTEN CLOSELY SWM, 37, 6'4", 190lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who likes music, movies, dining out and church activities, is seeking a SWF, 30-40, with similar interests. Ad# 3968

LIGHT UP MY LIFE Get together with this Catholic SWM, 39, 6'1". He's looking for a family-oriented, petite, romantic, sincere DW mom, 18-38. Ad# 4111

TRUE BLUE Adventurous Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", hoping to meet spontaneous, romantic and slender SWF, age unimportant, for friendship first. Ad# 2539

THE BEST KEPT SECRET Open-minded, caring SWM, 22, 6'11", looking to share friendship and to develop a relationship with a SWF, under 25. Ad# 3323

ARE YOU THE ONE? A professional DW/M, 51, 5'6", who is into honesty, spiritual and personal growth, good humor and fitness, is hoping to meet a petite SWF, under 5'4", 38-50, N/S, non-drinker, with the same beliefs. Ad# 6614

LOOK-ING

SWM, 40, seeks a slender, athletic SWF, age unimportant, who enjoys golf, tennis, the outdoors, taking walks, the theatre and romantic times, to share a long-term relationship. Ad# 8025

TO THE POINT

This athletic SWM, 42, 6', enjoys working out and is seeking a slim DW Catholic F, of any age, to spend time with. Ad# 7287

SMILE WITH ME

I'm an outgoing Born-Again SWCM, 35, 6'3", who enjoys outdoor activities, sports, boating and am in search of a SCF, 24-40, for a possible relationship. Ad# 3061

FAMILY-ORIENTED?

This athletic, sincere, professional, fun-loving Catholic SWM, 43, 6'1", has a wide variety of interests, seeks a spontaneous, slender, attractive, romantic SWF, race and age unimportant. Ad# 2813

MUTUAL RESPECT

He's a catholic SWM, 30, 5'9", 180lbs., who is athletic, N/S, non-drinker, physically fit and shy at first, seeking a slender, attractive, N/S, SWF, 24-33, who likes the outdoors, mountain biking and basketball. Ad# 1239

SMILE WITH ME

I'm a SBF, 26, 6'2", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys playing basketball, movies and more, in search of a SWF, 21-29. Ad# 8222

THE ANSWER IS HERE

Professional, outgoing SBCM, 33, 6', 185lbs., never-married, enjoys music, concerts, dining out, the park and traveling. He is seeking a SCF, 21+, with similar interests. Ad# 8262

DEEP BELIEFS

He's a firm, muscular, professional SWM, 26, who is involved in church activities. His hobbies are working around his home, riding his motorcycle, going to church and is looking for a SWF, 22-27, who likes a good conversation. Ad# 1234

EASY TO PLEASE

He's an outgoing, friendly SBM, 25, an employed student, who likes barbecues, spending time with family and friends, outdoor sports and is looking to meet a sincere, honest SBF, for good times. Ad# 7000

THE SEARCH IS OVER

Are you tired of being alone? Well let me keep you company. I'm a self-employed SW dad, 41, 5'11", who enjoys cooking, outdoor activities, and is in search of an attractive SWCF, 27-35, children welcome. Ad# 7002

LOVING & CAR

State grants

County get money for juvenile programs

Gov. John Engler has awarded over \$4.9 million for drug education, prevention and intervention programs across Michigan. Programs in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties will receive over \$2 million.

"These are outstanding programs that are making an important difference in the lives of our children," Engler said. "They have demonstrated their commitment to educating the children in their communities."

The Wayne County Prosecuting Office will receive \$100,000 for a program for 450 first-time juvenile offenders ages 13 to 16. The program emphasizes drug abuse counseling and work skills training.

The Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services will receive \$330,000 for a program to teach students about the dangers of drugs, alcohol and gangs.

The Wayne County Regional

Educational Service Agency will receive \$189,176 for the Gang Resistance Education and Training (GREAT) program to teach students the dangers of drugs, alcohol, tobacco and violence.

These grants are governor's discretionary grants, which are available for competitive grant awards to community-based organizations, juvenile and probate courts, detention centers, parent groups, community-wide coalitions and other public and

private non-profit entities. Grants are administered by the Governor's Office of Drug Control Policy.

The community-based programming includes teaching noise messages to educate children and parents about their legal responsibilities and the potential consequences of drug use, gangs and drug and gang-related violence.

Learning center holds signup for winter term

The Learning Center at Madonna University in Livonia is currently accepting applications for its winter term, which begins Monday, Jan. 25.

Applications should be completed as soon as possible to allow time for an assessment of each student.

The tutorial sessions are designed for children from the first through 12th grades who are experiencing difficulty in reading and its related skills. Individual or group instruction is available.

Prior to admission, each student will be informally assessed, and a tailored remedial plan will be designed. Instruction is designed to enable the student to be a more successful and independent reader and will include strategies for reading fiction and non-fiction text, process writing

and study skills. Students will develop a portfolio of their work during the session.

Classes run from Monday, Jan. 25, through Thursday, April 22. Parents may choose the day and time that best fits their needs: 4-5 p.m. or 5-6 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

With more than 46 years of providing service to children who are experiencing difficulty in reading and writing, Madonna University's Learning Center has assisted thousands of children, from public and private schools representing some 20 different school districts.

Enrollment is limited, so applications should be submitted as early as possible. For information, call (734) 432-5586 or Sister M. Duane at (734) 432-5585.

Fun run course winds through LightFest

Runners can stay fit, make a wonderful contribution to two worthy causes, and see the Midwest's largest holiday light show two days before its official opening at the second annual Wayne County LightFest 8K Fun Run.

The run is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17, along Hines Drive from Westland to Dearborn Heights. The Wayne County LightFest displays will be lit to help guide runners through the 8K course, with all proceeds from the run going to

benefit the American Heart Association and the Friends of Wayne County Parks.

Since the race ends 8 kilometers from where it begins, shuttles will be provided. Runners are encouraged to leave early and check in by 6:30 p.m.

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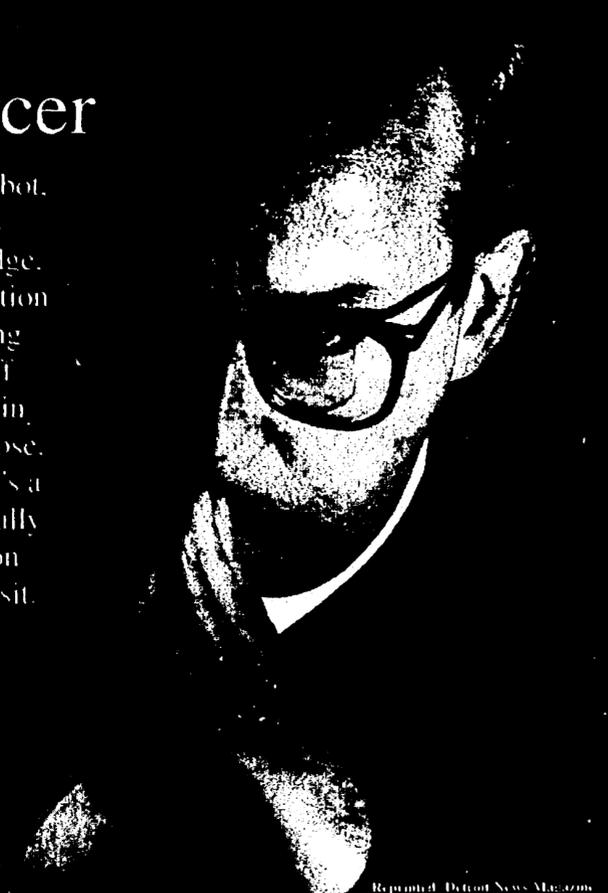
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POINTS OF VIEW

Observer readers speak out at election roundtable



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Khalil S. Kandah



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Justin Kuxhaus



Annalee Morrison



Alfred H. Phillips



Jim Rhoades



Cynthia A.W. Stickley



Val Wolf

The following area residents participated in the Observer Newspapers Election Roundtable on Sept. 23 and 24. The Sept. 23 discussion, moderated by editors Joanne Maliszewski and Tedd Schneider focused on the Michigan gubernatorial race. Thursday's discussion centered on the statewide ballot proposals. It was moderated by editors Dave Varga and Leonard Poger. Featured today is the gubernatorial discussion. On Thursday, the the ballot issues will be discussed.

Readers from throughout the Observer circulation area were given an opportunity to join the panel and express their opinions.

► **GINA GIANNUZZI**, 32, is a stay-at-home mom who holds a bachelor's of science degree in psychology and public administration. Her community involvement is Right-to-Life and schools. Her election issues are assisted suicide, abortion and education.

► **KHALIL S. KANDAH**, 33, has two years of college and has completed an apprenticeship. He is employed as an electrician at Chrysler Corp. He is a UAW member. He never misses an election. He is the father of two children. His issues are public education, workers rights, taxes and roads in that order. He lives in Canton Township.

► **TIMOTHY J. KING**, 47, holds a master's degree in rehab counseling. He has four children who attend Redford Union Schools. A Redford Township resident, he describes himself as a "soccer dad." His issues are campaign finance reform, support of public education, land use (urban-sprawl), environment, health care, insurance regulation, privatization or government services and mental health policy - in that order. He works as a vocational rehab consultant in the private sector.

► **JUSTIN KUXHAUS**, 15, is a Close-Up student at Plymouth Canton High School. Close-Up is a sophomore level class designed to teach about local, state and national government and to prepare students for active citizenship. Part of the class involves a trip to Washington, D.C. Close-Up is a required course at Plymouth Canton High school. He was interested in the election roundtable because he wants to be an active citizen when he is 18 and can vote. He lives in Canton Township.

► **ANNALEE MARLETTE MORRISON**, 38, lives in Farmington. She is a part-time secretary and homemaker. She has a bachelor's degree from Northwood University. Her community involvement includes Cub Scouts and the community building of a playground.

► **ALFRED H. PHILLIPS**, 64, is retired from GM. He lives in Livonia. He holds a bachelor's of science degree in mechanical engineering and a master's in business administration. His professional affiliations includes Brown University Engineering Association. He is president of the Mended Hearts (support group). He also is active in a food distribution group. His issues are physician-assisted suicide, school system improvements (particularly Detroit), election of environmentally-conscious candidates, election of those opposed to privatizing Social Security.

► **JIM RHOADES** of Garden City has an associate's degree in architecture. He is self-employed in Remco Remodeling and Design. He is a member of the National Remodelers Association. He is 48 and his issues are education (teacher accountability), crime reduction, tax reduction and government reduction.

► **CYNTHIA A.W. STICKLEY**, 35, of Farmington Hills is a chemist at EFTEC North America LLC. She holds a bachelor's of science degree in chemistry from the University of Michigan and a master's in science from the University of Detroit. Her professional affiliation is the American Chemical Society. Her community involvement is the Salvation Army. She lives in Farmington Hills. Her No. 1 issue is physician-assisted suicide.

► **VAL WOLF**, 51, of Wayne works as an office manager. Her community involvement includes the Wayne Cable Commission and Civitans (a service group). Her issues are health care, Social Security, crime and honesty. She attended college for two years.



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Community voices: Discussing issues at the Observer Election Roundtable on Sept. 23 were (clockwise, from far left) Gina Giannuzzi, Val Wolf, Timothy King, reporter Tony Bruscato, Jim Rhoades, Cynthia Stickley, Justin Kuxhaus, Annalee Marlette Morrison, Khalil Kandah and editors Tedd Schneider and Joanne Maliszewski.

Among citizens' concerns: Morality, education, taxes

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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There was no shortage of opinions concerning Gov. John Engler, his Democratic challenger Geoffrey Fieger, the state of Michigan's educational and road systems, and the state of morality and religion in political campaigns when eight members of the Observer Election Roundtable met recently to discuss the state's gubernatorial race.

"I'm worried about health care, education and morality," said Val Wolf of Wayne, who has been active politically for 33 years.

"I care about children, and those of us interested in social issues, including education, are underrepresented," noted Cynthia Stickley of Farmington Hills.

A mother of three, Gena Giannuzzi of Westland said she's "very concerned how someone like Geoffrey Fieger could be a candidate for governor."

And a "very conservative" Jim Rhoades of Garden City, active in politics for 25 years, has a "real concern about crime issues and individual rights."

Annalee Morrison of Farmington, Timothy King of Redford, along with Justin Kuxhaus and Khalil Kandah, both of Canton, helped round out the forum designed to give readers a chance to tell us what's important to them in the November election. Some of the ideas merged with the candidates' views, while others might be good food for thought by those running for public office.

Governor's race

The first step was to find out where everyone stood on the candidates.

And, as you might expect, the split somewhat parallels the current polls. Six of the panel favored Engler, one supported Fieger, and another thought neither candidate should represent Michigan.

"I have a hard time supporting Fieger after he said Jesus was a goofball," said Stickley. "I like Engler and his tax cuts. I want charter schools and school vouchers."

"I support Engler because he has created educational equity," said Rhoades. "Geoffrey Fieger has the class of a back-alley punk. He says things I wouldn't say to my associates, and I hang out with biker trash."

"Fieger is a religious bigot," added Giannuzzi. "He represents those who are very extreme left, so I would have to

vote for Engler. I support a lot of things he does for education."

Kandah's choice is Larry Owen, but said he will support Fieger.

"I can't back Engler. I haven't noticed a tax reduction in my neighborhood, and I've seen an assault on public education," he said. "I want to elect a governor that will provide equal education, fairness and truth in taxation. Fieger does talk about tax cuts."

King plans to leave his vote for governor blank, seeing nothing in either Engler or Fieger to get excited about.

"I was hoping someone would step forward who is respectable for governor. I can't support either the Republicans or Democrats in this election."

Morality

In this political year, what would any election be without a discussion of morality, from the White House to the governor's mansion?

Morrison believes the personal lives of officeholders are "up for grabs because they're public servants. If they choose to be indiscreet and lie, then it's grounds for immediate dismissal."

"You chose that lifestyle. If you don't want to be scrutinized, then don't get into politics," agreed Stickley.

"Immorality in office is unacceptable," added Wolf. "It's also unacceptable to elect someone (Fieger) who has been openly abusive to his wife."

However, not all the forum members believe that morality has to come into play in the voting booth.

"We all have certain things we regret and would like to forget about. Let's take a look at the big picture," said Kuxhaus.

Giannuzzi cautiously agreed, saying "I believe people can change in life."

"Morality is not just Bill Clinton's affair," suggested Kandah. "Some people would offer that closing down Lafayette Clinic and putting people out on the street is immoral. Taking away the rights of teachers to strike is immoral."

Roads

You can't drive anywhere these days without finding an orange barricade or a traffic

backup because of construction.

Our panel had differing ideas of whether the timing was right for road construction, or is it simply an election-year ploy.

"We're nationally known for having the worst roads," said Kuxhaus. "In my opinion, Engler is fixing them now so voters will like him."

Kandah agrees, saying "it's almost scandalous what's happened to the roads since 1990. I work on the weekends and the roads are always shut down. It's election-year politics as usual."

"When Engler became governor the state was in debt," said Stickley. "He balanced the budget, his next priority was education, and now he's addressing the roads. I can see the logical progressions."

Just five minutes

If given five minutes with the candidates, these panel members knew exactly what they would tell Gov. Engler or Geoffrey Fieger.

"I would talk to Engler, because he's going to be governor anyway, and tell him to be a cheerleader of public education, not of private schools," noted King. "I believe a person can go to public schools and be a top notch scholar."

"I would talk to Engler, not Fieger," admitted Morrison. "What weighs heavily on my mind ... are consequences for bad action. If people screw up, then they need to serve the penalty. If you get caught drunk driving, you should get the maximum penalty the first time."

"I've been very fortunate to talk to Engler, and have told him there are programs of his I agree with and others I don't," said Wolf. "If I could talk to Fieger for five minutes I would tell him he's a wonderful attorney ... you have a degree in drama so go on Broadway, but don't screw up our state."

"I've also had the chance to talk to Engler, and he's approachable," added Rhoades. "One of the major problems we have with government is that it's too big. Cut some of the programs and focus on primary goals of what government should do, like roads and education."

"I would talk to Engler about his education policies," said Kuxhaus. "I would tell Fieger to keep his personal beliefs to him-

self. If you take public office then you do things for the public. You put your personal beliefs to the side."

Campaign propaganda

Our panel members were turned off by political jousting in campaign ads. They want to hear facts, not fiction.

"If I see commercials with bad mouthing, it just turns me off and you've lost your vote from me," said Morrison. "I just want to see the facts, what you stand for."

"Republicans have to outspend Democrats because the liberal media pretty much covers the Democrats," added Giannuzzi. "To get out the more conservative moral message needs additional funds because it's not going to be reported."

"Campaigning really disappoints me. The negative ads and personal attacks are the rule, compared to the boring stuff like the issues," said King. "We should have 100 percent financing of campaigns. If I had notoriety, name recognition and lots of money I could get elected."

Wolf adds "I think the ads by Engler on what he's done and what he stands for are very good. There needs to be a debate. I haven't seen anything of substance from Fieger, not even a platform."

"We should thank him for being himself," added Morrison. "At least he's not taking us for fools."

The religious vote

Should religion and politics mix in a political campaign?

"Religious views mean almost little to me," said Kandah. "Religious issues are a personal view, not a government thing. Mixing religion and politics doesn't go well."

"I think there's a lot of confusion between religion and Christian beliefs," added Rhoades. "Morals and ethics are muddled by people who think it's being religious."

"I will vote for someone no matter what religion," said Stickley, a self-proclaimed evangelical Christian. "I don't see issues like abortion and assisted suicide as religious, but moral issues. However, maybe my religious views do have something to do with it ..."



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OPINION

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1998

For Senate Bennett best in 8th District

Loren Bennett has been both credible and capable in representing the 8th District in the Michigan Senate since his election in 1994. The Canton Republican is the better choice for voters in the geographically diverse district on Nov. 3.



Loren Bennett

But Bennett needs to step up as a veteran legislator, asserting himself on behalf of his constituents and as party leader in what will be his second and last Senate term under the state's term limit provisions.

Challenging Bennett is Democrat Kenneth Warfield, part-time mayor for the city of Wayne and employed as a supervisor in the Wayne County clerk's office.

The 8th District includes the cities of Wayne, Westland, Flat Rock, Woodhaven, Romulus and Belleville; and the southern half of Canton Township, along with Van Buren, Sumpter, Huron and Brownstown townships.

Bennett, 47, was elected to the Senate after serving six years as the elected, full-time clerk in Canton and the previous eight years as an elected, part-time township trustee.

Among the successful legislation Bennett points to with pride is a three-year fight to change state law regarding EMS response. Legislation sponsored by Bennett removed a requirement that forced communities seeking to upgrade their service to offer the highest level of care 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Smaller communities, particularly those that rely on private ambulance services, can now offer Advanced Life Support on a part-time basis.

Bennett has said primary goals for a second

The Observer hopes Bennett spends more time crafting that kind of legislation, which truly affects district residents in the most basic ways, and less time on issues such as the highly publicized 'cloning ban' and stalled efforts to remove tobacco advertising from billboards.

term would be working on education and environmental issues. He said he wouldn't favor making wholesale changes in Proposal A, which shifted education revenue from local property taxes to the state sales tax but would look at other measures to address funding gaps between school districts. He favors a tuition tax credit for families sending children to private schools.

The Observer hopes Bennett spends more time crafting that kind of legislation, which truly affects district residents in the most basic ways, and less time on issues such as the highly publicized "cloning ban" and stalled efforts to remove tobacco advertising from billboards — two of his initiatives in recent years.

Bennett said he will vote against Proposal B, the statewide ballot issue that would make assisted suicide legal if passed; and for Proposal C, a bond issue for environmental cleanup and natural resources protection.

Warfield, a former fire chief, came across well in interviews with the Observer and obviously cares about his constituents. We encourage him to keep his hat in the public ring, perhaps seeking statewide office the next election.

The Observer urges voters to return Loren Bennett for a second term in the Michigan Senate.

Proposal B best compromise

Few ballot proposals strike to the heart of deeply held emotional and religious feelings as Proposal B on the Nov. 3 ballot.

Passage would legalize a physician's prescribing a lethal dose of medication for a terminally ill patient who wanted to commit suicide.

While complex and imperfect, Proposal B is better than either of the two alternatives: Dr. Jack Kevorkian's unregulated, flamboyant, one-man ministrations and the new law that took effect Sept. 1 making physician-assisted suicide a five-year felony. We suggest a yes vote on Proposal B.

Kevorkian, a retired West Bloomfield pathologist, has been at the scene of more than 100 assisted suicides. There are serious questions about whether some were terminally ill, whether they couldn't have been further treated and whether Kevorkian followed his own procedures to avoid abuse. But despite an earlier state law that expired and various common law prosecutions, prosecutors in three counties have been unable to persuade any jury to convict Kevorkian, who has publicly scoffed at the law and the authorities.

Proposal B offers a long list of safeguards — some might say too long and complex.

It offers a number of safeguards to protect patients. Two physicians would have to certify the patient is within six months of death, and a psychiatrist would have to certify the patient isn't mentally ill. Waiting periods are

required, and patients would have to be given a list of alternatives to suicide, such as hospice. Proposal B would prohibit someone from setting up a clinic for the sole purpose of administering assisted suicides, in effect putting Kevorkian himself out of business.

A number of physicians object to a provision in Proposal B that would require doctors who conscientiously object to assisted suicide to refer a patient to a willing physician. Such a conscience objector MD could face a \$10,000 fine and 90 days in jail. It's probably unconstitutional, but who knows what the judges would do with sincere religious beliefs?

Outlawing physician-assisted suicide — the route preferred by politicians who chant "stiff new penalties, tough new laws" — is unlikely to work. Juries have been unwilling to convict somebody like Kevorkian. Moreover, our demographics are changing. The fastest-growing segment in the population is over 85, just the kinds of people most likely to be facing the severe prospect of terminal illness with no prospect of release. Defeating Proposal B won't make the problem go away.

If you disapprove of physician-assisted suicide for yourself or your family, don't do it. Discourage others; support hospice. If you're a physician, refer your patient to another doctor.

But if you vote "no," don't expect the problem to disappear with the last trace of summer.

Making things



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Family fun: Alyssa Young, 7, (left) of Westland gets a little orange paint on her hands while painting paper pumpkin at the recent "Turn off the Violence Night." Her friend (right) is Gianna Brooks, 8, of Westland. The city's annual event is an effort to get families to turn off the TV and join in fun family activities.

LETTERS

Bus stop a problem

I'm writing this letter in total support of the Sullivans of Ravine Drive (bus stop controversy). Having lived across the street from Marshall Middle School for 35 years, I can tell you horror stories: people parking in my driveway, across my driveway, on my lawn; being threatened, sworn at and called every name in the book from A to Z, if I ask them to move, turn down their music, etc. I even had a Westland police officer say to me and I quote "You put up with this every day? Unbelievable." But they're never around at 2:30. So battle on, Sullivans, you have more support than you think.

Julie Rodler
Westland

was negligent it was Margaret Bargowski, the driver of the car in which the young girl died.

My heart goes out to the family of Mr. Novell. To think the courts spend our money to try and ruin a young man's life because of an unfortunate, although sad, accident is totally ridiculous. Not to mention this family now has to spend thousands to try to defend their son. Did no one listen to the testimony of Mr. Krause, who was the back seat passenger in Bargowski's car? I have never put my trust or faith in our judicial system, and this is a good example of why.

Linda Morgan
Livonia

Move cheats entire team

Bravo for coach Jean Pritchard. A great historian once observed that the battle for Europe (World War I) was won on the playing fields of Eton. Coach Pritchard alone among the adults entrusted with the well-being of these three girls understands the larger issue. We have an epidemic of bad parenting in this country, which has poisoned the standards our children are expected to uphold. Unable to tolerate the normal pain of learning life lessons in our children, or perhaps lacking the moral fortitude to stand our ground, excuse after excuse is accepted for laziness, selfishness, lack of commitment and lack of character. In reinstating these three, the school hierarchy has not only cheated them of a painful, but important, lesson. It has also cheapened the sacrifices other members of the team have made.

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Vote no on WCCC

I am a homeowner and a full-time college student who lives in Westland. I attend Schoolcraft College and pay non-resident fees. It is frustrating to me that part of the property taxes I pay are going toward the upkeep of Wayne County Community College. They never send out catalogs or schedules to Westland residents, whereas Schoolcraft College never misses a schedule. It is time that Westland voters look at where their property tax goes. I urge all residents to call WCCC and request a catalog. Look through the programs they offer and compare their class offerings to the ones that Schoolcraft College offers. What type of community college would you want to send your kids to? What type of programs do they offer at WCCC? We need a change in community college for Westland. Vote NO on their millage. Also contact Rep. Eileen DeHart or Sen. Loren Bennett to complain about the community college issue in Westland.

I'm fed up paying for the upkeep of WCCC when they can't even send out a schedule to someone who pays for their upkeep.

Judi Cornfoot
Westland

Case an injustice

I read your story in the Observer about the "Teen ordered to trial in fatal crash." I was horrified that this case will actually make it to trial. The prosecutors and judge have obviously never heard of the word accident. Based on your article it seems to me that if anyone

COMMUNITY VOICE

QUESTION:

What's the No. 1 issue you'd like to see Michigan political candidates address in the November elections?

We asked this question at Kroger on Ford Road.



"Taxes."
Kathy McNamara



"Social Security."
Merritt Wilson



"Abortion. I'd like to see our political leaders take a stand against murder."
Stephanie Richards



"Health care."
Kim Johnson

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— Philip Power

POINTS OF VIEW

Harvard didn't teach Granholm everything

You have to wonder about that Jennifer Granholm. Granholm, of course, is Geoffrey Fieger's running mate for attorney general on the Democratic ticket. She makes her living as Wayne County corporation counsel, which is how I first heard of her — or from her.

In August of 1995, the Michigan Supreme Court ruled against Wayne County in a taxpayers' appeal. The taxpayers group, called TACT, argued that a real estate transfer tax had been imposed unconstitutionally by the county board in 1981. TACT said there had been no voter approval, a violation of the 1978 Headlee Amendment to the state constitution.

Wayne County got the suit dismissed in circuit court. The Court of Appeals upheld the dismissal. TACT went to the Supreme Court and won. The high court, in a 6-0 decision, said:

"For the foregoing reasons, we reverse the judgment of the Court of Appeals and hold that the Headlee Amendment claim of this taxpayer accrued at the time he paid the tax in question. We remand the case to the circuit court for further proceedings consistent with this opinion."

In short, Wayne County lost. It had argued that the statute of limitations began running when the tax hike was passed. The Supreme Court said no, it began running when the tax was imposed — that is, when one David Pochmara sold his house and was required to pay the tax. So the suit was alive.

Granholm wrote a letter to my boss complaining about my story and saying, "We in no way view this decision as a loss."

Well, I'm not a Harvard Law School grad as Granholm is. But in Professor

Gerald O. Dykstra's business law class in the University of Michigan Graduate School of Business Administration, they taught us how to read the bottom line in Supreme Court opinions, and it sure looked to me like Wayne County lost.

Now, it's no disgrace to lose a case. But it looks bad when you lose and "in no way view this decision as a loss."

Granholm also complained that "no one in my office was contacted by Mr. Richard regarding our interpretation of the decision."

First, Granholm wasn't the attorney of record. Look in 450 Mich. 119, which means volume 450 of Michigan Supreme Court reports, as I did last week, and you'll see on page 120 that the firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone, the thundering herd of jurisprudence, is in the permanent law books as counsel of record.

Apparently, Granholm did what other corporation counsels do — farmed the work out to a private firm.

Second, I admit to rarely contacting the losing lawyer in a Supreme Court decision. The Supreme Court has the last word. Besides, 90 percent of the time the losers don't return your call, 9 percent of the time they give you hot air, and 1 percent of the time they tell the truth. For example, I have been waiting since 1989 for a return call from a Bloomfield Hills lawyer who lost a Freedom of Information Act appeal on behalf of the Pontiac police. It seems Pontiac police denied the FOIA request of a prison inmate on the grounds the case was "still under investigation." Pontiac's defense was absurd, the court said so, and the attorney was probably embarrassed that he had to handle it.

The Supreme Court sent TACT's



TIM RICHARD

case back to Wayne Circuit Judge John Kirwan, who promptly certified a class action case and ruled against the county. The tax hike was voided, the county was enjoined from future collections, and the county had to pay back a bunch of money.

I was in Kirwan's courtroom. Granholm wasn't. You have to wonder about that Jennifer Granholm.

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Tragedy at U-M can lead to a positive outcome

We don't send our children to college to die. Yet nationally in 1997, more than 30 college students perished in alcohol-related incidents. These ranged from falling from windows or balconies, down stairs, into water or choking on their own vomit, according to a survey by the Higher Education Center for Alcohol and Drug Prevention.

As I write this, it seems clear that although she wasn't legally drunk, alcohol contributed in some way to the tragic death of Courtney Cantor, a June graduate of Andover High School in Bloomfield Hills. Cantor apparently fell through a small window of her sixth-floor University of Michigan dorm room sometime between 3 and 5 a.m. Friday.

And since this 18-year-old West Bloomfield freshman was seen drinking at Phi Delta Theta fraternity house Thursday evening, it is equally clear that university officials aren't stepping up to the responsibility of

enforcing the legal drinking age of 21.

Thursday is Bar Night in Ann Arbor — and at other colleges — where many students get an early start on the weekend. But those who aren't old enough to drink legally at bars which ring the campuses and who don't have fake ID simply head for some apartment or fraternity party, where age doesn't get in the way.

Or, they remain in their dorms on corridors that aren't designated as alcohol-free, merely shutting the door to their room to drink, certain that the residential advisor knows not to invade their privacy.

A survey published last spring of Michigan's public universities showed little progress in efforts to curb student drinking. That echoes a recent Harvard School of Public Health report that shows almost no change in heavy drinking on campuses nationwide from 1993 to 1997.

In fact, the Harvard study revealed

that the amount of binge drinking actually grew slightly. A positive note was that the percentage of students who don't drink at all also grew — from 15.6 percent to 19 percent.

It's not that colleges like the University of Michigan aren't doing anything. They offer alcohol education and counseling, sponsor some non-alcoholic events, ban alcohol from football stadiums, provide the choice of alcohol-free dorm rooms, and prohibit kegs on campus.

And they schedule activities to commemorate National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week, which ironically falls this week.

But since the 1960s, when the doctrine of in loco parentis (in the position or place of a parent) became obsolete, most colleges haven't actively pursued or prosecuted underage drinkers or taken adequate measures to insure that fraternities, sororities and dormitories are truly off limits for underage drinking.

The Harvard study tells it like it is: So far most schools have directed their efforts at alcohol education. That simply is not a broad enough approach.

The entire culture must change. And it would be best if that change was initiated by the students themselves.

It does happen. The death of an Oakland University student following a dormitory drinking party last fall spurred OU student groups, led by the student newspaper, to call for stricter alcohol policies. As a result, the college tightened rules on dorm parties, gave student advisers more authority to enter student rooms to check for underage drinking, and this week will acknowledge National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week in a meaningful way.

It was reported that all U-M fraternities and sororities suspended events planned for last weekend. And this week, the university's previously



JUDITH DONER BERNE

scheduled activities on behalf of alcohol awareness week will undoubtedly take on new meaning.

But, I wonder, will tonight be Bar Night as usual for underage drinkers?

And what about the Thursdays and weekends beyond? By all accounts, Courtney Cantor's life lit up the world of her family and friends. Students at the University of Michigan have it in their power to make her death count for something.

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Universities require trade-offs

For some years now, I've been chewing on this idea: When the historians of the future get around to writing the history of America in the 20th century, they are apt to conclude that the signature mark of our society was to have created and supported seriously excellent public universities.

Think on it. Before the rise of our great public universities — the University of Michigan, Michigan State and Wayne State universities are all good examples here in Michigan — higher education in America was provided largely by private colleges, mostly on the East Coast, which served a tiny elite, mostly WASP and overwhelmingly male. In the middle of the 19th century, maybe 4 percent of the total population ever got to college.

Late in the century, public universities started on a course of opening the doors to higher education to all kinds of people not previously let in. U-M was one of the leaders, first accepting female students in 1870.

In the 1920s and '30s, public universities started admitting all kinds of able students previously scorned by the privates. Kids from rural America, especially the Midwest. Jewish kids, at that time subject to quota by Ivy League universities. Kids from working families who were prepared to work their way through college. Minority kids, seeking validation that skin color was no bar to educational achievement.

In the years following World War II, countless returning veterans received, in effect, college tuition vouchers as a result of the GI Bill. Public universities admitted hundreds of thousands of veterans, perhaps the most successful affirmative action program in the history of our nation.

Today, two out of every three high school graduates get some kind of post-high school education. Nearly 40 percent of those who leave high school now graduate from a college or university.

This vast transfer of intellectual capital from a tiny elite to nearly a majority of our entire population has made America truly the land of opportunity and is very probably the underlying source of America's astonishing economic performance during the past decade.

And it was the public universities of this country that led this remarkable opening up of the system by stepping up to their moral obligation to provide access to all qualified Americans.

The case of U-M is particularly instructive. The University of Michigan has for years been captive to the creative tension between its moral obligation as a public university to pro-



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vide college access to the widest possible spectrum of our population and its undoubted quality as among the finest universities in America.

This has led to all kinds of complex trade-offs.

On the one hand, well-aware that high tuition means that kids can no longer work their way through college the way they could 30 years ago, U-M has sought to keep tuition as low as possible and to provide as much financial aid to every student as possible. For example, it is U-M's policy that for any undergraduate student who is a Michigan resident and in good academic standing but with demonstrated financial need, the university will provide a way — grants, scholarships, loans, jobs, whatever — to get that student through school.

On the other hand, the university rightly avoids the simplistic stunt of tying tuition increases to the rate of inflation. For a university whose greatest attribute is the outstanding quality of its faculty, arbitrarily reducing its ability to pay to attract and retain professors is to risk that quality that makes U-M great.

Instead, U-M has chosen to find other ways to maximize income, so as to keep tuition increases as low as possible. Last year, for example, the university ended a capital fund drive that raised \$1.4 billion, the largest ever in history by a public university. Part of the money from that drive will endow professorships that will assist in recruiting world-class faculty.

Maintaining quality and at the same time cherishing the moral dimension entailed by its public nature is the hardest challenge at U-M. It's not easy. But it's essential.

Phil Power, in addition to being chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper, also is a regent of the University of Michigan and is seeking re-election this fall. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@online.com

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Seminar to focus on scams against elderly

Consumers lose an estimated \$40 billion each year to fraudulent telemarketers, and more than half of the victims are people age 60 or older.

For a \$5 registration fee, older adults can arm themselves against senior-targeted crime by attending "Scams, Schemes and Swindles: A Consumer Conference for Senior Adults and Those Working with Older Adults."

The conference, sponsored by Schoolcraft College and the Michigan Sheriffs' Association, will be held 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 19525 Victor Parkway, Livonia. Esther Shapiro, former director of consumer affairs for the city of

Detroit, will be the keynote speaker.

The conference will offer senior adults invaluable tools for avoiding becoming victims of fraud. Topics will include telemarketing scams, door-to-door and home repair schemes, financial exploitation and working with law enforcement agencies.

The \$5 fee includes a continental breakfast, lunch and a free canvas tote bag with resource materials. Pre-registration is required and must be completed by Tuesday, Oct. 20. For more information, or to register, call (734) 462-4448.

A recent American Association of Retired Persons survey showed that the majority of older telemarketing fraud vic-

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S'craft to host Halloween concert

Dust off your scariest costume and prepare to be musically transported to Transylvania.

The annual Schoolcraft College Children's Halloween Concert will get under way 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, in the Community Room at Radcliff Center in Garden City.

Musicians will be in costume and concertgoers are encouraged to wear Halloween attire. There will be a costume

parade.

The concert is aimed at the entire family, especially children, and will feature the music of Broadway, Hollywood and Transylvania. Admission is free, but donations are accepted at the door.

For information, call (734) 462-4770.

The Radcliff Center is located at 1751 Radcliff, just south of Ford Road, between Wayne and Merriman roads.

County parks sponsor Hines Halloween fest

On Saturday, Oct. 24, otherworldly visitors will arrive at Hines Park-Nankin Mills Picnic Area as children come dressed as ghouls, ghosts, monsters and goblins for Wayne County Parks Halloween Fest '98.

From 1-3 p.m., Wayne County will offer free games and activi-

ties including magicians, prizes and a candy hunt at 3 p.m. Hayrides will be available for 50 cents per person.

Parents are asked to register their children in advance for the festival by calling (734) 261-1990, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

This year's festival will feature performances by ventriloquist Richard Paul and magical entertainer Chris Linn. From 1:30-2 p.m., Paul will delight children of all ages with side-kicks Headlee Lamar, the Talking Skull, and Wanda, the Absent-Minded Witch. From

2:15 to 2:45 p.m. Linn combines magic, comedy and audience participation.

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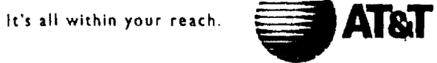
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JACK GLADDEN

Ground chuck, gourds and tiny pumpkins

It was like a scene out of "Five Easy Pieces." The Feminist and I stop by one of those big supermarkets to stock up on ground chuck that, according to a flier that came with the Sunday paper, is on sale for 89 cents a pound. We're gonna buy about 20 pounds.

When we get to the packaged meat counter, we find ground round and ground sirloin but no ground chuck. So we back up to the "gourmet" counter. There's a tray of ground chuck sitting in the counter behind a sign that says: "Limit of 5 pounds per family."

"Is that the ground chuck that's on sale?" The Feminist asks the woman behind the counter.

"Yes, it is."

"Just out of curiosity," The Feminist says, "is the 5-pound limit because you're running low? The ad didn't say anything about a limit."

"No," the woman says. "Everything at this counter has a 5-pound limit. There's no limit in the other counter."

"But there's no ground chuck over there. You must have run out."

"That's right."

"Well," The Feminist says, "since you're out of ground chuck in the other counter, can I get a rain check?"

"Nope," the woman says.

"Why not?"

"Because we're not all out. We have some here."

"But you'll only sell me 5 pounds here?"

"That's right. But if you'll come back in about 20 minutes, we'll probably be out here, too, and you can get a rain check."

"Oh, never mind," The Feminist says. "Just give me 5 pounds."

The woman starts packing it up, then says, "We'll be bringing some more out to the other counter in a few minutes. But it's gonna be in big family-sized packages."

"Well, that's what I want!" The Feminist says, started to get exasperated. "I wanted to buy 20 pounds."

That spacey look

The woman gives her a look like we're both from outer space, plops the 5-pound package on the top of the counter and ends the conversation. A couple of minutes later, another woman wheels a cart out to the prepackaged counter and starts unloading dozens of 3- or 4-pound packages of the cheap chuck.

The Feminist grabs a half dozen of them, loads them in our cart and we move on to the produce section.

"Can we get some gourds for Halloween decorations?"

It was the 10th-Grader and her buddy, who had been wandering around elsewhere in the store.

There's trays of knobby little green and white and orange and purple gourds. A sign above the display reads: "Gourds. 99 cents a pound."

"Oh, OK," The Feminist says. "Each of you can get a pound of gourds."

The checkout lines are all long and slow. The Feminist gets in a line and after several minutes, she's still standing where she was. Then another line opens up.

"I can help someone here!" the cashier calls out.

The Feminist starts toward the open line, but gets cut off in the process. She ends up No. 2 in line. After their groceries are checked and totaled, the people in front of her hand the cashier a credit card to pay for them. The computer won't accept the transaction. They don't have enough credit.

"Take the skillet off," the woman tells the cashier. "We don't really need the skillet."

The cashier deducts the price of the skillet from the bill and tries again. There's still not enough credit available.

"Let's see," the woman says. "What else can we take off?"

Time for a change

The Feminist turns to the person in line behind her.

"Could you back up and let me out of here please?"

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Oh, say you can see ... with 20/20 vision

A good pair of eyes ... Some people have them, some don't. But a new type of laser surgery is giving people with poor eyesight a chance to see the world without contact lenses or eyeglasses.

BY RICHARD PEARL
STAFF WRITER

Bar fights and family disturbances often are the lot of those in law enforcement. But wearing eyeglasses or contact lenses can make the work more difficult and dangerous.

"If you wear glasses and try to break up a bar fight or a family disturbance and get your glasses knocked off, then you can't see," said Detective Sgt. Kevin Woodruff, a 16-year veteran of the Wayne Police Department. Woodruff has been wearing glasses since the fifth grade.

The same thing happens when your glasses get fogged going from wintery cold into a warm house on a disturbance call. "Then, if a fight breaks out and you pull your glasses off," you're visionless again, he said.

Eye glasses can also get loose, "especially when it's raining," said Plymouth Township Officer Scott Linton.

And contacts? Don't ask, said Rochester Police Officer Mike Rosenblum of Huntington Woods, who's worn them for 28 years. They are "always an inconvenience, especially when working on windy days."

Besides sand or an eyelash under the lens or Mace blowing the wrong way, air conditioning in the office or patrol car can dry the eyes, requiring eye-drops.

And calling a "time-out" in many of these situations isn't an option.

Woodruff and nine other officers from departments in Oakland and Wayne counties, plus two from out-state, now are enjoying almost complete freedom from wearing glasses or contacts, thanks to a "Police Officers Appreciation Day" held by a Farmington Hills laser vision clinic.

TLC The Laser Center of Detroit on 12 Mile invited officers from across Michigan to undergo one of two nearly painless laser eye surgeries - LASIK, short for Laser In Situ Keratomileusis, and PRK (Photorefractive Keratectomy) - at a substantial discount "to show our appreciation for their efforts in keeping our communities safe," said Dr. Michael Wallace, the center's director.

The center offered discounts of up to \$800 per eye to those undergoing LASIK (\$2,400 per eye at TLC) or PRK (\$2,000 per eye). The fees include a year's post-operative care and a lifetime customer satisfaction policy.

And while most of the officers are paying the difference out of their own pockets - only Detroit's police and fire departments offer a health insurance



STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRESLER

Painless procedure: Dr. Anthony Sensoli of Livonia, an ophthalmologist and medical director of The Laser Center of Detroit, corrects the vision of Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy Patrick Weir with laser surgery.

option covering such surgery - the officers say it is worth it.

"The freedom that you feel... I'd recommend (having the surgery) to anybody," says Woodruff. "It's the best thing I could have ever done. It's expensive surgery, but worth every penny to me."

"Convenience, that's the key word," echoed Plymouth Township Officer William Fetner, 33, formerly with the Ypsilanti Police and the Wayne County Sheriff's departments. Fetner, who had been wearing glasses or contacts since the fourth grade, now is trying to get his older brother, a West Bloomfield police officer, to undergo the procedure.

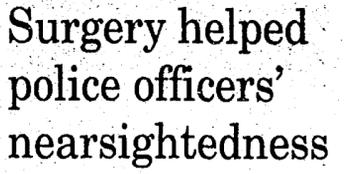
Laser vision correction

TLC Detroit Laser Center is among several clinics in the area offering the procedures. It and TLC Lansing, however, are part of a Canadian-based chain that is one of the largest providers of laser vision correction in North America.

A procedure for farsightedness is available in Canada, but not yet in the United States.

Both LASIK and PRK use an excimer laser, which provides a computer-controlled, cool ultraviolet beam of light to reshape the eye's cornea.

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Surgery helped police officers' nearsightedness

BY RICHARD PEARL
STAFF WRITER

You can say it was nerdy, gutsy, brave.

Or maybe it was just being tired of dealing with contact lenses all the time.

But if you're squeamish about having good old scalpel-style surgery performed on your eyes to correct your vision, you can appreciate what Garden City Police Detective Lt. Larry Hale chose to have done about five years ago.

And you can also appreciate how far vision correction procedures have come since then.

He, along with several fellow officers, underwent a procedure called radial keratotomy (RK) to correct their nearsightedness.

In RK, an eye surgeon uses a hand-held, diamond-tipped blade to make incisions in a radial pattern along the outer portion of the cornea - something like making those faint pre-cuts in a pie. The procedure reshapes the cornea, correcting the way it bends, or refracts, light entering the eye and thus correcting nearsightedness.

Why did the officers choose RK? Because at the time, it was the only game in town; laser eye surgery hadn't yet been approved for use in the United States.

And Hale, for one, was tired being nearsighted, "not because of my job, but because of my recreational activities," he said.

Like a lot of police officers, he enjoys physical activity - scuba diving and boating are among his favorites, and he's done either or both all the way from Lake St. Clair to the Caribbean and Hawaii.

He had been wearing contacts for 25 or 30 years by the time he decided to see what Dr. Jay Novetsky of the Vision Institute of Michigan could do for him. The institute is based in Sterling Heights with offices in Westland and Warren.

Today, Novetsky, one of the top refractive surgeons in the state, doesn't do RK anymore.

"He's just doing laser now," said Cathy Stone, marketing director for the Vision Institute. "RK is still a good procedure, but since refractive surgery has gotten so advanced, they're finding faster results and quicker healing with laser. A lot of ophthalmologists have moved away from RK."

Vision Institute of Michigan is a full-service ophthalmology practice, offer-

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First Step: 20 years of ending the violence

BY CHRISTINA FUOCO
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Judy Ellis closes her eyes and shakes her head when she thinks about the violence she's encountered during her 18 years at First Step.

"When I think back to when I started at First Step, one of the things I notice is it's a lot more lethal now," said Ellis, First Step's executive director. "Now, we're seeing whole families being killed, people coming into corporations and killing themselves and others. "Someone dies every five days in Michigan as the result of domestic violence."

First Step is remembering those who have died and honoring those who were able to piece their lives back together after years of abuse. In honor of its 20th anniversary, First Step invites survivors, volunteers, donors, board, staff or community members to a special celebration 5:30-8:30 p.m. today (Oct. 22) at Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church, 24110 Cherry Hill Road, at Telegraph Road, Dearborn.

For information, call (734) 981-9595. "We're looking forward to the opportunity to bring together people who have played a significant part in First Step's first 20 years," Ellis said. "It's an opportunity for survivors to speak as well as volunteers and former staff members. "We're going to review our pictorial history and remember where we've been and where we're headed."

Humble beginnings

Ellis came to First Step as a volunteer when it was only a few years old and has watched the domestic and sexual violence program grow from "a little office in the back of the Westland City Hall to a multi-service center." Back then, when someone called the 24-hour help line, (734) 469-5900, the calls were forwarded to the home of a vol-

unteer who stayed home and waited for calls. The calls were screened for immediate danger and, if the caller had no place to go, he or she was sent to a hotel.

"When I came here, we didn't have a shelter, we would have to place women in hotels for several days," Ellis explained. "They were then sent to a shelter outside of the area because there wasn't one in the area."

In 1981, funding cuts forced First Step to rely more heavily on volunteers to maintain services. Community people were trained to answer the phones.

Today, First Step boasts a non-residential counseling center in Taylor, a non-residential counseling center and administrative office in Canton and a shelter that houses 50 victims and their children.

"It is important to realize that many will not go into a shelter," Ellis said. "Those victims may have other support systems, but sometimes there is no other option. They have no car, no money. There's nowhere else to go. The shelter gives them somewhere safe to go where they can ponder what to do next."

Ellis added that the average stay is four to six weeks, but families have stayed up to six months.

The organization's mission is to reduce the incidence of domestic and sexual violence and to provide services to individuals affected by these crimes. Prevention of domestic and sexual violence through education, advocacy and appropriate intervention is the ultimate goal of First Step.

Some of those tactics include programs for men, women and children as well as those who have abused them. First Step also has a support group for rape victims. Ten years ago, the most prominent group was at Detroit Receiving Hospital.

And with a lot of violence in dating relationships these

Please see FIRST STEP, B2

Vision from page B1

The cornea provides most of the eye's focusing power. Reshaping it can cause light to be focused more precisely on the retina at the back of the eye, thereby correcting nearsightedness.

In LASIK, a five-year-old, highly accurate procedure, the ophthalmologist cuts a corneal flap in each eye (with the patient under local anesthetic). This exposes the inner corneal tissue to the laser. Afterward, the flap is replaced and quickly heals. Good day vision returns within 24 hours, although full night vision can take about six

months. After surgery, patients wear wraparound sunglasses and use eyedrops, Wallace says. They are not permitted to drive until the next day.

Farmington Hills resident and Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy Patrick Weir, 36, a corrections supervisor, drove himself to his optometrist the morning after surgery for the required initial post-surgical checkup.

"My optometrist was giggling," he recalls. "He kept telling me, 'You could hardly see they did anything to your eyes, that's how fast it healed.'"

Weir then drove himself up north for the weekend. "I enjoyed the woods without my glasses on," he said.

In PRK, which is nine years old and is the most common excimer procedure, there are no incisions. The surface layer of the cornea, or epithelium - which regenerates itself every few days - is removed and the laser reshapes just the outermost part of the cornea. Recovery takes two to four weeks.

Both procedures are brief - 15 minutes per person for LASIK and just five minutes for PRK. Woodruff of Wayne, who for years had to put on his eyeglasses just to walk into the bathroom each morning to put in his contacts, said his "new-found freedom ... is absolutely amazing."

Gone are the putting in, taking out and cleaning of the lenses, as

well as having to remember to bring glasses, contacts and solutions on vacations and needing new prescriptions twice yearly. That's amazing because his uncorrected vision "was worse than 20-400."

"I couldn't see you clear unless you were 12 or 10 inches away; I couldn't tell whether you were a man or a woman, if you were any further from me," he said.

Woodruff's vision was corrected to 20-15 by ophthalmologist Dr. Anthony M. Senoli, a Livonia native. Senoli, TLC's medical director, corrected each of Woodruff's eyes differently, delaying by six or seven years the time when the detective will need reading glasses.

"It's absolutely phenomenal," said Weir, who had worn glasses since age 17 but didn't need

them the day after his surgery. "I feel like I'm 16 again."

Linton, 24, said "it's better than I ever could have thought."

The Livonia resident and former

Oakland County deputy had worn glasses or contacts since the sixth grade - he was on duty without wearing either a little over 24 hours after surgery.

Surgery from page B1

ing specialists in surgery and diseases of the eye as well as standard eye examinations and corrective eyewear prescriptions.

Refractive laser eye surgery was only approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in the last two years.

In fact, Novetsky, who also is a medical director at The Laser Center of Detroit in Farmington Hills, will be performing laser procedures on Nov. 2 for Firefighters' Appreciation Day.

But what does Hale, chief of

Garden City's detective bureau, think of the results of the older procedure?

"I'm very satisfied with it," he said. "It's hard to believe they can correct vision that well that quickly. It was done in the morning and that evening I could see pretty good."

RK corrected his vision to 20-20, and these days, Hale, who is in his 27th year with the Garden City department, needs only reading glasses "now that I'm 'getting up there.'"

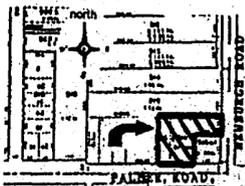
CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A petition has been presented to the Planning Commission of the City of Westland, Wayne County, Michigan:

#806D, Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Coin-Operated Car Wash on Lot #918, Supervisor's Nankin plat No. 18, NW Corner of Newburgh and Palmer Roads, SE-19, Angelo Maull.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held in the City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 4, 1998.

Written comments may be sent to the Westland Planning Department at 37095 Marquette Avenue, Westland, Michigan 48185.



ROBERT C. BOWERS, Chairman
WESTLAND PLANNING COMMISSION

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CITY OF WESTLAND GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF WESTLAND, County of Wayne: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Election will be held in the City of Westland on Tuesday, November 3, 1998 at which time the following offices will be voted upon:

Governor/Lieutenant Governor	State Board of Education (2)
Secretary of State	Regents of University of Michigan (2)
Attorney General	Trustees of Michigan State University (2)
Representative in Congress	Governors of Wayne State University (2)
State Senator	County Executive
Representative in State Legislature	County Commissioner

Justices of the Supreme Court (regular term ending 1/1/2007-vote 2)
Justices of the Supreme Court (partial term ending 1/1/2001-vote 1)
Judges of the Court of Appeals-1st District (regular term ending 1/1/2005-incumbent positions-vote 2)
Judge of the Court of Appeals-1st District (partial term ending 1/1/2003-vote 1)

Judges of the Circuit Court-3rd Judicial Circuit (regular term ending 1/1/2005-incumbent positions-vote 2)
Judges of the Circuit Court-3rd Judicial Circuit (regular term ending 1/1/2005-non-incumbent positions-vote 2)
Judges of the Circuit Court-3rd Judicial Circuit (partial term ending 1/1/2001-incumbent positions-vote 2)
Judges of the Probate Court (regular term ending 1/1/2005 incumbent positions-vote 3)

In addition, the following State of Michigan proposals will appear on the ballot:

Proposal A: A proposal to change the word "Handicapped" to "Disabled" in the State Constitution.

The proposed constitutional amendment would change the word "handicapped" to "disabled" in Article VIII, Section 8, of the State Constitution. Article VIII, Section 8, of the State Constitution currently reads: "Institutions, programs and services for the care, treatment, education or rehabilitation of those inhabitants who are physically, mentally or otherwise seriously handicapped shall always be fostered and supported."

Should this proposed constitutional amendment be adopted? Yes or No

Proposal B: Initiated legislation to legalize the prescription of a lethal dose of medication to terminally ill, competent, informed adults in order to commit suicide. The proposal would: (1) Allow a Michigan resident or certain out-of-state relatives of Michigan residents confirmed by 1 psychiatrist to be mentally competent and 2 physicians to be terminally ill with 6 months or less to live to obtain a lethal dose of medication to end his/her life. (2) Allow physicians, after following required procedures, to prescribe a lethal dose of medication to enable a terminally ill adult to end his/her life. (3) Establish a gubernatorially appointed, publicly-funded oversight committee, exempt from Open Meetings Act and whose records, including confidential medical records, and minutes are exempt from Freedom of Information Act. (4) Create penalties for violating law. Should this proposal be approved? Yes or No.

Proposal C: A proposal to authorize bonds for environment and natural resources protection programs. The proposal would: (1) Authorize the State of Michigan to borrow a sum not to exceed \$675 million dollars to finance environmental and natural resources protection programs that would clean up and redevelop contaminated sites, protect and improve water quality, prevent pollution, abate lead contamination, reclaim and revitalize community waterfronts, enhance recreational opportunities, and clean up contaminated sediments in lakes, rivers, and streams. (2) Authorize the state to issue general obligation bonds pledging the full faith and credit of the state for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds. (3) Provide for repayment of the bonds from the general fund of the state. Should this proposal be approved? Yes or No

The following Wayne County Proposition will be on the ballot:

Eliminate the Tax Allocation Board By Establishing Separate Tax Limitations-Shall separate tax limitations be established for an indefinite period, or until altered by the voters of the county, for the non charter townships, intermediate school district, and Detroit Public Library within Wayne County, the highest aggregate of which shall not exceed 1.4578 mills, (as reduced by the Headlee Rollback Adjustments and as certified in the 1997 Wayne County Commission Appointment Report), as follows:

Wayne County Regional Education Service Agency:	.0984 mill
Detroit Library Commission:	.8400 mill
Township of Grosse Pointe:	.6486 mill
Township of Grosse Ile:	1.3592 mills
Township of Stumpter:	.8870 mill
Highest Total:	1.4578 mills

Yes or No

Education First! Wayne County Community College Millage Continuation Proposal.

This Proposal will permit Wayne County Community College to continue to levy 1 mill for College purposes, previously approved by the electors, which will otherwise expire following the 2004 tax levy. Shall the previously voted 1 mill (\$1.00 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for Wayne County Community College expiring with the 2004 levy be continued so that the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be imposed on taxable property in the College district be increased by 1 mill (\$1,000 of state equalized valuation) for the year 2006 and thereafter, to be used for all purposes authorized by law? It is estimated that 1 mill would raise approximately \$23,218,800 when first levied in 2005. Yes or No

The polls for said election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on said day of election. Every qualified elector present and in line at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote. Voting sites are wheelchair accessible.

PATRICIA A. GIBBONS, Westland City Clerk

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days, First Step created a peer mentoring program at Livonia Churchill High School. A similar program exists at Plymouth Canton High School.

"It's very powerful if a student can speak to other students and understand what they can do if it happens to them," Ellis said.

First Step also has added a 24-hour response team that goes to hospitals and meets with sexual or domestic assault victims. The teams are made up of two peo-

ple. One works with the family or support person who brought the survivor to the hospital, the other works with the survivor.

"If she wants us in the examining room, or with the police officer or in court, we're there for her as long as she needs us. I say 'she' because most of the people we work with are women. But there are men and young men who have been physically or sexually assaulted," she said.

In a pilot program with police

departments in Taylor, Redford, Inkster, Dearborn, Romulus and Lincoln Park, First Step and the victim work with a trained domestic violence officer and a prosecutor.

"That sets another avenue for women who come into the police department," said Ellis.

Throughout her 18 years, Ellis explained that she has seen laws and the police departments toughen their stances on domestic violence, especially in the last

six or seven years.

"We are making a concerted effort to work collectively instead of working on opposite ends of the pole," she said. "We're working to make families safer in their homes."

Last year, First Step helped 4,000-5,000 people and provided 11,000 nights of shelter.

"That's just the tip of the iceberg," Ellis said. "It's just a shame, but lives have been saved."

Gladden from page B1

She heads to another register. When she pulls the original 5-pound bag of ground chuck out of the cart, she notices that the plastic tie used to seal the bag has come off.

"Could you tie this with something please?" she asks the cashier. "I don't want to have hamburger spilling out all over the trunk of my car." She continues to unload the cart.

After she's done and the bagger starts putting the groceries

back in the cart, she notices the package of ground chuck still untied. She points this out to the cashier.

"I didn't have anything to tie it with," the cashier says. There's that outer space look again.

The cashier drops a bag of gourds on the scale, but pulls the two orange ones off to the side. She rings the first ones up at 99 cents a pound, then rings up a dollar for the orange ones.

"The sign said the gourds were

99 cents a pound," The Feminist says.

"These are miniature pumpkins," the cashier says. "They're 50 cents apiece."

I butt in. "But they were all in the same bin. The sign over the bin said 99 cents a pound."

"For gourds!" the cashier said. "These are miniature pumpkins."

"But ..."
"Never mind," The Feminist

says. "Let's just get out of here."

As we're leaving the store, I point to a sign in the window. It's a picture of a smiling employee of the month. Underneath the picture is a caption:

"If you aren't happy, neither are we."

"Gee," I say to The Feminist. "I guess they must be pretty unhappy in there."

Jack Gladden is a copy editor for the Observer Newspapers. He lives in Canton Township.

WAYNE/WESTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT WESTLAND, MICHIGAN 48388

SECTION 00010 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for Bid Package #2: TMP Project #98030 - Roosevelt/McGrath Elementary Schools
TMP Project #98034 - Walker/Winter Elementary Schools
TMP Project #98018A - Fire Alarm System Pre-Pricing Equipment

Wayne-Westland Community will be received until 1:30 P.M. local time on Thursday, November 5, 1998 at which time they will be opened and read publicly at Wayne-Westland Community School Board of Education - 36745 Marquette, Westland, Michigan 48185. Bids received after this time and date will be returned unopened.

Sealed bids for the Fire Alarm System Pre-Pricing Equipment Bids are to be submitted on Tuesday, October 27, 1998, at 1:30 p.m., Wayne-Westland Community Schools Board of Education Office.

Faxed proposals will not be accepted.

This Bid Package will consist of a separate sealed bid for the following Bid Division:

- Bid Division Description**
- 101 Earthwork to Finish Grade/Site Utilities
 - 102 Asphalt Paving
 - 103 Selective Demolition
 - 104 Concrete Footings & Foundations
 - 105 Concrete Flatwork
 - 106 Masonry
 - 107 Steel
 - 108 Carpentry
 - 109 Roofing
 - 112 Caulking
 - 113 Hollow Metal, Wood Door & Finish Hardware-Supply
 - 114 Aluminum Glass & Glazing
 - 115 Metal Studs/Drywall/E.I.F.S.
 - 116 Ceramic Tile
 - 117 Acoustical Treatment
 - 118 Carpet
 - 119 Resilient Flooring
 - 120 Painting
 - 121 Visual Display Boards
 - 128 Plastic Laminate Casework
 - 130 Window Treatment
 - 140 Plumbing
 - 141 Fire Protection
 - 142 HVAC
 - 143 Electrical
 - 145 Fire Alarm Equipment

Bidding documents prepared by TMP Associates, Inc. will be available for public inspection at the office of the Construction Manager, McS/EV, 26001 West Five Mile Rd., Redford, MI 48238, the FW Dodge Plan Room, Southfield, the Construction Association of Michigan Plan Room, Bloomfield Hills, and the Daily Construction Reports Plan Room, Detroit.

Bidders may obtain a set of bidding documents by contacting the Construction Manager, McS/EV. Additional plans may be ordered and purchased directly from Dunn Blue Reprographics Technology, (248) 353-2850. Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope supplied by the Construction Manager, McS/EV. The bid division(s) being bid in (are) to be identified on the outside of the envelope. There will be a Pre-Bid Meeting held on Tuesday, October 27, 1998 @ 4:00 p.m. in the Walker/Winter Elementary School Media Center. All bidders are encouraged to attend.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of at least five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, payable to Wayne-Westland Community Schools, as a guarantee that if the proposal is accepted, the bidder will execute the contract and file the required bonds within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract.

If awarded a contract, the successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond. Wayne-Westland Community Schools reserve the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities and irregularities in the bidding.

This project is to be bid at the prevailing wage rate.

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CITY OF WESTLAND - POLLING PLACES NOVEMBER 3, 1998 GENERAL ELECTION

PCTS.	LOCATIONS
1 - 19	Madison School, 1075 S. Carlson
2 - 32	Kettering School, 1200 Hubbard
3 - 7	Stottlemeyer School, 34801 Marquette
5 - 29	Edison School, 34505 Hunter
6	Adams Jr. High, 33475 Palmer
8	Patchin School, 6420 Newburgh
9	Jefferson School, 32150 Dorsey
10	Lincoln School, 33800 Grand Traverse
11 - 23	Elliott School, 30800 Bennington
12 - 25 - 35	Whittier School, 28550 Ann Arbor Trl.
13 - 18	Schwitzer School, 2801 Treddwell
14	Marshall Jr. High, 35100 Bayview
15 - 41	Greenwood Villa, 7600 Nankin Ct.
16	Holiday Park Club House, 34850 Fountain Blvd.
17 - 37	Graham School, 1255 S. John Hix
20	Wildwood School, 8100 Wildwood
21	Lowell Jr. High School, 8400 Hix
22	Westland Meadows Club House, 30600 Van Born
24	Lutheran High School - Westland, 33300 Cowan
26 - 33	Hamilton School, 1031 Schuman
27	Perrinsville School, 33344 Ann Arbor Trl.
28	Church of Christ-Annapolis Park, 30355 Annapolis
30 - 31	Hayes School, 30600 Louise Ct.
34 - 38	Dyer Social Service Center - Senior Wing, 36745 Marquette
36	Nankin Mills School, 8100 Hubbard
39	Landings Apartment Club House, 7000 Lakeview
40	Divine Savior Parish, 39375 Joy

The polls will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. Voting sites are wheelchair accessible.

PATRICIA A. GIBBONS, Westland City Clerk

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CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On Tuesday, October 27, 1998, the Westland Police Dept. will conduct Public Auctions of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The first auction will begin promptly at 10:00 A.M. at Westland Service Towing, 37501 Cherry Hill, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	V.I.N.
78	Buick	2 Dr Park Ave.	Bronze	4U37R8H422953
89	Ford	Aerostar Van	Blue	1FMDA31U1K2C27695
81	Cadillac	2 Dr DeVille	Gray	1G8AD4792B9198635
88	Ford	2 Dr Escort	Blue	1FAPP2197JT163446

The second auction will begin promptly at 11:00 A.M. at Westland Car Care, 6375 Hix Road, Westland, MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles will be offered for sale to the highest bidder:

76	Merc	2 Dr Marquis	Brown	6Z81A568282
73	Honda	Motorcycle	Copper	CL3503029328
77	Triumph	Roadster	White	FM87168U
87	VW	4 Door	Blue	9BWQA0305HP017974
83	Ford	2 Dr Mustang	Silver	1FABP273DF203389
76	Plymouth	4 Dr Volare	Brown	HH41C6B128247
83	Pontiac	2 Dr Firebird	Red	1G2AW87H9DN207366
74	Ford	F150 PU	Brown	F25JLT90472
86	Pontiac	4 Dr Gr Am	Silver	1G2NV69UXGC837555
85	Pontiac	2 Dr Firebird	Blue	1G2FX87S2FL647166
83	Chevrolet	4 Dr Chevette	White	1G1AB68C0DY241673
85	Ford	2 Dr Escort	Belge	2FABP3199FB27869
78	Pontiac	4 Dr Bonne	Brown	2N89Y8P244354
89	Mercury	4 Dr Sable	White	1MEBM5044K0649869

All vehicles are sold in "as is" condition. Bidding on all vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

30 DAY NOTICE OF AUCTION

Due to unknown ownership, 30 day notice is hereby given that the vehicle(s) listed below will be auctioned after November 22, 1998, unless it is claimed by the owner prior to that time.

98	Honda	Moped	Purple	3H1AF1611WD101635
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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Moreno-Pletcher

Jeffrey Scott Moreno and Cynthia Marie Pletcher were married April 25 at The Little Wedding Chapel.

The bride is the daughter of Robin A. Pletcher of Garden City and Mary Jo Pletcher of Westland. The groom is the son of Sharon Johnson of Hart, Mich., and Rick Moreno of Westland.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Westland John Glenn High School. She is employed by Specialized Pharmacy.

The groom is a 1989 graduate of St. John High School. He is employed by Modern Vending.



Safran-Summers

John and Marcia Safran of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Suzanne Elaine, to Paul Douglas Summers, the son of Mark and Debbie Summers of St. Clair Shores.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1996 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of arts degree in communications. She is employed by Sprint PCS as a sales and marketing coordinator.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Warren De LaSalle High School and a 1997 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor of arts degree in economics. He is employed as a technical supervisor by Chrysler.



Stelovich-York

Molly York and Thomas Allen Stelovich were married July 4 at the gazebo on the grounds of the Dearborn Inn. Frank Carolo of Ann Arbor performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Tom and MaryGrace York of Northville, formerly of Livonia. The groom is the son of Frank and Jean Stelovich of Everett, Wash.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1993 graduate of Arizona State University with a bachelor of science degree. She is employed as an inside sales supervisor by Eagle Pacific Insurance.

The groom is a 1995 graduate of Arizona State University with a bachelor of science degree. He is employed as a purchasing agent for Allied Signal in Redmond, Wash.

The bride asked Diane Walsh to serve as her maid of honor with Amy Cooper, Julie York and Michele Stelovich as brides-



maids. The groom asked Jeff Funk to serve as best man with Tim Stelovich, Tommy York and Jamie York as groomsmen.

The couple received guests at a reception in the inn's Alexandria Ballroom before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Maui, Hawaii. They are making their home in Seattle, Wash.

Dahlka-Herman

Robert and Doris Dahlka of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Karyn Ann, to Gregory Peter Herman, the son of Paul and Jeanette Herman of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor's degree and of Marygrove College with a master's degree. She is employed as a third-grade teacher for Academy of Detroit.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree. He is employed as an account representative for Creative Solutions.

A November wedding is planned at St. Robert Church in Redford.



Stokes-Huyett

Megan Lordan Huyett and Theophil Anthony Stokes were married July 4 at the Academy of the Sacred Heart in Bloomfield Hills.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David W. Huyett of Birmingham. The groom is the son of Lance Stokes of Troy and Sheila Stokes of Westland.

The bride is a graduate of the Academy of the Sacred Heart and Marymount College. She is employed by Arnold Communications in Boston, Mass.

The groom is a graduate of

Cranbrook School and Boston University. He is attending Boston University Medical School.

The couple received guests at the Indianwood Country Club before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Hilton Head Island. They are making their home in Boston, Mass.



Swartout-Tyszka

Ruth Helene Tyszka and Vincent James Swartout were married June 13 at St. Perpetua Church in Waterford.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tyszka of Waterford. The groom is the son of Sherry and Vincent Swartout of Westland.

The bride is a graduate of Oakland University and is currently studying law at Wayne State University.

The groom is a graduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed by Ford Motor Company.

The couple received guests at the Scarab Club in Detroit before leaving on a honeymoon trip to Thailand. They are making their home in Utica.



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Redeemer 1800 W Maple Rd, Birmingham (248) 644-4010 Worship Hours: Monday 7:30 PM (Chapel) Sunday 8:30 AM (Chapel) 9:30 & 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)	Christ Our Savior 46001 Warren Rd, Canton (Just West of Canton Center) (734) 414-7422 Worship Hours: Sunday 9:30 AM Sunday School & Adult Bible Study 10:45 AM www.ccaa.edu/~lcmcs	Cross of Christ Lutheran Church 1100 Lone Pine Rd, Bloomfield Hills (248) 648-5888 Worship Hours: Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:15, 9:45 & 11:15 AM Adult Bible Study 10:00 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Discipleship I Sunday 9:45 AM Tuesday 6:15 PM Wednesday 7:00 PM Discipleship II Sunday 9:45 AM Tuesday 6:15 PM Discipleship III Wednesday 7:00 PM

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CALENDAR

UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLIDAY EVENTS

The Holiday Nature Preserve Association has several upcoming events planned.

■ A fall color walk led by Bill Craig will be held at noon Saturday, Oct. 24, at the Holiday Nature Preserve. Meet at the Hix Park entrance to the preserve, located just north of Warren on the west side of Hix. Free.

■ A fall color walk will be held beginning at noon Saturday, Nov. 7. Travel from the Hix parking lot east toward Newburgh Road in a hike along "the road less traveled." Meet at the Hix Park entrance to the preserve, located just north of Warren on the west side of Hix. Free.

■ General meeting of the Holiday Nature Preserve Association at the Livonia Civic Center Library 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at Five Mile and Farmington in Livonia.

■ A preparing for winter walk led by Kathy Treppa will be held at noon Sunday, Nov. 15. Watch the residents of the nature preserve slow down in preparation for the coming cold weather. Meet at the Hix Park entrance to the preserve, just north of Warren on the west side of Hix. Free.

For information on Holiday Nature Preserve Association events, call (734) 522-8547.

ACTION MEETS

ACTION, a Coalition for the Improvement of Nursing Homes, has scheduled a meeting to be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, at the Westland Public Library, 6123 Central City Parkway (734) 326-6123. The meeting will address ways to become involved in improving nursing homes. No reservations required. For information, call (248) 988-7139.

DEMOCRATIC CLUB

Mary Lou Parks, candidate for secretary of state, and Kathleen Strauss, state board of education member speaking for candidate Sharon Gire, and Barbara Roberts Mason, state board of education member running for re-election, will be guest speakers at the Westland Democratic Club at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the Dorsey Community Center, 32715 Dorsey Road, one block east of Venoy Road, two blocks south of Palmer Road. For information, call (734) 729-6248 or (734) 422-5863.

HAUNTED HIGH

The Franklin High PTSA Third Annual Haunted House is 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, at Franklin High School, 31000 Joy Road in Livonia. Cost is \$3 per child for kids kindergarten through sixth grade (must be accompanied by an adult). Costumes are optional. Registration is required. Call Kathy Swan at (734) 261-3672.

AUTHOR TO VISIT

Stephanie Mittman, author of "A Kiss to Dream On," will be at Paperbacks 'n' Things, 8044 N. Wayne Road, Westland, from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25. For information, call (734) 522-8018.

CRAFTERS BOUGHT

The Wayne-Westland YMCA is seeking crafters for its annual craft show 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5. For an application, call (734) 721-7044.

FLU SHOTS

Presbyterian Village Westland will host a Flu Shot Fair 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 28. Flu shots will be provided by Oakwood Healthcare staff. Each person receiving a shot will get a free bowl of chicken soup. Shots are \$5 or free for those with Medicare. For reservations or information, call (734) 728-5222.

DINNER-DANCE

The Irish Pallottine Fathers will present the annual mission fund-raiser Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy, Westland. Cocktails will be served 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m., with dancing to 12:30 a.m. There will be music by Brian Bonner and his Arranmore Band. Price is \$40. For tickets or information, call Eileen Finn at (248) 949-6521, John Wisely at (248) 681-5738 or the Pallottine Fathers at (734) 285-2966.

AT THE LIBRARY

THE STORY LADY

The Story Lady stops by to share some of her favorites. Children's Services area. 11 a.m. Saturdays, Oct. 24, Nov. 7 and 21.

FALL STORY TIME SESSION II Registration for fall session II began Oct. 1 by phone or at the Children's Service Desk. Dates for session II are: Tuesdays, Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24 and Dec. 1 and 8; Wednesdays, Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, Dec. 2 and 9. The programs are as follows:

Toddler Tales

Choose one: 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays or 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays. Session includes developmentally appropriate story times for children 18 to 36 months old. Movement, singing and stories will keep children interested. All toddlers must be accompanied by an adult. Registration required by phone or at the Children's Desk.

Just for Me Preschool Time

Choose one: 1:30 p.m. Tuesdays or 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays. A session of thematic story times for 3 to 5-year-olds intended to be independent experiences for children. Registration required by phone or at the Children's Desk.

FRIENDS OF LIBRARY

The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library meet 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the library, 6123 Central City Parkway. Call (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.

WESTLAND CENTER

WALKERS CLUB

The Westland Walkers meet the second Wednesday of each month, except during the summer. Westland Center opens its doors to walkers beginning at 7 a.m. through Arcade 2 by Olga's Kitchen. Mall walking ends at 10 a.m.

RECREATION

RECREATION AND FUN

A recreational get-together for teens and adults who are disabled is the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. (734) 722-7620.

FIGURE SKATING

The Westland Figure Skating Club has formed an adult introductory pre-dition team. The team is for those who want to have fun with other skating adults

and get exercise. Practices are 6-6:50 a.m. Saturdays. All levels are welcome. For information, call (734) 722-1091.

SCHOOLS

McKINLEY COOPERATIVE

McKinley Cooperative Preschool, housed in Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne Road at Hunter, is holding registration. 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 Sparky Preschool. Registration is 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, other pupils on Mondays and Wednesdays. A Friday enrichment class is also available. The preschool is at 1421 S. Venoy, Westland. Call (734) 728-3559.

GARDEN CITY CO-OP

The Garden City Co-op nursery has openings for preschool classes for ages 18 months through 4 years. Tot's class meets on Wednesday mornings and 3- and 4-year-olds meets Mondays and Thursdays. Parental involvement is required. Call Kelli at (734) 513-7708.

ST. MEL PRESCHOOL

St. Mel Preschool, 7506 Inkster Road, north of Warren Avenue in Dearborn Heights, has morning and afternoon classes for both 3- and 4-year-olds. Registration has begun. Call (313) 274-6270.

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 in Inkster. Call (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 access to the Internet. Call (734) 722-1465 or (248) 569-7787.



Special story: Westland Parks and Recreation and Westland Civitan are presenting a Halloween Walk, Oct. 22, 23 and 24 in Central City Park. It is a non-scary family adventure through a special story. Small groups are guided along candlelit pathways. Tours leave every 10 minutes and take about 40 minutes. For reservations, contact the Bailey Recreation Center at (734) 722-7630. Tickets are \$3. Guided tours 7-8:45 p.m. Clowns Around Redford face painting for a nominal fee 6:45-8:35 p.m. Featured will be the Bailey Bunch, Westland All-Stars, Ladies Auxiliary VFW 3323, Tbarmina's Pizza, Dad's Club, and Rotary Club.

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LITTLE LAMBS

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road south of West Chicago in Livonia, is accepting registration for the 1998-99 school year. Classes meet Monday-Wednesday-Friday afternoons and Tuesday-Thursday mornings for 3- to 5-year-olds. Little Lambs is a nonprofit, nondiscriminatory preschool. For information, call (248) 471-2077.

FRANKLIN PTSA

The Franklin High PTSA is seeking 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 in Livonia 48150.

TUTORIAL PROGRAM

A free tutoring program for students is offered at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center, 2300 Venoy in Westland. The program, 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, is for students ages 9 and older in Wayne, Westland and Romulus. For information on participating or volunteering, call Leau Rette Douglas, (734) 722-3660.

MOM'S MORNING OUT

Children, ages newborn to 6, and their mothers are invited to a "Mom's Morning Out" from 9-11:30 a.m. every Thursday at Newburgh United Methodist Church, on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh. Children are grouped together by ages in

rooms with two caregivers per room. This program is an optional co-op, with parents working once each month. Call (734) 422-0149.

LIVONIA COOPERATIVE

Livonia Cooperative Nursery, a preschool at 9601 W. Chicago, has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds. To enroll, call Donna at (734) 266-8185.

HISTORY ON VIEW

ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG

Limited space is available for individuals and small groups to participate in the archaeological dig at the Westland Historical Museum, at 857 N. Wayne Road, between Cherry Hill and Marquette. The digs are noon to 5 p.m. Sundays and will run weather permitting to Nov. 15. To participate you must register in advance. For more information or to register, call Daryl Bailey (evenings) at (734) 326-7382 or leave a voice message at the Westland Historical Museum at (734) 326-1110.

WESTLAND MUSEUM

The Westland Historical Museum is open 1-4 p.m. Saturdays at 857 N. Wayne Road between Marquette and Cherry Hill. A Harvest Time display is currently exhibited. Call (734) 326-1110.

FRIENDS MEET

Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meets 7 p.m. on the second Tuesdays of January, March, May, July, September and November at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette between New-

burgh and Wayne roads. For information, call President Jim Franklin, (734) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

FOR SENIORS

SENIOR CHOIR

A new Friendship senior choir, under the direction of Robert Cassidy, has been started at the Westland Senior Resources Department Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Those who enjoy singing are invited to join. The choir meets at 9 a.m. Thursdays.

EXERCISE

Musical Chairs is a new program from Jazzercise designed for exercisers older than 40. The program provides a low to moderate workout geared for the older adult which improves strength, flexibility, balance, posture, coordination and cardiovascular endurance. It incorporates resistance exercises using rubber tubing and light weights with walking and jogging patterns. Wear loose-fitting clothing and comfortable shoes. Light weights and an exercise mat are suggested. Robert Cassidy is the certified Jazzercise instructor. Sign up at the front desk at the Westland Friendship Center or call (734) 722-7632.

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. For more information, call (734) 722-7632.

DINNER THEATER

A trip to a performance of "Hooray for the Holidays" at Cornwell's Dinner Theatre, \$40 cost including lunch and show, is planned for Tuesday, Nov. 10. Departure from the Westland Friendship Center at 9:30 a.m. Arrive at Cornwell's 11:30 a.m. for lunch. Show time is 2 p.m. Return to the center between 6 and 6:30 p.m. Open to the first 19 paid members.

CARD GROUP

The Friday Variety Card Group at the Westland Friendship Center meets at

2 p.m. People play euchre, pinocle, 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.

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. Call (734) 422-1052.

DYER CENTER

The Wayne-Westland School District's Dyer Senior Adult Center has activities Monday through 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 1 p.m. every Wednesday in the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh, Hall A. Instructor is Kammo Oryis. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632.

CLUBS IN ACTION

CRAFT SHOW

Space is available for a craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 23, 24 and 25, at the Ramallah Club, 27484 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Table rentals are \$80 for one day or \$40 for all three days. For more information, call Nona at (734) 462-2936 or Nadia at (734) 522-4208 after 5:30 p.m.

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. CHADD is a nonprofit, parent-based, volunteer organization whose aim is to better the lives of individuals with attention difficulties. Call (313) 498-3099.

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. M128, a support group for sensible weight loss, meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne Road and Hunter in Westland. For more information, call Jackie at (734) 722-7225.

T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. M163 meets weekly. Weigh-in is 6-7:15 p.m., meeting is 7:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, at the Med-Max building, 35800 Central City Parkway, Westland. For information, call Suzanne, (734) 728-8437.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

The Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club No. 6694 (formerly Holy Smokemasters) urges people who want to learn the art of public speaking to attend the club's weekly meetings at 6 p.m. each Thursday at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road next to Westland Shopping Center. For more information, call John Elbe at (734) 326-5419, anytime.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are 8:30-9:30 p.m. Sundays and Wednesdays at Garden City Hospital (north entrance), 5264 Inkster Road in Garden City. For information, call Woody, (734) 776-3415.

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 734-891-7279. Deadline for Calendar items is noon Friday for the following Thursday's paper. Call 953-2104 if you have any questions.

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Organizers switch to auction format for 'Light Up a Life'

BY SUE MASON
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At age 11, the Angela Hospice "Light Up a Life" benefit is getting a makeover.

The strolling supper and entertainment will still be a part of the benefit, but the fashions that were the highlight of as many as three fashion shows during the evening will be left on the racks of Jacobson's Laurel Park Place store. Instead, participants will be invited to make their highest bids at silent and live auctions during the 2 1/2-hour affair.

"We've been at Jacobson's for nine years; we got the feeling to do something different and Jacobson's got the same feeling," said "Light Up a Life" co-chair Carolyn DiComo. "They suggested we do something else and make more money for Angela Hospice."

"So this year, it's going to be bigger and better, better and bigger."

Presented by the Italian American Club of Livonia and Jacobson's, "Light Up a Life" will be 6:30-9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, at the Laurel Park Place store, Newburgh and Six Mile, Livonia.

Tickets cost \$40 each, while tickets which include the VIP celebrity and champagne reception at 5:30 p.m. cost \$75 each. They're available at Jacobson's and Angela Hospice and by mail from Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia 48154. For more information, call Angela Hospice at (734) 464-7810.

Proceeds from the benefit will go toward Angela Hospice's Samaritan program. A big point with director Sister Mary Giovanni, the program takes care of children and adults who cannot

afford hospice care.

Festivities will get under way at 6:50 p.m. with the "Star Spangled Banner," sung by Karen Newman, who sings the national anthem at Detroit Red Wings home games.

The live auction starts at 7:10 p.m., with Steve King serving as auctioneer. The silent auction will run through 8:15 p.m. to give people a chance to check out, DiComo said.

Helping King at the Live auction will be the celebrity guests - Cheryl Chodin, Carolyn Clifford, Mary Conway, Joanne Puritan and Mike Holfeld of WXYZ-TV, Tracy Gary of WWJ-AM Radio, Paul Gross and Lila Lazarus of WDIV-TV, Jimmy Launce of WYUR Radio, David Scott and Kristin Smith of WKBD-TV 60 and Rachel Nevada of WJR-AM.

What's your bid?

Auction items include one-week leases of a Jaguar, Saturn and Honda, an autographed Chris Osgood hockey stick, a collection of eight Hudson's Santa Bears (1989-1996), a California package that includes two passes to watch "Suddenly Susan" and Caroline in the City shows and to go backstage to meet Brooks Shield and Lea Thompson, and a Princess Di package that includes the Harrod Department Store Christmas bear, the English CD of Elton John's revised "Candle in the Wind," a British pictorial magazine about Diana, a copy of "Diana: Her True Story" and a collector's thimble commemorating Prince William's birth.

"We're so fortunate to have that," said DiComo of the Di package. "A friend of Angela Hospice was in England when it (her death) happened and



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAVLEY

What's your bid? Chairperson of the "Light Up a Life" live auction, Ann King of Livonia (right), chair of the silent auction Julie Ripple of Westland, and event co-chairs Carolyn DiComo of Northville and Georgia Scappaticci of Plymouth show off a few of the items to be auctioned off Nov. 8, including a collection of Hudson's Santa Bears, autographed Chris Osgood hockey stick, the hat and shovel used during the Oct. 29, 1997, groundbreaking for the new Tiger Stadium, a Harrods Christmas Bear, Princess Diana items and one-week leases of a 1999 Saturn SL2 and 1999 Honda Accord EX Sedan.

bought what she could for something like this."

Bids also will be taken on two nights for two at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, two complete sets of Teenie Beanje Babies, a Tim Allen-autographed tool belt and hammer and a collection of sports memorabilia,

including an autograph baseball and photographs and baseball cards donated by Mary Moore, a member of the All-America Girls' Professional Baseball League.

In addition to the auctions, there also will be a raffle at 8:40 p.m., with a four-day/three-night trip for two to Las Vegas in

March via Northwest Airlines, with accommodations at New York, N.Y., \$500 Jacobson's gift certificate, Princess Di Beanie Baby and 13-inch color TV as prizes.

Gourmet feast

In between bidding, benefit-

goers can dine of food provided by 31 metro Detroit area restaurants and businesses. New to the list are Andiamo's West of Bloomfield Hills, Giovanni's of Detroit - "One of Frank Sinatra's favorite restaurants" - and Szegedi's of Dearborn Heights.

Also participating in the strolling supper are Allie's American Grill at the Marriott, Charley's Deli & Grill, Chimento's, Confectionately Yours, Copper Creek, DePalma's, Great Harvest Bread Co., Italian American Club, Joe's Produce, Macaroni Grill, Mary Denning's Cake Shop, McDonald's, Monaghan Knights of Columbus, Mountain Jack's, Old Mexico, Plymouth Fish and Seafood Market, Rocky's, Santino's, Schoolcraft College, Star Clipper Dinner train, Sur-Ell Catering-Garden City Knights of Columbus, The Pool Restaurant at the Henry Ford Estate, Uptown Cafe, Vic's Cafe and Villa de Roma.

Evening events include a personal appearance by Margaret Cobane of Margaret Cobane Ornaments in the Holiday Trim Shop, Judith Jack in the fashion jewelry department and David Hatten of the House of Hatten and Nancy Camden of Nancy Camden Dolls, both in the gift department.

Keyboardist Dave Bevington, caricaturist Chuck Borshanian and harpist Christa Grix also will be providing holiday music and entertainment throughout the store.

DiComo and co-chair Georgia Scappaticci hope to attract 900 participants and raise \$100,000 for Angela Hospice at this year's event. DiComo is optimistic, considering the event drew 850 people and raised \$90,000 last year.

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Parable of the Tax Collector & Pharisee
Rev. Diane, preaching

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Plymouth

1100 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI
Sunday Service (10:00 a.m.)
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Reading Room - 443 S. Harvey, Plymouth
Monday-Friday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. • Thursday 7:00 p.m.
453-1676

RELIGIOUS NEWS

Seminary hosts Edersheim lecture

William McRae, chancellor of Tyndale Bible College and Seminary in Toronto, Ontario, Canada will be the speaker at the ninth annual Edersheim Series Saturday, Oct. 24, at the Michigan Theological Seminary, 41550 E. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth.

The topic of the 9 a.m. to noon lecture will be "Forgiveness," and a question and answer period will be a part of the program.

The lecture costs \$10 for the general public, \$6 for groups of two or more and \$5 for stu-

dents. The cost includes breakfast at 8 a.m. There also will be a Pastor's Breakfast at 8 a.m. Friday, Oct. 23. The topic will be "The Power of Encouragement."

To register for the Edersheim Series, call the seminary at (734) 207-9581.

McRae has been at Tyndale for 50 years, serving as president and now as chancellor. Considered one of the great Biblical expositors by Haddon Robinson, he has done many seminars on family communication and church growth.

A pastor to pastors, his preaching and teaching style is contemporary.

The Michigan Theological Seminary was founded by the Michigan Theological Society in 1894. Formed by Eugene Mayhew and composed of evangelical educators, ministers and businessmen, the primary purpose of the society was the establishment of an independent evangelical seminary in southeastern Michigan.

With the growing number of evangelical churches in southeastern Michigan, the need

was evident for a conservative theological graduate institution to prepare pastors, ministers, teachers, counselors and other Christian workers for the ministry.

It began classes in Ann Arbor in 1904 with 57 students and has since grown to 281 students, seven full-time and three adjunct faculty members. Its library collection has gone from 10,000 volumes to two librarians and 30,000 volumes.

People of all faiths are welcome. For more information, call Pat at (810) 658-2967 or Vickie at (248) 0653.

PRAYERS RALLY

St. Kenneth's Catholic Church will have a praise rally 7-9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, at the church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth Township. There will be praise and worship with teaching by the Rev. Joseph Mallia, prayer teams, fellowship and refreshments. For more information, call Roy Coloma at (734) 459-3177 or Aida Callipan at (734) 464-3549.

RUMMAGE SALE

The First United Methodist Church of Wayne will have its fall rummage sale and plus room 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 31, at the church, 3 Town Square, Wayne. Saturday will be \$2 a bag day and there will be a bake shop and refreshments. For more information, call the church office at (734) 721-4801.

SAFE HALLOWEEN

Plymouth Church of the Nazarene is hosting its second annual "Angel's Safe Haven," a fun and safe alternative to trick or treating, from 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at the church, 45801 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. There will be carnival games such as a dunk tank, balloon and ring tosses, bowling, basketball, prizes, and pictures in costume. The event is free and open to the community. Children may be in or out of costume. For more information, call (734) 453-1525.

IN CONCERT

The Concert Choir of the Michigan Lutheran Seminary in Saginaw will present a concert of sacred songs at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 1, at Lola Park Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford.

The 44-voice choir, under the direction of Leonard A. Procher, seeks to present God's Word in song. Its repertoire includes both traditional and contemporary sacred choral music, along with instrumental presentations.

The group is self-supporting, paying for its materials and travel expenses through free will offerings. For more information about the concert, call the church at (313) 632-8655.

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

BLOOD DONATION

St. Edith Catholic Church will have an America Red Cross blood drive 2-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at the church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information, call the church at (734) 464-1222.

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church will have a Red Cross blood drive 2-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, at the church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville Township. Walk-ins welcome. For more information, call the church at (248) 374-7400.

FESTIVAL SERVICE

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church will have a Festival Reformation Service at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia.

The service will feature a festival procession, Allen Pote's arrangement of "God Is Our Refuge and Strength" by the Christ Our Savior Choir with brass and Douglas Wagn-

er's "A Mighty Fortree Is Our God" for brass and handbells. The sermon theme will be "Freedom," based on John 8:31-36, which includes the proclamation, "the truth will set you free" (John 8:32).

The service commemorates the beginning of the Protestant Reformation which took place in the early 1500s. The reformation was sparked when an Augustinian monk named Martin Luther posted a list of 95 academic the-

ses on the church door in Wittenberg, Germany. For more information, call the church office at (734) 522-6830.

IN CONCERT

St. Edith Parish of Livonia presents Gallagher II at 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at the Farmington Civic Theater, Grand River and Farmington Road. Tickets are \$25 and \$20 and are available by calling the church office at (734) 464-1222 or school office at (734) 464-1250, or after 8 p.m. Dale at (734) 464-1678 or Marilyn at (734) 462-1373.

YOUTH RALLY

A youth rally will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at Community Free Will Baptist Church, 33031 Cherry Hill, between Wayne and Venoy roads, Westland. An evening of "special music" and fellowship are planned. The featured speaker will be the Rev. Jimmy Lawson. For more information, call the church at (734) 721-9040.

PUMPKIN PATCH FESTIVAL

Rice Memorial United Methodist Church will have its Pumpkin Patch Festival now through Saturday, Oct. 31, at the church, 20601 Beech Daly, Redford. Pumpkins will be for sale and there will be bake sale, pony rides, petting farm, moon walk, storytelling and face painting 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 24.

PUMPKIN PATCH PARTY

Children ages 3-9 are invited

to enjoy decorating pumpkins and various fall activities at a Pumpkin Patch Party 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 24, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 46001 Warren Road, Canton. Children in costumes (no occult themes) will be eligible for prizes. Parents must accompany children. To register, call (734) 522-6830.

BETHANY SUBURBAN WEST

Bethany Suburban West, a Catholic organization which provides spiritual, social and support assistance for divorced and separated Christians, will gather for a hayride 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at Sugarbush Farms, Ford Road and Gotfredson, Canton. For information, call Diane at (734) 981-4553.

The group meets regularly on Sundays for breakfast and Mass - 10 a.m. at the Redford Inn, Five Mile west of Beech Daly, Redford, and at 11:15 a.m. at St. Aidan's Church, 17500 Farmington Road (north of Six Mile), Livonia - call Val at (734) 729-1974 - for coffee and conversation at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at Archie's Family Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Road, Livonia, and for pinocle at 7 p.m. every other Friday - call Rose at (734) 464-3325.

SINGLE POINT

Single Point Ministries members will meet at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, in the parking lot of Christ Church, Lone Pine and

Cranbrook roads, for a bicycle tour of Cranbrook. Helmets are mandatory. Riders should bring water bottles, locks and money for lunch or a picnic lunch. For more information, call the Single Point office at (248) 374-5920.

Single Point also offers Talk It Over 7-9:30 p.m. the second and fourth Fridays of the month in Knox Hall, outdoor tennis 4:30 p.m. until dark Tuesdays and Thursdays at Rotary Park on Six Mile in Livonia and indoor volleyball at 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Knox Hall of the church.

'IMPORTANCE OF LOVE'

Margaret Hess, Christian author, speaker and teacher, will speak about the "Importance of Love" in all relationships at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, Hall A, 36375 Joy, Westland. The program is free of charge and refreshments will be served. For more information, call (734) 625-6789.

'BEGINNING EXPERIENCE'

The deadline for registering for a weekend for divorced, separated or widowed men and women of all ages, "Beginning Experience," is Wednesday, Oct. 28. Offered through the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Detroit, the weekend is for those people who are ready to let go of the painful past and rebuild their lives. It will be held Friday-Sunday, Nov. 6-8, at St. John's Center, Plymouth Township.

Redford Baptist has new senior pastor

The Rev. Danny Langley and his wife, Renee, have traveled from Kansas to Redford, where he will be senior pastor at Redford Baptist Church.

Langley will begin preaching at the church on Sunday, Oct. 25. The traditional service will be at 9 a.m. and the contemporary service at 10:30 a.m.

Langley has been active in helping churches find creative ways to introduce contemporary elements into worship services. He had been on the pastoral staff of the First Baptist Church of El Dorado, Kan., since 1990. The congregation grew 50 percent during those eight years.

Langley received his master of divinity degree from the American Baptist Seminary of the West in California. He also has master's degrees in history and political science.

In August, he taught a course in church administration and pastoral leadership at the International Baptist Theological Seminary in Prague, Czech Republic. The seminary was attended by Baptist pastors from eight European nations.

The couple has two sons, Jeremy, a student at Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Illinois, and Donald, a senior at Ottawa University in Kansas.

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Dealing with grief: Customs change along with attitudes



VIRGINIA PARKER

'Tis the season to begin seeing mock grave-stones sprout in front yards. It's one of the traditional merriments associated with Halloween. It's also a way of laughing at life's ultimate reality by saying, "You don't really

Wealthy colonists were expected to give fine gloves to funeral guests. (They also gave gloves to wedding guests. One might wonder about a connection.)

I discovered another early American custom when a museum docent in Salem, Mass., interpreted a subtle detail in one painting. She explained that parents often commissioned a portrait of a deceased child. The rose tipped downward in a son's or daughter's hand indicated that the youngster had died.

The Victorians took grieving to a whole new level, establishing elaborate rules for the situation. The length of time wearing mourning clothes was prescribed according to how closely the departed was related. There were several stages.

For widows, it began with deep

mourning when she wore black crepe for a year and a day. A black veil, known as "widow's weeds," was also customary. The second and third stages followed with increasing allowances made for trims and lighter fabrics. Contrary to popular belief, black was not the only color worn. The final six months of half-mourning were spent wearing gray, white, lavender or violet.

A widow publicly mourned 2 1/2 years in all. She wore mourning clothes for 18 months for a child, six months for a sibling and six weeks for a cousin.

There were lots more rules; A widower could remarry as soon as he liked. If he was still in mourning for his late wife, he removed his black armband for his wedding, replaced it the next day, and his new wife then donned the appropriate attire to join him in mourning for her predecessor!

If our modern minds find that hard to swallow, consider this: Victorian babies' crib sheets often were decorated with black embroidery to demonstrate grief. Queen Victoria chided her daughter, the Crown Princess of Prussia, for not doing so when

her child's great-grandmother died.

"You must promise me that if I should die, your child or children and those around you should mourn; this really must be."

There was another change, one we don't think much about - the evolution of cemeteries. Graveyards of colonial New England were stark, and the headstones often had skulls carved into them. The God of retribution and the religious emphasis on eternal punishment loomed large in the Puritans' thinking.

That began to change in the 1820s. A need for developing improved burial grounds spurred the beginning of suburban cemeteries. The first was Mount Auburn near Boston. It was designed with wooded land, hills, ponds, floral landscaping, carriage avenues, footpaths and classical architectural detailing in mausoleums, temples and obelisks.

It was intended that people should feel peaceful when visiting departed loved ones in these new cemeteries. There were also parks that attracted city folks out for Sunday strolls. Mount Auburn became so famous that it was as popular among European sightseers touring the U.S. as Niagara Falls.

Over the next 20 years, similar country cemeteries sprang up near every American city. The intellectual and political elite were often quick to buy lots. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and Daniel Webster were among the first buried in the new rural Oak Ridge Cemetery, a few miles north of Springfield, Ill.

I think much of our discomfort with death is that we have been farther removed from the process of dying than our ancestors were. People used to pass their days at home, which is also where the funerals occurred. Many houses were even designed

with a coffin door to more easily remove the casket from the parlor.

This all makes me wonder how future historians will evaluate our observances. Perhaps they will say, "Imagine, in the 20th century, usable organs were rarely saved. And throughout most of those decades, death usually occurred in nursing homes and hospitals instead of at home with the aid of hospice." The first change would signal scientific progress; the second would merely bring us full circle.

Either way, when our descendants smile at our shortcomings, we can smile, too. *Deja vu*, we will think, and then we will wait for the next generation to come along.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Spartan netters 16th

Livonia Stevenson scored three points to finish 16th out of 19 teams at the Division I girls tennis finals held Friday and Saturday at the Midland Community Tennis Center.

Stevenson's No. 1 singles player, Sara Derefalk, an exchange student from Sweden, won her first-round match with a 6-3, 6-1 victory over Erica Baic at Traverse City Central.

In the second round, Derefalk, a regional champion, was ousted by Leila Armin of Troy, 6-2, 6-2.

Stevenson also got a point from No. 3 singles player Mara Mazzoni. The Western Lakes champ downed Lindsay Yates of Grosse Pointe South, 6-3, 6-2, and lost to state runner-up Laura Hutto of Ann Arbor Pioneer, 6-0, 6-2.

At No. 2 singles, Stevenson's Laura Haddock was defeated by Theresa Dokianos of Harper Woods Regina in the opening round, 6-3, 6-4.

At No. 4 singles, Rasheeda Davis of Flint Carman-Ainsworth defeated Kelly Ross of Stevenson, 6-2, 6-1.

Stevenson's No. 1 doubles team of Stephanie Ladd and Kim Samsel won their opening-round match against Stacey Brumbaugh and Maya Zayat of Regina, 2-6, 6-3, 6-2, before losing to Nicole Tietz and Allison Okuyama of Pioneer, 6-2, 6-0.

The Spartans' No. 2 doubles team of Jeanette Fershtman and Julie Yambasky was defeated by Anna VanderBroek and Rachel Boersma of Holland, 6-0, 6-2.

Mariam Paul and Janice Tanzo, the No. 3 doubles team for the Spartans, fell to Stephanie Calip and Rachelle Salimi of Ainsworth, 6-4, 6-1.

Pioneer defeated defending state champion Port Huron Northern for the team title, 29-25.

Collegiate notes

•Loyola University (Ill.) freshman outside hitter Sarah Poglits (Livonia Ladywood) was named Midwestern Collegiate Conference Women's Volleyball Player of the Week for Sept. 20-27.

•Despite a pair of Rambler losses, Poglits had 18 kills (.471 hitting percentage) against Cleveland State and 16 kills and 11 digs against non-conference foe Eastern Illinois.

•Oakland University's men's soccer team improved to 10-3 Saturday with a 3-0 victory over JUPUI (Ind.) as goalkeeper Mike Skolnik (Livonia Churchill) posted the shutout.

•Western Michigan University junior midfielder Angie Pandoff (Livonia Stevenson) scored her first goal of the season Friday in the Broncos' 1-0 overtime win over visiting Kent State.

The Broncos' women's soccer team is 4-7-2 overall and 2-5-1 in the Mid-American Conference.

Youth soccer champions

The under-17 Meteors, allowing just one goal in five games, captured the Glen Elynn, Ill. Columbus Day girls soccer tournament.

Members of the Meteors, sponsored by the Livonia Family YMCA, include: Alexia Bowman, Sarah Corless, Allison Curd, Alison Edwards, Kristen Katcherian, Beth Kolacki, Laura Kozub, Laura Leffingwell, Kristin Pimlott, Danielle Portelli, Beth Poulos, Anna Schovers, Patti Sullivan, Colleen Thompson, Kara Tweedy, Kelly Upton, Dana Wantin and Katie Westfall.

The team is coached by Bob Westfall. Randy Upton is the team manager.

Clarifications

•Plymouth Whalers goaltender Bob Holsinger posted the shutout in an Oct. 10 victory over the Windsor Spitfires.

•For the record, the Franklin boys track team posted a 4-4 record during the 1998 season, the third Patriot varsity sports program to post a .500 mark or better for 1997-98 (Brad Emons column on Oct. 18).

Livonia league signup

•A meeting for Livonia Parks and Recreation Class D basketball — 18 and under for residents in the Livonia and Clarenceville school districts — will be at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Civic Center Library (Room A).

•A meeting for men's basketball will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Civic Center Library (Room A).

•A meeting for adult volleyball will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Civic Center Library (Room A).

League play begins in Jan. 1999. For more information, call Parks and Recreation at (734) 468-2410.



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Hoop activity:
Livonia Stevenson guard Cheryl Fox (right) is hawked by a Plymouth Canton defender during Tuesday's Western Lakes Activities Association game. The Spartans came close, but fell to the league leading Chiefs, 44-42. For a complete roundup of area games, see page C4.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

State champ: Stevenson's Steve Polanski won the Division I title by 4 shots.

Polanski state ace in finale

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Maybe the hole-in-one a week earlier was a good omen for Steve Polanski.

It certainly didn't hurt. It was his final high school appearance, and the Livonia Stevenson senior came back from three strokes down after Friday's opening round to earn medalist honors at the Division I boys golf tournament.

With final round 71, Polanski upstaged the field by four shots in the tourney played at Maple Creek Golf Course (The Emerald) in St. Johns.

"He really played his heart out," Stevenson coach John Wagner said. "He was very, very determined. He knew on Friday he was in striking distance."

"He just had a wonderful front side during a time when the weather was the worst. There were 25 MPH wind gusts, very testy. He made everybody very proud. Steve's experience really paid off."

Ironically, playing a practice round with his father John and four of his Stevenson teammates on Oct. 11 at the Emerald, Polanski, using a 3-iron, recorded an ace on the 202-yard, No. 4.

"It was into the wind, I knew I hit a good shot and the ball hit the pin," Polanski recalled. "I didn't see it go in, but when we got up to the hole there it was. It was my first one."

Dave Nichols of Rochester Adams, shooting a 71, jumped out to the first-round lead on Friday. Chris Rogers and Andrew Calcutt, both of Traverse City Central, were two shots back at 73.

Polanski and Brent Borio of Birmingham Brother Rice were each three shots off the pace with 74s.

But on Saturday, despite rain and winds, Polanski, the Michigan Amateur runner-up this summer at age 17, made his presence known on the front nine by carding a 32.

He birdied five of his first six holes (the other was a bogey).

Polanski then got somewhat aggressive on the back side. He launched a drive 20 yards over the green on a 340-yard par-4, settling for par.

He wound up with a 39 on the back side, including a double-bogey on No. 13. He also three-putted three times.

When he reached the clubhouse he feared he had lost the title, but when his 13-year-old sister Kristen gave him a big grin, he later discovered that Nichols had soared to an 87 for a 149 total.

Polanski finished his two rounds at 145. Borio, of team champion Birmingham Brother Rice, was third at 150. Rogers finished fourth at 151 and Calcutt was tied for eighth with 155.

"This is always been a goal of mine because I felt I should have won it the last three years," said Polanski, who tied for seventh place in 1997. "I've put a lot into

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Title matchup

Glenn has hands full with Harrison

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There was a time when Farmington Harrison and Westland John Glenn used to decide the Western Lakes Activities Association football championship every year.

It's been four years since they've even played each other and five years since they last met in the WLAA title game.

But the teams will renew their rivalry Saturday when they meet for the seventh time to determine who is the 1998 king of the gridiron.

"The last couple years (Walled Lake) Western has gotten to be our biggest rival, and we haven't played Glenn," Harrison coach John Herrington said. "There's a lot of emotion in (the Western game), but playing for the league championship is going to be the same thing."

"Glenn has a stable coaching staff, and we know they'll be prepared. They have a tradition of being in the playoffs like us almost every year, and they have a tradition of playing in a lot of big games."

Both teams are 7-0 overall, having finished 5-0 in their respective WLAA divisions. Harrison, which holds a 4-2 lead in the championship series, is ranked No. 1 in Class A; Glenn is No. 6 in AA.

"This is why you play," Glenn coach Chuck Gordon said. "You want to play in big games, and you want to do your best. Here we are and we have a chance."

A big concern for the Rockets is trying to contain Harrison's prolific, quick-strike offense, which has scored more than 300 points and is averaging 44.14 per game.

"They're very explosive on offense and (Ricky) Bryant is an outstanding receiver," Gordon said. "But you can't just completely focus on Bryant,

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Harrison 49, Plymouth Canton 0
Harrison 54, Livonia Churchill 10
Harrison 309, opponents 29

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN
Glenn 24, Detroit Cooley 6
Glenn 33, Plymouth Canton 7
Glenn 20, W.L. Central 0
Glenn 14, Farmington 7
Glenn 25, Livonia Stevenson 6
Glenn 28, Plymouth Salem 19
Glenn 55, North Farmington 7
Glenn 199, opponents 52

WLAA CHAMPIONSHIPS
1992: Harrison 14, Plymouth Salem 7
1993: Harrison 30, W.L. Central 0
1994: Harrison 31, Farmington 3
1995: John Glenn 28, Harrison 7
1996: Harrison 34, N. Farmington 7
1997: John Glenn 14, Harrison 6
1998: Harrison 45, John Glenn 7
1999: Harrison 23, John Glenn 15
1990: Harrison 29, John Glenn 0
1991: Harrison 20, N. Farmington 14
1992: W.L. Western 10, John Glenn 7
1993: Harrison 7, John Glenn 6, 207
1994: Harrison 21, Liv. Stevenson 20
1995: Harrison 31, Liv. Stevenson 18
1996: John Glenn 24, W.L. Western 0
1997: Harrison 27, W.L. Central 6

because you'd better account for (Andre) Davis and (Mike) Hoad is excellent, also.

"You hope to keep them from getting these big plays they get every week. Nobody has done it yet, so that's a tough task and a tall order."

Bryant, who has 28 receptions for 602 yards and 10 touchdowns, is close to breaking several career records for a Michigan high school player.

He needs just 73 receiving yards and three TD catches to surpass Tim Steele (Sterling Heights Stevenson) in the former and Jamie Mazurek (Maple City-Glen Lake) in the latter. Steele finished with 2,389 yards, Mazurek with 30 receiving touchdowns.

Bryant also has 114 career catches, placing him fourth on the all-time list behind Steele, who had 158.

Hoad, the tight end, has 13 receptions for 289 yards and three TDs, Davis nine for 170. Davis is one of five players with one TD catch.

Harrison quarterback Dave Pesci has completed 61 percent of his passes (63-of-103) for 1,217 yards and 17 touchdowns. He's second only to Mill Coleman (20) on the all-time Harrison list for regular-season TD tosses.

"Other years you had to deal with a Granger at tailback or Mill Coleman at quarterback," Gordon said. "I think this team may be more explosive than those teams, simply because they have more weapons they spread all over the field."

The Hawks have still rushed for more yards (1,352 as opposed to 1,342 passing). Matt Reed has 402 yards, Kevin Woods 320 and Blake Ashley 262. Each has scored four TDs. Matt Turney, the backup to Ashley at fullback, has carried just 14 times but has scored five TDs.

"I think most of the recognition has gone to their passing game, but it's still a Harrison team and they still can run it," Gordon said.

Herrington said the '98 Hawks are comparable to the '88 team that averaged 41.3 points through 13 games and won the Class B state championship.

"We have been pretty much a big-play offense, and we have some big-play players in Ricky, Andre and Hoad," he said. "(The '88 team) was pretty much the same thing — a good passing offense with good receivers like we have now."

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Trojans so close, but North escapes

Livonia Clarenceville coach Chuck Donaldson wasn't second-guessing himself.

A possible trip to the state football playoffs and a Metro Conference championship hung in the balance when Livonia Clarenceville, down a point with four minutes left, went for the two-point conversion at Macomb Lutheran North.

"We didn't go there to tie, we went there to go for the win," said Donaldson, whose Trojans suffered a heart-breaking 28-27 loss to the unbeaten Mustangs. "There was a lot of time left. And they (North) were running the ball so well and they had a good kicker."

"I'd do it over again, but maybe run a different play."

Quarterback John Wallace ran the option on the two-point play. He made a fake to the fullback and then tried to pitch it to senior tailback Walter Ragland, who had 164 yards in 18 carries on the day.

But North, which improved to 7-0 overall and 7-0 in the Metro, snuffed

out the play and stopped the Trojans well short of the goal line.

"They're good," Donaldson said of North. "They have size and they come off the ball."

"But we still held our own. We played toe-to-toe with them. But sometimes I'd rather lose by 20, than by one. It's harder to deal with when it's that close."

The Trojans led 6-0 after one quarter when Wallace uncorked a 60-yard TD pass to sophomore tight end Scott Wion. (The PAT was missed.)

North then tied it at 6-6 in the second period on quarterback Ron Beebe's 1-yard keeper.

Tim Shaw then returned a fumble 60 yards for a Clarenceville TD off a misdirected North lateral pass. Wallace connected with Wion on the two-pointer to make it 14-6.

The Trojans mounted a long drive resulting in a Tim Riedl 5-yard run. Wallace booted the extra point to make it 21-6.

But the Mustangs pulled to within seven when Beebe hit Mark Jetzke with a 57-yard TD toss and the two-pointer was successful.

North then tied it at 21-all in the third on Andrew Sics' 3-yard TD run and the Mustangs took the lead for good on John Blanchard's 20-yard scoring burst.

After Clarenceville pulled to within one, the Trojans got the ball back and drove to the North 30, but time ran out.

"We played good enough to win," Donaldson said. "After looking at the films (Monday), they're really made. They knew they could and should have won."

Clarenceville played almost error-free, collecting just one offside penalty. The Trojans also recovered two fumbles as the 6-foot-1, 200-pound Ragland had a big game on the defensive side.

The loss leaves Clarenceville, ranked among the top 10 in playoff points (Class CC-Region IV) at 5-2 overall and 4-2 in the Metro.

8th week of action: Stakes high

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It's crunch time for the area's leading high school football teams, and there will be plenty of crunching hits Saturday at Buller Field in Farmington Hills.

That's when and where Westland John Glenn and Farmington Harrison will resume their gridiron rivalry in the 1998 Western Lakes Activities Association championship game.

It will mark the seventh time they've met under such circumstances. Harrison holds a 4-2 lead in the championship series.

The defending champion Hawks are playing in their 15th WLA final and have won 12 titles. It's the ninth appearance for the Rockets, who have won three times.

Both teams are 7-0. Harrison is No. 1 in Class A, Glenn No. 6 in Class AA.

In other key games, Redford Union is at Melvindale, and Catholic Central plays host to Detroit-Jesuit. RU and CC hope to finish undefeated in their divisions.

On the prediction scoreboard, it's a tie ballgame with two weeks remaining.

Yours truly was on vacation in more ways than one last week. O'Meara missed big time on three Saturday games and saw a two-game lead disappear. Poof!

Brad Emons was 11-3 last week, O'Meara 9-5. Heading into the home stretch, both are 76-26 overall.

FRIDAY GAMES

(all times 7:30 p.m. unless noted)

Redford Union at Melvindale, 7 p.m.: The Mega Conference-Blue Division championship is at stake. Redford Union (7-0, 5-0) clinched a share of the title last week when it routed River Rouge. A win will almost guarantee the Panthers a berth in next month's Class A playoffs since their ninth game is against one-win Taylor Kennedy. Melvindale is a fitting opponent for the last division game since the Cardinals (5-2, 4-1) can force a co-championship by beating RU. Melvindale is coming off a 22-9 win over Crestwood. **PICKS:** The Panthers claw their way to victory.

Wayne at Monroe: Wayne will try to play spoiler in its last two games. The Zebras (4-3, 3-3) stumbled last week against Wyandotte, losing 34-21, and were eliminated from playoff contention. They finish the season against two teams with post-season aspirations — Monroe (6-1, 5-1) and undefeated Westland John Glenn. The Trojans edged Belleville in a Mega-Red Division game last week, 26-20. **PICKS:** The Trojans avoid the upset.

Garden City at Allen Park: The Cougars (2-5, 1-5) finish Mega-White Division play against a formidable Allen Park ballclub (6-1, 4-1). The Observer made Garden City the favorite against Taylor Kennedy last week but ended up on the short end of the score. Allen Park posted a 21-0 shutout win over Taylor Truman. **PICKS:** The Jaguars remain in the Class A playoff picture.

Thurston at Ypsilanti: If the Eagles (5-2, 3-2) get some help from Redford Union, Thurston can force a three-way tie for second place in the Mega-Blue between Thurston, Melvindale and Ypsilanti (4-3, 4-1). The Eagles are 500 in their last four games since starting the season 3-0. The Braves have won their last three, winning 13-9 over Woodhaven a week ago. **PICKS:** Ypsi in a close one.

Lutheran Northwest at Clarenceville: The host Trojans (5-2, 4-2) just missed taking a big victory Saturday when they lost by a point at undefeated Macomb Lutheran North, the Metro Conference leader, 28-27. The Trojans went for the win but failed to make good on the two-point conversion with four minutes left. Lutheran Northwest (3-4, 2-4) is doing much better than usual but was a 30-8 loser to Grosse Pointe Liggett. **PICKS:** The Crusaders are still no match for Clarenceville.

Ply. Salem at W.L. Western: The Rocks (4-3, 3-2) finished second in the WLA Lakes Division by virtue of their 41-0 vic-

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tory over Farmington and earned the right to face state-ranked Walled Lake Western. The Warriors had a close call last week but managed to hold off Northville for a 26-21 win. Either Salem will play the role of spoiler, or Western (6-1, 4-1) will get added bonus points in its attempt to make the AA playoffs. **PICKS:** Dave Johnson leads the Warriors to another win.

Farmington at Northville: The Falcons (3-4, 3-2) had been playing so well the last month but had a big letdown Saturday against Plymouth Salem. Farmington can still have a winning season under first-year coach John Bechtel but has to regroup quickly. Northville (3-4, 2-3) appears to be back on track as evidenced by its close game Walled Lake Western. **PICKS:** Chalk up a win for the Mustangs, but Emons likes the Falcons to rebound.

W.L. Central at Liv. Churchill: The Chargers (2-5, 2-3) took their lumps in losses to Walled Lake Western and Farmington Harrison the last two weeks, but the prospects for a Churchill victory have returned. The Chargers will have to play well, but they can beat Walled Lake Central (2-5, 2-3) if they do. **PICKS:** The Vikings steal a win on the road.

Liv. Stevenson at Ply. Canton: The Spartans (3-4, 2-3) recovered from their seven-turnover debacle and loss to Farmington to post a solid, 29-7 win over Walled Lake Central. Stevenson hopes to finish with a three-game winning streak and a winning record. The Chiefs (2-5, 2-3) have won two of their last three after rolling over winless Lhonla Franklin, 35-0. **PICKS:** Years after he ran for office, votes are still coming in for Adlai.

N. Farmington at Liv. Franklin: It's the battle of last-place teams in the WLA divisional crossover games. There will be good news for one team this week. One is guaranteed to win on the scoreboard. The Raiders (1-6, 0-5) have a forfeit victory over Orchard Lake St. Mary's to their credit. It was a rough go for both teams last week as North lost to Westland Glenn, 55-7, and Franklin (0-7, 0-5) lost to Canton, 35-0. **PICKS:** It looks like a toss-up, but we have to make a pick. The Patriots prevail.

SATURDAY GAMES

(all times 1 p.m. unless noted)

John Glenn at Farmington Harrison: For Observerland old-timers, which includes writers O'Meara and Emons, as well as coaches Gordon and Herrington, it's just like, well, old times this week. Harrison and Glenn have met to decide the WLA championship six times — the last in 1993 when Harrison won in double overtime at Glenn, 7-6. The Hawks have won the last four championship meetings (1988-89-90-93); the Rockets won the first two in 1985 and '87. The last time these teams played was the second week of the 1994 season. Harrison won that meeting, too, 28-10. **PICKS:** No. 13 is a lucky number for the Hawks.

St. Agatha vs. St. Alphonsus at Drbn. Fordson: The Aggies (5-2, 4-1) return to Catholic League action and need a victory to keep pace with Cardinal Mooney. The two are tied for first place in the D-Section. The Aggies were reeling after a 37-0, non-league loss to Class BB Cranbrook, but the Arrows are more their speed. St. Alphonsus (5-2, 3-2) was shellacked Saturday by Mooney, 46-7. **PICKS:** The Aggies rebound with a victory.

Lutheran Westland at G.P. Liggett, 2 p.m.: The Warriors (0-7, 0-6) will try again for their first win against Metro Conference opponent Grosse Pointe University Liggett (4-3, 3-3). In games last week, Lutheran Westland lost to Hamtramck, 58-26; Lutheran Northwest defeated Liggett, 30-8. **PICKS:** The Knights keep the Warriors winless.

Redford CC vs. U-D Jesuit, 7 p.m. at RU's Kraft Field: The Shamrocks (6-0, 3-0) can lock up the Catholic League West championship with a victory over the Cubs (3-4, 1-2). Top-ranked CC clobbered DeLaSalle in a first-division crossover game Saturday. U-D Jesuit, which lost 24-21 to Divine Child, has played some close games with some good teams this year, but CC is in a league of its own. **PICKS:** CC can gas up the bus for a trip to the Silverdome next week.

Bishop Borgess vs. A.P. Cabrini, 7 p.m. at Downriver Community Center: Borgess (4-3, 3-1) is having a good year and can clinch second place in the Catholic League Tri-Sectional. The Spartans, who won a shootout over Southgate Aquinas, have won four of their last five games. Cabrini (2-5, 2-2) defeated Detroit East Catholic. **PICKS:** Borgess stays on a winning roll.

Title matchup from page C1

"Pesci is outstanding at quarterback. He has great feet and is very intelligent. He throws to the right people and is very accurate."

The Rockets have some big-play players of their own. Tailback Reggie Spearman has rushed for 1,260 yards and 20 touchdowns on 180 carries, and wide receiver Eric Jones has caught 22 passes for 496 yards, which includes some rushing yardage, and scored five touchdowns. Quarterback Nick Hudson has completed 60 percent of his pass attempts.

"Obviously, we have to stop Reggie Spearman; he's the best back in our league," Herrington

said. "We have to stop him and not let them control the football. When they need a big play, they can go to Eric Jones. We have to make sure we know where he is all the time and make sure he's covered."

As all coaches hope their teams will, the Rockets have managed to win all their games while improving from the start of the season, according to Gordon.

"We think we started slow," he said. "We didn't play as well as we would have liked early, but the last month I think we've gotten better. But we're smart enough to know we haven't played anyone of Harrison's caliber either."

"I just think, at some positions, we were really quite young, and some of the guys have really stepped up their play."

Defensively, Glenn is led by linebackers Jake Tharp (6-2, 225) and Bobby Hagelthorn (6-1, 196), free safety John Pettit, noseguard Rob Fant (5-10, 200) and end Teon Price (6-1, 210).

"I think we're very comparable," Herrington said. "We're about the last two teams in the league to run I (formation). Most teams have gone to the wing-T. On defense, we're a little different than they are, but both are kinda rooted in the 52 defense."

"I think their defense is very quick. The noseguard is a 200-pounder who can move, and they have excellent linebackers. Jake Tharp is one of the best in the league; Bobby Hagelthorn is their captain and is very active."

"They pretty much look like all the Glenn teams, because they have a great coaching staff that puts people in the right positions. Like us, they do pretty much the same things they did back in '93 and '94."

Hoad (6-1, 208), an inside linebacker, is Harrison's leading tackler with 69. Others with 30-plus stops are end Zach Burton (6-4, 200), end Brett Foster (6-1, 220), linebacker Steve Migliore (5-11, 225), noseguard Bryan McGhee (6-1, 278) and tackle Matt Turney (6-2, 220).

Albino, for loss

WESTLAND FOOTBALL

... 11 of 16 for 247 yards and four touchdowns to further Brandon on tosses of 38 and 34 yards in the second quarter. Andy Moldenhauer and a 34-yard pass to Steve Hart.

... single-game marks for completions, TDs and yards. He is also the career Lutheran Westland leader in TD passes.

... trailed 27-12 at halftime, but missed two big opportunities to score. They were stopped at the 1 and couldn't take advantage of blocked punt by year.

... Lutheran Westland, which suited up just 16 players, lost linebacker Scott Archer to a pulled hamstring in the opening quarter.

... if there was a standout on defense it was Hoff, who had 10 tackles, a blocked punt, fumble recovery and blocked extra point.

... Mark DeFrank also recovered a Hamtramck fumble.

... **WYANDOTTE 24, WAYNE 21:** Senior running back Cameron Mingo's big Friday night was wasted as host Wyandotte Roosevelt (3-4, 2-4) dealt the Zebras (4-3, 3-3) their second straight defeat in a Mega-Red Division encounter.

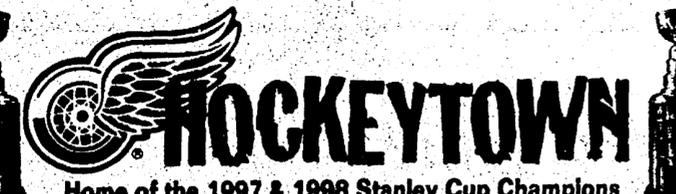
... Mingo had 198 yards in 24 carries.

... But Wyandotte sophomore quarterback Jeff Powell stole the show by completing 16 of 30 passes for 255 yards and three TDs.

... Junior wide receiver Scott Pierce had five receptions for 11 yards and one touchdown. Running back Dustin Powers added 127 yards in 22 attempts with one TD.

MHSAA REGION PLAYOFF COMPUTER RANKINGS

MHSAA FOOTBALL COMPUTER RANKINGS	
CLASS AA REGION 2	
1. Romeo (7-0) 101.714	
2. Westland Glenn (7-0) 100.571	
3. Brighton (6-1) 90.095	
4. Lake Orion (6-1) 90.000	
5. Monroe (6-1) 86.429	
6. Clarkston (5-2) 81.571	
7. W.L. Western (6-1) 78.571	
8. South Lyon (5-2) 72.381	
9. Ypsilanti (5-2) 66.571	
10. AA Pioneer (4-3) 61.548	
CLASS AA REGION 3	
1. Troy (7-0) 107.429	
2. Detroit Henry Ford (7-0) 107.429	
3. Catholic Central (6-0) 96.782	
4. Detroit Cass Tech (6-1) 89.262	
5. Dearborn Fordson (6-1) 86.429	
CLASS A REGION 3	
1. F.H. Harrison (7-0) 104.000	
2. Dearborn (6-1) 92.143	
3. Redford Union (7-0) 86.857	
4. Allen Park (6-1) 83.143	
5. Saline (6-1) 81.857	
6. Hartland (5-2) 73.881	
7. Fenton (5-2) 73.143	
8. Waterford Kettering (5-2) 70.000	
9. Ypsilanti (4-3) 49.429	
CLASS CC REGION 4	
1. Capac (7-0) 67.238	
2. Montrose (6-1) 61.286	
CLASS B REGION 4	
1. Holy Redeemer (4-3) 35.905	
2. C.L. St. Clement (4-3) 35.000	
3. Redford St. Agatha (5-2) 31.905	
4. Peck (4-3) 30.000	
CLASS D REGION 4	
1. Pigeon Laker (6-1) 56.429	
2. Almont (6-1) 54.571	
3. Goodrich (6-1) 54.429	
4. Riv. Gab. Richard (6-1) 54.143	
5. Clinton (5-2) 53.714	
6. Clarenceville (5-2) 50.714	
7. Napoleon (5-2) 50.000	
8. East Jackson (5-2) 46.857	
9. N.B. Wesleyan (3-4) 24.524	
10. Wyan. Mt. Carmel (1-5) 8.905	
11. Ham. St. Florian (1-6) 8.571	
12. Taylor Light & Life (1-6) 6.571	
13. Detroit East Catholic (0-7) 2.714	
14. Det. Urban Luth. (0-5) 1.143	



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DISTRICT BOYS SOCCER TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

Spartans, Glenn reach finals

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A lot was on the line in Wednesday's Division I district semifinal at Livonia Churchill.

The host Chargers put themselves in position to upset the state's No. 1-ranked boys soccer team in Wednesday's Division I district semifinal.

But visiting Livonia Stevenson pumped in three goals in the final 16:06 for a 4-1 victory, advancing to 5 p.m. Saturday championship game against the winner of tonight's Northville-Livonia Franklin match. (Saturday's final is at Churchill.)

Stevenson improved to 16-1 overall with the victory, while Churchill bows out at 11-6-3.

"We went into the game with the idea that the season starts tonight, nothing else mattered," Stevenson first-year coach Lars Richters said. "And being a former player, I can tell you it's a lot more difficult to coach in a game like this because you have such a limited impact being on the sideline."

"It's exciting, but you feel kind of helpless. And when it's the playoffs you have to play every game like it's your last."

Richters' worst fears were erased when junior forward Tom Eller, off a restart from 35 yards out, directed beautiful pass to Jon Mathis for the game-winning header with 16:06 remaining, breaking a 1-1 deadlock.

The Spartans then finished with a flurry, adding two more to put it away — Tony Maldonado off a nifty cross from Eller with 9:54 to go; and Eller from Sergio Mainella with 5:58 to play.

"That second goal kind of demoralized us," Churchill coach Chad Campau said. "I thought we played even with them up until that time. We gave ourselves chances, especially in the first half. We had at least eight to 10 restarts."

Not a minute had elapsed in the opening half when Stevenson's Mike White, off a pass from Maldonado, scored an acrobatic goal, his back turned to the Churchill.net using a bicycle kick.

"There's no way that's a goal because it's considered a dangerous play," Campau said. "But as it turned out, that didn't matter. The other three goals were off pinpoint passes to guys with the finishing touch. They do that well."

Churchill tied it just before the half when Tim Kaminski, camped just off to the side of the net, took a header from George Kithas and scored.

It stayed 1-1 until late in the second half when the Spartans scored off a restart.

"We were aware of that play (Mathis' goal) from the last game (a 2-0 loss)," Campau said. "You can talk about it, but you have to do it."



STAFF PHOTO BY BRIAN MITCHELL

Game-winner: Jon Mathis (No. 15), who scored with 16:06 left, celebrates with Spartan teammate Martin Kennedy.

Stevenson's defense put a huge net around Churchill's dangerous midfielder Mark Sicilia and the strategy worked.

"Defensively, give our backs credit," Richters said. "Tomasso Mainella is our defensive midfielder and we kind of suspected he'd match up with Mark. And he did a wonderful job."

JOHN GLENN 4, WAYNE 0: For the second straight year Westland John Glenn (7-7-3) moved into the district final after blanking intra-district rival Wayne Memorial (7-7-2) on Wednesday.

Jeff Ruppel scored at five minutes of the opening half and the goal stood up as the game-winner for the host Rockets.

Jeff Shelby and John Sterling also tallied first-half goals as Glenn led 3-0 at intermission. Shelby notched his second at 78 minutes of the second half.

Jim McPartlin, Ian Bala, Tony Canfield and Adam McGahan each drew assists.

Justin Ballard notched the shutout.

It was Glenn's second 4-0 victory this season over the Zebras.

"You can't have a letdown because we know Wayne would be a fired up team," Glenn coach Jerry Ponlatowski said. "They wanted to put it to us and you can't blame them. There is a lot of emotion in this game."

Glenn advances to Friday's district final, 4 p.m. at Garden City High School.

"Our guys have improved an awful lot," Ponlatowski said. "We've played with a lot of hustle against the top teams. We need to keep that same level."

Kithas goal ousts CC in 2 OTs

George Kithas scored off a scramble in front of the net 1 1/2 minutes into the second overtime Monday as host Livonia Churchill stayed off upstart Redford Catholic Central, 3-2.

Tim Kaminski assisted on the game-winner for the Chargers (11-5-3).

Kithas, who scored a hat trick in a 4-2 win over CC earlier in the year, was marked tightly.

"George did a nice job of dropping back and distributing the ball," Churchill coach Chad Campau said.

Mark Sicilia notched his second goal of the night from Scott Smith with 14 minutes left in regulation time to send the game into OT.

It was 1-1 at intermission.

Mark Sulkowski gave CC (7-9-1) the lead, but Sicilia tied it on an assist from Rob Sharp.

The Shamrocks then pulled ahead 2-1 on Kevin Graff's goal. Graff just missed on a shot off the crossbar in the first half.

"That was one of the best high school soccer games I've ever been associated with," Catholic Central coach Dana Orsucci said. "It was back and forth. It was very emotional. I was drained at the end."

On Saturday, Churchill upended host Troy in the regular season finale for both teams, 1-0.

Sicilia's goal with six minutes left in the opening half from Smith proved to be the game-winner.

Goalkeepers Steve Kleczynski (four saves) and Brian Druchniak (five saves) combined on the

FIRST-ROUND GAMES

shutout.

LUTHERAN WESTLAND 3, FAIRLANE 0: Goalkeeper Andrew Gilesman, who made three saves, notched his 12th shutout of the season Tuesday as state-ranked Lutheran High Westland (12-3-2) opened Division IV district play with a win at Dearborn Heights Fairlane Christian.

It was 0-0 at intermission.

Freshman Jeff Broge scored twice in the second half with senior co-captain Clint Gowen and freshman Justin Combs drawing the assists.

Sophomore Derek Bias got the third goal from senior co-captain Adam Voltz.

The Warriors played without Ryan Ollinger (concussion) and Jason Davis (bronchial condition).

PCA 6, CLARENCEVILLE 1: Dave Carty's hat trick Tuesday carried host Plymouth Christian Academy (7-11-1) to the Division IV district semifinal victory over Livonia Clarenceville (1-14) at Haggerty Field in Hines Park.

John Dale and Ryan Copeland also tallied goals for the Eagles, who led 2-0 at intermission.

Eric Szczenbara scored Clarenceville's lone goal from Mike Dunn.

The Trojans received strong play from seniors Brian Pankow, Steve Shaw, Paul Novak and Szczenbara, the team captain.

Team	Score	Opponent	Score
Stevenson	4-1	Churchill	11-6-3
Glenn	4-0	Wayne	7-7-2
Lutheran Westland	3-0	Fairlane	1-14
PCA	6-1	Clarenceville	1-14

Polanski from page D1

the last three weeks. It was a big thing. I was my last high school tourney."

Twelve of the 22 teams in the state finals qualified for Saturday's final round, but the Spartans were one of nine teams eliminated, carding a 338 total. See final results above.

"It was a great thing for me and the school," Polanski said. "I was happy I won, but I wish my team could have gone further. But that's golf."

After the finals, Polanski, his parents, and teammates celebrated his win on the way home by going out to dinner.

"It was fun," he said. "At school, all my friends and teachers were happy. The article was put up around school. It was a good day at school."

Following classes on Monday, Polanski spent time working on his short game at Whispering Willows.

He will play again over Thanksgiving weekend in a

junior tournament at Disney World in Lake Bueva Vista, Fla.

Polanski will make his final collegiate visit this weekend at Oklahoma State. He'll play a practice round with top amateur Charles Howell, a sophomore, at the famed Carson's Creek.

On Nov. 8 he'll chose between OSU, Texas Christian, Wake Forest, Georgia, South Carolina and Michigan.

At 5 feet, 11 inches and 180 pounds, Polanski will stay sharp over the winter hitting balls indoors at Oasis and working with pro Dave Kendall at the heated indoor range at Miles of Golf in Ann Arbor. He also uses a putting green in his basement.

Physical fitness also remains high on Polanski's priority list.

"It's a huge thing, especially when you play 18 one day, and then go 36 the next," he said. "Especially in the heat. You've got to be in shape. I try to stay fit cardiovascular-wise."

"I work out at the (Livonia) Y.

I like the stair machine and I lift some weights, but not like a football player. I just try to stay toned."

As an eighth-grader, Polanski weighed just over 200 pounds. With a healthy appetite, he wasn't shy around the dinner table.

"I guess I've never lost my baby fat," said Polanski, who also played nine years of organized hockey ("I was a slow defenseman," he jokes.)

Polanski becomes the second player from the Livonia Public Schools to earn medalist honors at the state tournament.

In 1985, Dean Kobane of Class A runner-up Livonia Churchill captured the coveted individual championship.

"Everybody stands in awe of this young man's ability," Wagner said of Polanski. "He has demeanor and calmness you need in a golfer."

"But he can also turn it on when he needs to."

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Well-traveled Drake new Ladywood coach

BY BRAD EMONS
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Terrie Lee Drake knows she has a tough act to follow. But Livonia Ladywood's new volleyball coach may have a resume second to none.

Drake takes over the program for Tom Teeters, who compiled a 532-97-14 record with the Blazers in 12 seasons, including two state championships, one runner-up finish and 10 Catholic League titles.

Teeters and Ladywood administrators ended their relationship over the summer because of irreconcilable differences. Teeters is now varsity coach at Plymouth Salem.

"He's going to be tough to replace because Tom Teeters made Ladywood volleyball and that cannot be changed," Drake said. "I know Tom very well. It was unfortunate for the kids because he was a great coach. But situations like this are not unique to Ladywood. Things happen."

Drake met last week with Ladywood players to explain her coaching philosophy and announce that tryouts start the week of Nov. 20.

"She's very organized and her credentials speak for itself," Ladywood athletic director Sal Malek said. "She's coached at all levels of volleyball — AAU, high school

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and college. She's going to be a great addition.

"The girls accepted her really well. She met with the coaches and I believe she'll run a total program. And with everybody's input she'll go forward. I'm very impressed with her background. She loves sports, loves the games and knows what it takes to win."

Drake, who replaces one of the state's winningest college and high school coaches, has an impressive background.

Here is her resume:

- Took a two-year leave of absence from the Chippewa Valley Schools to become head varsity softball and volleyball coach at the University of South Carolina (early-1980s) where she guided the Lady Gamecocks to the College Softball World Series two straight seasons (seven of her players represented the U.S. at the Pan American Games).

- Head volleyball coach at Wayne State (18-14 record in 1983).

- Varsity volleyball coach at Chippewa Valley High School.

- A native of Indianapolis and Tech High School alumnus, Drake graduated from Indiana University in 1972 where she played soft-

ball and volleyball.

- Runs Volleyball Consultants, Inc. and coached the St. Clair River Club's Elite 18s.

- Athletic coordinator at Dakota High School.

- Employed by the Chippewa Valley Schools for over 20 years where she currently teaches physical education at the Cherokee Elementary School.

- Drake's first cousins are Jeff Van Gundy, head coach of the New York Knicks, and Stan Van Gundy, former head coach of Wisconsin and now an assistant with the Miami Heat.

"I'm proud I came from a coaching family," said Drake, who also owned a farm and raised quarter horses for eight years.

- Junior varsity coach Larry Wyatt and freshman coach Amber Wells, both whom Teeters wanted to replace, will remain on Ladywood's volleyball staff. Former Ladywood player Val Adzima will be a varsity assistant.

Drake is also expected to add one more varsity assistant.

"When I took a tour of the school and met with Sal and Ron Predmesky (Ladywood's assistant A.D.), I was very impressed and I was hopeful they would hire me because I knew this was the place I wanted to be," Drake said. "I was also impressed with Sal's and Ron's energy."

Morrill's 26 spurs Patriots

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Livonia Franklin's girls basketball team sipped from a cup it hasn't tasted from all that often this season — the victory cup.

Franklin notched its first victory of the West-ern Lakes Activities Association season Tuesday night when it led all the way to defeat host Farmington, 59-52.

The Patriots are now 1-7 in WLAA play after winning for the second time in 12 tries overall.

Tera Morrill scored a game-best 26 points, half of Farmington's total, with Lindsay Duprey adding 11 and Kerstin Marshall 10.

Franklin made 13-of-19 free throws as it held leads at every quarter stop. The Patriots were up 14-7 after one, 31-22 at the half and 46-36 after three periods.

Farmington achieved its highest point total of the season but is now winless in eight WLAA outings, 1-13 overall.

Julie Rotenheber led the Falcons with 18 points, Stephanie Marx had 14 and Megan O'Rear 11.

•WAYNE 48, MONROE 48: A good memory isn't always a good thing.

Monroe recalled that Sarah Moore hurt it with five triples in their first meeting, came out to meet the Wayne Memorial guard Tuesday night. Big mistake.

Moore, settling back into the lineup after missing action with a burned hand, scored 11 points this time but was instrumental in getting the ball inside to the taller Zebias.

Forward Tonya Crawford had 23 points and 15 rebounds while center Beth Moller scored 13 to pace Wayne, 5-8 overall and 3-5 in the Michigan Mega Conference's Red Division.

Monroe, 2-11 and 1-7, had a 16-point game from Stephanie Owens but Crawford had just five less than that in the first quarter alone.

The game was still close until Wayne used a 16-9 third quarter to pull away from a 32-31 halftime lead.

Wayne made 11-of-24 free throws to 10-for-19 shooting for Monroe.

•W.L. CENTRAL 54, CHURCHILL 44: What the Chargers needed was to shoot free throws like the host Vikings did.

"The shots weren't falling for us," Coach Dave Balog of Livonia Churchill said, "but they sure were for them. They were 22-for-26 from the line."

Churchill made 9-of-13 free throws Tuesday in falling to 7-7 this season, including a 3-5 WLAA mark.

Karsten Conklin and Lauren Ruprecht each scored 14 points for the Chargers.

Leah Douglas scored 22 points, Michelle Bortz had 12 and Jenny Crutchfield 10 for Walled Lake Central, which piled up a 16-6 margin in the second quarter and never gave it up.

•LADYWOOD 52, H.W. REGINA 44: Balanced scoring and good team play helped the host Blazers pull into a third-place tie in the Detroit Catholic League.

Erin Hayden scored 11 points, had 5 assists and 2 steals for Ladywood, forward Carly Queen scored 9, sophomore forward Michelle Harakas hit 8 points, blocked 7 shots and had 7 rebounds. Melissa Harakas scored 3 just points but had 8 rebounds, 4 steals and 5 assists.

Junior guard Kristen Barnes scored all eight of her points for the Blazers in the third quarter, hitting a pair of three-point shots. Junior forward Kristen Douglas came off the bench to give Ladywood 5 key points.

Natalie Jimines had 12 points plus 10 rebounds for Regina with freshman guard Rachel Cortis contributing 11.

Regina is 9-6 overall and 5-4 in the Catholic League while Ladywood improved to 7-8 overall and 4-5 in the league, tying Dearborn Divine Child. The Blazers play the Falcons on Friday.

A 16-8 Ladywood second quarter gave the Blazers enough of a cushion to hold off Regina.

Lady Crusaders avenge loss to UM-Dearborn

An overpowering attack enabled Madonna University's volleyball team to avenge an earlier loss to University of Michigan-Dearborn with a 9-15, 15-12, 15-12, 15-11 victory Friday at Madonna.

The win pushed the Crusaders' record to 25-8 overall. At the UM-Dearborn Tournament Oct. 10, Madonna — playing without its first- and second-team setters, who were injured — lost in four games to the Wolves.

The Crusaders had four players reach double-figures in kills, led by Erin Cunningham with 23 (47.6 kill percentage). She also had 11 digs and two solo blocks.

Brandy Malewski (from Redford Thurston) collected 17 kills (.342), one solo block and 10 block assists; Stephanie Uballe had 15 kills (.275), one solo block and six block assists; and Rayna Vert finished with 10

kills, 17 digs, one solo block and six block assists.

Jennie Wind finished with 55 assists to kills, two service aces, 10 digs, one solo block and six block assists; and Jennifer Russell added 15 digs.

For the match, Madonna had 66 kills with a .305 team kill percentage, seven solo blocks and 34 block assists.

Uballe was named the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference player of the week, collecting 34 kills (.347) and seven blocks; Wind was the WHAC setter of the week, totaling 98 assists to kills and 15 digs. The Crusaders won both their matches last week.

Lady Ocelots streak hits 8

A pair of Eastern Conference volleyball matches ended in three-and-

outs for Schoolcraft College, which lost 15-8; 15-4, 15-6 to Henry Ford CC Thursday and 15-10, 15-9, 15-7 to St. Clair CCC the previous Tuesday (Oct. 13).

The Lady Ocelots, who were 9-10 overall after beating Macomb CC Oct. 6, dropped to 9-18 overall and 3-6 in the conference. Henry Ford is 34-8 overall, 7-2 in the conference, and St. Clair is 19-14-1 overall, 5-5 in the league.

SC's attack bogged down against the Hawks. Megan McGinty (from Livonia Churchill) led the Ocelots with five kills, three service aces and nine digs; Kelly Johnston (Plymouth Salem) had three kills and 10 digs; Donna Logsdon had four kills; and Danielle Wensing managed 13 assists to kills.

It wasn't much better against St. Clair. McGinty's 11 kills paced SC; she also had three-aces and eight digs. Johnston got eight kills and four digs, and Wensing had 23 assists to kills.

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(state cut: 1:56.70)
Farmington Hills Mercy 1:51.08
Livonia Stevenson 1:54.69
North Farmington 1:57.22
Plymouth Canton 1:58.88
Livonia Churchill 2:04.10
- 200-YARD FREESTYLE**
(state cut: 2:01.09)
Amy McCullough (Mercy) 1:52.58
Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 1:58.47
Angela Simetkosky (Churchill) 1:58.87
Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 1:59.16
Lindsay Fettes (Harrison) 1:59.32
Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 1:59.75
Kristin Loidas (Mercy) 2:00.26
Katie Clark (Stevenson) 2:00.29
Julie Kern (Stevenson) 2:01.19
Lindsay McErean (N. Farmington) 2:02.80
- 200-YARD INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY**
(state cut: 2:17.69)
Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 2:08.78
Lindsay Fettes (Harrison) 2:12.56
Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 2:15.28
Amy McCullough (Mercy) 2:15.87
Christina Mocer (Ladywood) 2:16.45
Lindsay McErean (N. Farm.) 2:17.66
Nevra Alver (N. Farmington) 2:18.22
Erin Downs (Mercy) 2:19.00
Meghan Mocer (Stevenson) 2:19.69
Danielle Drysdale (Canton) 2:21.41
- 50-YARD FREESTYLE**
(state cut: 25.59)
Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 24.77
Christina Mocer (Ladywood) 25.65
Katie Clark (Stevenson) 25.74
Jessica Makowski (Stevenson) 25.74
Kristin Loidas (Mercy) 25.94
Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 25.95
Teri Hanson (Canton) 26.03
Amy McCullough (Mercy) 26.15
Erin Downs (Mercy) 26.25
Lindsay Fettes (Harrison) 26.28
Lindsay McErean (N. Farmington) 26.31
- DIVING**
Katy Ballantine (Stevenson) 241.05
Erin Lizura (Redford Union) 220.60

- Angela Anelous (Churchill) 218.20
Allison Bentley (Ladywood) 215.00
Kristy Blazo (Churchill) 194.50
Courtney Draughn (Churchill) 189.40
Jennifer Down (John Glenn) 188.40
Susan Neal (Mercy) 178.00
Judy Telford (Mercy) 174.70
April Aquino (Salem) 174.35
- 100-YARD BUTTERFLY**
(state cut: 1:02.29)
Erin Downs (Mercy) 59.70
Katie Clark (Stevenson) 59.91
Teri Hanson (Canton) 1:01.28
Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 1:01.45
Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 1:02.06
Julie Kern (Stevenson) 1:02.10
Danielle Drysdale (Canton) 1:02.65
Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 1:03.20
Christina Mocer (Ladywood) 1:03.30
Angela Simetkosky (Churchill) 1:03.78
- 100-YARD FREESTYLE**
(state cut: 55.89)
Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 53.41
Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 55.13
Katie Clark (Stevenson) 55.19
Kristin Loidas (Mercy) 55.52
Martha Obringer (Mercy) 55.86
Lindsay Fettes (Harrison) 56.09
Angela Simetkosky (Churchill) 56.67
Christina Mocer (Ladywood) 56.68
Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 56.71
Julie Kluka (Harrison) 57.07
- 50-YARD FREESTYLE**
(state cut: 25.39)
Amy McCullough (Mercy) 4:57.60
Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 5:13.02
Elizabeth MacDonald (Mercy) 5:14.24
Kristin Loidas (Mercy) 5:16.86
Kelly Carlin (Mercy) 5:18.04
Lauren Yagla (Mercy) 5:18.18
Lindsay Fettes (Harrison) 5:20.23
Angela Simetkosky (Churchill) 5:21.54
Julie Kluka (Harrison) 5:21.95
Christina Mocer (Ladywood) 5:22.94
- 200-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY**
(state cut: 1:43.99)
Farmington Hills Mercy 1:41.44
Plymouth Canton 1:45.42
Livonia Stevenson 1:46.19
Plymouth Salem 1:47.15
North Farmington 1:47.44
- 100-YARD BACKSTROKE**
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Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 1:00.60
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Lindsay McErean (N. Farm.) 1:10.69
Elizabeth Posvar (Mercy) 1:11.69
Christina Mocer (Ladywood) 1:12.79
Annabelle Alberts (Mercy) 1:13.48
Marti McKenzie (Stevenson) 1:14.33
Lindsay Roble (Mercy) 1:15.33
McKenzie Mayne (Mercy) 1:15.43
Jennifer Bendick (N. Farm.) 1:15.62
- 400-YARD FREESTYLE RELAY**
(state cut: 3:50.89)
Farmington Hills Mercy 3:37.17
Livonia Stevenson 3:49.85
North Farmington 3:50.80
Plymouth Canton 3:55.36
Livonia Churchill 3:56.51
Plymouth Salem 3:56.89

Lady Crusaders record 1st-ever win

BY C.J. RIBAK
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That first step is often the hardest. Madonna University's women's soccer team took that step Tuesday, but it came after 11 stumbles. The Lady Crusaders parlayed three goals by Jamie Scott into a 4-0 victory at Concordia College.

"We broke the ice," said Madonna coach Rick Larson, whose first-year team has battled a significant number of injuries to key players all season. "We definitely are excited. This was a game we thought we should have won the first time around (Concordia beat Madonna 1-0 Sept. 26)."

Scott made sure there would be no repeat, scoring just 1:42 into the match. She scored her second goal of the game less than 10 minutes later, on an assist from Melissa Jacobs (from Livonia Stevenson); and by the time 23:18 of the match had been played she had her third goal, with Jacobs assisting again.

Jacobs finished the scoring with a goal with less than 10 minutes left in the game.

The Crusaders kept the pres-

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sure on throughout. Cardinal keeper Stephanie Malik made 12 saves in goal, compared to just four for Madonna's Jennifer Dumm.

Madonna improved to 1-10-1 overall, 1-9-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference; Concordia is 3-7-2 overall, 2-7-2 in the WHAC.

"This is the healthiest we've been," said Larson. "We have 12 players right now."

Still out of action, perhaps for another week, is keeper/defender Jenny Barker (Livonia Stevenson), who suffered a sprained ankle 10 days ago.

But better health isn't the only reason Madonna won, according to Larson. "The girls had a team meeting among themselves before the game," he said. "They got some things sorted out. They've been feeling my frustrations of late — some people producing, some taking days off. The situation we're in, we can't afford to do that. Everyone has to produce every game."

Against Concordia, they did. "It was a good day for us," Larson added. "They're starting to

understand the game better, what I want. They know they have to play together, work with each other and for each other."

The win has also led to some optimism that before Tuesday would have seemed well out of place. "If we win two of our last three games, we'll make the (Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference) tournament," Larson noted.

Last Saturday, the Crusaders scored first but host Cornerstone College did all the scoring after that in rolling to a 4-1 triumph. The win raised Cornerstone's record to 9-7-1.

Jacobs put Madonna in front with a goal at the 32:22 mark. It remained a 1-0 Crusader lead at the half, but the Golden Eagles netted four second-half goals, two by Jessica Berryman (she also had one assist). Grace Sohlden and Monica Enzian also scored goals, with Enzian adding an assist.

Dumm made 13 saves in the net for Madonna.

Lady Ocelots split pair

In two tightly-played games, Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team finished with a split at the Kick-Off Classic Tournament they hosted last weekend.

On Saturday, the Lady Ocelots blanked Maraine Valley CC 4-0. On Sunday, however, College of DuPage stopped SC 2-0.

"That was a hotly-contested, highly-competitive game," said SC coach Bill Tolstedt. "DuPage came out fired up. In fact, we had a great deal of difficulty just getting out of our end at first."

The DuPage game was scoreless at the half. With the Ocelots trailing 1-0, their best scoring chance slipped away when Dawn Koontz (Plymouth Canton) was pulled down in front of the DuPage net with no foul called.

SC (8-2-1) played without its leading scorer, Annie Hagenah, who suffered a sprained ankle the day before against Maraine Valley.

In the win over Maraine Valley, the Ocelots "really dominated," said Tolstedt. "They only got into our end about four times."

Kerri Bremner scored the first two goals of the match, with assists going to Lisa Tolstedt and Julie Majewski (Plymouth Canton). Majewski scored the third goal, assisted by Hagenah and Meghan Jannuzzi. Alyson Bottke completed the scoring.

SC remains ranked eighth in the NJCAA.

Madonna men's team climbs up NAIA ranks

Talk about big wins. Sure, it was a non-league game. And sure, the opponent — Taylor University (Ind.) — was nothing special in the world of NAIA men's soccer, with a won-loss record hovering around the .500 mark.

But there must've been something special about the 3-0 triumph Saturday by Madonna University over Taylor.

After all, it pushed the Fighting Crusaders to their highest NAIA ranking ever.

For the first time in school history, a Madonna soccer team is ranked in the top 10 nationally — 10th, to be exact. The win over Taylor was the Crusaders' 14th in a row, bringing their overall record to 14-1; they are 11-0 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Thing is, Madonna was ranked 23rd in the NAIA the previous week. It would seem only a win over a top 10-ranked team would warrant such a jump.

Three of the teams ranked ahead of them have more losses.

Against Taylor, Scott Emert converted an assist from Ryan Mollin (Livonia) with four minutes left in the first half to give Madonna a 1-0 halftime lead. Emert, the senior forward from West Bloomfield (Walled Lake Central), figured in all his team's scoring; he made it 2-0 25 minutes into the second half, with an assist from Victor Rodopolous (Livonia Franklin).

The Crusaders' third goal came from Jason Hazinski (Redford Thurston), assisted by Emert, with three minutes to play.

Madonna's Dave Hart and Tay-

lor's Andy Albert each made nine saves in their respective nets.

Their new ranking could add up to something special for the Crusaders — perhaps even hosting their NAIA Regional Tournament. Among the teams they passed in the rankings are regional foes Rio Grande, which dropped from sixth to 22nd, and Illinois-Springfield, which stayed at 16.

S'craft's O'Neil honored

Eric O'Neil, a sophomore goalkeeper at Schoolcraft College from Livonia (Stevenson), was named Michigan Community College Athletic Association keeper of the week after posting shutout wins over Saginaw Valley State (1-0) and Kellogg CC (6-0).

The Ocelots, MCCA champions with a 5-0 record, are 15-3 overall.

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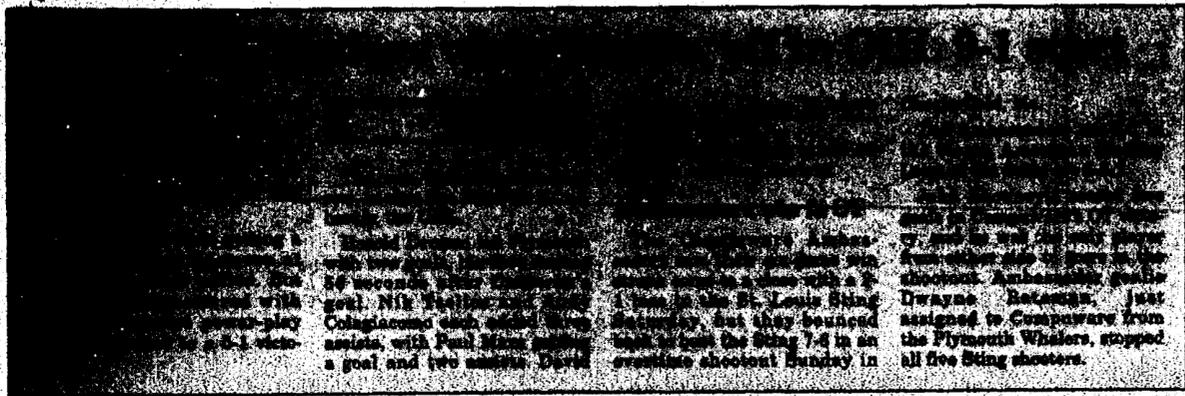
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CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

ANN ARBOR GABRIEL RICHARD GIRLS INVITATIONAL
 Oct. 17 at Behr Park

TEAM STANDINGS (Division I): 1. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 23 points; 2. Saline, 81; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 86; 4. Pinckney, 162; 5. Troy Athens, 179; 6. Plymouth Salem, 208; 7. Grand Blanc, 214; 8. Farmington Hills Mercy, 218; 9. Saline (B team), 228; 10. Livonia Churchill, 237; 11. Ann Arbor Huron, 247; 12. South Lyon, 258; 13. Berkley, 374; 14. Westland John Glenn, 385; 15. Livonia Franklin, did not score.

Individual winners: Andrea Parker (Stevenson), 18:59 (5,000 meters).

Other Stevenson finishers: 15. Christy Tzilos, 20:27; 21. Leslie Knapp, 20:41; 22. Kim McNeillance, 20:45; 27. Katie Sherron, 21:01; 29. Marissa Montgomery, 21:06; 59. Julie Sachau, 22:23.

Salem finishers: 23. Rachel Moraitis, 20:47; 28. Rachel Jones, 21:02; 43. Erin Kelly, 21:41; 52. Becky Phelan, 22:08; 60. Miranda White, 22:24.

Mercy finishers: 9. Sarah Poiffetta, 20:09; 42. Erin Thomas, 21:39; 60. Anjum Ahmud, 21:57; 55. Val Burnlisky, 22:14; 62. Susan Agocinski, 22:29.

Churchill finishers: 8. Alison Fillion, 20:07; 35. Stephanie Skwiers, 21:24; 61. Jennie Ogg, 22:26; 66. Christy Smith, 22:32; 67. Michelle Dunaway, 22:33.

John Glenn finishers: 41. Sharron Ryan, 21:39; 79. Nicole Bian, 22:59; 87. LaTasha Chandler, 23:24; 88. Julie Wilhelmson, 23:24; 90. Heidi Villanen, 23:42.

Franklin finishers: 37. Jenny Furlong, 21:26; 65. Diana Potter, 22:31; 100. Nicole Crookston, no time.

TEAM STANDINGS (Division III): 1. Manchester, 89; 2. Lutheran Westland, 99; 3. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, 113; 4. Bellevue, 123 (won tiebreaker); 5. Litchfield, 123; 6. Whitmore Lake, 148; 7. Lake Fenton, 172; 8. Ann Arbor Greenhills, 188; 9. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, 211; 10. Napoleon, 249; 11. East Jackson, 334.

Lutheran Westland finishers: 1. Tess Kuehne, 20:28; 7. Holly Foreman, 22:16; 18. Jessica Montgomery, 22:57; 36. Aimee Anthony, 24:08; 37. Chelsea Romero, 24:12; 38. Jodi Rolf, 24:18; 64. Jenny Lettier, 25:57.

STURGIS BOYS INVITATIONAL
 Oct. 17 at Sturgis

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Redford Catholic Central, 49; 2. East Kentwood, 57; 3. Grand Rapids Christian, 74; 4. Zeeland, 110; 5. Kalamazoo Central, 127; 6. Holland, 149; 7. Holly, 156; 8. Jackson Northwest, 179; 9. Kalamazoo Loy Norrix, 245; 10. Jackson, no team scores.

CC Individual finishers: 1. Dan Jess, 16:16; 3. John DiGiovanni, 16:18; 7. Matt Daly, 17:02; 17. Brian Kuszynski, 17:30; 21. Mark Repasky, 17:36; 27. Jeff Haller, 17:50; 33. Bryan Buchanan, 18:03.

WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
 Friday, Oct. 23
 Redford Union at Melvindale, 7 p.m.
 Wayne at Monroe, 7:30 p.m.
 Garden City at Allen Park, 7:30 p.m.
 Thurston at Ypsilanti, 7:30 p.m.
 Lutheran N'west at C'ville, 7:30 p.m.
 Salem at W.L. Western, 7:30 p.m.
 Farmington at Northville, 7:30 p.m.
 W.L. Central at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
 Stevenson at Canton, 7:30 p.m.
 N. Farm. at Franklin, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 24
 John Glenn at Harrison, 1 p.m.
 St. Agatha vs. St. Alphonsus at Dearborn Fordson, 1 p.m.
 Luth. Westland at Liggett, 2 p.m.
 Redford CC vs. U-D Jesuit at RU's Kraft Field, 7 p.m.
 Bishop Borgess vs. A.P. Cabini at Downriver Comm. Ctr., 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
 Thursday, Oct. 22
 Luth. W'sid at Kingswood, 6:30 p.m.
 Harper Wds. at Clarenceville, 6:30 p.m.
 St. Agatha at Immac. Concept., 7 p.m.
 Northville at Churchill, 7 p.m.
 Franklin at Harrison, 7 p.m.
 Farmington at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
 N. Farm. at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Canton, 7 p.m.
 Salem at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
 Wayne at Belleville, 7 p.m.
 Wyandotte at Garden City, 7 p.m.
 Lincoln Park at Thurston, 7 p.m.
 Taylor Truman at RU, 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 23
 Bishop Borgess at Marian, 7 p.m.
 Ladywood at Divine Child, 7 p.m.
 H.W. Regina at Mercy, 7 p.m.
 Huron Valley vs. Ply. Christian at Marshall M.S., 7:30 p.m.

STATE TOURNAMENT
DISTRICT BOYS SOCCER DRAWS
DIVISION I
LIVONIA CHURCHILL (Host)
 Thursday, Oct. 22: Northville at Livonia Franklin, 5:30 p.m.
 Saturday, Oct. 24: Championship final at Churchill, 5 p.m. (Winner advances to the Plymouth Canton regional semifinal vs. Ann Arbor Pioneer district champion.)
GARDEN CITY (Host)
 Friday, Oct. 23: Championship final at Garden City, 4 p.m. (Winner advances to the Plymouth Canton regional semifinal vs. Temperance-Bedford district champion.)
ANN ARBOR PIONEER (Host)
 Friday, Oct. 23: Championship final at Pioneer, 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the Plymouth Canton regional semifinal vs. Livonia Churchill district champion.)
DIVISION II
REDFORD UNION (Host)
 Saturday, Oct. 24: Championship final, 2 p.m. at RU's Kraft Field. (Winner advances to the Southgate Anderson regional semifinal vs. Taylor Kennedy district champion.)
DIVISION IV
DEARBORN HEIGHTS FAIRLANE CHRISTIAN (Host)
 Friday, Oct. 23: Lutheran Westland vs. Plymouth Christian Academy, 4 p.m. (Winner advances to the Jackson Baptist regional semifinal vs. Parchment district champion.)
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
 Saturday, Oct. 24
 Indiana Tech at Madonna, 2 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
 Friday, Oct. 23
 Madonna at Tri-State (Ind.), 3:30 p.m.
 Saturday, Oct. 24
 N. Michigan at Schoolcraft, 11 a.m.
 Sunday, Oct. 25
 Schoolcraft at Toledo, 2 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
 Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24
 Madonna at Big Guns Classic, TBA.
 S'craft at Ill. Central Tourney, TBA.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
 Thursday, Oct. 22
 Whalers at Peterborough, 7:30 p.m.
 Friday, Oct. 23
 Whalers at Kingston, 7:30 p.m.
 Sunday, Oct. 25
 Whalers at Ottawa, 2 p.m.
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AD OF THE WEEK

NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK
Attractive, petite DWF, 44, brunette, enjoys exercising, dancing and spending time with someone special. Seeking attentive SDWM, 39-49, for possible long-term, lasting relationship. #1192

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A LAMER FIRE

Calling all firefighters, 30-43, to help me: beautiful, blue-eyed blonde, in putting out my fire. #1166

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT

Attractive, blonde, never married, two daughters (4 and 9). Seeking clean SDWM, 25-35, for friendship, possible romance. Must enjoy long-term, sound children and animals. #1252

WOMAN WITHOUT BAGGAGE

Attractive, fit, degreed, honest SWF, 30, 5'7", no dependents, rarely drinks. NS, enjoys animals, sports, outdoor doors, humor, the zoo, romance. Seeking similar qualities in a SWM, 28-40, for LTR. #1183

LOOKING FOR A HERO

Attractive, blonde, affectionate, down-to-earth DWF, 36, 5'7", 128lbs, blonde/green, NS, one child, enjoys running, warm weather, music, biking. Seeking nice, fun, secure SDWM, 36-52, NS, to enjoy life together. #9337

YOU-ME-US

SWF, 35, 5'2", 250lbs, enjoys bowling, dancing, dining out, quiet evenings at home. Seeking 30-39, for friendship. #1192

ATTRACTIVE DOCTOR

SWF, 36, never married, worked hard, has time now for sincere relationship with similar background, honest, and secure WM, 35-42. #9338

FUN & FLIRTY

SWF, 28, 5'6", who likes all outdoor sports, 4-wheeling, fast cars, snowmobiling, seeks SWM, 25-30, who likes quiet evenings and fun times. Give me a call. #9558

GOOD COMPANIONSHIP

Pratly, unadorned, financially secure, young single, professional lady, beautiful inside/outside, physically fit, healthy, enjoys nature, ping pong, tennis and good music. Seeking energetic, educated gentleman, for friendship first, possible relationship. #9545

ARE YOU READY?

Fun-loving SWF, 28, brunette, college-educated, loves golf, rollerblading, walks, movies. Seeking a SWM, 28-32, who is ready for a relationship. #9505

FRIENDSHIP AND MORE

SWF, 26, 5'7", 120lbs, funny, outgoing, likes to be romantic, dancing, movies, walks, outdining. Seeking a SM, same qualities/interests, for a LTR. #9510

LUCK BE A LADY

Imaginative, witty, educated SF, mid-30s, 5'6", blonde/blue, slim, sweet disposition, love to travel, enjoy baking and cooking. Bakes good toasty-trusty cookies. Dutch Treat. Real and fun conversation. Commitment #1928

MAKE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC

DWF, 44, financially secure, professional musician, very classy, blonde/blue, romantic. Seeking an outgoing, energetic, college-educated, 30-40, 35-50, passion for life, for a possible LTR. #9600

ALMOST AN ANGEL

Widowed female, 56, 5'8", blonde/blue, hairdressed, a SM, 45-60, tall, cowboy boots a plus, who likes C&W and Harley's. Must be down-to-earth. #9690

GEMINI - ROCHESTER AREA

I'm a DWF, 37, blonde, enjoys being a romantic, humorous, affectionate, handyman, camper, animal lover, 50+. #9628

GENTLE MAN

DWF, 44, blonde/blue, size 14, enjoys movies, romantic dinners, dancing and camping. Seeking DWM, professional male, 35-55, NS, 185, slim, with similar interests for friendship. LTR. #9466

PRETTY PROFESSIONAL

WF, 39, 5'5", slim, long auburn/green with warm smile, enjoys music, art, travel, oceans, earth, good people. SF/50, to teach me, to enjoy, 48-52, 5'8"-5'11". No games, I'm pretty, classy, slim, 57, secure, open, hip gal. No kids, you won't be disappointed. #9350

COFFEE, TEA, AND ME

SWF, 44, 5'7", brown/hazel, NS, enjoys sports, jazz, C&W, quiet times at home. Seeking romantic, honest family-oriented SDWM, 38-54, 5'7"-5'8", NS. All calls will be answered. #9198

FEMININE EUROPEAN-BORN

Pretty, 34 years young lady loves life, travels, oceans, earth, good people. SM believes in kindness. Seeking tall, intelligent, emotionally/financially secure, healthy gentleman for sharing the wonders of life. #9123

LOOKING FOR

THAT SPECIAL SOMEONE
SWFP, 51, 5'3", 125lbs, brown eyes, financially secure, enjoys outdoors, travel, quiet home evenings, seeks sincere SWM, gentleman, caring, romantic, humorous, for a possible relationship. #8583

TWILIGHT

Attractive BF, 50, 5'8", 150lbs, NS, educated, employed, no dependents, seeks one great male, 48-55, HW proportionate, NS a must, for monogamous relationship. Face open, must live alone. No hang ups or baggage. #9878

A TOUCH OF JUNGLE FEVER

Complex preference, not novelty, DWF, 38, pretty, independent, happy, black hair, great sense of humor, seeks friendship with a gentleman, 40-50, of good moral standards and principles. #9382

CHAMPAGNE AND CAVIAR

SF, 47, attractive, likes, jazz, traveling, classic cars, dining, traveling, SM, sense of humor, financially honest, r, race unimportant. #9287

DELTA BURKE'S SISTER

Southern born, professional nanny, 50 year-old lady, full-figured, enjoys walking, church activities, family-oriented, cooking, gardening, short trips, NS. Seeking companion for same. #9360

TRUE FRIENDSHIP

WF, 18, seeks a SM, 18-25, for friendship and conversation. Give me a call. #9787

DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL, PH.D.

Cultured, mean apple pie, Golf, tennis, and skiing enthusiast. Theater addition, dance fever. Seeking male counterpart, 34-47, #9229

COFFEE, TEA AND THEE!

Unencumbered, tall, attractive Christian lady with great personality seeks gentleman, 55+, 6', NS, NS, social drinker, financially honest, who enjoys walking, conversation, theater, dining. Friendship first, possible LTR. #9726

FUN-LOVING

Outgoing DWF, enjoys movies, dining, videos, dancing and more. Seeking a SDWM, 45+, for friendship and possible LTR. #9601

GARDEN CITY WOMAN

DWF, 47, 5'8", 145lbs, blonde, seeks a monogamous relationship, with a SM, NS, no drugs, for a LTR. No games please. #9292

LIGHTHOUSE LOVER

Very independent SF, young 48, likes sightseeing, lighthouses, great lakes, car racing, fishing, and walking. Seeking fun, secure SDWM, 38-48, who does above NS/DWS, no games. Honesty is #1. #9632

PRETTY, SMART, SEXY

Honest, sincere, financially secure DWF, 39, 5'8", 145lbs, great legs, 5'4", one child, enjoys sports, music, movies and romance. Seeking caring, successful, physically fit SDWM, 38-48, NS, social drinker. #9633

SOMEONE SPECIAL

Pretty, educated, active, artistic female, mid-50s, seeks a male, similar attributes, for a monogamous, caring relationship. #9598

WOMAN WITH BAGGAGE

(2 kids and a neurotic dog). Seeking a SM, to wine, dine, entertain and make me laugh. SF, 5'7", 150 lbs, tall, blonde, 45-55, who is ready for a relationship. #9559

LOOK NO MORE

DWF, 44, good sense of humor, seeks SDWM, 40-52, who enjoys music, movies, football, dogs, and who can enjoy life with me. #9552

A SHOT IN THE DARK

Attractive, full-figured, and sincere SWF, 38, 5'6", hard-working, honest and financially secure. Enjoy outdoor sports, water sports, travel, and concerts. Seeking tall SWM, 37-45, honest, outgoing, responsible and goal oriented. #9547

SOMEONE SPECIAL

SWF, 43, 5'8", medium build, smoker, social drinker, enjoys movies, quiet dinners, dancing, antiques. Seeking honest, financially secure, sensitive man, 48-55, tall stature. #9507

PARTNER IN ADVENTURE

Attractive, articulate, green-eyed sales professional, 32, 5'4", blonde, 128lbs, loves dancing, theater, sailing, flying nature, people, if you think the future looks bright, let's discuss the possibilities. #9514

HARD WORKER

SF, 57, 150lbs, brown/blue, likes fishing, bowling, movies, camping. Seeking an honest, sincere, romantic gentleman, for LTR. #9515

TRUCK AND HEALTHY

Cute SF, 24, 5'6", 225lbs, brown, no kids, employed, college student, seeks nice-looking SDWM, 20-29, with no kids, for friendship and dating. #9482

LOVES BEEHONEY

SWF, 37, attractive, petite single mother, loves classical music, theater, gardening, camping. Seeking single male, 30-45, with similar interests especially in classical music. #9464

NO GAMES PLEASE!

Attractive, church-going, career-minded SF, 37, working on BA degree, seeks tall, attractive, church-going, career-minded SM, 35-40, NS, who enjoys sports, jazz, concerts, and dining. #9453

PRETTY BROWN-EYED ITALIAN

Outgoing single-woman, 38, brown eyes, likes movies, theater, dancing, long walks, good conversation. Seeking handsome, single, dark hair/brown, 35-45, who is romantic, sincere, honest, with a sense of humor. #9455

ONE IN A MILLION

Attractive, college-educated, petite fit SWF, 37, long blonde hair, great smile, fun-loving attitude, seeks sweet, smart, sexy SWPM, for friendship, possibly LTR. #9454

EASY LADY

Blonde-haired, blue-eyed, petite DWF, 43, honest, sincere, enjoys dancing, traveling, dining, seeks romantic, 30-50, #9409

ATTRACTIVE BLACK FEMALE

SF, 43, 5'5", medium build, enjoys travel, movies and the beach. Seeking honest, sincere, financially secure SM, 40+, with similar interests for friendship first. #9368

BLACK, BRITISH, CLASSY

BF, 42, British, classy, lady of principles, 5'4", 120lbs, new to Michigan, seeks friendship with a gentleman, 40-50, of good moral standards and principles. #9382

LIGHT MY FIRE

Passionate, pretty DWF, 40, with medium build, Seeking SWM, 38-50, NS, ND, for dating, making, and relating. Will you spark my interest? #9358

DELTA BURKE'S SISTER

Southern born, professional nanny, 50 year-old lady, full-figured, enjoys walking, church activities, family-oriented, cooking, gardening, short trips, NS. Seeking companion for same. #9360

ARE YOU READY?

For the local, red-headed, young in God was kind to me in the looks department. Inside: fun-loving, compassionate, sensual woman. So, if you're honest and seek the best, you may have found her. #9352

R.S.V.P

An invitation to meet this attractive DFW, 44, if you are an attractive SDWM, 38-52, who is a gentleman, no games guy. Let the party begin! #9354

SPECIAL REQUEST

Petite SF, 49, red-head, young in attitude and appearance. If you're honest, stable, no game playing gentleman, 40-55, good sense of humor, with a love of life. Looking for friendship or companionship. Northern Oakland County. #9347

ATTRACTIVE BLONDE LADY

European-born, refined, giving, loving, blonde, young, 45, good looking, NS, many interests, seeks gentleman, 65-75, with sense of humor, caring, intelligent, secure, NS, for a relationship. #9349

CARAMEL COMPLETED

College-educated African-American female, 35, financially secure, no children, enjoys dining, movies, concerts. Seeking SM, 28-37, 6'-0", for a LTR. #1065

LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT

SWF, 34, 5'4", 145lbs, brown/brown, seeks a nice, sweet, personable male, who likes sports, reading and music. #1161

PRETTY, FIT, AND HONEST

Humorous, romantic lady, 44, 5'4", 125lbs, brunette, with a big heart, but not jealous or controlling. Seeking a very handsome, fit, and honest gentleman. #1118

BEAUTIFUL, BLUE EYES

SWF, 29, 5'8", 145lbs, blonde, seeks SDWM, 28-35, for LTR only, must enjoy music, romance and animals. Serious replies please. #1017

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

Petite DWF, 29, 5'1", blonde, short brown/brown, enjoys dancing, dining, movies, theater, concerts, outdoor summer activities, seeks SWM, 25-35, who is fun-loving, responsible, and has a good sense of humor. #1007

ARE YOU THE ONE?

SF, 25, enjoys movies, concerts, bowling, seeking professional male, 25-30, if you're out there, give me a call. #9516

SEEKING GOOD MAN

DBF, 35, blonde, enjoys watching movies, going shopping, cooking. Seeking a mature SM, #9783

CHANGE MY MIND

Petite DWF, 33, brunette, seeks honest, sincere, financially secure, gentleman, who isn't afraid of a challenge. #9365

RICH & CARING IN LOVE

Widowed WF, 50, 5'2", blonde/blue, NS, social drinker, financially/romantically secure, seeks honest, caring man, 58-65, good sense of humor. #1253

YOUNG-AT-HEART

Widowed WF, 60+, blonde/blue, NS, likes movies, dancing, dining out, traveling, cooking. Seeking honest, romantic SDWM, 60+, NS, for possible LTR. #1092

TIRED OF BEING LONELY?

Attractive DWF, young 50, 5'4", brown/blue, enjoys financially/emotionally secure, financially fit, dining, sports, travel, and romance. Seeking attractive, honest, caring, compassionate SWM, 45-55, financially secure, for friendship, leading to LTR. #1108

I AM WHO I AM

Full-figured DWF, 40, brown/green, smoker, hard-worker, seeks an employed male, age-wise unimportant, kind caring, for dining, travel, quiet times. #1068

ENTREPRENEUR

Pretty, successful, giving female, 52, seeks soulmate in a sincere WM, 45-70. Please reply. #1162

DRAWN TO WIDOWERS

Real, pretty, smart, attractive female, 51, red/blue, educated, values family, honesty, morals, dignity. Interests: sports, dining, gardening, reading, walks. Seeking family-oriented male. #1109

ARE YOU READY TO SOAR?

on eagles wings? Do you believe in things are possible including finding that special someone? If you dare to believe God call and let's fly together. Seeking SBDM, 40-46. #1099

LADY IN WAITING

Good-looking 46, DBCFP, 5'5", 140lbs, NS, enjoys traveling, movies, reading, enjoying outdoor activities. Seeking SCPM, NS, with similar interests, for friendship, possibly more. #1098

INTRIGUING, IMPETUOUS

WF, 50+, 5'8", seeks a tall WM, 55+, impulsive, creative, kind-hearted who enjoys the river, mountains, pine trees, Chopin and Yann. #1064

BEAUTIFUL

Big and beautiful DFW, 49, NS, exquisite tastes and light-hearted attitude describe you and I, so let's meet! #1016

LIVE LOVE, LAUGH

Attractive, full-figured DFW, 45, 5'11", enjoys traveling and new activities. Seeking honest, caring, sincere, intelligent, fun-loving, open-minded, SM, 47-59, NS, drug-free, for possible LTR. #1011

WANTED: MAN IN UNIFORM

Laid-back, caring SWF, 24, enjoys movies, dancing, concerts, walks, dining out. Seeking uniformed SDWM, 22-30, for friendship, possible LTR. Kids ok. #1008

ARTIST/PAINTEER SEeks SAME

Young-at-heart, one-man-woman SF, 50, artist/composer, likes country/western/folk music, antique/classic cars. Seek SM, 50s. #9333

SEND ME AN ANGEL

Open-minded, warm-hearted, full-time father of gorgeous little girl, by now, seeks 30ish, warm-hearted, intelligent, intelligent, intelligent, lovely, snuggly, and attractive WF, for laughter, romance, and possible relationship. Children ok. #9113

YOU SEEK AN

Attractive, professional SWM, 39, 6'1", 165lbs, enjoys movies, travel, and helps make them a reality, you know who he is, and loves who you are. #1119

LOOKING FOR YOU!

SWM, 28, that consider myself spontaneous and fun to be with. I enjoy outdoor activities and all sports. If you like humor, then I don't think I lack in that area. #1192

PLEASE CALL MY DAD:

Warm, kind, sensitive, down-to-earth DWF, 38, 5'9", brown/hazel, custodial parent of two, social drinker, enjoys cooking, Cedar Point, camping, socializing. Seeking DWF, with kids, for companionship, serious relationship. West Bloomington. #9536

ADVENTUROUS

SWPM, 29, 5'10", 155lbs, considered good-looking, with dark hair and eyes, enjoys sports events, traveling, cooking, socializing, and all things fun, humor, and much more. Seeking an outgoing and fun woman. #9364

SOMEWHAT HUMOROUS

Caring, affectionate, friendly, SWPM, dark blond/large gorgeous body, tall, fit, and handsome, NS, seeks attractive, fit, and humorous, NS, for a relationship. #9330

WORTH THE CALL

Humorous, yet intellectual, outgoing, active SWM, 40, 5'10", 180lbs, enjoys movies, reading, and all things fun, interesting, and movies. Seeking NS, friendly, outgoing SDWF, 35-45, petite to medium build, for possible relationship. #9521

LOOKING FOR YOU

Attractive, outgoing, very caring, giving SWM, 48, with a variety of interests, loves to be romantic and cook. Seeking same in petite SWF, for friendship, maybe more. #9363

LET'S GET TOGETHER

Attractive, upbeat SWM, 52, 5'9", NS, social drinker, enjoys music and more, dining out, quiet evenings. Seeking romantic, faithful SWF, to share life's pleasures. #9281

MR. MOM

No fancy lines. Just an honest, sincere SWM, 37, nice-looking, hard-working, family-oriented father of two kids. Seeking a SWF, 28-45, who is fit and ready for a LTR. All calls answered. #9330

LOYAL

Tall, honest, sincere DWM, 54, 6'4", NS, slim, clean, honest, and good sense of humor, self-employed. Would like to meet a slender lady, 41-49, for companionship, possible LTR. #9521

INTELLIGENT PURSUITS

Tall, intelligent, witty, warm DWM, 39, dark brown/green, seeks SDWF, blonde, 30-40, for moving, music, and stimulating conversation. #9261

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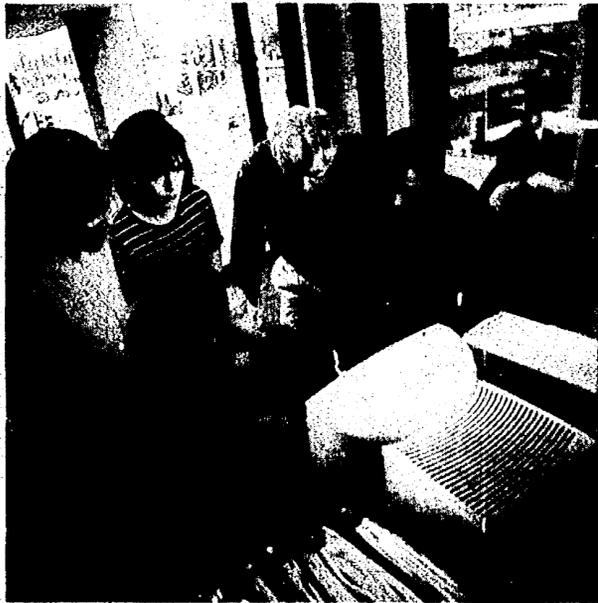
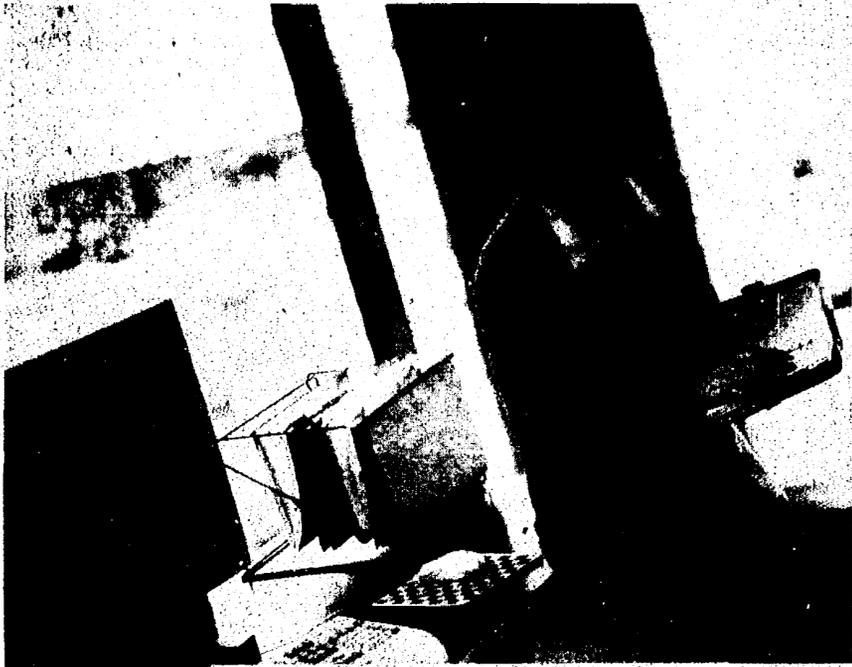
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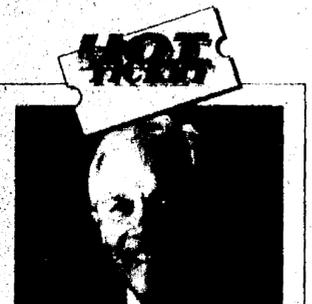


Jill Jack celebrates the release of her second CD "Too Close to the Sun," with a party and performance at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets are \$6 for the 18 and older show. Jason Magee and Sun 209 open the show at 9 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., respectively, with Jack to follow at 10:15 p.m. For more information, call (248) 644-3030 or visit <http://www.jilljack.com>. See story inside.

SUNDAY



You can always find something unusual at the Sugarloaf Art Fair. Catherine Hilker whose soft sculpture "High Jinx" is pictured here, is among the 300 professional artisans displaying and selling their work, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Novi Expo Center, Novi Road at I-696. Admission \$6, under 12 and parking free, call (800) 210-9900.



Harry Connick Sr. joins the Nelson Riddle Orchestra, led by director Christopher Riddle, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23 in a "Salute to the Music of Frank Sinatra" at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$36.50, \$31.50 and \$26.50, call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 963-2366

JEFF DANIELS

keeps Hollywood and Chelsea in perspective



BY HUGH GALLAGHER
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Jeff Daniels is the movie star who didn't go Hollywood. He went to Chelsea instead, or, as he says, he never left.

"In a sense I never left, so it wasn't a coming back," he said. "I was in New York for nine years and some in L.A. But there are a lot of things I want to do and not just films. It's not about going to parties in Hollywood Hills or on Mulholland Drive. I have kids I want to see grow up in the Midwest. It worked for me."

Daniels, 43, grew up in Chelsea where his father ran the Chelsea Lumber Co. He was a graduate of Central Michigan University, married his high school sweetheart, Kathleen, and moved to New York.

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But despite success on stage and in film, Daniels has always maintained his ties to his small town home.

Now he's busy with two projects that take different views of small town life — promoting his new movie "Pleasantville," opening nationwide Friday and directing his own play "Boom Town," now being performed at the Purple Rose Theatre.

In "Pleasantville" (see review, Page E6) Daniels plays Mr. Johnson, a sweetly befuddled soda jerk who longs to be an artist.

Unfortunately, he lives in a black and white 1950s sit-com town.

"Pleasantville," written and directed by Gary Ross, lampoons the dull-unreality of those '50s comedies while extolling the need for conflict, unpredictability, passion and art in our lives. Daniels is proud of his new film.

"It seemed to be a very eloquent response to efforts by many to throw a blanket on what we as artists do. The message is there, especially in my character, Mr. Johnson, that you have to paint from your heart and soul," Daniels said, in a quick phone interview on a busy day of promoting the



Dramatic comedy: Joan Allen (left) and Jeff Daniels in a scene from "Pleasantville." (Above) J.T. Walsh (left) stars in "Pleasantville." (Below) Tobey Maguire (left) and Marley Shelton in a scene from "Pleasantville."

film and putting final touches on the play. "And the other characters learn that revelation that you have to be true to yourself. I loved the script that Gary Ross created, and I said I want to do that."

Daniels has always taken his art seriously. He first won recognition for his stage performance as Jed in Lanford Wilson's "Fifth of July." He won a Drama Desk Award for that part and followed that with an Obie-winning performance in "Johnny Got His Gun." He won a second Drama Desk Award for another Lanford Wilson play, "Lemon Sky."

In film Daniels has played a range of roles beginning with the irresponsible Flap in "Terms of Endearment." He's won rave reviews for his portrayal of Civil War colonel Joshua Chamberlain in "Gettysburg" and as an unconventional father in "Fly Away Home" and has appeared in such blockbuster hits as "Speed," "101 Dalmatians" and "Dumb and Dumber."

Daniels doesn't set criteria for the parts he plays.

"You go year by year. You come to a point in your career when you do a 'Speed' or 'Dumb and Dumb-

er' and it happens to be very popular so you can go off and do other things," Daniels said.

The "other thing" he has devoted most of his time to in recent years has been the Purple Rose Theatre Company in Chelsea, named after Woody Allen's "The Purple Rose of Cairo," in which Daniels played a movie character who steps out of the silver screen and into the life of Mia Farrow (a magic similar to that in "Pleasantville.") Daniels said Allen told him he did "good," a compliment he treasures.

"Boom Town" is a serious play about a small town that Daniels told an interviewer "is Chelsea." Daniels deals with the development issues that are troubling many small towns on the fringe of urban areas.

"This is the seventh play I've written, and I'm directing this one. We've had previews and the audience response was wonderful," Daniels said.

The director praised his three actor cast — Guy Sanville, Sandra Birch and John Leopard. He said the Purple Rose allows theater people, "who

WHAT: Jeff Daniels' play "Boom Town"
WHERE: Purple Rose's Garage Theatre, 137 Park St., Chelsea
WHEN: 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays through Nov. 29.
TICKETS: \$20, Wednesday-Thursday, Sunday, \$25 Friday-Saturday. Call (734) 475-5817.

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BENEFIT

Gala evening recreates theater in 1928

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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George McCann remembers when matinees at the Ramona theater were five cents. For the last month, McCann, a Southfield resident, has been recreating the front of the Redford Theatre in Detroit on the stage of the historic building opened in 1928. The set, which will serve as a backdrop for a gala evening to celebrate the theater's 70th anniversary Oct. 24, brings back memories of the days of silent movies accompanied by live organ music and sound effects.

"We'd go to Hudson's and then to the theater downtown," said McCann, eyeing his handiwork. "The restoration work and painting the set is a lot of work but well worth it."

A former manager of the Michigan Theater downtown, McCann is one of the members of the Motor City Organ

Historic Redford Theatre Gala

WHAT: The theater celebrates its 70th anniversary with the silent movie "Our Hospitality" starring Buster Keaton, and performances by the Hotel Savarine Society Orchestra, and Tony O'Brien and John Lauter of the Barton Theatre Organ.
WHEN: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24.
WHERE: 17360 Lahser Road at Grand River, Detroit.
TICKETS: \$10 for adults, \$6 children, and available by calling (313) 637-2560.

Theatre Society who became concerned with saving the Redford Theatre's Barton pipe organ in the mid-1970s. When the nonprofit organization bought the Redford Theatre in 1977, the decorative stenciling, murals and architecture had nearly been destroyed by the theater management during World War II. Drapes, paint, paneling and masonry covered the beautiful Oriental designs. Built by John F. Kunsky, the theater

was billed as "America's most unique suburban playhouse" when it opened Jan. 27, 1928.

"Their slogan was it's like sitting in a Japanese garden," said Society member Brian Carmody. "That's why they covered up everything during World War II."

Slowly, the glitzy gold organ with its serpentine dragon decorations rose from the orchestra pit. Carmody climbed on board and began fiddling with the chimes, gong, steam boat whistle, and siren. The Redford resident became hooked on saving the organ and theater when he played the Barton in 1975. A staff organist for the Fox Theatre, Carmody majored in music education at the University of Detroit and taught at St. Martin de Porres in Detroit. He began playing organ 27 years ago after he saw Virgil Fox perform. Carmody refers to Fox as the "Liberace of classical organ."



Memories: This vintage photo of the Redford Theatre was taken in 1928 when it opened.

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"When you sit at this it looks like the instrument panel of a 747," said Carmody. "Snare, bass and kettle drum, you get a whole different sound and feeling but that probably was the biggest thrill to ride the organ up the first time I played it."

Dorothy Van Steenkiste, publicity chairman for the gala evening became interested in saving the organ in 1974. She liked the theatre organ and came down to the Redford to learn how to play the organ. A board member of the American Theatre Organ Society of which the Motor City Theatre Organ Society is a chapter, Van Steenkiste directs an annual Young Organists competition and initiated a program to award 10 \$500 and two \$1,000 scholarships annually to students enrolled in organ performance in college's around

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*Dorothy Van Steenkiste
publicity chairman*

the country. She believes it's important to introduce the organ and historic theater to future generations to insure their preservation. She frequently leads tours of elementary through high school age students from Canada and the U.S. through the theater.

"We want to introduce them to the days of the silent film," said Van Steenkiste. "Some of these children have never seen a silent

film with Laurel and Hardy. It was an occasion when my mother took me to the Fox and to the local theater where they gave you a free dish. The graphics, cut stone work and murals, the theaters don't have that today."

Since the Motor City Theatre Organ Society formed 33 years ago to restore the theater, a new heating and cooling system and computerized lighting system have been installed, and the foyer and murals of costumed Japanese Samurai and Geisha Girls flanking the walls on each side of the seating area returned to their original elegance. It took volunteers hundreds of hours to recreate the hand-painted stenciling in the grand foyer. Fragments of the original Redford lighting fixtures accent two chandeliers from the lobby of Detroit's Oriental Theater. The gold glass panels, crystal prisms and painted peacocks magnificently recall a time when a night out meant donning finery topped

off with white gloves. (Period costumes offer patrons a glimpse back in time to the period of opulence and frivolity.)

"We purchased the theater originally to keep the organ going," said Van Steenkiste. "It's kind of sad. They bulldozed many of the organs with the theaters. There's only one other original theater in the area with the original organ, the Fox downtown."

Preserving and maintaining the theater has been no easy task especially when it costs \$200 a day to operate. The Society's budget for the theater consists of tickets sales from a bi-weekly music series, theater rentals, fund raisers, grants, and donations. The 70th anniversary celebration will help raise funds Oct. 24 with a Buster Keaton film accompanied by Livonia organists Tony O'Brien and John Lauter. A performance by the Hotel Savarine Society Orchestra brings back the music of the 20s with original instrumentation and arrangements.

"It's going to be fun," said Carmody. "When you arrive you will be transported to 1928 and it starts in the parking lot with a display of vintage automobiles by the Buick Car Club," said Carmody. "Inside, we're going to give prizes for people who dress in 1920s style, and then they'll be a silent film starring Buster Keaton."

Colleges present musical productions

Eastern Michigan University Theatre opens its 1998-99 season with the musical "Oliver" at the Quirk Theatre on the Ypsilanti campus.

Performances run 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 22-24 and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25 and Saturday, Oct. 24. Tickets are \$7 for Thursday performance, \$12 Friday-Saturday, and \$10 for Sunday matinee. There is a \$2 discount for tickets purchased more than 30 minutes in advance. For reservations, call (734) 487-1221.

"Oliver," which opened in London in 1960 and on Broadway in 1963, held the record for the longest-running musical import after nearly 800 performances (until that title was later earned by "Evita"). The musical follows closely the novel's rags to riches tale of the orphan's adventures in the teeming streets of 19th century London. The show is packed with classic characters and familiar songs, including "Food, Glorious Food," "Consider Yourself," and "As Long as He Needs Me."

Also of note:

The Department of Music Theatre and Dance at Oakland University's College of Arts & Sci-

ences begins its season Oct. 28 with "Cosi fan tutte, or Beware of Women" a comic opera by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart sung in English. at OU's Varner Recital Hall on the Rochester campus.

Performances 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28 through Saturday, Oct. 31 with a 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1 matinee. Tickets are \$12 general, \$10 seniors, and \$6 for students, call (248) 370-3013 or (248) 645-6666.

The opera explores infidelity, a subject that remains as up to date as it was in 1790. It's a comedy of disguise that involves two young engaged couples and a cynical old man. The elder man bets the two younger men that their fiancées will not remain faithful, because, he contends, no women ever do!

The production is a collaboration between Michael Gillespie, the department's associate professor of theater, and John-Paul White, head of Vocal Performance and Gregory Cunningham, instructor of music and conductor of the Pontiac Oakland Symphony.

"Cosi is a great comedy as well as a great opera," said Gillespie.

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haven't had my opportunities or who have chosen to stay here," to create meaningful work. He is happy to call the Purple Rose a success.

"It's the culmination of many years of hard work by talented directors, writers, actors and designers," he said.

This past spring Lanford Wilson's "Book of Days" was given its world premiere at the tiny 119-seat Purple Rose.

"For Lanford Wilson to write such a good play for our people... To reach that point in just seven years, when I thought it would take at least 10," Daniels said. "To be able to do that with Midwest writers and the talented people who live here. I'm happy with the artistic success of the theater."

But like other art entrepreneurs, Daniels is aware that keeping the theater going isn't easy.

"I still need to raise half a million a year to keep prices so that people of every income level can come to the theater, theater that's affordable to everyone will always be a problem," he said.

For that reason, Daniels often holds special premieres of his films as fund-raisers for the Purple Rose. Sunday, "Pleasantville" premiered at a benefit at Ann Arbor's historic Michigan Theatre.

In addition to theater, Daniels would like to make movies in Michigan. He is working on screenplays for the Purple Rose's biggest hit, his comedy "Escanaba in Da Moonlight" and "Boom Town" and would like to start filming next year.

For Daniels the whole LA

scene can be a trap, but he said, many independent film makers are rallying against the whole coastal attitude.

"Having been in both New York and LA, we're the flyover in the middle. There's a lot of generic white washing of character," he said.

Daniels admits he is envious of what some independent film makers have been doing.

"I want to be doing what Stanley Tucci is doing with 'Big Night' and 'The Impostors.' I look at those guys and I love what they're doing," he said.

And he's sure that he can do everything he wants to do from beautiful Chelsea.

"If I was in LA I couldn't have a theater company," he said.

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Classic: Stacie Guerreso (Helen Keller) and Lauren Dowden (Annie Sullivan) in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of William Gibson's "The Miracle Worker."

Actress, 10, works at miracle

Meadow Brook Theatre presents "The Miracle Worker," through Sunday, Nov. 16, at the theater on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. Previews 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Oct. 22-23, opens 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24. Tickets \$24-\$35. Performances Tuesday-Sunday, call (248) 377-3300 for show times and ticket information.

BY KEELY WYGONIK
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With her upbeat, positive, can-do attitude, Stacie Guerreso of Farmington Hills sounds a lot older than 10. She's making her Meadow Brook Theatre debut this week as Helen Keller in William Gibson's classic play, "The Miracle Worker."

"It's fun, but tough in a way," said Guerreso about the challenging role, often played by somewhat older actresses. "I'm lucky. God gave me the gift to see, hear, talk and share my talent with everyone."

She's been performing since she was 3. Her mom, Karen, remembers driving in the car with Stacie in the back seat.

"She was singing in the car, and really belted out a song. We couldn't believe it and invited family and friends over to hear her sing."

Stacie remembers it well. "We dropped my sister Melissa off, and Whitney Houston was singing my favorite song, 'I'll Always Love You' and I said to myself, 'I've just got to do this. I belted it out, and my parents said 'what was that?'"

Guerreso's parents entered Stacie in a couple of local talent competitions. "She showed no signs of stage fright," remembers Karen. Impressed with Stacie's talent, her parents hired Debbie Federick Ackerman to be her vocal teacher.

Ackerman, who has worked with Stacie for the last two years, got her involved in children's theater at Marquis Theatre in Northville.

"She's so easy to teach," said Ackerman. "Her first part was a bit part in 'Aladdin.' She said, 'you know Miss Debbie, I know I only got a bit part, but I will be so good in this bit part that they won't be able to overlook me next time.'" Later, Stacie was cast as

Fern, a lead role in "Charlotte's Web." She recently won a national vocal talent competition in New York City.

"I just believe in her so much, she has the most amazing attitude, and has been able to rise above a lot of obstacles," said Ackerman. "Stacie is going to be great, she has such a great attitude."

With her mom making sure she eats, and gets enough sleep, Stacie has thrown herself into the grueling schedule "The Miracle Worker" demands. She goes to school all day, then to rehearsal.

Set in the 1800s, the "Miracle Worker" is the story of Helen's journey out of darkness and silence. Born deaf and blind in the 1800s, Helen's parents, determined to learn how to communicate with their daughter, hire Annie Sullivan, (portrayed by New York-based actress Lauren Dowden) to be her teacher. In those days, children like Helen were often institutionalized. Helen resists Annie's attempts, but Annie whose experience with near-blindness gives her a special understanding of Helen's plight doesn't give up.

"They put blindfolds on, and gave me earplugs so I could feel what it was like not to be able to see or hear," said Guerreso. "I'd walk around the stage and university with them on, of course I always had someone with me so I wouldn't hurt myself."

As it got closer to the opening curtain for previews, which began Wednesday, the blindfold and earplugs were removed, and Guerreso was on her own.

"Sometimes I'd go back to being Stacie," she said. "I'd sit in my dressing room and think about it."

Occasionally, someone would ask, "do we need to get the blindfold?" Guerreso would answer "if that's what it takes," giggling at the memory.

The fight scenes between her and Dowden, who as Annie works persistently to tame the disruptive and at times uncontrollable, Helen, were "rough," said Guerreso.

"It's weird to be actually fighting with someone, because I don't like to hurt anyone," she said. "Lauren makes it a lot easier. She's great. I think it was more difficult for her than it was for me because I have to really struggle."

Dowden has enjoyed working with Stacie. "She's just great, she's very mature for her age, and a joy to work with."

About those difficult fight scenes. "She's the instigator," said Dowden. "She jokes 'I don't have any lines,' but her actions are a cue for my lines, so she has to know the lines. Everything is choreographed, once you know the dance, you can have fun and let it go. It's trusting. She helps me a lot, it's give and take."

Hilberry's 'Hamlet' a riveting production

BY SUE SUCHYTA
SPECIAL WRITER

Wayne State University's graduate theater company performs Shakespeare's "Hamlet" in rotating repertory through Jan. 22 at the Hilberry Theatre on the campus at Cass and Hancock, Detroit. For tickets, call (313) 577-2972, or for more information visit the Web site at www.comm.wayne.edu/theatre/.

Shakespeare's classic tragedy "Hamlet," a favorite of theater audiences and actors alike, is a must-see production in the hands of Hilberry's talented company. From the focused intensity of David Engelman's riveting performance of Hamlet, through the haunting poignancy of Ophelia's descent into madness, to the intense ending, the Hilberry company captured the personal intensity of the drama.

"Hamlet" is a story of revenge and regret, intense love and bitter enmity. Shortly after the death of his father, Hamlet's mother marries Claudius, her late husband's brother. Angered and despondent over the incestuous union but without focus, Hamlet's anger is swiftly channeled into a passionate desire for revenge when Hamlet's father's ghost, now suffering in purgatory, reveals that he was murdered by Claudius. Hamlet's personal battle with his conscience ignites the subsequent events and tragedy that befall the court at

Elsinore.

By focusing on the human side of the drama and not the quasi-historical backdrop, the Hilberry company captures the timelessness of the tragedy. The trappings of war were modern, from military fatigues to automatic weapons, vivid reminders of the modern world's violence. Yet despite the modern costumes, the cast delivered some of the greatest lines ever penned by the immortal Bard with intensity, skill and clarity, making the beautiful Shakespearean dialogue easy to follow.

David Engelman is outstanding as Hamlet. He delivers his soliloquies with a refreshingly natural feel, building a complex character capable of the sudden swings between rash anger and calm, deliberate clarity. Engelman's Hamlet is his own and he brings a fresh interpretation to the delivery of his lines, which make his vulnerable love for Ophelia become very real. Engelman's powerful confrontation scene with Hamlet's mother further demonstrated Engelman's ability to take his Hamlet to the brink of rage and then back to the quiet cunning man with a mission of calculated revenge.

Sara Wolf powerfully captured Ophelia's descent into madness by letting us see Ophelia's attempt to keep her fragile grasp on reality, yet finally succumbing as her heartbreaks become more than she can bear.

Matt Troyer lent a young, vir-

ile image to Claudius, a role often played as much older. He created a cunning foe for Hamlet. Gavin Lewis as Horatio created a strong chemistry with Hamlet as his closest friend and trusted confidant.

Heidi Olson's Gertrude was a third world Lady Di, seemingly too young to be the mother of a young man. She also lacked the instincts and presence of a strong queen mother in her scenes with Hamlet. She acted more like a sister being chastised.

The mood music was a mixed bag: distracting during some scenes, mood enhancing during others. And despite the strong imagery of the ghost, the voice was almost amusingly reminiscent of Darth Vader's as it electronically echoed through the theater. The stark set, with violently scattered monument

stones and chain link enclosures, created an uneasy, post-revolutionary setting, intensifying the aura of political intrigue.

The entire cast captured the essence of Hamlet, drawing out its timeless lessons while delivering Shakespeare's immortal verse with the richness of interpretation it so fully deserves. The production literally flew by and left one with a deeply satisfying theater experience.

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GEM THEATRE
"I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change," through Jan. 3, at the theater's new location, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$27.50), 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$27.50), 8 p.m. Fridays (\$32.50), 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturdays (\$32.50), 2 p.m. Sundays (\$27.50) and 6 p.m. Sundays (\$19.50). (313) 963-9800

JET
"The Last Night of Ballyhoo," by Pulitzer Prize winner Alfred Uhry, this Tony-award winning comedy is set in Atlanta, Ga., in December 1939, through Sunday, Nov. 15, at the theater, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 788-2900 or <http://comnet.org/jet>

MACOMB CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
"Big-The Musical," 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, at the center, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$30, \$27. (810) 286-2222

MEADOW BROOK
"The Miracle Worker," through Sunday, Nov. 15, Meadow Brook Theatre in Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. \$19.50 (previews Thursday, Oct. 22, and Friday, Oct. 23), and then \$24-\$35 afterward. 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, performance benefits Rochester-based Leader Dog Deaf-Blind Training Program. \$24. (248) 377-3300

PURPLE ROSE THEATRE COMPANY
"Boom Town," Jeff Daniels' powerful drama set in a small midwestern town, through Sunday, Nov. 29, at the company's Garage Theatre, 137 Park Street, Chelsea. 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Saturdays, 3 p.m. Saturdays, and 2 p.m. Sundays. "Boom Town" is recommended for mature audiences only. \$15-\$30. (734) 475-7902

THE THEATRE COMPANY
"The Steward of Christendom," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 22-24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, McAuley theatre, University of Detroit Mercy, 8200 W. Outer Dr., Detroit. \$10, \$8 students and seniors. UMD students free with proper ID. (313) 993-1130

OPERA

DAVID DANIELS
Countertenor performs with The Arcadian Academy, with director and harpsichord player Nicholas McGegan, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, University of Michigan, 911 N. University Ave., Ann Arbor. \$20-\$35. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229 or <http://www.ums.org>

"LA CAPELLA REIAL DE CATALUNYA AND HESPERION XX"
With Jordi Savall, viola da gamba, and Montserrat Figueras, soprano, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 2250 E. Stadium Blvd., Ann Arbor. \$25. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229 or <http://www.ums.org>

OAKLAND UNIVERSITY
The department of Music, Theatre and Dance present "Così fan tutte," or "Beware of Women," a comic opera (sung in English) by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, 8 p.m. Wednesday and Friday-Saturday, Oct. 28, 30-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1, in Varner Recital Hall on the Rochester campus. \$12, \$10 seniors, \$6 students. (248) 370-3013/(248) 645-6666

COLLEGE

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY THEATRE
"Oliver," 8 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 22 and Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 23-24, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at the Quirk Theatre, on the Ypsilanti campus. \$7 Thursday, \$12 Friday-Saturdays, \$10 Sunday. (734) 487-1221

HFCO THEATER ARTS DEPARTMENT
"I Bet Your Life," 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Oct. 23-24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, Adrey Auditorium, Mackenzie Fine Arts Center, HFCO, 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 845-8478

OU THEATRE SERIES
"Così fan tutte (Beware of Women)," by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (sung in English), 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1, Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University, Walton Boulevard and Adams Road, Rochester. \$12, \$10 seniors and OU employees, \$6 students. (248) 370-3013

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE THEATRE
"Night Watch," Lucille Fletcher's suspense drama, dinner theater 6:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Oct. 23-24 and Nov. 6-7 (8:30) in the Waterman Center, show is 8 p.m. in Liberal Arts Theatre; theater only 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 13-14 (9:30) on the campus at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (734) 462-4596

WU DONTELLE THEATRE
"Dracula," from the novel by Bram



Tribute to Sinatra: Harry Connick Sr. joins the Nelson Riddle Orchestra, led by director Christopher Riddle, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23 in a "Salute to the Music of Frank Sinatra" at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$36.50, \$31.50 and \$26.50, call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 963-2366.

Stoker, 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 23-24 and Oct. 30-31, and 2 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 25 and Nov. 1, at the theater, 3424 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2960

WSU HILBERRY THEATRE
"Hamlet," by William Shakespeare, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Oct. 22-23; "Mousetrap," by Agatha Christie, 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Oct. 29-30, at the theater, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2972

WSU STUDIO THEATRE
"Home," by Samm-Art Williams, 8 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 22-25, at the theater below the Hilberry, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 577-2972

COMMUNITY THEATER

COSTUME SALE
By the Farmington Players, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at the barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. (248) 653-2955

FIRST THEATER QUILD
"The Sound of Music," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Friday-Saturday, Nov. 6-7, and Saturday, Oct. 31, and 2 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 1 and 8, Knox Auditorium of First Presbyterian Church, 1669 Maple Road, between Southfield and Cranbrook roads, Birmingham. \$8, \$5 seniors and students. (248) 644-2040, ext. 151

SRO PRODUCTIONS
Ira Levin's "Deathtrap," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at The Burgh, northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road, Southfield. \$8, \$7 seniors/children. (248) 827-0701

ST. DUNSTAN'S THEATRE GUILD
"Social Security," by Andrew Bergman, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturdays, Oct. 30-31, and Nov. 6-7, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1, at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-0527

STAGECRAFTERS 2ND STAGE
"Five Women Wearing the Same Dress," 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 29-31, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak. \$7. Play contains adult language. (248) 541-6430

TRINITY HOUSE THEATRE
"Sister Camille's Kaleidoscopic Cabaret," 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays Oct. 30-Nov. 22, at the theater, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. \$10 non-members, \$8 members; "Pay What You Can Preview" at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29. The show contains language and subject matter that may be inappropriate for children. (734) 464-6302

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

ANN ARBOR JUNIOR THEATRE
"The Golden Goose," 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 22-24, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre, 2275 Platt Road, near Washtenaw Avenue. \$6, \$5 children and students through high school. (734) 994-2900

MARQUIS THEATRE
The musical comedy "Annabelle Broom the Unhappy Witch," 7 p.m. Fridays, Oct. 23 and 30, 2:30 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 24 and 31, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the theater, 135 E. Main, Northville. (248) 349-8110

LITTLE PEOPLE PLAYERS
"Sleeping Beauty," 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 W. 10 Mile, Novi. \$8, \$7 advance. (248) 347-0400

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS
"Cinderella," Saturdays-Sundays through Dec. 20 with holiday performance Friday, Nov. 27. Historic Players

Club, 3321 E. Jefferson, between Mount Elliott and McDougal, Detroit. Saturday programs start with lunch at noon and performances at 1 p.m., Sundays with lunch at 1 p.m. and performances at 2 p.m. \$7.50, \$6.50 groups of 20 or more. (810) 662-8118

PLOWSHARES THEATRE COMPANY
Presents its first children's play written especially for younger audiences, "Sala Cinderella" by Karen Jones Meadows, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, Oct. 20-23, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History. \$10, \$5 for children age 12 and younger. (313) 872-0279

PUPPETART THEATER
"Cinderella," featuring classical marionettes with music by Tchiakovsky, 2 p.m. Saturdays, Oct. 24 and 31, and Nov. 7 and 14, at the Detroit Puppet Theater, 25 E. Grand River, between Woodward and Farmer, Detroit. \$6.50, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777/(248) 557-8599

YOUTHTEATRE
"Bravo, Amelia Bedelia and Other Stories," 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$7. For children ages 3-6. (313) 963-2366

SPECIAL EVENTS
ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES AND TOYS SHOW
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Livonia Holiday Inn, I-275 and Six Mile. \$3, children free. (734) 464-8493

HUGH COOK
The author reads from his three books including his first, "Cracked Wheat and Other Stories," 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile and I-275, Livonia. \$5 non-members, \$4 members. (734) 464-6302

RECORD AND CD MUSIC COLLECTIBLES EXPO
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24, Knights of Columbus Hall, 870 N. Main St. (1/2 mile north of 14 Mile Road), Clawson. \$3. (248) 546-4527

"WRITERS IN THE ROUND"
With Bruce Robison, Kelly Willis and Richard Buckner, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

HALLOWEEN
"ANGEL'S SAFE HAVEN"
A safe alternative to trick or treating featuring carnival games, bowling, basketball and prizes, 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, Plymouth Church of the Nazarene, 45801 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Children can be in or out of costume. Free. (734) 453-1525

CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN CONCERT
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, dust off your scariest costume and prepare to be musically transported to Transylvania, at Schoolcraft College's Radcliff Center, 1751 Radcliff St., south of Ford Road, between Wayne and Merriman, Garden City. Free, but donations are accepted at the door. (734) 462-4770

CHILDREN'S HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL
Presented by Wayne County Park and Recreation for children ages 12 and under, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, in the Nankin Mills picnic area, Hines Drive, east of Ann Arbor Trail, Westland. Free, but pre-registration is required. (734) 261-1990

CHILDREN'S SAFE HALLOWEEN PARTY
Hosted by the clubs and organizations of the Schoolcraft College Student Activities Office, 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, Waterman Campus Center, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. \$6 per child, includes two adults; \$3 for additional adults. Advance ticket sales only.

(734) 462-4422
DEARBORN HEIGHTS JAYCEES
"Haunted Hayride at Cannibal Creek," 7 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 22-25, Parkland Park, 1 3/4 miles east of Telegraph Road on Ann Arbor Trail. \$6, \$4 children ages 12 and younger. Group rates available. (313) 660-4490

DETROIT ZOO
The ninth annual Zoo Boo returns with goodies, music and fun for trick-or-treaters, at the zoo on the corner of Ten Mile Road and Woodward Avenue, Royal Oak. \$3 for everyone age two and older, tickets must be purchased in advance. (248) 541-5835

FALL FESTIVITIES
Mini-pumpkin painting, a Halloween maze and free fall color hayrides, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, all children in costume receive a free pumpkin, at Eaton Nursery, 5899 West Maple Road, west of Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. (248) 851-5440

HAUNTED CASTLE AND GRAVEYARD
Presented by South Lyon Jaycees, Oct. 22-25 and 29-31, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays, until 11 p.m. Thursdays and Sundays, on Pontiac Trail, one block east of Milford Road. \$9, \$7 kids 12 and under. (248) 358-6776

"HAUNTED FOREST WALK"
Featuring a walk through the haunted forest, cider and donuts and a hayride, Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck Road, Northville. Tickets must be purchased in advance. (248) 349-8390

HAUNTED THEATRE
7:30-10:30 p.m. Sundays-Thursdays, 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, through Oct. 31, in the Historic Wayne Theatre, 35164 W. Michigan Avenue, east of I-275, west of Wayne Road, Wayne. \$5, \$2.50 children under age 12. Proceeds go toward restoration of the theater originally built in 1927 and for the opening of a performing arts center for Western Wayne County. (734) 728-SHOW

HAUNTED WINERY
Michael Meyers and Freddy Krueger visit the 7,500 square foot permanent fixture, Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 22-25, and Wednesday-Saturday, Oct. 28-31, at 31505 Grand River, west of Orchard Lake Road, Farmington. Hours: 7-10 p.m. Sundays-Thursdays, 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays. \$6, \$3 children 12 and younger. Portion of proceeds benefit the Farmington Historical Society. (248) 477-8833

LIVONIA JAYCEES
"Reaper's Dungeon," four spooky trailers in Wonderland Mall's parking lot in front of Service Merchandise, 29859 Plymouth Road, Livonia, through Friday, Oct. 30, 7:30-11 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, and 7:30 p.m. to midnight Friday-Saturday. \$6, \$4 children ages 10 and younger. (248) 855-6777

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY
"Ancestors Night: A Celebration of Our Past," featuring a haunted house, "Preserving Your History: Bookmaking with Adrienne Edmonson," face painting, African folk tales, storytelling, The Sneefler Puppeteers, fortune telling, magician Aaron Redatz, 3-8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. \$1. The first 600 children ages 13 and younger receive a free bag of treats and a pumpkin. (313) 494-5800

SHOX
7:30 p.m. through Oct. 31, Thursdays-Sundays, new this year is 50 foot sound vault, famous crashed helicopter, green fog, and 1,200 foot maze that twists and turns through a missile base of alien atrocities, at C.J. Barrymore's on M-59 (Hall Road), Clinton Township. \$12. (248) 847-1926

TRICK OR TREAT TRAIL
For children ages 3 to 5, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at Bloomer Park, on Richardson Road, east of Haggerty, West Bloomfield. \$4. (248) 738-2500

BENEFITS
BENEFIT CONCERT
The Livonia Area Piano Teachers Forum present a concert comprised of local distinguished musicians, 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the First United Methodist Church of Royal Oak, 320 West Seventh Street. \$8, \$4 students; proceeds go the scholarship fund. (248) 442-0114

"COMEDY NIGHT 7: FOR ACTION AGAINST HUNGER"
A benefit for hunger relief presented by Southfield-based Forgotten Harvest, featuring Dick Puritan and Puritan's People, comedian Rocky LaPorte, and encee Chuck Galdica, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Music Hall, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$25, sponsorship packages and group discounts available. (248) 350-FOOD (3683)

EMPTY BOWLS
Pewabic Pottery hosts its annual benefit to alleviate hunger in the community 5:30-7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6 at the pottery, 10125 East Jefferson. For a donation of \$10 to \$20, participants may choose a bowl donated by local artists with which they may enjoy a meal of soup and bread from restaurants such as Beverly Hills Grill, Sinbad's, Sparky Herbert's, and Tom's Oyster Bar. Guests may keep the bowl. Limit two bowls per customer. All donations go to Gleaners Community Food Bank in Detroit, which serves area agencies feeding the hungry. (313) 822-0954

"EYES ON ART"
Reception featuring caricaturist Philip Burke and 75 of his celebrity portraits, 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at LDM Technologies, 2500 Executive Hills Drive, Auburn Hills. Proceeds benefit Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology. (313) 824-4710

FALL FANTASIA FASHION SHOW
To benefit the Longacre House in Farmington Hills, fashions by Liz Claiborne of Novi and Suzanne's Bridal Gallery, Farmington, 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Novi Hilton. (248) 477-8404

"FLOWERS AROUND THE WORLD"
International cuisine, "dream" destination videos, world-renowned flower designers creating arrangements, 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, at Henry Ford Community College, 5101 Evergreen, south of Ford Road, Dearborn. \$75, proceeds support the Harry Miller Flowers' Scholarship Fund at the college. Reservations by Oct. 23. (313) 845-9880

"A SHOW OF HANDS"
Featuring performances by Scott Campbell, John Finan, Leah Jacobs, Jelly's Pierced Tattoo, Dawn Conner and Dan Minard, 8-11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Xhedos Cafe, 240 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. (248) 399-3946; With Mike Dorn, Mike Nolan, Sean Fitzgerald, Charlie Monterey and Lisa Gonzalez, 8-11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Gotham City Cafe, 22848 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. (248) 398-7430 \$3 per venue, \$4 for both venues. Benefits 4-year-old Joshua Stewart who has cerebral palsy.

FAMILY EVENTS
"BUSYTOWN"
A stage production of Richard Scarry's books including the characters of Huckle and Lowly Worm, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$8. (810) 286-2222

EDUCATION EXPO
11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, appearance by Blue of Blue's Clues, teddy bear teas, storytelling, 65 exhibitors educate parents on the latest trends, products and services to help kids get ahead, at the Southfield Civic Center, Evergreen Road, between 10 and 11 Mile roads. Free. (248) 352-0990

MAYBURY STATE PARK
Horse-drawn hayrides, 1-4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays in October, Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck Road, Northville. Free, state park motor vehicle permit required for entry to the park. (248) 349-8390

MUSTARD'S RETREAT
As part of Kids Concerts, 1:30-2:15 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. \$3.25, \$2.50 for groups of 10 or more. (248) 424-9022

NATIONAL ACROBATS OF CHINA
12:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$22, \$20 seniors and students. (810) 286-2222; 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, Eastern Michigan University's Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti. \$12, \$8 children. (734) 487-1221

BUDAPEST FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA
With conductor Ivan Fischer and pianist Andras Schiff, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. \$18-\$45. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229 or <http://www.ums.org>

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
With classical guitarist Christopher Parkening, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Orchestra Hall, 3683 Woodward Ave., Detroit; With pianist and Van Cliburn International Piano Competition winner John Nakamatsu, 10:45 a.m. Friday,

Oct. 30, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2, at Orchestra Hall. \$17-\$48 (\$55-\$63 box seats). Rush tickets for students and senior citizens, age 60 and older with proper ID, are available for 50 percent off single ticket prices at the box office window 90 minutes before each concert. (313) 576-5111 or <http://www.detroit-symphony.com>

POPS/SWING
WILLIAM BOLCOM/JOAN MORRIS
Celebrate the 100th anniversary of George Gershwin's birthday with a concert, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Kerrytown Concert House, 415 North Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor. \$30, \$20, \$15. (734) 769-2999 or kch@ic.net

CHERRY POPPIN' DADDIES
With Ozomatli, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20 in advance. All ages. (313) 961-5451 (swing)

COMBUSTIBLE EDISON
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Mill Street Entry below Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. 18 and older. (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com> (lounge)

MARVIN HAMLISCH
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$29, \$28 students and seniors, \$35 gold circle. (810) 286-2222

NOVI CONCERT BAND
A concert featuring classics to pop, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Novi Civic Center, 10 Mile, west of Novi Road. Free. (248) 932-9244

ROYAL CROWN REVUE
8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Eastern Michigan University's Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti. \$14 and \$18. (734) 476-1221 (swing)

STARLIGHT DRIFTERS
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, Karl's Cabin, 9779 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth. Free. 21 and older. (734) 455-8450; 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (western swing)

THREE MEN AND A TENOR
A capella quartet performs 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. \$8. (248) 424-9022

AUDITIONS
BIRMINGHAM VILLAGE PLAYERS
Auditions for "Deathtrap" 7:30 p.m. Oct. 25 & 27, at the Village Players Playhouse, 752 Chestnut, Birmingham. (248) 540-6950

NOVI THEATRES
Auditions for "A One-Act Festival" 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, Oct. 27 and 29, at the Novi Civic Center Stage, 45175 West 10 Mile, Novi. For Jan. 15-17 performances. (248) 347-0400

RENAISSANCE CHORUS
The Wayne Chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America holds open auditions at 7:30 p.m., the first Tuesday of every month, while helpful, the ability to read music is not a requirement, at the Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, west of Wayne Road. Come enjoy four-part Barbershop harmonies with opportunities to sing in quartets and with the Renaissance Chorus. (313) 438-2364

YOUTHTEATRE
Youtheatre needs eight volunteer ushers for children's programs at the Music Hall in Detroit. Call Larry Loyer (313) 962-4214 or <http://www.youththeatre.org>

JAZZ
DWIGHT ADAMS TRIO
8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Oct. 22, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (trumpet/piano/bass)

SANDRA BOMAR
8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Fridays, Oct. 23 and 30, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (vocal/piano/bass)

AL DIMEOLA PROJECT
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Majestic, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20 in advance, 18 and older. (313) 833-9700 or <http://www.99music.com> (jazz/rock guitarist)

4-SIGHT
8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, Bird of Paradise. 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$12 in advance, 21 and older. (734) 662-8310 or <http://www.99music.com>

FUNKTELIGENCE
9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, as part of Mood Indigo night at Bird of Paradise. 207 S. Ashley St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

GALACTIC
8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, Maglo Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$8 in advance, 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themaglobag.com>

HEIDI HEPLER & MICHELE RAMO
6-10 p.m. Mondays at Too-Chez, 27155 Sheraton Drive, Novi. (248) 348-5555.

8 days a week

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JAZZHEAD
 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Second City, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Cover charge. 21 and older. (313) 965-2222

LEROY JENKINS
 With Joseph Harmen and Myra Melford Trio, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, as part of New Music Society Concerts, Unitarian Church of Birmingham, 651 N. Woodward Ave. (north of Big Beaver Road), Bloomfield Hills. \$15. All ages. (248) 548-9888/(248) 647-2380

KATHY KOBINS
 8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, Duet, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 831-3838

SHEILA LANDIS
 With her trio as part of the Macomb Community College Culinary Arts Department's "Fall Gourmet" cuisine, 7-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, John Dimitry Student Center Building, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. (810) 288-2023; With guitarist Rick Matle, 9 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 24, Jimmy's, 123 Kercheval, Grosse Pointe Farms. (313) 886-8101

MATT MICHAELS TRIO
 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, and with guest trumpeter Marcus Belgrave, 8-11:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Botsford Inn, 28000 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. \$5 cover waived with dinner (until 9 p.m.), \$5 drink minimum. Reservations recommended. (248) 474-2800

MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY (M.A.S.)
 8 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 22 and 29, Fridays, Oct. 23 and 30, and Saturday, Oct. 24, Duet, 3711 Woodward Ave. (at Mack Avenue), Detroit. (313) 831-3838

ROBERT PIPHO
 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, Duet, 3711 Woodward Ave. (at Mack), Detroit. (313) 831-3838

T.H.I.Q.U.E.
 Blues, Jazz and Motown, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, at the Copper Canyon Brewery, 27522 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. (248) 223-1700

PAUL VORNHAGEN
 With his trio, 8 p.m. to midnight Thursday, Oct. 29, Edison's, 220 Merrill St., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 645-2150 (sax and vocal/piano/bass); With his quartet, 9:30 Friday-Saturday, Oct. 30-31, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor. \$5. 21 and older. (734) 662-8310

URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON
 With Dan Kolton, 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Thursdays and Fridays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

ALEXANDER ZONKO
 9:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 23-24, and Oct. 30-31, Baci, 40 W. Pike St., Pontiac. Free. All ages. (248) 253-1300; 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, as part of the Lyric Chamber Ensemble performance at Gem Theatre, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. \$18. \$25 for bunch and concert. (248) 357-1111

WORLD MUSIC

THE ARTICLES
 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, Memphis Smoke, 100 S. Main St., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 543-4300 (Jamaican jazz)

ARCHIE FISHER
 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$12.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (Scottish guitarist/singer)

GRUPO AFROCUBA DE MATANZAS
 The Cuban group joins with Los Hermanos Cepeda from Puerto Rico in a concert consisting of Afro-Cuban Rumba and Puerto Rico's African-based Bomba, living traditions rooted in West African music, dance and spiritual beliefs. 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, in the Detroit Institute of Arts Theatre, 5200 Woodward. \$18. \$16 Founders Society members. \$10 students. (313) 833-4005

IMMUNITY
 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, Gator Jake's, 36863 Van Dyke Ave., Sterling Heights. Free. 21 and older. (810) 983-3700; 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. Free. 21 and older. (248) 360-7450 (reggae)

SOLAS
 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$16. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org> (Irish)

FOLK/BLU EGRASS

GREG BROWN
 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$13.50. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

"JONI FEST"
 With Lisa Hunter and other Ann Arbor singer/songwriters performing the music of Joni Mitchell, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Gypsy Cafe, 214 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. Proceeds benefit Center for Education of Women. (734) 994-3940

BETH NIELSON-CHAPMAN
 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$11.50. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

RFID BOYS
 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, The Ark, 316 S. Main St., Ann Arbor. \$10. \$9 members, students, seniors. All ages. (734) 761-1451 or <http://www.a2ark.org>

SHELL

8-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Friends Meeting House, 1420 Hill St., Ann Arbor. Free. \$5 suggested donation for adults and seniors. (734) 327-2041

POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

POETRY IN MOTION
 Featuring poet Cindi St. Germain, performing from her book "Time is Not Linear," 7-10 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, at the Grand Cafe, 33316 Grand River, east of Farmington Road, Farmington. Free. (248) 615-9181/(248) 821-1919/(313) 299-9909

DANCE

CONTRA DANCE
 Sponsored by American Youth Hostels in Berkley, 8:30-10:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, MSU Tollgate Center, 28115 Meadowbrook Road, Novi. \$4. (248) 545-0511

"COUNTRY CLASS"
 Country/Western Dance, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, at the Plymouth Elks, 41700 East Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. \$6.50. (734) 425-2207

EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE
 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Oakland Community College's Smith Theatre, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. \$16. (248) 471-7667/(248) 471-7700

"FOURTH-FRIDAY FLING ADVANCED CONTRA DANCE"
 With calling by Peter Baker and music by the Contrapreneurs, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Pittsfield Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road (1/2 mile south of I-94), Ann Arbor. \$8. (734) 665-8883

HALLOWEEN CONTRA AND SQUARE DANCE
 With the Ann Arbor Open Band and caller Karen Missavage, 8-11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, Masonic Hall, Plymouth. \$7. Includes refreshment potluck, nametags and live music. Dance figures are taught and demonstrated. Costumes encouraged. (734) 332-9024/(734) 995-1336

OAKLAND COUNTY CONTRA DANCING
 Halloween Dance, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24 with Glen Morningstar with Aunt Lu and the Oakland County All Stars, at the First Baptist Church, 309 N. Main, Royal Oak. \$7. (248) 542-2093

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE
 Lessons offered 7:30 p.m. Wednesday evenings, no partner needed, beginners welcome, at Madison Heights United Methodist Church, 246 E. 11 Mile Road, east of John R. \$3, first visit free. (248) 546-5037/(248) 547-9823

BILL T. JONES/ARNIE ZANE DANCE CO.
 "We Set Out Early ... Visibility Was Poor," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$36-\$20. (734) 764-2538/(800) 221-1229 or <http://www.ums.org>

COMEDY

GALLAGHER II
 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 24-25, Farmington Civic Theatre, 33332 Grand River Ave., Farmington. \$25. (248) 473-7777; 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, at the theatre benefits St. Edith Parish in Livonia. \$25 and \$20 (tax deductible). (734) 464-1222/(734) 464-1250

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB
 Bobby Collins and Joey Bielaska, Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24 (\$20); Third Level Improv and Derek Richards, Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 29-31, at the club above Kicker's All American Grill, 36071 Plymouth Road, Livonia. 8 p.m. Thursdays (\$5), 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (\$12), unless otherwise noted. Third Level Improv and new talent nights, 8 p.m. Wednesdays (\$5). (734) 261-0555

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S
 Bobby Slayton, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22 (\$10, \$22.95 dinner show package), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24 (\$15, \$24.95 dinner show package), and 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25 (\$12, \$24.95 dinner show package); Keith Ruff, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 1 (\$8, \$20.95 dinner show package), at the club, 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

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 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn. (313) 584-8885

MAINSTREET COMEDY SHOWCASE
 Jackie Flynn, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24 (\$10); Ken Brown, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Oct. 28-29, and 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 30-31 (\$10), at the club, 314 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 996-9080

BOB NEWHART
 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$54. \$50 students and seniors. (810) 286-2222

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CASTLE
 Bruce Baum and Steve Bills, Thursday-Sunday, Oct. 22-25; and Jimmy Dore and Jeff Margrett, Wednesday-Sunday, Oct. 28-Nov. 1, at the club, 269 E. Fourth St., Royal Oak. 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays (\$5), 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays (\$6), 8:15 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays (\$12), and 7:30 p.m. Sundays (\$6). Prices subject to change. (248) 542-9900 or <http://www.comedycastle.com>

SECOND CITY
 "Vingra Falls," 8 p.m. Wednesdays-Sundays with additional shows at 10:30

p.m. on Friday-Saturdays through November, at the club, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$10 Wednesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, \$17.50 on Fridays, and \$19.50 on Saturdays. (313) 965-2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM
 Halloween Family Workshop & Film Festival with storytelling, crafts and films, (advance registration required, call (313) 833-1282/(313) 833-9720), 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, "The Fantasy World of Doll Houses," through Jan. 31; "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.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-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 or <http://www.detroithistorical.org>

DHS DESIGNER SHOWHOUSE
 The Detroit Historical Society and the Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers' first Showhouse collaboration, an Italian Revival home and grounds designed by Albert Khan and constructed between 1913 and 1915 in Detroit's historic Boston-Edison district, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Sunday, Oct. 25. \$15, \$11 DHS or ASD members, \$12 for groups of 20 or more. (800) 585-3737

POPULAR MUSIC

BAKED POTATO
 With Electric Boogaloo, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (funk)

BUGS BEDDOW BAND
 8-11 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 642-9400; 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, Bachelor's, 1967 Cass Lake Road, Keego Harbor. Free. 21 and older. (248) 682-2295 (trombone-driven party blues)

BENNY AND THE JETS
 9 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays through October, New Crow's Nest, 6166 N. Canton Center Road, Canton. Free. 21 and older. (313) 730-1627 or <http://members.tripod.com/BennyJets> (rock)

BLUE CAT WITH KEN MURPHY
 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

BLUE ROSE
 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, New Way Bar, 23130 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 541-9870; 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 30-31, Duggan's, 6722 Dixie Highway, Clarkston. Free. 21 and older. (248) 625-3900 (blues)

STEWIN BONE
 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (R&B)

BONNE TEMPS ROULLE
 9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (R&B)

THE CIVILIANS
 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Bo's Bistro, 51 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. (248) 332-6800 (rock)

NDEA Davenport
 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. 18 and older. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (pop)

DISQUIT
 With Clampdown, 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 334-9292 (rock)

DOMESTIC PROBLEMS
 With Heavy Weather, 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555

BOB DYLAN AND JONI MITCHELL
 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, The Palace of Auburn Hills, 2 Championship Dr. (I-75 and Lapeer Road), Auburn Hills. \$49.50 and \$29.50 reserved. All ages. (248) 377-0100 or <http://www.palacenet.com> (rock/folk)

GLEN EDDIE
 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (R&B)

DAVE EDWARDS AND CO.
 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (rock)

THE EVERLY BROTHERS
 7:30 p.m. Sunday-Monday, Oct. 25-26, Macomb Center for the Performing Arts, 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. \$35. \$32 students and seniors. \$40 gold circle. (810) 286-2222 (pop)

PETE "BIG DOD" FETTERS
 9 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

FOURTH FUNCTION
 With Sunday Afternoon, 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 334-9292 (rock)

FUEL
 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$9. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (rock)

JIMMIE DALE GILMORE
 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Free. 21 and older. \$20 at the door. 18 and older. (248) 335-8100 or <http://www.961melt.com> (roots rock)

GOD STREET WINE
 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. \$12 in advance. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 or <http://www.99music.com> (rock)

G.R.R.
 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Rochester Mills Beer Co., 400 Water St., Rochester. Free. 21 and older. (248) 650-5080 (rock)

HARPER
 Australian band plays last Detroit-area show, 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. \$4. 21 and older. (248) 542-9922 (blues)

HOVERCRAFT
 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$8. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (noise rock)

HOWLING DIABLOS
 With Face, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (funk/rock)

J-TRAIN
 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Mount Chaiet, 32955 Woodward Ave., Royal Oak. Free. 21 and older. (248) 549-2929 (R&B)

JILL JACK
 Celebrates release of CD with party and performance, with special guests Sun 209 and Jason Magee, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. \$6. 18 and older. (248) 544-3030 or <http://www.themagicbag.com> or <http://www.jilljack.com> (roots rock)

RICK JAMES AND THE STONE CITY BAND
 With Midnight Star, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$35 and \$27.50. All ages. (248) 433-1515 (soul)

DAMIEN JURADO
 With Velour 100, 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, The Shelter below St. Andrew's Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. \$6 in advance, \$7 at the door. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or <http://www.961melt.com> (rock)

MIKE KING
 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (acoustic rock)

KUNG FU DIESEL
 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 23-24, Bogy's, 142 E. Walled Lake Road, Walled Lake. Free. 21 and older. (248) 669-1441 (rock)

LESS THAN JAKE
 With All, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$10. All ages. (248) 333-2362 or <http://www.961melt.com> (ska)

GERALD LEVERT
 With Kelly Price and Ginuwine, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Hill Auditorium, 530 S. State St., Ann Arbor. Tickets at Ticketmaster. All ages. (734) 764-8350 (R&B)

LIL ED AND THE IMPERIAL FLAMES
 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, Fifth Avenue, 215 W. Fifth Ave., Royal Oak. \$4. 21 and older. (248) 542-9922 (blues)

LYLE LOVETT
 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$35. \$27.50. All ages. (248) 433-1515 (pop)

STONE MAZAR AND THE WESTSIDERS
 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (R&B)

THE MOEN-AWESOME BAND
 7:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Stan's Dugout, 3350 Auburn Road, Auburn Hills. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 852-6433 (acoustic rock)

LORRIE MORGAN
 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Royal Oak Music Theatre, 316 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak. \$35. 21 and older. (248) 546-7610 (country)

MOTLEY CRUE
 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, State Theatre, 2115 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$30 in advance. All ages. (313) 961-5451 (rock)

MUDHONEY
 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Magic Stick in the Majestic complex, 4140 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$12 in advance. 18 and older. (313) 833-POOL (rock)

MUDPUPPY
 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Bogy's, 142 E. Walled Lake Road, Walled Lake. Free. 21 and older. (248) 669-1441 (blues)

MYSTERY TRAIN WITH JIM MCCARTY
 9:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, The Cavern, 210 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Free. 21 and older. (734) 332-9900. 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, 24 Karat Club, 28949 Joy Road (two blocks east of Middlebelt Road), Westland. Cover charge. 18 and older. (734) 513-5030 (blues)

STEVE NARDELLA
 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (rockabilly)

With Saltwater, 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30, Griff's Grill, 49 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. Cover charge. 21 and older. (248) 334-9292 (rock)

PEACE DEAMON
 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23, Local Color Brewery, 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi. Free. 21 and older. (248) 349-2600 (Jam rock)

ROBERT PENN
 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Free. All Ages. (248) 644-4800; 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Bad Frog Tavern, 555 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 624-9400 (blues)

PERPLEXA
 With Miss Bliss, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Blind Pig, 206-208 S. First St., Ann Arbor. Cover charge. 19 and older. (734) 996-8555 (rock)

MIKE PETERS
 Former lead singer of the Alarm, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. Tickets at Ticketmaster. 18 and older. (313) 832-2355 (acoustic rock)

THE RACHEL'S
 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 29, Alvin's, 5756 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$10 in advance. 18 and older. (313) 832-2355 or <http://www.99music.com> (pop)

RANCID
 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, Clutch Cargo's, 65 E. Huron St., Pontiac. \$13.50 in advance, \$15 at the door. All ages. (2

'Pleasantville' makes magic in color, black and white

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
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What if? This has become a popular starting point for many recent movies with some spectacular visual results. First came "The Truman Show" based on the question "what if a person's whole life were just a television show?"

Now comes "Pleasantville" based on the premise "what if someone actually found themselves living in a 1950s sit-com?"

Writer/director Gary Ross has created a visually imaginative and well-performed movie that is probably more interesting in its parts than in its overall impact,

which is almost too easy in its not-so-subtle attack on the "family values, wasn't life better in the old days" crowd.

The movie opens in our dysfunctional times. A divorced mother rushes off to be with her boyfriend leaving behind her two teenagers for the night. David (Tobey Maguire) is a little backward, preferring the reruns of a classic old sit-com, "Pleasantville," to the bitter realities of his family and high school life. Sister Jennifer (Reese Witherspoon) is set on being the sexpot of the school and thoroughly up to date.

When the two argue over a remote control and break it, a strange TV repair man (Don Knotts, for obvious resonant rea-

sons) provides them with a "super remote" that transports them into Pleasantville, taking the place of sit-com kids Bud and Mary Sue.

Pleasantville is part Knotts' Mayberry and, larger part, the Springfield of "Father Knows Best." This is a black and white world of twin beds (no sex), soda shops (no bars), meals on the table every night at six when Dad gets home (no working moms), basketballs that always go in (no losing) and books with no words, streets with no destination and no problems.

Jennifer is not about to put up with that kind of world and she begins the destruction of this perfect world when she introduces the high school's top jock

to s-e-x. This opens the door for other discoveries, and as people break out of their black and white routine, their world takes on color.

This visual conceit is what gives the movie a spectacular look, and it is carried off with intelligence and artistry. Particular moments are magical - a ride through a black and white landscape as pink pedals fall, a rose glowing in a black and white landscape, a mural of blazing color on a black and white street, a once black and white soda shop now blaring with color. Sound, too, changes, moving inevitably from mushy easy listening ballads to rock and roll.



Dramatic comedy: William H. Macy and Joan Allen star in "Pleasantville."

Joan Allen as Mom discovers her sexuality and her independence from gently domineering and clueless Dad, played with dead accurate tone by William Macy. Allen, as always, brings depth and reality to the thinnest material. Mom also discovers her feelings for the local soda jerk who yearns to be an artist.

It is Jeff Daniels' character, Mr. Johnson, who finds himself in the discovery of color and the possibility of moving beyond the expected, the regular, the predictable. Daniels, who always gives subtle nuance to his characters, shows Johnson growing from genial, befuddled and stiff to forceful, assured and creative.

J.T. Walsh, in his last screen performance, shows again what a loss his early death is to the

movies. His Big Bob is the voice of resistance, suppression and fear. The character is not meant to be a villain so much as a victim of his own conservatism.

Maguire is our guide through these changes, at first resisting and then embracing change. Maguire played a darker variation on this character in "Ice Storm." Here he is able to be both knowing and amazed.

The problem with "Pleasantville" is that Ross, who wrote "Big" and "Dave," wears his liberalism on his sleeve. I share those beliefs but find his attacks on conservatives and the religious right a little too pat, a little too simple. While some on the right

would ban every book but the Bible, there are others who deplore the illiteracy that comes from too little structure. That's just one example of being too "black and white."

But his general point is well taken, art and knowledge liberate, and it is gently and humorously made.

Mark Twain's "Huck Finn" plays a part in a magic moment in the film, but it is two other Twain works, "The Mysterious Stranger" and "The Man Who Corrupted Hadleyburg," from which Ross draws inspiration. And the message still has resonance - without challenge, conflict, discomfort, passion life has no meaning, no color.

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"JACK FROST"
Fantasy adventure about a man who becomes a real father after returning to life as a cooler guy than he'd ever imagined possible - below freezing to be precise. Stars Michael Keaton.

Opera 'Shattered Mirror' previewed

BACKSTAGE PASS



ANN DELISI

Well, after the summer break, we at Backstage Pass have returned in full swing on Detroit Public Television.

I know all you readers and viewers have missed us, come on you can admit it, you all couldn't wait for the return of in-studio bands, segments on the Detroit film and art scene and hints on all the weekend 'things to do.' There is a great lineup waiting for viewers on this week's show, including a piece on a haunted theater, the Detroit Film Institute and a band that has been quoted as, "combining the legendary supergroups of the late '60s and '70s and a '90s twist."

Michael Udow, "The Shattered Mirror" will receive its world premiere on Oct. 28. Dave Wagner, one of Backstage Pass' hosts, is going to tell us all about it.

"This is a percussion opera based on the writings of the late philosopher and mythologist Joseph Campbell. The opera compares how societies over many centuries have explained the unexplainable. It really is a poetic work that explores the meaning of myth. 'The Shattered Mirror' is a two-act opera with three singers, three dancers, an opera chorus, four on-stage percussionists, eight players and two keyboard players. The characters are the sun, the moon, a wizard type character and the wind, which symbolizes the emergence of all living creatures. The opera also has four actual percussionists on the stage called the four grandfathers."

This opera really invites the audience to interpret the mean-

ing for themselves instead of having it interpreted for them, so each person gets something completely different. The opera uses published poetry instead of narrative text which further allows the audience to be involved in the interpretation process.

The libretto was taken from the four poems by John Graec Brown, Winfield Townley Scott and Native Americans Alonzo Lopez and Patricia Irving, all of which were woven together by Michael Udow.

The opera opens 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28, in the Media Union Video Studio on the North Campus of the University of Michigan.

The piece on "The Shattered Mirror, as well as the haunted theater, the music group Walk on Water and much more can be seen tonight at 7:30 and tomorrow again at midnight on Detroit Public Television.

STREET SCENE

Once-insecure Jill Jack gets some serious attention



CHRISTINA FUOCO

Last weekend, multi-Detroit Music Award winner Jill Jack was reminded of how deeply insecure she was about her music.

"I've kept journals since I was 9. I was cleaning up some stuff yesterday and I

found some from 1985, 1986, 1987. It was so funny how back then I would just touch on my being secure with myself. I was restless, but I didn't know what I was missing," Jack explained.

"But I thought I would stick to my guns and continue singing even though no one was taking me seriously."

Now Detroit music fans are taking the 35-year-old pop singer/songwriter seriously. In April, Jack won six out of the 10 Detroit Music Awards for which she was nominated.

The year before, she was honored with the Best New Rock Act prize a week after the release of her debut album "Watch Over Me" (Drum Dancer Records).

"My goal is to reach as many people as possible. I get to meet so many different people on so many different levels," said Jack, her words speeding up with excitement.

"I want to see how many people I can move."

On Saturday, Oct. 24, Jack goes for round two as she celebrates the release of her sophomore effort, "Too Close to the Sun," with a party and performance at the Magic Bag in Ferndale.

"Too Close to the Sun" is her second album for Ferndale's Drum Dancer Records, run by her songwriting partner Billy Brandt.

"Billy is an integral part of Jill Jack," she said. "Without Billy, I know there would be no Jill Jack. I can't say what or where I would be without Billy - except that I probably would have got-

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Jill Jack
Singer-songwriter

ten more sleep over the last two years."

Conservative childhood

As far as her mind can reach, Jack remembers singing around her parents' Huntington Woods home. But music wasn't an obsession like with her partner/guitarist Brandt.

"Billy walked around with a guitar in his hand. I had a bunch of different things going on. I sang and I always pretended in my room. It's so cool, my daughter, she does the same thing. Now she wants a real microphone and I tell her to dream on," she said with a laugh about 7-year-old daughter Emma with husband/musician David Jack.

"Musician" wasn't the first occupation of choice that Jack's parents had for her.

"I came from a real conservative family. My father was a doctor and my mother was a nurse. So you went to college and got a real job," she explained.

Eventually, she dropped out of nursing school to seriously pursue music. Jack made her living working at an accounting firm for \$10 an hour and sang at night backing the likes of Stewart Francke, The Forbes Brothers, and Johnny Allen and the Appeal. ("I was the Appeal, I guess," she said with a laugh.)

"I remember working for free, or for drinks and food. I didn't think I was good enough to get paid. I definitely never did it for money, I did it for the love of it. I was working from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and then singing at night. It's no different than what I'm doing now because I'm a mom,"

she said.

When she reached her late 20s, she felt more comfortable writing and singing her own material and thought about a solo career.

"Everyone told me I should sing solo but nobody wanted to give me any songs. Dave bought me a guitar because I just had an old one. Then I started to work with Billy Brandt. We're like John Leventhal and Shawn Colvin. We have a partnership like that," Jack explained about the team who wrote and sang the Grammy-winning song "Sonny Came Home."

"Billy always shows up at my front door when I'm writing a song. He's the one who will tell me it's OK to put it out there. I needed that approval, somebody to bounce that off of."

She released her first album,

"Watch Over Me," in April 1997 and one week later won several Detroit Music Awards, including Best New Rock Act. It was the ultimate sign of acceptance.

"I thought, Oh my God. Now what am I gonna do? I don't think I've taken it all in. I just pulled out a video of the '97 Music Awards and I looked like a scared baby. It was all new to me," she said of her performance with a host of female Detroit singer/songwriters including Sister Seed and Jan Krist.

"Now it seems like it's been 10 years for all the work we've done."

Jack's work has included opening for Dan Fogelberg, Jethro Tull and Pat Benatar at Meadow Brook Festival and Pine Knob Music Theatres. She's also been a featured artist on several Detroit radio station-sponsored concert bills.

Her latest effort is "Too Close to the Sun," which carries a much more organic feel. In recording the album, she brought along some of Detroit's most well-known musicians - guitarist/producer Michael King, bassists Joe Lambert, Nolan Mendenhall, Gary Rasmussen, and Chris Colovas, drummers Danny Cox and Kerry Gluck-

man, organ player Tim Diaz, The use of mandolins, Hammond B-3 and Wurlitzer organs, and strings, give "Too Close to the Sun" a warm feel. There is a bit of darkness, however.

"This record has a little more sadness to it. This last year was really hard, working all the time. There's some sort of poshness, I guess, to being unhappy all the time. But I don't want to feel mad and angry."

"If there is one common thread linking the songs on both albums, even the 'darker' songs, it's the underlying sense of hope. I view 'Freedom,' for example, as a really positive song. Even though the music itself has a minor feel to it, it's really about taking those steps, finding the freedom you need in order to achieve your goals."

Not only does her music offer a glimpse of hope, her stage disposition does as well.

"When I come out, I make sure I have a huge smile," she explained.

"Everything I write about is hopeful. If I'm going to write a darker song, there's going to be a side of it where life isn't just over. In an ad, we used the word 'faith' and Billy thought maybe we should take it out. But there's so much of it in my music."

Jill Jack celebrates the release of her second CD "Too Close to the Sun," with a party and performance Saturday, Oct. 24, at the Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Tickets are \$6 for the 18 and older show and are available at all Ticketmaster outlets. Jason Magee and Sun 209 open the show at 9 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., respectively, with Jack to follow at 10:15 p.m. For more information, call (248) 544-3030 or visit <http://www.themagicbag.com>.

For more information about Jill Jack and Drum Dancer Records, write to P.O. Box 20752, Ferndale, Mich., 48220, or visit <http://www.drumdancerrecords.com> or <http://www.jilljack.com>

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Festive and fun, Mr. Z's Steak House in Redford is decorated for Halloween. "We change with the seasons," said Janet Nader of Farmington Hills who owns the restaurant with her cousin Betty Funk also a resident of Farmington Hills. "You should see the restaurant at Christmas. It's beautiful. Customers come in and help us decorate"

It took Janet's daughter Wendy Jamieson of West Bloomfield a couple of weeks to get all the decorations up. On Nov. 8 the Christmas decorations go up.

Mr. Z's is one of those hard-to-find family-owned neighborhood restaurants that offer good food and entertainment.

"We're not an in and out dinner place," said Nader. "We offer a casual, relaxed dining experience. We don't expect you to get in and out in an hour. We want you to make a night of it. We offer good quality, portions and prices."

Joseph Del Vecchio, who graduated from the Pennsylvania Institute of Culinary Arts, is known for his "Heavenly Pasta" and classic steak house fare.

"We're a scratch kitchen," he said. "We make our soups, stocks and sauces fresh every day. We use all fresh vegetables, nothing frozen, and I don't use a lot of oil when I sauté. Our food is excellent."

With help from assistant Jeffrey Williams of Canton, Del Vecchio and his kitchen crew create a variety of dishes, including vegetarian items, to please everyone's. If what you're looking for isn't on the menu ask Chef Del Vecchio and he will try to accommodate your request.

Lunch favorites include 1/2 Sandwich and cup of soup, omelets, a different one every day, sandwiches, and salads.

Two for one Early Bird Dinner Specials, (\$13.95) served 3-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday, fea-

Mr. Z's Steak House
Where: 27331 W. Five Mile Road (corner of Inkster Road) Redford, (313) 537-5600.
Hours: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday-Tuesday; 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Wednesday-Saturday; noon to 8 p.m. Sunday (Kitchen open 1-8 p.m. Sundays.)
Credit Cards: All majors accepted
Reservations: Accepted. Recommended for parties of 6 or more.
Menu: Steak house fare along with pasta, ribs, and chicken. Vegetarian items and children's menu available.
Prices: Reasonable. Lunches range from \$3.95 to \$7.95; dinners \$5.95 to \$13.95.
Restaurant seats: 170 people
Carryout: Available for all items except Early Bird Dinner Special.
Highlights:
■ Lunch specials served 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday; Early Bird Dinner Specials 3-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday; Nightly dinner specials 3-10 p.m. weekdays, until midnight Friday-Saturday, 1-8 p.m. Sunday.
■ Available for banquets and showers, 25-75 people.
■ Entertainment - 6-10 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, physic reader; 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, Swing dance lessons (minimum \$5 charge for beverage or food) followed by music for practicing; 8 p.m. to close Wednesday-Thursday, karaoke; 9 p.m. to close Friday-Saturday dancing to Top 40 with live band.

ture a variety of dishes such as Chicken Scaloppini, Beef Tips over Noodles or Rice Pilaf, Veal Parmesan with side of Spaghetti and Chicken or Beef Stir-Fry.

Mr. Z's steak specialties on the regular dinner menu include New York Strip, Filet Mignon, an Aussie Steak - Center Cut Sirloin with 10 herbs and spices, seared to your liking, a New York Sirloin and Shrimp Combo, 20-ounce Strip, steak, and 8-ounce Sirloin, for lighter appetites.

Choose from three different shrimp dishes, fish and chips, broiled Orange Roughy or Icelandic Haddock. Pork Chops and Veal Parmesan are popular with customers, so are the chicken dishes including King Henry Chicken - grilled boned chicken breast smothered with mushrooms, bacon, Cheddar and Monterey Jack Cheese and Guest House Chicken - breast of chicken in a rich cream sauce with mushrooms, cracked pepper and almonds.

Entrees are served with soup or salad, vegetable of the day, choice of potato or rice pilaf and bread basket. French onion

soup, baked with mozzarella cheese is a house specialty.

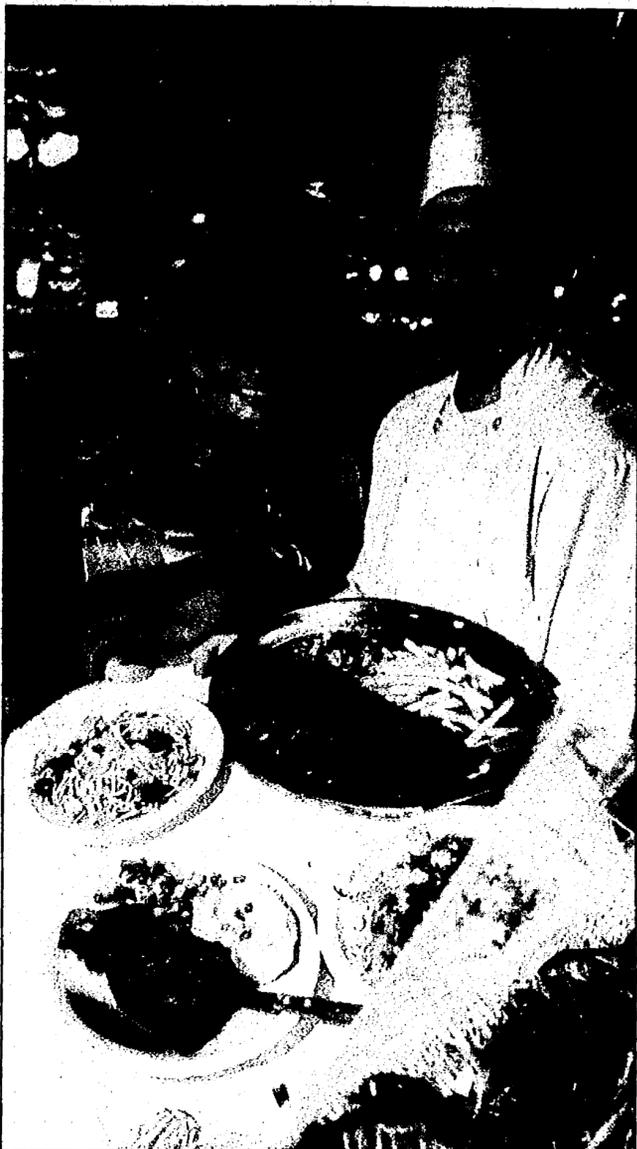
Try one of the heavenly pastas such as Sherwood Forest Shrimp - Shrimp, Escargot, Tomatoes, Mushrooms and Onions, in a sauce of butter, white wine and garlic tossed with linguine, or Fettuccine Alfredo, also available with chicken and shrimp, lasagna and spaghetti, served with soup or salad and bread basket.

Main dish salads, sandwiches, and ground rounds, are also offered on the dinner menu too. Be sure to ask about the daily dinner specials, which aren't on the menu.

Save room for apple dumpling served with warm vanilla sauce, it's a house specialty. Other choices include New York style cheesecake, ice cream sundaes, and strawberry shortcake.

"We're like a big family," said Nader. "We try to please, and offer good service. There's always something different happening, and there aren't that many places where you can have dinner and dance."

The bar area is a cozy place



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Neighborhood haunt: Janet Nader and Chef Joseph Del Vecchio present some of Mr. Z's Steak House's specialty dishes: Sherwood Forest Shrimp Pasta, Chicken Stir-Fry, Baby Back Barbecue Ribs, and 20-ounce New York Strip Steak.

to watch your favorite game, and there are about 20 seats near a window where sunlight streams in.

On Friday the restaurant is hosting a fund-raiser for the Penrickton Center for Blind

Children, a nonprofit facility for blind and multiply handicapped children. There will be music by the Blue Notes beginning at 9 p.m. and door prizes. For more information about the fund-raiser, call Kristen Collins at (734) 946-7500.

The next time you're in the neighborhood, Nader hopes you'll stop by. "Don't be afraid to try something new," she said.

"You'll be pleasantly surprised. We're proud of everything we do."

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