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## James top spender in city race

**Three candidates in the Westland City Council race, David James, Charles "Trav" Griffin and David Cox, are the top spenders. Amounts spent overall in the campaign range from \$1,520 to \$13,854.**

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Three Westland City Council running mates have each spent more on their 1999 campaigns than the elected position pays for an entire year.

Novice council candidate David James has emerged as the top spender among eight hopefuls, shelling out

\$13,854, new campaign expense reports show.

His running mates — incumbent Charles "Trav" Griffin and council appointee David Cox — rank second and third, respectively, in spending.

Griffin has plunked down \$13,153; Cox, \$12,825.

New campaign expense reports filed at county offices in Detroit show that

Cox, Griffin and James have each spent more than they would earn for a one-year council salary of \$11,452.

They shelled out more than the \$12,592 they would receive even if chosen council president.

The trio has spent thousands more than their election rivals after receiving contributions from city administration officials, political committees, contractors, developers, business people and others.

"Having the financial resources to get your message out, I would say, is extremely important," Cox said Monday. "Westland is a bedroom community, and our housing turns over. There's

a significant number of new people from one election to the next."

Griffin conceded that his spending exceeds what he would typically spend on a council race.

"It's a very tough race," he said. "You've got a lot of good candidates."

**Spending differences**

The new spending totals come from reports turned in before the latest filing deadline on Friday.

Rounding out the eight-way race in spending are:

■ Political newcomer James Godbout, \$7,421.

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**Music man**

## Band director marches along

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When Andrew Wendt was in high school, he planned to become a lawyer or businessman — that is, until a music teacher forever changed his life.

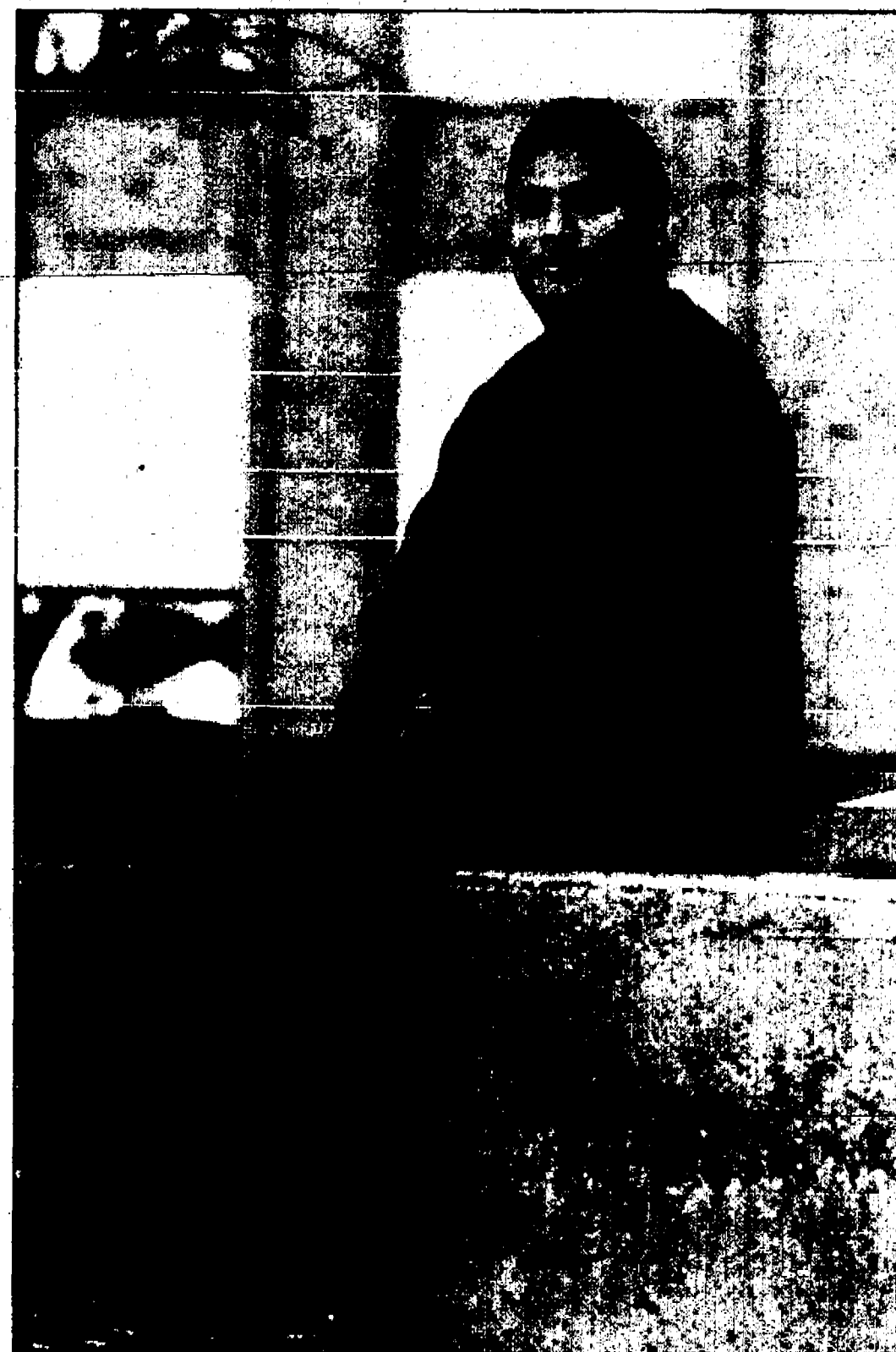
"In my senior year, my band teacher directed me toward music," Wendt said. "He believed in me and taught me in one year to be a musician and encouraged me to go on to a college level. I took the information he gave me and ran with it and here I am."

Wendt is in the midst of his first semester as director for concert band, symphony band, symphony orchestra and marching band at Wayne Memorial High School. He comes to the district at an opportune time in the history of the music department.

Voters in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools passed a \$108 million bond issue last year, with \$500,000 going for the district's secondary schools' music departments, according to William Camp, Wayne-Westland's executive director of secondary education. Each high school was allotted \$120,000 and each middle school got \$65,000.

"Our directors were able to buy new instruments that were sorely needed for years and years," Camp said.

Students are playing for the first full year on these instruments. Along with the new instruments, Wendt hopes to instill a love for music that might inspire some students to become professional musicians. He also realizes that most won't choose that path and for those



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

**Newcomer: Wayne Memorial High band director Andrew Wendt is in his first year on the job. He hopes to give students a better understanding of music, along with a love of music.**

students he hopes that their new music skills will enhance their lives.

"I hope I will be able to give them a better understanding on how to play their instrument, read music or interpret music at a festival or play and to be able to discriminate from

one aspect to another part of music.

"Music gives the students a chance to be creative," Wendt added. "It helps escape people from everything that goes on in their lives. They can

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## Election turnout estimate normal

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An estimated 14 percent of Westland registered voters on Tuesday will decide an eight-way council race for four seats, City Clerk Patricia Gibbons said.

That projection marks a significant increase over the 8 percent of voters who turned out for the Sept. 14 primary.

Voters casting their ballots from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. may choose up to four candidates.

Candidates include incumbents Glenn Anderson and Charles "Trav" Griffin; appointee David Cox; newcomers James Godbout, David James, Michael Kehrer and Michael Rintz; and nine-time hopeful Dorothy Smith.

The top three vote-getters will win four-year terms; the fourth-place fin-

**■ Candidates include incumbents Glenn Anderson and Charles "Trav" Griffin; appointee David Cox; newcomers James Godbout, David James, Michael Kehrer and Michael Rintz; and nine-time hopeful Dorothy Smith.**

isher will earn a two-year term.

A 14 percent turnout among Westland's 58,262 registered voters would be normal for an election year that includes only a council race, Gibbons said.

Voter turnout reached 20 percent just two years ago, but a mayoral race

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## Arrests made in playscape vandalism case

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Three Westland teenagers were arrested Monday amid accusations that they spray-painted obscenities on the city's playscape — a large wooden play structure in Central City Park.

The arrests came as work crews this week continued their efforts to rid the playscape of stubborn graffiti.

Police arrested two 16-year-old boys

and a 15-year-old girl, who were later released to their parents' custody, Lt. Marc Stobbe said.

Police plan to file a petition with juvenile court that could result in charges such as malicious destruction of property over \$1,000, Stobbe said.

Two of the suspects are John Glenn High School students, and the third is suspended, Stobbe said.

Witnesses reported widespread playscape vandalism after taking chil-

dren to the popular play structure on Monday morning, Oct. 18. The destruction had occurred over the weekend.

One of the boys told police that he and his friends defaced the playscape because "they had nothing better to do," Stobbe said.

The suspects allegedly bought their paint at Meijer, defaced the play structure and then threw empty paint containers in a nearby pond, Stobbe said.

Police learned the suspects' names

during an aggressive investigation.

"We started talking to everybody at the high school and through the neighborhoods," Stobbe said. "Finally, we started getting tips after talking to a lot of people. We had a lot of kids' names, but we narrowed it down to three."

"All of their parents were very cooperative," he said. "They were very surprised, but they were cooperative."

Please see **PLAYSCAPE, A4**

## City man dies in wreck

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A 48-year-old Westland man was killed Saturday after he drove his car into oncoming traffic on Wayne Road south of Cherry Hill, police Officer Jack McIntosh said.

Bruce McGhie died of chest injuries after his 1986 Pontiac Grand Am slammed head-on into a 1991 Ford Escort driven by Farrah Martin, 21, of Inkster, McIntosh said.

Martin suffered broken bones in both legs and a lacerated liver, and she is recovering at University of Michigan

Hospital in Ann Arbor, McIntosh said. She attends Western Michigan University, McIntosh said.

The accident occurred at 5:41 p.m. Saturday, snarling traffic for more than three hours near the Wayne-Cherry Hill intersection.

An investigation has revealed that McGhie's vehicle, traveling north on Wayne, crossed the center line and hit Martin's southbound car in a head-on collision, McIntosh said.

No one else was in either car. Westland police suspect that alcohol

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STAFF PHOTO BY TIM RAVELY

**Boo!**

**Fun: Dressed as a flower, Shelby Rasmussen, 2, of Redford enjoyed Tigger, volunteer Andrea Galindo of Westland, at last weekend's "Spooky Fun in Hines Park." For more, please see Page A9.**



# Smaller contributions add up in campaign

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Top-spending Westland City Council running mates David James, Charles "Trav" Griffin and David Cox share many campaign contributors, new finance reports show.

A review of their statements shows that each received contributions of \$100 to \$200 from Mayor Robert Thomas and many of his department heads.

Griffin, Cox and James are viewed as supportive of Thomas and some of his proposals, such as a multimillion-dollar recreation center.

Five other council candidates have had to pay for their campaigns without heavy administration support, depending more on grassroots contributions.

Here's a list of contributors to candidates, starting with top-spender David James and ending with the lowest-spending hopeful, Dorothy Smith.

Candidate expenses will likely increase by the time final totals are tallied for the Tuesday election.

James' contributors include the mayor (\$100); Citizens for Thomas (\$100); Griffin (\$100); Cox (\$100); City Attorney Angelo Plakas (\$100); Fire Chief Mark Neal (\$100); Housing Director James Gilbert (\$100); Building Director Robert Fritz (\$200); Assessor James Elrod (\$100); Economic Development Director Scott Veldhuis (\$100); Parks and Recreation Director Robert Kosowski (\$100); Planning Director Tod Kilroy (\$100); Personnel Director Keith Madden (\$100); Plumbers Union Local 98 (\$100); Al Mattioli (\$500); Sheetmetal Workers Local 80 PAC (\$80); Registrar's PAC (\$100); Carol Gillingham (\$100); Wayne-Westland school board member Martha Pitsenbarger (\$100); school board President Robin Moore (\$100); Michigan Boilermakers Local 169 PAC (\$400); city cable consultant Diane Abbott (\$100); Wayne-Westland Superintendent Greg Baracy (\$100); Westland District Judge C. Charles Bokos

(\$200); Assistant Fire Chief Patrick Harder (\$100); developer Marshall Kallen (\$200); Westland Firefighters Separate Segregated Fund PAC (\$500); developer Kathy Makino (\$400); Anthony Morocco, Westland Car Care (\$500); Councilwoman Sharon Scott (\$100); developer Glenn Shaw (\$500); Andy Spisak (\$100); and Citizens for Justice Barnes (\$100), among others.

Griffin's contributors are similar and include Andy Spisak (\$50); Keith Madden (\$100); James Gilbert (\$200); James Elrod (\$100); Mayor Robert Thomas (\$100); Citizens for Thomas (\$100); Scott Veldhuis (\$100); Diane Abbott (\$100); Robert Fritz (\$200); Mark Neal (\$200); Boilermakers Local 169 (\$200); Registrar's PAC (\$200); Glenn Shaw (\$250); Westland Firefighters PAC (\$500); Angelo Plakas (\$200); Martha Pitsenbarger (\$100); Kathy Makino (\$200); Anthony Morocco (\$300); Greg Baracy (\$100); Robert Kosowski (\$100); Robin Moore (\$100); and Committee to Elect Barnes (\$100).

Other contributors include Library Director Sandra Wilson (\$100); developer Daryl Williams (\$100); Public Ser-

vices Director Richard Dittmar (\$100); Finance Director Tim McCurley (\$100); Purchasing Agent Jill Thomas (\$100); Deputy Mayor George Gillies (\$200); attorney Nevin Rose (\$100); Westland Lieutenants and Sergeants Association Committee for Good Government (\$500); Westland Police Officers Association (\$300); Westland District Judge Gail McKnight (\$100); Metro Wayne Democratic Club (\$200); and the Committee To Elect Sharon Scott (\$100), among others.

Cox's contributors include Robin Moore (\$100); Westland Firefighters Separate Segregated Fund PAC (\$500); Friends of Kay Beard (\$100); Michigan Boilermakers Local 169 (\$200); Glenn Shaw (\$500); Nevin Rose (\$100); Anthony Morocco (\$500); Sheetmetal Workers Local 80 (\$200); Angelo Plakas (\$200); Mark Neal (\$100); Diane Abbott (\$100); Richard Dittmar (\$100); Keith Madden (\$100); Scott Veldhuis (\$100); Citizens for Thomas (\$100); Mayor Thomas (\$100); Andy Spisak (\$100); Gail McKnight (\$100); Martha Pitsenbarger (\$100); C. Charles Bokos (\$100); Robert Kosowski

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James Godbout's contributors, other than several thousand dollars of his own money, include Councilman Glenn Anderson (\$300); Thomas Schmansky (\$100); Stephen Morawa (\$50); Christopher Schulte (\$50); Roger Caldwell (\$50); Robert Meisner (\$100); Richard Roberts (\$100); Joel Bell (\$50); Helen Driscoll (\$250); Teresa Robbins (\$50); Paul Valovick (\$250); Diane Abbott (\$50); Howard and Georgia Becker (\$100); Robert Kosowski (\$50); George Gillies (\$50); and Councilman Richard LeBlanc (\$100), among others.

Glenn Anderson's contributors include Reator's PAC (\$150); Anthony Morocco (\$200); Diane Abbott (\$100); Victor Ansara (\$100); Howard Becker (\$100); Virginia Braun (\$250); Ernest

Johnson (\$50); Richard LeBlanc (\$100); George Marvaso (\$100); Al Mattioli (\$500); Phillip McKenna (\$50); former Councilman Charles Pickering (\$100); Angelo Plakas (\$200); Barbara Polch (\$50); Teresa Robbins (\$50); Arnold Shapero (\$100); and Scott Sherman (\$100), among others.

Michael Rintz's contributors include himself and Robert Beatty (\$500).

Michael Kehrer's contributors include Reator's PAC (\$150); Robert Bright (\$130); Al Mattioli (\$200); Westland Jaycees (\$499); Brook Bartolucci (\$45); Howard Becker (\$60); Donald Beesley (\$70); Shirley Bombalski (\$20); Council President Sandra Cicirelli (\$70); Sam Corrado (\$20); Marian Greenfield (\$25); Jo Ann Johnson (\$35); Richard LeBlanc (\$70); Deborah Lindquist (\$45); Teresa Robbins (\$35); Greg Roberts (\$90); Anthony Rosati (\$85); and Nicole Sigler (\$140), among others.

Dorothy Smith's contributors include herself and Gary Bulson (\$50).

## Race from page A1

■ Incumbent Glenn Anderson, \$5,707.

■ First-time hopeful Michael Rintz, \$4,987.

■ New candidate Michael Kehrer, \$4,933.

■ Nine-time candidate Dorothy Smith, \$1,520.

Candidates spend their money for yard signs, campaign literature, mailing costs, fund-raisers, voter labels and bumper stickers, among other items.

Rintz has stressed that virtually all of his money has come from his own pockets. He has repeatedly said that he wants to emerge from his campaign owing no one.

Smith has spent far less than her rivals, but she remains hopeful of grabbing one of four council seats at stake in Tuesday's election.

With a fifth-place finish in the Sept. 14 primary, she actually has received more votes for each dollar spent than any other candidate.

"I think the fact that I spent the lowest will help me. I always feel like my hard work for the citizens is what I have," Smith said. "I think I have a chance at winning. I know I've tried hard."

She criticized big-spending candidates whom she said "put out the slick literature and the slick pictures and tell all these lies."

Anderson, meanwhile, didn't seem concerned that James, Griffin and Cox have each spent more than twice what he has.

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Dorothy Smith

—Westland City Council candidate

Anderson finished first in the primary.

"I think that is directly attributable to the message and the issues," he said. "Hopefully the people realize that I'm just trying to be a good representative for them on the council."

Anderson, who is supporting Godbout and Kehrer, predicted that spending levels of Cox, Griffin and James won't matter because "they are on the wrong side of issues with the voters."

"I don't think dollars will buy them the election," Anderson said.

said.

### Views vary

Cox, Griffin and James have indicated support for using special Tax Increment Finance Authority dollars to build a multimillion-dollar city recreation center, while Anderson and some other candidates favor renovating the existing Bailey Center.

Top-spending council candidates defended their expenses, which are much less than the amount spent by some candidates in cities such as Livonia.

Griffin said the \$13,153 he has spent isn't that much when spread over a two- or four-year council term.

He defended spending money for yard signs, literature, postage and other items that help him reach voters.

Griffin, Cox and James are sharing some campaign literature, but also sending out their own personal mailings.

Cox said he had to mount an effective campaign because he last ran for public office three years ago — and that was for Wayne-Westland school board, not city council.

Griffin welcomed the money that he, Cox and James have received from contributors such as city department heads.

"I don't think these people contribute to you unless they see you as a positive person," Griffin said.

said.

Despite Anderson's incumbency, he didn't receive the same level of administration contributions. His theory: The officials donate to candidates supported by their boss, Mayor Robert Thomas.

Anderson said he feels good about the money he has received. He said he has tried to maintain a high level of integrity.

Anderson said he returned one contribution from an attorney representing Walgreen Co., which still has a project pending with the city.

"I didn't feel right keeping the contribution," he said.

Polls will be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday. If you're not sure where to vote, call the city clerk's office at (734) 467-3185.

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## Turnout from page A1

also was decided that year, she said.

In all, 3,446 voters have requested absentee ballots, and 2,007 people have returned theirs, Gibbons said.

"They're still coming in," she said Tuesday.

Council candidates have made their pitch for votes in several ways:

■ They appeared last Thursday for a Jaycees-sponsored candidates forum at the Wayne-Ford Civic League.

■ They're still sending out literature and campaigning in neighborhoods.

■ They introduced themselves during seven-minute segments allotted for each candidate on WLND, the city's cable station.

■ Their opinions appeared in a question-and-answer format that was published in the Oct. 21 issue of the Observer.

With the election looming, most candidates voiced hope that no 11th-hour mudslinging efforts will mar the final days of the campaign.

Even so, some candidates have voiced fears of being unfairly targeted by their rivals between now and Tuesday.

The 1999 campaign thus far has been described as alternately malicious and civil — depending on the week or even the day.

In the end, voters will have their say Tuesday, and Gibbons offered some advice.

"Come out and vote," she said. "Stake your claim in America and vote."

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## Dig In!



**Chow time:**  
John Szymanski, 4, enjoys his meal at St. Damian's Fall Family Feast dinner last Friday. Below, people gather for the Fall Family Feast.



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## Patchin gets principal; Adams effort lauded

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Patchin Elementary's new principal, Robert VanValkenburg, is a family man.

That was evident at Monday's Wayne-Westland school board meeting, at which he was approved as new principal. VanValkenburg had a family commitment, requiring him to leave early.

"Dr. VanValkenburg comes with many years of experience," said Greg Baracy, superintendent. "He's an instructional leader."

The new principal earned bachelor's (accounting) and master's (educational administration and educational psychology) degrees from Eastern Michigan University. His Ph.D. in business administration is from the University of Toledo.

VanValkenburg has worked in education since 1968, most recently as principal of Palmer Elementary in the Melvindale/Allen Park district. "We're pleased to have Dr. VanValkenburg on staff," said Baracy. Approval by the board was unanimous, with President Robin Moore having an excused absence.

"Welcome aboard, welcome to Wayne-Westland," Baracy said. VanValkenburg replaces Dennis Genig, who took a job with the Southgate district.

The school board meeting also featured a number of students who had attended Adams Middle School. The students took third place nationally in Project Citizen competition for their project on reducing high school failures.

The Adams students took first place at state. "They were the top middle school in the nation," Baracy said, noting the top two schools were high schools. Principal Celestine Sanders and eighth-grade communication arts teacher Barbara Anderson described the students' effort.

"What you are looking at are the leaders of tomorrow," Anderson said. "They have this opportunity to make a difference."

The honored students are: Steven Antonchuk, Phillip Bliven, Jeremy Bowling, Emily Bowyer, Robin Campbell, Catrina Clark, Steven Cronen-

wett, Natalie Davis, Amanda Dewyer, Allyn Edwards, Nick Gallion, Tellie Gray, Corey Ingraham, Chris Johnston, Sheila King, Timothy Labean, Lauren Lipinski, Michael Manuel, Jon Morris, Analise Ochoa, Amie Papo, Maegan Riordan, Miranda Smith, Steven Wallace, Randy Woody and Crystal Wright.

The board also watched a science demonstration by Hicks Elementary students Justine and Jessica Easter, working with teacher Jodi Shields.

In addition, the board unanimously approved the 1998-99 audit report.

The report noted the district's general fund for the year ended June 30, 1999, had revenue of \$96,575,964 and expenditures of \$97,329,787, for a difference of \$753,823. Fund equity (surplus) for that date was \$13,509,834.

For that year, the district spent 86 percent on salaries and benefits, 7 percent on supplies and 5 percent on purchased services.

"I'm very confident this has met a lot of the requirements to receive that certificate of excellence," said Plante & Moran's Dianne Wells, who presented the report with colleague Jeff Higgins and the district's Gary Martin, assistant superintendent for business and finance.

She referred to the Association of School Business Officials' certificate.

Wells mentioned that the district also received more than \$7 million through federal programs.

"There are a lot of uncertainties in school finance," Higgins said. The district has been fortunate to have good economic times, he added, but should consider a plan for an eventual downturn.

"We did take note our fund equity is down from last year," Baracy said. Factors such as enrollment, cost containment, retirement contributions and others must be considered.

Baracy said he'd work with legislators to guarantee equitable funding for the district.

In other business, school board members voted unanimously to expel a student who had brought a knife to school. Several expressed their regret at having to do so; state law requires such a move.

### ACHIEVERS

Student Karen Niemiec of Westland was among Michigan State University College of Veterinary Medicine volunteers who spent four days this summer educating residents of northeastern Montana on pet health care issues.

The free clinic lasted nearly 16 hours each day at different locations on Sioux Assiniboine Indian reservations. During the clinic, volunteers spayed and neutered 708 cats and dogs. They also immunized several pets.

The trip was a part of efforts made by Remote Area Medical, a volunteer medical relief corps serving people and animals in remote and impoverished areas in the U.S. and abroad.

## Charge added in shooting case

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A charge of assault with intent to murder was added to the list of offenses leveled against a suspect in a June 25 Canton shooting.

Timothy Regan Boster, 22, was arraigned Oct. 20 on the charge at 35th District Court in Plymouth. He's already facing three counts of firearms discharge at a building and one count of felony firearm.

Zachary Scott Woodby, 21, is currently undergoing a forensic exam. He faces five felony charges including assault with

intent to murder, felony firearm and three counts of firearms discharge at a building.

Both will be in Wayne County Circuit Court Dec. 10 in front of Judge George W. Crockett III. A trial date should be set at the hearing.

"I don't see a trial starting until after the first of the year," said Plymouth-based attorney Gerald Conley, Boster's attorney.

Plymouth District Court Judge John MacDonald continued Boster's \$50,000 bond at a Monday preliminary exam. He's currently free on bail.

"I don't know why they waited this long to bring an additional

charge," Conley said.

Woodby, meanwhile, has been in the Wayne County Jail since the incident. Canton resident Dawn Davis was heading west-bound on Palmer Road and stopped at the intersection of Sheldon. Township police said as many as 11 shots fired from an AK-47 military assault rifle hit Davis' Chrysler LeBaron.

Police originally thought Woodby was responsible for firing each of the shots. Conley said last week's charge against Boster indicates a change.

The attorney maintains that Boster fired one shotgun round into the air and not at Davis.

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# MEAP move to Treasury seen as Engler power play

BY TIM RICHARD  
SPECIAL WRITER

A politically-controlled board in the state Treasury Department will take charge of the MEAP tests under Gov. John Engler's latest executive order, alarmed members of the state board of education say.

Engler's order transfers administration and even approval of the tests, which allow students to earn up to \$3,000 a piece in scholarship money, from the Department of Education to Treasury. The governor also pulled adult education and public school vocational training out of Education and shifted them to the new Department of Career Development.

"No one has ever suggested lay people can write a test. We've got a test with credibility problems," said Sharon Gire, a Macomb County Democrat elected to the state board in 1998. "It's a disaster, illogical, irrational."

"Governors don't like it that there's one department (Education) they can't control," said board president Dorothy Beardmore, R-Rochester, "but this (governor) is the only one who has gone after it."

Beardmore and board vice president Kathleen Straus, D-Detroit, referred to Engler's order as "dismantling" the Department of Education.

"I don't think it has enhanced public education," said Straus. "I can't make sense of this - removing assessment from Education to Treasury. It's beyond me. I'm terribly dismayed and distressed."

Board member Herb Moyer, D-Temperance, asked Superintendent of Public Instruction Art Ellis, "To what degree did the governor consult you, and what advice did you give?"

"I won't reveal my discussions with the governor," said Ellis, admitting only that he had known about the governor's plans for months. "There were other versions you would have liked less than this."

MEAP stands for Michigan Educational Assessment Program. There are three sets, the last administered in 11th grade covering reading, writing, math and science, with social studies to be added in the near future.

Students who pass all the high school tests can be awarded \$2,500 by Engler's new merit award board, beginning with the June 2000 graduating class. In later years, students who pass middle-grades tests can pick up an additional \$500.

The last paragraph of an Engler press release noted, "Because the law requires that the Michigan Merit Award Board review and approve the assessment tests before they may be used to determine eligibility under the scholarship program, the responsibility for the administration of MEAP is transferred to the Department of Treasury."

About 60 education employees are being transferred to the other two departments.

"The MEAP office is in a state of suspense," said Beardmore. "This all takes effect the first of the year."

Of the seven members of the merit board, six are Engler appointees: Mark Murray of Treasury; Barbara Bolin, director of career development; Kathleen Barclay, vice president of global human resources for General Motors; Clark Durant, recently resigned state board member who has openly advocated abolishing the state board; Isaiah (Ike) MacKinnon, former Detroit police chief who teaches part time at a private university; and one person yet to be named. None has any background in K-12 administration or trusteeship.

The seventh member is Ellis, who, though appointed by the state board, is considered an Engler loyalist because he once headed the Commerce Department.

In an interview, Beardmore quoted Ellis as saying, "I don't want to reign over the dismantling of the department." Straus told almost exactly the same anecdote.

Control of the MEAP tests amounts to control over most of public education and likely a strong influence over private education.

MEAP is an outcome-type set of tests that is supposed to drive the school curriculum. The state board of education learned at a recent meeting in Cadillac that MEAP tests are influencing teacher preparation in the 45

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state universities, too.

And there are signs that private and parochial school operators will either administer the MEAP tests to their students or send their students to public schools when the tests are administered so they can become eligible for the \$3,000 scholarships, good at any public or private college in Michigan and good for \$1,000 at a non-Michigan public or private college.

State board members have two ways - theoretically - to battle Engler's order. One is to get the Legislature to override it by a two-thirds vote in each chamber. That's unlikely given Republican control of both chambers by Engler loyalists.

The other method is a court challenge. That's even less likely to succeed, given that Democrat-controlled courts have upheld three challenges to his orders, the last by Straus and state board Democrats.

Moreover, the court as of Oct.

1 has a 5-2 majority of Republicans who are members of the Federalist Society and even less likely to agree with the governor who led two of them to victory and appointed three of them.

Michael David Warren Jr., R-Beverly Hills, Engler's appointee to replace Durant on the state board, didn't defend the executive order but noted the governor's order still "maintains policy-making authority" in the state board, as required by the Michigan Constitution.

"We ought to aggressively protect that power," Warren said.

"though it would be easier if the administrative authority were in the Education Department."

Easier said than done, said Straus. Education administration is now fragmented over three departments, and two of them "aren't used to reporting to a board."

Straus also noted that the Constitution and Open Meetings Act give the public access only to the elected state board, not to the heads of the Treasury and Career Development departments who report to Engler.



Dorothy Beardmore

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# Congresswoman shares U.S. budget concerns

BY JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER  
jbrown@ec.econ.com

When Congresswoman Lynn Rivers talks about the federal budget, her fervor emerges.

"We don't have a surplus," she emphatically told those at a Saturday, Oct. 23, town hall meeting at the Friendship Center in Westland. The budget balancing act depends on Social Security money, she said.

U.S. military intervention in Kosovo is consuming U.S. tax dollars, she said. Rivers (D-Ann Arbor) told about 25 people at the gathering that Social Security money is structured so that dollars beyond benefits are put into bonds.

A move to raise the payroll tax to fund benefits for aging baby boomers created the extra

money. "We're now getting closer to when those bonds have to be redeemed."

Both the Republican and Democratic parties have talked about paying down the debt, said Rivers. "The fingerprinting that's been going on is essentially the pot calling the kettle black," she said.

"If you pay down the debt, you make it easier to meet our obligations."

Rivers, who regularly holds such gatherings throughout her Washtenaw-Wayne County district, advocates paying bills and spending only money that's available. That's true for a family budget, she said, and should also be true for a federal one.

"Take them with a grain of salt and look for the long-term responsible position," Rivers

advised in evaluating political pronouncements. "We have to make sure first there is a real surplus."

It's important to be sure any such plan would pose no undue hardship on anyone, she added. Rivers described herself as unhappy with the politicization of the budget issue.

"Too much of defense money is spent as job programs for certain states," the congresswoman said. She cited as an example the F22 plane, with questionable military merit, having been built in former House Speaker Newt Gingrich's Georgia district.

That was likely to change after Gingrich left, she said, but enough political leverage remained to keep the project afloat. "When all was said and done, the Georgian senators pre-

vailed."

Those who question such projects are often attacked by opponents as unpatriotic, she said.

Rivers said she's concerned about possible cuts in programs which help people. "There's no opportunity to look at the value of the programs relative to one another."

She noted many minimum wage earners need governmental help to make ends meet. Rivers favors a hybrid approach, in which people would work and contribute to society but get help from the government as needed.

"It's a confusing time," she said of the current political battle. "There's a lot of fingerprinting going on."

Questions from the audience ranged from phone service concerns to issues related to health

insurance.

Rivers encouraged constituents to check "behind the headlines" on her Web site at [www.house.gov/rivers/welcome.htm](http://www.house.gov/rivers/welcome.htm). It currently includes information on such topics as the budget battle and, on the international front, the Panama Canal.

She brushed aside with a laugh a suggestion that she run for president, noting that she's too short of stature to win.

**Speaking up: U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers came to Westland Saturday for a town hall appearance at the Friendship Center. She fielded a variety of questions.**



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ALLYSON M. BETTIS  
Treasurer/City Clerk

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### CITY OF WESTLAND GENERAL ELECTION

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 2, 1999 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing four candidates for the Office of Councilman.

List of polling place locations:

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| 1-19     | Madison School, 1075 S. Carlson                         |
| 2-32     | Kettering School, 1200 Hubbard                          |
| 3-7      | Stottlemeyer School, 34901 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 | Cooper School, 28550 Ann Arbor Trail                    |
| 13-18    | Schweitzer School, 2601 Treadwell                       |
| 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, 500 N. Wildwood                        |
| 21       | Lowell Jr. High School, 5400 Hix                        |
| 22       | Westland Meadows Club House, 30600 Van Born             |
| 24       | Lutheran High School-Westland, 33300 Cowan              |
| 26-33    | Hamilton School, 1031 Schuman                           |
| 27       | Perrinville School, 33344 Ann Arbor Trail               |
| 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                         |
| 41       | Greenwood Villa, 7600 Nankin Ct.                        |

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PATRICIA A. GIBBONS, Westland City Clerk

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## Glenn band will perform at Silverdome

The John Glenn High School Marching Band has qualified for the 20th annual Michigan Competing Band Association State Championship Contest.

Competition will be held Saturday, Oct. 30, in the Pontiac Silverdome, with the Glenn band

to perform at 10:05 a.m. under the direction of Scott Cramer.

Bands compete in flights, based on school enrollment. Glenn will compete in Flight I, for schools with 1,451 students or more.

Doors will open 8:30 a.m., with tickets costing \$12 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors. For ticket information, call the Pontiac Silverdome at (248) 456-1600.

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### CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

On Tuesday, November 2, 1999, the Westland Police Department will conduct a Public Auction of impounded, abandoned vehicles. The 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:

YEAR	MAKE	BODY STYLE	COLOR	VIN.
1984	PONTIAC	T-1000/4 DR.	BLUE	1G2AL68C4EY205122
1986	DODGE	VAN/2 DR.	MAROON	2B6HB23T6GK546085
1989	FORD	TAURUS/4 DR.	BLACK	1FABP54Y3KA163973
1993	LEXUS	GS300/4 DR.	PURPLE	JT8JS47E0P0040370
1986	GMC	PICK-UP	BLUE/SILVER	1G5CT18R5G01187
1986	FORD	ESCORT/4 DR.	SILVER	1FABP3699GW21139
1987	FORD	E150/VAN	WHITE	1FTDE14N6HHA85267
1992	FORD	AEROSTAR	RED	1FMDA31U8NZA22280
1977	LINCOLN	TOWN CAR/4 DR.	BROWN	7Y82A897231
1988	FORD	ESCORT/2 DR.	BLACK	1FAPP23J5JW161944
1996	EAGLE	TALON/2 DR.	GREEN	4E3AK24Y6TE358455
1986	CHEVY	CAMARO/2 DR.	BLACK	1G1FPP578G8N187263
1986	VOLVO	740-GLE/4 DR.	WHITE	YV1FX8847G2078408

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.

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### CITY OF WESTLAND ORDINANCE NO. 188-A-1

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 50, ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 1, OF THE WESTLAND CITY CODE, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 50-101 AND 50-122 TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION FIREWORKS AND PROVIDE FOR AN APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THEIR LAWFUL DISPLAY, AND TO REPEAL SECTION 50-102**

**Section 1.** That Chapter 50, Section 50-101 of the Westland City Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

**A. Definitions.**  
1. "Fireworks" means a device made from explosive or flammable compositions used primarily for the purpose of producing a visible display or audible effect, or both, by combustion, deflagration, or detonation. Fireworks includes class B fireworks and class C fireworks.

2. "Class B fireworks" means toy torpedoes, railway torpedoes, firecrackers or salutes that do not qualify as class C fireworks, exhibition display pieces, aeroplanes, flares, illuminating projectiles, incendiary projectiles, incendiary grenades, smoke projectiles or bombs containing expelling charges but without bursting charges, flash powders in inner units not exceeding 2 ounces each, flash sheets in interior packages, flash powder or spreader cartridges containing not more than 72 grains of flash powder each, and other similar devices.

3. "Class C fireworks" means toy smoke devices, toy caps containing not more than 25 grains of explosive mixture, toy propellant devices, cigarette loads, trick matches, trick noise makers, smoke candles, smoke pots, smoke grenades, smoke signals, hand signal devices, very signal cartridges, sparklers, explosive auto alarms, and other similar devices.

**B. Prohibited Generally.**  
1. Except as otherwise provided for in this ordinance a person, firm, partnership, or corporation shall not offer for sale, expose for sale, sell at retail, keep with intent to sell at retail, possess, give, furnish, transport, use, explode, or cause to explode any of the following:

- a. A blank cartridge, blank cartridge pistol, toy cannon, toy cane, or toy gun in which explosives are used.
- b. An unmanned balloon which requires fire underneath to propel it and is not moored to the ground while aloft.
- c. Firecrackers, torpedoes, skyrockets, Roman candles, dayno bombs, bottle rockets, whistling chasers, rockets on sticks, or other fireworks of like construction.
- d. Fireworks containing an explosive or inflammable compound or a tablet or other device commonly used and sold as fireworks containing nitrate, fulminate, chlorate, oxalate, sulphides of lead, barium, antimony, arsenic, mercury, nitrotyrosine, phosphorus, or a compound containing these or other modern explosives.

**C. Exceptions.**

1. A permit is not required for the following:
  - a. Flat paper caps containing not more than .25 of a grain of explosive content per cap, in packages labeled to indicate the maximum explosive content per cap.
  - b. Toy pistols, toy cannons, toy canes, toy trick noise makers and toy guns of a type approved by the director of the department of state police in which paper caps as described in subdivision (a) are used and which are so constructed that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for the explosion and which are not designed to break apart or be separated so as to form a missile by the explosion.
  - c. Sparklers containing not more than .0125 pounds of burning portion per sparkler.
  - d. Filter sparklers in paper tubes not exceeding 1/4 inch in diameter, cone fountains and cylinder fountains.
  - e. Toy snakes not containing mercury, if packed in cardboard boxes without more than 12 pieces per box for retail sale and if the manufacturer's name and the quantity contained in each box are printed on the box; and toy smoke devices.
  - f. Possession, transportation, sale or use of signal flares of a type approved by the director of the department of state police, blank cartridges or

blank cartridge pistols specifically for a show or theater, for the training of exhibiting dogs, for signal purposes in athletic sports, for use by military organizations and all items described in subsection (2) used by railroads for emergency purposes.

**g.** The sale of fireworks, provided they are to be shipped directly out of state pursuant to regulations of the United States department of transportation covering the transportation of explosives and other dangerous articles by motor, rail and water.

**Section 2.** That Chapter 50, Section 50-102 of the Westland City Code is hereby repealed.

**Section 3.** That Chapter 50, Section 50-122 of the Westland City Code is hereby amended to provide as follows:

**A. Permit and Application.**

1. The City Council upon application in writing, on forms provided by the director of the department of state police, which are available at the City Clerk's office, may grant a permit for the use of fireworks otherwise prohibited by section 750.243a, within their political jurisdiction, manufactured for outdoor pest control or agricultural purposes, or for public display by municipalities, fair associations, amusement parks, or other organizations or groups of individuals approved by the city if the applicable provisions of this ordinance are complied with. The permits shall be on forms provided by the director of the department of state police, fire marshal division. After a permit has been granted, sales, possession, or transportation of fireworks for the purposes described in the permit only may be made. A permit granted under this subsection shall not be transferable, nor shall a permit be issued to a person under the age of 18 years.

2. The City Council, upon application in writing, may grant a permit, on forms provided by the director of the department of state police, which are available at the City Clerk's office, to a resident wholesale dealer or jobber to have in his possession within the political jurisdiction, fireworks otherwise prohibited by section 750.243a, for sale only to holders of permits as provided in this section. A permit granted under this subsection is not transferable, nor shall a permit be issued to a person under the age of 18 years.

3. Before a permit for a pyrotechnic display is issued, the person, firm, or corporation making application therefore shall furnish proof of financial responsibility by a bond or insurance in an amount deemed necessary by the local governing authority to satisfy claims for damages to property or personal injuries arising out of an act or omission on the part of the person, firm, or corporation, or an agent or employee thereof, in the amount, character and form the local authority determines necessary for the protection of the public.

4. A permit shall not be issued under this ordinance to a nonresident person, firm, or corporation for conduct of a pyrotechnic display in this city until the person, firm, or corporation has appointed in writing a resident member of the bar of this state or a resident agent to be his legal representative upon whom all process in an action or proceeding against him may be served.

5. The local governing authority shall rule on the competency and qualifications of operators of pyrotechnic displays, as the operator has furnished in his application form, and on the time, place and safety aspects of the displays before granting permits.

**Section 4.** That all other provisions of Chapter 50 of the Westland City Code shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 5. Severability.** The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

**Section 6. Repeal.** All other Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistencies, hereby repealed.

**Section 7. Publication.** The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**Section 8. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as required by law.

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# Rouge group wants county septic education programs

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A Rouge River advisory group wants county health departments to develop an education program about septic systems for owners of homes with septic.

The group also recommended that such programs in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties should explore funding sources for residents who experience "financial hardship" when repairing septic or making sewer connections.

The Rouge River Remedial Action Plan advisory council approved a resolution Oct. 20 that contained language revisions to the ordinance was less restrictive for communities than a previous version. The resolution was forwarded to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

The council advises MDEQ and federal agencies on plans to clean the Rouge River and serves as a public forum on the Rouge River restoration. It meets bimonthly and the meetings are open to the public.

Some representatives of communities were concerned earlier this year when the original version was interpreted by them as a minimum standard for septic inspection programs. Communities could not afford that program, they argued.

Oakland County has an estimated 75,000 houses with septic systems, and approximately 11,600 of those are within the Rouge subwatershed. Wayne County has just under 4,000.

The new version calls for the following recommendations for local health departments, which oversee septic tank systems:

■ The counties should have programs in place requiring the inspection of onsite sewage disposal systems at the time of sale, as a minimum. Wayne County commissioners passed such an ordinance recently, effective Jan. 1, 2000. Washtenaw has one on the books, while Oakland County was considering an ordinance.

■ The local health departments and communities should have a written agreement outlining management of on-site sewage disposal systems, records, inspection standards, reporting, financing of the inspection program and enforcement.

■ Education to owners of homes with septic systems must be part of the program.

■ A database available to communities should be developed to manage septic system records and septic, leakage, on a routine basis.

■ An annual report including demographics, evaluations and problems should be submitted to the MDEQ.

■ Minimum inspection standards must be developed.

■ The health department, the community and the MDEQ should re-evaluate the program after a period of time, or before the renewal of the stormwater permit to see if the septic programs should be modified.

■ Funding sources should be explored to help residents experiencing a financial hardship when having to repair the system or connect to sewers.

The only discussion on the new resolution centered around whether the resolution would be interpreted by some residents that RRAC was advocating a position that all septic systems should be connected to sewers.

Tom McNulty, RRAC's chairman of the onsite sewage disposal committee and a section chief of technical services with Wayne County's environmental health division, said sewer connections only make sense in "highly urbanized areas."

That would mean surrounding communities where the Detroit sewer system is already located, not in outlying areas, miles away from the system where it would be cost-prohibitive to connect the homes.

"No section will be in here that says that sewers make the most sense," added Rich Badies, RRAC chair.

## Residents warned to not burn leaves

The Department of Environmental Quality encourages Michigan residents to compost or mulch leaves into a valuable resource rather than burning them.

Burning leaves is illegal in many Michigan communities. Leaf burning leads to air pollution, health problems and is a fire hazard.

Burning leaves produce ash

and also release carbon monoxide and hydrocarbons which contain toxic, irritant and carcinogenic compounds. They are not healthy for the average person to breathe and can be particularly harmful to children, older residents or people with allergies, asthma or related problems.

Leaves and yard waste can no longer be sent to landfills, but

there is a simple solution, according to the DEQ. Composting and mulching are easy, safe and environmentally sound ways of managing most yard waste.

Additional material is available from the DEQ Environmental Assistance Center at 1-800-662-9278, or the Michigan Compost Council at [www.mienv.org/mrc/page3.html](http://www.mienv.org/mrc/page3.html) or call (517) 371-7073.

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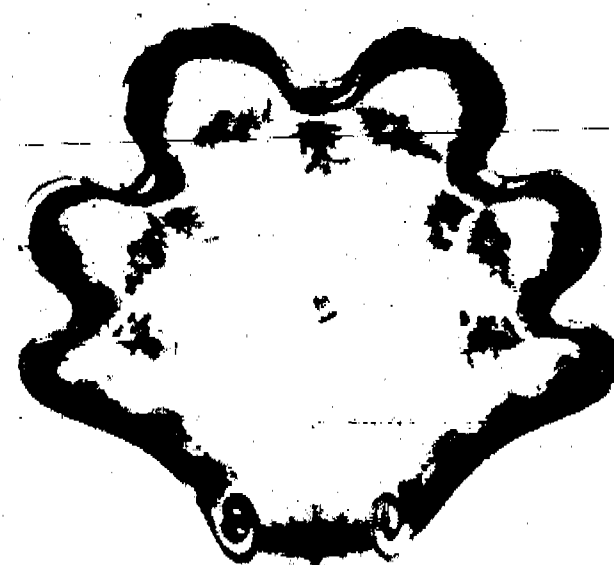
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# Expect lots of (road construction) orange in the coming year

BY RICHARD PEARL  
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Orange, the traditional color of fall, is likely to be the hue of spring and summer, too, next year in western Wayne County.

"Let your readers know we're going to be bringing plenty of orange their way next year," said Gary G. Naeyaert, Michigan Department of Transportation communications director.

He was referring to the orange trucks, paving equipment and orange-vested workers that will be seen by tens of thousands of motorists in over a half-dozen Observer communities as the state repairs or rebuilds deteriorating sections of four major roads.

The roads, part of the state's record-setting \$1.4-billion Build Michigan II road repair plan for the year 2000, are Plymouth and Ann Arbor roads, both also known as Old M-14; Ford Road and Michigan Avenue.

Owners of three businesses likely to be affected by the roadwork support the projects, but with reservations.

"The roads need to be fixed periodically — it's a fact of life," said Tom North, co-owner with brother, Doug, of North Brothers Ford Inc. on Ford Road in Westland.

But, he said, "We hope that they complete it as quickly as humanly possible and don't inconvenience our customers."



One way, he suggested, would be by doing as much as possible at night or on weekends. Ford Road carries 38,000 vehicles per day.

Julie Baechler, assistant manager of Pilgrim Motorsports on Ann Arbor Road in the City of Plymouth, echoed North when she said, "Just like anything" else in life, "the means to get to the end is not what you want, but the end result is going to benefit us."

However, Angelo Barile, owner of the Pizza Man Restaurant on Plymouth Road in Livonia, wondered why the road will be torn up after sprinklers have been installed between the sidewalks and the road.

He said the sprinklers, as well as new lampposts, are a Plymouth Road Development Authority project done in conjunction with the state.

"There are new lights and everything up on Plymouth Road. It looks nice," he said. "If such things

should be done, they should have been done the other way around."

## Not the best

He said the scraping and resurfacing, which he believes was done about eight years ago, isn't the best fix.

"The problem is, the base of the road is not solid. It doesn't matter how many times they patch it up, it doesn't last. But it does make it look better for five, six years," Barile said.

State Transportation Director James DeSana, vowed to "continue doing everything possible in order to minimize motorist inconvenience while repairing roads and bridges at a record pace" when the program was announced earlier this month.

He said MDOT would continue to spread out the construction season, award contracts based on price and timeliness, provide financial incentives for early completion and keep as many lanes open as possible throughout the year.

"Our strategy of fixing the worst roads first is working," DeSana said.

## Western Wayne projects:

- the milling and resurfacing of 3.01 miles of Plymouth Road between Inkster and Farmington Roads in Livonia (\$1,900 motorists affected per day).

- the reconstruction of 1.51 miles of Ann Arbor Road between Lilley and Canton Center roads

in Plymouth and Plymouth Township (\$1,700 motorists affected per day).

- the milling and resurfacing of 1.26 miles of Ford Road between Venoy and Wayne roads in Garden City and Westland.

- the reconstruction of 4.6 miles of Michigan Ave. (26,200 motorists affected per day) from its intersection with Canton Center and Belleville Roads west to the Wayne County line.

Exact dates and project costs won't be known until contracts are awarded each month between April 1 and November, Naeyaert said. He estimated the Old M-14 repair costs at \$10 million and said the Michigan Avenue project would be the most expensive, at around \$11 million.

Another Wayne County project includes the milling and resurfacing of Telegraph Road between Eight Mile Road and Grand River in Detroit. That project will run about \$4 million, Naeyaert said.

The \$1.379 billion total, a state-record investment, will repair and rebuild 1,400 miles of road and rehabilitate 265 bridges in the state highway system, according to Gov. John Engler.

"Our commitment to Michigan's motorists is to fix the right roads, with the right fix, at the right time, and we're delivering on that promise," he said when the project was announced.

"The aggressive pace of road and

bridgework we've seen these past few years will continue, and the (Year 2000) projects will bring us closer to having nine out of 10 roads and bridges in good condition by the year 2007."

He added that MDOT was able to deliver 93 percent of the 1999

road and bridge construction projects.

Naeyaert said "a big grouping of bridge projects" is planned throughout Wayne County, including a \$3 million asphalt overlay on the Telegraph Road bridge over the Rouge River.

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# BOO!



**Witchy show:** The show "Witchy-Poo Revue" was performed for the children. Above, Jessica Suer, 3 1/2 of Livonia, participates with Witchy-Poo Elizabeth Wingert.



**Chilly scares:** "Little Devil," Brandon Dick, 12 months old from Dearborn, bundles up for the cold with his mother Heather. A few hundred children attended the spooky fun of games, activities, live entertainment and a hayride.



**Sign of the Z:** (Top photo) Zorro, Christopher Syros, 5 of Dearborn Heights, enjoys the hayrides. (Above) Clown Bear Stephanie Cameron, 3 1/2 of Canton, joined in the parade of costumes.

## Halloweenfest brings out pint-size goblins

The weather was frightfully cold for October, but youngsters braved the winds and rains Saturday at Wayne County Parks' Halloweenfest.

Despite temperatures in the 30s, nearly 300 people converged on Nankin Mills in Westland to enjoy live entertainment provided by Ben Spitzer and the Witchy-poo Revue. Youngsters lined up for trick-or-

treating at a tent, where the county parks staff distributed candy. The remainder of the 20 pounds of candy was donated to Highland Park.

Children enjoyed hay rides and played games put on by the county parks staff, including hoop shoot, bean bag toss, ring toss and pin the nose on the jack-o'-lantern. They also guessed how many pieces of candy were in a jar.

The Halloweenfest represents one of the last events of 1999 presented by the county parks staff. The third annual Wayne County LightFest 8K Fun Run is scheduled at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, along Hines Drive from Westland to Dearborn Heights, while the holiday LightFest is scheduled to open to the public two days later along that same road. County officials call the LightFest

the Midwest's largest holiday light show. It will be open through the holidays. LightFest runs nightly from 7-10 p.m. Nov. 18 through Jan. 1, except Christmas Day, along 4.5 miles of Hines Drive from Merriam Road in Westland to Dearborn Heights.

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## Who won Durant II school suit? It depends on who you talk to

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Who won the lawsuit known as Durant II — in which 255 school districts sued the State of Michigan claiming it had underfunded school lunch programs, special education and transportation — depends on whom you talk to.

In fact, when the Court of Appeals issued its ruling Tuesday, Oct. 19, the three-judge panel found in favor of the plaintiffs on some points and in favor of the state on others.

And the difference in interpretations of the ruling makes it likely the case will head to a higher court.

The unanimous decision said that the state violated the funding guarantee of Proposal A ... by restricting the use of a portion of the schools' foundation allowance in order to cover for the underfunding of special education programs. The court granted the plaintiff school districts a declaratory judgment and costs of the lawsuit, including attorneys' fees," according to a statement issued by Dennis Pollard, the Bloomfield Hills attorney representing school districts.

He concluded that the decision in favor of the schools involves approximately \$375-\$400 million in underfunding for special education for the current school year alone. A small amount of the suit involved funding for school lunch programs. The state passed a supplemental appropriations bill this summer, adding \$7 million for schools. The districts failed on their claim that lunch programs are still underfunded.

"We have no idea what decision he was reading," John Truscott, spokesman for Gov. John Engler, said.

Truscott's interpretation of the ruling was that while the court agreed the state's allocation to school districts technically violated the constitution, because it failed to break out money for special education, the court agreed the state had actually paid the districts enough money. What the court ordered was a technical adjustment in the allocation, separating out that amount.

"What we did is roll in the student foundation grant and special education dollars as one line item," he said. "What the court said is that we have to separate

that back out ... It's just a technical change. It really doesn't affect the dollars at all."

Pollard has indicated that unless the state adds money to the state school aid fund, as a result of this decision, he'll be back in court.

"We are not going to add money to it," Truscott said. "He has done his clients a huge disservice because, with this decision, it will give school districts a lot less discretion about how they spend their money. What we said is, 'This is your money, but you have flexibility on how you spend it.' What the court said is, 'No, you don't have flexibility on how you spend it.' It is much more restrictive for the school districts. We were trying to help them out."

The court ruled in favor of school districts on the claim that allocations violated Proposal A in the state constitution. But the court disagreed with school districts about whether the foundation grants could be counted as covering the state's overall obligations.

Truscott said there will be no appeal of the decision by the state — "We won."

## Credit info theft now a felony

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Applying for a loan or credit in someone else's name — also known as identity fraud or credit info theft — will net perpetrators a felony charge worth up to four years in jail under legislation approved in Michigan.

No one is quite sure how often it is happening here. A legislative analysis said no data are available on how often credit applications are submitted in someone else's name in Michigan. The attorney general's office has declined to estimate the frequency of this crime in this state.

But it does happen. Rep. Bob Brown (D-Dearborn Heights) said a constituent in his district was a victim. After someone

applied for credit in her name and wracked up \$50,000 worth of debt, it took her many hours to clear her name.

And that is why he introduced House Bill 4413, increasing penalties for so-called identity theft.

"Criminals need very little information to secure credit using someone else's identity. Considering the amount of information we often provide in places of business or even through the Internet, it's easy for a person to get the information they need to apply for a credit card or get a loan using someone else's name."

Brown's bill increases the penalty for identity fraud to four years in prison or a \$2,500 fine. The Senate gave approval to the bill 37-0 on Thursday, Oct. 14. It was approved by the House in a

107-0 vote back in June.

Brown's bill was tie-barred to House Bill 4598, sponsored by Stephen Ehardt (R-Lexington) which makes it illegal to possess credit information with the intent of passing it on to another for the purpose of credit fraud. The bills also make it illegal to possess a credit application form filled out in another person's name, even if it has yet to be submitted.

"These types of crimes not only cause huge financial headaches, but they can mean a huge loss of time for the victim, who can dedicate hundreds of hours to clearing his or her name. Many people don't even realize how valuable their credit identity can be, so when it comes to punishment, we need to make sure the penalties match the seriousness of the crime," Brown said.

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# Liddane honored for founding HEAT

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The adult children of the late William V. Liddane, founder of Help Eliminate Auto Thefts (HEAT), were honored Oct. 19 in Detroit with an award in their father's memory.

On hand at the 14th HEAT anniversary celebration to accept the first Liddane Award were Matthew Liddane of Canton Township, Michael Liddane of Grosse Pointe Shores and Margaret Rose of Grosse Pointe Farms, who designed the award sculpture.

Liddane, who died in March, was a longtime Livonia resident. His Livonia-based program rewards providers of information - usually via telephone - whose tips lead to the arrest and prosecution of car thieves and carjackers.

In the future, the Liddane Award will be presented to "any individual making an outstanding commitment toward eliminating auto thefts," said Liddane's successor, HEAT Director Terri Miller of Brighton.

## Awards program

The awards program at the Hotel Pontchartrain, attended by 120 metro-Detroit law enforcement officials and insurance company investigators, heard Michigan Attorney Gener-

al Jennifer Granholm emphasize community and responsibility in her keynote address.

HEAT works because there's a notion of partnership between neighbors and police to fight crime in the first place rather than trying to place blame, Granholm said.

A return to community, neighborliness and family responsibility is needed to prevent youngsters from becoming thieves and carjackers, she emphasized.

HEAT offers up to \$10,000 for confidential tips that prove out. Informants are paid regardless of convictions.

Since 1985, when the program began during the height of car stealing in metro Detroit, HEAT has paid out \$1.9 million and recovered over \$30 million in stolen cars and parts.

It's amazing how money works to get people to talk, said Redford Township Detective Sgt. Peter Lusi, who specializes in auto theft investigations.

## Auto thefts down

Lusi, who joined his boss, Inspector Donald Mehall, at the breakfast, said township auto thefts are down 7 to 10 percent per year. "What has increased is our arrests - and dramatically," he said.

"We're learning more all the time" about how car thieves operate, he said. "The fact is, if

they don't have a source to unload it (the stolen car or parts), they won't steal it."

A case in point was Redford's helping Detroit smash an airbag theft ring that had stolen 3,700 bags worth \$2.5 million.

Redford police caught an airbag thief in the act and Lusi interviewed him. The thief became an informant and "rolled over" on C.J. Automotive, Lusi said, breaking the ring.

Lusi called HEAT "a really good program," although the three calls Redford got last year didn't quite pan out: Two were neighbor problems and the third was Detroit's.

He said HEAT's new TV public service announcements featuring Detroit Piston Grant Hill and Detroit Police Chief Benny Napoleon should boost public awareness.

Inkster police officer Jeff Twardzik, assigned to the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit of the Michigan State Police, said, "HEAT is a great program because it allows the citizens to actually get involved, but not get involved."

It provides an outlet for people who "still want to do something" about crime, who "want to make a difference in their community," he said. "I don't think money is the issue."

Redford, Garden City, Livonia, Wayne, Westland, Canton Town-

ship and the two Plymouths, along with Sumpter and Van Buren townships plus Detroit, all work with Western Wayne unit. Some, like Inkster, assign officers to it full-time; unit Officer Rich Harris is from Garden City.

State Police Lt. Ed Gerds, the Livonia resident heading the Livonia-based Western Wayne Criminal Investigations unit - of which the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit is part - called HEAT "probably one of the most successful campaigns going in law enforcement."

"We need help from the general public and being able to offer a reward" really helps, Gerds said.

Gerds agreed with Granholm's calling auto theft a property crime with far-reaching effects. "When a car is stolen, it affects the whole block," said Gerds. "People lie in their beds at night and wonder, 'Am I next?'"

Also working with the Western Wayne Auto Theft unit and the suburban police is Neal Wisner of Superior Township, senior special agent for the National Insurance Crime Bureau.

He said auto theft today is a \$7 billion a year "business" with "growth" in insurance fraud.

"I don't think anyone has a

See HEAT, A18



**Theft probe:** Detective Sgt. Peter Lusi, Redford Township police department investigative specialist in vehicular thefts, examines a recovered 1985 Cadillac for clues about its theft.

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This friendly SWF, 37, 5'9", with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys gardening, dining out, and traveling, is looking for a SM, 35-45, to spend quality time with. Ad# 1361

## ANGELS WELCOME

Outgoing and friendly SBC mom, 35, 5'8", who enjoys the great outdoors, is in search of an honest, morally correct SCM, 30+, who enjoys exploring our God given purpose and is secure in who they are and what they want out of life. Ad# 2112

## A SIMPLE REQUEST

Make a new friend by calling this DMC mom, 40, 5'8", who's looking for someone to share her interests with. If you're an outgoing SWCM, 35-45, who enjoys walking, camping, bicycling and watching movies, then you could be a perfect match for each other. Ad# 8191

## STILL SEARCHING

Semi-retired, spontaneous DWCF, 65, 5'7", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys photography, traveling, cooking and baking, is in search of an honest SWCM, 60-69, who loves the Lord. Ad# 4444

## FOCUS HERE

She is a friendly, attractive SWF, 52, 5'7", 125lbs., with auburn hair and hazel eyes, whose interests include hiking, biking and boating. She's looking for a handsome, intelligent SWM, 52-62, who lives life to the fullest. Ad# 6262

## CAPTURE MY ATTENTION NOW

This outgoing SWF, 30, 5'2", 110lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys jogging, reading and working out, is seeking an open-minded, honest SWM, 28-38, for a possible long-term relationship. Ad# 2469

## CHARISMATIC CHRISTIAN

Spirit-filled, warm-hearted and employed DWCM mother, 35, 5'5", is seeking a companionable, commitment-minded SWCM, 25-48, who shares her dedication to church and enjoys family activities. Ad# 7764

## FAITH &amp; HOPE

An educated SWPF, 50, who likes cultural events, listening to music, and reading, is seeking an intelligent, mature SWPM, for a possible relationship. Ad# 1998

## MEET YOU HALFWAY

She's an outgoing, attractive SWF, 51, 5'4", medium build, blond hair, brown eyes, who enjoys music, dancing, long walks, and the theater. Her heart is open to share happiness and romance with a thoughtful, considerate SWM, 46-56, Ad# 5614

## IS IT FATE?

This friendly SWF, 52, 5'3", who enjoys dining out, concerts and quiet nights at home, is seeking a SWM, 46-57, who has a good sense of humor. Ad# 2345

## REBUILDING HER LIFE

Catholic DWCF, 45, 5'2", 118lbs., with dark brown curly hair, a N/S, is looking for the right person, a considerate, respectful Catholic SWM, 40-50, who values his faith and family. She enjoys bowling, movies and a lot of friends. Ad# 5642

## CIRCLE THIS AD

Employed, family-oriented SBF, 26, who likes long walks, outdoor activities, movies and is seeking a SBF, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 2218

## CIRCLE THIS

Adventurous SWF, 35, 5'5", is seeking an honest, marriage-minded SWM, 30-38, who enjoys golf, fishing and dining out. Ad# 4528

## KNOWS WHAT SHE WANTS

Pretty DWCM mom, 44, 5'4", 145lbs., with light brown hair and hazel eyes, a N/S, non-drinker, is seeking happiness with an easy-going, family-oriented DWCM, under 54. She enjoys swimming, movies, bowling, and reading. Ad# 4108

## ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Attractive, personable Catholic SWF, 38, 5'4", with brown hair/eyes, is seeking an outgoing, sincere and handsome Catholic SWM, 33-44, who enjoys tennis, sporting events, reading and horseback riding. Ad# 6684

## BORN-AGAIN

This vibrant DWCF, 55, 5'7", a blue-eyed blonde, is a member of the choir who enjoys praise and worship, youth ministry, church activities, and seeks fellowship with a similar SWCM, 50-62. Ad# 5144

## A RARE FIND

Compassionate DWPC mom of one, 47, 5'3", with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, concerts, walking, biking, travel, dancing and dining out, wants to meet a family-oriented SWCM, 42-52. Ad# 8317

## VIVACIOUS

Active, energetic DWCF, 58, 5'4", is seeking a childless, healthy SBCM, 58-69, for a possible LTR. Her interests include church, movies, and more. Ad# 1103

## TO THE POINT

SWCF, 39, 5'5", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys horseback riding, swimming, and more, is looking for a sweet, sincere SWM, over 30. Ad# 2220

## LOVES THE LORD

Outgoing, Born-Again SWCF, 43, full-figured, who enjoys music, swimming, singing, bible study, and more, is seeking a SWCM, 40-50, N/S, without dependents. Ad# 1956

## LIFE GOES ON

This friendly, sincere SWF, 47, 5'4", who enjoys meeting new people, dancing, and walks in the park, is looking forward to meeting an upbeat SWM, 44-50, who shares similar interests. Ad# 2652

## IS IT YOU?

This friendly SBF, 39, 5'6", who enjoys movies, dining out, theater and travel, is hoping to meet a loving, family-oriented SM, 33-50, who shares similar interests and has a good sense of humor. Ad# 4581

## WORKS &amp; PLAYS HARD

Attractive, ambitious, secure DWPC mom, 36, 5'5", with blonde hair and green eyes, loves working out, outdoor activities and reading. She's looking for a SCM physician, 36-48, who will treat her well. Ad# 8888

## JUST ONE CALL

Picnic with this educated, church-going SBF, 35, who enjoys walks in the park, movies, and spending time with her son. If you're a sociable, humorous SBM, pack your basket and give her a call. Ad# 1234

## ARE YOU THE ONE?

Upbeat, Catholic DWP mom, 47, 5'9", is seeking a Catholic SWM, 38-50, who likes children, for friendship first. Her interests include camping, water sports, hiking, the theater and much more. Ad# 6666

## HEAVEN SENT

This friendly SWF, 47, 5'9", whose interests include gardening, travel, taking walks in the park and camping, is looking to meet an honest, gentle SWM, 35-50, who likes children. Ad# 6561

## SHARE MY FAITH

This churchgoing SWCF, 57, 5'7", wants to meet a tall, caring, sincere SWCM, 57-69, who enjoys hiking and the outdoors. Ad# 7575

## THE BEST THERE IS

Never-married, attractive SWF, 36, 5'2", with red hair and green eyes, who enjoys sports, music, traveling and playing cards, is ISO a kind-hearted SWM, 30-45, with similar interests. Ad# 6354

## END MY SEARCH

Creative, educated and Jewish, I am a DWCF, 55, 5'6", slender, with blonde hair and light blue eyes, who enjoys cooking and movies. I am looking for a communicative SWM, over 46, who knows what he wants. Ad# 2525

## SIMPLY PUT

Romantic SWF, 60, 5'2", 118lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, travel, the theater, long walks and more, would like to meet a trustworthy SWM, 55-65, with similar interests. Ad# 5555

## IS IT FATE?

Say hello to this personable SWCF, 38, 5'7", who enjoys cooking, jazz music and traveling. Her heart is set on sharing a long-term relationship with a responsible, handsome SWM, 36-47. Ad# 9455

## SO MUCH FUN TO BE HAD

This SWF, 21, 5'7", would like to spend time with a fun-loving SWM, 21-30, who likes children and sports. Ad# 1098

## HERE'S YOUR CHANCE

Fun-loving DWCF, 47, 5'5", who enjoys sports, the outdoors, and gardening, is seeking a sincere, dependable SWCM, 43-51, for companionship. Ad# 4488

## LET'S CUDDLE

Catholic DWCF, 59, 5'2" 125lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys family barbecues, picnics and more, seeks a Catholic, Italian SWM, 51-61. Ad# 1992

## COMPANIONSHIP

Outgoing, honest and fun-loving, describes this Catholic DWCF, 50, 5'9", looking for friendship with a Catholic SWM, 45-55. Ad# 4536

## FRESH START

Hardworking, Catholic DWCF, 48, 5'3", who enjoys walking, movies and going to church, is looking for a compatible, caring, Catholic WWWM, 48-52, without children at home, for friendship first. Ad# 3907

## NEW TO THE AREA

Sweet DWCF, 27, 5'9", is seeking an honest, caring SWCM, 48 or under, who is interested in a long-term relationship. Ad# 1531

## IRRESISTIBLE

Kind DBF, 45, 5'6", who enjoys music, movies, reading and going to the theater, is looking for a DBM, 35-45. Ad# 2488

## UNTIL NOW

Friendly, down-to-earth SWF, 47, 5'2", who enjoys the outdoors, hockey, golf, hiking and more, is seeking a SWM, 40-51, for a possible relationship. Ad# 2451

## VALUES HUMOR

Catholic DWCF, 57, 5'3", 125lbs., with long blonde hair, who enjoys crafts, dining out and reading, is ISO a humorous, Catholic SWM, 50-60. Ad# 2041

## HERE SHE IS...

This caring DWCF, 51, 5'1", is a lady who enjoys church activities, her work, and would like to meet a similar SWCM, 49-62. Ad# 1685

## SOUND LIKE YOU?

Catholic DWCF, 59, 5'6", with blonde hair and hazel eyes, would love to meet an honest, humorous SWCM, 58-67, a N/S, who's interested in friendship and companionship. She enjoys traveling, movies, dancing, reading and more. Ad# 3131

## TIME TO GET TOGETHER

Her dream is sharing a romantic, long-term relationship with an outgoing, sincere, handsome SWM, 40-55 who enjoys biking, taking walks, music, and dancing. Be sure to let this very lovely, quite charming SWF, 43, know you're interested. Ad# 9915

## A RARE FIND

Sincere, compassionate SWF, 58, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys music, Bible studies, traveling, movies, long walks, and more, is looking for a caring, compassionate SWM, 54-62. Ad# 7141

## LET'S TALK

Settle down with this SWCF, 47, 5'2", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys cooking, travel and church activities. She's seeking a nice, Born-Again SWCM, 45-55, for a possible relationship. Ad# 3333



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## HONESTY COUNTS

SWC mom of one, 25, 5'9", enjoys the outdoors, drama movies and quiet times at home. She seeks an honest, compassionate SWCM, 27-34, without children at home. Ad# 8498

## POSITIVE VIBES HERE

Leave a message for this personable DWCF, 50, 5'4", who enjoys rollerblading, bicycling and keeping active. She wants to meet an outgoing SWCM, over 47, for friendship first. Ad# 1199

## CHILD OF GOD

Outgoing, friendly DWCF, 49, 5'4", who resides in the Redford area, enjoys sewing, antiques and movies. She's seeking a secure, independent DWCM, under 56, for friendship first. Ad# 5321

## WALKS WITH THE LORD

Get to know this vibrant, classy DWCF, 47, 5'6", with dark hair/eyes, if you're a SWCM who enjoys meeting new friends, dancing, dining out, movies and great conversation. Ad# 1236

## MAKE THE CONNECTION

Looking for a long-term relationship? Make it happen with this DWCF, 33, 5'5", because she is searching for a Born-Again SWCM, 34-40, N/S. Ad# 8565

## LOVE'S IN THE AIR

Sensitive, caring DWCF, 52, 5'5", with auburn hair and green eyes, whose interests include travel, cooking, movies, nature walks and dining out, is hoping to meet a SWM, 51-58. Ad# 1203

## GOD IS FIRST

Devoted SBC mom, 25, 5'9", who enjoys romantic dinners, movies, dancing and singing, wants to meet a family-oriented SBCM, 25-38. Ad# 6623

## GREAT TIMES AHEAD

She's an outgoing and friendly DWCM mom, 42, 5'3", who's looking to share life and great times with a SWCM, 37-48. Her interests include the outdoors, traveling, Bible study and hopes that you do too. Ad# 1122

## IF YOU'RE A POLISHED...

Gentleman, call this humorous, Catholic DWCF, 63, 5'6". N/S. She's seeking a Catholic SWM, 55-65, a good conversationalist, who enjoys travel, fine dining, shopping and more. Ad# 5454

## ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Handsome SWPM, 36, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an attractive SWCF who enjoys sports, movies, dining out and more. Ad# 1534

## JOYS OF LIFE

He's a friendly SWPM, 58, 6'3", who enjoys renovating houses, dining out and more. He is in search of a caring, sincere SWF, 45-55, who shares his type of lifestyle. Ad# 1939

## NONE BETTER

He's a personable DW dad, 45, 6', who enjoys the theater, dancing, riding Harley's, and being outdoors. His heart is open to sharing friendship and good times with a bubbly, cute and cuddly SWF, under 55. Ad# 8466

## CALL ME SOON

This friendly DWCM, 52, who enjoys the outdoors, movies and bowling, would like to share companionship and good times with a SWF, who can appreciate a wonderful guy who knows how to treat a lady. Ad# 8267

## SOMEONE SPECIAL FOR ME

Shy and reserved, this never-married, college-educated SBCM, 36, 5'5", 150lbs., is ISO a never-married SCF, 25-39, with no children, who loves the Lord, to have a great time. Ad# 4949

## FRIENDSHIP FIRST

Never-married SWPM, 37, with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys the theater, auto shows and music, is seeking a kind, caring SWF, for possible relationship. Ad# 1260

## WALK DOWN THE AISLE

Romantic, Catholic SWPM, 40, 6'1", who enjoys a wide range of interests, is seeking a marriage-minded, family-oriented, slender SWF who is athletically inclined. Ad# 1515

## MARRIAGE ON HIS MIND

Take a minute to read about this wonderful DWCM, 60. If you're a DWCF, 45-55, who enjoys, family times, picnics, country music and more, you're just one step away from meeting him. Ad# 1445

## JUST YOU AND I

Athletic SWM, 40, 6'1", enjoys jogging, biking, and playing golf, is seeking that one special, goal-oriented, compassionate, slender SWF, for a long-term monogamous relationship leading to marriage. Ad# 2739

## MIXED BLESSING

He's an outgoing, employed DWJM, 44, 5', who enjoys sports, bowling and movies, ISO a commitment-minded Catholic SWF, 39-49. Ad# 2251

## COMMON BOND

This outgoing SWM, 26, 5'10", 170lbs., who enjoys martial arts, movies and more, is interested in meeting a SF, to spend quality time with. Ad# 1580

## AN ANGEL

Outgoing, attractive SWM, 33, 5'6", 140lbs., with dark brown hair/eyes, who enjoys walks, good conversation, fishing, and more, is looking for an ambitious SWF, 24-36, who shares similar interests, for friendship first. Ad# 6321

## YOUR MOVE

Friendly, self-employed DWCM dad, 47, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, dining out and quiet evenings, is seeking a compatible SWCF, 37-47, N/S, with similar interests. Ad# 7561

## DOWN-TO-EARTH

He's a friendly Catholic DWP dad of two, 46, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair, green eyes, and glasses, a smoker, who enjoys bowling, golfing, movies, and much more. He is seeking a SWF, 35-47, for a special, one-on-one, romantic relationship. Ad# 6569

## HAVE YOU SEEN...

My best friend? This shy SWCM, 28, 5'11", 160lbs., who enjoys boating, working out and the outdoors, is seeking a SCF, 20-35, who shares similar interests. Ad# 2727

## ALWAYS &amp; FOREVER

This friendly, attractive SBCM, 36, 5'5", 150lbs., who enjoys a variety of interests, is looking for a fun-loving SCF, 25-37, to go out and have a good time with. Ad# 8787

## NEVER-MARRIED &amp; CHILDLESS

SWCM, 26, 5', 155lbs., blond with blue eyes, a N/S, non-drinker, seeks a petite, smart SWCF, 19-26, who has good morals, long hair and likes candlelit dinners, movies and time together. Ad# 1777

## SEARCHING

Outgoing, friendly DWCM, 48, 5'7", with long brown hair, who enjoys street rods, the outdoors and concerts, is seeking a sweet, kind-hearted SWCF, 40-50. Ad# 6900

## WANT TO HEAR MORE? CALL

Friendly, laid-back SWCM, 27, 5'8", who likes beach walks, movies and having fun, seeks a SWCF, 18-35, without children at home. Ad# 4523

## A REAL TRUE HEART

This friendly SW dad, 35, 5'8", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys singing, horseback riding and swimming, is looking for a SWF, 25-40, who has a good sense of humor. Ad# 1514

## HEAVEN SENT

Delightful, handsome Catholic DWP dad of one, 38, 6'4", 215lbs., who enjoys boating, family activities, baseball, music, movies and travel, is seeking a similar Catholic SWF, 30-40, height/weight proportionate. Ad# 4324

## HIGH MORAL STANDARDS

Athletic, Catholic SWM, 24, 6'3", 250lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who plays a variety of sports and coaches Little League, is seeking a romantic, Catholic SWF, 21-30, who likes movies, quiet evenings, dining out and more. Ad# 5150

## LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

Outgoing, friendly, caring, honest DWCM, 59, 6', 195lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, ISO a slender-to-medium-built SWCF, 55-65, to get to know. Ad# 6211

## ONLY THE BEST

Educated WWWM, 49, 5'11", 195lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys boating, fishing, movies, fine dining and trying new things, is ISO an attractive, affectionate SCF, age unimportant. Ad# 9876

## HONESTY COUNTS

Shy SWM, 42, 6', who enjoys sports, the theater, spending time with family and friends, seeks a slender, romantic SF, 30-45, for a possible relationship. Ad# 4123

## FAITH &amp; DEVOTION

Pleasant, never-married SWPCM, 42, 5'10", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fine dining, concerts, movies, sports and walking, is interested in meeting a compatible SWCF, under 37, N/S. Ad# 1111

## IT'S FATE

Never-married SWPM, 40, 6'1", 190lbs., is looking for a fit, petite SW mom, 28-44, for a romantic, monogamous long-term relationship. Ad# 4251

## LOOKING FOR MS. RIGHT

Catholic SWM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys sports and family activities, is seeking a sincere, Catholic SWF, under 45, for a long-term relationship. Ad# 2942

## HONESTY COUNTS

Never-married, friendly SWM, 44, who enjoys Bible studies and outdoor activities, the theater and weekend getaways, is seeking a fit, pretty SWF. Ad# 4141

## FAMILY ORIENTED

Charming SWCM, 42, 6'1", who enjoys outdoor activities, the theatre and dining out, is seeking a fun-loving SCF, for a LTR. Ad# 1414

## HE COULD BE THE ONE

Catholic DWCM, 41, 5'8", of Italian heritage, who enjoys skiing and boating, wishes to meet a Catholic SWF, under 41, without children at home. Ad# 2015

## LET'S MEET SOON

Sincere SWM, 33, 5'8", seeks an affectionate, attractive SWF, under 35, who enjoys dining out, movies and fun. Ad# 9865

## HOPES &amp; DREAMS

Never-married Catholic SWM, 25, 6'2", 240lbs., with brown hair, who enjoys playing pool, traveling and quiet times at home, is searching for a Catholic SWF, under 32. Ad# 2222

## PATIENTLY WAITING

He is a humorous Catholic SWPM, 36, 5'10", who's waiting to hear from a SWCF, 24-35. He enjoys the outdoors, working out and spending time with family activities. Ad# 7000

## GET IN STEP

If a meaningful relationship is what you're looking for, be sure to call this athletic SWM, 35



## STATE APPOINTMENTS

Area residents have been appointed to filled a number of state posts by Gov. John Engler, including:

■ Stephen M. Conley, of Canton was appointed to the State Board of Accountancy, which provides for the certification and regulation of certified public accountants.

Conley is a manager of Price-waterhouseCoopers, L.L.P. He is appointed to replace Donald Dis-muke of Plymouth and to represent public accountants for a term expiring June 30, 2002.

■ W. John O'Neil of Walled Lake; Walter Reckinger III of Dearborn; Gerald W. Richards of Mason; and Garry L. Sanchez of Westland, were appointed to the Board of Mechanical Rules, which makes recommendations for mechanical code rules, issues mechanical contractor's licenses and enforce state mechanic code rules. Terms expire Oct. 1, 2001.

O'Neil is president of the W.J. O'Neil Co. He is reappointed to represent hydronic, heating and cooling. Reckinger is president of Reckinger Heating and Cooling Co. He is reappointed to represent ductwork. Richards is a senior engineer for Consumers Energy. He is reappointed to represent energy producing utilities. Sanchez is president of Motor City Ventilation Inc. He is reappointed to represent special-ty work.

■ Alice Gustafson of Auburn Hills was appointed to the Michigan Aeronautics Commission, which supervises all aeronautics within the state and is empowered to make rules about the location, design, building, equipping and operating of all airports within the state.

Gustafson is president of Hubert Distributors Inc. and has held a commercial pilot's license for more than 20 years. She is reappointed for a term ending May 27, 2003.

■ Henry E. Beckmeyer, D.O. of East Lansing; Sister Mary Giovanni Monge of Livonia; Vil-dan Mullin, M.D., of Whitmore Lake; Gregg K. VandeKieft, M.D., of Okemos; and Steven Weiner, M.D., of West Bloom-field, were appointed to the Advisory Committee on Pain and Symptom Management. The

committee is developing a model curriculum for doctors on pain and symptom management. It also develops recommendations on integrating pain and symptom management into health care. All terms expire July 1, 2001.

Beckmeyer is a professor of anesthesiology and pain management in the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Michigan State University. He is appointed to represent the College of Osteopathic Medicine at MSU.

Sister Monge is president and CEO of Angela Hospice Home Care Inc. She is appointed to represent hospice organizations.

Mullin is director of the Multi-disciplinary Pain Center at the University of Michigan Medical Center and an associate professor in the U-M School of Medicine. He is appointed to represent the U-M School of Medicine.

VandeKieft is an associate professor for the Department of Family Practice in the MSU College of Human Medicine and assistant director of program and palliative care for the MSU Cancer Service. He is appointed to represent the MSU College of Human Medicine.

Weiner is medical director of Huron Valley Pain Management. He is appointed to represent the Wayne State University School of Medicine.

■ Frank Fitzgerald of Grand Ledge was reappointed as commissioner of insurance in Michigan for a term expiring Oct. 11, 2003.

Fitzgerald served as a state representative from 1987 through 1998. He served as the speaker pro tem from 1992 to 1996, and served on the House Insurance Committee for a total of eight years.

## Bennett says union bill misrepresented

BY MIKE MALOTT  
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State Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) says he's frustrated with the way the opposition is playing his proposal to prohibit school building principals from joining unions.

"They can use the five-second one-liner to scare everybody into thinking their rights are being taken away," he said. "It would take me five minutes at the kitchen table to thoroughly explain what this bill is really going to do."

For example, some opponents say the bill would also bar school secretaries and janitors from unionization. Not so, according to Bennett. "Confidential assistants" would, under the verbiage of the bill, be blocked from joining unions, but not all secretaries could be given that title, he said.

For each staffer given that title — and therefore barred from

unionization under the legislation — a hearing would have to be held before the Michigan Employment Relations Commission. And MERC would not allow all secretaries within a school district office to be given that title.

Janitors wouldn't be prohibited from unionizing just because they may occasionally oversee the work of fellow janitors on a given day. Only those with in a "truly supervisory capacity, with personnel decision-making authority" would be kept from unionization.

Bennett introduced Senate Bill 663 in reaction to the Detroit teacher strike where he said principals joined teachers on the picket lines.

His bill, he said, would amend Michigan law to follow federal



Bennett

law, which makes a clear distinction between management and labor.

"This is a very simple concept," he said. "The federal government has said that organizations work best where there is a strong, definite distinction between management and labor. Where there is strong management and strong labor, that organization will be successful."

Among the opposition is Rep. Gerald Law (R-Plymouth), who said he sees the bill as overriding local control.

In many school districts, superintendents have encouraged building principals to bargain for pay and benefits as a group.

"If it is working for them, who are we to say they can't do," Law said. "I don't see that this is a problem in my district. It's not a problem in Northville. It's only a problem in Detroit, but then everything is a problem in Detroit. I think it is an ill-advised bill."

Although management is typically barred from unionization in the private sector, Law said public employees are different and have been treated differently as a tradition. There are other areas in the public sector where supervisory personnel are allowed to unionize, such as in police and fire departments.

"And I have no qualms about it in those areas, because it is working," Bennett said. "I only have qualms about it where it is not working."


Senate Bill 663 cleared the Senate in a 21-17 vote.

Sens. Loren Bennett (R-Canton), Bill Bullard (R-Highland), Mat Dunaskiss (R-Lake Orion), and Shirley Johnson (R-Royal Oak) voted yes.

Sens. John D. Cherry Jr. (D-Clion), George Z. Hart (D-Dearborn), Thaddeus McCotter (R-Livonia), and Gary Peters (D-Bloomfield) voted no.

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## HEAT

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handle on how big the fraud problem is," said Wisner, a one-time Ohio State Highway Patrol officer who handles southeastern Michigan and northwest Ohio. "In the last year we've seen a tremendous number of fraudulent stolen-vehicle claims on over-mileaged leased vehicles."

## Community concern

Granholm, speaking both as attorney general and a mother of three, counseled halting auto thefts by teaching youngsters a sense of community and responsibility — and of remorse for wrongdoing.

If no remorse is taught a child very early for hitting or taking others' things, Granholm said, the youngster likely will continue without regret or shame.

"If we don't focus on that (child) level, we will spend \$30,000 on the backside" to maintain that person in jail each year, she said.

In the meantime, "Turn up the HEAT for another year," she urged the assembled professionals.

The Detroit Police Department's six-member Commercial Auto Theft Metro Squad repeated as HEAT Investigative Unit of the Year for populations over 500,000 while the Genesee County Auto Investigation Network team repeated for smaller areas.

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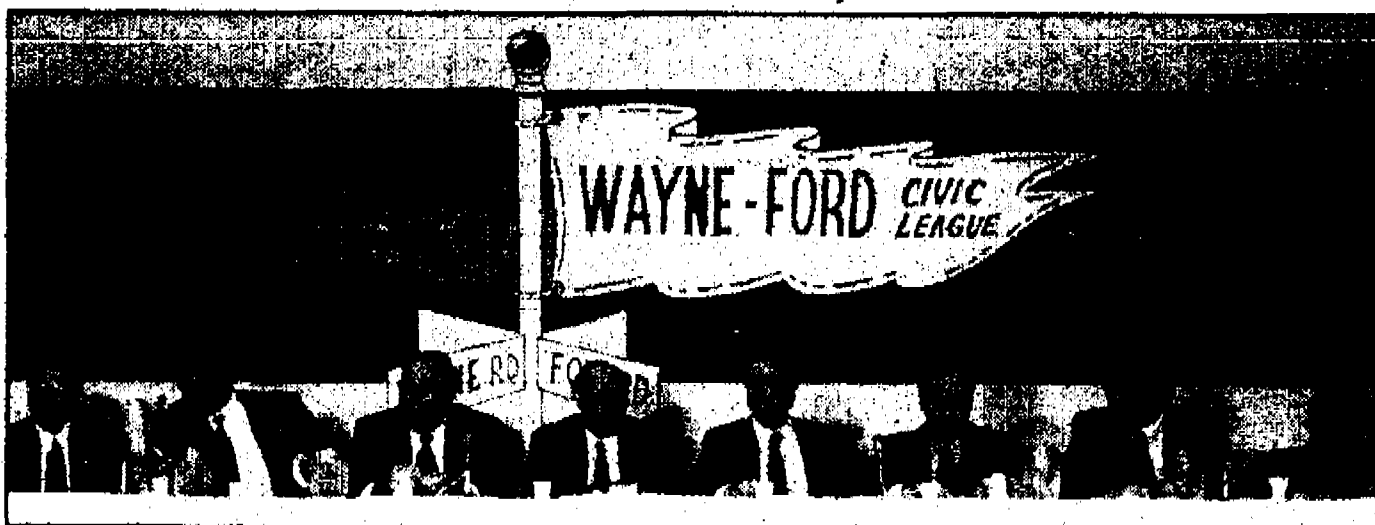
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Issues: City council candidates speak at Thursday's forum.

## Class act

### Candidates show right stuff

Let's give credit where credit is due. This year's Westland City Council race hasn't been without rancor, but last Thursday night, Oct. 21, was a shining moment. The Westland Jaycees sponsored a "Meet the Candidates" night at the Wayne-Ford Civic League.

All eight candidates showed up - incumbents Glenn Anderson and Charles "Trav" Griffin, appointee David Cox and challengers James Godbout, David James, Michael Kehrer, Michael Rintz and Dorothy Smith. Their willingness to meet together and with voters was a good start.

The candidates answered a series of questions posed by the Observer then took questions from the audience. The discussion was fair and professional, with the eight refraining from personal attacks.

The Jaycees deserve credit for taking on the task of a "Meet the Candidates" night. The evening ran smoothly thanks to their hard work. Additionally, candidate Kehrer, who has long been active with the Jaycees, received no special treatment, another point worth mentioning.

The only regret is that attendance was relatively low, with about 50 people taking time to attend. Certainly, work, family and other commitments take valuable time, but it's also important to take an interest in the workings of local government.

The Wayne-Ford Civic League facility seats

many more than 50, and it would have been nice to have a crowd of several hundred.

Election day dawns Tuesday, Nov. 2, with local polls open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Remember to get out and vote for the four council candidates of your choice.

The Observer has endorsed incumbent Glenn Anderson and challengers James Godbout, Michael Rintz and Dorothy Smith. Those are our picks, but perhaps you hold different views. Please remember to go to the polls on election day and make your voice heard.

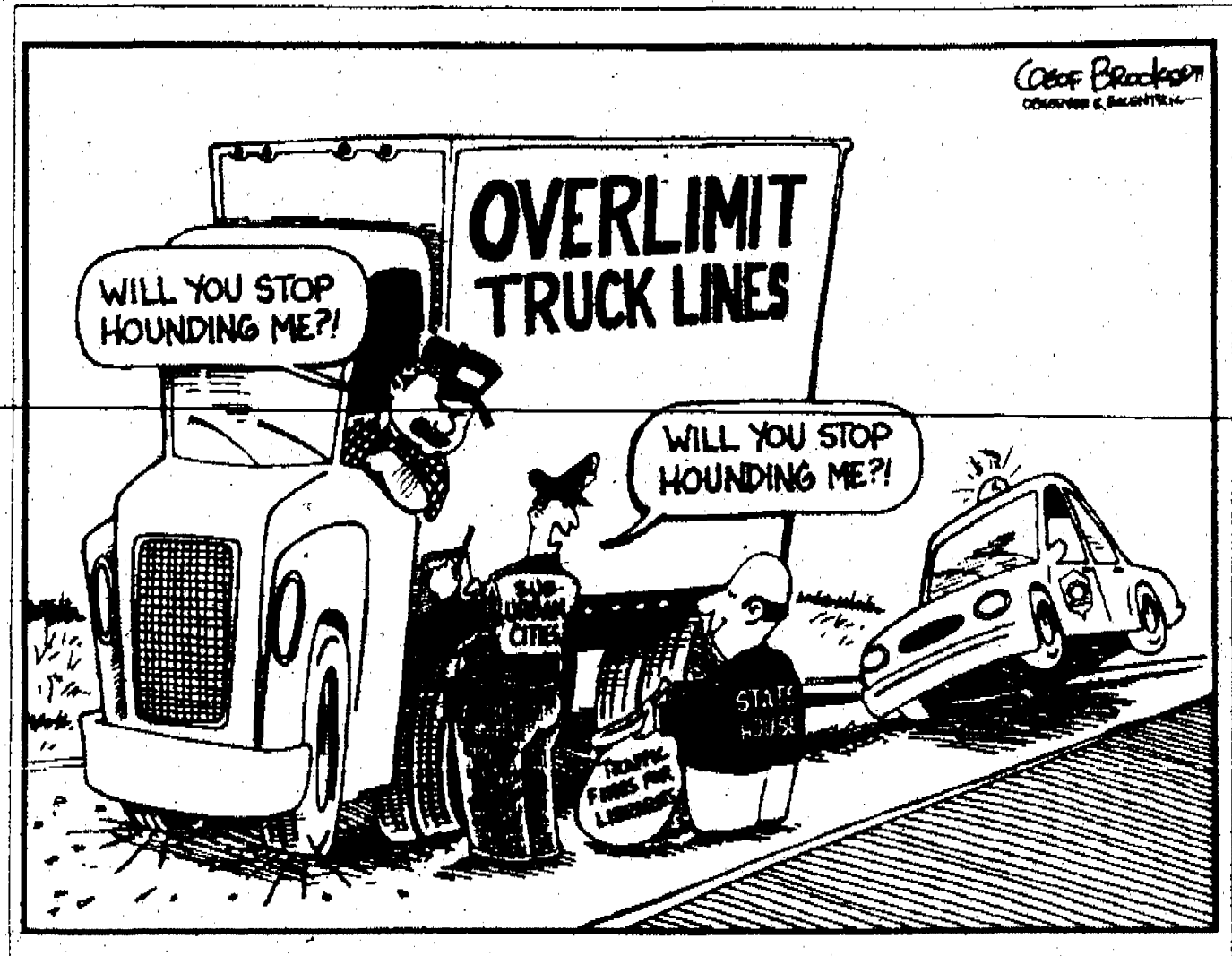
We're closing in on the Nov. 2 elections, and the Observer hopes no dirty tactics, such as biased campaign literature, emerge in these last few days. Certainly, candidates have every right to make their views, and themselves, known to voters.

At the Jaycees' forum, there were questions about the possibility of building a new City Hall and recreation center. Candidates hold different views and are entitled to express them. But that doesn't mean there should be underhanded attacks on political rivals.

Candidates all presented themselves well at the Jaycees' "Meet the Candidates" night. Let's work to see that that dignified approach is taken all the way through to election day, and beyond.

Westland voters deserve no less.

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## LETTERS

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### Cox response

A letter appeared recently in the Westland Observer indicating that because I distributed a piece of campaign literature that was not prepared by a union printer, I lack respect for labor unions.

In truth, I have been an ardent supporter of labor and am proud to have been endorsed by the Westland Firefighters, the Westland Police Officers, the Westland Lieutenants and Sergeants Association, the United Auto Workers Region 1A CAP, UAW Local 900, the Greater Detroit Building Trades Council, AFL-CIO, AFSCME Local 1602 and even the letter writer's own union, the Michigan Education Association. These labor groups are well aware that I planned to prepare one piece of literature with a Westland printer and they are aware there are no union printers in Westland.

The real issue here is that the writer of this letter, Mr. Michael Chiumento, is the same individual who pressured the Wayne-Westland School District while I was president to include sexual orientation language in board policy. He is now the center of controversy in the Plymouth-Canton School District, where he teaches, for setting up a pro-gay and lesbian display in the display case at West Middle School, which is attended by 12-, 13- and 14-year-old children.

He is a member of the Gay-Lesbian Education Network, a supporter of the Triangle Foundation and a vocal proponent to schoolchildren for the normalcy of "alternative lifestyles." Though he might have you believe that his intent by his letter is to protect the interests of labor, it is actually to promote the normalcy of a gay-lesbian lifestyle in our schools and our society, and my failure to bend to his wishes made me his enemy.

I believe in equal rights for all people. I believe that no one should be persecuted, tormented or harassed for any reason whatever, including their sexual orientation. My decision to thwart Mr. Chiumento's efforts while I served as board president resulted from my belief that existing policy protected all people adequately, equally and fairly. I continue to feel that way today.

I will continue to work towards fairness and equality for all people everywhere as I feel bigotry and prejudice are hateful, damaging emotions that cannot be tolerated in a civilized society. I have often wondered why, given Mr. Chiumento's life experience, he hasn't arrived at the same conclusion.

Councilman David Cox  
Westland

### The Westland Address

One score and 13 years ago, our fathers brought forth in this township a democratic form of government based on division of power and authority between a mayor and a seven-member city council.

Now we are engaged in a great election testing whether this democratic division of power can long endure. Our present mayor is attempting to consolidate power in his office by handpicking his own city council. This is tantamount to giving the mayor dictatorial powers: truly an unhealthy situation.

The mayor's recent letter to voters supporting these candidates lists a number of accomplishments during the last decade that resulted from cooperation between council and mayor. Many of these occurred during his first term of office when the majority of council members were far from politically aligned with the mayor, proving that worthwhile programs can and will be implemented without a political coalition.

Although we have supported our mayor in the past and could possibly support him in the future, we feel strongly that a city council independent of the mayor's office brings about a diversity of opinions, reduces the possibility of special interest dealings and is essential for good government.

Whatever your feelings are, be sure to vote Nov. 2.

Jo and Ernie Johnson  
Westland

## Halloween's got a new look

No, those aren't orange Christmas lights you see adorning your neighbor's roof. And if some of your colleagues start looking like clowns or vampires, you're probably not hallucinating.

If you find yourself stumbling over bins of miniature chocolate bars at the neighborhood drugstore, or the aisles of the local supermarket are jammed with displays of Count Chocula cereal among the gourds and pumpkins, there's a reason for it.

It's Halloween. Or, at least, it's almost Halloween. And it isn't just for children anymore.

According to the National Retail Federation, Halloween has grown into a \$5 billion a year industry. Sales of those miniature chocolate bars rise 200 percent in the pre-Halloween weeks and the NRF predicts that total candy sales will reach \$1.8 billion, with costume sales amounting to \$1.5 billion.

Kraft Foods says that last year its sales of Tombstone Pizza increased by 32 percent during the last week of October.

Sales of home decorations, greeting cards, pumpkins and other seasonal items are

expected to reach \$2.5 billion.

The NRF thinks such spending is due in part to the newfound popularity of the holiday among adults. A poll conducted by the organization found that 52.2 percent of U.S. workers said their employers would allow them to celebrate Halloween in the workplace and 39.1 percent said they would consider wearing a costume to work to mark the event.

Whatever the reason for the spending surge, Halloween is now second only to Christmas in holiday-related sales.

Some consumer analysts credit (or blame) the transformation of what was once a children's holiday into an adult spending blitz on baby boomers feeling nostalgic. And when boomers get nostalgic, they spend money.

It may be good for the economy, but we sort of miss the days when the only Halloween decorations were witches cut out of black construction paper and adults stayed at home on Halloween night passing out Necco wafers and Tootsie Rolls to little goblins dressed in costumes made from pillow cases and old bed sheets.

## COMMUNITY VOICE

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What are you really good at?



"Baking. I love to bake."  
Donna Etherington  
Westland



"I'm good at reading. I work here, a page here (at the library)."  
Anjel Holden  
Westland



"I'm a seasoned housewife and also an RN."  
Esther Labbe  
Livonia



"Sports, maybe. I think so."  
Tim Strass  
Westland

We asked this question of the Westland library.

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— Philip Power



## LETTERS

## Remember heroes

We would like to thank Westland City Council members Sandra Cicirelli, "Trav" Griffin, Glenn Anderson and Richard LeBlanc as well as Honorable Judge Gail McKnight for taking the time out of their busy schedules to participate in the National POW/MIA Recognition Day ceremony in front of City Hall recently.

Also present was the family of Sgt. Refugio Thomas Teran, Westland's only POW/MIA from the Vietnam War. VFW's 4th District Color Guard, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter No. 387's Ceremonial Firing Squad and the Churchill/Stevenson High School ROTC were also present to honor these missing patriots.

A black balloon was released at the reading of the names of each of Michigan's POW/MIAs from the Vietnam War with Taps being played at the conclusion. As always, the program was very emotional and thought-provoking. National POW/MIA Recognition Day is always the third Friday of September. Please mark it on your calendars for next year and join us in front of City Hall; we owe these heroes that much.

**Rick Patry**  
Vietnam Veterans of America  
Westland Chapter No. 387

## The good of citizens

On Nov. 2, the voters of Westland are going to make a decision. Do we want the status quo? Are we ready for some honest, uncorrupted politi-

cians?

The sad state of our city streets, questionable decisions by our current council (some). To make ordinance decisions that are not in concurrence with the written ordinance, but are determined by campaign contributions, is wrong.

Council agendas should be for the good of the citizens of Westland, not for "friends in high places" or campaign contributions.

Retain Glenn Anderson. He has proven his genuine concern for the welfare of Westland. Support Godbout, Kehrer and Smith. Let's get some sanity back to city council.

**Chuck Papineau**  
Westland

## Voter woes

I wanted to make the Oct. 18 Westland City Council meeting so I could ask Councilwoman Justine Barns about the last-minute charge she had to make about council candidate Michael Kehrer and a \$1,000 contribution from the Jaycees even though \$501 was returned to the Jaycees, thus making it a last-ditch effort to throw some mud.

I wanted to ask Barns how did this so-called info get into her hot little hands?

And if she would name the so-called people who complained to her or taking a line from Councilman David Cox neither confirm nor deny their names?

What it comes down to is trying to discourage people from coming out and voting Nov. 2 so the people better

buckle up and get ready for a massive dumping of garbage from now until the elections.

I hope the people see through this and do come out ... and no matter who wins or loses, the people will have voiced their opinion with their votes.

**James R. Davis**

## Help kids learn

Drew Middle School Junior Beta Club needs and deserves your financial support. We have 35 members of this national honor club. All members must have and maintain a 3.0 GPA or better. Our members want to go to Washington, D.C., on May 25, 2000, and return May 28.

This Washington trip will give our students the opportunity to see many educational sites as well as have an enjoyable time.

Most of our students come from low-income, single-parent homes. These parents know what an educational benefit this trip will have on their child; however, they are unable to pay the money to send them. The students will have car washes and other out-of-school activities to help raise the money. We are not allowed to do any school-based fund-raising for this particular trip.

School fund-raisers this year have been assigned to another group. We need \$15,760 to send 35 students and five staff and parent chaperones. The travel company, Travel Adventures Inc., is a premier school tour company and Joy Childress has taken 10 school trips with them. They provide security and their price is very reasonable for what we are provided with. Everything is included in the price.

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You will have

the satisfaction of knowing your contribution will help 35 Drew Middle School honor students take the educational trip of a lifetime. Checks should be made out to Drew Middle School/Junior Beta Club and sent to Joy Childress, 9600 Wyoming Ave., Detroit 48204.

**Joy Childress, club sponsor**  
**Michael Charley, club president**  
**Annette B. Jordan, principal**

## Helping hands

At Westland Convalescent Center, a nursing center for 230 residents, one of the laundry machines was broken down. The laundry staff worked extra long hours in order to meet the laundry needs of the residents.

To show appreciation to these dedicated hard workers, their supervisor Linda Walsh, called Toarmina's pizza to have a pizza delivered to them at 2 in the morning. Jack, at Toarmina's, said on that day they closed at 10 p.m., but he would be happy to go in and make them a pizza and deliver it at 2 in the morning, which he did, to the staff's delight.

I shared this story with a number of people, who felt as I do, that these people should be recognized for their dedication and caring.

**Peggy Ellenwood**  
Westland Convalescent Center

## Let's return to the Bible

Judith Ellis asked in her letter to the Observer, "What does this say about us as a society?" referring to the sexual attacks at Woodstock '99. I'm sorry to say she is a few years too late to ask that question.

Mankind has been evil since the downfall in the Garden of Eden but unfortunately the evilness has increased geometrically since our government and the ACLU have determined that Christianity - the only stabilizing force in the world - is only to be practiced in the confines of the home or the church but never let it

influence our lives in society.

Hence, we no longer respect life in either the born or the unborn. Once we no longer respect life there is no longer any reason to respect our actions toward one another.

On more than one occasion in New York City, New Yorkers have watched people get robbed, raped and murdered and have done absolutely nothing about it to help. What does it say about us as a society? It says we are evil beyond our imagination and continuing to get worse.

Having said that, common sense has to come into play. Common sense dictates to the wise that people in expensive clothing wearing expensive jewelry do not walk in certain neighborhoods, recognizing that they neither want nor consent to be robbed.

By the same token, women who don't want or consent to be molested have to think about where they go, yes, and how they dress. You don't go into an area in which drugs and alcohol are being used, where the music is laced with lyrics dealing with sex and where the overall attitude of many is, as you say, "free love, nudity and anything goes." It's better to stay home and be safe and do without that "pleasure."

No, I don't condone it in any way, shape or form and would love to see the perpetrators all pay the penalty and shame on them who cheered them on. Unfortunately, those who cheered are only doing what has been done to those who still support Christian values and want to see both our government and our private lives come back to the support of those values. However, those in power, just like those who cheered the rapings, not only fight the Christian but ridicule them in their attempt to stop the spread of the evil which is sweeping our nation.

What does it say about our society? It says we need to return to Christ. It says we need to return to the Bible and its teachings.

**Charles K. Benton**  
Garden City

# Granholtz debacle reveals state politics at its worst

The sexiest story coming out of Lansing so far this fall was the attempt by the Republican-dominated Legislature to trim back the power of newly elected Attorney General, Democrat Jennifer Granholm.

L'affaire Granholm was clumsily handled in a very public way, leaving much egg on the collective faces of House Republicans, Gov. John Engler and his staff. Because the facts of the story have been the subject of endless spinning, I've spent some time working out what actually happened. It's a fascinating tale, revealing much about the inner dynamics of Michigan politics.

As with most stories, this one starts with a core of substance. It's by no means clear what precise authority Michigan's attorney general has over bills passed by the Legislature or over the workings of the executive branch. The Constitution is largely silent on this point, and during Frank Kelley's 37-year reign as the "Eternal General," nobody had the guts to raise the issue.

Enter John Engler, now in the middle of his third term as governor. An extremely able politician and competent manager of the executive branch, Engler is also, um, really into control.

Early on, he busted the Department of Natural Resources in two. He abolished the Labor Department and moved the Michigan Employment Security Commission first to the Jobs Commission and then to the newly-created Department of Career Development. He's been trying for years to do away with the independently elected State Board of Education; last week, he signed an executive order moving administration of the Michigan Education Assessment Program test to, of all places, the Department of Treasury.

But even a governor as into control as Engler didn't dare mess with Frank Kelley, at least not as long as he was in office. But when Granholm was elected in 1998, things changed.

Clearly, the governor's office - I suspect the governor himself, although I can't prove it - decided it was high time to clarify the powers of the attorney general and, conveniently, also trim the wings of Granholm, the only high-flying Democrat in Michigan.

Legal research on the project started as far back as mid-February, culminating in a four-page, July 21 memo from Engler's deputy legal counsel Lance Boldrey to chief counsel Lucille Taylor that concluded: "I submit that even making AG (attorney general) opinions binding on the requesting agency could undermine the governor's role as the head of the executive branch - here again, we would find the AG, an inferior executive officer, potentially trumping the governor."

Things moved rapidly thereafter. GOP lawmakers in late September introduced bills containing the devices proposed by the memo to cut back the attorney general's power. Freshman House Speaker Chuck Perricone pronounced the legislation on a fast track, at which point what had looked like a smoothly working scheme started to fall apart.



**PHILIP POWER**

The legislation was referred for hearing to the House Constitutional Law and Ethics committee, chaired by freshman Rep. Mike Bishop (R-Rochester). The hearing turned out to be PR tragedy, played as political farce.

■ Although the hearing was scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 5, Granholm's office wasn't informed about the details until late the previous Friday. She called it a violation of common courtesy; Democrats called it an "ambush."

■ Chairing the meeting, Bishop twice interrupted Granholm's passionate testament in opposition to the legislation (once going so far as to cut off her microphone) because it was too "political." At one point, evidently with a straight face, Bishop asked Granholm whether she was an attorney.

■ Bishop also made Frank Kelley sit around for two hours waiting to testify before announcing the hearing had three minutes to go before adjournment. An angry Kelley spluttered that he had served as AG for 37 years and deserved more than three minutes to make his point.

Watching things unravel in the Legislature and reading the near-universal criticism on editorial pages around the state, Engler spokesman John Truscott started distancing his boss from the mess. "We were kind of surprised. I had no idea they were doing anything," he was quoted in the Gongwer Michigan Report.

Sure.

House Republicans were left to take the heat. Not surprisingly, it's virtually certain it was somebody in the GOP House caucus who leaked the memoranda from Engler's legal staff to The Detroit News. The page one headline read: "Engler aides led drive to limit Granholm. Memos show his office researched ways to erode attorney general's powers."

Talk about getting your hand caught in the cookie jar!

What are we to make of all this, other than the chorus of "yucks" from insider baseball fans? Just this: When you get the combination of an experienced, capable governor who is also a control freak and a term-limited, inexperienced and amateurish Legislature, something bad is almost certain to happen.

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## OBITUARIES

## STEVE T. OPETT

Services for Steve T. Opet, 73, of Westland were Oct. 28 from St. Damian Church with burial at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

Mr. Opet was born June 8, 1926, in Pennsylvania and died Oct. 24. He was a truck driver for a construction company.

Surviving are his wife, Gladys E.; son Steven T. (Joan); daughters Judy A. (Kenneth) Ziemann and Lynn C. (Douglas) Marlow; brother Peter; sister Margaret Alt; and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by the L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

## AGNES MCCOLLUM

Services for Agnes Ruth McCollum, 66, of Wayne were Oct. 4 at Glenwood Cemetery.

Miss McCollum was born March 26, 1933, and died Oct. 1.

Survivors include stepfather James Lantrip; brothers James Horn of Westland, Robert, John and Roger; and sister Rita Luhrson.

Uht Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

## MILDRED MIDDLIN

Services for Mildred Ann Middlin, 67, of Wayne were Oct. 6 from Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland. Officiating was the Rev. Fred Cooley.

Mrs. Middlin was born Nov. 5, 1931, and died Oct. 3. She was a secretary.

Survivors include children William (Chato) Middlin and Julie Middlin; brother Charles Johnson of Westland; and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding in death were her husbands, Willard Taylor and Glen Middlin; children Mark Middlin and Susan Taylor; and brother Frank Johnson Jr.

## GENE E. SAMPEER

Services for Gene E. Sampeer, 75 of Westland were Oct. 11 from Uht Funeral Home with burial at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit. Officiating was the

## Rev. Fred Cooley.

Mr. Sampeer was born May 13, 1924, and died Oct. 6. He was a steam fitter.

Surviving are his wife, Carolyn Sampeer; children Thomas Jr., Kimberly (Brian) Wilcock, Tamara (Jeffrey) Dean and Karen (Glen) Nausley; brother Robert L. Sampeer; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be sent to Arbor Hospice.

## VIVIAN E. HARBISON

Services for Vivian E. Harbison, 80, of Dearborn Heights were Oct. 4 from Uht Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West, Westland.

Mrs. Harbison was born Sept. 27, 1919, and died Sept. 30. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are husband Leamon M.; daughters Virginia King, Loretta (Glenn) Brothers of Westland; sisters Althea Hollis, Thelma Bigos and Barbara York; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death was her brother, Walter Swaze.

Memorials may be sent to the National Hemophilia Foundation.

## BRUCE MCGHIE

Services for Bruce Dale McGhie, 48, of Westland were Oct. 27 from the John N. Santeu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City with burial at Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Kurt R. Radke, Christus Victor Lutheran Church.

Mr. McGhie was born April 13, 1951, in Detroit and died Oct. 23 in Wayne. He was a machine operator.

Surviving are wife Carol McGhie; children Kellie (Chris) Ciesielski, Scott McGhie, Chad (Toni) McGhie and Tara McGhie; brother Gary McGhie; and one grandchild.

# Treasurer situation status quo in Livonia Public Schools district

BY MARIE CHESTNEY  
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Kirsten Galka tried Monday, but failed to convince at least one more trustee that the Livonia school board should reconsider how the board treasurer is picked.

Right now, the treasurer is a district employee appointed by the board each July.

Two weeks ago, Galka proposed that the treasurer be a trustee, elected each year to the post by fellow board members.

To keep the debate going and perhaps achieve a change, Galka needed the backing of another trustee. But at Monday's board committee meeting, the six other trustees made it clear they are satisfied with the way the board treasurer is now chosen.

"Is there a reason to change the way we do things?" asked trustee Frank Kokenakes. "We've had this precedent for

years. The majority of the board is happy. Why is this a better idea?"

Under the present system, board members hear about financial matters at the tail end of the budget process, Galka answered.

"You get info given to you; you're not involved with the process," said Galka. "It's done by Randy (Liepa) and given to us. When I ran (for trustee), one of the things I wanted was more accountability."

In 1988, the board adopted the policy of picking a treasurer that is still in effect. The policy states that the treasurer must be a district employee under contract to the board.

The policy spells out the duties of the employee-treasurer: Exercise care and custody of all money of the district; maintain the district's financial records in an orderly manner; and perform such duties as prescribed by the

board.

Liepa, the district's assistant superintendent for business, is the appointed treasurer.

The trustees said board members could achieve Galka's goal of a more "hands-on" approach simply by meeting one-on-one with Liepa throughout the year and quizzing him about finances.

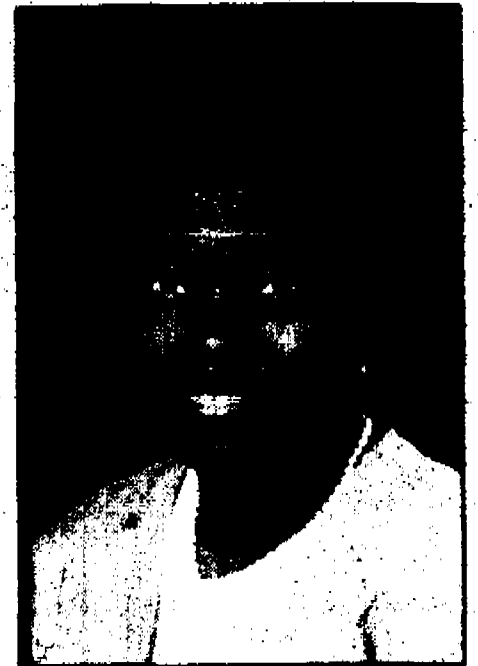
Trustee Ken Timmons said trustees don't have the professional expertise to take on the task of directly managing the district's budget.

"We're not accountants or CPAs," he said.

Superintendent Ken Watson reminded the seven board members that, as trustees, they are Liepa's boss and that they have the final say in financial matters.

"You have that prerogative," he said.

If Galka can sway one more trustee to her side, then the board will continue the debate,



Kirsten Galka

said trustee Diane Nay. "Otherwise, 'we have no interest in continuing this' dialogue," she said.

## Fall fashion show assists children who have disabilities

The Redford Suburban League succeeded in hosting another fashionable festival for a good cause last Thursday.

Held at Burton Manor in Livonia, "An Afternoon in Paris" attracted just under 1,000 attendees for crafts, lunch and a fashion show.

Fashions were provided by Parisian. The 26th annual festival is the league's largest fund-raiser to benefit children

with disabilities in the southeast Michigan area.

Doris Biscoe and Rich Fisher acted as commentators again.

## Salvation Army planning open house on Friday, Nov. 5

The Wayne-Westland Salvation Army will hold an open house 2-5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at 2300 Venoy in Westland. Included will be a display of Salvation Army memorabilia described as "second to none," including information about the organization's museum at Territorial Head-

quarters in Chicago.

After the open house will be a 6 p.m. meeting featuring a slide presentation. The theme will be "Salvation Army History and Salvationism."

For information, call (734) 722-3660.

### WESTLAND CITY COUNCIL SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES MTG NO 20-10/18/99

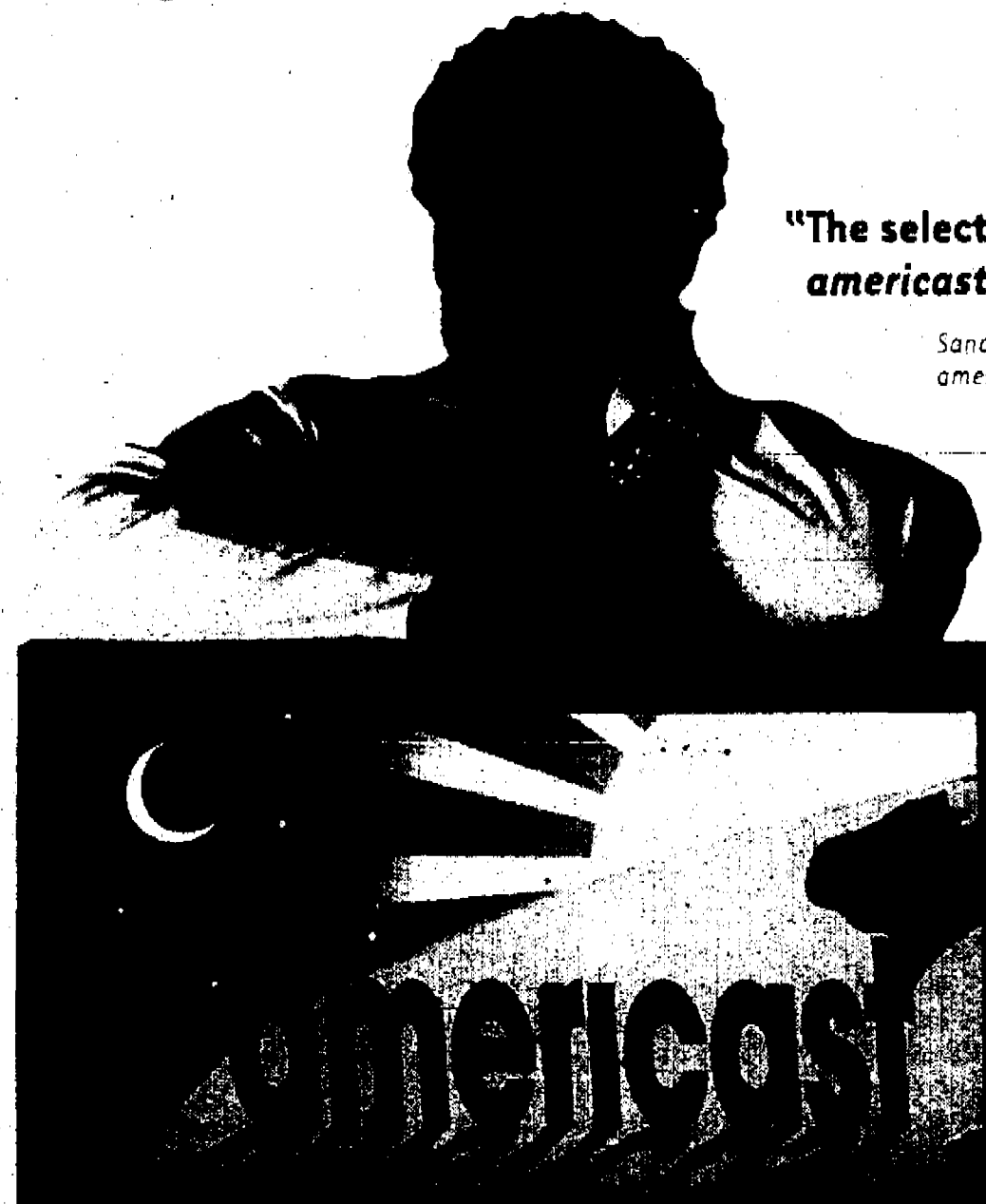
- Presiding: Council President Cicirelli  
Present: Anderson, Barna, Cox, Griffin, LeBlanc, Scott  
227: Approved: minutes of regular mtg held 10/4/99  
- Request from Westland Goodfellows, Inc to conduct their annual newspaper fund-raiser on 11/26/99 & 11/27/99 at various locations within City  
- Request from Wayne County Parks to host a 5 minute fireworks display at the opening of Wayne County Light Fest on 11/19/99 at 6:30 pm  
- Adopted joint resolution supporting the Michigan Campaign for Quality Care for nursing home residents  
- Adopted resolution to obtain permit for construction of a storm sewer connection, 35201 Hunter  
- Adopted Ordinance 188-A-1 to clarify the definition of fireworks & set forth requirements for permitted use of illegal fireworks  
- Bid for 2000 City Calendar to University Lithoprinters, amt \$63,694  
- Introduced budget amendment 2000-05: For 2000 Westland City Calendar, amt \$14,700  
- Bid for Inkster Pump Station electrical work to Lotus Electric, amt \$25,287.50  
- Purchase of equipment, installation & wiring for Low-Wattage Radio Transmitter System to be used in emergency situations from Information Station Specialists, amt \$20,000  
- Introduced budget amendment 2000-04: Purchase of low-wattage radio transmitter system, amt \$20,000  
- 4 yr lease/purchase agreement with Motorola for mobile & portable radios for new Police & Fire 800.MHz system, amt \$952,185.17  
- Traffic control sign; 99-07, install 1 "Speed Limit 25 MPH" on northbound Gilman 50 ft north of Warren & 1 "No Parking Here to Corner" on southbound Gilman, 30 ft north of Warren  
- Adopted lot split resolution-splitting lot #609C of Supervisor's Nankin Plat #12  
- Adopted lot split resolution-splitting lot #59 of J F Keys Wayne Acres Sub  
- Adopted lot split resolution-splitting lot #250 of Wayne Highland Sub #8  
- Request from Administration to go into closed study session following meeting to discuss pending litigation  
228: Approved lease agreement between City & Nankin Transit Commission for office space at William J Engle Memorial Building, 37137 Marquette commencing 7/1/99-6/30/2004  
229: Approved professional services contract with Global Electronics, Inc to assist various departments with Y2K compliance testing, amt \$31,800  
230: Introduced budget amendment 2000-06: Y2K Assessment & Testing of Equipment, amt \$31,800  
231: Granted the request from M Rosenharts to rezone from Two Family Residential to Shopping Center Commercial, Lot #9, Rex Subdivision  
232: Granted the request from M Kallen to rezone from Garden Apartment Residential & General Commercial to Planned Unit Development, N of Van Born, W of Middlebelt  
233: Granted Site Plan Approval for proposed Planned Unit Development Cherrywood Condos, N of Van Born, W of Middlebelt  
234: Granted Site Plan Approval for proposed Coin Laundry, 5750 Wildwood Ave  
235: Approved the request for Special Land Use Approval for proposed Elder Source Senior Assisted Living Facility, S of Nankin Blvd, W of Wayne Rd  
236: Granted Site Plan Approval for proposed Elder Source Senior Assisted Living Facility, S of Nankin Blvd, W of Wayne Rd  
237: Introduced Ordinance 248-A-13 to allow lot splits on existing unimproved private roads  
238: Approved the withdrawal of property bids due to failure of original bidders to fulfill requirement of contract & make these properties available for bid to other interested parties  
239: Approval Check List-\$810,083.64 & Prepaid-\$2,565,065.91  
Mtg adjourned at 9:05 pm  
Minutes available in City Clerk's Office

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## OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

### Livonian 2nd in Brazil

Livonia's Sheila Taormina earned a second-place finish Sunday in the Holambra, Brazil International Triathlon with a clocking of 2 hours, 4 minutes and 23 seconds.

Taormina, a Stevenson High and University of Georgia graduate, finished the 1,500-meter swim in 16:48, the 40-kilometer bike in 1:10:43 and the 10K run in 36:52.

Brazil's Mariana Ohata, ranked No. 19 in the ITU World Point Rankings, finished first in 2:03:36, including a blistering 34:56 in the 10K.

The second-place finish moves Taormina up to No. 66 in the ITU point rankings. She is No. 11 among Americans.

Taormina, who only started competing professionally in ITU events back in January, is a 1996 gold medalist in the women's 800-meter freestyle relay at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, Ga.

### O'Meara whips Emons

Once again Dan O'Meara reigns supreme when it comes to prognosticating high school football games in Observerland.

The Farmington Sports Editor finished the regular season 106-25, a whopping nine games ahead of his counterpart, Livonia-Westland Sports Editor Brad Emons.

O'Meara correctly picked 11 of 14 games in Week No. 9, while Emons, grasping for straws, finished 8-6.

Emons settled for a 95-34 mark in 1999 and vows to do better in 2000.

### Goins pro signs contract

Westland John Glenn High product Tony Goins, a 6-foot-6 forward who recently became Wayne State University's all-time leading scorer in men's basketball, recently signed a contract to play with the Black Hills Gold (Rapid City, S.D.) of the International Basketball League.

The Gold, formerly the Wisconsin Blast, is coached by former UCLA standout and NBA player Mike Sanders.

The commissioner of the nine-team IBL is former NBA great Alex English. Darryl Dawkins, better known as "Chocolate Thunder," plays for the Winnipeg, Manitoba franchise.

### Rockers go perfect 8-0

The Livonia Rockers, an under-13 boys soccer team, recently finished first in the Great Lakes Soccer League's Superior Division with an 8-0 record.

Members of the Rockers, who outscored their opponents 37-2 (including six shutouts), were Nick Ahwal, Eric Anderson, Jeff Anderson, David Ayyash, Adam Bogenschütz, Stephen Franklin, Dan Garber, Ryan Graham, Chris Lantto, Adrian Lucero, Jeff Pepera, Brad Schmitz and Andy Smith.

The Rockers are coached by Laura, Don and Lesley McDougall, along with Luke Lucero.

### Meteor girls finish 1st

The Livonia Family Y Meteors, an under-11 girls team, finished 6-0-2 in the Western Suburban Soccer League, including four shutouts, along with a 2-1 victory over the previously unbeaten Canton Stampede.

Members of the Meteors, coached by John Musser, include Stephanie Barcewicz, Carly Facchini, Mallory Fox, Dianna Ganas, Bridget Godfrey, Julie Kornfeld, Cassie LaPrairie, Amie Musser, Jackie Nancekivell, Kaitlyn Peitz, Lisa Rotenheiser, Tauri Rothermel, Kelly Roulier, Hafsaah Sani, Rachel Yarbrough and Kara Zuccai.

Assistant coaches include John Yarbrough and Randy Roulier. The team manager is Diane Musser.

### Raiders finish unbeaten

The under-9 Livonia Raiders finished an 8-0 boys season Sunday in the Blue Division of the Western Suburban Soccer League with a 4-1 victory over Plymouth at Ford Field.

Members of the Raiders, coached by Chris Trapp and Jack Farrow, include Joseph McCullough, Skyler Lewandowski, Ryan Lubanski, Matt Harris, Rick Berquist, Drew Fosgard, Nick Laberge, Joshua Andaloro, Michael Farrow, Steve Trapp, Troy Gauthier, Ryan Hicks, Jasper Marek and Joshua Martin.



Ready to run: Riley Middle School student Scott Howse (left photo) gets his race tag attached by his father Ken, then takes off for the start of the 2-mile race at Livonia's Ford Field.

## Beyond limits

### Autistic runner beating the odds

BY BRAD EMONS  
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Slowly, but surely, Scott Howse is coming out of his unique little world.

Today, the Riley eighth-grader is the top distance runner among middle school students in the Livonia Public Schools.

As an infant, he had a sensory motor problem so severe that he couldn't be touched without extreme discomfort. He could not deal with the pressure of a blanket while he slept. He had little way to communicate. He resorted to screaming — regularly up to 16 hours per day.

Unable to talk until age 6½, well respected specialists at the Detroit Medical Center told his parents, Ken and Connie, that living a normal life appeared to be bleak and he was destined for institutionalization.

Through their faith and prayer, Scott, slowly, but surely, may be running high school cross country next year.

"He worked with a music therapist, that's how he started communicating," said Ken Howse, a telecommunications analyst on contract for MediaOne. "He actually sang before he talked."

"It was an Easter Sunday. It was just after church. His first words out of his mouth were 'Jesus Loves Me.'"

The kid who couldn't put on his clothes at age 8, or tie his shoes until age 12, now plays the organ, beats you into submission at chess or checkers, can compute math at his

grade level, and runs an 11-minute, 20-second two-mile.

The running must come from the genes.

Ken Howse, who graduated from Detroit Finney High School, was the Class A individual state cross country champion in 1967, clocking a time of 9:54.8.

Ken went on to compete for the University of Illinois where he once ran 8:38 in the two-mile and beat Olympic gold medalist Frank Shorter in a collegiate race.

During summers, Scott often performed double workouts with his dad.

"People underestimate the potential of an autistic child," Ken said. "He can focus his energy on specific areas and he can function like anyone else. In some subjects at school he's way behind, but in some subjects like math he's way ahead."

"The key is you have to have high enough expectations. He likes a challenge and he's very competitive."

During the Livonia Public Schools Middle School race, featuring runners from Riley, Holmes, Emerson and Frost, Scott stayed with the pack for the first of two loops, constantly looking over his right shoulder to make sure he stayed on course.

But after familiarizing himself during pre-race walk-through and completing his first loop, Scott took off like a rabbit from the field, winning comfortably in 12:07.

In seven races this fall, including two non-Livonia school meets, Scott is undefeated.

Sometimes all it takes is pointing

him in the right direction.

"We had people go out and block off the course because we were afraid he'd get lost," said Lucy Van Meter, his sixth-grade coach at Novi Christian School. "Sometimes I had to double-knot his shoe laces."

"Scott never ceases to amaze. Scott is just not talented, he'll work. He has the heart and desire. We'd do hill repeats, and he'd just keep going. And he'll keep going hard. He did what he was told and he was a good student."

Although he has trouble getting his bearings, Scott Howse is never at a loss for probing despite his lack of communication skills.

"He'll ask a lot of questions," Van Meter said. "Our kids said he was like a regular 'Forrest Gump.' He may be closer to that in real life, only he's smarter."

"I call him 'my kid.' He's my pride and joy. It was an instant love affair. People said it couldn't be done, and I didn't understand why."

Keith Wright, who retired four years ago from the Livonia Public Schools as a counselor, was Scott's first track coach at Riley.

"I've had highlights in my 42 years in education and this one is special," said Wright, a former swim coach at Livonia Bentley now residing in Harbor Springs. "His story is really remarkable. They say truth is greater than fiction. He's still very much in my thoughts."

In a medical terminology, autism

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## Wing-T will test Rockets

### Monroe-Glenn playoff matchup

#### ■ PREP FOOTBALL

BY BRAD EMONS  
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Monroe football coach Ralph Carducci was watching film at home Tuesday night preparing for his first-round opponent in the state football playoffs — Westland John Glenn.

"They (Glenn) are very sound, they're aggressive and they block well," the eighth-year coach said. "Their tailback (Eric Jones) is very, very talented."

"Their offensive scheme is not complicated, but what they do, they do it well."

Glenn and Monroe, both 7-2 on the regular season, tangle in a Division I Region II-District 2 matchup, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Monroe.

It is the first-ever meeting between the two schools on the gridiron. Their only common opponent is Wayne Memorial.

Monroe beat Wayne, 27-11, while Glenn ended the regular season with a 24-7 win over the Zebras.

There won't be any secrets as it appears both teams will be well-prepared.

Glenn will have to contain Monroe's Wing-T attack, something Carducci installed in his third year as the Trojans' coach.

"When I first got here we ran out of the 'Power I,' but then our fullback and tailback got hurt and I was asking what coach was going to run the plays," Carducci said. "We've been able to play it pretty well. This year we've been a running team more than a passing team, but we've also thrown a lot this year."

The Monroe backfield revolves around 6-foot-1, 220-pound fullback Chad Mosher, who had rushed for 1,202 yards.

The Trojans will also use three tailbacks — Kent Brinson, William Waik and Antoine Ford.

"They'll pound Mosher in there and their quarterback (Mike Leach) is a good player," Glenn coach Chuck Gordon said. "He has a strong and accurate arm."

Leach (6-3, 179) isn't drawing comparisons quite yet to ex-Monroe signal caller Dan Cole (now at Toledo), but Carducci has confidence in the 10th-grader.

"He's been doing really well, but he's not as mature as a Dan Cole — not yet," Carducci said.

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## Stevenson sharp in 4-1 win over CC

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Tom "Stellar" Eller was at it again Wednesday, figuring in all four goals to propel Livonia Stevenson past Redford Catholic Central in a Division I district semifinal matchup, 4-1.

The game was played on the beautiful grounds of Livonia Ladywood High School.

Stevenson, now 15-2-1 overall, advances to the district championship game Saturday against Livonia Churchill (10-10). Game time is 11 a.m. at University of Detroit-Jesuit High School.

Eller, a senior forward, ran his season totals to 23 goals and 17 assists after shredding the CC defense for two goals to go along with two assists.

"I'm not promoting for anybody for Mr. Soccer, but Eller has to be one of the top three players in state," CC coach Dana Orsucci said. "He's got the total package. He's got speed, and if you get physical with him, he can muscle you. And he's got the fire. He does a little bit of everything out there. He's just a gifted player."

Eller, however, had plenty of help. Stevenson opened the first five minutes of play by scoring twice within a span of 34 seconds.

Mike Thomas made it 1-0 on an assist from Eller. With 35:43 left in the half, Eller followed with a nifty one-on-one individual effort to put the Spartans ahead 2-0.

"I think our game Monday against U-D High (a 5-3 win) got rid of the nervous jitters we had going into the tournament," Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. "That game gave our fullbacks good training because they (U-D) were fast and kind of an unorthodox type of team. I couldn't be more pleased with the



Two-step: Livonia Stevenson's Mike White (right) battles for control of the ball against Catholic Central's Nick Shaw.

way we played in the back

"As usual we got strong efforts from Joe Zawacki, our keeper, and our sweeper, Jeff Budd, who really

#### ■ BOYS SOCCER DISTRICT

helped organize things for us in the back."

The score stayed 2-0 until halftime, but as far as Orsucci was concerned, the two quick Stevenson goals had inflicted heavy damage.

"The first five minutes set us back tremendously," said Orsucci, whose team hadn't played since Oct. 16. "I don't think the layoff hurt us."

"But we're battling tradition and the mystique of Stevenson, not just the 20 guys. And when the state tournament starts it seems they can turn it up a notch. They're fantastic from top to bottom."

"You have to hand it to Stevenson, they played well."

Eller set up Stevenson's third goal just 7:17 into the second half. Teammate J.T. Katikos was the recipient of his pass.

CC goalkeeper Eric Sullivan kept it from being more lopsided than the final score. He made 11 saves, once robbing Eller on a breakaway attempt.

The Shamrocks averted the shutout with 10:17 to go when Kent Toporek rifled a shot from 30 yards out on a touch from Pat Griffin off an indirect free kick.

Zawacki had no chance on the play.

Eller then put the final touch on the Stevenson win when he broke in alone with 2:53 left for his second.

"Every time Tom touches the ball you feel something big is going to happen," Richters said. "He definitely turns it up a notch in the big games."

CC finished the season at 8-4-5 overall.

"Nobody likes to end a season this way, but if you're going to lose to a team, you want to do it against one of the best," Orsucci said. "I thought we fought hard to the end. I was proud of the effort."



## STATE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

## Stevenson bracing for CC power attack

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Deja vu all over again for coach Tim Gabel and his Livonia Stevenson football team?

In 1995, the Spartans finished the regular season 7-2 and had to face juggernaut Redford Catholic Central in the first round of the state football playoffs.

A huge underdog, Stevenson gave CC all it could handle before falling 14-6, one of the stiffest tests the state champion Shamrocks had in the tournament en route to the title.

Fast forward again to this Saturday at Redford Union's Kraft Field. (Kickoff is at 1 p.m.)

Stevenson is again 7-2, while the two-time defending state champion Shamrocks are riding a 28-game winning streak.

David vs. Goliath II?

"They have even more ability to run at you straight ahead," Gabel said of CC. "In 1995 that offensive line was big and powerful, and pretty darn good. But this offensive line is even better than that, and they're outrageously big."

CC's lightest player up front is 6-foot-2, 250-pound center Kevin McCarty, while the tackles are 6-3, 275-pound Mike Morris and 6-3, 265-pound Steve Dominguez.

## Glenn-Monroe from page C1

Gordon, making his 11th playoff appearance since 1985, may use two quarterbacks, junior Josh Hudson or freshman Brian Cechiewicz, again for the third consecutive week.

But it's a safe bet that 5-11, 190-pound Jones, closing in on Reggie Spearman's 1998 single-season rushing record of 1,664 yards, will be the focus of the Glenn offensive attack.

In his first year as a full-time tailback, Jones has rushed for 1,630 yards in 219 attempts, a 7.4 average. He has 17 touch-

downs and single-game high of 289 (versus Plymouth Canton, a school record).

After losses to Livonia Stevenson and Plymouth Salem in weeks Nos. 6-7, Glenn's offensive line has regrouped under the direction of assistants Mike Henry and Tim Hardin.

"This is the most healthy they've been the last two or three weeks," Gordon said. "The continuity is getting better and the guys are working together."

Senior center Jim Doherty (5-11, 248) has "been very steady and always plays hard," according to Gordon.

After watching him on film you see he makes very few mistakes," the Glenn coach said.

Senior guards Keith Luke (6-2, 220) and Jim Waller (5-10, 227) have also left their mark.

"Jim plays with a tremendous amount of pride," Gordon said. "He plays hard every play and

gives you everything he's got. He's good at both pass protection and the running game."

"Luke never makes mistakes and is very technique conscious. He plays the best game he can possibly play."

Senior tackle Jake Tharp (6-3, 265), an All-Observer first-team pick from a year ago, is coming off major reconstructive knee surgery (a torn ACL).

"Jake is a great one-on-one drive blocker," Gordon said. "When he gets locked in, he provides great movement. He has tremendous explosion."

The other tackle is 6-6, 260-pound junior Nick Samples, who is the team's most improved player.

"We always felt he had the potential," Gordon said of the All-Western Lakes Activities Association selection. "He's really taken off and gotten better and better each week."

(6-0, 212) plays the middle linebacking spot. He is flanked leading tackler Brad Buckler (6-0, 181) and Tim Baugher (5-11, 184).

Buckler, who plays tight end, is also the Spartans' leading receiver.

Meanwhile, the secondary consists of safeties Nick Coffman (5-9, 171) and Joe Ordus (5-10, 170), both seniors. They are joined by cornerbacks Mike McClain (5-11, 170), a senior, and Shawn Casey (5-8, 144), a junior.

Special teams could also be a key for the Spartans.

Punter R.J. Colley, who also plays in the secondary, is close to the school record, averaging nearly 38 yards this season.

Dan Wilson handles field goals an extra points, but CC counters with the booming leg of Mike Sgroi.

"That kid (Sgroi) just kicks it consistently to the back of the end zone," Gabel said.

Before Fox Sports Detroit's Selection Sunday show, Gabel was convinced his first-round opponent was going to be a Lakes Division rematch with Westland John Glenn.

As it turned out, the Spartans got the state's No. 1 team, just like 1995.

"The kids met together Sunday and they were just excited to see their names on the screen like anyone else," Gabel said.

## Shamrocks role Prep Bowl

Redford Catholic Central's Prep Bowl game is a tradition that dates back to 1985. The Shamrocks have won the game five times and lost three times.

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Senior quarterback John Kava is a senior who has led the team to three state championships. He has thrown for 1,122 yards and 12 touchdowns. He has also run for 81 yards and 41 yards in 12 games. He has also kicked a 40-yard field goal.

Rice's points came on touchdowns of 10 yards and 15 yards from quarterback Matt Sgroi to Brandon Hart, the second coming on the last play of the game.

Sgroi and Steve Ivy had interceptions for the Shamrocks. Sgroi, Jeff Moore and Mark Willoughby had five tackles each.

## Painters find common ground

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Redford Catholic Central two-way standout John Kava and Livonia Stevenson lineman John MacFarland are good friends, but don't expect them to paint the town together this week.

They did enough of that in the summer.

The two who grew up in the same Livonia subdivision and attended the same elementary school will be on opposite sides of the field when CC and Stevenson meet in the first round of the Division I state playoffs on Saturday at Hilbert Junior High in Redford. Kickoff is 1 p.m.

The two not only hung out last summer, they painted apartments for MacFarland's brother, who owns a painting company.

But the extent of their relationship this week was a brief visit by Kava to MacFarland's home Sunday, following the playoff pairings

show on television.

"I went over there and he said they're pretty pumped up to play us but we talked about other things, too," said Kava, CC's leading rusher the past two seasons who also plays linebacker. "We have a mutual respect for each other but I don't think we're talking the rest of the week. I'll see him on Saturday."

The two would take playful jabs at each other's team in-between strokes with their paint brushes over the summer. Mike Morris, Kava's teammate and a two-way lineman for CC, worked one day when another painter was needed.

"They were working but they'd slip in a comment here and there," said Morris, another Livonia resident who knows some of the Spartans.

"We went to a Leadership Conference over the summer with some of them over the summer. We see them around and are always friendly when it's not football. We're always joking but now it's serious."

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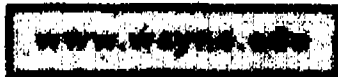


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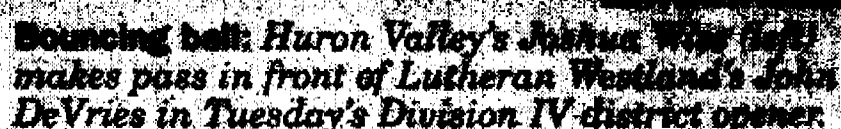
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# Huron Valley wraps up MIAC crown

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran avenged its only conference loss, scoring a 48-41 girls basketball victory over Warren Zoe Christian in a game Tuesday at Marshall Middle School.

The win clinched at least a tie for the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title in a game for the Hawks, now 10-8 overall and 8-1 in the MIAC.

Stacie Graves scored 16 points and Rachel Zahn added 12, but the key to the game was a 14-7 third quarter that erased a 24-22 half-time deficit.

"We came out intense and ready to play," coach Kris Springstroh said. "We took it to them in the second half and stopped their fast breaks."

Christine Zink scored 15 and Sharon Myree 12 for Zoe Christian, now 6-3 in the MIAC.

The Hawks have three games remaining, but only one involves a league opponent.

**FRANKLIN 53, FARMINGTON 38:** Strong starts to each half Tuesday night carried Livonia Franklin to a Western Lakes Activities Association victory over the visiting Falcons.

The Patriots, now 8-8 overall and 5-5 in the WLAA, started the first half 15-9 and began the second 18-6

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

to cruise to the victory.

Franklin got a combined 30 points from senior forward Tera Morrill (17) and junior center Kerstin Marshall (13). Lisa Balko added nine points.

"The girls played real hard and put good pressure on the ball," coach Gary Warner said. "It was Parent's Night so a lot of kids got in the game. It was nice."

Farmington (3-13, 2-8) got 14 points and 10 rebounds from junior Danielle Lewis and 10 points and 10 rebounds from junior Julie Kimmel.

**CANTON 55, STEVENSON 28:** On Tuesday, host Plymouth Canton held Livonia Stevenson's Lindsay Guskick scoreless and grabbed their seventh straight victory in the WLAA encounter.

Cheryl Fox led the Spartans (6-8, 4-6) with seven points.

Janine Gaustella scored 23 Tuesday night to lead the victorious Chiefs (11-5, 8-2).

Canton had a 16-6 edge in the first quarter and an 11-2 margin in the second.

**HARRISON 67, JOHN GLENN 34:** Farmington Hills Harrison (11-5, 7-3) put four players in double figures Tuesday to beat visiting Westland John Glenn (9-7, 6-4) in a WLAA game.

Lacey Catano's 12 points led the Rockets.

The host Hawks got off to a 25-11 start and wound up hitting seven three-pointers in the game.

Kelly Taylor scored 19 to lead Harrison, while Becky

Zak (14), Gayle Ternes (12) and Emily Jackson (11) also got into the scoring act.

The Hawks made 14-of-19 free throws to just 8-of-15 for John Glenn.

**W.L. CENTRAL 45, CHURCHILL 29:** On Tuesday, host Livonia Churchill (3-12, 0-10) reached double figures only when the game was out of reach, and that was during the final quarter against Walled Lake Central (2-13, 2-8).

Deann DeRoo scored seven points to lead Churchill, while Megan Sheehan and Kristin Barry contributed six apiece. Barry also grabbed 17 rebounds.

Stacy Brinkman scored 15 points and Amanda Smith 13 to lead the visiting Vikings.

An inability to convert layups hurt the Chargers, especially in the first half when the missed seven.

**ALLEN PARK 50, WAYNE 27:** The Monarchs flew by the Zebras after getting out to a 13-4 start Tuesday night in a Mega Conference Red Division game.

Crystal Harris led host Wayne with 12 points, all in the first half.

Senior guard Eric Taylor paced Allen Park (7-8, 4-7) with 20 points.

**HAMTRAMCK 56, LUTHERAN WESTLAND 33:** The Cosmos (Erica Sias (18) and Aida Spanic (18) outscored Lutheran Westland (4-13, 2-11) all by themselves in a Metro Conference game Tuesday.

Hamtramck led by 39-30, but put visiting Lutheran High Westland away with a 17-3 fourth quarter.

Anna Rolf led the Warriors with six points while Heather Rose, Kelly Pruchnik and Katie Walker added five apiece. The Cosmos are 8-4 in the Metro

## Harakas nets 30 in Ladywood win

Melissa Harakas had it going Wednesday, scoring a career-high 30 points, carrying Livonia Ladywood to a 62-51 girls basketball win over visiting Riverview Gabriel Richard in the opening round of the Catholic League playoffs.

The 6-foot-1 junior was 13 of 26 from the floor, four of six from the free throw line and grabbed six rebounds. Sister Melissa Harakas added 10 points.

Ladywood (12-5), leading by only two with three minutes to go, got a big three-pointer from Jen Hunley to open up a five-point cushion.

Senior center Tara Sadonis and sophomore guard Diane Foley scored 15 and 14, respectively, for the Pioneers (7-9).

Ladywood advances to the semifinal round, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3 at Schoolcraft College.

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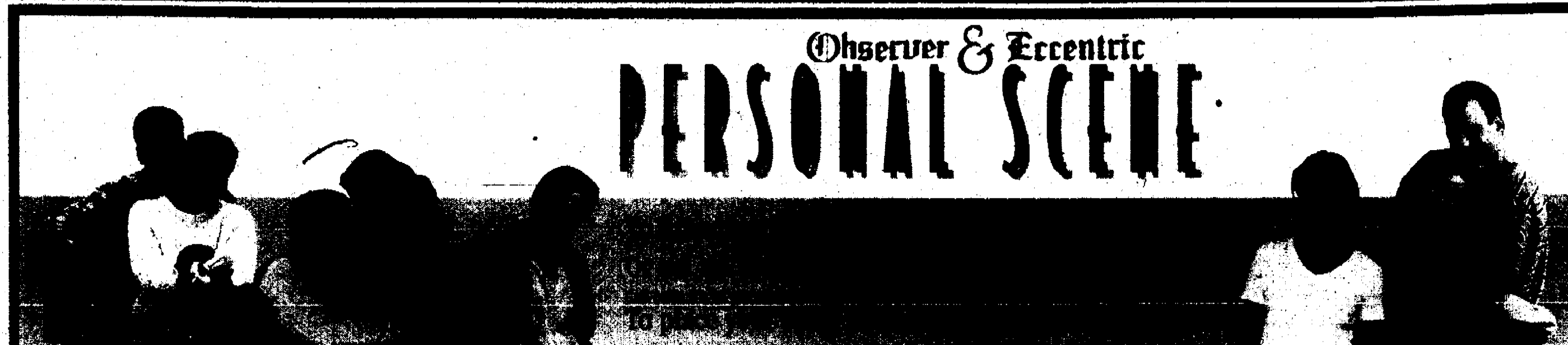
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Attractive SBF, 25, medium build, wavy hair, seeks degreed PM 28-33, for travel, shooting, fine dining, boating, and LTR. #5558

### HAVEN'T FOUND HIM YET

Petite DWF, 45, 5'2", 118lbs, brown/brown, seeks a truthful, honest, sincere SWM, 40-50, HW-proportionate, for long-term relationship. #5508

### WILL THE REAL MAN...

please stand? SBF, 29, seeks SWM, 29-39, who likes to enjoy the time of relaxing and going on social outings, one who wants peace of mind in an unstressful relationship. #5453

### SEARCHING FOR YOU

Attractive, educated, easygoing SWPF, 30, 5'6", brown/green, enjoys movies, dining, going out, staying in. Searching for an honest, educated SWPM, 30+, who is ready to enjoy life. #5376

### TAKE A CHANCE

Widowed lady young 63, blonde, blue, enjoys movies, theater, dining, going out, swimming. Would like to spend time with loving, caring, well-groomed gentleman, 60s. #5161

### GIVE ME A CALL

Classy, athletic, adventurous, optimistic DWF, 44, tall, slender, blonde/blue. Seeking honest, humorous, adventurous SWDM, with strong values for friendship and possible LTR. #5447

### SOUTHERN BELLE

Petite, honest, sincere SWF, 43, blonde/blue, enjoys dancing, traveling, water, romantic evenings at home. Seeking gentleman, 40-45, who is ready to enjoy life. #5121

### LET'S GET TOGETHER

Pretty RN pharmaceutical sales, financially secure, classy, slim, youthful SWF, 34, blonde, brown, N/S, no dependents, enjoys biking, entertaining, golf, theater, movies. Seeking educated, emotionally intelligent SWM, 35-45, for companionship, possible LTR. #5173

### MAKE BEAUTIFUL MUSIC

Viscous, romantic DWF, 16, blonde/blue, professional musician, seeks SWDM 40-50, N/S, with passion for life, interested in possible LTR. #5024

### WHO WANTS A FRIEND?

How about a DWF, 40, 110lbs, humorous, funny RN, blonde/brown, N/S, for companionship, who can laugh at life. Let's do something fun! #5751

### SINCERELY SEEKING

Pretty SF, 35, blonde/blue, mch, and a super nice lady, who is interested in having fun with you. Seeking handsome, nice guy 5'11", #5515

### GOD, YOU HANDLE IT

Spunky, sensitive, attractive, senior widow 52, 125lbs, blonde, blue, seeks humorous, N/D, active SWM, 52+, N/D, N/Drugs. #5517

### NEED

LOTS OF TLC?? So do I! Tall, attractive DWPF, blonde/blue, N/S, social drinker, enjoys travel, reading, walking, conversation, dancing, dining, concerts, cappuccino. Seeking tall, nice SWCM, 60-70, for friendship and possible LTR. #5512

### STABLE, SMART

attractive blonde, 41 (looks 31), 5'8", nice figure, love to smile, laugh, love to keep an active, busy life. Seeking educated, secure, intelligent, capable, with a sense of humor, who can be a good friend. #5120

### HONEST BLONDE!

Intelligent, sensitive, secure, sincere, outgoing OF, 57, long, blonde/brown, proportionately fit, with great sense of humor, loves laughing, smiling, hockey, football, beautiful dinner movies, social events. What more can an attractive man ask for? #5121

### SEARCHING FOR MY SOULMATE

Pretty tall, passionate DWF, 49, 5'10", blonde/brown, looking for tall, on-a-million, emotional, financially secure guy who seeks a romantic, monogamous, fun-loving relationship. #5124

### AFFECTIONATE FUN

Very attractive, petite blonde, loves being by the water, boating, golf, snow skiing, traveling, dining, concerts, romantic dinners, fun, hugs. Seeking attractive, affectionate WM, 42-47, financially secure, with class, integrity. #5063

### ATTRACTIVE WIDOW

Intelligent, slender, tall WF, 53, lady like, warm hearted, smoker. Seeking tall, gentleman, 53-65, with traditional manners who is intelligent and interested in sharing romantic dinners, conversation, and laughter with me. #5061

### THIN, TALL & SPUNKY

Pretty blonde SDF, 57, former teacher/fashion model, seeks companion of professional gentleman, upper 50s-60s, for dining out, theater, travel, quiet dinners, good conversation. #5273

### WATERFORD AREA

Honest, funny DWF, 45, 5'5", blonde, interests include out, dancing, movies, dining, quiet times. Seeking for DWM, 45-55, N/S, for friendship, companionship, and LTR. #5365

### ONE IN A MILLION

DBP, 47, 5'9", slim build, N/S, soccer drinker, light-complexioned, beautiful inside and out, one elevator, year-old at home, enjoys tennis, boogie, dining/dancing. Seeking slim build, flexible SM, 45-55, 6' N/S, SD, LTR. No players. #5396

### TELL ME YOU ARE FOR REAL

SWF, N/S, 57, slender, attractive, 5'0", 100lbs, younger, Seeking N/S, financially secure, attractive, good-hearted man, 50-59, with sense of humor, North Oakland area. #5487

### LOVELY LONELY CLASSY LADY

Tall, slender, optimistic, attractive, romantic, fun, elegant, special lady seeks honest, fun, loyal, flexible, special gentleman, 55+, N/S, for companionship and more. #5874

### EXCELLENT SKIER!

Cute, outgoing, fun, DWPF, 35, 5'7", N/S, slim, brunette/hair, and a super nice lady, who is interested in having fun with you. Seeking handsome, nice guy 5'11", #5515

### SEEKING

Utta Tennissu, petite, sleek, European blonde with sophisticated tastes, seeks highly successful SWM, 50-65, for possible LTR. #4912

### COMPANION BEST FRIEND

SWF, 54, 130lbs, blonde, N/S, seeks SWM 45-58, young-looking and energetic like myself. A little bit country, a little bit rock, can be humorous as well as serious. #4896

### START TOMORROW TODAY

Educated, sweet, warm, active, slim JF, 50s, 5'6", blue eyes, good cook, loves music, animals. Seeking available, understanding gentleman for relationship, or whatever you wish. #5502

### GREEN-EYED?

48, 5'1", 120lbs, attractive, slim, shapely WF, enjoys playing golf, walking, movies, quiet evenings, romance, the water, more financially/romantically stable, seeking attractive WM, 51-60, 45-55, no young dependents. #5359

### I'M STILL SEARCHING

Petite attractive SWPF, dark, hazel, enjoys jazz/blues, sunbathing on the beach, art festivals, dining, theater. Seeking a SWPM who is dignified, humorous, a great communicator, and enjoys experiencing the unexpected. #5153

### ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?

Full-figured SWF, 38, 5'5", brown, brown, many interests, bowling, quiet times at home, candlelight dining, horseback riding, swimming. Seeking SWDM with many different interests for friendship. #5150

### THE EYES HAVE IT

SWF, 40, 5'8", attractive, red, working, independent, seeks SWM who's handsome, tall, employed. Must have a great sense of humor and love animals for friendship. #5126

### MUTUAL REWARDS

Pretty, older, sensitive WF, seeks youthful, sensitive, financially secure SWM who's honest, for great times. LTR. #5062

### ARTIST SEEKING MUSE

SWF, 41, seeks romantic, adventurous gentleman, N/S, prefer boy of above-average intellect who enjoys country walks, holds his healthy food, art museums, and music. #5059

### 40 LOOKS 30

Petite attractive, Italian SWF, 52, 107lbs, seeks attractive, uncommittal male for friendship, possible LTR. #5760

### BLUE-EYED BLONDE

Attractive SWF, 50, 5'7", medium build, seeks tall WM, 45-60, honest, fun-loving, commitment-minded for LTR. #4916

### A RARE FIND

Pretty, curvy SWF, 53, 5'4", petite, fun, lots of fun, enjoys movies, plays, concerts, traveling. Looking for sincere, successful WM, 45-75, who will make you say, "awww, my boat today." #5138

### SEARCHING FOR SOULMATE

Beautiful, classy, commitment-minded, 5'7", 125lbs, vacation all year long at my waterfront home. Seeking fun, sporty, attractive man, 50-60, with the ultimate respect for body, physical health. N/S. #5693

### BIRMINGHAM BLONDE BEAUTY

DWPF, mid-40s, 5'8", medium build, N/S, social drinker, college graduate, business owner, enjoys golf, water sports, college football, travel. Seeking professional, employed gentleman, 47, 55, for LTR. #5691

### MUST BE OVER THE EX!

Petite DWPF, 37, HW proportionate, enjoys golf, dancing, and Living Life Local. You are N/S, SDPM, 37-40-something, responsible dad. Let's give it a whirl! #5451

### JUST ME

DWF, 42, 5'3", brown/blue, full of life, seeks DWM, 44-50, who enjoys writing, book stores, movies, outdoors, and the company of an honest, loyal person. #5413

### ABOUT YOU

Slender, physically fit, attractive SWF, 36, 5'6", likes sports. Seeks a single DWM, 35-50, for committed relationship. Must like animals. Kids ok. #5375

### DYNAMIC, BEAUTIFUL PHO

Cultured and fit, 5'8", goth/nerd, seeking enthusiastic, mature, a mean apple pie, has theater, addiction and dance fever. Seeks counterpoint, 38-51, for fun, romance and companionship. #5366

### COMPANIONSHIP FIRST

Petite SWF, middle aged, enjoys golfing, traveling, dining out, theater, etc. Seeking attractive, sincere, white gentleman, must be financially secure, N/S. #5366

### GOOD-LOOKING GUY

Easygoing DWM, 5'11", 155lbs, 51 (looks 40), athletic, smoker, honest, romantic, considerate, seeks honest, truthful, petite SWAF, 38-45, for LTR. #5876

### SECRET AGENT

Intelligent, creative, SWDM, educated, athletic, adventurous, open-minded, attractive SWM, 32, 5'7", enjoys getaway weekends, summer breezes, dancing, romance, jazz, martial arts. Seeking fit, witty SWBF, 20-40, for possible relationship. #4990

### PILOT SEESK CO-PILOT

Muscular, handsome, adventurous, romantic, fun SWM, 35, 5'11", 170lbs, high achieving professional, great conversationalist. This educated gentleman, 47, 6'2", 210lbs, enjoys golf, theater, Country Lake homeowner, enjoys all seasons outdoors. Seeking attractive, intelligent, special lady. #5205

### LET'S GO TO LUNCH

SM, 25, 5'4", financially secure, seeks female, 18-24, with goals and dreams. Children are a plus. #5210

### ROMANTIC REALIST

Intuitive, educated, creative, persevering, SWDM, 43, 5'8", fit, brown/blue, no dependents. Seeking enlightened fit, emotionally available SWF, 25-42, for friendship, companionship and more. #5507

### ENJOYING LIFE?

DWM, young 50s, 6'1", 210lbs, N/S, light beard, blue eyes, enjoys dancing, dining, going out. Seeking slim, fit DWF over 40, sense of humor, for whatever you're happy. #5155

### OLD-FASHIONED

Widowed BCM, 48, father of two, seeks attractive, young woman, 35-50, Must be honest and have God first in your life! #5154

### SINCERE MALE

SBM, 35, DO-free, likes dining out, cats, biking, music, companionship. Seeking sincere, down-to-earth SWF who enjoys the same. #5027

### NOT THE SINGLES AD TYPE

Attractive SWM, 36, 6'10", brown/blue, professionally employed, enjoys movies. Seeking an attractive SWF for dating, friendship, possible LTR. Garden City/Westland area. #5274

### AWESOME OUTDOOR LOVER

Great looking, successful, motivated, family-oriented, down-to-earth, seeks attractive young woman, 35-50, who enjoys hiking, gardens, back roads, motorcycle. Would appreciate a freestyle. #5274

### ARE YOU OUT THERE?

Intelligent, active, African American SM, seeks smart, down-to-earth, open-minded, real SWF for long-term companionship, friendship, romantic relationship. #5152

### GOOD-LOOKING

Very outgoing, employed SWPM, 28, 5'11", 175lbs, brown/blue, seeks attractive, outgoing SWF, 18-35, HW proportionate who is fun, friendly, and fun. #5274

### CARING PROFESSIONAL

Sincere, attractive, caring physician, searching for honest, clean-cut SWPF with sense of humor, healthy lifestyle, for friendship, possible LTR. #5175

### PROFESSIONAL & REAL

Charming and down-to-earth, 32-year-old, enjoys dining, going out, theater, travel, candlelight, fun. Seeking an attractive woman who enjoys life! #5374

### ARTISTIC FLIRTATIOUS LADY

Young, fun, outgoing, SWF, 35, 5'8", blonde, seeks a gentleman and free spirit is sought by honorable, handsome, SW businessman, 44, for joyful companionship and loving relationship. #5058

### LOOKING FOR SOULMATE

Strong, sensitive, affectionate DWM, 60, N/S, employed, good listener, enjoys outdoors, Red Wings games, romantic, fun, family-minded SWF, 45-55, if interested, please call. #5901

### LOVE FOREVER

Caring, affectionate, loving DWM, 52, 5'7", loves late activities, skiing, movies, and quality time together. Seeking petite-medium 42-50, for friendship, possible long-term, monogamous relationship. Glad unemployed. #4988

### OLD-FASHIONED

Widowed BCM, 49, father of two, seeks attractive, young woman, 35-50, Must have God first, and be honest. #5050

### ONE IN A MILLION

Fun, handsome SWPM, 39, 5'10", 170lbs, great sense of humor, enjoys outdoors, rock music, volleyball, dancing, living. Seeking tender, attractive, independent female, with similar interests. #5916

### WHERE'S MY MILLENNIUM GIRL?

I'm looking for that faithful, one-man woman, widowed DWF, 38-54, I'm newly divorced one year, 6'1", 215lbs, early 50s, just average, ordinary guy so let's try to make a connection. #5415

### HANDSOME JOCK TYPE

Rugged, tall, athletic, muscular SWM, 40, 6'3", 230lbs, brown, blue, clean-cut, degreed, enjoys Las Vegas, road trips, outdoors, good sense of humor. Seeking friendly SF for companionship. Ageless open. #5401

### CLASSIC COMPANION

A delightful dad desires a youth, easygoing attractive male. This educated gentleman, 47, 6'2", 210lbs, enjoys golf, theater, Country Lake homeowner, enjoys all seasons outdoors. Seeking attractive, intelligent, special lady. #5205

### REAL GUY

Playful, thoughtful, communicative, fit, genuine WPM, 41, 5'8", bearded, with personality and a handful of looks, seeks similar qualities in petite SWF, 27-43, for LTR. #5026

### HEY CARROT TOP!

Love your hair! DWM, 44, seeks attractive, passionate, romantic SWDM, who loves God, nature, blue jeans, horses and country life to build a healthy relationship. Age open. #5375

### HAPPY GO-LUCKY

Handsome, witty, sweet SWM, 47, seeks SWH/F, 40-50, N/S, for dating, dining, dancing, friendship, possible LTR. #5270

### FRIEND OR SOULMATE?

That's our choice. Adventurous, fun, honest DWM, 46, blonde, blonde, N/S, light drinker, enjoys bowling, boating, dining, theater. Seeking lady, mid-30s to mid-40s, for friendship leading to LTR. #5151

### BRIGHT HOURS

Attractive, very caring, outgoing, young SWM, 45, with a variety of interests, loves to be romantic and cook. Seeking same in petite SWF for friendship, maybe more. #5352

### INTERACT WITH QUALITY

SWM, 43, 5'11", HW proportionate, childless, college grad, does things well, open to marriage or LTR which should include a good romantic life. Seeking SWF, 35-49, homebody, play. #5964

### HOPEFUL BUT SHY?

Then I am your guy! Honest, fun, outgoing, DWM, 46, good attitude, likes animals and children, willing to meet shy but motivated SWF for dating and together. #5582

### SEARCHING

FOR MY SOULMATE. DW, 46, 6'10", brown, green, glasses, clean-cut, smoker, enjoys late evening dining, loving, honest, caring, compassionate. Enjoys all sports, writing out, movies, dining out. #5845

### STARTING NEW

DWM, 47, 5'7", medium build, loves to travel, dining, going out, and working out. Seeking WF, N/S, for committed relationship. #529



## Kuehne paces Lady Warriors to Metro crown

The girls cross country team of Lutheran Westland confirmed its status as the top team in the Metro Conference at the annual league meet.

The Warriors took the top two spots — with Tess Kuehne setting a new course record — and breezed to a 26-61 victory Saturday over runnerup Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood at Vernier Park in Grosse Pointe Shores.

Macomb Lutheran North took third with 75 points, followed by Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, 118; Grosse Pointe University-Liggett and Harper Woods Lutheran East, 132; and Harper Woods, 186.

Kuehne cracked 20 minutes on the Vernier Park course and her time of 19:16 bettered the old course record, which was eight seconds under 20 minutes.

Angie Matthews was runnerup at 20 minutes even while Jessica Montgomery finished sixth in 20:45. Cara Braun clocked 21:12 to wind up eighth, one place ahead of Mary Ebendick, who was six seconds behind.

Chelsea Romero finished 12 at 22:02 and Aimee Anthony 18th with a time of 22:45.

### CATHOLIC LEAGUE GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY MEET

Oct. 23 at Stony Creek Park

**TEAM STANDINGS:** 1. Dearborn Divine Child, 31 points; 2. Farmington Hills Mercy, 85; 3. Birmingham Marian, 87; 4. Livonia Ladywood, 87.

**Ladywood finishers:** 9. Anna Piagany, 21:20; 10. Catharine, 21:24; 11. Stefanie Stachura, 21:42; 12. All-Catholic, 21:57; 13. Jennifer Kotera, 23:00; 14. Stacey Swannott, 23:16; 15. Brianny O'Keefe, 23:38; 16. Stacey Schroeder, 23:40; 17. Rachel Andersen, 24:00.

### OPERATION-FRIENDSHIP MEET

Oct. 27 at Southgate Aquinas

**Ladywood finishers:** 25. Swannott, 22:41; 26. Piagany, 22:42; 27. Andersen, 23:01; 28. Michelle Taylor, 23:11; 29. Christine, 23:11; 30. Jodi Lamb, 23:33.

## Lutheran Westland, CC harriers 1st

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4. Warren DeLaSalle, 85; 5. Dearborn Divine Child, 115; 6. University of Detroit Jesuit, 119; 7. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, 223; 8. Orchard Lake St. Mary, 225.

**Top 10 individual finishers:** 1. Matt Day (CC), 15:25:09; 2. Doug Gibbons (CC), 15:45:00; 3. Mark Michalski (ND), 16:47:33; 4. Charles Vignanti (BR), 16:48:23; 5. John DiGiovanni (BO), 16:58:30; 6. Mike Penco (DO), 17:00:73; 7. Jeff Heller (CC), 17:00:95; 8. Ryan Hagg (Del), 17:02:76; 9. Zach Wallis (Del), 17:04:12; 10. Scott Walter (ND), 17:11:73.

**Remaining CC finishers:** 12. Dan Krawiec, 17:22; 19. Robert Tymowski, 17:41; 30. Adam Tymowski, 18:07.

## Beyond limits from page C1

is a severe communication and learning disorder. Many individuals with autism have little or no communication. They are in their own world.

With Scott, even proper social exchanges such as "hello" have to be taught and consistently reinforced.

"The real race started when he was an infant," Wright said. "It's so rewarding to know of his athletic improvement and to see his accomplishments surpass the limits set by society."

"It's very satisfying to see that he can do things independently. It's a credit to all the different people who believed in him, along with their faith and church. It was a privilege to be with Scott and his family."

With the help of the internationally-renowned Burger School for the Autistic in Garden City, Scott received the needed assistance from teachers and therapists to promote him to public school.

Despite his eccentricities, Scott appears to have the potential to fit nicely into the mainstream of life.

"Although he may not have the social graces, he needs to be treated like everyone else," Ken Howse said. "You need the same expectations, and don't lower them because of his disability."

Running seems to bring Scott "out of his world."

At the middle school meet, his grandparents, three younger brothers (Timothy, Shawn and Franklin), along with his parents, were there to support him. Of course, Ken darted around the course to make sure Scott was staying on course.

Scott seemed genuinely excited about his win. When he passed the crowd lined up at the end of the first loop, Scott picked up his pace.

"He seems to thrive on competition," his dad said. "It really brings him along and it helps him with academics."

"The night before he had to get to bed early and get his homework done."

Wright remembers one day before a cross country meet when Scott "would focus in on the clouds."

"He was checking the wind and letting his teammates know about it so it would help them in the race," Wright said. "With Scott it's a learning process. He wasn't just a runner or a kid with a disability who was unable to communicate."

Ken Howse realizes there are many more challenges ahead. The plan is to run cross country and track at the high school level.

"It's going to be a rude awakening for him. I'm sure he'll be starting from the bottom," Ken said. "But I think he's up to it."

Slowly, but surely, Scott may fool people at the next level once again.

"We've spent hours and hours of time," Ken Howse said. "But if you bring a child into the world, the Good Lord says you're responsible to love and nurture him."

Connie Howse, said the family's faith continues to be their foundation.

"We've prayed and prayed, we've prayed every day," she said.

This story is still evolving, slowly, but surely.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

On pace: Scott House pulls away from the field.

## RUN RESULTS

HERITAGE PARK FALL BK RUN

Oct. 10 in Farmington Hills

Male Overall Winner			
Place	Name	Age	Time
1	Mark Hoffman	21	16:06
Female Overall Winner			
Place	Name	Age	Time
19	Kristy Conway	20	21:48
Male Age Group 1-15			
Place	Name	Age	Time
5	Miles VanMeter	15	19:27
Male Age Group 16-18			
Place	Name	Age	Time
2	Eddie Traynor	18	16:45
Male Age Group 19-24			
Place	Name	Age	Time
4	Matt VanCub	25	18:04
Male Age Group 25-34			
Place	Name	Age	Time
18	Mike Weissman	32	21:47
Male Age Group 35-44			
Place	Name	Age	Time
5	Sam Quirarte	35	18:22
Male Age Group 45-49			
Place	Name	Age	Time
3	Alan VanMeter	42	17:23
Male Age Group 50-54			
Place	Name	Age	Time
6	John Tarkowski	44	18:27
Male Age Group 55-59			
Place	Name	Age	Time
16	Kurt Hillebrand	50	21:24
Male Age Group 60 & Up			
Place	Name	Age	Time
14	Brian Gate	55	20:48
Female Age Group 1-15			
Place	Name	Age	Time
28	Clare Grapich	14	23:07
35	Karen Gieske	15	24:02
Female Age Group 16-19			
Place	Name	Age	Time
102	Jon Stankiewicz	17	34:51
Female Age Group 20-24			
Place	Name	Age	Time
20	Monica Grawinski	20	21:50
36	Sue Labadie	22	24:04
Female Age Group 25-29			
Place	Name	Age	Time
44	Susan Cruz	28	24:04
Female Age Group 30-34			
Place	Name	Age	Time
34	Diana Anthony	34	24:07
Female Age Group 35-39			
Place	Name	Age	Time
31	Abbie Nelli	39	24:46
Female Age Group 40-44			
Place	Name	Age	Time
37	Grace Gilmore	44	24:27
Female Age Group 45-49			
Place	Name	Age	Time
29	Donna Swanson	47	23:11
Female Age Group 50-54			
Place	Name	Age	Time
37	Grace Gilmore	44	24:27
Female Age Group 55-59			
Place	Name	Age	Time
113	Nancy Hest	54	24:23
Female Age Group 60 & Up			
Place	Name	Age	Time
115	Nancy Hest	54	24:23



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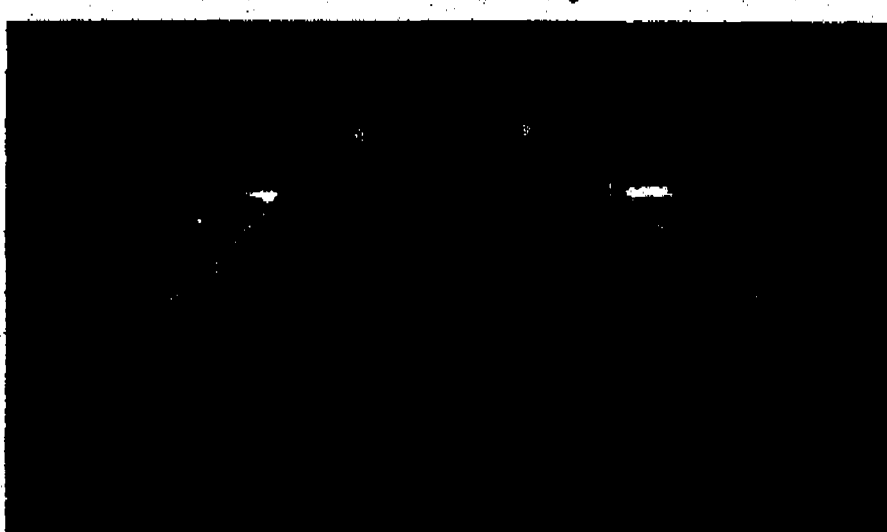
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Farmington Observer:

"Education Under Fire" by Tim Smith—Honorable Mention

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##### Best Editorial Page or Pages

Lake Orion Eccentric, Gerald Frawley—First Place

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Bill Bresler, Farmington Observer—First Place

"I did it"

Jim Jagdfeld, Southfield Eccentric—First Place

"Everyone needs a hand sometimes"

Lawrence McKee, Oxford Eccentric—Second Place

"Eeek"

West Bloomfield Eccentric, Tom Hoffmeyer—Honorable Mention

##### Best Sports Picture

"Up and Over"

Bryan Mitchell, Redford Observer—First Place

"Dirty Dandy"

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Farmington Observer, Elizabeth Carnegie—Third Place

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Oxford Eccentric, Brad Kadrich—First Place

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Livonia Observer, Sue Mason—Third Place

#### Best Special Section

West Bloomfield Eccentric:

FineLine, Suzy Parker, Joe Bauman—First Place

#### General Excellence

Westland Observer—First Place

#### Best Spot News Story

"Neighbors mourn death of boy"

Garden City Observer, Richard Pearl—Third Place

#### Best Enterprise Feature

"School bus safety"

Plymouth Observer, Tony Bruscatto—First Place

#### Best Editorial Page or Pages

Plymouth Observer, Val Olander—First Place

#### Best Feature Picture

"Partners"

Garden City Observer, Tom Hawley—First Place

#### Best Sports Picture

"Up and over"

Redford Observer, Bryan Mitchell—First Place

#### Best Picture Story

"A Day in the life of Danielle Hartsell"

Westland Observer, Tom Hawley—First Place

Plymouth Observer, Paul Hurschmann—Third Place

#### Best Sports Column

Redford Observer, Steve Kowalski—Second Place

#### Best Sports Section

Plymouth Observer, C.J. Risak—First Place

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Observer Women in Business—First Place

Observer High School Football—Third Place

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Entries were submitted based on circulation class. Therefore there may be overlapping second, third, and honorable mention winners in the same category.



## HOOKED ON HISTORY



VIRGINIA BAILEY PARKER

## Halloween ... kids are up to old tricks

When I was a kid, the youthful prank of TP-ing houses was not considered mischief.

Adults slid right past that category and labeled it "juvenile delinquency."

It must have been to prevent that and other such apparently reprehensible acts at Halloween that we had an annual fair at Covington Grade School.

The funny thing is, no one in my family can remember rampant misdeeds being reported in local newspapers that necessitated having to "keep us off the streets," as adults were fond of saying.

The kids really didn't care why we were treated to this great yearly event. We just looked forward to it with relish. We bobbed for apples and, with a little help from the adults, hooked trinkets on the end of a fishing-pole line that we cast over a bedsheet-draped booth.

Lucky at the cakewalk, my sister, Regina, and I would bring home three cakes for our father's birthday.

Every year my mother made Regina, who was older, promise she would not let me go in the spook house — the boys' locker room, which glowed with eerie lights — because it scared the dickens out of me.

And just as predictably, I begged each year until Regina relented. I'd get no farther than the kid in the wet gorilla suit jumping out at me, and the fishbowl of painted, peeled grapes said to be witches' eyes before I was clamoring to get out.

### Their youthful pranks

It only occurred to me in later years that it probably wasn't any great mischief on our part that made the adults nervous enough to host the Halloween fair. It was more likely memories of their own youthful pranks that worried them.

Over the years, I've collected stories from folks who grew up in the early decades of the century. It seems that, whether in the city or country, these kids had their favorite tricks.

According to many now-responsible citizens, turning over outhouses was, indeed, common in farming communities — with or without an occupant. And high roofs of a one-room school or grange hall were popular places to relocate farmers' wagons.

Of course, I had to be long past my childhood to discover pranks my own parents played. My mother's favorite play was sticking pins in doorbells and taking off lickety-split.

"We'd go tearing through the neighborhood with a secret yell — a shriek, really," she recalls with glee. "The boys were really good at it because they could whistle better. People came to the door pretending they didn't know what it was. They did, of course, because we did it every year."

### Parents' mischief

I find from my mother that my late father wasn't above Halloween mischief in the 1920s, either. He'd take a coarse sack filled with flour, slam it against a door and ring the bell. When the person answered the door, a feathery white cloud billowed in the air before settling as a fine powder.

No doubt it was while having to sprint from the scene that he discovered skills which later earned him track medals.

He and his friends had an affinity for aerial antics, too. If the homeowner was foolish enough to leave something out, up it went on the roof.

The boys roamed the neighborhood for whatever was handy — a rocking chair from the porch, a wheelbarrow from the garden.

Interestingly, my parents did not grow up around here. They were raised far away in northern Quebec — a pure example of "kids will be kids."

As we look at traditions — which ones linger and which ones change — we notice new variations on old themes. The spook house of my childhood was reinvented in my children's

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Oh baby, baby, baby: Katie Landsberg (from left), Joseph Reimann, Josh Dunaitis, Drew Crisan, Lauren Wozniacki, Lindsay Drewes and Erin Sterling are pictured in January of 1984 not long after the "Make Room for Baby" group was initiated.



Sweet 16: All grown up, six of the original nine baby group babies gather for a reunion this past Labor Day — Josh Prusakiewicz (from left), Josh Dunaitis, Joseph Reimann, Douglas Pallister, Lindsay Drewes and Lauren Wozniacki.

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON  
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In 1983 nine women — all first time moms — gathered together to lend an ear and offer support to each other as they collectively entered into parenthood.

Sixteen years later the same group of women, a little older and a lot wiser, met again for a reunion of Providence Hospital: Southfield's "Make Room for Baby" group.

Unlike most post-partum support groups for new mothers, the original group continued to meet beyond the six weeks the formal hospital group did — gathering at homes, restaurants, gymnastic meets — anywhere they could to compare notes, share stories and offer one another the confidence they needed that they were "succeeding."

"Most of us were stay-at-home moms," said Sue Drewes, one of two moms responsible for the 16th birthday party/reunion of the baby group. "This was the first child for all of us and we needed the reassurance that

we were normal and that we weren't cracking up."

"Not only that but it was a chance for us to meet other women and to gain confidence. We were really doubtful of our abilities."

The nine original moms and their children were Vanessa Milligan (formerly Vanessa Prusakiewicz) and son, Josh Prusakiewicz; Marilyn Wozniacki and daughter, Lauren; Paula Reimann and son, Joe; Drewes and daughter, Lindsay; Cora Sterling and daughter, Erin; Thelma Dunaitis and son, Josh; Kathy Wight-Pallister and son, Doug; Serena Crisan and son, Drew; and Mary Kay Landsberg and daughter, Katie.

### Getting together

According to Drewes, the nine moms met frequently until 1988 when the addition of siblings and other activities made it too hard to coordinate schedules.

Get-togethers sometimes included the participants spouses and consisted of dinners, birthday parties and holiday functions, said the Rochester Hills mom.

"We stayed in touch through Christmas cards and letters, but those eventually trailed off," said Wozniacki, a Livonia resident.

Wozniacki joined the baby group in the fall of 1983 after her daughter was born in August. After the first six-week support group ended, she signed up again and met the remainder of the original nine members.

"We were a unique group," said Wozniacki. "We came from different age groups and economic backgrounds, but we all had the same ideas about raising kids. When we got back together in September it was nice to know we were all still on the same page about things from cars to dating."

"It was like we never stopped meeting even though 10 years had passed."

Drewes said six of the nine women and their families were able to get together for a boathouse party on Lake Angelus near Pontiac over the Labor Day weekend. Drewes, who, in addition to Lindsay, has a daughter Marcy, 14, organized the reunion with Paula Reimann, mother of Joe,

Patrick, 14, Maureen, 11, and Michael, 8.

Ironically, Lindsay and Joe, two of the original "Make Room for Baby" babies are lab partners at Rochester Adams High School in Rochester Hills.

"I was so excited to re-meet people I knew a while back," said Joe. "I told most of my friends not to bother calling me on that Sunday because I had this awesome baby reunion to go to. They hadn't heard of anything like it before."

The 11th grader said he has some vague memories of the baby group and wasn't nervous to get back together with people who may have seemed like strangers after such a long absence.

"I wasn't nervous or anything. I mean, after all, I had known these people before and I'm not the kind of person that likes to sit around," he said. "It didn't take long for us to reintroduce each other. All of us had something to say and tell about what they are doing in life."

Please see REUNION, B2

## Sweet 16



'Tis the season: Getting bigger, the group met at Christmas in 1995 and posed for this picture — Lauren Wozniacki (from left from the top), Erin Sterling, Joseph Reimann, Katie Landsberg, Josh Dunaitis, Douglas Pallister, Lindsay Drewes and Drew Crisan.

## 1st-time moms keep sharing milestones

## Son continues dad's legacy at Leo's Den

Clip Job: When it comes to getting a haircut, even family members like Zachary Favazza know where to go — to see John Favazza at Leo's Den in Livonia.



BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

When John Favazza isn't snipping hair he's singing hymns.

"I enjoy serving people any way that I can," Favazza said.

He spends his days cutting hair at Leo's Den in Livonia, established 30 years ago by his father and mentor, Leo. Customers looking for flat tops, brush cuts and tapered styles have bolstered business despite the chain hair salons that have threatened to gobble up all the old time barber shops.

"The barber shops are kind of a vanishing thing," Favazza said. "I think mainly because the guys are getting into beauty schools and styling schools."

One of the main differences between hair salons and barber shops is that barbers tend to rely heavily on clippers and stylists often prefer scissors, Favazza said.

"I call myself a barber stylist," said Favazza, an Inkster resident who looks 28 instead of 38. "I like to take a head of hair that's out of shape and I like to shape it and make it look good. That brings me a lot of satisfaction."

Keeping some of his father's customers and honing his own, Favazza said he isn't intimidated by a Fantastic Sam's across the street and a BoRies within stone's throw from his front door, which sets him

STAFF PHOTO BY BRIAN MITHRELL

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## Haircut from page B1

apart from the rest with an air brush painting of a lion by Canton artist John Dunayski.

Inside, it looks a lot like it might have 30 years ago when Leo Favazza opened the shop at Five Mile and Newburgh at a time when the area was considered country.

One recent afternoon, John Favazza was accompanied by the buzzing sound of his razor as he made small talk with a gray-haired man while a young boy and his mother waited. The man in the chair had been a long-time customer of Favazza's uncle, Nazim H. Hally, also known as "The Turk." In fact, The Turk still works limited hours at Leo's Lion's Den.

An appreciation for music and cutting must be an inherited trait, because Favazza also has an aunt, another uncle and a couple of cousins who also cut hair.

Once the elderly man in the chair was perfectly coiffed, Favazza invited the second grader to hop up, and he began talking just as easily with the ele-

## 'My dad had a great influence on my life, making music and barbering.'

John Favazza  
Leo's Lion's Den

mentary school student.

Despite his religious devotion, Favazza isn't holding a razor in one hand and preaching gospel to a literally captive audience. Only customers who probe a little will hear some heartfelt preaching.

He was trained in the early 1980s at the Detroit Barber College in Dearborn and worked at a beauty salon where he learned how to color, perm and style hair. In fact, he still offers those services by appointment, which is something his father never did.

### A 'great influence'

So much of the son's life followed the father who in his spare time sang and played saxophone, performing mostly at weddings and anniversaries in a band called "Four of a Kind."

"My dad had a great influence on my life, making music and barbering," said Favazza, becoming misty eyed as he recalled Leo's death nearly six years ago.

Besides buying the family business, Favazza sings in the choir at Tri-City Christian Center in Canton. He also plays bass and sings with his three brothers in their band, "The Favazza Brothers," specializing in Christian music.

"The No. 1 thing in my life is my relationship with Jesus," Favazza said. "I want my customers to know that I'm praying for them and that they come to know the Lord. I have everyone coming in here from Catholic priests to accountants and stock brokers to the handicapped to senior citizens and preschoolers."

He doesn't have a lot of teenage customers, he added,

because they often prefer salons.

Favazza's interest in barbering started to bloom even as a kid growing up in the City of Wayne when he practiced styles on his five brothers and sisters. His interest in music developed around the same time.

"When kids in the '70s would listen to the rock group Kiss, we would grab our tennis rackets and pretend we were musicians," Favazza said.

"The Favazza Brothers" started out as a neighborhood band, called themselves "Black Ace." They did so well they won first place in the City of Wayne's annual battle of the bands contest in the early 1980s.

Favazza laughs when he describes how the band returned the next year as a Christian band and didn't do nearly as well.

"We went and played and we took last place, but the great thing that came out of that was that the lead singer's mother converted that night."

## CRAFTS CALENDAR

Listings for the Crafts Calendar should be submitted in writing no later than noon Friday for the next Thursday's issue. They can be mailed to 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, by fax at (734) 591-7279 or by e-mail at [smaison@oe.homecomm.net](mailto:smaison@oe.homecomm.net). For more information, call (734) 953-2131.

### ST. MARY ANTIOCHIAN

St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church will have a Gift-A-Rama 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 31 at the church, 18100 Merriman, Livonia. There will be vendors, food and a raffle. For more information, call (734) 422-0010.

### PRCUA SYRENA

The PRCUA Syrena Parents Club will hold its holiday craft show 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6 at the Canfield Community Center, 1801 N. Beech Daly Road, Dearborn Heights. For more information, call (413) 271-0201 or (313) 563-1761.

### LIVONIA STEVENSON

The Livonia Stevenson High School Booster Club is accepting applications for its annual Holiday Happening Craft Show 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at the high school, 33500 Six Mile Road, Livonia. A single space (booth) costs \$60. A limited number of spaces with electricity are available at no extra charge. For an application, call (248) 478-2395 or (734) 464-1041.

### FROST

The Frost Middle School PTSA will present its 23rd annual holiday craft show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 6 at the school, 14041 Stark Road, Livonia. There will be more than 150 crafters, a lunch room and bake sale. Admission will be \$2. No strollers permitted.

### ST. SABINA

Applications are being accepted from crafters for the St. Sabina School craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6 at the school, 8147 Arnold, Dearborn Heights. The fee is \$27 for an 8-foot table or space (a limited number are available) and \$25 for a 6-foot table or space. For more information, call Jane Palmer at (734) 953-5914.

### MADONNA UNIVERSITY

Madonna University is accepting applications from crafters for its 15th annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Showcase 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 6-7 in the Activities Center of its Livonia campus.

For more information, call (734) 432-5803.

### GARDEN CITY PRESBYTERIAN

Garden City Presbyterian Church will have its annual bazaar 4-8 p.m. Nov. 12 and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 13 at the church, 1841 Middlebelt Road, south of Ford Road, Garden City. A turkey dinner will be served 4:30-7 p.m. Nov. 12 and lunch on Nov. 13. There will be arts and crafts, silent auction, cookie walk, white elephant room and bake sale.

### ST. EDITH

St. Edith School will have its fall craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the school, 15089 Newburgh Road, Livonia. For more information, call Diana at (734) 462-6037 or Jo Ann at (734) 464-9370.

### CLARENCEVILLE

The Clarenceville High School Athletic Booster Club will have its annual holiday boutique 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 13 at the high school, Middlebelt between Seven and Eight Mile roads, Livonia. There will be more than 150 juried crafters, bake sale and raffle. Admission will be \$2 and baby-sitting will be available. No strollers permitted.

### GOOD SHEPHERD

Crafters are needed for a craft show and bazaar 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, Wayne at Hunter roads, Westland. Table space is available - \$20 for a 5-foot round table or \$25 for an 8-foot-long table. For an application, call Ray or Jackie Gagnon at (734) 722-7225.

### HARRIS-KENNER VFW

The Ladies Auxiliary of Harris-Kenner VFW Post 3323 is looking for crafters for its annual craft bazaar 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 13 at the post hall, 1055 S. Wayne Road, Westland. Rentals are \$20 for an 8-foot table and two chairs. For more information, call Pam at (734) 724-6304.

### ST. PAUL LUTHERAN

Crafters are wanted for St. Paul Lutheran Church's 12th annual holiday craft show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 13 at the church, 20805 Middlebelt Road at Eight Mile Road. Table rental and/or space is \$25 (no charge for electricity, if available when application is received). For more information, call (248) 476-0841 or (734) 591-0224.

## Halloween from page B1

youth as the haunted house, often set up in homes slated for demolition. They draw crowds from far and wide, and profits from admission fees often benefit the sponsoring nonprofit organizations.

When I was in college, hayrides were a popular autumn pastime. Less in vogue now, they are being replaced by mazes in haunted cornfields.

As for TP-ing houses, it's inconvenient to clean up, especially after rain. However, it's a far cry from the vandalism of egging cars and blowing out windows on parked vehicles, which we rightly should condemn.

And depositing equipment and porch furniture on rooftops certainly pushed the envelope, given the potentially dangerous ramifications of that prank.

But those aren't shenanigans we can blame on today's kids; our sometimes-selectively forgetful adult population owns those stories.

As far as harmless pranks go, the day after Halloween some poor grownups will undoubtedly be saddled with the lamentable task of cleaning soap off windows. An old trick? You bet.

"Oh yeah," my mother says,

without remorse, "we soaped windows."

One thing is clear. We may be on the brink of a new millennium, but, when it comes to Halloween, we can probably expect the same old tricks.

Historian and author Virginia Bailey Parker has a bachelor's degree in history and a master's degree in historic preservation. She lives in Canton Township.

## Reunion from page B1

"Of course, the mothers remembered us. It's been a while since they had seen us, but it didn't take long for the, 'Oh, how you've grown,' and the, 'I remember when you...' phrases were being heard."

### Parties remembered

Lauren Wozniacki, a junior at Stevenson High School in Livonia, remembers having birthday parties and going to the beach

with the baby group.

"I did have fun when I got there," said Lauren who was somewhat apprehensive about the reunion.

"I told her everyone would only be strangers for a few minutes," said her mother. "And I was right. The kids just sort of gravitated to each other like the adults."

The reunion on the lake

included a variety of water sport activities, lunch and a birthday cake for the 16-year-olds.

The group as a whole has intentions of meeting again next year for a similar gathering, but the "babies" have plans of their own.

"Many of the kids exchanged phone numbers and e-mail addresses," said Reimann. "I expect now that many of them are driving, they'll be seeing

each other again soon.

"I think what made our group so different and what brought us together beyond that six-week program was the confidence we gained from each other," she added. "We became fast friends and really valued each other's advice. I don't know who I would have asked those questions to if it weren't for the group."

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## Kunec-Szydlowski

Ann and Richard Kunec of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Traci Ann, to Andrew Michael Szydlowski, the son of Denise and Conrad Szydlowski of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School and Grand Valley State University. She is employed as a registered nurse.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and Western Michigan University. He is employed as a mechanical engineer.

A November wedding is planned at Ceremony Resurrection Catholic Church.



## Walters-Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Walters of Charleston, S.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Edith Ann, to Shawn William Smith, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis R. Smith of Plymouth.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of the College of Charleston. She is a manager with Limited Corp.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of the College of Charleston. He is employed by Prudential Real Estate.



A November wedding is planned in Charleston.

## Jutte-Dominic

Theodore and Linda Jutte of Coldwater, Ohio, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Lynne Marie Anne, to Anthony Louis Dominic, the son of Carl and Suzanne Jiovani of Canton.

The bride-to-be is graduate of Celina Senior High School, a 1993 graduate of Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio, with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology and a 1997 graduate of Wright with a master of science degree in student affairs counseling in higher education. She was commissioned as a U.S. Air Force officer from the U.S. Air Force Officer Training School in 1998. She is a personnel officer, assigned as section commander to the 5th Munitions Squadron at Minot Air Force Base, N.D.

Her fiancé is a graduate of John Glenn High School. He was commissioned as a U.S. Air Force officer with a bachelor of science degree in astronautical engineer-



planned.

## Meadows-Sellers

Harry and Delores Meadows of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaime Lynn, to Robert Donald Sellers, the son of Bill and Ginny Sellers of Garden City.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Garden City High School. He teaches pre-kindergarten while attending Schoolcraft College.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Garden City High School. He also attended William D. Ford Vocational Center in Westland to receive certification as a certified auto body technician. He is currently working in that field.

An October 2001 wedding is planned.



## Ferrell-Gresham

Stephen and Suzan Ferrell of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer, to Joel Gresham, the son of Jerry and Margaret Gresham of Coldwater.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and is majoring in theater at Hillsdale College where she will graduate in May 2000.

Her fiancé is a 1992 graduate of Columbia Central High School in Brooklyn, Mich. He is an accounting major at International Business College and will graduate in February 2001.

A June wedding is planned at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Canton.

## Taratuta-Winquist

Leonard Taratuta of Cheboygan and Arvella Winquist of Mackinaw Township, formerly of Livonia, were married Aug. 14. The Rev. Charles Hastie of Mackinaw City officiated.

The bride's and groom's attendants were Jacquie and Frank Tolstyka of Aloha, Mullett Lake.

The outdoor ceremony and reception was held at the couple's home on the Straits of Mackinac.



## Marion-Porterfield

Todd Andrew Marion and Laura Jean Porterfield were married at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville by the Rev. John Quigley.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Porterfield of Plymouth. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Marion of Durham, N.C.

The bride is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and the University of Michigan. She is employed as a manager at Delphi Automotive Systems in Troy.

The groom also is a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School and the University of Michigan. He is employed at the Orchard's Children's Services in Southfield.

The bride asked Stephanie Asmus to serve as matron of honor with Christine Bardelli, Jill Miller, Katie Prokop, Kristi Matuszewski and Laurel Ream as the bridesmaids.

Edward Bardelli served as best man with Brian Marion,



Robert J. Porterfield, Toby Brzozowski, Robert Files and Alex Gagin as the groomsmen and Brandon Marion as ring bearer.

The couple received guests at a reception at the Mayflower Meeting House in Plymouth. Following a honeymoon trip to Sandals Resort in Jamaica, the couple is residing in Birmingham.

## Vance-DiVitto

Jason Andrew Vance and Lisa Marie DiVitto were married March 20 at Unity Church of Livonia by Gene Sorensen.

The bride is the daughter of Mark and Patricia Makower of West Bloomfield. The groom is the son of Bruce and Laurie Vance of Flushing.

The bride is a 1991 graduate of Garden City High School and is pursuing a bachelor of arts degree in accounting at Walsh College. She is employed by the law office of Mark F. Makower and Associates P.C.

The groom is a 1991 graduate of Huron High School and is pursuing a bachelor of arts degree in early childhood education at Madonna University. He is currently a preschool teacher with the Wayne-Westland Community Schools.


The bride asked Angel Lawrence to serve as matron of honor with Luann Houser, Renee Doss, Linda Paris and Vanessa Doss as bridesmaids. Megan Gregurich as junior bridesmaid and Nicole Fabiano as flower girl.



Jason Hall served as best man with Dave Houser, Mark DiVitto, Tony Marselak and Christopher Gregurich as the groomsmen. Steve Rochowiak as junior groomsmen and Lucas Kasprzak as ring bearer.

The couple received guests at a reception at Hawthorn Valley Country Club in Westland before leaving on a Caribbean Cruise. They are making their home in Plymouth.

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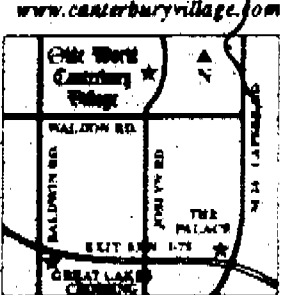
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# CALENDAR

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Y2K ISSUES

Westland Mayor Robert Thomas and the city's Y2K Committee have scheduled a Y2K (Year 2000) Town Hall meeting for 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Concerns and questions regarding Y2K readiness will be addressed. Those who plan to attend should register by calling (734) 722-7628.

## AT THE LIBRARY

### FRIENDS OF LIBRARY

The Friends of the William P. Faust Public Library group meets at 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. Friends also hold a book sale during regular library hours at the library.

## WESTLAND CENTER

### WALKERS

The Westland Walkers meet the second Wednesday of each month except during the summer. Westland Center, at Wayne and Warren roads, opens its doors to walkers beginning at 7 a.m., at 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 held the second Friday of each month at the Westland Bailey Center. Call (734) 722-7620.

### FIGURE SKATING

Figure skaters interested in USFSA synchronized (precision) skating are needed to build Novi FSC and Westland FSC joint venture teams. Prior team experience is not necessary. This is an opportunity to build skating and team skills while having fun. For information, call Cheryl Gutowski at (734) 427-0305.

## VOLUNTEERS

### ASSISTED LIVING

Marquette House assisted living facility, 36000 Campus Drive, Westland, seeks volunteers to spend time with residents to provide an activity or a one-on-one visit. Call Peggy in the activities department, (734) 826-6637.

### ANGEL CARE

Angel Care, a volunteer organization, is looking for volunteers to sew, crochet, knit, etc., blankets and burial gowns to donate to local hospitals for infants who die. Contact Mary Piontek for patterns and information, (313) 534-6496.

### VETERAN'S HAVEN

Veteran's Haven operates a car, boat, camper and real estate donation program. Donations are tax-deductible. For information, call (734) 728-0527.

## SCHOOLS

**SUBURBAN CHILDREN'S** Suburban Children's Co-op Nursery has openings in its 2-year-old toddler-parent class on Friday mornings; 3-year-old class Monday and Wednesday mornings; and the 4-year-old class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Classes run from September to

May. Parents are required to help out at the school. All classes are in the Newburgh United Methodist Church on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh. For more information, call April at (734) 207-7889.

### 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.

### LIVONIA COOPERATIVE

The Livonia Cooperative Nursery, a preschool for children ages 3-4, is located at 9601 Hubbard. Parents learn with their children. Enrollment is limited. For information, call Karen at (734) 522-3714.

### CHURCH PRESCHOOL

The Westland Free Methodist Preschool has openings for 3- and 4-year-olds in 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 located 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. Tots class meets on Wednesday mornings, and 3- and 4-year-olds meet 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 located 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 sixth 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.

### LITTLE PEOPLES

Livonia Little Peoples Co-op Preschool is now enrolling for the fall in programs for 3- and 4-year-olds. For more information, call (734) 422-1178.

### LITTLE LAMBS

Little Lambs Preschool, on Farmington Road south of West Chicago in Livonia, is holding registration for the 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. Call (248) 471-2077.

### GARFIELD CO-OP

Garfield Cooperative Preschool offers programs for children 18 months to 5

## Drumming up enthusiasm



**Percussion:** Chris Bachman of John Glenn High School rehearses last week for the 14th annual JGHS Marching Band Invitational. The band event was held this past Saturday at Glenn.

years. It is located at Cass Elementary, 34633 Munger, south of Six Mile and west of Farmington Road in Livonia. Call (734) 462-0135.

### BUILDING BLOCKS

Building Blocks Preschool in Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Merriman in Livonia, has morning and afternoon classes for 3- and 4-year-olds. A prekindergarten readiness class for 5-year-olds and a parent/child toddler class for 2-year-olds are offered. Call (734) 421-7359 for registration information for the 1999-2000 school year.

### FRANKLIN PTSA

The Franklin High School PTSA is seeking members. Membership is open to those who care about the schools and the community. Members need not 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, 4:50 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.

### ADULT LITERACY

An adult literacy program is being offered free Wednesdays at the Salvation Army Wayne-Westland Corps Community Center. Volunteers are being sought who are interested in tutoring children and adults 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. For Adult Literacy enrollment or additional information, 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 9-11:30 a.m. every Thursday at Newburgh United Methodist Church, on Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh, Livonia. 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.

## HISTORIC

### FRIENDS OF ELOISE

The Westland Historical Commission is hosting the second meeting of the Friends of Eloise. The meeting will take place at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, at the Bailey Recreation Center behind City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland. For information, call Jo Johnson at (734) 522-3918.

### WESTLAND MUSEUM

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

### FRIENDS MEET

Friends of the Westland Historical Museum meet at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September and November at the Westland Meeting House, 37091 Marquette, between Newburgh and Wayne roads. Call President Jim Franklin at (734) 721-0136. Everyone is welcome.

## FOR SENIORS

### HEALTH SCREENING

The Medical Team, in cooperation with the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), is providing health screening and testing for people age 60 and older in southern and western Wayne Coun-

ty. Screenings will be offered at various facilities, including 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Donations will be accepted. Flu shots will be offered, along with vital signs/blood pressure, blood/urine lab work, blood sugar test, cholesterol test, vision/glaucoma test, hearing test, tuberculosis skin test and breast/testicular self-exam. For information, call (734) 722-7632. Registration will take place at the center front desk.

### MONEY TALK

A presentation on "Seven Steps To Create and Maintain a Life Plan That Works for You" will be offered at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, at the Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Speakers will be attorney Sanford J. Mall and Kenneth W. Lyon, a certified financial planner. Investing and related topics will be covered. Refreshments will be served. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632 for more information.

### TURKEY TIME

The Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center) will hold its annual Thanksgiving celebration from noon to 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, at the center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Price is \$6 for members, \$9 for Westland seniors who aren't members. There will be a turkey dinner, live band, dancing, prizes and other fun. Tickets are available at the front desk or through clubs. Those attending should bring a piece of fresh fruit for fruit baskets for shut-ins. For information, call (734) 722-7632.

### HEARING CHECKS

Every third Tuesday of each month, a representative from Personalized Hearing Care of Westland will check and clean hearing aids free from 2 to 3 p.m. by appointment only. Call (734) 722-7632 for

more information.

### SENIOR CHOR

The Friendship Senior Choir, under the direction of Robert Cassidy, meets 9 a.m. Thursdays at the Westland Senior Resources Department Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Anyone who enjoys singing may join.

### EXERCISE

Musical Chairs is a new program from Jazzercise designed for exercisers older than 40. The program provides a low-to-moderate workout for the older adult. The exercise 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 1 p.m. two Fridays a month in the Westland Friendship Center, 1119 N. Newburgh, unless a trip or program is planned. Programs include speakers, films, celebrations of birthdays and weekly door prizes. There is an \$8 membership fee for Westland residents. Call (734) 722-7632.

### MONTHLY MEAL/DANCE

The Wayne Ford Civic League schedules its senior meal for people 50 and older 11:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month at the league hall, on Wayne Road two blocks south of Ford. Cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for non-members. The meal includes beer, beverages, dancing to big-band music and door prizes. Call (734) 728-5010.

### WORK REFERRAL

Information Center Inc. refers workers to elderly people 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 work in. 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 held at 1 p.m. every Wednesday in Hall A of the Senior Resources Department (Friendship Center), 1119 Newburgh. The instructor is Kammo Oris. Sign up at the front desk or call (734) 722-7632.

## CLUBS IN ACTION

### WESTLAND ROTARY

The Westland Rotary Club meets 12:15 p.m. Thursdays at Joy Manor, 28999 Joy, east of Middlebelt in Westland.

### SWEET ADELINES

The County Connection Chorus of Sweet Adelines International is looking for women who love to sing. The group sings a cappella music in barbershop style. Rehearsals are 7 p.m. Tuesdays at UAW Local 898 at 8975 Textile, Ypsilanti. For more informa-

tion, call Paula at (734) 995-4110.

### 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) 438-3099.

### T.O.P.S.

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

### T.O.P.S.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly No. M153 meets at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Opti-mEyes, Westland Super Vision Center, 35184 Central City Parkway, Westland. Call (734) 427-5200. Leader, Michele, (734) 422-1726; secretary, Karen, (734) 729-6268.

### PUBLIC SPEAKING

The Westland Easy Talkers Toastmasters Club No. 6694 (formerly Holy Smokemasters) teaches public speaking at the club's weekly meetings 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at Denny's Restaurant, 7725 N. Wayne Road next to Westland Shopping Center. Call John Elbe at (734) 326-5419.

## BINGO

### DEM'S BINGO

The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays in the M.J. Hall, 35412 Michigan, next to the Farmer Jack Supermarket in Wayne. Call (734) 421-1517.

### MORE DEM'S BINGO

The 13th Congressional District Democratic Party holds bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays in the Cherry Hill Hall, on the southwest corner of Cherry Hill and Venoy. Call (734) 421-1517.

### ST. MEL CHURCH

Bingo games are held 6:45 p.m. Fridays in St. Mel Church's activities building, on Inkster Road north of Warren Road. Doors open at 4 p.m. Food is available.

### WFCL BINGO

The Finesse Girls Travel Bingo Boosters hold bingo games at 6:30-9:45 p.m. every Monday to raise money for girls' softball programs. The bingo games take place at the Wayne Ford Civic League hall, on Wayne Road two blocks south of Ford, Westland.

### MORE BINGO

The Metro Wayne Democratic Club sponsors bingo games at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Joy Manor Bingo Hall, on the south side of Joy east of Middlebelt in Westland. Proceeds are used by the club to sponsor Little League baseball teams, the Salvation Army and School for the Blind. Call (734) 422-5025 or (734) 729-8681.

### SHANROCK BINGO

Bingo is played at 11 a.m. Wednesdays at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 35100 Van Born, east of Wayne Road in Wayne. Doors open at 9 a.m. Food is available. Proceeds go to charity. Call (734) 728-3020.

### SMOKELESS BINGO

"Smokeless" bingo meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Sts. Simon and Jude Parish Hall, 32500 Palmer, east of Venoy in Westland. Offered are three jackpots of \$400, \$300 and \$200.

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# 19th-century women leave their mark on American art

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Artist Marion Wachtel exhibited her work in watercolors even though her oils were much better.

Impressionist artist Donna Schuster could have doubled the price of her work had she been a man.

Agnes Pelton didn't make a great living as an abstract artist, so she had a survival job painting portraits and landscapes.

Their artwork and that of other female artists of the late 1800s and 1900s was the topic of conversation at the first of the Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center's three-part fall luncheon series.

Chris Melikan of Melvindale, a professional artist, art critic and lecturer, introduced his audience to American women artists who delved into impressionism, abstraction and realism but took a back seat to their male counterparts.

While the 20th century woman has aimed at equal status with her male counterpart, some of the artists chose a different route.

"Marion Wachtel exhibited in watercolors because her oils were much better than her husband's," he explained. "And critics knew she would overshadow him."

Born in 1876, Wachtel joined with other artists from California in doing plein air — or outdoor — painting. A part of the California impressionist movement, her work had "a poetic feeling that set her apart" from others, Melikan said.

Another impressionist painter was Donna Schuster. Born in 1883, she graduated with honors from the Art Institute of Chicago and also studied at the Boston Museum School and with



**Brush strokes:** A professional artist, art critic and lecturer, Chris Melikan poses in front of his painting of a tiger in his studio.

William Merritt Chase, the father of American impressionism.

"She was a very, very good artist, one of my favorites," said Melikan. "She could find beauty in three red peppers on a table. She found the beauty of light touching a mundane scene. 'My Front Steps' is more about light than about her front porch."

Schuster didn't make a great living as an artist and "could have doubled the price of her work if she had been a man," according to Melikan. She died in 1953, killed in a brush fire while trying to save her dogs.

Born two years before Schuster, Agnes Pelton saw art in a different way. She favored abstracts that were "very radical and very full of symbolism."

"She was the lady who didn't get the recognition that Georgia O'Keeffe got," Melikan said. "Her oil paintings were such that they almost looked like they were air-

brushed."

Somewhat peculiar, Pelton moved into the Hayground windmill on Long Island and made it into her studio. It was "her mystical house that reached into heaven," Melikan said.

Like Schuster, she didn't make a great living doing abstracts, so she had a survival job doing portraits and landscapes.

A contemporary of Schuster and Pelton, Jesse Arns Botke is the artist who influenced Melikan's work.

"I like her use of animals in her work," he said. "They are a bit stylized, but what I like about her work is that the animals are elevated to a higher status. They're realistic up to a point."

Melikan also praised her "tremendous technical skill," pointing to one her paintings that included 50 accurately depicted flowers in a vase.

Another student of Chase was

Kate Freeman Clark, who did so well her artwork was among the 9,000 pieces exhibited at the Columbia Exposition in 1893.

Born in 1875, she found she had to market her work as Freeman Clark to make a living, but gave up her entire career to care for her grandmother.

"She could have made a lot of money," said Melikan. "They found 1,000 paintings that never were exhibited after her grandmother died. She had painted on cigar boxes, cardboard."

Melikan contrasted his 19th century artists with 20th century artist Janet Monafe. Born in 1940 in Boston, Monafe deals with realism, creating 6- to 8-foot-tall pieces in pastels.

A lot of her still life deals with people's ability to recycle what they make, Melikan said. She also likes to contrast that with natural things and deal with the goodness of today's products, Melikan said.

Of one Monafe's works, a self-portrait, Melikan noted that "it has a lot to say about women and about women's role in society. She doesn't look like she'd take a back seat to her husband."

In looking at the artists, Melikan also gave his audience a short introduction to art:

■ The better way to display art is in a rectangular format. The picture tends to be presented in thirds — one-third ground and two-thirds sky or vice-versa.

A square format has half sky, half ground and tends to be more static. It also puts the focus of interest in the center of the picture, making it confrontational.

■ There is no white paint in watercolors. Artists must conceive color in reverse, painting darks around lights.

■ Pastels paints are pure pigment packed into chalk. While working in pastels is quick,

they're more fragile and tend to smudge. They also need to be displayed behind glass and sprayed with a fixative.

The luncheon series continues on Friday, Nov. 12, when Carroll Jackson of the Upshaw Institute of the Blind and his dog, Jack, will give an overview of vision loss services, new technology to overcome vision loss, the mobility issue and white canes.

The series concludes on Dec. 3

with Mary Lee O'Bryan of the Detroit Institute of Arts. O'Bryan will present a slide show on "Angels and Their Counterparts."

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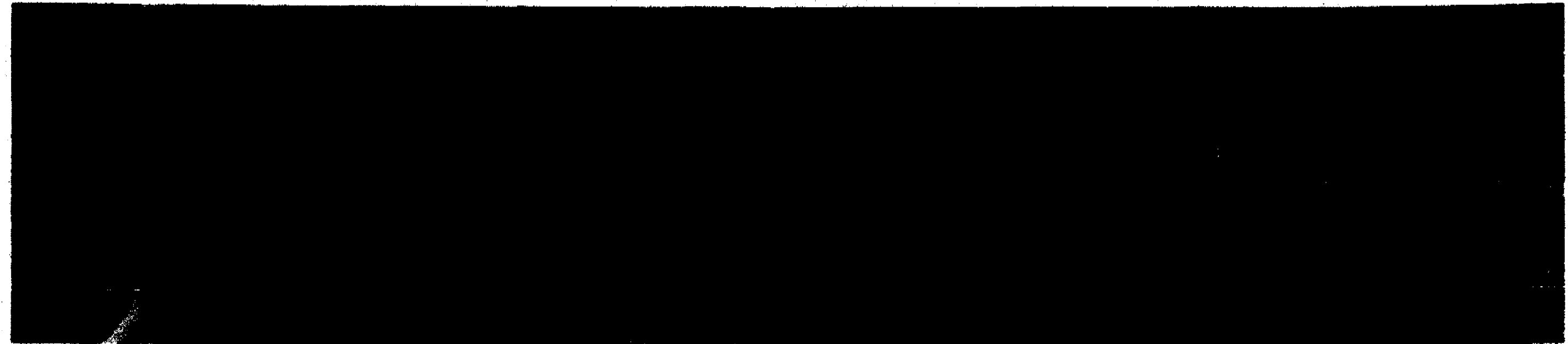
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3003 Hazzard Rd., Wayne corner of Glenwood & Hazzard  
(734) 728-1950  
Sunday Morning Worship Services  
Traditional Services 8 & 11 a.m.  
Contemporary Service 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School (Children & Adults) 9:30 & 11 a.m.  
Wednesday Night Service 7 p.m.  
Rev. Dr. Robert J. Schultz Rev. Marie Welhausen

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Bible Class & SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.  
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9415 Sherman • Livonia  
Sunday Morning Service  
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
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**St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church**  
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Sunday School 11:30 A.M.  
Bible Class - Wednesdays 7:30 P.M.  
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425-7610

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Sunday Worship • 11:00 A.M.  
Bible Class - Wednesdays 7:00 P.M.  
Family Night - Wed. 7:00 P.M.  
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**UNITED METHODIST**

**ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST**  
30000 Six Mile Rd. (Bet. Hartman & Middlebelt)  
Livonia 48150 • 421-5486  
Chuck Sonquest, Pastor  
10:00 A.M. Worship & Church School  
11:15 A.M. Adult Study Classes  
Nursery Provided • 422-8636

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20300 Middlebelt Rd. • Livonia  
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Worship Services 10:15 A.M. 6:00 P.M.  
Nursery Provided  
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Office Hrs. 9-5

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422-0149  
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Discovering God's Vision  
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**October 31**  
Scripture/Matt 23:1-12  
Topic/Jesus Words on Greatness  
Rev. Bob Goudie, preaching

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## THE WEEKEND

### FRIDAY



See Rodgers & Hammerstein's "The King & I" 8 p.m. at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. Tickets \$15 to \$45, (248) 433-1515.

### SATURDAY



The Marquis Theatre children present "Halloween Soup," a comical melodrama with music, 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. at the theater, 135 E. Main St. in downtown Northville. Tickets \$6, (248) 349-8110.

### SUNDAY



Guitarist Kenny Burrell joins Ray Barretto and his ensemble New World Spirit for a Latin jazz tribute to Duke Ellington, 7:30 p.m. at Orchestra Hall in Detroit. Tickets \$15 to \$50, (313) 576-5111.



**Hot Tix:** The high-energy dance musical "Footloose" continues at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit through Sunday, Nov. 14. Performances 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets \$25 to \$57.50, (248) 645-6666.



## Sandra Bernhard offers no excuses for being 'nice'

BY FRANK PROVENZANO  
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Interviewing Sandra Bernhard isn't anything like advertised. Rather, it's like preparing to fight Mike Tyson, then climbing into the ring and finding his proud mother. Go ahead, try taking a swing.

Then again, if Bernhard's in-your-face, no-b.s. attitude has revealed anything, it's to expect the unexpected. Want to spar with that vicious, raging on-stage persona that Bernhard whips out to incite and entertain? Not it.

How about finding a warm, friendly and polite — yes, polite — mid-40s mother, who sits in her New York City home and splits her time talking about her upcoming one-person show at the Music Hall, "I'm Still Here ... Damn It!," and listening to the coos of her 15-month-old.

Definitely unsettling.

### Save rage for the stage

For an actress-author-comedienne who has been described by the New York press, no less, as "mean, bitter, jealous and cruel," a cordial conversation isn't supposed to be in the cards.

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**What:** "Sandra Bernhard's 'I'm Still Here ... Damn It!'"  
**When:** 7:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Nov. 1-Nov. 4; 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5; 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6; 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7  
**Where:** Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Ave., Detroit  
**Tickets:** \$20-\$35, call (248) 645-6666

## THEATER

## Schoolcraft College updates Shakespeare's 'Merchant'

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
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Ray Vaghts made a riveting Shylock, mesmerizing the audience as he talked about loaning 3,000 ducats to the merchant Antonio. The Canton actor nearly salivated over the idea of taking a pound of flesh from the merchant if the money was not repaid on time.

The dress rehearsal was one of the last run-throughs before the newly-edited production of "The Merchant of Venice" opens Friday, Oct. 29, in the Liberal Arts Theatre on the Schoolcraft College Livonia campus.

Shakespeare probably would have been grateful to James R. Hartman for updating the language in the play. Hartman, a professor at Schoolcraft and the director of its theater program, spent two years breaking down lengthy

sentences and incorporating footnotes into this comedy that's slightly on the dark side.

"Doing Shakespeare is totally different than doing anything else," said Hartman, who's headed up the theater program at Schoolcraft since 1987. Hartman originally came to Michigan to work at Meadow Brook Theatre as an actor when Schoolcraft approached him to direct plays.

"The language — it's been 400 years since Shakespeare wrote the plays. That sometimes discourages people from seeing it. I have not made it modern speech but more understandable for modern audiences."

Hartman edited his first Shakespeare play, "Macbeth," four years ago. It took two years to edit the "Merchant."

"The Merchant of Venice" is as dynamic as characters and as exciting as plays get," said Hartman. "I was intrigued with the characterizations. Shylock, along with Othello, are two of the best villains ever written. The Merchant is also a good example of having double plots. It's fast-paced because all scenes are relatively short and as classified as a comedy, but is dark as well."

Jerri Doll, a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School who plays Portia in the production, thanks Hartman makes Shakespeare palatable. Doll,



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who graduated in 1993 from Schoolcraft with an associate's degree in theater and went on to earn a bachelor's in theater from Eastern Michigan University, has worked in professional theater playing such venues as The Purple Rose Theatre and the Tibbets Opera House. This is the first full Shakespeare play she's done.

"For your common layperson who doesn't know Shakespeare, it will be easier and in keeping with the beauty of the language," said Doll, an Ann Arbor resident. "What always brings me back to work at Schoolcraft College

is that professor Hartman brings such truth to his staging. I really feel I grow. I always thought Shakespeare was the toughest. But Shakespeare's also very funny, very bawdy with a good sense of humor."

Doll plays the love interest in "The Merchant of Venice." Like all of Shakespeare's 38 plays, "Merchant" is viable more than 400 years later because of its universality.

Portia's a free spirit, independent for her time and not afraid to speak her

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**The cast:** The Farmington Players, Stacey Duford of Bloomfield Hills (left to right, back row), Jacquie Pouillon, Lisa Currey of Waterford, Mary Ann Tweedie, Margaret Gilkes of Farmington Hills; Ellen Akins of Farmington Hills (middle row, left to right), Sue Rogers of West Bloomfield, and Marge Wetzel of Farmington Hills (front) star in "The Women."

## Farmington Players present benefit for 'The Women'

BY KEELY WYGONIK  
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The Farmington Players have been in a serious fund-raising mode, intent on raising enough money to build a new theater.

"We plan to break ground in June/July," said organization president Cynthia Tupper. With their dream close to becoming a reality, the group is beginning its 1999-2000 season Friday, Nov. 5 with a benefit for the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center.

"It's a way of giving back to the community," explained Tupper. "We've been in this 'give us money, give us money mode.' It's time for us to think about what's important to the people who

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### On Stage

**What:** Farmington Players presents "The Women" by Clare Booth Luce.

**When:** 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Show dates are Nov. 6-7; Nov. 12-14; Nov. 18-21; and Nov. 25-27.

**Where:** Farmington Players Theatre, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road (1/2 mile west of Orchard Lake Road), Farmington Hills.

**Tickets:** \$12. Season tickets for three shows, \$36. Call (248) 553-2955 for more information.

**Highlight:** Benefit performance of "The Women" 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at the Farmington Players Theatre, afterglow reception at 10 p.m. Event proceeds benefit the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center. Tickets \$50, which includes admission to the play and afterglow reception; \$100 includes priority seating, admission to the afterglow reception, recognition in the program and a breast cancer awareness pin. Call (313) 876-9259 for more information.

### Season schedule:

■ "Of Mice and Men" by Joseph Steinbeck opens Friday, Feb. 4. Show dates are Feb. 4-6; Feb. 11-13; Feb. 18-20; and Feb. 24-26.

■ "Kiss me Kate" by Sam and Bella Spewack, music and lyrics by Cole Porter, opens May 5. Show dates May 5-7; May 11-14; May 18-21 and May 25-27.



# Sandra from page E1

Outrageous is the norm. Edgy is the sensibility. And irreverent is the aim.

"I love to turn on an audience," said Bernhard, who was born and lived until age 9 in Flint. "I save that rage for the stage."

That may sound a bit calculating for someone who has built a reputation for her blistering comments about celebrities such as Madonna, Tom Cruise, Mariah Carey, and Princess Di.

Her current show, which opened at the Booth Theater on Broadway last November, is apparently a reconstructive attempt to back away from her own celebrity status and move toward being more of a wicked ironist.

In "I'm Still Here ... Damn It," Bernhard offers an eclectic blend of music, parodies and bitter -

sometimes raunchy - observations about sexuality, pop culture and Far Right attitudes on religion and propriety.

Think the male-bashing, icon-rattling, mean-spirited viper has mellowed since becoming a mother?

"No way," said Bernhard from her New York City home amid a hectic schedule of 10 interviews over two days with the local Detroit media.

"Let's just say that motherhood has expanded my capacity for affection."

That doesn't mean she's softened her barbs that hit with the force of a machete, slicing apart the male ego. Nor has she backed away from her less-than-subtle reminder to shovel back the crap that's being pushed along as American culture.

"I don't have to push buttons," she said. "I'm just trying to get people to realize that every button is being pushed their way, and they don't have to take it."

But try to provoke the provocateur and you'll be surprised at what you get.

Q: If you were a fine artist, what kind of art would you create with elephant dung?

Bernhard: I'm not a fine artist. I don't want to get into any of that.

Q: If you were consulting Monica Lewinsky during the impeachment trial, what would you have said to her?

Bernhard: I boycotted the whole thing. We have to take responsibility for all that nonsense. I won't even address it.

Q: What's the difference between a New York City and a

Midwestern audience?

Bernhard: Midwestern audiences aren't as self-indulgent. You have to be hardy to make it in the Midwest.

Self-indulgent? Hardy? Hmmm. What happened to the snarling, lips-flapping-in-the-wind Sandra Bernhard who wise-cracked that her mother's an abstract artist and her father's a proctologist, and that's how she looks at the world?

For a comedienne who claims to be following in the stinging satirical tradition of Lenny Bruce, not commenting on the state of American politics seems like a missed opportunity. Perhaps a sign that politics has descended so far that not even humor can resuscitate it. Or that

when it comes to anything deeper than the superficial subject of celebrities, maybe Bernhard has met her match.

Of course, Bernhard's element isn't polemics. It's abrasive put-downs. Her brand of humor is more like overhearing petty gossip among friends than the shrewd proclamations of Bruce, Lilly Tomlin or even Dennis Miller and Chris Rock-type comedians.

"My stuff comes from conversations with friends and from observing people," said Bernhard, whose friends include the famous and not so famous.

"I don't come from any point of view," she said. "I just want to get beyond the crap that's shoved our way."

Fair enough. But at times, it seems that Bernhard doesn't know the difference between "getting beyond the crap" and just moving around the piles.

Fifteen minutes after she called right on time, Bernhard notes that the allotted time is up. No time to ask about if the tiff with Madonna is still raging. No time to ask the actress who played on "Roseanne" about why she doesn't hide from being a lesbian but won't get involved in gay rights issues. And no time to ask where the real Sandra Bernhard is hiding.

Then just like that, she hangs up with an abrupt, "Nice talking to you."

Amazing. She didn't even take a swing.

## Benefit from page E1

come to our theater. We're also looking to get ourselves in front of new audiences - so many people have heard about us, but never seen us."

They picked "The Women" to open their season because it has a large cast - 18 women who play 32 different roles. "We've done all-female shows, (but) not this big," said Tupper. "There aren't many shows written for women. We have more women than men in our group. There's a broad range of roles, everything from early 20s to 50s."

In casting the show, the group did attract some new members, which was one of its goals.

Suzanne Rogers, who plays Sylvia Fowler in the show and works as a social worker for Henry Ford Health Systems, suggested doing the benefit performance. The group supported her idea.

"It's a show that's all about women," said Tupper. "It's a fairly light show, it's good for them and good for us. Henry Ford Health Systems was thrilled about it. It's what community collaboration is all about. By presenting the benefit we're exposing new people to our theater."

Written by Clare Boothe Luce, "The Women" opened in New York in 1936. In "The Women,"

Luce satirizes Park Avenue ladies who wasted their lives with affairs, malicious gossip and beauty salons, while having no empathy for women trapped in low-paying jobs.

Although there's some serious material in "The Women," Rogers said it's also funny and many people will see themselves and people they know in the characters. "It's going to be fun, a lot of laughs," she said. "Some people will think it's dated, but in a lot of ways things aren't so different. Women are still the ones who keep home and family going. Men will get a kick out of it."

## Merchant from page E1

mind," said Doll. "She's very much who I am. It's really been a fascination to connect with someone who found the independence and confidence when women were so suppressed."

This is also Jeremy Hargis' first time doing Shakespeare. At first, it was a little daunting for the 19-year old Garden City student to play Old Gobbo. Hargis, who began acting in third grade, has appeared in Plymouth Theatre Guild productions.

"I have to play this older man physically and mentally so I

watched a couple of old English films," said Hargis. "Because it was Shakespeare, I was kind of intimidated to try out. But it's not as bad as I expected."

VanHoeck drew upon his "many experiences witnessing theater" to create the villainous Shylock.

"The language was a challenge and the Jewish accent, but I gained an appreciation for Shakespeare," said VanHoeck. "I had little involvement with Shakespeare and a great deal of understanding was lacking

before," Hartman thinks the audience will love "Merchant" because of the drama and the intriguing way Portia directs her questioning and presents her case on behalf of Antonio while dressed as a man.

Until Hartman took over the theater program, all of the actors had to be students. Hartman opened it up to the community as well. "Now we have the young inexperienced work alongside experienced professionals," said Hartman. "The only thing we still need is a technical director."

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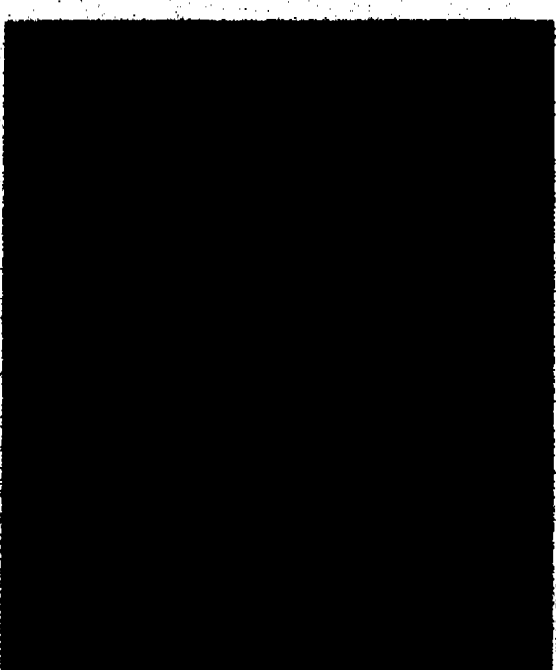
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# JET's 'Immigrant' lovely comedy based on true story

"The Immigrant" by Mark Harelik is playing at the Jewish Ensemble Theatre and continues through Nov. 7. Show dates are Oct. 28-31, and Nov. 3-7. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday; 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday. Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Tickets \$15-\$25. (248) 788-2900.

By JON KATZ  
SPECIAL WRITER

Talk about your stranger in a strange land. Russian Jew Haskell Harelik was one of the millions of Europeans who arrived on these shores in the opening decade of the century, the huddled masses yearning to breathe free. Somehow he made a left turn at the Statue of Liberty and ended up at the Port of Galveston, Texas. And that's where we meet him: "The Immigrant."

Peddling bananas from a

wheelbarrow to survive, he's taken in by a couple in nearby Hamilton (population 1,200). He not only survives but thrives.

He brings his wife over, starts a family and 80 years later his grandson writes a play about them. The "Roots"-like light comedy would be too improbable were it not for the fact that it's all true, and JET shows you the photos from Grandma's album to prove it.

Indeed, the subtitle of the play is "A Hamilton County Album," but we have some others we offer author Mark Harelik free of charge. How about "The Immigrant: Peddler on the Hoof?" Or "The Immigrant: Lone Jew in the Lone Star State." Or our personal favorite, "The Immigrant: Living La Vida Meshugga."

And crazy it is, this transplanted life Haskell has opted for. Looked on with suspicion and bewilderment, he meekly explains how his race came to be the chosen people: "There were a lot fewer people then, it was an easier choice."

JET and director John Michael Manfredi present an easy choice for a most delightful evening of warm smiles and personal reflection.

Greg Trzaskoma reaches right into each of our own photo albums for his Haskell, and his characterization is sensational. Spouting incomprehensible Yiddish as he meets banker Milton Perry (Paul Hopper) and his wife Ima (Mary Bremer), Haskell seems to them like he's from Mars, not Minsk. Ima tries to make him feel at ease: "I'm nothing to be scared of, I'm a Christian."

Some comfort that is.

Throughout the 33-year storyline, Trzaskoma never loses his lovability or his reality. As he becomes Americanized, wife Leah (Jodie Kuhn Ellison) takes him to task for not adhering to their religious laws regarding food and such (keeping Kosher). She thinks perhaps they should be with their own kind. The Jews have been wandering for thousands of years, he tells her; this

Jew has wandered enough. The play is a series of these cherished moments.

In their wonderful portrayals of the strong-willed Perrys, Hopper and Bremer evoke several sitcom comparisons. George and Louise Jefferson wouldn't be far off base, and if you close your eyes, you'll swear that Bremer's been inhabited by Mr. Haney from "Green Acres."

But that's just a grinning observation. More to the point, they are among our most honored actors in town and in these roles you won't wonder why.

It's Jodie Kuhn Ellison's job to hold onto the old ways and worry about the American citizen she's about to give birth to.

She makes us remember that those frail-looking waifs coming off the boat were nothing to take lightly, and that four of every 10 Americans today are direct descendants of people like Haskell and Leah, the fired and poor seeking a new life in this strange land.



On the move: Greg Trzaskoma and Mary Bremer star in the JET Theatre's rendition of "The Immigrant."

## Restoring the work of local artists shows heart

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The excitement surrounding the Detroit Institute of Arts presentation of a coveted exhibit by Rembrandt to close out the 1900s, along with the much anticipated Van Gogh: Face to Face, in March 2000, is easy to understand.

Many of us become awestruck at the prospect of being exposed to treasures that have been revered for centuries. Viewing the works of artists we learned about as kids in an art appreciation class has an appeal that is undeniable.

The Rembrandt and Van Gogh collections may be great attractions that raise the profile of the esteemed institution, but it is the dedication shown to a restoration project of a local artist that pro-

vides a true measure of the DIA's heart. Miles and miles and miles of heart.

As impressive as it is to feature works from the finest collections around the globe, I consider it downright noble to exhibit the mode of transportation that also served as the neighborhood art of James "Slim" Thompson.

Until his death several years ago, Slim was a mainstay of Detroit's Cass Corridor, where he treated neighborhood residents and visitors to daily exhibitions of his body of work. It consisted solely of the ongoing artistic modifications of his bicycle, which became a traveling art show.

This fall, the DIA presented an unheralded installation that paid homage to his mobile art by displaying the bike that has been restored with the care worthy of a great master. His bike may never have the lure or value of a Rembrandt or Van Gogh, but the story behind Slim's art leaves a lasting impression on those who

take the time to hear it.

Detroit Public TV peddles down Woodward to share the DIA's tribute with viewers in a BACKSTAGE PASS edition airing 5:30 p.m. Thursday and midnight on Friday.

While Slim's legion of admirers was concentrated in the Cass Corridor, the glass works of Jim Kahle have been appreciated in public and private collections in Europe, the Far East, and throughout North America. Jim probably worries about airline turbulence the way Slim worried about a flat tire. Sometimes, preservation of the arts is very precarious.

"We've learned to be very good packers," he says with a laugh when describing the method of international air transport of his prized glass works.

When traveling by land, Kahle's wheels remind me a bit of Slim's approach.

"We bought an old school bus to carry our works to each exhibit.

There's no mistaking us when we hit town because we've added plenty of artistic touches."

Kahle's appreciation for glass art goes all the way back to his days as an altar boy in Ohio, when the chalice used during the Mass was made of glass, not the usual precious metal. Years later, a trip to Colonial Williamsburg exposed him to more exceptional pieces, which eventually prompted him to take a class at the Toledo Museum of Art. Glass art became his full-time occupation in 1988.

Kahle's works will come to Detroit for an exhibition at Pangborn Design Gallery, with a grand opening event Nov. 10 to benefit Detroit Public TV. For tickets and information, call (313) 259-3400.

So, if you see an unusual vehicle on Detroit streets in early November, remember, that's Jim Kahle, not the Partridge Family on tour. C'mon, get happy ... and support the arts.

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#### JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

"The Immigrant" by Mark Harelik. Wednesday-Sunday, Oct. 27-31 and Nov. 3-7. Performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday and Sunday, 8 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday. Aaron DeRoy Theatre, lower level, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. \$15-\$25. (248) 788-2900

### OPERA

#### MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE

"Werther" through Sunday, Nov. 14, at the Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit. \$55-\$250. (313) 237-5192

### COLLEGE

#### SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

William Shakespeare's comedy "The Merchant of Venice." Fridays-Saturdays, Oct. 29-30 and Nov. 5-6 for dinner theatre (\$19), and Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13 for theater performance only (\$8), in the Liberal Arts Theatre on campus, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. (734) 462-4596

#### WSU STUDIO THEATRE

Two, one act plays, "Rags and Old Iron" and "Day of Absence," 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday through Nov. 6, downstairs at the Hilberry Theatre, 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit. \$6-\$8. (313) 577-2922

### COMMUNITY THEATRE

#### AVON PLAYERS

"Wait Until Dark," opens 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 at the playhouse, 1165 Tienken Road, Rochester Hills. Performances 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Show dates Oct. 30-31, Nov. 5-7, and Nov. 11-13. Tickets \$13. (248) 608-9077

#### CLARKSTON VILLAGE PLAYERS

"Close Ties" by Elizabeth Diggs opens 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays Nov. 11 and 18 (\$10), and 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20 (\$12), at the Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road, Clarkston. (248) 625-8811

#### FIRST THEATRE GUILD

"Brigadoon," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 5, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 30-31, and Sunday Nov. 7, and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Knox Auditorium, 1669 W. Maple Road, Birmingham. Tickets \$8 adults, \$5 students and seniors. (248) 644-2087, Ext. 151. Seniors admitted free 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30.

#### JACK-IN-THE-BOX PRODUCTIONS

"Lunatics, Lovers and Poets," an evening of scenes and monologues from plays by William Shakespeare, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, at University of Michigan-Dearborn's School of Management Auditorium B, Evergreen Road, between Ford Road and Michigan Ave., and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 12-13, at the Livonia Civic Center Auditorium, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington, \$10, \$7 seniors/students, \$6 high school students. (734) 797-JACK

#### RIDGE DALE PLAYERS

"Just a Second," 8 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 14 and 21, at the playhouse, 205 W. Long Lake, between Livonia and Crooks, Troy. \$11, \$10 seniors/students on Sundays, includes sandwich and afterglow. (248) 988-7049

#### ROSEDALE COMMUNITY PLAYERS

"Three Murders and It's Only Monday," by Pat Cook, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 5-6, Nov. 12-13, and Nov. 19-20; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, Upstage Theatre. Tickets \$10, reserved. (313) 537-7716

#### ST. DUNSTON'S THEATRE GUILD OF CRANBROOK

"The Heidi Chronicles" by Wendy Wasserstein 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Oct. 29-30; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31; 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 4-6 at St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook, 400 Lone Pine Road, between Cranbrook and Lahar roads, Bloomfield Hills. Shuttle service available from Christ Church parking lot across from the theater. Adults \$12, seniors and students \$10. (248) 644-0527.

#### THEATRE GUILD

Is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical comedy theatre. Call (313) 531-0554 for information, or deliver resume and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 25126 Beach Daily, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

#### THEATRE HOUSE THEATRE

"To Purgatory, Ohio," a comedy by Jack Reilly, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturdays, Nov. 5-6, 12-13, 19-20 and 26-27, and 3 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 7, 14, 21 and 28, at the theater, 38849 W. Six Mile, between Haggerty and I-75, Livonia. \$10 Friday-Saturdays, \$5 Sundays. (734) 464-8302

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### DINNER THEATRE

#### BACK THEATRE

"Phantom of the Opera" 8 p.m. Thursdays-Fridays, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturdays, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sundays (\$25)



Cut loose: Broadway's newest musical "Footloose" is featured at the Fisher Theatre now through Sunday, Nov. 14. Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Ticket prices are \$25-\$57.50. Call (248) 645-6666 or (313) 871-1132 for groups of 20 or more. For more information, call (313) 872-1000.

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#### DAVE & BUSTER'S

"A Gift of Murder" continues Saturdays through Nov. 20, at the restaurant, M-59 and M-53, Utica. \$32.95. (810) 930-1515

#### FAMILY DINNER THEATRE

With the Magic Carpet Theatre, an evening of interactive presentations of favorite children's stories and poetry where you can become part of the action, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 (doors open 6:15 p.m.), bring your own picnic dinner and blanket, at the Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen Road. \$5, family at door. (248) 948-0480

### YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

#### DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE

"Kolobok," a Russian version of the well known Gingerbread Man story, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday Oct. 30-31, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. \$7, \$5 children. (313) 961-7777

#### GENETTI'S

"The Mystery in Fable's Forest," Saturday, Oct. 30, at the restaurant, 108 E. Main, Northville. \$11.65, \$9.65 children includes luncheon. (248) 349-0522

#### MARQUIS THEATRE

"Halloween Soup" comical melodrama, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main St., downtown Northville. Tickets \$6, no children under age 3. (248) 349-8110.

#### LUNCH WITH THE GREAT PUMPKIN

At the Southfield Civic Center Pavilion, 26000 Evergreen Road, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30. For Southfield residents, fourth grade and younger, and non-residents with children attending Southfield Schools. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Games, treats, Spooky Monster Magic Show, lunch served 11 a.m. The cost is \$8 children, \$4 accompanying adults; \$10 for each non-resident child, and \$6 for accompanying non-resident adult. Register in person at the Southfield Parks and Recreation office by Oct. 27.

#### YOUTH THEATRE

"Les Miserables," for children ages seven and up by Theatreworks U.S.A., 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at Music Hall, Detroit. \$9, \$8 advance, \$8 pre-show playbooks 9 a.m. Saturdays before the 11 a.m. show. (313) 963-2366

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### COLOR THEORY EXHIBIT

An exhibit featuring the color theories of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, best known in the English-speaking world as the author of "Faust," opens Monday, Oct. 18 at Wonderlind Mall, 29659 Plymouth Road at Middlebelt, Livonia. (734) 622-4100/(734) 968-8600

#### CREATIVE EXPO

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, 2 p.m. seminar How to Become a Successful Screenwriter, at the Novi Expo Center, Novi Road and I-96. \$10. (248) 644-0673

#### DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE

Marie Michayarsk singing Russian Romance Songs, 8 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29 and Nov. 19, at the theater, 25 E. Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-7777

#### S.S. EDWARD FITZGERALD SERVICE

11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Merit's Church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 268-2206

### BENEFITS

#### BATS BENEFIT MEETING

\$5 picnic at Burdette at Borders Books, Music, Video and Cafe will go to help bats in Michigan through the Organization for Bat Conservation, Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 30-31, a music fest will run 2:30 p.m. 4 p.m. Saturday, the bats will visit 8-7 p.m. Saturday and 5-2 p.m. Sunday at 11223 Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. (248) 652-0558

#### CELEBRITY SOMMELIER DINNER

An evening of extravagant food and wine to benefit the Ann Arbor Art Center's Art for Kids Scholarship Program, 6 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, at The Earle restaurant, 121 W. Washington, Ann Arbor. \$43. (734) 994-8004, ext. 101

#### FARMINGTON PLAYERS

"The Women," by Clare Boothe Luce, benefit performance for the breast cancer program at Henry Ford Health System's Josephine Ford Cancer Center, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5 at the Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills. Tickets \$50, includes admission to play and afterglow reception and \$100, includes priority seating, admission to afterglow reception, recognition in program and a breast cancer awareness pin. Call (313) 876-9259. Farmington Players continues its season with "The Women," weekends through Nov. 27. Call (248) 553-2955 for ticket information.

#### FESTIVAL DE LAS AMERICAS

6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, dinner at 7 p.m. with music by Salvador Torres and his Mariachi, also Samuel Del Real and his International Orchestra and Dimension Latina from Detroit, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. \$75, \$70 advance. (248) 960-0308/(734) 416-1199/(734) 453-9428

#### FINE ARTS AUCTION

Conducted by Park West Gallery of Southfield to benefit the Ecumenical Institute for Jewish-Christian Studies, 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at the Botsford Inn-Casch House, Farmington Hills. \$15. (248) 557-4522

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7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, swing night with the Johnny Trudell 17 piece Big Band, six-course Italian gourmet dinner, at Andiamo Italia, Warren. \$50. (248) 588-1222

#### HOMELESS ACTION NETWORK WALK

Registration for Walk Against Homelessness begins 11 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, seven-mile walk at 1 p.m., in front of the New Center Ope Building, W. Grand Blvd. and Second, Detroit. (313) 831-3777

#### SOUPCITY

30 area restaurants prepare signature Soups-and-other finger foods for an all-you-can-eat event, 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, music by Mud Puppies, at the State Theater, Detroit. \$15 advance, \$20 at door, to benefit the Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS). (248) 645-6666

### FAMILY EVENTS

#### BEANIE BABY SHOW

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. \$5, \$2 ages 4-12. (734) 455-2110

### HALLOWEEN

#### ALL-NATURAL TRICK OR TREATING

Noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Whole Foods Market, Maple and Coolidge, Troy. (248) 649-9600

#### BOO BASH

An evening of safe Trick-or-Treating, games and prizes, with from Detroit Vipers, 8-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Target, Haggerty and 14 Mile, Commerce Twp. Children ages 12 and under. Wear your costume. (248) 960-7900

#### COSTUME PARADE

3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Star Southfield, 25333 W. 12 Mile, between Telegraph and Northwestern. (248) 368-1802

#### HALLOWEEN FAMILY FUN RUN

A 5K Run/Walk for adults and older kids begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, a one-mile run for younger kids starts at 9:45 a.m., prizes for best costumes, at Domino's Farms, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor. \$15, \$5 child, \$30 family, proceeds benefit the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. (734) 966-6499

#### HAYRICES/STORYTELLING

7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday-Saturdays in October, at Plymouth Orchards and Cider Mill, \$12, \$7 ages 4-12, and \$3 under age 3. (734) 451-1128

#### MADAME VIVIAN

Peers into the souls of Star Theatre patrons 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Island Jimmy's inside the theater at Great Lakes Crossing, 4399 Baldwin Road. (248) 368-1802

#### PUMPKIN HOLLOW HAUNTED FOREST

Ride through Haunted Forest, Fridays-Saturdays (nights), Oct. 29-30, also pumpkin-pick, animal petting farm and entertainment showcase, at Bunya Farms, 7300 E. Joy Road, west of Curtis Road, Ann Arbor. \$6, \$4 under age 10. Friendly Haunting Days Rides for very young children and families, 2-5 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 24 (\$1.50 per person). (734) 332-1971

#### REAPER'S DUNGEON

Haunted house, through Oct. 31, 7:30 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, and until 11:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Wal-Mart Parking Lot, Middlebelt and I-96, Livonia. \$7, \$4 under age 12. (734) 524-0514

#### SCARAB HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

Friday, Oct. 29, music and pot luck dinner, at the club 217 Farnsworth, behind the Detroit Institute of Arts, \$10 for members with a dish, \$15 without, \$15 nonmembers with a dish, \$20 without. (313) 831-1250

### CLASSICAL

#### DETROIT SYMPHONY CIVIC ORCHESTRA

3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$4, \$30 for box of six seats. (313) 576-5111

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Pianist Andre Watts performs Edward MacDowell's Piano Concerto No. 2, 10:45 a.m. and 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 and 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31; guest conductor Carl St. Clair with soprano Camellia Johnson 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, Nov. 4-5 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$14-\$50. (313) 576-5111

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Looking for singers, auditions not required but ability to sing on key is understood. (313) 278-1078

#### RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Open auditions for children ages 8-14 for a walk-on role 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the Fox Theatre. Must make reservation by noon Friday, Nov. 5 (313) 471-3268. For performances during the spectacular Nov. 28-Dec. 30.

#### THEATRE GUILD OF LIVONIA

#### REDFORD

Is searching for directors, choreographers, musical directors, and all others interested in musical comedy theatre. Call (313) 531-0554 for information, or deliver resume and letters of interest to the Theatre Guild, 15136 Beach Daily, across from the Township Hall in Redford.

#### YOUTH COMPETITION

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra is looking for contestants for its Youth Competition to be held in December, at Evols Music of Canton, in addition to orchestral instruments, piano contestants are also being sought, winners will perform on the youth concerts in February of 2000. (734) 451-2112

### CHORAL

#### MARINERS' CHURCH CHORUS

Faure's "Requiem" 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at the church, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 268-2206

### JAZZ

#### JOHNNY BASSETT & THE BLUES INSURGENTS

8:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, at Edison's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

#### DUKE ELLINGTON TRIBUTE

A Latin jazz tribute to the Duke with guitarist Kenny Burrell, also conga player and bandleader Ray Barretto and his ensemble New World Spirit, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. \$15-\$50. (313) 576-5111

#### AL HILL & THE JAZZ BUTLERS

9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Arbor Brewing Company, 116 E. Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 213-1393; and 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Michael's On the River, 28828 Telegraph, Flat Rock. (734) 782-1401

#### GEM JAZZ TRIO

Performs 7-11 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800

#### MATT MICHAELS TRIO

With vocalist Harvey Thompson 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 3, with vocalist Barbara Ware, Wednesday, Nov. 10, at Ron's Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren, east of Middlebelt Road, Garden City. \$5 cover. (734) 762-7756

#### MARK MOULTRUP

9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, at Edison's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

#### GARY SCHUNK

8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, at Edison's 220 Merrill, Birmingham. No cover. (248) 645-2150

#### JANET TENAJ TRIO

Featuring Sven Anderson, piano and Kurt Krahnke, bass, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays, at Fishbone's Restaurant, 29244 Northwestern-Hwy. Southfield. (248) 351-2925

#### URSULA WALKER AND BUDDY BUDSON

With Dan Kolton, 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Thursdays at Forte, 201 S. Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Free. 21 and older. (248) 594-7300

#### ED WELLS

The pianist performs 5:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays, at the Century Club Restaurant, 333 Madison Ave., Detroit. (313) 963-9800

### WORLD MUSIC

#### JERRY LEDUFF

A percussion concert by Leduff and the New Reflections Art Ensemble featuring world percussion instruments that originated in the Orient, Americas, Africa, India and every other continent, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Cranbrook's deSalle Auditorium, 1221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. \$8. (248) 645-3361

### FOLK/BLUEGRASS

#### DAN HAZLETT

1-2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, also blues legend Robert Jones and multi-instrumentalist Betsey Beckerman, at the Ark, 316 S. Main, Ann Arbor. Performance caps off series of workshop residencies in Ann Arbor schools. All ages welcome. \$10, \$5 student K-12. (734) 761-1800/(248) 674-4610

### ACOUSTIC

#### BRIAN MENKE

8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, at Borders, 30995 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. (248) 737-0110

### POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

#### POETRY SOCIETY OF MICHIGAN

Workshop for poets looking for more members, 2-4 p.m. third Tuesday of month, in the Jenkins rooms on the third floor of the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. (734) 762-7568

### DANCE



# 8 days a week

Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Stephanie Casola; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (734) 591-7279

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**HENRY FORD ESTATE-FAIR LANE**  
Estate tours include the restored river side powerhouse, Henry Ford's personal garage and cars, giant generators placed by Ford and Thomas Edison that still operate, and the tunnel to the 56-room mansion with elaborate carved woodwork and personal artifacts, at 4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 593-5590

**HENRY FORD MUSEUM/GREENFIELD VILLAGE**  
The village is celebrating its 70th season with a host of activities, and exhibits such as Abraham Lincoln's assassination chair and a life mask made 60 days before his assassination, at the museum, 20900 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. \$12.50, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-12, members and children under 5 free. (313) 271-1620

**MEADOW BROOK HALL**  
Public tours of the 110-room historic mansion built by Matilda Dodge Wilson, widow of auto pioneer John Dodge, and her second husband Alfred G. Wilson, daily at 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Sundays on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester. \$8, \$6 seniors, \$4 children ages 5-12. (248) 370-3140

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**  
Ancestors' Night 5-8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31. "I Made This Jar..." the life and works of the enslaved African American potter, Dave continues through Jan. 2, at the museum, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 494-5800

**PLYMOUTH HISTORICAL MUSEUM**  
"Celebrate the Century" exhibit continues at the museum, 155 S. Main, Plymouth. \$2, \$5.00 kids, \$5 family. (734) 455-8040

**SPIRIT OF FORD**  
Interactive automotive science and technology experience with exhibits and theaters for all ages. NASCART Pit Stop Challenge, Turbo Tour full-motion simulator ride, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, at 1151 Village Drive, across from Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village, Dearborn. \$6, \$5 seniors, \$4 ages 5-12. (313) 317-7474

**THE PARADE STUDIO**  
Tours weekdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., also Saturday, Nov. 6, at the studio, Detroit \$10, \$7 student. (313) 341-6810

## POPULAR MUSIC

**THE ALLIGATORS**  
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Ford Road Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westland. Free 21 and over. (734) 721-8609

**GREG ALLMAN**  
6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$28.50, \$24.50. All ages. (248) 645-6666

**LORI AMEY**  
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Borders Books and Music, 3724 Baldwin Road Auburn Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 335-5013 (folk/pop/rock)

**AQUABATS**  
With The Hippos, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**THE BACK DOORS**  
8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$10 in advance. (248) 544-3030

**BACKSTREET BOYS**  
7:30 p.m. Saturday-Monday, Nov. 6-7, The Palace, Auburn Hills. Sold Out! Quiet room available. If you missed out on tickets, see them perform the national anthem before the Detroit Pistons season opener, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, The Palace of Auburn Hills. (248) 645-6666

**BAMBU**  
9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. \$5 cover. (734) 996-8555

**BARENAKED LADIES**  
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 1, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$50 and \$35 reserved. (248) 645-6666

**BIG 80'S FLASHBACK BASH**  
Featuring Forge, SPAT! Twitch, Greebo 2000, Red September, Desmond Crisis, N2 Submission, The Immortal-Winos of 009, and guest appearances by Agent Soul, Bob the singing bass player and Ken & Derrick Bandit, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Lili's 21, 2930 Jacob in Hamtramck. (313) 875-6555 (80's covers)

**BJORN AGAIN**  
10:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. (248) 645-6666 (ABBA covers)

**THE BLANKS**  
With Criminals, LES Stiches, Ducky Boys, 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$8. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**BLUE HAWAIIANS**  
7 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Oct. 29-30, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

**BLUE RODEO**  
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$15, \$11.50 seniors, \$7.50 kids 5-12, and over. (313) 833-9700

**BLUE ROSE**  
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Ford Road Bar and Grill, 35505 Ford Road, Westland. Free 21 and over. (734) 721-8609 (blues)

**MAIRE BRENNAN**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$20, \$18 and over. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**THE BOMBORAS**  
With Forty Fours, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, Magic Bag, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8, \$6.18 and over. (313) 833-9700

**BUGS BEDDOW BAND**  
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 (costume party), Union Lake Grill and Bar, 2280 Union Lake Road, Commerce Township. (248) 360-7450. www.bugsbeddow.com (blues)

**BUJU BANTON AND BERTS HAMMOND**  
9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$25 advance. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**BUZZCOCKS**  
With Down By Law, Lunachicks and Plan a Project, 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$15. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**CAFE DE TACUBA**  
6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10 advance/ \$12 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**CHAIN REACTION**  
10 p.m. Sat. Oct. 30, Scalis's Lounge, Allen Park. \$3 cover, 21 and over. (313) 382-5844, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Michnos Cafe, 25524 Five Mile Road, Redford. (313) 532-9212, 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, The Berkley Front, 3087 W. Twelve Mile Road, Berkley. (248) 547-3331 (rock)

**CHRIS CORNELL**  
7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$24.75. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**COUNTING CROWS**  
With Joe 90, Gigolo Aunts, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$27. All ages. (248) 645-6666

**COWBOY MOUTH**  
9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$13. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**CROSSBY, STILLS, NASH AND YOUNG**  
8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 24, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$76, \$51, and \$40.50 reserved. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or (248) 377-0100

**SHANNON CURFMAN**  
7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. Tickets \$8. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com (blues)

**CYCLEFLY**  
With The Watchmen, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$6. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**DADDY LONGLEGS**  
10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Rochester Mills Beer Company, 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080

**DANZIG**  
With Samhain, Hatebreed, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, State Theatre, Detroit. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**DAYS OF THE NEW**  
8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 23, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$12. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**DEAD MOON**  
With Rocket 455 and Bantam Rooster, 9 p.m. Thursday, November 4, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8 in advance, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700 (garage punk)

**DEATH IN VEGAS**  
With DJs Paul Heart and Richard Fearless, 8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 22, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**DEMOLITION DOLL RODS CD RELEASE PARTY**  
With Bantam Rooster and Gore Gore Girls, 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$8 cover. (248) 544-3030

**DEZINE INTENT**  
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Timothy O'Malley's Pub, Allen Road between Southfield and Ecorse roads in Allen Park. (313) 382-0121

**THE DICTATORS**  
With Bump N' Uglies and Clone Defects, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$12, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

**DISCOUNT**  
With Sarge and Telegraph, 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$7. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**THE DOPES**  
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, Rochester Mills Beer Company, 400 Water Street, Rochester. (248) 650-5080

**EASY ACTION**  
9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7 cover, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

**EKOOSTIC HOOKAH**  
8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Michigan Theatre, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$16.50 in advance, \$18 day of show. (734) 668-8397

**FACE**  
9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Karl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450

**BRIAN FERRY**  
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, Detroit Opera House, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$45, \$35, (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**FILTER**  
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. Tickets \$15 advance, \$17 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**ROBBEN FORD & THE BLUE LINE**  
With Soulive, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. \$15 tickets. (248) 135-3540

**FORGE CD RELEASE PARTY**  
With Lullapop, Last Kib, Culture Bandits, Correctional Education, 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$7. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**LESLIE FREDERICKS**  
2 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-0558

**GALACTIC**  
With Anders Osborne, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$13 advance/ \$15 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**GET UP KIDS**  
With At The Drive-In and Ultimate Fakebook, 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$7 advance. All ages. (313) 833-9700

**GIVE**  
With Radium, 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Lili's 21, 2930 Jacob, three blocks south of Holbrook in Hamtramck. \$5 cover, 21 and over. (313) 875-6555; With Sector 7G, Vudu Hippies, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. (248) 544-3030

**MICHAEL GLABICKI**  
Of Rusted Root, With Mike Enico, 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, 7th House, 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac. Tickets \$15. (248) 355-3540

**GODSMACK**  
6:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$18.50. All ages. (248) 645-6666

**HALLOWEEN MYSTERY DATE**  
Featuring Trash Brats, Queen Bee, The Lanternjack, Driftweed, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. All men who dress as women and women who dress as men will get in free and qualify for the King and Queen contest. Winners receive a year's free pass to all Ritual events at St. Andrews, The Shelter, Clutch Cargo, Mill Street Lounge and the 7th House. Tickets on sale \$7. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**HARRINGTON BROTHERS**  
7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

**ROBYN HITCHCOCK**  
8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$15 cover. (248) 544-3030

**HOUSE OF BLUES LONE STAR TOUR**  
Featuring The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown & Gate's Express, C.J. Chenier & The Red Hots, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, Masonic Temple Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$37.50 and \$29.50. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com (blues)

**INSANE CLOWN POSSE'S HOLLOWICKED CLOWN PARTY**  
With Twisted, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, Majestic Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$17. All ages. (313) 833-9700

**J. GEIL'S BAND**  
8:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$150, \$75, \$59.50, \$29.50 includes parking cost. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**RICKY LEE JONES**  
8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, The Ark, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$30 on sale. (248) 645-6666

**JUNIOR BROWN**  
7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$30 on sale now. (248) 544-3030

**K-CI AND JO JO**  
With Destiny's Child, 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets \$35, 18 and over. (248) 645-6666

**KIDS IN THE HALL**  
6:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 27, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$35, \$27.50. (248) 645-6666

**BB KING**  
With Bobby "Blue" Bland, 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, Royal Oak Music Theatre, Royal Oak. Tickets on sale \$55. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**MICHAEL KRIEGER**  
6:30 p.m. Sundays in October, Angel's Garage Cafe, 214 W. Nine Mile Road, Ferndale. (248) 541-0888 (folk)

**BOBBY LEWIS AND HIS CRACKERJACK BAND**  
After the Winter Wonderland Holiday Parade, 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, Wonderland Mall, Livonia. (734) 466-2212 (classic pop)

**LIVE**  
6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. Sold Out

**LIVE LYRICS II**  
With Funktelligence, Prime Numbers, MC Sun, MC Paradime, MC Telepath, Math and more, 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Blind Pig, 208 S. First Street, Ann Arbor. \$6 cover. (734) 996-8555

**THE LUDDITES**  
9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Fishbones-East, 23722 Jefferson Ave, St. Clair Shores. No cover. (810) 498-3000

**LUNA**  
9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 5, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$12 in advance, 18 and over. (313) 996-9700

**MACY GRAY**  
8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$12.50. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**MARCY PLAYGROUND**  
8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, The Shelter, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$10. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**KY-MANI MARLEY**  
9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$10 advance, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

**RICKY MARTIN**  
With Jessica Simpson, The New 13, and The Parkies, 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets \$150, \$75, \$59.50, \$29.50. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**SARAH MASEN**  
8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24, Trinity House Theatre, 38840 Six Mile Road, Livonia. Tickets \$10, \$8 for members. (734) 464-6302 (singer-songwriter)

**J. MASCIS**  
Of Dinosaur Jr., 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Tickets \$15. (248) 544-3030

**JIM MCCARTY & MYSTERY TRAIN**  
7 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Nov. 5-6, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

**NEIL MCCOY**  
With Ricochet, Friday, Nov. 5, Computware Sports Arena, 14900 Beck Road, Plymouth. Tickets \$30. (734) 453-6400 (country)

**MEDESKI, MARTIN AND WOOD**  
With Project Logic, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, Michigan Theatre, 603 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor. \$20 reserved seats. (734) 668-8397

**MEGADEATH**  
6:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets on sale \$24.50 general admission. All ages. (248) 645-6666 (thrash metal)

**BETTE MIDLER**  
8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale \$49.50, \$80.50, \$150.50 at Ticketmaster. Call (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**TS MONK SEXTET**  
7:30 p.m., 11 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Nov. 17-18, Bird of Paradise, 207 S. Ashley Street, Ann Arbor. Tickets \$20 advance. (734) 662-8310

**MR. BUNGLE**  
9 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron, Pontiac. \$15 advance, \$18 week of show. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**DAVID MURRAY'S FO DEUK REVUE**  
7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$20 in advance, 18 and over. (313) 833-9700

**MIDPUPPY**  
World's Biggest Soup Kitchen Fundraiser, 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$15, advance, \$20 at door. (248) 645-6666

**OCTOBER MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
With Eugene Mann, Sheila Landis Trio, George and Me, Daniels Crossing, Robert Genies, Barbara Bennett, 3-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Borders Books and Music, 1122 S. Rochester Road, Rochester. Free. All ages. (248) 652-0558

**MEATLOAF**  
7:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$28.50, \$49.50. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**MUSTARD PLUG**  
With Strike, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Tickets \$8.50 advance, \$10 day of show. All ages. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**MIKE NESS**  
With Road King, 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 26, Clutch Cargo, Pontiac. Tickets \$17.50 advance. (248) 645-6666

**ORIGINAL HITS**  
7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 1, Fox and Hounds, 1560 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills. Free. All ages. (248) 644-4800 (blues)

**PENNYWISE**  
With Strungout and Ani, 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, Clutch Cargo, 64 E. Huron, Pontiac. All ages. Tickets \$12.50. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**BRENDAN PERRY**  
With Kristin Hersh, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, St. Andrews Hall, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. All ages. Tickets \$18 advance, \$20 day of show. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**PET SHOP BOYS**  
6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8, State Theatre, Detroit. All ages. Tickets on sale \$35 general admission. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**PHISH**  
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2, The Palace of Auburn Hills. Tickets on sale \$25 advance, \$27 day of show. Eight ticket limit per person. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**PHUNKIN PUMPKIN HALLOWEEN**  
With Electric Boogaloo and Baked Potato, 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, Karl's Cabin, 9779 North Territorial Rd, Plymouth. (734) 455-8450

**ROD PIAZZA AND THE MIGHTY FLYERS**  
8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$15. (248) 544-3030

**FLETCHER PRATT**  
With The Neptunes, 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 313 jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush St., Detroit. 18 and over. \$5 cover. (313) 962-7067 (pop)

**ARCHER PREWITT**  
Time to be announced, Friday, Nov. 5, The Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. (313) 833-9700

**PRIMUS**  
With Incubus and Blackhead, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$20. All ages. (248) 645-6666

**THE PROMISE RING**  
7 p.m. Tuesday, November 16, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. Tickets \$9 advance. (248) 645-6666 or www.ticketmaster.com

**PS I LOVE YOU**  
With Straight Disparation, 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, 313 jac, upstairs from Jacoby's, 624 Brush Street, Detroit. \$5 cover, 18 and over. (313) 962-7067 (pop)

**QUASI**  
With R. 2, 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6, Magic Stick, Majestic Theatre Center, Detroit. \$8. All ages. (313) 833-9700

**QUEENSRÛCHE**  
8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, State Theatre, Detroit. Tickets \$23.50, \$24.50, \$13. (313) 961-MELT or www.961melt.com

**RADIIUM**  
10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 to the Woodward Avenue Brewery, 22646 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. Free 21 and over. (248) 546-3696

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# 'Three To Tango' takes a '90s look at love triangle

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As the saying goes, "two's a company, three's a crowd." Anyone who has ever been involved in a love triangle knows that saying all too well. But that's only the half of it. Now imagine the person you're in love with mistakenly thinks you're gay.

That's the case in "Three To Tango," directed by Damon Santostefano (Nickelodeon's "The Adventures of Pete and Pete"), and produced by Bobby Newmyer and Jeffrey Silver ("The Santa Clause"), and Bettina Sofia Viviano (Schindler's List).

The film takes a look at what it's like to fall in love with some-

one you can't have.

This complex romantic comedy stars Matthew Perry ("Friends"), Neve Campbell ("Party of Five"), Dylan McDermott ("The Practice") and Oliver Platt ("Lake Placid"). The story goes like this:

Oscar Novak (Perry) is a young architect who finds himself, along with his business partner Peter Steinberg (Platt), in a competition for the design of a multi-million dollar cultural center. Chicago tycoon Charles Newman (McDermott) has pushed them into the competition with their arch-rivals, Decker and Strauss. In order to gain an edge, Decker and Strauss start a rumor that Oscar and Peter are more than business partners. In actuality Peter is gay,

Oscar is not.

Charles, enjoying his little publicity stunt, is obsessive and compulsive especially when it comes to his mistress Amy Post (Campbell). So Charles comes up with the idea of having someone look after Amy - someone who is dedicated, someone he has no need to be jealous of and someone who is gay. Someone like (he thinks) Oscar.

Knowing very well that if he turns Charles down he risks ruining his career, Oscar agrees to watch over Amy. What Oscar didn't count on was meeting the woman of his dreams - the beautiful, independent Amy. It seems like they have a great deal in common and that Amy may be

attracted to him as well.

Amy is very casual about her relationship with Charles and when he can't be with her she keeps herself busy with her career as an artist. When Oscar stumbles into her life, she finds herself falling for a man she thinks is gay and involved with a married man, placing her at the center of the love triangle.

Oscar eventually realizes the only reason Charles asked him to watch over Amy was because he is overly jealous and he thinks Oscar is gay. But it gets worse. Not only does Amy think he is gay, so do his friends, his family and almost all of Chicago.

Oscar admits to having intimacy issues with women in the past and thinks that by pretending to be gay he will be able to "really" get to know Amy. So Oscar goes with it. He becomes the most famous gay man in Chicago.

But when he is to be honored as

Chicago's Gay Professional of the year, it's the last straw. Now Oscar has to decide whether he should keep up the ruse to hold on to the job of a lifetime with Peter, or tell everyone the truth and risk ruining his career and his relationship with Amy.

Perry, best known for his role as Chandler Bing on NBC's "Friends," is no stranger to the silver screen. He recently starred in the comedy "Almost Heroes" and the romantic comedy "Pools of Blood." Being the veteran comic actor that he is, Perry was able to be funny yet very real and dramatic in the romance department. He has the ability to be intense, vulnerable and humorous all at the same time.

Campbell, known for her role as Julia Salinger on Fox's "Party of Five," could be called a "drama queen." She has recently starred in "Wild Things," "Scream," and "Scream 2." For Campbell, comedy

was a nice change of pace. She was able to give Amy a comedic side, as well as provide her with an "added intensity."

McDermott, who is known for his role as attorney Bobby Donnell in ABC's "The Practice," has just the right look for a powerful industrialist. He is very handsome and incredibly smooth, which makes him convincing as a charming tycoon.

Platt, known as one of the busiest actors in Hollywood, has recently starred in "Lake Placid," "Bulworth" and "Dr. Doolittle." With a resume full of diverse parts, Platt is able to be funny, intelligent and dramatic. He plays a very convincing gay man.

"Three To Tango" is an entertaining film with a unique concept of keeping the lead characters apart. Although slow at times and a little lacking on the comedic end, the film makes up for it with such an engaging ensemble cast.

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# Motor City's Doll Rods set to demolish on Devil's Night



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Remember how The Ramones shared the same last name even though they weren't really related? Those tricky punk rockers.

Well, in at least one way, Detroit's own Demolition Doll Rods have followed in the footsteps of those punks who came before them.

Margaret, Danny and Christine Doll Rod aren't all blood-related, but their souls are purely rock 'n' roll. Calling from their tour bus in Pittsburgh, Pa., the Doll Rods were entering their sixth week of touring and looking forward to the CD release party set for Devil's Night in their hometown.

"We like playing there," Danny said of the Magic Bag in Ferndale, where the party will be held. "They have good sound and we know the people."

## Being a Doll Rod

Embarking on their seventh year together, the Demolition Doll Rods say these days they're sounding better and playing better than ever before. How do they sound? Danny and Margaret describe the Doll Rods as stripped-down, rockin', soul-bending musicians. And the latest disc proves they're right on.

"We love the latest CD," said Margaret. "We're one of those bands that grow in front of you. We don't go off into a practice space. And the audience can grow with us."

The album is a mix of in-your-face vocals, crunchy guitar riffs and tracks that make you want to scream along. Doll Rods' friend Don Jones played saxophone on two tracks, "Feast" and "U Look Good."

"U Look Good" happens to be Danny's favorite track. Christine—or Thumper as she's come to be known—said she really likes "Foolin' Around." And Margaret's favorite is easily "Hey You." Listen for those at the show.

Margaret (singer and guitarist) and her sister Christine (drummer) hail from Rockford,

while Danny (guitar) is a Detroit native. The band signed with Matador Records (home to Pavement) last spring, proving itself a worthy competitor in the world of raunchy punk rock.

"They were interested in a band I used to be in a long time ago," said Danny of the label. "We were looking for a label and asked them if they were interested. They had already seen the band and really liked it." Some of the benefits of being part of the Matador family, he said, include better distribution and publicity.

Speaking of family, Margaret and Christine said they're getting along better than ever on tour. Well, at least Margaret thinks so: "We used to get pretty irritated by each other but now

Christine cuts in from the back of the bus, "Five days a week is a lot for me to tolerate."

"At first it was pretty tough," Margaret continued. Now, we think each other is funny."

Sisters. Don't ask the Doll Rods to name musical influences. Margaret admitted she doesn't even know who Eminem is, forget that

he's a fellow Detroit. "It's important to have our own sound," she said, adding that she's not really into any certain bands. "I'm really into myself, into ourselves. We can develop our own sound. I don't even know a lot of bands."

**You can take a girl off the road, but...**

"I love touring and I really appreciate this time to spend together," said Margaret. "I love going from town to town, picking out what things are different from one place to another. We're going to Europe soon."

One thing's for sure, fans are guaranteed a show when the Doll Rods hit town. The three-piece threatens to make audiences wonder whether clothes are really a necessary component to performing on stage.

"We're not actually naked on-stage, we don't wear a lot of clothes," said Margaret. "When we first started playing, we did wear full outfits. When you're on-stage it's not really very practical. We wear costumes. It's more of a comfort thing, for us to be comfortable and for our audience



Ready to rock in Ferndale: Detroit's own glam-punk-rock threesome recently signed with Matador records.

to be comfortable seeing us. We are who we are. We're giving you every bit of ourselves on stage."

After almost seven years, the band mates are more comfortable performing. Margaret said she's finally able to move around when she plays and sings. And Christine's developed a rather vocal fan base. Look for her to be wearing some of her own designs on-stage, as well.

"We're excited to come home and play a little Devil's Night party," said Margaret. "We don't really make plans. We're really into living for the moment. Hopefully, everyone will be sur-

prised." Join Demolition Doll Rods as they celebrate the release of their first album with Matador Records. Performing with Bantam Rooster and Gore Gore Girls, doors open at 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale. \$8 cover. Call (248) 544-3030 for more information.

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## 12 years later...Chain Reaction keeps on rollin' in Detroit

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For more than a decade, Chain Reaction has been a mainstay on the Motor City music scene. Over the past 12 years, singer Eric Harabadian has seen bands and clubs come and go but has always stayed true to his work.

"I'd say we're an eclectic rock band. By that I mean we build on a lot of different styles—reggae, harder rock, some ballads."

The former Westland resident and the band continue to rock their way around the town. Chain Reaction formed in 1987 and has been performing in local venues like Westland's Studio Lounge, Garden City's J.D.'s Pub and Grub, Canton's Center Stage and Borders Books and Music in Farmington Hills.

What keeps them rolling? It all comes down to a passion for the music.

"I just love music and I've been playing guitar for 20 years," said Harabadian.

For most of those years he's been accompanied by Bob Drozdowski, also a former Westland resident and Chain Reaction's guitarist. Harabadian said they've shared an interest in the same type of music. "It is kind of amazing we've kept a focus."

Despite personnel changes we've kept a focus."

Drozdowski also handles a lot of the business aspects of the band, and organizes their Web site. Some might refer to him as the band's technical advisor.

"Every band needs one of those," said Harabadian.

He also engineered most of Chain Reaction's recordings, with the exception of last year's "In the Dark," which was recorded at Talent Live Studio in Canton.

Harabadian does most of the songwriting in the band. He gathers inspiration from day-to-day life. In "Daily Grind," he writes about his experience in a Royal Oak coffee house, which he considers the bars of the nineties. Watching the people around him playing instruments, talking and writing, he put the scene together as a play and made it into a song. He said there are a lot of different influences in his songs.

Drummers and keyboardists have come and gone in the band, but Chain Reaction seems to be set with its current line-up. It includes energetic bassist Larry Fritzley—who's been in the band for 7 years—and percussionist Sam Bonanni—who joined after reading a drummer-

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Eric Harabadian  
Chain Reaction

wanted ad just over six months ago. Harabadian calls Bonanni a "stabilizing force" and an "open-minded" musician.

But the line-up isn't the only change Harabadian has wit-

nessed over the last decade. "I've seen a lot of clubs come and go, a lot of club turnover with new management."

With the rise of dance or disc jockey-oriented clubs in the Metro area, Harabadian said it's more challenging for musicians to find places to perform.

"I think it's starting to get a little better again," he said. Harabadian's reflections on the Detroit of the past and the rebirth that's occurring today can be heard in the lyrics of "Tale of Two Cities." The Charles Dickens title is an analogy he affixed to his perception of the city.

His outlook on today's music isn't as bright. "When we were listening to the radio in the late '70s, early '80s, radio was a little looser in terms of format. There was more of a variety being exposed. Now I feel music has been taken hostage. You gotta seek it out for yourself."

Harabadian said he listens to music from all different genres. It's not unusual to hear a variety of cover songs like Smashmouth's "Walking on the Sun" and The Smithereens' "Behind the Wall of Sleep," mixed in with a healthy dose of originals during a Chain Reaction live set.

"I think that's what separates us from a lot of other bands. It

you come and see us, we're gonna give a show."

See Chain Reaction 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, at Scaler's Underground Lounge, 6650 Allen Road in Allen Park. Wear a costume and expect the band to be dressed up, too. There will be a cover charge and the show is 21 and over. Call (313) 445-0029 for information. Or check the Web: <http://homepages.msn.com/stage10/chainreact>

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# PRICE GOUGING

Cost of eating prime escalates as Y2K nears

By ELEANOR HEALD  
SPECIAL WRITER

A new form of Y2K bug has hit restaurants. If your taste preferences lead to prime cuts of beef or top-of-the-line seafoods such as Alaskan king crab and lobster, you may be in for new millennium sticker shock at your favorite restaurant.

This spring, Alaskan King Crab was \$6 per pound at the wholesale level noted Matt Prentice, president of the Unique Restaurant Corporation, the area's largest restaurant group. It is now \$11. Forecasts for the wholesale price of warm water lobster tails in December are \$20 per pound. Today, cold water tails are \$29 per pound.

Two months ago, prime beef fillets were \$16 per pound wholesale. Four weeks ago, it shot to \$21. This week it's almost \$30. Even prime New York strip steak has gone through the roof from \$9 per pound to \$16.62 whole.

**■ Is a shortage of prime beef and seafoods causing this? No. Is it Y2K greed at distributor and secondary sources? Yes. What are area restaurants doing about it?**

sale this week.

These costs are a full 50 percent above the peak holiday season last year.

"It's obscene," Prentice remarked.

Is a shortage of prime beef and seafoods causing this? No. Is it Y2K greed at distributor and secondary sources? Yes. What are area restaurants doing about it?

"Daily, the electronic and print media offer a millennium countdown," said Greg Goodman, chef/proprietor of Café Bon Homme in Plymouth. "I think

this has generated a frenzy attitude. It's cascading down and suppliers are taking advantage by raising prices two months before the peak holiday season. They're cleaning up and restaurateurs are being manipulated.

"It's pathetic and catastrophic. We have no choice, but to pass costs along to diners. We've told suppliers that this is not tolerable and their attitude is 'that's the price.' We realize that when diners pay the bill, the restaurant appears to be overcharging, but we're at the mercy of suppliers. There is no viable alternative.

"The market could correct before the New Year, but we have no way of knowing. Right now, restaurants have to raise prices on prime beef cuts, veal, and seafood."

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## WHAT'S COOKING

Send items for consideration in What's Cooking to Keely Wygonik, Entertainment Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. To fax, (734) 591-7279 or e-mail, keelywygonik@ec.econline.com. What's Cooking includes listings of new restaurants, special dinners, menu changes, restaurant anniversaries and renovations.

**■ Fox Hills Country Club** — RJO Productions presents "Fox's Liar Dinner Theater" Saturdays through Nov. 13, 6 p.m. cocktails, 7 p.m. dinner, followed by show, at Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 North Territorial, Plymouth. Tickets \$29.95 per person, call (734) 453-7272.

**■ Taste of the Arts** — The Westland Chamber of Commerce is seeking restaurants to participate in the Taste of the Arts event scheduled 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30 at the Hellenic Culture Center on Joy Road near Churchill High School. There is no charge for restaurants to participate. At least 600 guests are expected to attend, paying \$20 a person for the chance to sample the best of area restaurant food. Tickets will cost \$25 at the door if you wait until the day of the event. Participating restaurants will be able to pass out coupons and promotional materials at their tables.

The Taste festival will raise funds for the Chamber and for the Family Resource Center in Westland. A silent auction of art will also be held. A drawing will be held for prizes which include a trip for two to Las Vegas. Contact Lori Brist at the chamber office, (313) 326-7222 for tickets or information on how to participate. Major sponsors are North Brothers Ford, the Hellenic Cen-

ter, International Minute Press, Maui Travel and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

**■ SoupCity** — Fund-raising event for the Coalition on Temporary Shelter, 6-10 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28 at the State Theater in Detroit. Thirty metro Detroit restaurants including Zoup!, Pike Street, Five Lakes Grill, and Union Street will prepare their signature soups and finger foods for the all-you-can-eat event. Cash bar, live music of Mud Puppy. Tickets are \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Call (248) 645-6666.

**■ Detroit International Wine Auction** — 18th annual event sponsored by General Motors, 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center Ballroom. To launch this year's event, Tribute restaurant in Farmington Hills will host an intimate Winemaker Dinner 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29 with honorary guests Jean-Michel Cazes of Chateau Lynch-Bages, Bordeaux, France and Sotherby's auctioneers, Serena Sutcliffe and Michael Davis. Limited seating available. Call (248) 664-7464 for ticket information.

**■ American Harvest Restaurant** — At Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty (between Six and Seven Mile Roads) in Livonia is open for lunch Tuesday-Friday. The restaurant, operated by Schoolcraft College's renowned Culinary Arts Department, serves a variety of gourmet selections prepared and served by students who work under the supervision of four certified master chefs. Call (734) 462-4488 for reservations. International dinners are offered Thursday evenings throughout the fall. Dinners are \$26.95 per

person. Call (734) 462-4488 for information.

The Professor's Pantry offers fresh bread, pastries, soups, pasta and salads prepared by students, 11-30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday-Friday. Schoolcraft College is hosting a **Gourmet Wine Tasting** 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 in the Waterman Center on the Livonia campus. The event features fine wines from Spain, complemented by gourmet cuisine. The cost is \$35 per person. Call (734) 462-4422 for information/reservations.

**Annual Madrigal Dinners** 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Dec. 9-11 in the Waterman Center. The cost is \$35 per person, call (734) 462-4417 for information/reservations.

**■ Save A Heart, A Celebration of Wine and Food** 6:30-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 12 — at the Michigan League, 911 North University at Fletcher, Ann Arbor, to benefit the Michigan Congenital Heart Center at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. Over 300 different wines will be available for

tasting, accompanied by food from Ann Arbor's most popular restaurants. General admission tickets are \$50 per person (\$35 of which is tax deductible) and Tasting from Private Cellars benefactor tickets are \$180 (\$125 tax deductible). Call (734) 936-9134.

**■ Epoch Restaurant Group's Millennium Celebration** — Guests dining at any of four Epoch restaurants (Tribute, Farmington Hills, Forte, Birmingham; Too Chez, Novi; and Latitude, Bay Harbor) between now and Nov. 24 will receive an entry form each time they dine, or simply upon request. A random drawing on Nov. 30 will determine the winner of a six-day gastronomic package for six beginning Dec. 28 and ending Jan. 2. The winner and guests will dine at each of Epoch's metro-area restaurants on successive evenings and be flown by private plane from Detroit to Harbor Springs on Dec. 31 for a new millennium celebration that includes two nights lodging in a three bedroom suite at the Inn

at Bay Harbor and dinner at Latitude.

**■ Chef Superstar comes to MotorCity Casino** — Michael Russell, one of only two Certified Master Chefs still active in the Michigan restaurant business, has left the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club to take the position of Executive Chef of the yet-to-open MotorCity Casino in Detroit. There he will oversee MotorCity's six food operations employing 300 food-service personnel, including 11 sous chefs and nearly 200 cooks — a far cry from the staff of 17 he headed at Bloomfield Open Hunt Club. Russell won't be pinned down on his food style except to say it's primarily American with Asian accents. His biggest challenge will be at the casino's signature restaurant Irisesence, scheduled to open when MotorCity casino opens. Inaugural menu items include a dish such as rack of wild boar with cider-pepper glaze, braised red cabbage, root vegetable puree, cinnamon-glazed apples and vanilla-scent-

ed sweet potato puree.

**■ Andiamo Italia West** — The Platters featuring vocalist Sonny Turner and Sam Butera perform Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 4-6 at the Andiamo Celebrity Showroom, 7066 E. 14 Mile Road, Warren. Tickets \$30-\$35, call (810) 268-3200.

**■ The Michigan Grape & Wine Industry Council** — is partnering with a number of Michigan restaurants and retailers in "Fall is a Cool Time for Michigan Wine." The promotion features Michigan wines in celebration of the harvest season and upcoming holidays. Participating metro-Detroit restaurants include Big Rock Chop & Brew House and The Townsend Hotel, Birmingham; Ernesto's, Plymouth; Hogan's Restaurant, Bloomfield Hills; Nordstrom, Troy; Tam O Shanter Country Club and El Nibble Nook in West Bloomfield.

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