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## THE WEEK AHEAD

### MONDAY

**City Hall:** There will be a Westland City Council study session 6:15 p.m. in City Hall on open meetings access and related business.

**School issues:** The Wayne-Westland Board of Education will meet 7 p.m. at the school board office, on Marquette east of Newburgh in Westland.

### THURSDAY

**Closings:** Westland City Hall and the 18th District Court will be closed for Veterans Day. Emergency police and fire services won't be affected. The Westland library will be closed for a staff in-service day.

### FRIDAY

**Goodies galore:** Presbyterian Village-Westland will hold its bazaar-bake sale 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be handcrafted items, woodworking items, tree ornaments, baked goods and more. For information, call (734) 762-8886.

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# School death lawsuit dismissed



**A Wayne Circuit judge has ruled the staffers of the Wayne-Westland school district's Dyer Center weren't negligent in the death of a 24-year-old woman. The incident occurred the morning of Oct. 10, 1997.**

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A Wayne County judge dismissed a \$2 million lawsuit filed by the mother of a mentally impaired woman who died in a Wayne-Westland school district swimming pool.

Circuit Judge Paul Terranes ruled that employees of the district's Dyer

Center didn't act negligently in the Oct. 10, 1997, death of Keya Perry, 24.

District attorney Suzanne Bartos maintains that Perry died of a seizure and that six employees pulled her from the pool and tried to help her.

But Southfield attorney Lawrence Buckfire, representing Perry's mother, Nancy, claims that Perry drowned and that employees didn't keep close watch

on her in the pool.

Terranes dismissed the case Oct. 15, but Buckfire said he will file a motion by late November asking the judge to reconsider his decision.

If that fails, then Buckfire said he will file an appeal of Terranes' ruling because he believes a jury should hear the case.

"I think the facts show that she died from drowning and not from a seizure," Buckfire said of Perry. "Why wasn't she properly observed? They (the employees) claimed they were watching her. Well, then they watched her drown."

Buckfire said it hasn't been proven

that Perry suffered a seizure, but Bartos maintains she did.

Buckfire also alleged that Dyer Center employees didn't give Perry the type of floatation device she needed, considering her severe mental impairment.

Perry was living in a group home, and Bartos said the woman had been attending an adaptive aquatics therapy program when she suffered a seizure.

Westland police said the incident occurred about 8:10 a.m. Oct. 10, 1997.

Employees "saw she was having a problem, went to her aid, took her out

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## First Citizen



**Kudos:** Westland resident Jo Johnson is this year's First Citizen of the Year. Her activities range from youth sports to history. She is current president of the Westland Historical Commission. (Johnson painted the painting above her.)

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Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus hinted Friday that Michigan families earning lower middle incomes could receive a tax cut - but he didn't indicate when.

Posthumus also suggested possible tax cuts to discourage urban sprawl as one of several measures to be discussed by state leaders.

He answered questions about potential tax cuts during an interview Friday at John Glenn High School, where he addressed roughly 100 political science students.

Posthumus, a former Michigan senator, predicted more tax slashing in the wake of 26 cuts he said he has already helped shepherd.

While talking with students, Posthumus touted 1994's school tax-slashing Proposal A as "the most important piece of legislation since the state constitution was adopted."

The law has helped close the gap between rich and poor public school districts, even though Posthumus conceded some inequities still exist.

Still, he said 90 percent of all public school districts now receive per-pupil revenues of \$5,900 to \$6,900.

During an interview, Posthumus didn't rule out that legislators may slightly tinker with Proposal A to help districts like Wayne-Westland, where officials say they've lost more than their share of money. But he didn't offer any guarantees, either.

Wayne-Westland Superintendent Greg Baracy said the district has lost nearly \$40 million since Proposal A went into effect.

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# Honoree gives to community

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Jo Johnson has helped bring community concerts, girls softball, library services and historical programs to Westland.

She even helped to revive the old one-room Perrinsville School, where students can spend a day learning like their ancestors did.

"Jo Johnson has given generously of her time and talents to the city of Westland for many years," friend Sandra Valovick said.

For her volunteer work, Johnson has been named 1999 First Citizen of the Year in a program sponsored by

The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and the Westland Chamber of Commerce.

She will be honored Tuesday during the chamber's business luncheon at Joy Manor. She was nominated by Valovick and Westland City Councilman Richard LeBlanc.

Johnson and her husband, Ernie, had five children, and her volunteer work started while they were in school.

"I was at home and I wasn't working," she said.

She later became involved in Westland Youth Athletics Association activities, helping to start girls softball in 1974. Johnson was one of the first two women elected to the youth

association board.

Johnson started working with the Westland Historical Commission in the early 1970s.

"One of her great loves is the Westland Historical Commission," Valovick said in her nomination. "Jo has served in many capacities during her years on this commission. As the current president of the organization, she works with a dedicated group to preserve the history of our city and make it relevant to Westland's citizens."

Johnson said she is proud that the historical commission has its own house on Wayne Road, and she is

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# Thomas takes turn interviewing in job search

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There are five remaining finalists for the Plymouth-Canton school superintendent's job, including Larry Thomas, former Wayne-Westland superintendent.

Even before interviews began, the field of candidates seeking the post narrowed by one.

James Harris from the Buffalo (N.Y.)

Schools notified district officials he's decided to take his name out of the running after accepting the superintendent's job in Traverse City.

The remaining finalists are being interviewed by the Board of Education and 25 members of the Superintendent's Search Committee, made up of staff and community representatives.

Last Tuesday night, the group met with Larry Thomas, educational consultant to, and former superintendent

of, the Wayne-Westland school district. Thomas served in Wayne-Westland three school years ending in 1994-95.

"I have a passion for excellence and urgency," Thomas told the group. "I have extremely high expectations of myself and my staff. I'm known as a motivator."

Thomas made it clear to the board and committee that "students are our customers, and we need to do everything to make them happy. All our

energies need to be focused on the classroom, on teaching and learning."

Also interviewed was Kathleen Booher, superintendent of Berkley schools.

On Wednesday, candidates included William Weber, assistant superintendent of the South Redford school district, and Thomas Gay, superintendent of the Redford Union school district. The final candidate interview Thurs-

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# 1940s memories revived

The music and life of the 1940s will be celebrated 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13, at St. Theodore Catholic Church.

The Seniors Plus group at the church, on Wayne Road between Warren and Joy roads in Westland, is sponsoring a musical program with a 1940s theme. Memorabilia, including two Jeeps and a German motorcycle with a sidecar, will be displayed.

Participants will bring photos and news clippings to speak on their World War II experiences.

"Some are even going to be dressed in their uniforms, if they can fit into them," said Steve Troher of Livonia, one of those organizing the event. In keeping with the theme, Spam sandwiches will be served.

Dancing is likely, along with a sing-

along and veterans speaking. Proceeds will go to the Ann Arbor Veterans Administration Hospital.

A diac jockey will provide the music Saturday. In addition to Troher, his wife, Roberta, Ray and Cathy King and church secretary Mary Allsteadt have worked on the program, with the Kings in charge.

A few tickets remain. Steve Troher said. Those interested should call the church at (734) 425-4421.

Tickets are being sold this weekend at Masses.

The event is tied in with Veterans Day, said Troher, who served in the National Guard. "I'm looking at at least 200 (attendees) and maybe more," he said.

## 'The Million-Heirs'



**Prelude:** Carrine Garrett and Scott Clark rehearse a scene from John Glenn's play For more, please see Page A3.

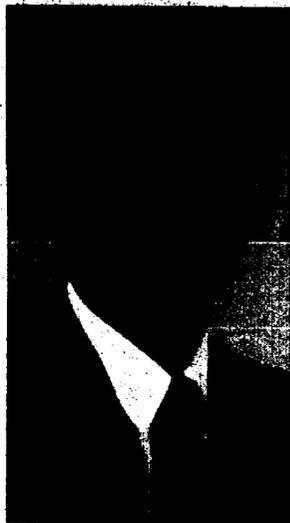
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Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus

While addressing students, Posthumus said money isn't as important in education as parental involvement, quality teachers and school administration leadership.

Sounding a little like a future gubernatorial candidate, Posthumus said his top priority for the coming year and beyond will be education. He said every young child must be able to read.

Moreover, he said 75 to 80 percent of students will need additional training and education beyond high school to succeed in an increasingly complex job market.

In response to student questions, Posthumus said:

■ Michigan will remain a "dynamic" state only if schools continue to improve and students apply themselves.

■ Fifty percent of jobs created today require skills beyond the high school level, but not a college degree. He cited jobs in the

health care and construction industries.

■ Students should set personal and professional goals because "government is not going to provide the answers for you."

■ Local districts should ultimately have control of their schools, but the state has to have established standards such as those on Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) tests.

■ He opposes legalizing marijuana. "I'm not in favor of legalizing marijuana, but for medical purposes I'm open to hearing what the medical people are saying."

■ He earns about \$90,000 a year plus benefits such as health insurance. He said his duties include presiding over the Senate, being ready to step in during sickness or death, and serving as a leading advisor and consultant to Gov. John Engler.

■ The Michigan Education

Association caused differences with Engler starting in the early 1980s when the group became aligned almost solely with Democratic legislators. He said the relationship may be improving.

■ He opposes abortion. "I have been always a person who is opposed to abortion," he said. "To me, it's a religious, moral issue."

■ MEAP tests are important for setting standards and helping Glenn students, for example, see whether they are improving compared to their predecessors.

Glenn 11th-grader Tirtheah Shah, 16, said he liked many of Posthumus' positions.

"He was pretty good," Shah said. "I liked what he had to say about MEAP and getting a good education."

Posthumus wouldn't directly address a question about whether he will be a gubernatorial candidate in 2002.

"If I do a good job," he said, "things will happen."

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of the water and tried to resuscitate her," Bartos said. "But they couldn't resuscitate her."

They called for help, and Perry was taken to Oakwood Hospital/Annapolis in Wayne, but she died.

Bartos described the class in which Perry was involved as "basically baby-sitting."

Buckfire claims that Perry might have lived if employees had responded faster to her problems, but Terranes' ruling - unless reversed - will prevent

Perry's mother from collecting any money for the death.

"I feel that justice has been served in this case thus far," Wayne-Westland school Superintendent Greg Baracy said. "The bottom line is the girl had a seizure and died. The school district had provided a quality educational program for the young lady for a number of years."

Baracy said he believed that Dyer Center employees acted "diligently" in their jobs.

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helping to lead an effort to document 7,000 dirt- and grass-covered graves on the county's old Eloise site, which served as an infirmary and asylum.

"We're the only museum that has good death records of patients who were there," Johnson said.

"The last person buried there was around February 1948," she said.

Johnson also has devoted many hours to restoring - and now preserving - the old one-room Ferrisville school in Westland.

LeBlanc said in his nomination that Johnson's work on behalf of Westland's history "is preserving the past for the future to enjoy."

Johnson, along with longtime city/state legislator Thomas Brown, was one of the founders of the Westland Cultural Society in 1987.

"As founder and president of the Westland Cultural Society, she brought Concerts in the Park (behind the Westland library) to the city," Valovick said. "Country, big band, jazz, modern and bluegrass concerts have been appreciated by thousands of citizens throughout the years."

Johnson had served on the Westland library board until she

stepped down last month. She and her husband also were long active in the volunteer Friends of the Library.

Johnson said her husband has more time to help her with volunteer work now that he has retired after working as an engineer with Ford Motor Co.

"Now that he's retired, we do a lot of the (volunteer) things together," Johnson said.

Johnson only held one part-time paying job, and that was at a Plymouth antique shop. Otherwise, all of her work has been volunteer.

She and Ernie have lived in Westland for 37 years. Jo Johnson grew up in Detroit; Ernie in Colorado.

Johnson found out she had been named First Citizen in a telephone call from Lori Brist, Westland Chamber of Commerce executive director.

"I was very proud," Johnson said. "I've enjoyed what I've been doing, and I'm made so many friends over the years. But it makes me feel good that I am recognized."

LeBlanc said Jo and Ernie Johnson have "raised the Westland community standards bar."

Said Valovick: "Whenever they see a need, they just step in and do what has to be done."

# Thomas from page A1

day was with Phyllis Wilson, deputy superintendent of the Columbus (Ohio) Public Schools.

After interviewing the five, some members of the Superintendent Search Committee believe they've yet to interview an outstanding candidate to lead the district.

"I'm disappointed in the overall quality of the candidates," said Maureen Sullivan-Wolski of Canton, committee chairwoman and president of the Isbister Elementary PTO. "I expected more. It's not to say there aren't some we should invite back for a second interview, but I was hoping for a stronger slate of candidates."

"I don't think some of the candidates could handle all the controversy, size or financial problems of the district," added Joanne Lamer of Plymouth, who has two high school students. "I see one possibility coming out of

this. If that doesn't occur, I don't mind continuing the selection process to look for the right person."

Consultants from The Bickert Group told board members last summer it would be difficult to attract the best candidates to start at mid-year. And the board previously indicated that if it didn't find the right person in the first job posting, it would continue the search for someone who could start next summer.

"It's been mentioned to me by more than one board member that they would be willing to suggest we wait to hire a superintendent if they didn't feel that the collective input of this group was really powerful for one or two of these candidates," said Sullivan-Wolski. "I don't think it's a foregone conclusion that this particular slate of candidates will bring forth the final candidate. It would be the right



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL BURKSHAW

Speaking: Larry Thomas, interviews for the Plymouth-Canton district's top job.

thing to defer if we thought we didn't have the right candidate. Desperation hires are always a mistake."

School board President Sue Davis said the decision by the board is a tough one to make.

"There are so many unknown variables, so it's tough to know if you're making the right deci-

sion," Davis said. "Not everyone we interview will be a match for us. But we need to discuss this before we decide further."

The trustees received comments made by committee members concerning all five. They'll discuss the findings at Tuesday's board meeting and decide which candidates to invite back.

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# The play's the thing at Glenn

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John Glenn seniors Bradford Clark, Corrine Garrett, Latoya Sealie, Alisha Hamilton and classmates wax enthusiastic about their time on the stage. Clark calls the theater "like a second home to me."

The student thespians are eager for the opening of "The Million-Heirs," with performances set for 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Nov. 11-12, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, at the Glenn High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and will be sold at the door.

The cast includes 32, said teacher Sheri Smith, director for the production. There are about 25 students in the crew, with all four class years represented in cast and crew.

"I hope they have fun," she said of the students. "It's a great way to learn commitment and responsibility while enjoying themselves."

The comedy by Delmar Burkitt was originally set at the turn of the century. The Glenn production is set in the 1950s, with the change basically for costuming.

"We just couldn't afford the cost of renting all the period costumes," Smith said.

The play tells the story of a gent who leaves each of his three grown children a million dollars, with a few conditions. The talkative son must not speak, while the shy daughter must sing on stage. The other son must fall in love and marry.

The John Glenn Theatrical Guild has been rehearsing for about a month, daily after school and on some Saturdays.

Smith's in her fifth year at Glenn and is working with a new cycle of students. "The Million-Heirs" is more of a rebuilding, with a big cast and smaller parts for younger students, along with bigger parts for seniors.

In addition to the evening shows and matinee, the Glenn students will perform Wednesday during the day for middle schoolers from Marshall and Stevenson. The Sunday matinee's a new effort, Smith said, and is intended to make attending easier for seniors.

Family members and students often attend the Glenn shows, she said, but about one-fourth of the audience is from the community without a school link.

Smith wouldn't mind a bit if her students went on to star on Broadway.

"We hope so."

**"I hope they have fun. It's a great way to learn commitment and responsibility while enjoying themselves."**

*Sheri Smith*  
—teacher/director



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HARVEY

**On stage:** Amy Samland, Carl Vervisch (center) and Pierre Hill rehearse a scene from the John Glenn production of "The Million-Heirs." Performances are set for 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Nov. 11-12, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14, in the Glenn auditorium.

## Cast and crew shine on stage, behind the scenes

The "Million-Heirs" cast at John Glenn High includes Joe Quick, Brad Clark, Amber Zinger, Scott Clark, Sammy Blouse, Pierre Hill, Amy Samland, Carl Vervisch, Lisa Krass, Alisha Hamilton, Brian Krass, Melissa Byrd, Courtney Spaulding, Jason Rouse, Latoya Sealie, Amanda Fannin, Jenny Jendrusik, Anne Sanford, Jade Fukuda, Kelli Clark, Cor-

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# Mother seeking justice for son

BY LEANNE ROGERS  
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Two years ago, Shirley Hill went to Lansing to speak against parole for one of the men serving a prison sentence for the 1980 murder of her son.

Now that man is up for parole again and Hill is waging a campaign, including a petition drive, to prevent him from being released.

"It just seems like I put all the stuff away and I'm digging it out again," said Hill. "It never goes away."

Gregory Hill was a 16-year-old junior at Garden City East High School — the youngest of Hill's three children. On the night of Nov. 12, 1980, he was working alone at the Clark service station on Cherry Hill at Middlebelt. Charles Roots and Larry Grinage robbed the gas station at gunpoint and shot the teenager in the head.

In their statements to police at the time, Roots and Grinage indicated they had intended to kill whoever they robbed — after an earlier prison stint, they concluded that leaving witnesses led to their arrests and convictions.

This is a murder police Chief David Harvey remembers well.

"In 1980 when this occurred, I was attending the police academy," he said. "I never forgot that incident. It was a horrible murder that didn't have to happen."

After talking with Hill's family to get her approval, Harvey said he plans to attend the parole hearing.

"These are two guys who don't need to ever be on the streets again," he said.

Grinage and Roots, then 24 and 28, respectively, were arrested the day after the murder by Inkster police as suspects in the murder-robbery of a 72-year-old resident of that city.

In all, Grinage was convicted of four counts of first degree murder. In a plea bargain, Roots testified against Grinage and pleaded guilty to four counts of second degree murder. All the murders were committed during armed robberies.

A life sentence at that time before life without parole sentences for first degree murder were enacted — was considered

**"These are a couple of vicious men. I have to do something to keep them in."**

*Shirley Hill*  
—Westland resident

to run 20 years. It's been nearly 19 years since Grinage and Roots, who was sentenced to 25-50 years, were sentenced to prison.

"I could ignore the whole thing. These are a couple of vicious men. I have to do something to keep them in," said Hill. "My conscience can't let it go by. They'll do it again, with their history."

Along with his Dec. 17 parole hearing, Roots will have served his minimum sentence and could be eligible for release Oct. 30, 2003.

"That's not set in stone. They can keep him longer. It was a 25-50-year sentence," said Hill. "I'm striving for that — keeping him closer to 50 years. He's not been an ideal prisoner."

Roots is currently incarcerated in the state prison at Marquette. Imprisoned at the Mid-Michigan Correctional Facility near Alma, Grinage will be eligible for his first parole hearing this summer.

Two sets of petitions are being circulated — one for each of the convicts. "I didn't want to have to do one and then start again on the next one," Hill said.

Hill plans to speak before the parole board again, along with Gregory's daughter Jennifer, 18, and his siblings Debbie and Stephen.

Petitions are available at the Garden City and Westland police departments, along with other locations in Garden City such as the 7Q Party Store located next to the now closed Clark station.

Hill, a Westland resident is asking that petitions be returned by Dec. 1 to Peggy Burklow at the Garden City Police Department.

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# Cafeteria veterans please young palates

BY HEATHER NIEDHAM  
STAFF WRITER

Pizza, chicken nuggets, French fries and nachos might not be gourmet cuisine, but they consistently please tough food critics - pupils in Livonia Public Schools.

For students, lunch time is only about a half-hour. But for cafeteria workers, lunch time is their whole job.

Carmen Shepler, a 25-year cafeteria veteran overseeing the kitchen staff at Churchill High, and Sharon Fetter, a 24-year employee who oversees Holmes Middle's kitchen staff, have handled lunch time longer than most. It's a job both take seriously.

"I think (hot lunches are) getting to be more popular because we are treating students more like customers," Shepler said. Over the past 25 years, she's watched "meat and potatoes" meals like turkey dinners and meat loaf sit unopposed on cafeteria lines. But "junk" food items like tacos, nachos, French fries and pizza continue to top kids' lists of favorite cafeteria foods.

Less popular food picks include pastas like spaghetti, lasagna and ravioli; fish and chips, Salisbury steak and turkey dinners.

"Kids are not gung ho on meat-loaf," Shepler said.

Salad bars fell by the wayside

in Livonia 15 years ago - because they were hard to maintain, and because students seemed to prefer individual salads.

Shepler supervises a 12-person kitchen staff at Churchill. She begins at 6 a.m., turns on all the equipment, makes cookies and gets breakfast items like bagels, cereal, milk and juice ready to put out for the breakfast crowd. Breakfast is served before school starts at 6:45 a.m.

"The cookies are nice and hot in the morning," Shepler said.

After breakfast is served, the kitchen crew gets rolling on the lunch menu. Mashed potato mix gets blended in an institutional sized mixer. French fries get dropped in the hot oil. Chicken nuggets are put on huge sheets in ovens. Gravy and nacho cheese gets heated in large kettles on the stove.

Staples like pizza, hamburgers and French fries are served every day. For pizza, students can choose school-made pizza or restaurant pizza. Pizza vendors used by Churchill include Domino's, Little Caesar, Italian Bakery and Jet's Pizza.

Name brands are a fairly new thing in school cafeterias but have been good for business, said

## LIVONIA SCHOOLS

Mike Howard, supervisor of food services for Livonia Public Schools. "We treat all the students as customers."

Other name brands students see in cafeteria lines are Frito-Lay and Subway. Once a week, 6-inch Subway subs are sold in cafeterias. Prices are comparable to the restaurants' prices.

Fetter, the head cook at Holmes, said middle schoolers are tougher customers than high schoolers.

"Middle school students don't want to change," Fetter said, adding that high schoolers tend to be more adventurous with food.

Surprisingly enough, salads are fairly popular with middle schoolers as well as cottage cheese and tuna plates. But, as with high schoolers, pizza, tacos and nachos rule.

"They like pizza, nachos and tacos in any way, shape or form," Fetter said.

A unique Holmes invention is the "traveling taco." Ground meat, cheese, lettuce, salsa and sour cream are put inside bags of plain or flavored tortilla chips, making it a true grab-and-go meal.

Fetter said she's unsure who invented it, but the kids seem to love it.

"It just came about, I guess," she said.

Though satisfying middle school appetites might be challenging, Fetter said the effort is worth it.

"The people are wonderful and the kids are great," she said.

There are 19,000 students enrolled in the Livonia Public Schools and about two-thirds, or



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

On its way: Carmen Shepler loads a batch of chicken nuggets, still one of the students' favorites, into the oven at Churchill High School's kitchen. She has worked in Livonia school kitchens for 25 years.

roughly 12,500, buy lunches or components of lunches from the schools on any given day. Just under 5 percent of students receive free or reduced-price lunches.

"We have a lot of brown baggers," Howard said, adding that they supplement their lunches with juice or a side order like fries.

Cafeteria food has come under fire recently for its high fat and sodium content. Livonia schools responded by trimming the fat and salt in many of the students' favorite dishes. Grease from the taco meat is drained before serving. The grated cheese is reduced-fat. Whole milk has

been replaced with 2 percent. Monosodium glutamate was eliminated, and salt was trimmed.

"We've eliminated salt from most recipes," Howard said. Low-salt soup bases are used in many recipes to keep the flavor intact, but not the fat and salt.

Livonia's school cafeterias took in an estimated \$3.8 million last year, and expect to take in more than \$4 million this year.

"It's basically a break-even operation," Howard said. All revenue goes back into the food services budget.

"We exceed requirements for fruit, vegetables, protein and bread on a daily basis," Howard

■ 'I think (hot lunches are) getting to be more popular because we are treating students more like customers.'

Carmen Shepler

But giving the students nutritious foods is only part of the job. They have to want to eat it, too.

"We're like any other business and are customer-driven," Howard said. "We try to work with students as much as possible."

### \*SYNOPSIS OF MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION

Livonia Public Schools  
15125 Farmington Road  
October 18, 1999

The following is a summary, in synopsis form, of the Board of Education's regular meeting of October 18, 1999; the full text of the minutes is on file in the office of the superintendent, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia, and in the principal's office of each school, and is available on request.

President Timmons convened the meeting at 6:55 p.m. in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia. Present: Kirsten Galka, Frank Kokenakes, Daniel Lessard, Joanne Morgan, Patrick Nalley, Dianne Nay, Kenneth Timmons. Absent: None.

Acknowledgment: President Timmons commended the camera crew, Miriam Fresh, Christopher Walczyk, and Christine Walczyk, for manning the cameras.

Golden Apple Award: Vice President Kokenakes presented the Golden Apple Award to Patricia Fragner, adult education teacher, from the GM/SPO Willow Run Plant for her positive attitude, self-motivation, and endless energy.

Recess: President Timmons recessed the meeting at 7:06 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Audience Communications: Marilyn and Richard Zerod, 9829 Arden, addressed the Board regarding their son, Andrew, who has multiple handicaps which requires a highly structured environment to learn and function effectively on a day-to-day basis. They asked that their son, who attends the center-based Old Village School in Northville, have a continued special education program during the summer months.

Dr. Watson stated that Mr. Robert Dietiker, director of student services, will respond to Mr. and Mrs. Zerod within ten days.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Lessard and Nay that the Board approve the following consent agenda items as recommended by the superintendent: IV Minutes and Synopsis of the Regular Meeting of October 4, 1999. IVA Move that general fund check nos. 323271 through 324060 in the amount of \$2,121,329.96 be approved for payment. Also, move that general fund wire transfers in the amount of \$1,659,074.02 be approved. VLB Move that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District authorize the Director of Operations to enter into the sale of the home built by Livonia Career/Technical Center located at 9819 Stark and pursuant thereto to execute any and all necessary documents. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Gift - Hull VI Program: Motion by Galka and Lessard that the Board accept the donation of a new braille embosser valued at \$2,495 from the Livonia Parents of the Visually Impaired to augment the educational opportunities of the visually impaired students at Hull Elementary School. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Gift - Frost PTSA: Motion by Kokenakes and Morgan that the Board accept the generous gift of \$3,435.26 from the Frost Middle School PTSA for enhancements to Frost Middle School and their programs. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Presentation - 1998-99 Audit Report: Tom Doyle, Scott Smolkenberger, and Jennifer Banish from Plante and Moran, LLP gave the Board an overview of the district's financial statements from the 1998-99 school year as required by law. They gave accolades to Randy Liepa and Margaret Flower, along with the administrative staff, for doing an outstanding job managing the district's budget.

Formal Acceptance of the 1998-99 Audit: Motion by Nalley and Morgan that the Board accept the 1998-99 audit report as presented by the firm of Plante and Moran PC. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

Teachers for Approval: Motion by Nay and Galka that the Board accept the recommendation of the superintendent and offer employment for the 1999-2000 school year to: Caroline Karl and Russell Keberly. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

30-Year Resolution: The Board unanimously accepted the resolution of appreciation for 30 years of full-time service with the district for John Gibb.

Reports from the Superintendent: Dr. Watson commended Riley MS student Scott Howe for overcoming his disability with severe autism to run cross country and win every meet he has run this season; acknowledged George W. Ansh Company, one of the construction companies used by the district, for their national ranking in the *Engineering News Record* and a featured article in the *CAM* magazine; received a memo from Janet Hane in which she commended counselors, Donna Schuts (SHS), Mary Hambrick (FHS), and Linda Neek (CHR) for their implementation of Governor Engler's Career Preparation Legislation in our schools; acknowledged Marie Chestney, educational writer for the *Livonia Observer*, for her years covering the school district. Marie has accepted a job in Potomac, MD; and introduced a video produced and aired as a Healthy Living segment on Channel 7, highlighting the Seedlings organization which produces braille books for the visually impaired.

First Reading of Policy - JD: The Policy Committee has reviewed the new addendum for Board Policy: JD - STUDENTS/STUDENT DISCIPLINE.

Reporting from Board Members: The Board congratulated the Golden Apple Award recipient and Marie Chestney upon her new job; attended Perrisville Open House and Servenwood High School's Parent Meeting; attended the PTA workshop on vouchers; spoke at a meeting at Hayes school on the subject of vouchers; thanked the Frost staff for their hospitality at the last Board Committee meeting of October 11; congratulated our new teachers: Russell Keberly and Caroline Karl; commended Howard Whitford for his active part in the CHS crafters festival; thanked Mr. Liepa and Ms. Flower for their fine work and stated the Board is very fortunate to have them handle the district's finances; attended the Perrisville Open House.

Adjournment: Motion by Morgan and Lessard that the regular meeting of October 18, 1999 be adjourned. Ayes: Galka, Kokenakes, Lessard, Morgan, Nalley, Nay, Timmons. Nays: None.

President Timmons adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

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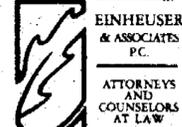
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# Employers may have trouble filling jobs next 2 years

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER  
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Wayne County can expect moderate job growth - mainly in the private nonmanufacturing sector - over the next three years and continued declining unemployment through 2001. Because of the tight labor market, companies in Wayne County may have continued difficulties finding workers.

Those were some of the conclusions from University of Michigan economists George Fulton and Donald Grimes at a Wayne County Economic Forecast 2000 lunch Wednesday. Fulton and Grimes highlighted a report completed by U of M's Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations for Wayne County's Department of Jobs & Economic Development.

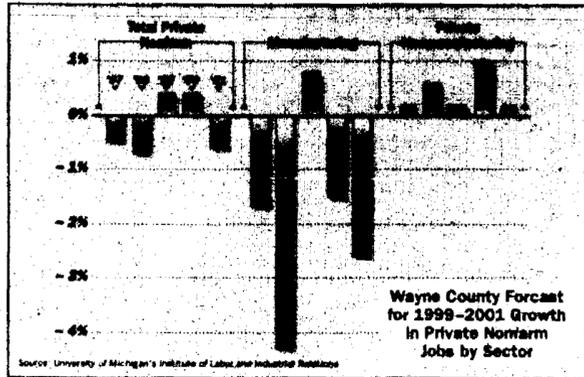
"The nonmanufacturing sectors will pick up 8,000 jobs over the next three years," Grimes said. That will include 3,000 construction jobs and 3,000 jobs in air transportation, both sectors of which will be fueled by the expansion expected to be completed in 2001 at Detroit Wayne County Metropolitan Airport.

Casinos will help add another 6,000 jobs in amusement and recreation industries of the economy. The expanded airport and three Detroit casinos are expected to add another 1,000 restaurant and bar jobs and 1,000 retail jobs.

Grimes expects those gains to be tempered by declines in the banking industry - 5,000 fewer jobs expected between 1998 and 2001 - and 7,000 manufacturing jobs lost.

Based on population surveys from late 1998, the study also found:

■ Overall job growth in the private sector will grow 0.4 per-



cent in 1999, 0.4 percent in 2000, then fall 0.6 percent. That growth translates to 3,000 additional jobs in 1999 and again in 2000, followed by a loss of 5,000 jobs in 2001.

■ Purchases of 16.6 million auto and light trucks nationally in 1999 will help keep Michigan's automotive industry healthy, bolstered by this year's expected record sales of 8 million trucks.

■ Labor force trends show increases in the number of Wayne County residents who have jobs, but "private establishment" employment in Wayne County declined, which economists said indicates that many residents are commuting to jobs outside of Wayne County.

■ In 1993-98, the industries that added at least 1,000 jobs were fabricated metal products, furniture and fixtures, eating and drinking places, miscellaneous retail (drug stores, toy stores and others), wholesale trade, auto dealers and service stations. Those industries that declined by 1,000 jobs included printing and publishing, primary

metal industries, food and kindred products, and apparel and accessory stores.

### Job growth will flatten

The economists predicted that employment in the private sector would peak at 732,000 in 2000, up from 1998's 726,000, then fall to 727,000 in 2001. That overall employment was attributed to the tight labor market and increased productivity in the manufacturing sector. Unemployment rates will fall to 3.6 percent in 2000 and 3.3 percent in 2001, the economists predict.

That translates to a change from 78,000 unemployed persons in 1993 - an 8.3 percent rate - to 41,000 and 4.3 percent in 1998. That sounds like good news, but it also restricts job growth, the economists said.

"You need to keep in mind that firms in Wayne County and southeastern Michigan are having a very hard time finding employees," Grimes said.

### Truck sales up

The boom in light truck sales and continued growth in auto

sales have resulted in a shift in 1,600 new jobs in fabricated metal products and another 1,000 in furniture and fixtures. While the manufacturing sector is expected to lose 8,000 jobs by 2001 with 4,000 lost in the motor vehicle manufacturing industry, those losses will occur because of advances in the auto sector and declines in sales from the record-setting numbers of 1999, the economists reported.

"Clearly the motor vehicle industry remains vital to Wayne County," Fulton said. Construction jobs increased 33 percent between 1993 and 1998, from 18,714 to 24,946. "That's just phenomenal," Fulton said.

Fulton said inflation rates of less than 2 percent "are just about over" and labor markets remain "extraordinarily tight."

"Economists believe when labor markets are tighter, the inflation rate goes up," Grimes said.

### Leaving town

The number also shows that more Wayne County residents commute to jobs outside the county. "The county must increase its work force, either by importing workers from other areas, reducing the net outflow of commuters, or by increasing the participation rate of those Wayne County residents who are excluded from the work force

because of low education levels and job skills," Fulton said.

Statistics show that education helps job marketability and obtaining job skills.

For suburban residents with at least some college education, the unemployment rate is 1.7 percent. Only 9 percent of the total adult population are not participating in the labor force because they are homemakers, who choose not to work outside the home, and disabled people, who are unable to work. They are not included in the unemployment figures.

Grimes said it was nearly impossible to draw those potential workers to a company. For companies in Wayne County who

want to expand operations or others who want to start a business, it presents a dilemma in tapping into that job market - there isn't one.

What drew attention from the economists and county officials was the 28.4-percent unemployment rate among high school dropouts in Detroit - at a time when the rate is 4 percent for the entire county.

"Only 45 percent of that population are even looking for work, which means 55 percent is not looking for work," Grimes said. "That is an incredibly frightening statistic in 1998."

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# Dog struck by automobile has them working together

BY JEFF COUNTS  
STAFF WRITER

It was an accident with a happy ending.

A Livonia police officer, a driver and a Farmington Hills veterinarian joined forces on Thursday to make sure a Redford dog received the best possible treatment after being hit by a car.

The dog, a white female shepherd mix, was struck by a driver shortly after 6 p.m. at Inkster and Joy roads.

The unidentified driver took the dog to a nearby home for immediate treatment. Police were called, and Livonia Officer Tim Larion was called to the scene.

An attempt was made to call

several veterinary hospitals, but some were closed for the day, and others didn't want to treat a dog without the owner being present and able to pay.

Finally, the Jeffrey Animal Hospital in Farmington Hills was called.

"We told them to bring the dog in," said Heidi Morgan, a vet at the hospital.

"She's doing pretty well today (Friday), she's resting comfortably," she said. "Right now we're just waiting for the owner to come in."

She said the Jeffrey Animal Hospital is looking to start a fund to help treat injured dogs who don't have an owner present.



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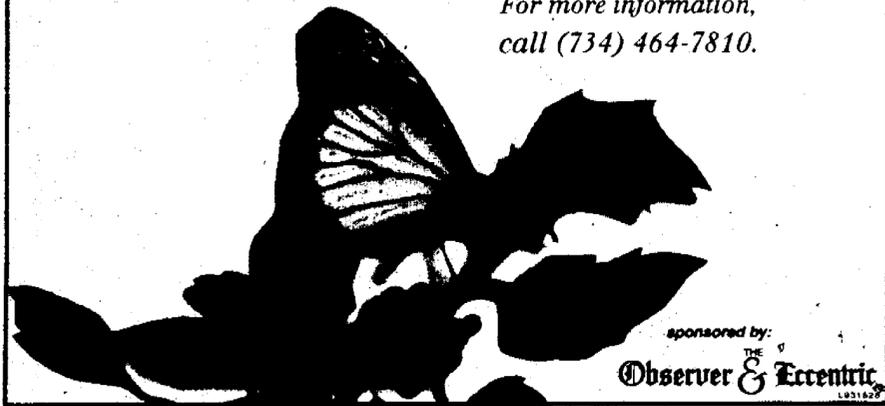
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commodities 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18.

All other residents north of Michigan Avenue will pick up their commodities 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19.

Westland residents south of Michigan Avenue should pick up their commodities on the third Monday of each month at St. James United Methodist

Church, 30055 Annapolis, between Henry Ruff and Middlebelt.

Senior citizens living in Taylor Towers will pick up their food at Taylor Towers and must call their building manager for the day of distribution.

For information, call the Dorsey Center's surplus food hotline at (734) 595-0366.

## OBITUARIES

### DONALD PRICE

Services for Donald Price, 60, of Westland were Nov. 2 in L.J. Griffin Funeral Home with burial at Mount Hope Cemetery. Officiating was the Rev. Jerry A. Yarnell from St. Michael Lutheran Church.

Mr. Price was born July 22, 1939, in Detroit and died Oct. 29. He was a maintenance man for a petroleum company.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret; son, Brian (Beth); daughter, Karen Mason; father, George Price; sister, Shirley (Ray) Kulesza; and three grandchildren.

Mr. Price was preceded in death by his mother, Margaret.

### MARILYN M. BROWN

Services for Marilyn Brown, 59, of Wayne were Nov. 2 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at Glenwood Cemetery in Wayne. Officiating was the Rev. Jack Baker.

Miss Brown was born Aug. 17, 1940, and died Oct. 29.

Surviving are her brothers, Michael (Mary) Brown of Westland and Curt Brown; sister, Sharon Popek; nine nieces and nephews; and six great-

nieces and nephews.

Miss Brown was preceded in death by her parents, Steve and Maxine Brown; and brother, Pat.

### COLETTA V. FLYNN

A funeral Mass for Coletta Flynn, 75, of Livonia will be 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 8, in St. Theodore Catholic Church, 8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland. Officiating will be the Rev. Gary Michalik. Visitation will be 2-9 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Ziomek Funeral Home, 8809 Wayne Road, Livonia.

Mrs. Flynn died Nov. 1. She was a Livonia resident for 38 years and a former resident of Cleveland, Ohio. She retired from Hudson's in 1983 after 18 years of service. She was a founding member of St. Theodore's Parish in Westland. Mrs. Flynn was president of the Confraternity of Christian Women, chairwoman of Eucharist Ministers and president of Senior Plus. She was involved in numerous voluntary services throughout the community.

Surviving are her husband, Thomas; sons, Jack (Connie) Flynn, Mike (Judy) Flynn and Steve (Teryl) Flynn; daughter, Peg (Gene) Vicars; and four grandchildren.

### CITY OF GARDEN CITY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 25, 1999

Present were Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Wiacek, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick. Absent none.

Also present were City Manager Kocis, Treasurer/City Clerk Bettis, City Attorney Cummings, Parks and Recreation Director Whitson, and Dan York representing the Cable Commission.

The Mayor announced it was time for Public Discussion for items not on the agenda.

- Patty Allen, of Garden City, discussed concerns regarding the bleachers.
- Randall Nance, of Garden City, discussed rules regarding the running of Council meetings.
- Jack Riggs, of Garden City, is interested in establishing an ordinance protecting residents from the poor work of contractors.
- Marsha Harrison, representing the Garden City Goodfellows, reiterated their need for volunteers to sell papers November 26 and 27, 1999 and that the Garden City Lions Club is having an old fashioned hayride on October 30, 1999.
- Ed Kane, of Garden City, discussed public officials and board members meeting with developers.

♦ **Item 10-99-431** moved by Lynch; supported by Dodge.

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes from the Special Workshop and Regular Meeting of October 18, 1999, as corrected.

AYES: Unanimous  
ABSENT: None

The Mayor announced it was time to receive communications from Boards and/or Commissions.

No communications from Boards and/or Commissions were received.

♦ **Item 10-99-432** moved by Lynch; supported by Briscoe.

RESOLVED: To approve Consent Agenda, A-4:

- To introduce the ordinance and call for a public hearing on November 15, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. to amend Chapter 70, Sections 70.04 (E) through Section 70.04 (G).
- To introduce the ordinance and call for a public hearing on November 15, 1999 at 7:23 p.m. to amend Chapter 70, Sections 70.04 (H).
- To introduce the ordinance and call for a public hearing on November 15, 1999 at 7:28 p.m. to amend Chapter 70, adding Subsection (J).
- To introduce the ordinance and call for a public hearing on November 15, 1999 at 7:24 p.m. to amend Chapter 70, adding Subsection (K).
- To introduce the ordinance and call for a public hearing on November 15, 1999 at 7:26 p.m. to amend Chapter 70, adding Subsection (L).
- To introduce the ordinance and call for a public hearing on November 15, 1999 at 7:26 p.m. to amend Chapter 70, adding Subsection (M).
- To introduce the ordinance and call for a public hearing on November 15, 1999 at 7:27 p.m. to amend Chapter 70, adding Subsection (N).

AYES: Unanimous  
ABSENT: None

♦ **Item 10-99-433** moved by Kaledas; supported by Lynch.

RESOLVED: To confirm the appointments to the Board of Canvassers as follows:

- Gary Strahl, to fill the unexpired term of Richard Gera, term to expire December 31, 1999.
- Janice Roberts, to fill the unexpired term of Donna White, term to expire December 31, 2001.

AYES: Unanimous  
ABSENT: None

♦ **Item 10-99-434** moved by Briscoe; supported by Waynick.

• Rick Barnak, of Garden City, stated the street surfaces in Garden City lack uniformity and was informed that the residents of John Hawk would be given the choice of concrete or concrete gutters with a asphalt street.

Council also discussed the need for doing *Garden and Hartel*.

RESOLVED: To approve Wade-Trim to proceed with the design phase of the John Hawk project at a cost not to exceed \$68,000.00.

AYES: Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Wiacek, Kaledas, and Briscoe

NAYS: Mayor Barker and Councilmember Waynick

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

♦ **Item 10-99-435** moved by Dodge; supported by Briscoe.

RESOLVED: To adopt

### RESOLUTION HOUSE BILLS 4927-4932

#### CITY OF GARDEN CITY COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

WHEREAS, local law enforcement agencies are responsible for enforcing laws dealing with safety of motor vehicles and truck weights; and

WHEREAS, House Bills 4927 - 4932 provide for civil fines imposed by local authority law enforcement agencies for motor carrier violations to be paid to the County Treasurer for county libraries; and

WHEREAS, House Bills 4927 - 4932 undermine local control and home rule; and

WHEREAS, House Bills 4927 - 4932 could lead to further deterioration and damage to Michigan's roads if weight laws are not enforced; and

WHEREAS, House Bills 4927 - 4932 could place the motoring public at a greater safety risk if unsafe vehicles are allowed to continue operating.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Garden City opposes House Bills 4927 - 4932, which penalizes local governments for enforcing safety and weight laws; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor John Engler, CWW Area Legislators, Representative Kelly, MML, MTA, SEMCOG, and DCC.

AYES: Unanimous

ABSENT: None

♦ **Item 10-99-437** moved by Dodge; supported by Waynick.

RESOLVED: To adopt

### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, there has not been an amendment to Section 10.04 (Purchasing and Contracts) of the Charter of the City of Garden City since the early 1970s; and

WHEREAS, the dollar values therein are not reflective of the rate of inflation since that period; and

WHEREAS, the effect of the Charter in its current state is to increase the cost that the City has to pay for goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is responsible for the financial position of the City; and

WHEREAS, the passage of the proposed charter amendment by the citizens of Garden City will increase competition and this in turn will reduce the cost of doing business; and

WHEREAS, this will allow Council to set parameters that are in the best interest of the City and take action to enhance the productivity of its departments;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council of the City of Garden City does hereby support the passage (with a "YES" vote) of the amendment to the City Charter at the election to be held on Tuesday, November 2, 1999; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this supporting resolution be

posted in conspicuous places in the City to affirm to the populace that passage of this amendment to the Charter is in their best interest.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED this 25th day of October 1999:

AYES: Unanimous

ABSENT: None

The Council as a Whole discussed the following items:

- Adult Softball League Champion Awards - Bat Bags.
- Sale of City-Owned Land-Locked Property.
- Recodification of City Ordinances.
- Cable Commission Purchases.
  - Panasonic MJ-MX50 Video Switcher
  - Air Conditioning for Control Room & Studio
  - Internet Service Provider.

♦ **Item 10-99-438** moved by Kaledas; supported by Dodge.

RESOLVED: To award the bid for Bat Bags to Park Athletic Supply, the sole bidder, in the amount of \$18.50 per bag. Cost of bat bags are covered through team entry fees.

AYES: Unanimous

ABSENT: None

♦ **Item 10-99-439** moved by Dodge; supported by Wiacek.

RESOLVED: To approve the sale of City-owned property legally described as "Lot 232, excluding north 135 feet thereof, Folker's Full Acre Farms, Subdivision #2, as recorded in Liber 45, Page 5 of Plat, Wayne County Records", parcel ID# 35-007-02-0232-002, to Diane Walker and Jamie Walker in the amount of \$101.00 plus \$150.00 reimbursement for the insurance.

AYES: Unanimous

ABSENT: None

♦ **Item 10-99-440** moved by Kaledas; supported by Lynch.

RESOLVED: To award the bid for Recodification of the City ordinances to American Legal Publishing in the estimated amount of \$9,695.00, and also to include an additional 75 copies for \$1,500.00.

AYES: Unanimous

ABSENT: None

♦ **Item 10-99-441** moved by Wiacek; supported by Lynch.

RESOLVED: To award the bid for a Panasonic MJ-MX50 Video Switcher to Thainer Electronic Labs, Inc., in the amount of \$3,100.00

AYES: Unanimous

ABSENT: None

♦ **Item 10-99-442** moved by Lynch; supported by Dodge.

• Mike Bachko, of Garden City, questioned the need for air conditioning and was informed that it is needed to protect equipment.

RESOLVED: To award the bid for the Air Conditioning system to Advanced Heating and Cooling, in the amount of \$4,960.00.

AYES: Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Wiacek, Kaledas, and Waynick

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Briscoe

ABSENT: None

♦ **Item 10-99-443** moved by Waynick; supported by Briscoe.

RESOLVED: To award the bid for internet service provider to Cintel, Inc. in the amount of \$250.00 per account (a lifetime payment) and a set-up and activation charge of \$50.00 per individual user account.

AYES: Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick

NAYS: Councilmember Wiacek

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

The meeting was then adjourned.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS  
Treasurer/City Clerk

# Children's Center debuts sculpture

By **KEN ABRAMCZYK**  
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Ring Around the Rosey may be a child's game, but that whimsical children's fun takes on a more serious tone at the Children's Center at Schoolcraft College.

There the game takes the form of a sculpture, which will be officially dedicated 5 p.m. Wednesday in a brief ceremony at the Children's Center.

That sculpture symbolizes a serious mix of nature, education and art at the Children's Garden Project at Schoolcraft College. The theme of playing children was developed by Dorothy Whitten, director of child care and development at Schoolcraft College, while the life-sized bronze sculpture was created by Bernadette Zachara of Farmington Hills.

"We wanted to show the joy of active play, kids getting together, enjoying themselves and life in general," Whitten told the Observer when the

sculpture's idea was conceived.

The sculpture promotes the theme of art. Children will learn about art at the center through the use of water, clay and sand, and about nature by working in raised bed gardens. Plans call for raised-bed gardens, walking paths and nature trails to extend from the center's entrance to the natural areas west and south of the building.

The exhibit also features about 50 laser-inscribed bricks installed in the brickscape and adjacent paths. A \$100 contribution entitled donors to a 4-by-8 inch brick with their name or the name of a loved one or organization inscribed on the brick. That drive raised about \$5,000 for the Schoolcraft College Foundation.

Students, faculty, staff and community parents use the facility, which operates five days a week from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The facility is open on the same days as the college.

# Join a baby shower to benefit First Step

By **STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA**  
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Baby showers tend to be festive occasions celebrating the arrival of a new member of the family. And gifts are given to assist the parents-to-be.

The Livonia Newcomers and Neighbors have organized a baby shower that will assist the community, and they're welcoming the public to join in and help First Step.

First Step is a Plymouth-based agency working to end domestic and sexual violence in western Wayne County. Services include a 24-hour helpline, counseling, emergency shelter and support groups.

The baby shower, a philanthropic effort for the Livonia organization, will be at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Seven Mile and Gill in Livonia.

The idea to give needed baby gifts, rather than a monetary donation, came from Tami Zellner, president of Livonia Newcomers and Neighbors.

"Last year, the Boy Scouts did a goods drive and sent out flyers

for First Step," said Zellner. "I was looking through and saw a lot of baby things on the list. Every year, we come up with the dilemma of what to do."

"Livonia Newcomers and Neighbors is a philanthropic organization. It gets harder and harder to come up with ideas to make money to give away. Charity is not only money. I thought, why not give a baby shower?"

Judy Ellis, executive director of First Step, said the agency appreciates the concept.

"We are always in need, especially of diapers," she said. "As the holidays approach, if you can provide any kind of supplies, give us a call."

Children range in age from newborns to teenagers, so gifts appropriate for all those ages are needed, she added.

And so planning began for the shower.

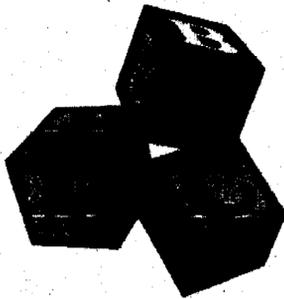
"We thought that would be a cool alternative fund-raiser," said Zellner. The group chose First Step as beneficiaries this year because it offers a chance for a women's organization to help other women, she said.

Livonia Newcomers and Neighbors sent out invitations with their newsletter. Anyone may attend.

It will be just like any other baby shower, with wrapped gifts and games, punch and other refreshments. A representative of First Step will be on hand to open gifts and transport the goods.

Baby shower gift selections include:

- Disposable diapers and wet wipes,
- Formula (premixed jars and



individual bottles) and baby juice (in individual bottles),

■ Onesies in all sizes, terry-cloth one-piece pajamas in all sizes and training pants,

■ Crib sheets, wash cloths, towels, shampoos, lotions, baby food and vegetables,

■ Pacifiers, night lights, first aid products and thermometers,

■ Sweatshirts and pants in all sizes and dark colors,

■ Art supplies - markers,

crayons, glue sticks, water paints and brushes, modeling clay, poster board.

The Livonia Newcomers and Neighbors is a social group of women living in and around Livonia. It provides an opportunity for women to meet others in the community.

Zellner joined when she moved to Livonia 12 years ago. The group consists of women from new mothers to senior citizens, people who are new to the community and those who've lived here for years.

With programs like "Moms and Tots," "Men's Night Out" and "Casual Gourmet," Livonia Newcomers and Neighbors reaches into the community. The baby shower is the group's way to offer assistance to those in need.

"It's a unique fund-raiser," added Zellner. "And a fun thing to do."

For more information or assistance, call First Step at (888) 453-5900.

# Jobs from page A5

McNamara hoped that statistic would be a "great selling point" for students to finish high school and show students that lack of education sets dropouts back. Dewitt Henry, director of the County's Department of Jobs & Economic Development, said educational programs must develop closer ties with economic development.

McNamara also wondered why more county residents were commuting to jobs elsewhere. "We have a lot of employment, but we're losing that tax base (from companies) because people are going to those jobs," McNamara said.

Dewitt Henry, director of the County's Department of Jobs & Economic Development, expects the county will discuss the report with state officials and the need for education and training programs.

Henry called the high dropout rate in Detroit "stunning," but that rate also presented the greatest opportunity, Henry said.

Incentives should be examined for people to locate here, Henry said.

"How do you deal with college graduates who think it's more exciting to go to another city or state?" Henry asked.



### CORRECTION IN TODAY'S MEDIA PLAY FLYER

Due to a street date change, the new Dr. Dre CD will not be available until Nov. 16.

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### CORRECTION NOTICE

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Saying your joint is inflamed is more specific. Inflammation results from a series of related reactions in which chemicals open up blood vessels, attract white blood cells to a particular site, cause the breakdown of cell walls, and irritate surrounding cells to produce excess joint fluid.

Identifying that inflammation is the cause of your painful hand or knee is important. A number of medications, the non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, are useful to break up the cascade of chemical reactions and resolve an episode of inflammation.

The most specific term is an infected joint. This designation means your doctor has undertaken tests to determine that a bacteria is present in your painful hand or knee. Then the treatment of choice is an antibiotic, specific to the type of bacteria causing the infection. Appropriate choice is limited and the need to start therapy soon is imperative.

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# Richard Reaume named Schoolcraft College trustee

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
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For Richard Reaume, the second time is the charm.

Five months after he unsuccessfully ran for the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees, Reaume, the owner of Worldwide Express in Plymouth Township, was selected by trustees Wednesday to fill a board vacancy created by the resignation in September of Steve Ragan.

Reaume, 49, of Plymouth, will serve the unexpired term of the vacancy through June 2001.

"I know that Steve Ragan was considered a student-oriented trustee, and I hope to continue that concern for the college and students by attending events and considering what students feel (about the college)," Reaume said. "I myself attended (Henry Ford) community college and look forward to continuing the high standard of excellence the board has provided the college."

In June 1999 Reaume (pronounced Ray-ome) ran for the board along with Greg Stempien, trustee Patricia Watson and Michael Novak. Watson and Stempien won that election to six-year seats on the board.

In October, Reaume and Novak, a Westland resident and a Livonia police officer, applied for the most recent board vacancy, along with Fred Bolden, a Canton resident and Y2K consultant for Detroit Edison, and Tod Kilroy, of Westland and Westland's city planning director. Kilroy and Novak reside in the portion of the Livonia school district within the north end of Westland.

After trustees interviewed the four applicants Wednesday night, trustees were asked to write a personal preference on a sheet of paper. Four trustees preferred Reaume, while one preferred Kilroy, and another, Bolden. The full board then voted, 6-0, to officially seat Reaume.



New trustee: Richard Reaume.

Reaume, currently the foster parent of three children, has been active with Orchards Children's Services, Kamanos-Cancer Institute, Special Olympics, Multiple Sclerosis and American Heart Association.

Reaume also was active in Plymouth Canton Community Schools, Central Middle School Parent Council, High School Parent Forum, District Parent Council, Hiring Committee, Food and Nutrition Advisory Council and Technology Advisory Council. He is also active in the Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public School Funding.

Reaume has a bachelor in science in finance from Wayne State University and a master of business administration from the University of Texas. Reaume brings to the board 20 years experience with mainframe and personal computers, computer software, training and development.

After he was chosen, Reaume said he would like to increase the college's presence and contact local schools in the college district, which includes

Clarenceville, Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Plymouth-Canton and part of Novi school districts. "I would like administrators, parents and students to consider education a K-14 experience," Reaume said.

Reaume hopes the college can obtain state funding for a new technical center to be built at the college. Trustees also will need to deal with continuing the college's financial stability, advancing technology and the needs of students and communities, Reaume said.

Reaume told trustees increases in state funds to the college "seemed to be shrinking." Tuition increases were small, which was "nice," Reaume said. "You'd probably have more of a rebellion if you had a large one in five years," Reaume said. "One of the things that is going down is the state portion. Maybe that should be brought back up."

Reaume also would like to examine education in a "non-traditional" way. He quoted Lt. Gov. Richard Poethumous that 55 percent of the new jobs will require two years or less of post-secondary education.

"Those same students will be back in four or five years," Reaume said. Four or five years ago, Reaume trained COBOL programmers for computers, today it is visual programmers, he said.

Carol Strom, chair of the Board of Trustees, said Reaume is "obviously very interested" in the board and will make a good trustee. "He's attended every board meeting since the election earlier this year," Strom said.

Reaume also brings a different perspective to the board with his computer background, Strom said.

"He's not an attorney and he's not a former teacher."

"I think he's enthusiastic and he has a real strong background in community service. I think that's important."

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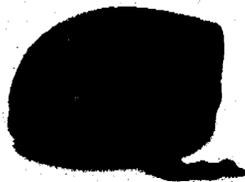
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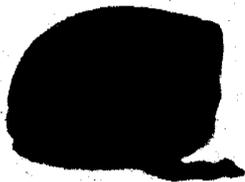
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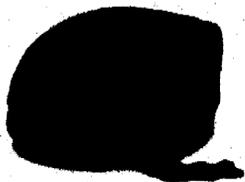
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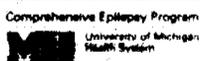
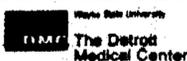
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## Crusaders win opener

Five players scored in double figures as the Madonna University men's basketball team opened its 1999-2000 season Wednesday with a 94-89 victory at Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

Mike Massey (Walled Lake Western) led the victorious Fighting Crusaders with a team-high 24 points, including three 3-pointers.

Others in double figures for MU included Jason Skoczylas (12), Mark Mitchell (11), Dan Kurtinaitis and Tom See (10 each).

Chad Putnam (Redford Thurston) grabbed a team-high 10 rebounds, while Mitchell dished out six assists.

OLSM got a game-high 35 points from Rudy Elliott. The Eagles made 12 of 24 shots from three-point range, including seven of 11 by Elliott.

Madonna outrebounded the Eagles, 35-23. The Crusaders led 41-40 at intermission.

## Ocelot harriers 4th

Schoolcraft College finished second in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association women's cross country championships Oct. 29 hosted by Lansing CC.

Host Lansing took the team title with 17 points followed by Schoolcraft, 47; Oakland CC, 69; and Macomb CC, 101.

Lansing took the first three individual places, led by Kaycie Hinkle's first-place time of 19:27 (for 5,000 meters).

Schoolcraft's top finisher was Dawn Daniels (Wayne Memorial), who was seventh in 20:34.

Other Lady Ocelot finishers include Jenny Duncan (Livonia Churchill), eighth, 20:47; Jenny Furlong (Livonia Franklin), ninth, 20:49; Mandi Davis (Garden City), 10th, 21:49; Katie Chonacas (Churchill), 13th, 22:19; Lindsay Para, 15th, 23:05; and Kristin Switalski (Redford Union), 19th, 24:27.

Lansing, sweeping the first five places, also won the MCCA men's title Oct. 29 at Flint Mott CC.

Andy Carling of Lansing was the individual winner in 26:21, while Livonia Stevenson's Rob Block, a sophomore, was third in 26:44 for the 8-kilometer race.

## Collegiate notes

Former Livonia Churchill High and Schoolcraft Community College women's soccer coach Nick O'Shea was recently named Mid-Continent Conference Coach of the Year after leading the Oakland University women's team to a 14-4 overall record and a 5-0 mark in the MCC.

O'Shea, in his sixth season as OU coach, has a career record of 75-23-3. He is a graduate of Livonia Franklin High School.

OU sophomore goalkeeper Mike Skolnik (Livonia Churchill) was named first-team All-Mid-Continent Conference in men's soccer.

Western Michigan freshman Kersten Conklin (Churchill) led the women's soccer team in scoring with six goals and four assists as the Broncos finished 10-9-1 overall and 5-5-1 in the Mid-American Conference. Teammate Angie Pandoff (Livonia Stevenson) led the team in assists with five, while Kerri Verardi (Churchill) started all 20 games with two goals and one assist.

## Wings play at Palace

The Livonia Youth Soccer Club Wings, an under-13 Little Caesars boys soccer team, will play Catholic Youth Organization champion Warren St. Anne's in an exhibition match Sunday, Nov. 14 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

The Wings, trained by Adam Pichler, will play a preliminary game to the Detroit Rockers-Milwaukee Wave NPSL game.

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# Rockets' rally stuns Henry Ford

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Westland John Glenn took an emotional roller coaster ride Saturday in the Division I-Region II District 2 championship game at Detroit Henry Ford.

But when the Rockets came to rest, they emerged the winner in a heart-stopping 27-23 football victory over the previously unbeaten Public School League champions.

Senior tailback Eric Jones, who rushed for 182 yards in 35 carries, scored the game-winning touchdown with just 1:53 remaining.

The victory puts Glenn, now 9-2 overall, into the Region II final against Western Lakes Activities Association rival Walled Lake Western (11-0). Site and time will be determined Monday.

Glenn seemingly had the game in control, bolting out to a 21-0 halftime lead, but Henry Ford, behind the elusive running of quarterback Damon Dowdell and the play of agile 6-foot-4, 251-pound tight end, came storming back for 23 straight points.

"Henry Ford had so many good athletes that we knew it would be tough to hold them down the entire game," Glenn coach Chuck Gordon said. "We got some breaks and they got some breaks, but the team who makes the fewest mistakes usually wins the football game."

Down 23-21 with less than five minutes remaining, Glenn's big break came when Dan Smitherman recovered teammate Jeremy Catarino's punt at the Ford 48-yard line when Ford return men Ken Wright fumbled.

"I knew he (Wright) was coming up to field it, it went through his hands and through my legs — I just scooped it up," said Smitherman, a junior cornerback.

Glenn then rode the powerful legs of Jones, who dragged several Ford defenders for 53 yards on five carries



STAFF PHOTO BY LIZ CARNEGIE

Open field tackle: Westland John Glenn's Mike Johnson (right) brings down Henry Ford ball carrier Justin Jackson.

capped by a 9-yard TD run.

"The offensive line pumped me up," said Jones, who had 113 yards at halftime, but only 21 in the third quarter. "They said, 'Don't quit, and run hard.'"

"It was a crazy game. I give credit to the offensive line."

The Rockets did it without two of their stellar linemen who were lost during the course of the game — 6-6, 260-pound Nick Samples went down with a knee injury and 6-3, 235-pound Jake Tharp couldn't continue because

of an infected throat.

"There was a point in time where everything was going against us," Gordon said. "But our guys wouldn't quit and I was proud of them."

Glenn, however, owned much of the first half.

Freshman quarterback Brian Cechiewicz hurled a 23-yard touchdown strike to Ben Harris with 1:54 left in the first quarter for a 7-0 lead.

With 8:48 left in the second quarter, Nick Paddock blocked a Ford punt and

## CC grid streak ends, B2

teammate Chad Sansom pounced on it in the end zone for a 14-0 advantage.

Jones then ripped off 26-yard TD run up the middle with 5:19 left until intermission. Catarino's third straight extra point made it 21-0.

But the host Trojans would not roll over as Dowling delivered a fourth-down, 34-yard TD strike to Knott with just under a minute left.

"We knew their quarterback (Dowling) had a lot of natural ability, a guy who can run and pass," said Harris, who made some key plays for the Rockets from his defensive end spot. "He's definitely going to be good at the next level."

The TD catch by Knott seemed to inject new life in Henry Ford.

Behind the running of the 6-2, 185-pound Dowling, Ford marched 80 yards in nine plays on its first possession of the third quarter. Dowling, who had 101 yards on 13 carries, scored on a 19-yard keeper and Fiacre Kra's extra point cut the deficit to 21-14 with 8:05 left in the third.

Ford's defense then began to stiffen and the Trojans' Craig Brown returned an interception 40 yards for a score.

After two penalties, including one for having 12 men on the field, Kra's extra point from 30 yards out made it 21-all with 11:50 left in the game.

Ford took the lead when Cechiewicz, trying to pass on third down from his own 9, was sacked in the end zone for a safety.

But the fumbled punt let Glenn back in the side door and the Rockets responded in a big way with Jones' game-winning TD run.

Trailing by four and out of timeouts with 1:44 to go, Dowling was pressured into three straight incompletions, including a key third-down knockdown by Smitherman, followed by a fourth-down sack by Harris.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Midfield action: Livonia Stevenson's Dan Lipon (middle) splits Novi defenders Scott Jettie (left) and Vince Sloan during Friday night's Division I-Region II championship game. Stevenson scored a 3-0 victory to capture its 10th regional boys championship in school history. The Spartans will play at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Jackson's Mehall Field.

# Stevenson seizes Region II title

## Defending champion Novi ousted in tourney, 3-0

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### BOYS SOCCER

Pass the Tylenol please.

Livonia Stevenson's Mike White, however, dealt with the pain following a head-knocking 3-0 victory over defending Division I state boys soccer champion Novi in the Region II finals Friday at South Lyon Middle School.

The Spartans, now 18-2-1 overall, move into the state semifinals, 7 p.m. Wednesday at Jackson's Mehall Field against the Region I champion (either Western Lakes champion and rival Plymouth Salem or Okemos).

"I got popped in the nose, the teeth, the mouth, all over the place," said White, a senior midfielder who figured in two of Stevenson's three second-half goals. "But it would have hurt a lot worse if we hadn't come out of here with a win."

Novi, bowing out a 19-2-1 overall, took no prisoners, coming at the Spartans with hard fouls and aggressive play from the outset.

"We were so emotionally into the game that we let the refs' calls and a lot of little things bother us early on,"

Stevenson coach Lars Richters said. "At halftime we talked about staying aggressive. And if we kept creating chances, we'd have something to show because it was 'new game' being that it was 0-0."

"We knew it was that time of year and the team (Novi) really wanted to win. We knew they were going to do whatever it takes to win."

Stevenson goalkeeper Joe Zawacki made two critical saves during the opening 15 minutes to frustrate the Wildcats.

The tide slowly began to turn midway through the first half as the Spartans didn't let the rough stuff bother them.

"We knew they (Novi) were good and solid all over," White said. "They're the defending state champs. That gave us incentive to play hard. Everybody was ready, no matter what the circumstances."

Just three minutes into the second half, White made a sterling individual one-on-one play, zig zagging through a

slew of Novi defenders. Just inside the box, he fired a shot from the left side. A scramble ensued and the Spartans' leading goal scorer Tom Eller (25 goals and 21 assists) steadied the ball from 15 yards out and rocketed the rebound shot to make it 1-0.

With 23:36 left, Eller struck again in a most unusual way as his sideline throw-in sailed over the out-stretched arms of Novi keeper Nick Sloan and off a Wildcat defender into the goal.

The third and final goal came with 3:54 remaining. Brian Braun on a rebound shot after a throw-in by Eller.

"The second and third goals were not pretty," Richters said. "But they were a result of sustained pressure."

The third goal was made possible when White jumped high into the air and collided with Sloan.

"I felt the hit with the goalie," White said. "It happened a couple of times in the game. I got the wind knocked out of me and I my nose was a little bloody."

Novi coach Brian O'Leary called Stevenson "the better team," and the Spartans proved it by dominating the final 60 minutes.

"At the beginning we had to capitalize on our chances, we wanted to score

the first goal," he said. "We wanted to put our best players on their best guys. That was our game plan."

"You can't make mistakes in a game like this or they'll capitalize. On that second goal, our goalie came out and the person in goal (the defender) thought he had touched it and tried to head it out."

"That goal proved to be our doom." The loss ended a successful two-year run for the Wildcats.

"I'm tickled to death about our season," O'Leary said. "No one thought we'd have this kind of year, going 19-2-1 after losing seven starters, five of whom were Division I players."

For the Spartans, they live another day.

"At this point it doesn't matter," Richters said. "We're just thrilled to have another game, whether it's Salem or whoever."

And Richters is thrilled to have such a player like White on his side.

"The guy is so determined and there's no substitute for a leader like that," he said. "He's such a pleasure to coach."

# Western end CC's year, 24-7

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Bedford Catholic Central scored on a 27-yard touchdown pass from quarterback John Hill to Matt Loidas with 1:03 remaining in the first half of Saturday's Division I district championship at Howard Kraft Field.

The Shamrocks used three short "out" pattern passes to receiver Steve Ivy to aid the scoring drive that covered 57 yards.

The next time the Shamrocks tried a pass like that, Walled Lake Western's Paul Merandi

was waiting for it.

Merandi intercepted an "out" pass intended for Ivy and raced 32 yards for the go-ahead score with 7:01 left in the third quarter as Western upset CC 24-7 before an overflow crowd.

"Merandi always gets picked on because we have Lorenzo Parker on the other side and no one wants to throw his way," said Western coach Mike Zdebki, whose team is undefeated in 11 games. "But Merandi is on the same 400-meter relay team that made it to state's in track and is an incredibly fast young man."

"He beat me a couple times before the half," said Merandi, who had another interception that led to a Western field goal in the third quarter. "Their receivers don't run that fast and I knew from the start they might do the same. I played in on it and it just happened."

Three second half CC turnovers led to Western points and the Warriors also added a two-point safety to erase a 7-6 halftime deficit and gain a berth in the region championship against Westland John Glenn.

CC, which had a 30-game winning streak snapped and is the two-time defending Class AA state champion, played without starting tailback and linebacker John Kava, held out for precautionary measures with a shoulder injury.

The player who would have taken Kava's place, junior Dave

Groth, also missed with a shoulder injury. That left junior Matt Markowicz as the Shamrocks' starting tailback and he gained 38 yards on 18 carries.

CC senior fullback Mike Wilk, who averaged four yards per carry coming in, was held to 24 yards in nine carries.

CC's first possession of the second half ended with a 52-yard field goal attempt that was just short and the next three ended in turnovers, allowing Western to enter the fourth quarter with a 22-7 lead.

"We heard about (Kava's injury) coming over and it's a travesty for the young man," Zdebki said. "Of course you'd like to see him play because some might second guess that this isn't the best CC team we've faced. But they're still going to play 'CC football.' This was a big win for us but it won't really matter if we stumble next week."

Merandi's second interception and return to the CC 36 set up a 42-yard field goal by Alan Mukhtar that gave Western a 15-7 lead with 1:53 left in the third quarter.

On the Shamrocks' next offensive play, Western's Rob Pisha picked up a CC fumble near mid field and returned the ball to the Shamrocks' 4. Two plays later quarterback Chris Payton scored on a 4-yard run for a commanding 22-7 lead with 47 seconds left in the third.

"Delore Seeman pulled the guy

(the CC ballcarrier) away from the ball, it was just laying there and I just started running," said Pisha, who almost had a line-man's dream: a touchdown. "I got caught though. That would have been cool if it was a TD."

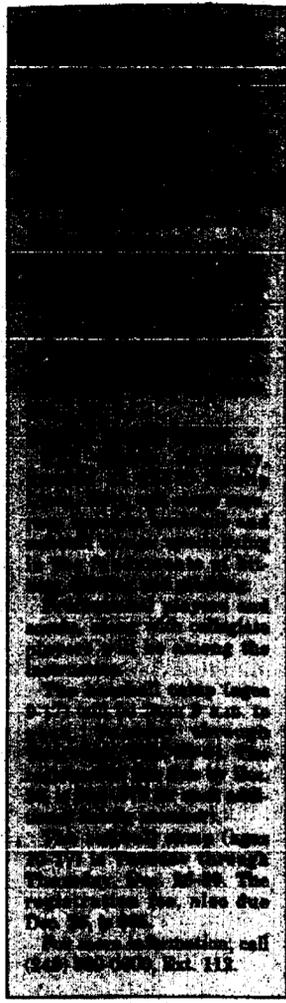
A long Western punt that was downed at CC's 1 led to the Warriors' last points, a two-point safety when Hill was sacked in the end zone with 3:51 left in the game.

Western took the game's first lead with 3:37 left in the first half when Payton scored on a three-yard run to end a 38-yard drive set up by a short CC punt.

Western fullback Cody Cargill, who had a game-high 68 yards rushing in 18 carries, rambled 20 yards on second down to put the Warrior at CC's 5.

Payton completed only one pass all game but had 28 yards rushing in six attempts and the Warriors had no turnovers. Hill was seven for 21 passing for 56 yards.

"I think, overall, we had too many mistakes and they played very well," CC coach Tom Mach said. "We had two (running) backs out that we had for 10 weeks and not having them makes a lot of difference but you can't make excuses. The team has to come through no matter the circumstances. Western deserved to win."



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## DuPage ends Lady Ocelots' season, 2-1

All things considered, there's just no way Schoolcraft College's women's soccer team should have lost this game.

But the Lady Ocelots did. College of DuPage (Glen Ellyn, Ill.) managed just four shots on goal in the NJCAA District Tournament match Friday at SC, while surrendering 24. But two of DuPage's shots found the net, something the Ocelots could not match in losing 2-1.

The disheartening, frustrating defeat ended SC's season at 18-2-2. DuPage, which improved to 11-5-1, met the winner of the

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Rochester (Minn.)/Waldorf (Iowa) for the district championship Saturday.

"They did what they had to do, and not much more," said SC coach Bill Tolstedt. "I can't discount what they accomplished. They took advantage of the opportunities presented them. They took four shots and hit on two of them."

"We should have won the game. We just didn't get it done."

DuPage got the game's first goal, pouncing on a mistake made by the Ocelot defense, which failed to clear the ball. DuPage made SC pay, putting the ball behind Ocelot keeper Shannon Brooks for a 1-0 lead.

Two minutes later, SC evened it when Kelly Connell (from Plymouth Canton) pounded a shot at the corner of the DuPage net that the keeper got her hands on but couldn't stop. The ball rolled in, knotting the score at 1-1.

Which is the way the first half ended. The eventual game-winning goal was scored three min-

utes into the second half, it was one of the very few forays DuPage made into SC territory.

Indeed, as Tolstedt recounted, "Six times they were in our end of the field during the course of the game. We spent the rest of the time in their end — but we kept shooting high and shooting wide."

"Eighty of the 90 minutes of this game we dominated. We had a wonderful opportunity to advance to nationals. We played well enough to win, it just wasn't our day."

## Crusaders reach final

### MEN'S SOCCER

Now it gets interesting. All season, it seems Madonna University's men's soccer team has struggled to retain its standing as the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference's premier team.

They took a major step in that direction Wednesday when they traveled to Siena Heights University for a WHAC Tournament semifinal.

Madonna was the third seed in the tournament; Siena Heights was No. 2.

With key players on both teams out of action, it required a determined effort to come out on top. The Crusaders did just that, getting a first-half goal out of a scramble in front of the Saints' net and then relying on Dave Hart to do the rest in posting a 1-0 victory.

Combined with Aquinas College's win over Tri-State University Wednesday, the triumph means Madonna (now 15-5-1) will earn a berth in the upcoming NAIA Regional Tournament.

On Saturday, the Crusaders took on regular-season champion Aquinas for the WHAC title.

Siena Heights finishes with a 13-7-1 record.

The only goal of Wednesday's match was scored with just under five minutes remaining in the first half.

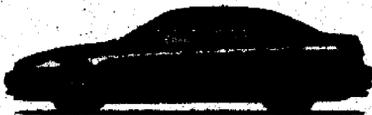
With the ball bouncing free in front of the Siena Heights net, Joe Suchara (from Livonia Stevenson) got a foot on it and knocked it past Saints' keeper Nick DeKam.

Charlie Bell and Bill Fischer (Livonia Franklin) assisted.

In the second half the wind favored Siena Heights, but the Saints couldn't take advantage — thanks to Hart, who played his finest game of the season, without doubt.

Throughout the game, Hart made several key stops — 13 in all. The win was the ninth straight for Madonna, which once again was without leading scorer Sam Piraine (leg injury suffered in first round).

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**PREP GIRLS BASKETBALL WRAP**

**Morrill scores 1,000th in 50-49 loss to Glenn**

Tera Morrill scored a game-high 25 points to surpass the 1,000-point mark in her girls basketball career, but it wasn't enough as Livonia Franklin fell to host Westland John Glenn in a Western Lakes Activities Association crossover matchup, 50-49.

Glenn, which outscored Franklin 18-13 in the decisive fourth quarter, improved to 10-9 overall.

Three Glenn players scored in double figures — Stephanie Crews and Lacey Catarino with 12 each, and Bianca Woods with 10.

Franklin, which slipped to 8-11 overall, got 14 from junior center Kerstin Marshall.

"It was a tough loss, but it's the best we've played team-wise," Franklin coach Gary Warner said. "I'm proud of the effort. We just came up short."

**•WAYNE 41, WOODHAVEN 33:** Three players Thursday as host Wayne Memorial (3-15) won its second straight in a Mega crossover matchup with Flat Rock-Woodhaven (3-15).

Junior guard Sheila Honeycutt and junior center Nicole Campbell each scored seven points for the victorious Zebbras, who led 19-12 at intermission.

Diane Delducco led Woodhaven and all scorers with 11 points.

**•STEVENSON 63, N. FARMINGTON 57:** Three players in double figures Thursday night helped the Spartans offset a career night by Samantha McComb.

Lindsay Gusick led Livonia Stevenson (8-9) with 16 points, including 9-of-12 free throws, while Kate LeBlanc scored 14 and Cheryl Fox 12.

Meantime, McComb was pouring in a career best 39 points and hauling down 10 rebounds for host North Farmington (11-8).

Staci Russell added eight points for the Raiders and Meghan Callahan five. Jehan Hindo got six rebounds.

Stevenson used a 17-9 third quarter to solidify its position in the WLAA tournament game.

**•HURON VALLEY 43, BAPTIST PARK 33:** The Hawks put three players at 13 points or better Thursday night to clinch the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference title.

Westland Huron Valley Lutheran finished the MIAC season 9-1 in a 12-6 season and will wrap up the regular season Tuesday against Canton Agape.

Host Taylor Baptist Park took a 7-4 lead after one period of play but Huron Valley grabbed the lead at halftime, 21-16, and held on the rest of the way.

Stacie Graves scored 14 points to lead the Hawks with Rachel Zahn and Jesse Cherundolo netting 13 apiece.

Steph Demos scored 18 for Baptist Park.

Huron Valley switched from a zone to a man-to-man defense, played with a little more fire in the second and fourth quarters and hit some outside shots in the second half to pick up the victory.

**•LUTHERAN WESTLAND 39, CLARENCEVILLE 28:** Balanced scoring from top to bottom did the job for the Warriors.

Kelly Prushnik scored eight points Thursday night while Heather Rose, Cristina Hilden and Katie Walker contributed six apiece to the Lutheran Westland attack. Another handful of players also scored.

Visiting Livonia Clarenceville got six points each from Rachael Koernke, Jessica Kennedy, Beth Marlow and Marijea Prekelazia. Marlow had 10 rebounds and Prekelazia had nine.

The Trojans remained winless in 19 games this season, including 15 Metro Conference contests.

Lutheran Westland (6-13) held a 31-17 lead before Clarenceville scored its only points of the third period. The Warriors are 4-11 in the Metro.

**•W.L. WESTERN 46, CHURCHILL 15:** Kristen Burgess poured in a game-high 19 points, including five 3-pointers Thursday, leading host Walled Lake Western (5-14) to victory over Livonia Churchill.

No Churchill player had more than five points.

**•HAMTRAMCK 69, CLARENCEVILLE 31:** Rachael Koernke and Jessica Kennedy each scored 10 points Tuesday for the host Trojans.

Erica Silas scored 24 points, had 18 rebounds and blocked three shots for the Cosmos (11-6 overall, 9-5 in the Metro Conference).

**MEN'S COLLEGE HOOP PREVIEW**

**Ocelots play favorite's role**

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No more talk about turnarounds where Schoolcraft College's men's basketball team is concerned. That's old news.

Last season, the Ocelots posted a 26-5 record, their second-straight 20-win season (after 15 seasons without one). They won the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's state tournament and reached the NJCAA Region 12 final before losing 90-74 to Cincinnati State.

So building a winning program is no longer a goal for SC's Carlos Briggs, entering his third season as coach. After all, he's posted a 50-13 record in his first two years.

Maintaining it is the current objective.

"Now, teams are out to beat Schoolcraft," Briggs explained. "We've taken over the top spot, now we've got to keep it. That won't be easy."

One problem, as Briggs detailed, is the constant rebuilding process that's the norm at a two-year college like SC. The Ocelots will open their season at Siena Heights Wednesday against the Saints' junior varsity, with only two starters and five players returning with experience.

Gone are starters David McGlow, who enrolled at Florida A&M, Derek McKelvey and Dashawn Williams. Also gone are Corey Bates (now at Rochester College), Jim Rebbeck (at Concordia College), Dave Jarrett, Mario Montgomery and Michael Murray.

In addition, Cincinnati native Mike Peek — a 6-foot-2 guard who missed most of last season with a broken foot — has been sidelined for the season due to academic problems that will prevent him from graduating this year.

There are some major losses there. But there are some impressive additions, too.

But first the anchors. That title goes to the returnees: co-captains Lamar Bigby, a 6-foot-5 sophomore guard/forward from Detroit Northern who led SC in scoring last season (17.1 points) and was second in rebounding



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**Pondering: Can Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs top last year's season?**

(5.3), and Chris Colley, a 6-7 forward from Hazel Park who averaged 10 points and five boards a game.

Those two will share the captain's title with Robert Brown, a 6-4 guard/forward from Oak Park who transferred from Central Michigan University.

Colley and Bigby started last season. Quentin Mitchell, a 6-3 guard from Detroit Cody; Reggie Kirkland, a 6-3 guard from Romulus; and Dwayne Holmes, a 6-6 forward from Taylor Truman, are other returning sophomores whose roles should expand this season.

How much depends on those impressive newcomers, like Brown: Mike Williams, a 6-7 forward from Detroit City HS who was a Class D all-stater; Brian Williams, a 6-2 point guard from Wayne Memorial who played last year at Kalamazoo Valley CC; Nick Evola, a 6-7 forward from Warren Woods Tower who signed with Hillsdale, then left and enrolled at SC; Dwight Windom II, a 6-4 guard/forward from Dearborn Robichaud; and Tony Jancevski, a 6-9 forward from

Plymouth Salem.

The difference with this season's team is obvious: size. "This year, we'll be bigger inside," said Briggs. "We'll want to take advantage of that. We've got some big guys inside to go to."

That doesn't mean wholesale changes in playing style. "We'll always run," said Briggs. "But the last few years we've relied on our guards and forwards to carry us."

That won't be the case this season, not with guys like Holmes, who weighs in at 225; Colley, who's 230; Evola, who's 220; and Jancevski, who's 225.

Still, Briggs tempers his optimism with a healthy dose of caution. "A lot of our size is inexperienced," he noted, adding, "That's going to be one of our most important things — how fast they grow up."

"We're still searching for someone to step up and be a leader for us. We had that last year. Now we need our sophomores to step forward."

With Bigby and Colley back, and some proven scorers among the recruits, Briggs' concern is defense and — despite their increased overall size — rebounding. Making the adjustment to this level of play isn't always easy.

"The key is can we play defense and rebound," he said. "That's always the key. If we can do that, it'll keep us in most games."

Among the freshmen, Briggs believes Evola and Mike Williams have the best chance of making an early impact. "Both have size and both can score," Briggs noted. "We just need them to play harder."

One other element that has been pivotal to SC's success the past two years, something Briggs plans to continue, is keeping players academically eligible.

"Every successful program, at every level, begins with the administration," he said. "Ours has been outstanding. I want to thank them for that."

In particular, he singled out the Learning Assistance Center, which works closely with the players. Now it's just a matter of how quickly the newer Ocelots learn on the court.

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**Dan Evans**  
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**Ron Pummill-CC**  
Coach of the Year

# GC contingent leads the way

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Garden City boys golf coach Ron Pummill and his wife, Justine, have five children, ages 2 through 9.

That's way over par by today's standards, and the high school sweethearts, 1982 graduates of Garden City West High School, are through — for this century at least.

"Not any this calendar year," said Pummill, though not ruling out an addition in the next millennium. "A big family is awesome. We're both school teachers and we love children and recommend it."

So while Pummill doesn't have a family birth to brag about this year there's another berth he's happy to discuss, though he isn't handing out cigars: The first-ever state meet berth earned by the Garden City boys golf team.

The Cougars also won a Class A regional and the Mega Conference White Division Meet under Pummill, the 10th year coach who has been named the Observer's Coach of the Year.

Pummill was a nine-letter winner at West, which closed its doors after merging with East to form Garden City High the year after Pummill's class graduated.

Pummill played golf, basketball and baseball in high school, the former being a "warm up" for his two favorite sports.

"Golf for me was something to do before the basketball season," he said. "Now golfers come out to play better, compete and get better scores."

Garden City seniors Brian Harnos and Dan Evans are two of the players named to the All Observer First Team and senior Matt Vecheta is a member of the second team.

Pummill is hoping the senior class that led the Cougars helps start a tradition of excellence with the golf program, which has won two of the last three White Division Meet titles.

"This year's Cougars' golf team was truly a pleasure to coach," said Pummill, a physical education teacher and athletic director at Garden City Junior High. "I am proud of the way this team conducted themselves throughout the season. The guys were gentlemen

on and off the course. They grew together as a team over the years and I am blessed to be a part of that growth. I would like to thank the boys for their hard work and dedication and their parents for raising such fine young men."

Pummill suspects his children, Rebekah, Ronald, Jackie, Julene and Joseph will show an interest in playing in the future.

"I've taken my two oldest out to a par three a couple times," said Pummill, who carries a 7 handicap. "They like to go out in the backyard and swing the clubs."

Following is a profile of each player on the first team:

**Matt Bartrick, Soph., Liv. Stevenson:** It was a breakthrough season for Bartrick, who took medalist honors at the Division I regional at the Links of Pinewood with an even-par 72.

At the state meet, held at El Dorado in Mason, Bartrick finished among the top 20 players after shooting a two-day total of 158 (79-79).

In the Western Lakes meet held at Links of Pinewood, Bartrick took runner-up honors with a 80.

Bartrick averaged 38.4 per nine holes in dual meets where he was medalist twice, including a low of 34 against Livonia Churchill. He was also co-medalist twice.

"By virtue of his his post-dual match competition, Matt was our MVP," Stevenson coach John Wagner said.

**Scott Wolfe, Soph., Liv. Stevenson:** Wolfe also broke through in 1999 winning the WIAA title with a 79 at Links of Pinewood. He also took the WIAA's Scholar Athlete Award.

Wolfe took dual-meet medalist honors three times, including a low of 36 each against Westland John Glenn and North Farmington. He also was co-medalist twice. His nine-hole average was 38.5.

At the Pinckney Invitational, Wolfe shot a 1-over 74 to finish fourth.

"Scott was our Most Improved Player as he dropped over three strokes from his '98 average," Wagner said. "He also led our scorers during the dual-match season."

Both Scott and Matt will be tough to beat in their junior and seniors years. I can't wait to see these skillful, competitive golfers in action next season.

**Randall Boboige, Sr., Liv. Churchill:** The fourth-year varsity performer and Charger co-captain qualified for the state meet at El Dorado in Mason where he shot a two-day total of 163 (79-84).

At the regional, held at the Links of Pinewood, Boboige shot a 79 to finish tied for third place.

Boboige, who averaged 39.85 per nine holes, earned medalist honors four times during the regular season.

"He's shown steady improvement in each of his four years and culminated in qualifying for the state meet," Churchill

coach Kirk Oster said. "Randall had a never-say-die attitude on the golf course. He has a great desire to succeed on the course."

**Evan Currie, senior, Redford CC:** Currie is a repeat selection to the first team, making two-straight trips to the state meet.

He was a Catholic League Meet champion with a round of 74 at St. John's Golf Course in Plymouth after placing seventh the year before.

He qualified for the state meet with a round of 79 at the regional at Links of Pinewood. He fired a round of 81 at the state meet, which didn't make the cut for the second day at El Dorado Golf Course in Mason.

Currie had a 38.9 average for nine holes, including a one-under par 35 in a dual meet against Warren DeLaSalle at Cattails Golf Course.

A captain, he carries a 4.1 grade point average. He's leaning toward studying engineering at Virginia Tech, where he aspires to be a member of the golf team.

"He's quite a young man, just a joy, not only to coach but a great individual," CC coach Bill Hayes said. "He's never really down. Winning the Catholic League Meet was quite a feat for him. He hit the ball a lot longer this year and was a lot tougher minded after a year's experience on the varsity."

**Nikos Markellos, Sr. Red. Thurston:** This was only the second year of golf for Markellos, though you'd never know it by his results.

Described as a "natural" by coach Emil Majeski, Markellos qualified for the Division II state meet for the second straight year.

Also a team MVP the last two seasons, Markellos recorded an even par 71 at Raisin Valley Golf Course in Tecumseh, leading the Eagles to the team championship.

He had a round of 76 on the first day of state meet action at the Emerald Golf Course in St. John's, qualifying him for the second day of action.

Markellos was second in the White Division Meet with a round of 82 at Lakes of Taylor and second at the Western Wayne Invitational, scoring 78 at Huron Meadows.

He was Thurston's medalist five times in nine-hole dual meets, averaging 38.

Markellos' best nine-hole score was a one-under par 35 in a non-league dual meet against South Lyon at Salem Hills.

"For his second year he's very steady, super competitor," Majeski said. "He's very consistent in shot making, a real pro. He has an all-around game and hits the ball when he needs to with great course management."

**Brian Harnos, Sr., Garden City:** Harnos was a three-year captain and four-year varsity player for the Cougars.

"He's a two-mile team Most Valuable Player," carrying a nine-hole average of 38.4 this year.

He scored 28 in the White Division Meet, which was won by the Cougars at

Kensington Golf Course. He had a round of 79 at the regional at Giant Oaks in Temperance, won by Garden City, and 81 in the first day of state finals competition.

Harnos, who led the White Division in points for the regular season and division meet, shot a round of 80 at the Western Wayne Invitational at Huron Meadows.

"He's only the second three-year captain I've had," Pummill said. "He's a great young man, very respectful, a pleasure to be around. He's as steady as they come. A competitor, he'll give you everything he's got. He's one of the best golfers I've been around."

**Matt Lee, Soph., Farm. Harrison:** Lee, who won the Junior Optimist state championship last summer, averaged 37.5 strokes per nine-hole dual match and 77.9 in tournament play.

He was the medalist with an 18-hole score of 73 in the Detroit Country Day tournament at Oakland Hills Country Club.

Lee also shot 76 (tied for 12th) in the Oakland County tournament, 77 in the Farmington and West Bloomfield Invitational and 79 in the regional at Huron Meadows (11th).

He also made the Western Lakes all-district team while shooting 86 at the Links of Pinewood.

"He's making the growth I think good golfers should make," Harrison coach Bill Spenser said. "If he improves one to two shots per year, he's going to be right up there."

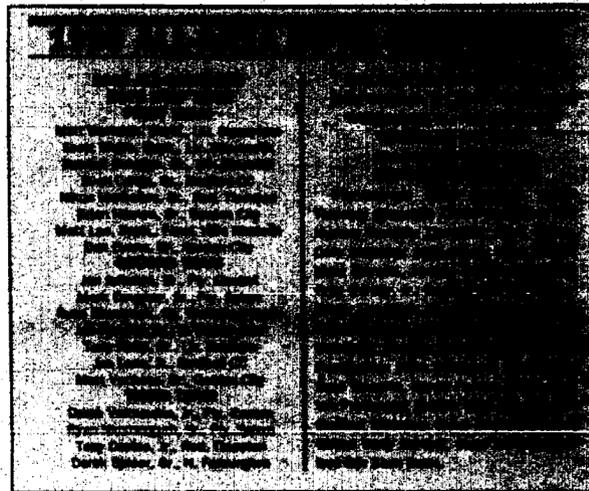
"He's right on track to become one of the best golfers in the state."

**Dan Evans, Sr., Garden City:** Evans was the regional medalist with a round of 74, leading Garden City to the team championship at Giant Oaks in Temperance. He is the school's first regional medalist.

He had a dual-meet average of 39.5 for nine holes.

Harnos scored 79 at the Western Wayne Invitational at Huron Meadows and 81 at the White Division Meet, won by the Cougars at Kensington Golf Course.

"Dan worked hard to improve his game," Pummill said. "He's an athlete that will find a way to beat you. He played seven to eight tournaments in the summer and wanted to do well this year and to his credit he did. He's a great kid."



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## ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

### 19-year-old concertmaster loves to play

Juliana Athayde is living proof that exposure to music at an early age leads to a longtime love — and sometimes even a commitment.

The 19-year-old concertmaster for the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra developed an early interest in music. Her mother is a violinist and her father a junior high school music teacher. Her father also teaches trumpet privately.

But that alone isn't always enough reason for a child to want to play an instrument. For whatever reason, not all musicians encourage their children to pick up an instrument. The last string for Athayde's mother was having to fend off her 2-year-old daughter's attempts to grab her violin.

So on Athayde's second birthday, she received a miniature version. Shortly afterward, Athayde began studying the Suzuki method with Zoya Leybin, a member of the San Francisco Symphony. By the time she



PHOTO BY CATHERINE BYRD

### Concertmaster: Juliana Athayde performs a violin concerto by American composer Samuel Barber.

**Plymouth Symphony Orchestra**  
**What:** A concert spotlighting the music of Bach, Beethoven, Bartok, and Barber. Guest artists are the Northwest Vicariate Handbell Choir, Concertmaster Juliana Athayde solo in Barber's "Violin Concerto, Op. 14."  
**When:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13.  
**Where:** An afternoon will be held in the parish hall.  
**Where:** St. Kenneth Church, 14061 Higley Road, south of Five Mile Road, Plymouth. Tickets: \$12, \$10 seniors/college students, no charge for students in K-12. Call (734) 463-2112, or visit the Web site: www.plymouthsymphony.org.

was 12, Athayde had joined the San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra. She was appointed concertmaster of the orchestra in her sophomore year of high school and traveled to Europe with the orchestra twice.

### Musical household

"Music was in the house all the time," said Athayde, who moved to Michigan two years ago to study with Paul Kantor at the University of Michigan School of Music in Ann Arbor. "I would be screaming in the crib and my mom's violin student would be playing and I would be enamored. Later on, there were just instruments everywhere. I'm the oldest of four children with a 14-year-old sister cellist, a brother who plays jazz trumpet and drums, and a 9-year-old sister, also a violinist."

Athayde will perform American composer Samuel Barber's "Violin Concerto, Op. 14" with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra Saturday, Nov. 13, at St. Kenneth Church in Plymouth. It is a work she heard one of her mom's students play long ago.

Also on the program are Bartok's "Rumanian Folk Dances" and Beethoven's "Symphony No. 8 (Pastorale)." Special guests are the Northwest Vicariate Handbell Choir, com-

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# Children of War

IMAGES OF SUFFERING HAUNT LOCAL ARTIST



Haunting Images: Lin Baum (left) painted these portraits of children in war-torn Mozambique, Belfast and the Thai/Cambodia border. (Above) Inacia ended up living in the camps in Mozambique after his father died at the hands of bandits.

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Lin Baum wonders whatever happened to the children whose portraits she painted in war-torn countries during the mid- to late '80s. The fighting may have stopped in Nicaragua, Mozambique, Belfast, Israel/Palestine, and on the Thai-Cambodia border, but this social realist is sure the gaunt and haggard looks, which reveal the effects on the children, linger.

Surrounded by her paintings at The Art Gallery/Studio in Garden City, Baum contemplated her words carefully as she talked about experiences behind the paintings and drawings in the exhibit: the sad eyes of a little girl at a TB clinic on the Thai-Cambodia border, a boy living in the camps of Mozambique after his father died at the hands of bandits — Baum painted all of these children on site. She did take photographs, though, for slide presentations she made to peace and justice groups and churches. Many of the images are on exhibit in the lobby of the School of Education at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor where she earned a bachelor of fine arts degree.

### Shock

"It was a real shock to me not only to see the horrific suffering endured by the children during the fighting but the effects of the war-induced famine that causes mental impairments," said Baum who began the series with a trip to Nicaragua during the Contra War in 1985.

It was a subject that would continue to haunt her before and after her return to Detroit. All of Baum's work deals with issues of human vulnerability like the children at the Thai/Cambodia border who were afraid of "white people."

"I kept pushing the idea to paint these children to the back of my mind only to have it resurface again

and again," said Baum, who teaches portraiture at The Art Gallery/Studio and Schoolcraft College in Livonia. "I weighed the idea against the expense and the danger and then decided I'm never going to have any peace until I do this. I really believe God wanted me to do this, to come out without even a scratch."

Setting up a studio in a refugee camp, school, hospital or village, Baum would work all day on a single portrait, sometimes surrounded by the entire village, whose people who would come out to watch. The Art Gallery/Studio exhibit features three paintings from each of the six sites: Nicaragua, Thai-Cambodia border, Belfast, Mozambique, Israel/Palestine, and Detroit, plus 12 drawings.

### Human experience

An artist committed to representing the human experience with authenticity and rapidity, Baum painted the oils on canvas at first. Then she discovered it was quicker to do the portraits on linen on glue ground. This eliminated the need to paint a background. Stretchers made it easy to transport the rolled-up works.

### "Children of War"

When: An exhibit featuring selected works from Lin Baum's "Children of War" portrait series.  
 Where: Monday, Nov. 8 to Saturday, Nov. 20.  
 Gallery: Open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
 Hours: Nov. 10, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
 Where: The Art Gallery/Studio, 22948 Ford Road, (West of Middlebelt), Garden City. Call (734) 513-4044 for more information.

"I'd heard all the stories, and I wanted to go and find out for myself. I wanted to go with as open a mind as possible," said Baum. "The children weren't just casualties of war, but targets. Many of the children were captured or kidnapped and made to fight."

Baum estimates that 300,000 children are fighting in 36 world conflicts.

"A tactic that's being used is they kidnap then drug them to fight," said Baum.

Baum, an appointee to the Wayne County Council for the Arts, hopes the paintings will help "to change our whole sense of what war is and, hopefully, that war will end" as viewers reflect on the . After Nicaragua, Baum tried to get into South Africa but was denied a visa by the apartheid regime. By 1986, she was traveling to the Thai-Cambodia border. In 1987 it was Belfast, then Mozambique in 1988 followed by Israel, Gaza and the West Bank, in 1989. Finally, Baum returned to paint Detroit children in 1990 to tie it all together.

"I'm not going to say it's horrific as conditions the children in the war-torn countries were living in, but there is a high poverty rate. I believe the children are the umbrella issue under which all others fall. If you address the needs of the children, you address everything."

Of all the war-torn scenes Baum traveled to, Belfast and Israel stand out in her mind because both were occupied areas at the time.

"There was a shoot-to-kill policy for the English soldiers in Belfast," said Baum. "It's very dehumanizing. You have no recourse. It's an awful, awful feeling to have."

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## PROFILE

# New DIA director deliberates on reconfiguring museum

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May as well take away Graham W.J. Beal's nattily twisted professorial bowtie, stylish wide-lapel suit, neatly groomed GG looks and impeccable diction. For that matter, even take away his two middle initials. Despite living in a museum world filled with aristocratic thin air, Beal doesn't show any sign of being another typical, highfalutin' stuffed shirt.

Of course, there's no taking away the English gentleman or the precise manner in which Beal is going about transforming one of the region's most-coveted cultural gems, the Detroit Institute of Arts.

For an art historian raised in the hills of southern England and educated at a public university who has risen in the curatorial ranks of American museums, the new director of the DIA has a firm outlook for the future of one of the largest encyclopedic museums in the country.

In less than a month on the job, Beal has already demonstrated the political savvy and administrative marksmanship that made worthwhile the two-year wait to fill the top post, which had been vacated by former director Samuel Sachs.

But don't expect sudden or sweeping

changes any time soon. Except for exhibits of provocative works, changes are imperceptibly subtle and, for the most part, conservative in tone in the museum world.

Beal is a meticulous planner who characterizes his style as "consultative leadership."

It's a style he's honed during his career as director for the Los Angeles County Museum of Art and the Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha, Neb., and stints as curator at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and the Walker Art Center in Minneapolis.

Over the last several weeks at the DIA, Beal has made headway on meeting with a long list of corporate and civic leaders, although he admits that he isn't quite used to those "Midwestern early-morning breakfast meetings."

Preferring not to speak in specific terms, Beal laid out his vision for the DIA.

"There's an opportunity for me to make a contribution in reconfiguring a great cultural institution to make it more relevant and accessible."

By "more accessible" Beal means making the DIA a place where multiculturalism is celebrated, not just given a passing nod. He pointed to his effort to make the LA County Museum of Art more accessible to Latinos and Asians by developing exhibits that



Graham W.J. Beal

examined Mexican and Korean art. Quite likely, he said, the DIA will broaden its exhibits and collection of African American art since the metro area has one of the largest collector bases of that art in the world.

Of course, Beal is acutely aware of the DIA's strength. "Our collection is our currency," he said. Indeed, Beal expects that by loaning

pieces from the museum's expansive collection, there will be opportunities to gain, in return, other historically significant pieces, such as the van Gogh paintings that will be exhibited in March.

Another sometimes-controversial topic is the DIA's role in promoting local artists. For many, the museum should offer display works by contemporary Michigan artists. Beal contends that the quality of the art, not the residency of the artist, should be the determining factor.

"I don't believe in art by ZIP code," he said. "Art should be judged against the greatest art. The institution has a duty to find the right context to exhibit contemporary exhibits."

And because the region doesn't have a contemporary art museum per se, the DIA is also expected to serve as a major exhibitor of new works.

"We won't take on an exhibit that is gratuitous and provocative," said Beal, who turned down the "Sensation" exhibit when he was director at the LA County Art Museum.

"But we won't shy away from being part of the discussion about the important role of how and why contemporary art is presented."

Before the "reconfiguring" of the

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prised of ringers from St. Valentine and Our Lady of Loretto in Redford; St. Kenneth, Plymouth; St. Edith and St. Michael's, Livonia, and St. John Neumann, in Canton. The group will perform "Sheep May Safely Graze." Music director Nan Washburn will give a 7 p.m. "On Stage" pre-concert talk about the program and composers.

### Familiar song

"The song is so familiar to me," said Athayde, now in her second season as PSO concertmaster. "When Barber composed the first two movements, it was a beauti-

ful, lyrical piece. Then he played it for the violinist who'd commissioned it. He wanted something more difficult. The third movement is perpetual movement. The first two movements show off my sound, the third is a technical exercise, almost a show-piece."

Now a performance major at the University of Michigan, Athayde is one of the concertmasters for the University Symphony Orchestra. She is also in the chamber music program and receives coaching from professional musicians such as the members of the American String

Quartet. The University Musical Society's Beethoven the Contemporary series will feature the quartet in a concert 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Rackham Auditorium in Ann Arbor. For tickets, call (734) 764-2538.

### Challenging position

Assuming the position of concertmaster at any age is a challenge, but Athayde sees herself less as an authority figure and more as a liaison between the strings and conductor.

"The responsibilities go beyond leading the strings," said Athayde. "The challenge was gaining the respect of my peers in the orchestra. You don't want to overstep your boundaries. There's a fine line between giving insight and being pushy."

Since Washburn's arrival as the PSO's new conductor this

fall, Athayde feels more at home. The two knew each other in California when Washburn was director of one of the string ensembles at Athayde's high school in the San Francisco Bay Area.

"As a concertmaster, you have to be able to offer really quick solutions to problems," said Washburn, who returned to California this weekend to conduct the West Hollywood Orchestra. Earlier this season, she led the Cheyenne Symphony in Wyoming. "Unlike other young violinists who grow up wanting to become a soloist, Juliana has from very early on wanted to be a concertmaster."

### Musical healing

As director of the Northwest Vicariate Handbell Choir, Patricia Knorp believes exposure to

music later in life is equally as important to a person's well-being. In spite of the tremendous cost (a three-octave set of handbells can cost up to \$7,000) and the difficulty in transporting them, Knorp thinks the unique sound of handbells touches many people in a way no other instrument can.

Knorp, a Redford resident, should know. She is not only director of the Northwest Vicariate Handbell Choir but also the ringers at St. Kenneth Church and St. Valentine. Over the years her groups have performed on the lawn of the White House, for the Pope John Paul II and for thousands of spectators in Rome, and in the Magic Kingdom at Walt Disney World.

"Handbells seem to bond people together and form a sense of unity," said Knorp, who began directing handbell choirs 15

years ago. "I've seen people who almost look catatonic in nursing homes lift up their heads and smile."

The Northwest Vicariate Handbell Choir also will perform during a Thanksgiving festival at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh, south of Five Mile, in Livonia. There is no charge for admission.

"Te Deum," written by Louis Canter, will be performed during a vesper service following the ensemble performance. Canter, director of music ministries at St. Augustine Church in Richmond, is an instructor at Madonna University in Livonia.

If you have an interesting idea for a story, call arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to lchomin@oe.homecomm.net

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# Children from page C1

Baum's trips left her reeling emotionally for several years after.

"Emotionally, physically and financially, it's hard," said Baum, who has exhibited her work in the Our Town and Celebrate Life exhibits in Birmingham and the Livonia Arts Commission's Fine Arts in the Village. "I spent a lot of years healing, processing my own pain, asking what can we do?"

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Lin Baum  
Artist

Not too long ago when Baum saw photos of the children of Kosovo on TV, those painful feelings returned.

"Their eyes, it's that same look," said Baum. "I basically realize children are children, the universality of children. In spite

of the horrific conditions, they want to play and have fun," said Baum motioning to the painting of cousins Paul and Billy sitting on the steps of their home in west Belfast.

"How much alike we are. We tend to focus on our differences,

instead of the vulnerability we all have in common. We're not going to survive if we don't help one another."

Survival of the species is the reason Norma McQueen chose to exhibit selections from Baum's "Children of War" series.

"It's the awareness, anything to raise awareness," said McQueen, director of The Art Gallery/Studio. "I can't imagine anyone not having emotional feelings seeing the pictures, not only all over the world but here, too. This isn't just children from war-torn countries but Detroit where they witness all the killings."

# DIA from page C1

museum begins, however, Beal insisted that he's planning on a year-long period of "listening and learning."

In all, Beal suggested that it might be realistic to consider the typical management model of a three-year plan before obvious changes can be seen at the DIA.

After the first year of meetings and getting to know the community, Beal expects that the subsequent two years will be spent setting goals then implementing a plan to transform the museum, including expanding hours, adding outreach programs and offering more diverse exhibits.

"The role of a great museum is to be all things to all people," he

said. "It's an impossibility, of course, but that's the kind of attitude you'd like the public to take."

Ironically, as Beal sat cross-legged in his third-floor office at the DIA on a rainy Tuesday afternoon, the museum was closed to the public. In the early 1990s, the DIA was forced to cut back its hours because of it was receiving less state aid.

Already, Beal realizes that, on some level, the greatest challenge in transforming the museum comes down to building a

greater appreciation for the DIA.

Convincing the general public of the need for a tri-county cultural tax to help support the operating budget of the museum and other regional cultural institutions will be eventually one of Beal's top priorities.

"The purpose of culture should override parochial issues," he said. "We can't be seen as arrogant or complacent but need to be an integral part of the culture of this region."

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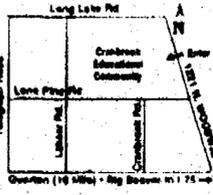
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## Gallery exhibits, art shows, classical concerts

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### ART SHOWS & FESTIVALS

**ANN ARBOR ARTISANS MARKET**  
Features fine arts and handmade crafts by 50 Michigan artists. Regular market hours Sundays through December at Farmers' Market at Kerrytown, 315 Detroit, Ann Arbor.

**CRAFT SHOW**  
The 6th annual Craft Show is Saturday, Nov. 13 at Walden Middle School, Lake Orion. (248) 628-1938.

**FARMINGTON ARTISTS CLUB**  
Annual fall exhibit and sale 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 and 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday, Nov. 8. Spicer House in Heritage Park on Farmington Road (between 10 and 11 Mile Road). (734) 462-2904.

**HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS**  
10th annual arts & craft show with more than 90 crafters, 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13 at Farmington High School, 32000 Shawwassee, Farmington.

### AUDITIONS & CALL FOR ARTISTS

**CALL FOR ARTISTS**  
The Creative Arts Center is seeking artists in all media for its January 2000 show whose theme is "Visions of Peace and Evolution for the next Millennium." Slides or photos and resume should be submitted by Dec. 1. Send materials to: Exhibit Coordinator, Creative Arts Center, 47 Williams Street, Pontiac. (248) 333-8649.

**CRAFTERS CALL**  
Crafters wanted for the Troy Athens Band and Orchestra Boosters' Festival 1999 Craft Show, Sat. Nov. 20 at Troy Athens High School. Call Jackie Gardner at (248) 689-0253.

**CRAFTERS WANTED**  
"Seasonal Sensations." The annual Senior Fair and Craft Show at Southfield Christian School is seeking crafters for its Dec. 4 show, 28650 Lahser Road, Southfield. (248) 357-3660, ext. 270.

**LIVONIA YOUTH PHILHARMONIC**  
Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan is holding auditions for the 1999-2000 season. Call Wendy Bernard (734) 591-7649.

**METROPOLITAN SINGERS**  
The adult choir of mixed voices is looking for new singers to sing blues, pop, hit tunes and folk tunes. Choir meets 7:30 p.m., Mondays at Birney Middle School vocal room, 27000 Evergreen Road, Southfield.

**MICHIGAN FINE ARTS COMPETITION**  
A juried exhibit presented by the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. Side deadline is January 3, cash prizes totaling \$9,000 awarded. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 644-0866.

**RADIO CITY SPECTACULAR**  
Auditions for children to sing in the Radio City Christmas Spectacular are 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 10 at the Fox Theatre Grand Lobby. Boys and girls 8-14 make a reservation by calling (313) 471-3288 by noon, Friday, Nov. 5.

### CLASSES

**ART CLASSES**  
D & M studios offers fine art classes for preschoolers through adults. Classes held 8891 N. Lilley Road, Canton. 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. (734) 453-3710.

**BELLY DANCE INSTRUCTIONS**  
An eight week instruction with Naomi Handelman from 7:30-8:30 p.m., Wednesdays at the Jewish Community Center, 15110 West Ten Mile, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030.

**CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF PONTIAC**  
Fall 1999 classes for children through adults in fine arts, computer design and music, at the center, 47 Williams Street. Fees vary and a limited scholarship are available. (248) 333-8649.

**DETROIT BALLET**  
Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap, and jazz. Adult beginners welcome. Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine Mile Road. (248) 474-3174.

**EISENHOWER DANCE ENSEMBLE**  
All levels of classes for recreational and professional students, including modern, ballet, pointe, tap and jazz for children ages 3 and older, at the studio, 1541 W. Hamlin Road, between Crooks and Livernois roads, Rochester Hills. (248) 852-5850.

**JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER**  
Adult art classes every Mon., Wed. and Fri. from 9 a.m. - noon. Woodcarving classes take place Mon. Fri. at 9 a.m. 15110 West Ten Mile Road, Oak Park. (248) 967-4030.

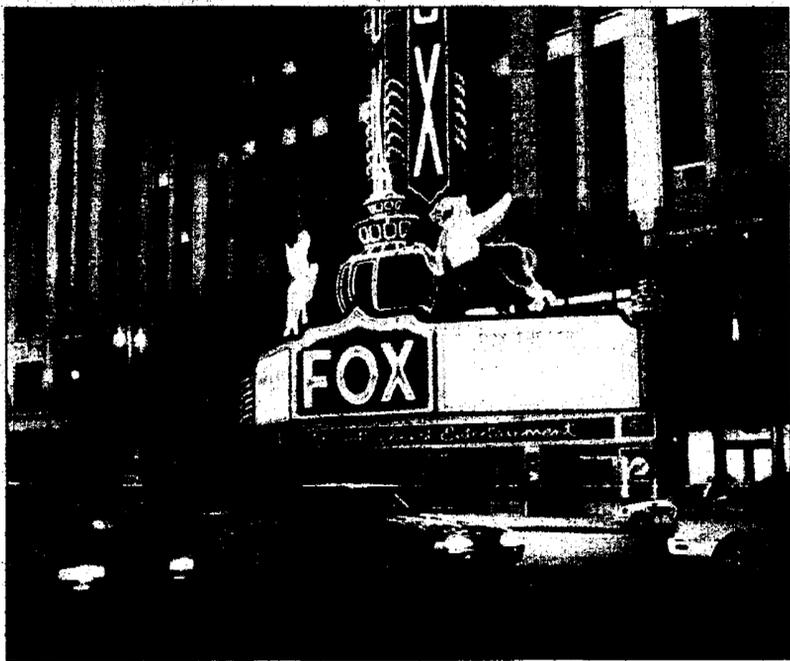
**KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES**  
Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m., Monday-Friday, intermediate level, 11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, at the studio, 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield. (248) 932-8699.

**NAVEL ACADEMY**  
Introduction to Belly Dance for all ages and skill level. Classes meet weekly 32832 Merritt Drive, Westland. (734) 422-1246.

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL**  
Classes and workshops, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Live model session 9:30 a.m. - noon, every third Tuesday of the month (734) 418-4278.

**VISUAL ART ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA**  
Classes in watercolor, figurative drawing and painting, workshops in batik and watercolor multiples at the Jefferson Center, Room 16, 9501 Henry Road, Livonia. (248) 456-9517.

### Theater art



**Drama: "Detroit Theaters Past & Present," paintings by Robert Gniewek are on exhibit through Nov. 27 at the David Klein Gallery, 163 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 433-3700.**

### CONCERTS

**AMERICAN STRING QUARTET**  
The University Musical Society presents this group performing Beethoven, 4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at Rackham Auditorium, 915 East Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2536.

**BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
Sisters Ani & Ida Kavafian perform Mozart and Sarasate with the orchestra at 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at Temple Beth El, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-8850.

**BIRMINGHAM MUSICALE**  
"Autumn in Europe" featuring works by all European composers, 1 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 11 at the Birmingham Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. (248) 335-7160.

**BRUNCH WITH BACH**  
Soprano Glenda Kirkland performs the music of Gershwin, Debussy and Mendelssohn, 11:30 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at the Kresge Court at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

**CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY**  
Orpheus Chamber Orchestra performs 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13 at the Beverly Family Performing Arts Center, Severyn Hills. (248) 737-9880.

**CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK**  
Music for a New Century is 4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 14 at Christ Church Cranbrook, 470 Church Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-5210.

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
"Introduction to the Classics" 3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 featuring Musical Impressionism. Itzhak Perlman performs Bach 8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 11, 8:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13 and 3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 14. Paradise Jazz Series with the Billy Taylor Trio 8 p.m., Friday, Nov. 12, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111.

**DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS**  
Nightnotes Concert, 8:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 12 at Hagopian World of Rugs, Birmingham. (248) 362-9329.

**FITZGERALD SERVICE**  
The 24th annual service to honor those who lost their lives aboard the Great Lakes freighter, 11 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at Marmer's Church of Detroit, 170 E. Jefferson, Detroit.

**FOLK VESPERS**  
Blues musician Robert Jones performs 6-8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at the First Baptist Church in downtown Birmingham. (248) 644-0550.

**JAZZ ALLIANCE OF MICHIGAN**  
The 4th annual women in jazz symposium and concert beginning at 4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13 at the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, 300 Willis, Birmingham. (313) 832-3010.

**KERRYTOWN CONCERT SERIES**  
Jazz at the Edge, 8 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 9, Robin Holcomb, 8 and 10 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13 at the Kerrytown Concert House, 445 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor. (734) 769-2999.

**MADRIGAL CHORALE**  
A benefit concert to support Oakland Family Services at 4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, 1250 Kensington Road, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 363-0751.

**MUSICA VIVA**  
Opens its season with Flanked Passion 3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at Kingswood Auditorium, Cranbrook, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 851-8872.

**PLYMOUTH SYMPHONY**  
Juliana Augauer, violin & The St. Kenneth's Handbell Choir perform "The Four Seasons" Saturday, Nov. 13 at St. Kenneth's Church, Plymouth. (734) 451-2112.

**RACKHAM SYMPHONY CHOIR**  
Presenting King David at 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 13 and 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 14 at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, 24815 W. Lenoir, Detroit.

### CONCERTS

Farmington. (313) 341-3466.  
**ST. CLAIR TRIO**  
8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at the St. Regis Catholic Church, Bloomfield Hills.

**TAIWAN EARTHQUAKE RELIEF**  
A benefit concert sponsored by Hammell Music & Mary Scifano at 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7 at Hammell Music, 15630 Middlebelt, Livonia. (248) 474-3406.

**UNIVERSITY MUSICAL SOCIETY**  
Purcell's King Arthur is at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 10 at Hill Auditorium, 825 North University, Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2538.

### DRAMA EVENTS

**CORNUCOPIA BALL**  
A black tie optional event to benefit the Farmington Hills Farmington Community Foundation on Friday, Nov. 12 at Glen Oaks Country Club, Farmington Hills. (248) 655-5542.

**UNDER THE STARS**  
The annual benefit for the DIA is at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 13 features the music of Modern Tribe and Charles and Gwen Scales and vocals by Sheri Nichols, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-7969.

### FOR KIDS

**DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**  
Young People's Concert Series presents Mozart in Vienna, 11 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 13, Orchestra Hall, Detroit. (313) 576-5111.

### LECTURES

**CRANBROOK SUNDAY BRUNCH SERIES**  
Art and Magic of the Vikings in Denmark, 11 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 14 at Cranbrook Institute of Science, 1221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 645-3210.

**DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**  
Ask the Experts Day is from 1-4 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 8. The public is invited to bring art and antiques, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-0247.

### LITERARY

**BOOK SIGNING**  
Fred Glaysher of Rochester Hills signs copies of his "Into the Ruins: Poems" at 4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 20 at Barnes & Noble, 2800 S. Rochester, Rochester Hills. (248) 853-9855.

### MUSEUMS

**CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE**  
Through Jan. 2 - Turbulent Landscapes: The Natural Forces That Shape our World, 1221 N. Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. 1-877-GO-CRANBROOK.

**DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**  
Through Jan. 9 - A Glimpse into the Research Library's rare book collection: Joseph Theodore Decker: The Art of Ceramics in Nineteenth Century France through Nov. 7 "Glass, Glass, Glass: From the DIA's Collection" through March 5 at 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-7900.

**CHARLES H. WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**  
Through Jan. 2 - "I made this jar: The Life and Works of the Enslaved African American Potter, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. (313) 488-5667.

**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN MUSEUM OF ART**  
Through Jan. 2 - When Time Begins to Run and Rage: Figurative Painting from Twentieth-Century Italy, 125 South State Ave., Ann Arbor. (734) 764-2400.

### GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENINGS)

**ARIANA GALLERY**  
Opens Saturday, Nov. 13 - "Let There be Light" through Jan. 1, 119 S. Main St., Royal Oak. (248) 545-8810.

**GALLERY AT MARYGROVE COLLEGE**  
Opens Sunday, Nov. 7 - The works of Sandra Cardew, Marilyn Schreier through Dec. 15, 8420 W. McNichols, Detroit. (313) 927-1336.

**HABATAT GALLERIES**  
Opens Friday, Nov. 12 - New work by American artist Diane Cayan and Czech artist, Pavel Hlava through Nov. 26. Opening reception, 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 12, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 333-2060.

**ROBERT KIDD GALLERY**  
Opens Thursday, Nov. 11 - Abstraction: New Directions for a New Millennium through Dec. 7, 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

**MASTERPIECE GALLERY**  
Opens Friday, Nov. 12 - "Carols 'Dine'" - Ron, New Works and Constructions through Dec. 18, 137 West Maple, Birmingham. (248) 594-3470.

**PEWABIC POTTERY**  
Opens Friday, Nov. 12 - "Earthy Treasures," the annual holiday show and sale through Dec. 31, 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit. (313) 822-0934.

**PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL**  
Opens Sunday, Nov. 7 - "Paper collage by E. Lynne O'Rourke and seed bead designs by Catherine O'Rourke through Nov. 23. Artists' reception 1-3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 7, 774 N. Sheldon Rd. at Junction, Plymouth. (734) 416-4278.

**ANDY SHARKEY GALLERY**  
Opens Thursday, Nov. 11 - "Art of the Art Opening" opening reception 6-9 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 11, 510 S. Washington, Royal Oak. (248) 546-6770.

**STARKWEATHER SOCIETY GALLERY**  
Opens Tuesday, Nov. 16 - "The Art of the Artist" new art & book sale, reception, 6-8 p.m., 1800 N. Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 352-5537.

### GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

**A.C.T. GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 13 - "12 Day Rock" and "Preston Fry" at 38 E. Grand River, Detroit. (313) 941-4136.

**ALLEY CULTURE**  
Through Nov. 27 - "Digital Works by young artists and artists of Southwest Detroit" at Alley Culture, the alley between Trumbull and Lincoln, Red building south of Willis, Detroit.

**ANN ARBOR ART CENTER**  
Through Nov. 7 - Annual art media exhibit, 117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor. (734) 994-8004.

**ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY**  
Through Dec. 12 - "The Michigan Friends of Photography Annual Membership Exhibition," Meridian Library, University of Michigan-Dearborn campus, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn. (313) 593-5400.

**BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER**  
The work of Italian-American artist Donato Mancini and sculptor Sergio De Giusti, 1516 S. Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills. (248) 644-0866.

**BUCKHAM GALLERY**  
Figuratively/Speaking: Painting and mixed-media works, 134 1/2 W. Second Street, Flint. (810) 239-6334.

**CARY GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 13 - Sergio De Giusti: Sculptures, drawings and watercolors, 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. (248) 651-3656.

**C-POP GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 17 - "Niagara Leaves Something Witchy," 4160 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 833-9901.

**CASS CAFE**  
Through Nov. 30 - Current works by David Snow, Robin Sommers and Rick Van, 4620 Cass Ave., Detroit. (313) 831-1400.

**CREATIVE RESOURCE**  
Through Nov. 14 - "The Figure: More than you have Ever Seen," Artists' reception 6:30-8:30 p.m., Fri., Oct. 22, 162 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-3688.

**JANICE CHARACH EPSTEIN MUSEUM/GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 21 - Women of the Book Jewish Art, Jewish Times, 5000 West Maple, West Bloomfield. (248) 661-7641.

**GALERIA CASA DE UNIDAD**  
Through Dec. 17 - Day of the Dead Ofrenda exhibit, 1920 Scoville, Detroit. (313) 843-9598.

**GALERIA BIEGAS**  
Breaking Through: a multi-media art exhibit through Jan. 2, 35 Grand River, Detroit. (313) 961-0634.

**GALERIE BLU**  
Through Nov. 30 - Stephen Goldfarb New Work, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 454-7797.

**GALLERIA**  
Through Nov. 29 - An exhibit of Chinese brush paintings, 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

**GALLERY 212**  
Through Nov. 14 - Dark Amusements, 212 S. Main, Ann Arbor. (734) 665-8224.

**G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 27 - Bob Thompson: Works on canvas and paper. Opening reception, 2-5 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 24, 163 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3700.

**HILL GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 30 - Richard Nonas sculpture, installation and granite works, 407 W. Brown St., Birmingham. (248) 543-9288.

**ELAINE L. JACOB GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 30 - "So What Kind of Name is That?" - paintings with text by Helen Apter, 480 W. Hancock, on the campus of Wayne State University, Detroit, Cal. (313) 577-2423 for information.

**ROBERT KIDD GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 9 - Paintings by Joseph Pappalardo and sculptures by Ron Isaak's, 107 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 642-3909.

**ELLEN KAYROD GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 16 - Watercolor artist Ellen Kayrod, 4750 Woodward, Detroit. (313) 853-1300.

**DAVID KLEIN GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 27 - Presents an exhibit by Robert Gniewek entitled "Detroit Theaters Past and Present" and a sale exhibit by Walter R. Reuther Library, 163 Townsend, Birmingham. (248) 433-9700.

**LAWRENCE ST. GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 30 - The works of painter Eric Partridge Martin, Sue Schultz and Chris Trimble, 1 N. Saginaw, Birmingham. (248) 334-6716.

**LIVONIA ARTS COMMISSION**  
Through Nov. 30 - Fall art & craft show, Livonia Arts & Crafts Center, 15000 Livonia Ave., Livonia. (248) 466-2542.

**MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY**  
Through Jan. 9 - Collins and Curtis: The Politics of Fashion in European Portraiture, 1630 to 1880, Meadow Brook Art Gallery, Oakland University, Rochester. (248) 370-3005.

**MOORE'S GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 19 - Murcko and the Mosaic, 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham. (248) 647-4862.

**MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART**  
Through Dec. 20 - Document USA, a survey of art at the end of the millennium, 7 North Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6038.

**NETWORK**  
Through Nov. 23 - Maureen McCabe: Abstraction, Artist's reception, 7:10 p.m., Friday, Nov. 5, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-3911.

**OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERIA**  
Through Nov. 29 - An exhibit of Chinese brush painting, 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac. (248) 858-0415.

**PARK WEST GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 14 - The collection of Joseph Barbera, half of the Hanna-Barbera animation team, 29469 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. (248) 354-2343.

**POSSNER GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 15 - Reflective Refrains, 523 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-2552.

**REVOLUTION GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 27 - Howard Kottler: Howards, 23257 Woodward, Ferndale. (248) 541-3444.

**SISSON ART GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 12 - Altered Evidence: Photography exhibit, Henry Ford Community College Mackenzie Fine Arts Center, 5101 Evergreen Road, Dearborn. (313) 845-6490.

**SOUTHFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
Through Nov. 20 - A juried exhibition by members of the Palette & Brush Club, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield. (248) 424-9022.

**SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
Through Nov. 20 - Howard H. Moss II: Displays his black & white scratch board pieces, 26000 Evergreen, Southfield. (248) 948-0460.

**SPASH GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 28 - Kip: Color - outside the lines, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 334-6825.

**ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 20 - Alice and Orel: The Art of Eve Moore, 536 North Old Woodward, Birmingham. (248) 647-7040.

**JEAN PAUL SLUSSER GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 30 - El Caminante, a project by Mike Rogers, 2000 Bonisteel Blvd., Ann Arbor. (734) 936-2082.

**THE SYBARIS GALLERY**  
Through Dec. 4 - Exhibition of sculptural baskets by Ferne Jacobs and Carol Eckert and mixed media jewelry by Andrew Cooperman, 202 East Third Street, Royal Oak. (248) 544-3388.

**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN SCHOOL OF ART & DESIGN**  
Through Nov. 30 - "Gesture and Contemporary Painting," 2000 Bonisteel Blvd., Ann Arbor. (734) 936-2082.

**UZELAC GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 27 - Marko Spaiatin: Geometric Abstractions, 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac. (248) 332-5257.

**WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY**  
Through Nov. 27 - Norma Penchansky: Glasser: The figure in Motion, Reception 7-9 p.m., Friday, Nov. 12, 215 East Washington, Ann Arbor. (734) 761-7287.

**WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY**  
Through Dec. 31 - Museums of Absence: Jeffrey Abo: Images and text at the Community Arts Gallery, Through Dec. 31 - "Talking Shops: Detroit's Southfield," photographs by David Clements, Walter F. Reuther Library, Woodbrook Gallery, Cass Ave. at Kirby, Detroit. (313) 577-2662.

### VOLUNTEERS

**ANIMATION NETWORK CLUB**  
Looking for artists such as animators or comedians who would like to be featured on cable. For more information contact Jane Dabish, president, P.O. Box 251651, West Bloomfield, MI 48325-1651. (248) 626-2285.

**DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**  
Gallery service volunteers to greet and assist visitors in museum galleries. Training sessions at the DIA, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. (313) 833-0247.

**FAR CONSERVATORY**  
Needs volunteers to assist with music, creative and therapeutic arts programs for infants through adults with disabilities, weekdays, evenings, Saturdays. (248) 646-3347.

**LIVONIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION**  
Greenwood Historic Village seeks volunteers to assist in school tours, Sunday tours, special events, social projects and gardening. The village, at Eight Mile and Newburgh roads in Livonia, is open in October and December. (734) 477-7175.

**LIVONIA PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
Seeks volunteers to work at the Vest Pocket Library located in the Civic Park Senior Center for a three-hour period once a week, 30100 W. Seven Mile, Livonia. (248) 476-0700.

**MOTOR CITY BRASS BAND**  
Seeks volunteers to help with non-performing activities. Contact MCRB, Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, (248) 344-1160.

**Magical: The art of children's book illustrator Syd Moore is on exhibit through Nov. 20 at the Elizabeth Stone Gallery, 536 N. Old Woodward Avenue, Birmingham. Call (248) 647-7040 for details.**



# Mystery writer throws fans a 'Hanging Curve' in newest book

"Hanging Curve" by Troy Soos (Kensington, \$22)

For those of you who have been waiting, here is another imaginative tale by Troy Soos, author of such mysteries as "The Cincinnati Red Stalkings" and "Hunting a Detroit Tiger."

For readers who aren't yet familiar with Soos' work, "Hanging Curve" is a good place to begin your relationship. Though this unpretentious, slightly off-beat whodunit marks another adventure in the life of fictitious major leaguer Mickey Rawlings, it's not necessary to read Soos' previous stories to find real pleasure in this one.

It's also not necessary to be a sports fan, or even a mystery maven, for that matter. If you simply enjoy a thought-provoking story, propelled briskly forward by some colorful characters and played out against an authentic, finely-tetched background, you'll find "Hanging Curve" a real winner.

As the story opens, we find ourselves in St. Louis, Mo. It is 1922, the beginning of spring, that "exhilarating time of year when .200 hitters imagine winning the batting championship, dead-armed pitchers feel strong enough to win thirty games, and St. Louis baseball fans believe that this will be the year the Browns finally capture an American League pennant."

At 30, veteran utility infielder Rawlings (recently traded to the Browns from the Cincinnati Reds) isn't particularly dreamy-eyed about his own abilities. Still, he hangs in there, never

really losing hope that this year he'll get the chance to do something other than warm the bench and that, somehow, he'll become an integral, heroic part of a championship season.

Life does throw him a curve, however, and we're around to see how he handles it. One night, a talented pitcher for a semi-pro team called the East St. Louis Cubs meets an especially cruel fate. He is hanged from the backstop at Cubs Park. The Cubs are an all-black team which handily defeated an all-white semi-pro team the day before, while a gun-toting group from the local Ku Klux Klan looked on.

Who murdered the Negro pitcher? Was it certain members of the all-white team who had been embarrassed at the plate that day by the young pitcher's prowess? Was his death a lynching, instigated by the Klan? Or was his life snuffed out for reasons that had nothing to do with the game of baseball?

Mainly because he has played in the game against the Cubs (as an illegal "ringer"), Rawlings soon finds himself involved in tracking down the killer or killers. Assisting in his efforts is his old pal Karl Landfors, a distinctly unathletic journalist and "diehard socialist" dedicated to championing the rights of the underdog.

Also joining the fray this time around is new acquaintance Franklin Aubury, a highly knowledgeable Negro attorney who goes to bat for the cause of justice. Rawlings' live-in lover, former actress and Hollywood stuntwoman Margie Turner, rounds out the main cast (and also reveals a dark secret of her own before the story is played out).

As they try to run the villains into the ground and stave off further bloodshed, Rawlings and

crew take us on a kind of tour of the Midwest in the Roaring '20s. Here, encountered on a road trip, are the speakies of Detroit, and a baseball team some newspapers have nicknamed the "Tygers." Here is a Klan picnic in the heart of Indiana, where "one out of every three white Protestant men was a Klansman, including the governor and the mayor of Indianapolis." Here are the segregated passenger trains, where blacks could not ride in white cars, and whites could not ride in black cars and smaller segregated stations provided no eating or restroom facilities for black travelers. Here is a tonorial parlor in Indianapolis, where a black barber is forbidden by law to cut a white man's hair, although he can lawfully cut the same man's hair at a different location downtown. Here are dreambooks and Moxie and Marmons and Black Swan Records and "Orphans of the Storm" and McClure's magazine and seersucker suits and bowties and jaunty straw boaters.

Throughout the story, real-life characters make cameo appearances. You'll catch a glimpse of Cardinals star Rogers Hornsby (a member of the KKK), plus tightfisted Cardinals manager/owner Branch Rickey, baseball commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis, "the ferocious" Ty Cobb, Babe Ruth, Grover Cleveland Alexander and superstars Cool Papa Bell and Oscar Charleston of the Negro National League, along with many others.

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## BOOK HAPPENINGS

**Book Happenings features events at suburban bookstores, libraries and literary gatherings. Send news leads to Keely Wygonik, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (734) 591-7279 or e-mail to kwygonik@oe.homecomm.net**

**POETRY WORKSHOP**  
Linda Sienkiewicz, a published poet and member of Detroit Women Writers, will discuss creative techniques to enhance poetry writing. Sienkiewicz will appear from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at Borders Books & Music in Rochester Hills. All levels of writers are welcome. Call (248) 652-0558, or visit the store on Rochester Road to sign up in advance.

**AUTHOR LUNCHEON**  
Award-winning author Ann Turner will be the guest speaker at the 8th annual Young at Heart Luncheon, sponsored by the StoryTellers Guild of the Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham. The Massachusetts-born Turner has written fiction and non-fiction books, in addition to poetry. The purpose of StoryTellers is to enrich the lives of the young and young at heart through exposure to literature. Luncheon only tickets for the 12:30 p.m. Nov. 17 event are \$35, patron tickets are \$100. For reservations call The Community House at (248) 594-6405.

**BOOK DISCUSSION**  
The Mother-Daughter Book Group will discuss "Father Arcane's Daughter" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, at Borders Books & Music in the Novi Town Center. New members are always welcome in the group.

**FOR KIDS**  
Spot the Dog, created by Eric Hill, has been a favorite among toddlers for ages. "Where's Spot?" is one of the best-loved stories at Toddler Time. Hear this engaging tale and take home a photo of your child with Spot for a \$1 donation to Paws With a Cause. The program is set for 7 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 12, at Borders Books & Music in the Novi Town Center.

**LIBRARY PROGRAMS**  
The Michigan Humanities Council and the Friends of the Livonia Public Library present Literary Outsiders: Contemporary Voices. This series at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia offers a collection of stories of love, betrayal, mystery and madness, stories that lay bare the terrible lies of love and madness that bind us all. Family Dancing is the last program in the series and takes place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9. The Carl Sandburg Library is located at 30100 W. Seven Mile. Call (248) 476-0700 for details.

**BOOK SIGNINGS**  
Noted children's author Jane Breskin Zalben celebrates her love of food and art in her new cookbook "To Every Season: A Family Holiday Cookbook." Zalben will make an appearance at the Farmington Hills Borders at noon, Nov. 13, for a book signing and discussion. "To Every Season" is a collection of recipes for every holiday celebrated in America, from New Year's Day and Christmas to Chanukah and Kwanzaa. The store is located on Orchard Lake north of 13 Mile Road.

Meet Andrew Meacham, a journalist for the mental health industry, as he signs copies of his new book, "Selling Serenity: Life Among the Recovery Stars." This book chronicles the key events that brought recovery center stage in America. Meacham will appear at the Borders Books & Music store, 5601 Mercury Drive in Dearborn, starting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17. For more information, call (313) 271-4441.

Returning to present her workshop "Millennium Cure: Get Your Life in Order," Iris Underwood can help people gain healthy emotional and mental control of their lives by helping them write their own personal mission statements for Y2K. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10.

The store is located at 30995 Orchard Lake Road, north of 13 Mile Road.

**JCC BOOK FAIR**  
The Jewish Community Center is holding its annual Jewish book fair now through Nov. 14. Included in the event is the authors mini-fair 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7. The fair will take place at the center's facilities in West Bloomfield and Oak Park. More than 30 speakers will appear, and entertainment will be provided (both free). Call the center for additional information. (248) 661-7648.



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**BENEFIT PERFORMANCE**

The Motor City Brass Band, under the direction of Craig Strain, perform a benefit concert 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9 at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, south of 10 Mile.

Tickets are \$10, \$8 seniors/students, or \$25 for a family. All proceeds go to Gilda's Club Metro Detroit. Call (248) 424-9022 for tickets or more information.

Cornet virtuoso Russell Gray is the featured artist. The Motor City Brass Band represents the great tradition of British Brass Bands of the past century. Local members of the band include Toby and Jennifer Kmet of Westland, and John Kay, Livonia.

**OPEN HOUSE**

Artist Sharon Bida will hold an open house to showcase her sculpture and jewelry noon to 4

p.m. Sunday, Nov. 14 at 11366 Overdale Ct., south of Ann Arbor Trail, west of Sheldon, Plymouth.

For more information, call (734) 455-6025.

**FREE CONCERT**

Pianist Anton Nel performs works by Handel, Beethoven, Debussy and Chopin noon Wednesday, Nov. 10 in the Forum Recital Hall at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

Nel, who just released his 13th recording, is chairman of the piano department at the University of Michigan School of Music. He is also on the faculty of the Aspen Music School. His 1999-2000 touring season includes orchestral, recital and chamber music appearances throughout the U.S., Mexico, Canada, and South Africa.

Winner of the 1987 Naumburg International Piano Competition, Nel has appeared with the Cleveland Orchestra and the Chicago, San Francisco, Detroit, Mexico City, and Seattle symphonies.

For more information, call

(734) 462-4400, ext. 5218.

**OUTDOOR ART EXHIBIT**

Lisa Marie Krieger shows her watercolor renderings of fish, fisherman and nature scenes Monday, Nov. 8 to Sunday, Nov. 14 at Bueter's Outdoors, 120 E. Main, Northville.

Krieger will be in the store Friday-Sunday, Nov. 12-14. For information, call (248) 349-3677.

**MUSIC SERIES**

Nardin Park United Methodist Church's music series continues Sunday, Nov. 14 with the Oktoberfest German Band. The program will begin at 3 p.m. and is preceded by a light reception in the Church's Fellowship Hall beginning at 2:15 p.m. There is no charge, and the public is welcome. Nardin Park is at 29887 W. 11 Mile Road (west of Middlebelt) in Farmington Hills. Call (248) 476-8860 for information.

The Oktoberfest German Band, attired in traditional German band outfits, will perform marches, folk songs and dances including the waltz and polka. The Albion, Mich. based group has performed at numerous Oktober Fests, community concerts and

holiday parades. The nine performers who comprise the group are all professional music

**PUBLIC ART LECTURE**

Auguste Rodin, Louise Nevelson and Alexander Calder are just a few of the many famous artists whose work is installed in public places in metro Detroit.

At 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9, Dennis Nawrocki, professor of art history at the Center for Creative Studies, will give a lecture entitled, "Good, Better, Best Art in Detroit's Public Places."

Nawrocki's book, "Art in Detroit Public Places," originally published in 1980, has been re-released and updated to include photos and commentary on 120 sites.

The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center is located at 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham. (248) 548-3779.

**CALLING ARTISTS FOR POLK CONTEST**

The Polk Company has announced its third-annual art competition held exclusively for Michigan artists.

The juried art contest, "The Polk Competition: Art & Tech-

nology," will feature the selection of works of 50 artists. Ten artists will be chosen for the top cash awards.

Deadline for entries is Feb. 18, 2000.

The works will be displayed May 14-20 at the Birmingham Bloomfield art Center. The award-winning pieces will be included in the Polk Collection.

For more information, call Dan Willis, Polk public relations director, at (248) 728-7827.

**SKILLMAN DONATES TO DIA**

The Skillman Foundation has made a donation of \$2.5 million to the ongoing capital campaign at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

The DIA is in its first year of a 10-year, \$320-million fund-raising effort. To date, the campaign has raised \$73.25 million.

The funds will be earmarked for improvements, operating expenses and to build the endowment at the museum.

**WALKING TOURS**

The holiday season is just around the corner and now is the time to take one more stroll through beautiful Greenfield Village before the first snowfall.

Through Nov. 24, Greenfield Village will offer special escorted walking tours Monday through Thursday with the price of regular admission. This free tour is a special way visitors can learn more about the most important exhibits in Greenfield Village. All buildings will be open on weekends.

Two routes have been paved for visitors this year. "Living in America" is a 2 1/2 hour tour where visitors will explore the prominent homes and workplaces of the 18th, 19th and 20th century.

The "Working in America" tour allows visitors to see the workplaces of 19th century America. In the earlier part of the century before the Industrial Revolution, small shops were the site of innovative problem-solving. For more information about the tours, call (313) 271-1620.

Henry Ford Museum & Greenfield Village and the IMAX Theatre are located at Oakwood Boulevard and Village Road in Dearborn, Michigan, just west of the Southfield Freeway (M-39) and south of Michigan Avenue (U.S. 12).

**STAY TUNED**

What do Dicky Barrett of The Mighty Mighty Bosstones, blues legend BB King and actor James Coburn have in common? They're all featured in CBS Network's "Shake Rattle and Roll" a miniseries about the birth of rock and roll, American culture and romance in the mid 1950s.

Check it out 9-11 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 and Wednesday, Nov. 10 on CBS.

With a voice as beautiful as a Tiger Lily, Natalie Merchant will be featured on Lifetime Network's "Intimate Portrait" 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8. The singer-songwriter successfully spawned a solo career after splitting from 10,000 Maniacs.

Her new album hits the stores Nov. 9.

Listen for narration by comedian Janeane Garofalo and appearances from REM's Michael Stipe and 10,000 Maniacs' John Lombardo.

And the award for best live upright-bass solo goes to... Royal Crown Revue. At the band's Oct. 25 performance at Saint Andrews Hall, bassist Veikko "The Count" Lepisto sent shivers down the spines of his well-dressed audience when he was accompanied by drummer Daniel Glass's technique — tapping his drumsticks along the thick strings in succession, and keeping the beat all along. The pair dazzled the crowd with royal treatment.

For three decades, Bobby Lewis and his Crackerjack Band have been rocking around Metro Detroit. The classic rock band will grab audiences attention at Livonia's Winter Wonderland Parade Saturday, Nov. 20 while performing at Wonderland Mall.

Sure it isn't the old "Your Mustache" lounge in Dearborn, where Lewis played with his band Sticks and Stones for 13

years, but audiences are sure to love that blend of rock, jazz and bluegrass.

It's a mystery to me. One Livonia reader wrote with a question. What has happened to KISS FM? One night she turned on the radio to find it changed to a rock format? Anyone with information may e-mail [scasola@oe.homecomm.net](mailto:scasola@oe.homecomm.net).

While Dollah may be missing from the airwaves, director Kevin Smith ("Clerks," "Chasing Amy") is in plain sight with his latest film "Dogma."

While the movie may be shrouded in controversy for its take on religion, Alanis Morissette's latest single "Still" should tide eager fans over before she completes another album. Look for Morissette's cameo as God in "Dogma," opening Friday, Nov. 12.

— Stephanie Angelyn Casola

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Detroit has been affected by many changes in its history. Through it all, the city has produced and is still producing significant public art. In celebration of these works of art, Center for Creative Studies Professor Dennis Nawrocki wrote "Art in Detroit Public Places", a book including 120 sites such as: The Memory of Joe Louis, the many works of art in the People Mover Stations, Louise Nevelson's "Trilogy," and Marshal Frederick's "Spirit of Detroit".

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## Sequins, beads and crystals visit day wear and accessories



THE REAL DEAL

CARI WALDMAN

Sparkle has always been synonymous with evening wear, but, then again, fashion codes are always changing.

All types of clothing pieces and accessories are gleaming this season, from sweater sets to evening bags. Familiar daytime clothing like cardigans, bangles, mules and belts are showing up adorned with sequins, beads and crystals.

While there's been much talk about minimalist style, a dash of shimmer may be just the "oomph!" your basic black staples need.

Besides, shiny details surely will come in handy during the holiday party season.

The next time you find yourself in a panic, saying, "I have nothing to wear," think sequins.

While sequins may seem excessive for day wear, small doses of such embellishments serve to add luxury and playfulness to casual outfits, rather than drama and extravagance.

A wool sweater or cardigan adorned with beading is one of the easiest ways to give ordinary skirts and pants sophistication and playfulness. Jacobson's, for example, sells a simple beaded snowflake sweater in pale blue and pink for \$84.

And, if the season has caught you expecting, consider Pea In The Pod's silver-beaded, two-piece sweater set in black.

If adding sparkle in the form of accessories sounds more your speed, shop for an ornate hand bag or shiny piece of jewelry.

Necklaces you can layer and beaded chokers are suitable for most outfits and occasions, especially if you'd like something light-catching around the face.

While these pieces are available in major department stores and many small retail boutiques, I recommend stopping by Presence II in Birmingham. The store has a nice selection of these types of necklaces.

If you're looking for a piece of gleaming jewelry at a bargain price, visit Elizabeth Green Boutique on Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield. The store's jewel-colored, crystal bead bracelets sell for only \$10.

"(They're) perfect with blue jeans or a black ball gown," insists boutique owner Elizabeth Green. And, at \$10, you can indulge yourself. Wear one or two in the same shade; or mix colors and stack upwards of three around your wrist.

Beaded purses, a season must-have for party attire, can be purchased just about anywhere at any price. I spotted interesting and affordable versions at two local stores. Imajica in Pleasant Ridge has vintage-inspired, sequined purses for about \$62. At Bellissima in downtown Rochester, I found gray flannel purses with sequin details priced at about \$42.

While sequins and beads are suitable for both party girls and corporate divas, just remember it's all in the way you wear them; most of the time that means "a dash will do ya."

Cari Waldman is a free-lance writer and stylist who lives in West Bloomfield. Please send your style and shopping questions to Cari at [OERealDeal.com](mailto:OERealDeal.com)



Casual shimmer: Jacobson's beaded snowflake sweater, \$84, suits daytime wear and comes in pale blue and pink.

## Holiday dressing Cozy sweaters cover all the bases and more

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Holiday apparel shoppers beware: the line between dressy and casual wear looks fuzzy these days.

Fuzzy like a sweater.

Designers and retailers are pushing sweaters and long skirts, rather than fussy dresses, to wear to holiday balls, as well as the plethora of semi-formal and informal occasions that come with the season.

Cardigans, funnel-neck and spaghetti-strap knit tops, even hooded sweatshirt-style sweaters, are being touted as the model party look for the holidays. Just add one of a variety of long skirt designs: ball gown, ball-style, parachute, to-the-floor and to-the ankle.

While the notion of wearing a sweater and a long skirt to either a black-tie ball or casual dinner party might confuse some fashion followers, the trend has its advantages.

"It wardrobe stretches," said Somerset Collection Fashion Manager Amanda Turner. Not only can women wear the same skirt to both formal and informal affairs during the holiday season, but also the sweater they purchased for the look can be donned with jeans on a Sunday afternoon or paired with pants and jacket in the workplace.

Bren Hillis, Select Personal Shopping manager for Hudson's at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi couldn't agree more. "You can wear sweater-sets with a pair of dress slacks or a ball skirt through the seasons, but it's very unusual that a woman would wear a spectacular evening gown more than once. This way, they're, what is the saying? ... Getting more bang for their buck."

Another benefit of the trend, women can mix fabrics and colors in their evening wear. They also don't have to settle for less-than-flattering neck lines or styles on top.

Many designers, including Anne Klein and DKNY, offer up to three sweater and top styles to pair with their full-length skirts, said Hillis.

Sizing is less of a problem, too, said Andy Szkrabalo, Parisian Room and Dresses selling manager at Laurel Park Place's Parisian store in Livonia. Not to mention, she said, "it seems to take away the emphasis on your bottom."

Sweater-sets and shrugs also give women the option of hiding their arms but don't constrict movement like jackets do. More revealing sweater styles, sleeveless funnel-neck and spaghetti-strap tops, are being shown with shawls and Pashmina wraps, which also hide the arms.



Sweater party: Sweater-sets fall in between dressy and casual this season and suit both ball gown skirts and jeans. Hudson's Country Shop beaded cashmere cardigan in charcoal, \$235, is paired with a Country Shop black silk dupioni ball gown skirt, \$130.

While ball gown and parachute skirts may require alterations, sweaters rarely do, said Hillis.

Most importantly, special occasion sweater and skirt separates are a thousand times more malleable than a formal, or even semi-formal, dress.

"You can make (the look) casual or dress it up as much as you want," said Hillis. Elegant jewelry, a formal evening bag and a pair of beaded slides cre-

ate a dressier look. A casual, beaded choker, plain shoes and simple evening bag render the look more informal.

"Two women can buy the same outfit, but it's how they accessorize that makes the look individual," said Hillis. "And, the look makes women feel like Cinderella. It's very feminine."



Fabric mix: Anne Klein combines a cashmere funnel-neck top, \$140, with a duchess satin long-tail skirt, \$355, both at Saks Fifth Avenue.



The skirt: Dana Buchman pairs a mohair sweater, \$228, with a silk taffeta ball skirt, \$478, both at Saks Fifth Avenue.



The shawl: Silk shantung bustier and ankle pants, \$260, gets wrapped up with a cashmere shawl, \$260, all by Kay Unger at Jacobson's.

## R E T A I L R A P

**PEDDLING SODA POP** and athletic shoes goes hand in hand with being an NBA star, but kids furniture? Apparently, Detroit Pistons forward Grant Hill likes the idea. He's teamed up with a youth furniture maker to design boys and girls bedroom furniture. Locally, the furniture will be carried by Art Van Furniture stores. Accordingly, Hill will introduce and promote the line - and sign a few autographs - 5-7 p.m. Nov. 8 at the Art Van's Novi store. Call (248) 348-8922. **Grant Hill**

**CULTURE, ART AND** a shopping spree can be had at southwest collectibles store Native West in downtown Plymouth. To celebrate the store's 10th anniversary in business, owners are giving one lucky shopper a \$500 shopping spree. Stop by the store, fill out an entry form and take a gander. The store stocks Indian jewelry, one-of-a-kind Hopi dolls, Navajo sand-paintings, southwest furniture and other arts and crafts. Entries, which do not require a purchase, will be accepted through Nov. 31. Native West is located at 883 W. Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth, (734) 455-8838.

**FORM DOESN'T FOLLOW** function. That's the rule at Ligne Roset, a French manufacturer of contemporary furniture that recently set up shop in downtown Birmingham. The store will carry innovative pieces like the Extensia dining table, which has an expanding, silk-screened glass top, and the Maly bed, which features adjustable cushions and a pivoting side table. Ligne Roset is located at 275 South Old Woodward, (248) 723-2500.

Retail, style and special store events are listed in this calendar. Please send information to: **Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 844-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.** **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

**JEWELRY TRUNK SHOW**  
P.R. Haig Jewelers, 436 Main Street in downtown Rochester, hosts a fine jewelry trunk show with pieces discounted by 10 percent, noon-5 p.m. Call (248) 962-5000.

**COLLECTIBLES SHOW**  
Wonderland Mall in Livonia hosts a card, coin, stamp and sports collectibles show, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., near Food Court. **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

**ESCADA TRUNK SHOW**  
View a division of Escada's Spring 2000 Collection at Norman Marcus, The Somerset Collection in Troy, through Nov. 9, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Designer Sportswear, third floor. **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

**OUTER WEAR TRUNK SHOW**  
View the 1999 Special Order Collection of outer wear by Bill Blinn at Saks Fifth Avenue, The Som-

## ADDED ATTRACTIONS

**Saks Fifth Avenue, The Somerset Collection** in Troy, hosts Christian Dior's beauty team and "From the Runway to Your Way," makeover appointments aimed at helping clients translate runway looks into everyday ones, through Nov. 13. Cosmetics & Fragrances, first floor. To make an appointment, call (248) 614-3368. **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11**

**PERCH TALKS TABLE SETTINGS**  
Sarah, Duchess of York, discusses the lighter side of British tabletop style at Hudson's, The Somerset Collection in Troy, 1 p.m., China Department.

**SILVA TRUNK SHOW**  
Roz & Sherm, 6536 Telegraph Road in Bloomfield Township, hosts a trunk show of spring clothing by Zelda through Nov. 13, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. on Thursday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

**OUTER WEAR SHOW**  
View the 1999 Special Order Collection of outer wear by Bill Blinn at Saks Fifth Avenue, The Som-

erset Collection in Troy, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Coat Collections, third floor. **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

**LEATHER TRUNK SHOW**  
Solomon & Son, 6905 Orchard Lake Road in The Boardwalk shopping center in West Bloomfield, holds a trunk show of Andrew Marc leather and LeGar shearing coats for men and women with discounts on selected outer wear through Nov. 13, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

**JUDITH JACK TRUNK SHOW**  
Jacobson's, Laurel Park Place in Livonia, showcases Judith Jack's jewelry collection, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Fashion Jewelry. **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

**CHILDREN'S COATS DRIVE**  
Donate a coat to needy children and meet WJLB radio personalities at Wonderland Mall in Livonia during the radio station's Coats For Kids Drive, 1-4 p.m., on-stage near Food Court.

**BOB MACKIE FUR SHOWING**  
View designer Bob Mackie's newest collection of furs and shearing coats at Jacobson's in downtown Birmingham, noon-4 p.m., Fur Salon.

# HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Holiday Happenings will keep you informed about holiday shopping programs, services, events and boutiques during the busiest shopping time of the year. Send information to: *Malls & Mainstreets*, c/o *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Fax: (248) 644-1314. Information must be received by 5 p.m. Monday for publication the following Sunday.

## CRAFTS & UNICEF SHOPS

The First Baptist Church of Birmingham, 300 Willits in downtown Birmingham, hosts the Global Gifts and Crafts Shop and the UNICEF Card Shop for the fifth year, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday through Dec. 23. Profits from the sale of gifts and crafts benefit mostly Third World artisans. Card sales benefit United Nations humanitarian and relief programs. For more information, call (248) 644-0550.

## NUTCRACKER LUNCH & BOUTIQUE

Enjoy lunch and shop at more than 25 local boutiques featuring the clothing, crafts and accessories of local retailers and artisans to benefit the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 9 at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn. Tickets are priced at \$40, \$75 and \$100. For information or to make reservations, call (313) 576-5154.

## MALL ACTIVITY CENTER FOR KIDS

Oakland Mall in Troy introduces Kid's Clubhouse, a supervised activity center with arts, crafts, storytelling and computer games for children age 3 or older. Located in the J.C. Penney corridor near United Artist Theaters, the center opens daily at noon through Dec. 31 and is staffed by certified teachers and computer instructors. For a cost of \$8 per hour, parents can leave their children at the center while they shop. For schedule information or to make a reservation, call (248) 585-6000, ext. 4.

## TROY CHAMBER SHOPPING EVENT

Don't stress over holiday shopping; get a jump-start at the Troy Chamber of Commerce's Pre-Holiday S.W.A.R.E. Shop Wrap and Relax Event, 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Nov. 11 at The Somerset Collection in Troy. Power shoppers can get a jump-start on their gift lists and do a little business networking. The event is priced at \$40 and includes free valet parking, complimentary gift-wrapping service, breakfast at Saks Fifth Avenue, Elves to help carry packages, lunch at Troy Chamber restaurants and an end-of-the-day tea and wine reception. For more information or to make a reservation, call (248) 641-8151.



## HOLIDAY SHOPPING BENEFIT

Kick off the season of giving at a holiday shopping gala that benefits Boys and Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan. The evening of shopping and entertainment is slated 7-10 p.m. Nov. 14 at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi. Tickets are \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door. Amenities include refreshments, free valet parking, butler and complimentary gift wrapping services, door prizes and gift bags. For more information or to obtain advance tickets, call (248) 203-1260.

## HOLIDAY CANNED GOODS DRIVE

Laurel Park Place in Livonia accepts donations of canned goods to benefit The Pontiac Rescue Mission, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Nov. 8-19. Donations, which will help feed more than 50,000 people between Thanksgiving and Christmas, should be taken to the mall's management office. For more information, call (734) 462-1100.

# WHERE CAN I FIND?

This feature is dedicated to helping readers locate merchandise that's difficult to find. If you've seen or are looking for an item, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number. We publish readers' requests for merchandise twice. If you don't hear from us or see information about the item within a few weeks, we were unable to locate it. When we find an item from another reader, rather than a store, we will call you. But, please be patient; we handle an overwhelming number of requests each week.

## WHAT WE FOUND:

- Detroit Red Wings player Darren McCarty's book can be bought at Barnes & Noble and Borders Books & Music stores.
  - An Anne Geddes mobile can be bought at the Sears store in Windsor for \$39.95 (Canadian dollars).
  - The game "Rook" can be found at Kay Bee Toys at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi.
  - True Colors lipstick by Yves Rocher is available through the company's catalogue, (800) 824-7486, or Internet site at www.YVES-ROCHERUSA.com
  - Quality, used furniture is available at Second Seasons, 3860 West Twelve Mile Road in Berkeley, (248) 414-9026.
  - A reader called to say she knows the lyrics to "Little Man You Had A Busy Day."
  - We no longer need a user for an Apple IIE computer.
  - A reader called to inform us Rainbow Mattress Limited in Dearborn refurbishes old mattresses, (313) 945-6533.
  - One of our readers has a portable sewing machine with attachments to donate to an organization.
  - Another reader has bowling trophies to donate to an organization.
- WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR:**
- A 1968 Romeo High School yearbook for Cathy.
  - The game "Catch Phrase" for Carol.
  - A store where Hill & Archer men's underwear is sold for Linda.

- A 1964 Betty Crocker cookbook for Georgine.
- Mary Proctor ironing board covers, Bill Blass perfume and Coty lipstick for Nancy.
- An Inspector Gadget right arm part for Eileen, who lives in Canton.
- A "Making Faces" doll for Diane.
- A store where a Schaefer fountain pen and peacock color ink can be purchased.
- A store or stores where Sander's chocolate bumpy cake and Kathy's Cheesecakes are available for Barb.
- A 1958 Detroit St. Joseph's High School yearbook for Dennis.
- Pillsbury Bake-Off or Pillsbury Classic cookbooks for Carol.
- Chantilly roll-on deodorant for Mrs. Barnett.
- Dykes Automotive Encyclopedia for antique cars and a 1979 Churchill High School yearbook for Linda.
- A video cassette of "Barney at the Beach" for Karen.
- Duncan Hines "Blondies" (blond) brownie mix and Classic American Cincinnati-style chili mix in a box for Beverly.
- A manual for a Kenner child's pottery wheel for Francine.
- Redkin's "Suspend Hair" care products for Sandra.
- A 1963 Michigan State University yearbook for Jeanne.
- A store where Marabou fur is sold by-the-yard for Anne.
- Hoffritz scissors and a store where used bridesmaid's dresses are sold for Mrs. Board.
- A 1980 Divine Child High School yearbook for Michael.
- A 1969 University of Michigan yearbook for Harriet.
- A 1984 St. Agatha of Redford Township High School yearbook for Shannon.
- A store where men's cardigan-style sweaters with shawl collars are sold in extra-large sizes for Mike.
- A store where DuBarry "Sophisticate" makeup in a compact is sold.
- Stores where women's black slacks by Counter Parts and women's hats with ear flaps are sold for Mariyn.

- A Foley cooking fork for Mrs. Liberian.
- A store where Jean Nate deodorant is sold for Marie.
- An engine for a child's Fisher Price Circus Train for Stephanie.
- The single of the song "Buy a Little Prayer for Me" by Diana King (not the version from "My Best Friend's Wedding") for Rachel.
- A store where Christmas stockings are made on a knitting machine for Barbara.
- A shop where leather coats are repaired and a shop where a glass snow-globe can be repaired for Penny.
- A store that sells inexpensive, lightweight Harley Davidson leather jackets, other than the Harley Davidson store for A.J.
- A metallic shoe shining kit that attaches to a wall for Jerry.
- A Pocahontas doll for Amelia.
- A 1948 Clawson High School yearbook for Betty.
- A pair of snowtrain plastic boots to wear over shoes for Florence.
- Replacement parts for antique oil lamps, like glass chimneys and brass burners, for Ed.
- A video tape of the movie "He Is My Brother" for Barbara.
- Victoria Secret's Garden Indulgence bubble bath in "Peach Hyacinth" for Del.
- A store where an Austrian Swarovski crystal "Unicorn" might be available to purchase for Virginia.
- Photographs and prints of Bob-Lay boats and Ford freighters for Mariyn.
- A store where Debbie Munn Halloween mugs, glasses and dishes are sold for Suzanne.
- A store where Wayne State University apparel, other than Wayne State University stores, is sold for Ken.
- Large (10-by-5 inch) wooden printing blocks used to make prints of abstract designs, especially antique ones.

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# Couple on a Harley take anything but an easy ride

BY DOUG JOHNSON  
STAFF WRITER

This July, Jeff and Kim Dold of Garden City rode their 1989 Harley-Davidson Electroglide Classic on a little cross-country jaunt that was a classic in its own right.

Eighteen states. Eighteen days. More than 7,200 miles. Four-hour summer downpours in Chicago. Death Valley at the height of the afternoon heat.

You need a lot of sunscreen when the temperature is 126°.

It was all part of their summer vacation and a longtime dream to go cross country on Jeff's Harley.

They started in Michigan, went down to Interstate 80 and across Indiana and Illinois into the Chicago area in search of the legendary Route 66.

The route that John Steinbeck called "The Mother Road" starts outside of Chicago. In many places, it is no longer there, it's simply covered by freeways. In other places, it can be driven on.

The duo went down to St. Louis, across Missouri and Oklahoma.

They stopped at "Cadillac Ranch" in the Texas panhandle.

There really are nearly a dozen Cadillacs upended in the Texas plain west of Amarillo, roughly midway between Chicago and L.A. Two hundred yards south of I-40 six miles west of Amarillo, where old US-66 rejoins the interstate, the rusty hulks of 10 classic Caddies are front end-down in the dirt.

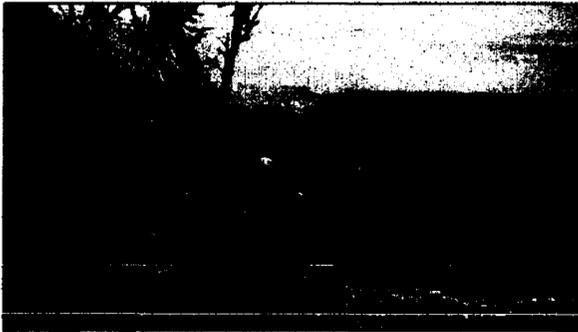
In August 1997 the Cadillacs got another 15 minutes of fame when the artist decided to dig them up and move them a mile west from where they'd been — to escape Amarillo sprawl.

On to New Mexico, where they stayed in Albuquerque, saw the Petrified Forest National Park in Arizona and took a side trip north up to Four Corners — where the corners of New Mexico, Arizona, Utah and Colorado meet. A small monument marks the spot.

Supposedly, if you are limber enough, you can use two feet and



Falling Water: Kim Dold's picture of Shoshone Falls in Idaho reveals one of many spectacular sights the couple saw on their trip west.



Travelers: Kim and Jeff Dold during their cross-country trip stopped at the Grand Canyon.

two hands and have part of yourself in four states.

"We stayed on an Indian reservation that night," Jeff said. That was after a visit to Monument Valley. Then they went into Grand Canyon National Park, stayed in the park at a

lodge and got fogged in.

The next day brought the Arizona weather known as monsoon, a short season of powerful rain and thunderstorms that arrives every summer. "The temperature was about 100," Kim said. Near Seligman, Ariz., they got back on

"That's where we ran out of gas," Jeff Dold said. No one stopped to help, and they sat for several hours, Kim said. Eventually it was the cops at Hoover Dam who came out and rescued them.

It was in Vegas they relied on their only real advanced reservation, for the Mirage. They came in at 11 p.m. and were lucky enough to be upgraded to a pent-house suite for \$75.

On into California they rode, where they visited San Francisco, Fisherman's Wharf, Chinatown and then closed the day at a blues bar.

Turning eastward, they went to Yosemite ("our favorite spot" says Jeff) and then zipped to Mono Lake (directly east of the park) and saw the calcium formations, then drove to Lake Tahoe.

The next day they were off to Idaho to see the spectacular Shoshone Falls at the city of Twin Falls.

"Yellowstone was a quick drive through. We saw snow at the higher elevations, and we went through some of it at night," Jeff said.

They stayed in Cody outside the eastern edge of Yellowstone Park then drove to Gillette and on up to Deadwood, S.D., then made a nostalgic stop at Sturgis, S.D., where bikers meet for a Bikers' Bash every summer.

From there they traveled to Mount Rushmore National Memorial, the Badlands National Park, and famous Wall Drugs whose ubiquitous highway signs advertising the store's many supposed charms make it difficult not to get curious enough to stop.

At this point Kim had to fly home to return to work.

Then it was a dash across southern Minnesota, and summer rainstorm ordeal in Chicago, then back home to Michigan.

Family was not forgotten. They took a pager and a cellular telephone in case Kim's son wanted to call.

The couple have been in 26 states in their travels and hope to see 10 new ones on the next

big ride, this time out East. Some things are definitely different traveling on a bike. Kim explains:

"You can't pack a lot. You have to do laundry often. You need plenty of sunscreen. There are a lot of stops. The bike gets good mileage, but it has a five-gallon tank. After 120 miles you need gas."

Kim works for McKesson, a pharmaceutical computer systems company; Jeff is a production worker at General Motors' power train plant in Ypsilanti.

Ride-along buddies were another couple on another Harley, Tony and Debbie Knierim of Newport, Mich.

Jeff did all the driving for the Dolds, while Kim concentrated on photography, including pictures of everyone holding up the Garden City Observer.

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Electroglide: Jeff Dold and his wife rode to California and back on this Harley.

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FOCUS ON WINE



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## Saké basics surely add to enjoyment

**S**aké (sah-KAY) production has reached the U.S. just as more Americans are discovering how well the intriguing taste of saké goes with a variety of light, fresh cuisines. Hand-crafted saké brewing techniques were brought to Oregon from the Momokawa Brewery in Japan and are being overseen by a Toji or master saké brewer.

Saké is a fermented rice product. Rice is polished and steamed, and in a single process, the starch is converted to sugar and simultaneously fermented to alcohol. Most saké contains 15-18 percent alcohol. No sulfites or preservatives are used, a fact that appeals to the health-conscious consumer.

### Shelf life

On the other side of the coin, the lack of preservatives means a shelf life of only six months to one year. It is important, then, to pay attention to the saké label since it's best when fresh.

Momokawa sakés are easily identifiable in retail shops and restaurants by their distinctive cobalt blue bottles. We had the opportunity to taste a flight of Momokawa sakés at the Little Tree Sushi Bar in Royal Oak (11 Mile Road and Main St.) where you can try these new sakés with Japanese, Filipino, and Thai dishes as well as sushi.

The super-premium Millennium Series sakés are labeled Diamond \$24 (dry, complex for delicate foods), Silver \$20 (dry, assertive for robust foods), Pearl \$24 (for dessert) and Ruby \$16 (soft and smooth to accompany spicier foods). They range from very dry and light to slightly sweet and are best enjoyed well chilled. Although you may have heard that saké is consumed warm, the best sakés should be at least slightly chilled.

Momokawa's Moonstone series represents sakés infused with natural fruit essence such as Asian Pear, Yuzu (Japanese Citron), Black Raspberry, and Hazelnut. Depending on your preference, this may be a great way for you to experiment with the taste of saké.

### Attributes

Saké should be colorless and bright, except for some specialty products that are produced unfiltered. Yellow or amber sakés are too old and will taste like it. Sakés exhibit clean, delicate aromas, and mild intensity.

The finest examples have low acidity, less than half of most wines. Aroma and flavor descriptors include

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### Wine Picks

Picks of the pack: 1996 Groth Cabernet Sauvignon \$40 and 1995 Simi Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon \$45 deliver everything expected in America's favorite red wine.

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■ Merlot appeals to those who like their red wine a little lighter-bodied and gentler. We like: 1997 Canoe Ridge \$22; 1997 Chateau Sovereign, Alexander Valley \$17; 1997 Pine Ridge Merlot, Crimison Creek, Napa Valley \$25.

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## A SWEDISH CHRISTMAS FAIR



**Bread wheel:** Elisabeth Maxe shows off a round of knackebrod, a flat, hard bread served with cheese.

STORY BY RENEE SKOGLUND  
PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY



Mmm, mmm, good: Gunilla Skogfeldt (left to right) and Astrid Sadler make sure the meatballs brown, not burn. "Nothing beats mom's meatballs" is an old Swedish saying.

## Swedes love to eat, drink and be merry

*God Jul!* For the food- and fun-loving Swedes, it's never too early to get into the holiday spirit.

Members of the Swedish Women's Educational Association Michigan Chapter are getting ready for the group's ninth annual Swedish Christmas Fair Saturday, Nov. 13, at the Finnish Center in Farmington Hills.

Of course, that means making lots of Kottullar, those delicate tasting Swedish meatballs made with finely ground beef, pork and veal and seasoned with sautéed onions and cream. The meatballs, served with mashed potatoes and lingonberries, will be sold at the fair, along with a variety of Swedish open-faced sandwiches.

To wash down all the goodies, fair-goers can sample glogg, a delicious and sometimes potent Swedish hot drink that extends a warm welcome on a wintry evening.

### The cooks

Five SWEA members recently gathered in the kitchen of Elisabeth Maxe of Livonia to prepare a traditional Swedish meal: meatballs, mashed potatoes, sliced cucumbers with vinegar and parsley, lingonberries, Swedish farmer's cheese, and two kinds of bread.

Maxe broke several large rounds of crisp, flat, hard bread known as *knackebrod* into pieces and cut thick slices of *limpa*, an aromatic rye bread flavored with anise.

"The two breads are an absolute must," said Ebba Belfrage-Slomeana of Redford. "Swedes would get shocked if they were not served at a smorgasbord. They definitely would complain."

(Knackebrod is available at some supermarkets. Limpa bread is made every Saturday at the Farmington Bakery, 33250 Grand River, in downtown Farmington, (248) 442-2360.)

As the meatballs sizzled in a frying pan under the watchful eyes of Maxe's mother, Astrid Sadler of Dearborn, and Gunilla Skogfeldt of Northville, the women agreed upon the secret of perfect Swedish meatballs:

### Swedish Christmas Fair

**What:** Annual fair sponsored by members of the Swedish Women's Educational Association Michigan Chapter offering Swedish foods, baked goods, imports and crafts, and live music.

**When:** 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13

**Where:** Finnish Center, 32500 W. Eight Mile Road (one mile west of Farmington Road), Farmington Hills, (248) 478-6939.

**Admission:** \$1, children under age 12, free. For more information about the fair, call (313) 255-9705 or (248) 356-3977.

### Highlights:

- Lucia pageant 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.
- Personalized giant gingerbread cookies
- Children's workshop

SWEA is a nonprofit organization that supports various Swedish cultural and educational activities. To learn more about SWEA, call (248) 356-9977.

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## Celebrate Thanksgiving the vegetarian way



Thanksgiving, Elana excitedly told me about her positive experience with the turkey. As I tucked her into bed that evening, she asked, "Mommy, that's not the same turkey that people eat on Thanksgiving, is it?"

Well, I thought maybe it was time to have a little talk. Not that we did not already have several "vegetarian" talks in the past as Elana had a good sense at this point of why our family practiced vegetarianism, but this question was a little different.

I explained to her that, "yes," the ani-

mal that visited her school was the same kind of turkey that people eat on Thanksgiving. Her eyes became larger than they already were, as she exclaimed, "No, they put the blood and feathers in their mouths, too?"

So, I continued to explain how people go about eating turkey. "You mean the turkey has to be killed before people eat it?" Elana continued quizzing me. I proceeded to address all of her concerns. She finished our conversation, by saying, "People don't eat each other, so we shouldn't eat turkeys." I left it at that.

The following day, Elana went to dance class. At the conclusion of the class, the instructor had the young girls gather around in a circle and exchange with each other what their favorite food was to eat at Thanksgiving. Miss Heather explained, "Some people like the mashed potatoes, some people like the stuffing, some people like the turkey..." With this, Elana looked at me sitting in the audience and gave me her saucer-eyed look again. I knew our talk hit home.

This whole scenario reminds me of a former issue of the *Vegetarian Times*. A

full-page cartoon of a classroom was highlighted. The teacher stood in front of the room with a picture of a large cow on her blackboard. Using a pointer, she was showing how different parts of the cow were used for food. The kids sat in the classroom with either their eyes popping out of their heads or their hands over their mouths ready to become sick.

Elana is now in kindergarten and still proud to be a vegetarian. We celebrate Thanksgiving with all of the trimmings, but the lonely turkey sits in the corner for our few meat-eating relatives. Highlighted are the colorful vegetables: squash, corn, cranberries, pepper and sweet potatoes. Non-traditional Thanksgiving dishes are featured such as vegetarian lasagna and cold salads of mixed greens. If you want to forgo the meat, but want a similar substitute, many health food stores in the area now offer "tofurkey" (turkey made out of tofu) or meatless turkey made out of seitan, a wheat gluten.

Last year at this time, I was departing for Boston to see a rheumatologist Dr. Trentham, for a revolutionary cure

for my scleroderma. I am still receiving calls from compassionate readers asking how my treatment is going, if it is working, and to please keep us posted. I thank everyone greatly for your concern. After one year on minocin, a benign tetracycline drug, I feel like a new person and have put the bulk of my illness behind me. I still attribute a major contributor to the success of how quickly the medication worked to my lifestyle including a vegetarian diet. As I get ready for my 20th year high school reunion from Oak Park High School this Thanksgiving weekend, I will also be celebrating my 10-year anniversary as a vegetarian.

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Look for her column on the first Sunday of each month in Taste. See recipes inside.

# Wine from page D1

floral, rose, nut, spice, peach, anise, and lychee.

Like many other products, the quality of the water used to produce saké is as important as the quality of the rice. The degree of rice polishing also has an effect on quality. The outer part of the rice contains proteins that cloud the saké and produce off flavors. As a matter of fact, 50-60 percent of the rice is removed during polishing since the desirable part is in the middle of the grain.

Like any other beverage, you can spend as much or little as you want, but excellent examples that will enhance your dining experience can be found between \$15-30.

Interested in learning more about sake? Try logging on to [www.sakeone.com](http://www.sakeone.com), the Web site

of SakéOne Corp., Forest Grove, Ore.

## Holiday entertaining

Y2K talk has got us all thinking "holiday entertaining" a lot earlier this year. If your finger-food recipe file is in the "been there, done that" zone, a new appetizer book may be just what the chef ordered. "Cocktail Food: 50 Finger Foods with Attitude" by twin sisters Mary Corpening Barber and Sara Corpening Whiteford, owners of Thymes Two Catering in San Francisco; (published by Chronicle Books, San Francisco, 1999, \$16.95, ISBN 0-8118-2418-7) is a must. In addition to 50 easy, flavorful recipes, there are tips on matching hors d'oeuvres to beverages, party planning, and presentation.

## The last French Beaujolais harvest of the century is in, and the nouveau wines will arrive Nov. 18.

### Beaujolais

The last French Beaujolais harvest of the century is in, and the nouveau wines will arrive Nov. 18. Cost will be under \$10 per bottle. King of Beaujolais Georges Duboeuf describes the vintage as having the "ideal balance of soft, velvety, fruity, and harmonious elements expected of a Beaujolais Nouveau. The wine offers more to savor than in previous years and is harmonious, pleasing and captivating."

If you've never tried a Beaujolais Nouveau, Duboeuf is a good label with which to start. Produced from 100-percent hand-picked Gamay grapes, it is an uncomplicated red wine meant for early consumption. Serve it slightly chilled, at about 55 degrees.

### Direct wine shipping

On Sunday, Oct. 3, our wine column focused on federal and state wine legislation restricting direct shipping of wine. We suggested you contact federal and state legislators, either online at [www.freethegrapes.org](http://www.freethegrapes.org) or by letter, consulting the blue section of your local telephone book under Political Leaders, National and State. Did you do this?

So far, we have received just one response (from State Rep. John Pappageorge, R-Troy) to our letters. He says he contacted a number of interest groups affected by the issue of direct shipment of wines. He cites the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, Michigan Beer & Wine Wholesalers Association, Michigan Licensed Beverage Association, and the Associated Food Dealers of Michigan. These are all groups interested in keeping

a status quo, state-legislated monopoly and who fear that direct shipping might offer you freedom of choice. These groups are also political campaign contributors.

Do you understand what your freedom is up against?

Pappageorge also suggested that we could track down hard-to-find wines online at [www.mbwaa.org](http://www.mbwaa.org). We did and in three weeks had no response. So, we phoned (800) 456-2992, home of the Web site and Michigan Beer & Wine Wholesalers Association. The person in charge pointed out that this service only tracked wine already in the state. Pappageorge doesn't get it. We and you want to be able to buy wine that is not available in the state. That's your right under the Interstate Commerce clause of the U.S. Constitution, establishing free trade among states. It has been taken away from you by the Michigan legislature. Are you going to accept this?

For your convenience, sample letter content to your legislators:

As an adult voter in the state of Michigan, I ask that you oppose restricting my ability to buy fine wine by direct shipment. Such legislation favors state-legislated monopoly in wine distribution at the expense of consumer access to the diversity of America's wines.

Wine laws, currently restricting my rights guaranteed under the Interstate Commerce clause of the U.S. Constitution establishing free trade among states, need to be changed.

Please let me know where you stand on this consumer rights issue and what you plan to do.

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white pepper and sautéed onions.

"Chop them (onions) fine and sauté them lightly before adding them. Otherwise, it doesn't taste like Swedish meatballs," said Belfrage-Slomeana.

Sadler slipped an extra pat of butter into the frying pan as Skogfeldt shrugged her shoulders in good-natured resignation. "I'm light on butter, but she's like my husband. More butter," she said.

A confident cook, Sadler carefully turned the browning meatballs with a spatula. She's been cooking for many years. "Since I was 18, I went to Stockholm and took care of three children. My boss was a school teacher. She said I want you to start cooking. The first thing I made was meatballs. When Elisabeth got married, I taught her."

Maxe finished mashing the potatoes and invited the women to sit down. She passed around small apéritif glasses and removed several small bottles of Aquavit, a Swedish schnapps, from the freezer. It's similar to vodka but stronger. Swedes down it in one gulp.

"Before you drink it, you raise your glass and say 'skal,'" said Belfrage-Slomeana. "Then we always sing 'schnapps' songs, traditional ones and humorous ones. There's no end to it."

"You have to have a meatball ready before you drink this," warned Margareta Olsson of Southfield.

Meatballs poised, the women - including me - raised their glasses, said a hearty SKAL! (sounds like "skoal") in perfect unison, then downed the contents. A fireball burst in the center of my chest.

"Do you feel the warmth?" asked Belfrage-Slomeana. "It's cold in Sweden. This keeps the circulation going."

Talk quickly turned to food from home, food not available in local specialty shops. Maxe sighed. She misses the hot dogs and mashed potatoes sold on street corners in Sweden.

"There's no describing what those hot dogs taste like."

She also misses creamy pear ice cream served on a stick.

"Ahhhh," said Sadler.

## Lucia pageant lights the way

In Sweden, the eldest daughter in a family wears an evergreen wreath with candles on her head and serves coffee and bread to her family for breakfast on Dec. 13. This ritual remembers St. Lucia, who carried food to the early Christians hiding from persecution in dark underground tunnels. To light the way, she wore a wreath of candles on her head.

"Out of this world," said Olsson.

"I miss a good veal roast served with cucumbers and lingonberries or raspberry jelly. And cream sauce. The cream sauce is very important to it," said Belfrage-Slomeana.

The women talked about blood pudding, hardy Viking fare made from the blood of a pig's brain; black currants; cheeses, like the sharp vasterbotten and milder bondost; and delicious hasselbacks, potatoes sliced three-quarters down, then drizzled with lots of butter and bread crumbs before baking.

The meal ended with apple cake topped with vanilla sauce and several cups of strong Swedish coffee.

SWEA members are hoping for a good turnout at their Christmas fair. The Finnish Center will be decorated Swedish style, and there'll be lots of items for sale: Christmas decorations, books, baked goods, imported foods and personalized giant gingerbread cookies.

There'll also be arts and crafts demonstrations, a children's workshop, and a traditional Lucia pageant at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The American-Scandinavian Spelmanslag band will play lively Swedish music.

I said goodbye to my new Swedish friends and promised to attend the fair. Not only had I sampled good Swedish food during my visit, I sampled great Swedish hospitality.

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# Swedes share recipes

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## SWEDISH MEATBALLS (KOTTULLAR)

- 1 cup boneless beef
- 1/2 cup veal
- 1/2 cup boneless pork, preferably with fat
- 1/2 cup crushed rusks or white bread
- 3/4 cup cream
- 1/2 onion, finely chopped
- 1 egg
- Salt and white pepper to taste
- Butter or margarine for frying
- Water

Soak the bread in the cream. Grind the meat three or four times through the finest disc of the meat grinder or use the blender. Add the bread and cream mixture for the last two grinds.

Brown the onion in a little butter. Add the onion and egg to the meat mixture and work until smooth. Add some water to give a smooth consistency, seasoning with salt and pepper as you go.

Fry a sample of two balls in butter until golden brown to check the seasoning. If they taste good, roll the remaining meat into balls using the wet palm of your hand. For a smorgasbord, make the meatballs walnut-sized; for a main dish, make them the size of Ping-Pong balls.

Place meatballs on flat plates rinsed in cold water or on a wet cutting board.

Melt a fairly large amount of butter or margarine in a not-too-large frying pan and leave it to brown until it stops hissing. Depending on their size, fry 10-20 meatballs at a time.

Let them brown, shaking the pan now and then so they roll around.

If the meatballs are to be served with a sauce, pour thick or thin cream into the pan after the last frying.

Serve meatballs with mashed potatoes, lingonberries and pickled cucumber. For a smorgasbord, meatballs may be served either cold without sauce or hot in the sauce.

## OLD-FASHIONED PICKLED CUCUMBER (GAMMALDAGS PRESSOURKA)

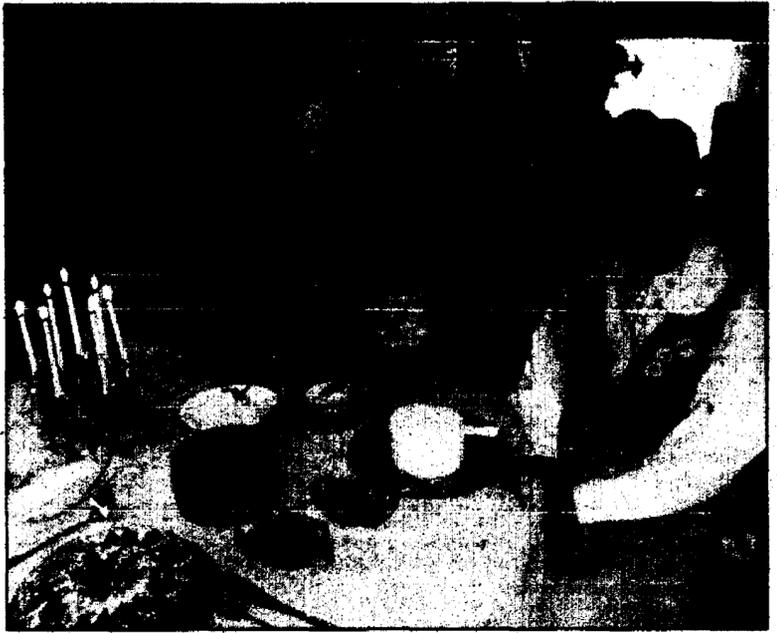
- 1 medium sized cucumber a little salt
- 1/2 cup white spirit vinegar (12 percent)
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground white pepper
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley

Peel the cucumber and slice very thinly. Put slices into bowl, salting slightly between layers. Place a similar bowl and top and weight it down. Let stand for about one hour.

Mix a dressing of spirit vinegar, water, sugar, white pepper and parsley. Stir until the sugar is dissolved.

Discard the liquid that has collected around the pressed cucumber. Pour on the dressing and chill for several hours before serving.

Recipes compliments of SWEA, Michigan Chapter.



Let's eat: Ebba Bel-frage-Slomeana (left to right), Margareta Olsson, Elisabeth Maxe, Astrid Sadler and Gunilla Skogfeldt offer a sampling of Swedish cooking.

STAFF PHOTO BY TOM EAVLEY

# Festive vegetarian dishes

See related Living Better Sensibly column on Taste front.

Have you or someone you know overcome an autoimmune disease through nutrition, exercise or an alternative therapy? I would love to hear your positive story. Please contact Beverly Price (248) 539-9424.

Whisk together vinegar and brown rice syrup. Add remaining ingredients and toss well. Let stand 20 minutes. Yield 4 servings.

## BUTTERCUP SQUASH, PARSNIP AND CRANBERRY BEAN STEW

- 1 tablespoon canola oil
- 1 cup sliced celery (about 2 medium stalks)
- 2 or 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 chipotle pepper, minced (large jalapeno pepper that has been dried and smoked)
- 4 large tomatoes, cored and diced
- 1 1/2 tablespoons paprika
- 1 tablespoon dried oregano
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 2 cups peeled and diced buttercup or butternut squash
- 2 cups peeled and diced

- parsnips (about 2 large)
- 12-16 pearl onions, peeled
- 1 cup diced carrots 2 1/2 cups water
- 1 1/2 cups cooked or canned cranberry beans, drained
- 1 cup fresh or frozen corn kernels
- 8 broccoli florets

In a saucepan, heat oil; add celery, garlic, and chipotle. Sauté 3-4 minutes. Add tomatoes, paprika, oregano, and salt and pepper; cook about 8 minutes more over low heat, stirring frequently until mixture thickens.

Add squash, parsnips, onions, carrots, and water; cook, stirring occasionally, until squash and parsnips are tender, about 30 minutes. Stir in beans, corn, and broccoli. Cover and cook 5-10 minutes. Yield: 4-6 servings

## BALSAMIC-ARTICHOKE SALAD

- 2-3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1 tablespoon brown rice syrup
- 2 cups drained canned mandarin orange segments
- 1 1/2 cups chopped and drained canned unmarinated artichokes
- 1/3 cup chopped fresh parsley

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## MEDICAL BRIEFS

### Arthritis center

Arthur's Place, Where Arthritis Healing Begins, is officially opening in Plymouth Monday, Nov. 8. Arthur's Place is a specially designed exercise and lifestyle facility for persons with arthritis and connective tissue disease. Center features a unique warm water Arthro-Aquatic Fitness System that facilitates pain relief and increase mobility and a 25-meter warm water swimming pool. An open house from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. will be held Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 20 and 21. Call (734) 254-0500 or visit Arthur's Place at 47659 Halyard Dr. in the MedHealth Wellness Center at Beck and M-14.

### Nursing homes

A public hearing will be held by Michigan State Representatives Bob Brown, Eileen DeHart and Tom Kelly on the House Democratic Nursing Home Task Force from 7-9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 8. All interested persons are encouraged to attend and give your perspective about nursing home issues or just to listen. The RESA Annex Auditorium will be the host site - located at 5454 Venoy Road in Wayne. Call Rep. Kelly's office for details, toll-free (888) 345-8017.

### Nutrition lecture

Dr. Earl Mindell, author of the book "The Vitamin Bible," will speak on nutrition and nutritional supplements from 7-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16 at the Novi Hilton (I-275 and Eight Mile). There is no charge. For information call (313) 534-8876.

### Drug free ADD

Brackney Chiropractic Health Center will present a "Drug Free Approach to A.D.D. and Hyperactivity" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16. Learn more about drug free approaches to attention deficit disorder and hyperactivity in children and adults. Free consultation and exam will be available. Space is limited. Call (734) 455-5555. Brackney Chiropractic Health Center is located at 8512 Canton Center Road in Canton (across from the high school).

### Discount Web site

Recently pharmacist and owner of Discount Medical Supplies Plus in Southfield, Steven Dakhlian, launched Discount Medical Supplies Plus ([www.medicalsuppliesplus.com](http://www.medicalsuppliesplus.com)) over the Internet. The company offers everything from wheelchairs to magnetic bracelets at discount prices, often at lower prices than many insurance co-payments. Other items include vitamins, bathroom aids, homeopathic medicine and a new line of self-diagnostic aids. Being pharmacy based, only FDA approved supplements are dispensed. Customers can e-mail questions, be put on a mailing list for new product information or call the company directly at (800) 794-8383 for attention.

## The road less traveled

### Midwives are popular with families seeking alternative to traditional birth experience

BY KURT KUBAN  
SPECIAL WRITER

Modern midwives are emerging from an age-old shroud of misconceptions. In recent years, word has spread, often by word of mouth, that midwifery is no longer about an old woman, a farmhouse and a pot of boiling water.

Rather it has become an intimate alternative to the often overwhelming and sometimes less-than-personal experience of giving birth with a busy obstetrician and a team of nurses. While your great-grandmother may have had no choice but to rely on a midwife during the birthing process, today midwives are just one of many options available to pregnant women.

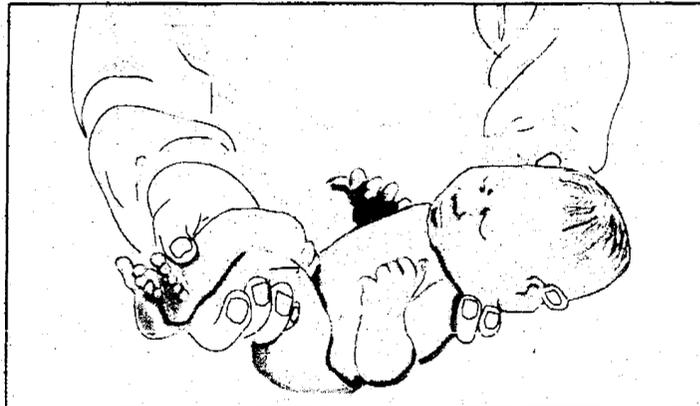
Most women do not choose this avenue, instead deciding on a more traditional birth with an obstetrician. However, the number of women choosing midwifery is growing. According to the American College of Nurse-Midwives, each year there are over 220,000 deliveries performed by nearly 5,000 certified midwives nationwide. Women choose to go with a midwife for various reasons, but one of the main attractions is the personal, intimate relationship that often develops.

"We look at ourselves as a middle-of-the-road option. A lot of people like the fact that we're a small practice with just two people," said midwife Jennifer Cartwright, who, along with partner and fellow midwife Cheryl Bachman, performs midwifery services for Integrated Health Associates of Ann Arbor. "Women feel comfortable with us, because we will talk to them any time they need it. A physician is often unable to take the time to directly talk to them in the time leading up to the birth. We are available and accessible."

It was this type of person-to-person care that convinced area resident Michelle Friss to choose the midwife option. Although she had not used a midwife during her previous two delivery experiences, Friss set up an appointment with Bachman during her eighth month of pregnancy and decided it was the right option for her.

She was not disappointed with the results.

"The whole experience was great. It was exactly what I had hoped for. I received extremely good labor support," Friss said. "They make you feel very well cared for. Cheryl suggested a lot of things that helped me get through the labor. She even gave me a foot massage. You are not going to get that from the typical obstetrician."



Still, breaking through the misconceptions surrounding midwifery has not been easy.

"There are two great myths about midwives. One is that we always come to a patient's home, and the other is that we never administer painkillers when they are needed," said Cartwright.

There are actually two types of midwives. A group known as lay midwives, who more closely resemble the traditional view of a midwife. Many of the women in this field have received their training while acting as a sort of an apprentice to an obstetrician or other midwife. In most cases they provide a less expensive alternative to delivering a baby in a hospital. They still come into the home of a patient, but most do not have the certification to administer labor drugs.

In the other category are the certified nurse-midwives. These women are registered nurses who normally do not come into the home, but base their appointments in an office and perform deliveries in a hospital. They are authorized to administer certain drugs and are in contact with a team of physicians that they can count on if emergency situations arise.

Cartwright and Bachman perform their deliveries at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor. Other area hospitals also have midwifery programs in place.

"With us, the patients get the best of both worlds. We give them an intimate, personal atmosphere. But we have a group of professional physicians behind us. If the patient needs it, it is there," said Cartwright.

Certified midwives also perform a number of other gynecological services

outside of the actual delivery. For instance, Cartwright and Bachman both perform pap smears and pelvic and breast examinations. They also conduct counseling sessions on issues such as family planning, contraception and menopause.

One of their main functions is to educate patients during the preconception period. Once a patient receives a positive pregnancy test, they sit down with Cartwright and Bachman and determine a schedule that will help prepare them for the eventual delivery. While the goal is to have as "smooth and quick" a delivery with as little intervention as possible, most midwives will admit that such a scenario is rare.

Oftentimes a woman will need some type of labor medication, either to achieve stimulation or to combat dehydration or pain. When Cartwright or Bachman encounter a situation that they can't handle, they seek out the services of an obstetrician or anesthesiologist, who can.

"Women need to know that they have the same options of pain management when they choose us as they would have during a traditional birth with an obstetrician. A healthy baby and mother is the bottom line. Sometimes intervention is necessary and sometimes it is not," Bachman said.

There are some circumstances that would cause a midwife to turn away patients and direct them down another avenue for their delivery. These high risk women include those with medical problems such as diabetes or high blood pressure and those who are having multiple births such as twins.

Despite the many advantages of choosing a midwife, many women still don't consider it after becoming preg-

### What is a midwife?

A **Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)** is a registered nurse who has completed her degree in midwifery. He/she usually works through a hospital, obstetrician's office or birthing center. Some certified nurse midwives have home birth practices. Physician back-up is usually required.

A **Certified Midwife (CM)** is certified their state or midwifery organization. Has generally passed both oral and written tests and has had their practice scrutinized. CM may have received her training in a school or in a manner similar to the lay midwife.

A **Lay Midwife** is one who has usually apprenticed with an experienced midwife. Some are self-taught. Many have attended additional workshops and classes to supplement their education. Some lay midwives are affiliated with a physician but are not necessarily under a physician's directive.

A **Direct-Entry Midwife** may receive specialized training at a midwifery school, which includes hands-on preceptorship. Many are apprenticed with an experienced midwife or doctor. Some states offer certification/licensure. There are a number of established midwifery schools in the U.S. The curriculum varies in length of time and content. At least one school currently offers a degree-granting program.

A **Certified Professional Midwife (CPM)** is either a direct-entry midwife, certified nurse midwife or a lay midwife who has received certification by the North American Registry of Midwives.

Source — North American Registry of Midwives & MOMS (Mid-Oregon Midwifery Service)

nant. Much of the reason may have to do with the misconceptions that have surrounded midwifery. However, many women don't feel they are eligible for a midwifery program.

Friss was one such person.

"I just assumed that when I got pregnant with my third child that a midwife wouldn't take me because of the c-section I had with my second child and my age," said Friss, who was 41 at the time. "I found out that I was a good candidate. So if someone thinks like I did, they should check it out anyway. I would definitely use a midwife again."

## MEDICAL NEWSMAKERS

Items for Health Newsmakers are welcome from all physicians, medical groups, hospitals and individuals active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Health Newsmakers, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail [kmortson@oe.homemom.net](mailto:kmortson@oe.homemom.net) or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

### Two new leaders

The Michigan Peer Review Organization of Plymouth recently announced two new members of their Leadership Team, Carolyn (Carl) Jardine Meister, is MPRO's new Chief Operating Officer. She has global responsibilities for MPRO's operations, both internally and externally, and she oversees the contractual obligations of the Medicare, State Government and Behavioral Health Teams.

AkheNeel Talisma is MPRO's new director for the Medicare Health Care Quality Improvement Program. Her responsibilities include overseeing the

work of the Medicare Team under its contract with the Health Care Financing Administration.

MPRO is a statewide, independent organization that leads and coordinates efforts to improve the quality of health care.

### New learning experience

With recent funding from the Michigan Campus Compact, Madonna University students will have the opportunity to work with families affected by the HIV/AIDS virus. The primary site/laboratory for this service learning experience will be Simon House, a shelter in Detroit for women and children with HIV/AIDS.

Developed by Plymouth resident Mary Mitsch, assistant professor of nursing, Dennis Boxyk, Westland resident and associate professor of history; and Ernest Nolan, Ph.D., vice president for academic administration and Northville resident, the Scholarship of Engagement Mini-Grant is in the amount of \$2,000.



AkheNeel Talisma

### Who's Who

Jennifer L. Westcott, D.C. of Westcott Chiropractic Center of Livonia, has been accepted by The National Registry of Who's Who as a life member. The acceptance of Westcott as a life member is in recognition of exemplary service, both to community and to profession.

The National Registry of Who's Who is a highly recognized biographical publication for professionals. The responsibility of choosing only people of significant accomplishment is taken very seriously by The National Registry of Who's Who.

### State-of-the-art dentistry

Dr. Deric A. Lembree, D.D.S., is pleased to announce that he recently acquired the Livonia-based dental practice of Dr. Allen Rubin. While the office will remain at 28275 Five Mile Road (1/2 mile east of Middlebelt), the name has been changed to General & Cosmetic Dentistry, with a brand new Web site at [www.drlembree.com](http://www.drlembree.com)

Lembree and his staff have made many changes including follow-up phone calls, patients now receive follow-up letters to confirm treatment plans and options, hygiene kits and extensive patient information via the office's Web site where you will find post-operative instructions, a Do's and

Don'ts for dental emergencies, a dental hygiene quiz, information about x-ray safety and bleaching, office hours, directions, and a bio of Dr. Lembree.

For information call (734) 525-6100.

### New associate

Associated Endocrinologists, P.C., a practice specializing in thyroid and other endocrine disease, recently welcomed Gary W. Edelson, M.D. as a new associate.

Edelson is Associated Professor of Medicine at Wayne State University School of Medicine and serves as Chief of Endocrinology at Sinai-Grace Hospital. He is also on staff at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak.

Edelson has a special interest in lipid disorders, diabetes, and osteoporosis. Associated Endocrinologists, P.C. is located in the William Beaumont Medical Building, 6900 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 203, West Bloomfield. Associates also in practice there include Michael Garcia, M.D., Michael M. Kaplan, M.D., Donald A. Meier, M.D., and Charles I. Taylor, M.D.



Gary Edelson, M.D.

## Oakwood physician specializes in treating women with incontinence problems

Oakwood Healthcare System recently welcomed Veronica Mallett, M.D. to its Obstetrics/Gynecology - Woman's Services Line.

As a subspecialist in urogynecology, Mallett focuses primarily on the management of women with urinary incontinence and female organ prolapse. In addition to her expert reconstructive pelvic surgical skills, Mallett also

offers out-patient care for these conditions.

Mallett will be collaborating with other physicians within the Oakwood Healthcare System such as family practice, urology and other gynecologists to assist patients in receiving comprehensive clinical care.

Mallett is one of the few physicians in the state to perform a new, minimal-

ly invasive procedure called the Tension-Free Vaginal Sling. This procedure is designed to treat female urinary incontinence on an out-patient basis with fewer risks and side effects than surgery.

"I am very excited to be joining forces with Oakwood to bring urogynecology services to its wide patient base," said Mallett.

"Urogynecology is a specialty much needed in the community and I look forward to this opportunity to reach a new segment of the population anxious to eliminate these conditions."

Patients can call Oakwood's toll free Health line at (800) 543-WELL to schedule an appointment.

# Internet access in your car changes driving experience



MIKE WENDLAND

Convergence and being connected has been the buzzwords when it comes to the Internet.

First, we saw Internet access move from the work place and schools, converging in our homes. Then we saw various forms of media converge around the World Wide Web, such as print and pictures, audio and video, that turned webpages into multimedia wonders.

Now, we're networking multiple computers in the home. And technology companies are working on so-called "Internet devices," things like toasters and microwaves, air conditioning and home security systems, that can be remotely controlled via the Net.

But General Motors thinks the ultimate convergence of the Internet will occur in our automobiles. Last week in Las Vegas, GM announced that starting

in 2000, it will offer Internet access in select Cadillac models. The service will later expand to other GM models.

Americans spend a total of about 500 million hours a week in their cars. That's a lot of down time. Being online while on-the-road could make for a much more efficient commute, GM reasons, thinking lots of us who live in "Internet time" will welcome the Net into our cars.

"We think offering personalized web-based services will usher in a new era in automotive communications that will change the role of cars and trucks for the American driving public," said Rick Wagoner, GM's president and CEO.

The reason we haven't seen the Internet in our cars until now has largely been safety-related. The technology to reliably connect to the Net from our cars has been available for a couple of years. It's the danger of having to look away from the road to read Internet messages on an in-dash computer screen, that has stopped manufacturers from harnessing that technology.

GM's innovative approach will deliver

the Internet through something called the OnStar Virtual Advisor, a personalized service that uses wireless technology, state-of-the-art voice recognition and text-to-speech synthesis to audibly deliver e-mail, Net-based news stories, sports scores and stock reports.

There is no computer screen to distract the driver. The whole process is hands-free and works through driver voice commands. Saying something as simple as "Get e-mail" activates the system, sending it out on the Net to gather your e-mail. The text messages are then instantly processed by the OnStar system and read back by a synthesized voice.

GM expects that as many as a million people will sign up for its OnStar services in the next 18 months. Besides the Internet, OnStar offers driver navigation services through an in-vehicle Global Positioning System satellite device that keeps track of exactly where you are. Real, live people called OnStar Advisors are instantly reachable by a touch of a button for turn-by-turn directions. The advisors can also summon

help the event of an accident or breakdown.

The convergence of the Internet with all these on-board vehicle services is something all the carmakers are working on. But by announcing last week that personalized web-based services for a production model automobile will be offered next year, GM plans to out-scoop the competition.

And e-mail and the other services are just the start.

At the sneak peek given journalists last week in Las Vegas, GM talked about other Internet innovations slated for our driving time. GM engineers showed me how a Palm VII personal digital assistant can be used to remotely unlock a vehicle, or flash the lights or sound the horn.

The automaker plans to offer Internet access capabilities that will allow MP3 music files to be downloaded from a home PC and then uploaded to a vehicle's entertainment system.

And just as many people now watch satellite TV at home, GM plans to offer satellite radio capabilities into cars and

trucks so that drivers can receive as many as 100 stations anywhere in the U.S.

## PC Mike seminar

My "Maintaining and Troubleshooting Your PC" seminar will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Nov. 13 at Lawrence Technological University, 21000 W. Ten Mile Road, in Southfield (near Evergreen).

Organized by WXYT TalkRadio 1270, the session will cover the basics of maintaining your PC and diagnosing and repairing common problems. I'll also suggest ways to upgrade and improve your system. The seminar is free but you must have a reservation. Call the 24-hour seminar hotline at (248) 423-2721.

Mike Wendland reports about computers and the Internet for NBC television stations coast-to-coast. His radio show is heard every weekend on TalkRadio 1270, WXYT. You can reach Mike through his Web site at [www.pcmike.com](http://www.pcmike.com)

## BUSINESS CALENDAR

Items from the Observerland area for the Business Calendar can be sent to: Observer Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150 attention: Business Calendar.

### MON, NOV. 8

**CANTON BPW**  
The Canton Business & Professional Women is part of a national organization promoting equity for all women in the workplace to achieve goals through advocacy, education and information. Locally we meet the second Monday of every month at the Roman Forum on Ford Road in Canton. Our business meeting is from 5:30-6:10 p.m., speaker/dinner from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Call Clarice Killian at (734) 981-2572 for information. Marilyn Alimpich of the Regional Field Office for Social Security will discuss "A Woman's Guide to Social Security."

**ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR**  
Sponsored by Great Lakes Christian College (Lansing) Gary Washburn, vice president of Financial Stewardship of Troy will make a presentation from 7-9 p.m. on ways you can be a good steward of your assets after your funeral including simple strategies that will guarantee that more of your estates goes the people/organizations of your choice than the government; and how to distribute your assets. Family, friends and co-workers are encouraged to attend. No matter the size of your total estate, you will find something of value in this seminar.

### WED, NOV. 10

**BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L**

Meets from 7-8:30 a.m. Laurel Park Chapter, Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Rd., Livonia and Metro Livonia, The American Table 33501 West Eight Mile, near Farmington Road. Call the BNI office (810) 323-3800.

### FRI, NOV. 12

**BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L**  
Meets from 7-8:30 a.m. Livonia Chapter, Senate Koney Island on Plymouth Road near Stark. Call BNI at (810) 323-3800.

**THE MAN ANNIVERSARY**  
The Tie Man of Livonia is celebrating five years in business with the Fifth Annual Customer Appreciation Event and Grand Re-opening from noon to 8 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served, free gifts for the first 15 customers, special discounts on every tie, and two new lines will be introduced. The store features improved lighting, new displays, more designer ties and a larger selection of ties, suits and accessories. Located at 31160 Five Mile, N/E corner of Five Mile and Merriman Roads in Livonia. For more information call (734) 513-0843.

### TUE, NOV. 16

**ASSOC. OF CAREER WOMEN**  
The West Suburban Chapter of NACW will host its monthly meeting at 11:45 a.m. at Ernesto's in Plymouth (41661 Plymouth Road). The featured speaker will be Mary Uday of Prism Performance System. Her topic is "Win-Win Negotiating." You will learn the art of persuasion, diplomacy and compromise. Cost is \$18 members; \$22 non-members. Call Tracey Huff (248)

347-3355 for a reservation.

### FINANCING YOUR BUSINESS

The Michigan Small Business Development Center at Wayne State University will host a workshop titled, "Financing Your Business Without A Bank," from 6-8 p.m. at MSBD Center, 2727 Second Ave., #121, Detroit. This workshop is designed to inform prospective and existing entrepreneurs on alternative financing opportunities that exist outside of traditional lending institutions. Register before Nov. 15, cost is \$20; day of the workshop \$25. Space is limited. Please arrive approximately 15 minutes before the workshop to make your payment at the door. Call (313) 964-1798 ext. 300 for information or to register.

### WED, NOV. 17

**BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L**  
Meets from 7-8:30 a.m. Laurel Park Chapter, Archie's Restaurant, 30471 Plymouth Rd., Livonia and Metro Livonia, The American Table 33501 West Eight Mile, near Farmington Road. Call the BNI office (810) 323-3800.

### THUR, NOV. 18

**BUSINESS PLAN**  
Service Corps of Retired Executives will host a Business Plan Workshop from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the McNamara Federal Building, 477 Michigan Ave., Room 895 in Detroit. \$40 per person. Topics include preparing a business plan, business plan workbook, example of a business plan and sources of help. Call (313) 226-7497 to register.

**PRESS FOR SUCCESS**  
The Health Care

Admissions/Marketing Directors Association, Michigan District 12 meeting will feature Marilyn Berman addressing "Press for Success," a lunch and learn session on PR made easy. Learn how to develop a media list, promote an event, write a press release and more. Receive a complimentary copy of Marilyn's personal Public Relations Handbook. Reservations are encouraged. Cost is \$8 for members; \$10 non-members and at the door attendees. Even will be held at The Heritage of Southfield, 25800 W. 11 Mile Road in

Southfield Call (248) 208-9393.

### FRI, NOV. 19

**BUSINESS NETWORK INT'L**  
Meets from 7-8:30 a.m. Livonia Chapter, Senate Koney Island on Plymouth Road near Stark. Call BNI at (810) 323-3800.

### JAN. 10, 2000

**CANTON BPW**  
The Canton Business & Professional Women is part of a national organization promoting

equity for all women in the workplace to achieve goals through advocacy, education and information. Locally we meet the second Monday of every month at the Roman Forum on Ford Road in Canton. Our business meeting is from 5:30-6:10 p.m., speaker/dinner from 6:15-7:30 p.m. Call Clarice Killian at (734) 981-2572 for information. The guest speaker is Vicki Bonner, career technician at Plymouth-Salem High School, who will discuss mentoring and career shadowing of today's high school students.

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## BUSINESS MARKETPLACE

Items for Business Marketplace are welcome from all companies and residents active in the Observer-area business community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Business Marketplace, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.

### Valassis recognized

Recognizing the successes of the leading Midwest growth companies, Bain & Company recently announced that Valassis Communications, Inc. was acknowledged as the most impressive strategic performer in the consumer products and

services industry. Valassis was one of the six finalists for the Bain Award for Strategy Excellence, selected from a field of more than 500 for its ability to translate breakthrough strategy into results.

### Seminar attended

Park Jarrett III, of Livonia, an area general agent for Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL), attended the 1999 Professional Excellence Seminar offered by AAL in Minn.

### Acquisition

Alken-Ziegler Livonia, L.L.C., a wholly owned sub-

siary of Alken-Ziegler, Inc., of Kalkaska has purchased the assets of Special Products Coldform, a division of Dana Corporation, located in Livonia. Alken-Ziegler Livonia supplies OEM and aftermarket automotive companies with cold formed and machined products.

### Expanding

United Planet, a full-service lettershop and marketing support services firm, has expanded into a larger facility, doubling their existing space. The company's new address is 25715 Meadowbrook, Novi. For information call (248) 735-8500.

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## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer-area medical community. Items should be sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or faxed to (734) 591-7279.

### TUE, NOV. 9

#### BREAST CANCER SUPPORT

The Marian Women's Center of St. Mary Hospital will hold a breast cancer support group meeting from 7-9 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B. Lisa Samerdyke, DuPont Pharmaceuticals, will present on Miraluma imaging, a new diagnostic procedure used with mammography. The support group meets the second Tuesday of each month. For more information or to register call 655-1100 or toll free at (800) 494-1615.

### WED, NOV. 10

#### DIABETES EDUCATION OPEN HOUSE

The Garden City Hospital Diabetes Self-Management Education Program will hold an open house from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Health and Education Center, 6701 Harrison - Garden City. People who have been diagnosed as being diabetic or who provide care for someone who has this disease should take advantage of the change to ask the hospital's diabetes educators about the latest in self-management and medical nutrition therapy. Call (734) 458-4330 to register.

#### MIDDLEBELT HEALTHCARE OPEN HOUSE

Middlebelt HealthCare Center will host an open house from 2-4 p.m. at 14900 Middlebelt Road in Livonia. Dr. Ketan Tolia will be in house to answer questions. A ribbon cutting ceremony and light refreshments will also be featured. RSVP by Nov. 8 by calling (734) 425-4200.

#### ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT

A support group for family members, friends and caregivers of persons afflicted with

Alzheimer's disease or related disorders. Free of charge sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association. Group meets at 7 p.m. in Classroom #3 of the Garden City Hospital Medical Office Building. Call 458-4330.

#### WINTER READINESS

Henry Ford OptimEyes will offer flu shots from 9 a.m. to noon at its Westland Super Vision Center (35184 Central City Parkway). You'll also have the opportunity to "Ask the Experts," with AAA, Consumers Energy, Westland Car Care and Westland Police. Guest speaker: Dr. Mark Richter from Henry Ford Health System. Call (734) 427-5200 for information.

#### DIABETES SELF-MANAGEMENT

An education program to help people self-manage diabetes from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Health & Education Center, 6701 Harrison St., Garden City. Call (734) 458-4330. Join in the celebration during National Diabetes Month. Bring your questions and ask our diabetes educators about the latest in self-management and medical nutrition therapy. Enjoy refreshments, door prizes and special activities.

### THUR, NOV. 11

#### GRIEF SUPPORT

Helping those grieving around the holidays. New Directions, an ongoing support group of men and women 45-60 whose spouses or fiances have died. Meets at 7 p.m. the second Thursday at Church of Christ on Sheldon in Plymouth. Sponsored by Arbor Hospice.

#### HEALTHQUEST SEMINAR

Free Healthquest seminars will continue at the Canton Summit on the Park in the Art II Room every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. through Dec. 16. There will not be a meeting on Thanksgiving Day. Seminars are sponsored by the Canton Seventh-day Adventist Church and are presented by health professionals: Dr. Jason Goliatch; Aroldo Aragones, Ph.D., clinical psychology; Dr. Rudy Gomez; Brenda Schalk, registered dietitian and Michael Doucoumes, director of Breathe Free Plan to Stop Smoking. The topics include

exercise/ weight control, diet/ nutrition, stress control, cancer prevention, heart disease, and diabetes. For more information, call (734) 844-8660.

#### GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT

Are you ready for the Great American Smokeout? The program will be held 7-8:30 p.m. in the West Addition Conference Room B. St. Mary Hospital. Participants will learn the latest products available to help them become smoke-free as well as other emotional and behavioral steps that can be taken to kick the habit for good. This is a free program but registration is requested at (734) 655-8940.

### SAT, NOV. 13

#### VIBRATIONAL MEDICINE

Learn why our present views of health and disease will radically change in the new millennium, and how the use and acceptance of alternative therapies will accelerate over the next decade. This course, "Principles of Vibrational Medicine," will present how medicine is beginning to evolve away from the body as a machine and toward the bioenergetic perspectives of health and disease. Course is transferable into the Holistic Health Practitioner Diploma program - leading to Board Certification in Holistic Health. To register call the Serenity School of Holistic Health in Livonia at (248) 474-0368 or (734) 513-0868.

#### GREAT EXPECTATIONS

A seminar for couples who are either thinking of having a baby or are newly expecting. Class from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at Botsford Center for Health Improvement, (248) 477-6100. \$15 per couple; or \$7.50 per person.

#### LYMPHATIC/DETOX WORKSHOP

Attend the Ultimate Lymphatic and Blood Detox Workshop with a raw food dinner buffet from 1-7 p.m. The Tree House for Earth's Children, 22906 Mooney St., Farmington. Call (248) 473-0624. Learn the basic principles of anatomy, physiology and fluid dynamics of the human lymphatic system; recount indications and contra-indications, therapeutic intervention with Manual Lymphatic Drainage; learn how

to detox the body; and discuss deep cellular supplements. 6.5 continuing education units available for nurses and for massage therapists. Cost is \$50, single; \$90 couple.

#### KUMON OPEN HOUSE

An open house for the Livonia Kumon Math and Reading Center is from 1:30-3 p.m. Kumon is a supplemental method of learning that has achieved worldwide success. Free diagnostic testing will be offered for all students. The center is at 32625 Seven Mile, Pierson Center #3 (east of Farmington Road). Call (734) 458-1854 for more information.

### TUE, NOV. 16

#### STROKE/ANEURYSM SUPPORT

For those who had or have a cerebral aneurysm or stroke. Family members/ friends welcome. Group will meet at Garden City Hospital to promote a sharing interaction (free). Call 458-4396 for information.

#### GRIEF SUPPORT

Helping those grieving around the holidays. Starting Over, an ongoing support group for men and women 45 and younger whose spouses or fiances have died, meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month at Church of Christ on Sheldon Road in Plymouth. Call (800) 783-5764 for information. A children's group meets in Plymouth the same evening at 6:30 p.m.

#### GRIEF RECOVERY SERIES

Hospice of Washtenaw will begin its next five-week Grief Recovery Series from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Hospice office (806 Airport Blvd.) in Ann Arbor. The series is dedicated to helping survivors adapt to their loss and to gain and develop new skills in coping. Healthy ways for moving through the grief process will be presented for individuals who have lost a loved one. Participants are encouraged to attend all five sessions. Preregistration is required by calling (734) 327-3409. Free.

### WED, NOV. 17

#### CAREGIVING OLDER ADULTS

This informative free series is presented by Dr. Bharti Srivastava, senior health specialist.

Group meets from 1-2 p.m. at the Canton Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. Call (734) 397-5444.

#### SUBSTANCE ABUSE COURSE

Madonna University will offer two substance abuse courses this fall. "Chemical Dependency: General Information," will be held from 7-10 p.m. Wednesdays beginning Nov. 17 through Dec. 15. The course will review the research on substance abuse, different theories of addiction, disease concept of alcoholism and the ethics of the profession. The non-credit fee is \$100. To register, call (734) 432-5731.

### THUR, NOV. 18

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### SAT, NOV. 20

#### YOUR VOICE - YOUR CHOICE

Your Voice - Your Choice free education program, free advance directive completion and vaccinations from 8 a.m. to noon at the Hellenic Cultural Center (36375 Joy) in Westland. Dr. Tim Love; registered nurse Gail Daly; Patricia Mallon, J.D. attorney; and registered nurse Christine Westphal, MSN, of Oakwood Healthcare System will direct the program. Complete your own advance directive, which states your treatment wishes and who should speak for you if you could not speak for yourself. 10:30-noon (advance directives); noon-2 p.m. Free

individual sessions to complete advance directives/vaccinations. Register by Nov. 12 by calling (800) 543-WELL.

#### VIBRATIONAL MEDICINE

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### WED, NOV. 24

#### NEWBORN CARE

A two-session class meets for the first time at 6 p.m. Designed to help expectant parents learn about their baby's needs. The second session includes child and infant CPR conducted by the American Heart Association instructors. Registration required by calling (734) 458-4330.

### WED, DEC. 1

#### DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Guest speakers and open discussion provide information and support. Call (734) 458-4330.

#### SIBLING CLASS

A night devoted to siblings that will help prepare them for the arrival of the family's new baby. Class time is 1.5 hours and is recommended for children 3 to 8 years of age. Call 458-4330 for class dates and registration.

#### CHILD/INFANT CPR

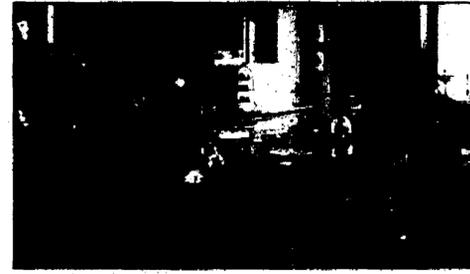
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