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THE WEEK

AHEAD

Dance group: Harriet Berg and the Mme. Cadillac Dance Theatre will perform 3-4:30 p.m. Sunday at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, 6123 Central City Parkway, north of Ford Road in Westland.

MONDAY

GOP candidates: Republican candidates for Congress, state Senate and state House on the Nov. 3 ballot will be answer questions and meet with the public at the Westland Republican Club meeting 7 p.m. Monday at Amantea's Restaurant, Warren at Venoy.

Study sessions: Westland City Council will hold a study sessions starting at 5:30 p.m. on computers, 6 p.m. on the library bookmobile and 6:30 p.m. on bus stop problems at Joy and Ravine. Council meets on the second floor of Westland City Hall, Ford Road west of Wayne.

TUESDAY

Chamber lunch: Nicole's Revival will hold a fashion show of resale designer clothes at the Westland Chamber of Commerce monthly business luncheon at Joy Manor, Joy west of Middlebelt. Lunch and networking begin at 11:30 a.m.

Construction update: The Wayne-Westland school board meets at 6 p.m. Tuesday for an update on school bond construction projects. The board meets at the administration building, on Marquette, east of Newburgh.

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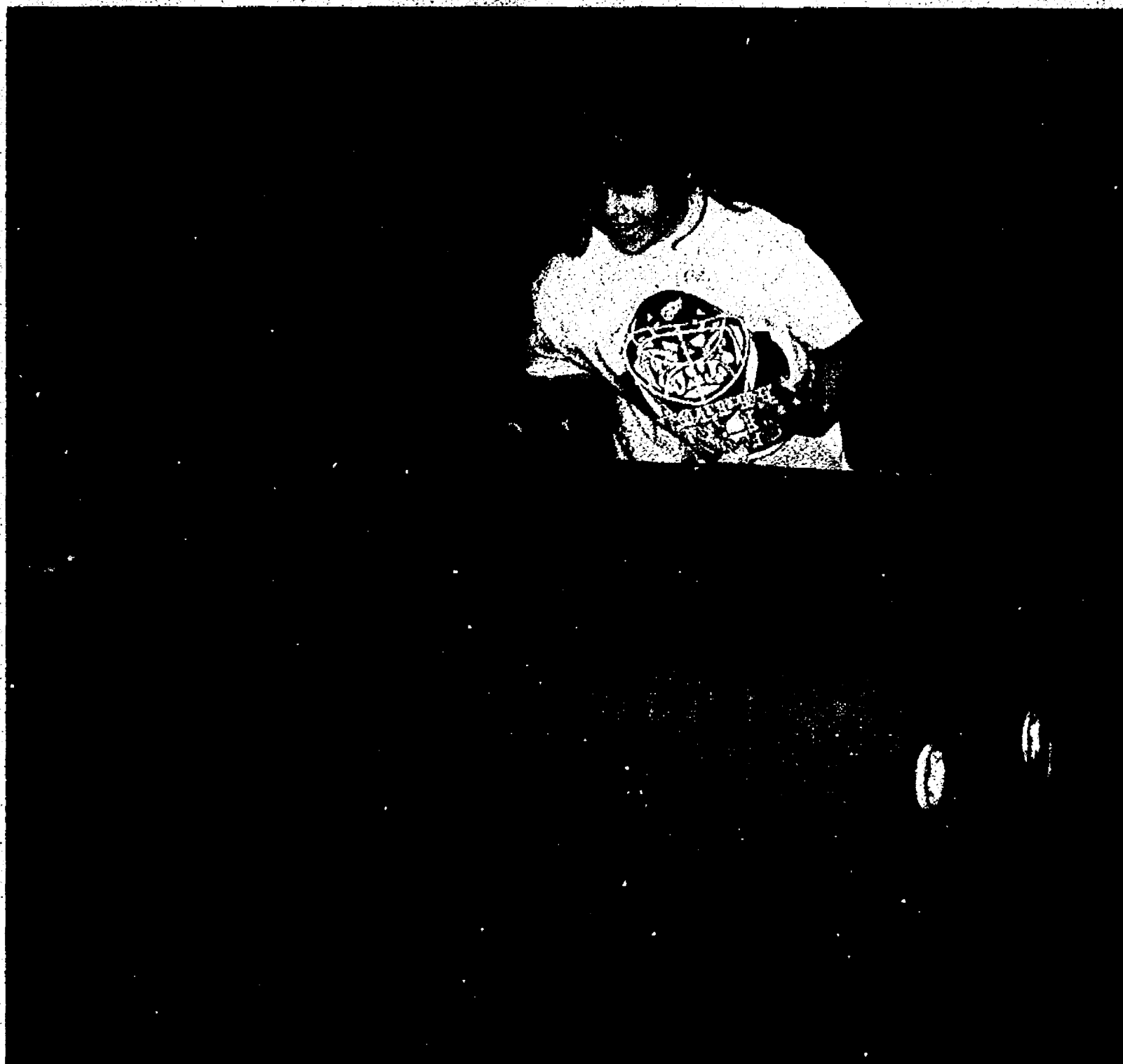
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Barrel of fun



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Family activities: Above, Megan Daugherty, 6, of Westland joined in the fun of the barrel races at the "Turn Off the Violence Night" at the Bailey Recreation Center. At right, Veronica Southard, 9, of Westland gets blindfolded by firefighter Bob Fields before entering a tunnel to show that there is no visibility in a fire.



'Turn Off Violence' draws 650

An estimated 650 people shunned TV violence and engaged in family activities Thursday during the city's annual "Turn Off The Violence" program.

"Everybody seemed to have a great time," Margaret Martin, parks and recreation program supervisor, said.

Organizers counted the crowd by placing stickers on people as they arrived for fun at the Bailey Recreation Center. Volunteers placed nearly 650 stickers on participants.

"We had over 600 people and we figure that's a class act," Parks and Recreation Director Robert Kosowski said.

Children and parents, alike, feasted on 26 "humongous" pizzas from Toarmina's, Martin said, and volunteers served 700 to 800 bags of popcorn. Councilman Glenn Anderson served snow-cones.

The annual event started several years ago in an attempt to steer families away from often-violent

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Teen to face trial in fatality

■ Joseph Norman Novell, 17-year-old valedictorian of Clarenceville High School's Class of 1998, has been ordered to stand trial in the death of Julia Margaret Serda.

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A Farmington Hills teen faces trial for the Aug. 1 death of an 18-year-old pregnant woman whose baby survived a two-car accident in Westland.

Joseph Norman Novell, 17-year-old valedictorian of Clarenceville High School's Class of 1998, has been ordered to stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court for negligent homicide in the death of Julia Margaret Serda.

The ruling by Westland 18th District Judge Gail McKnight followed testimony that surfaced Thursday during Novell's preliminary hearing.

Serda died after the 1990 Ford Tempo she was riding in collided with Novell's 1990 Chevrolet Beretta in the intersection of Ann Arbor Trail and Middlebelt.

The Inkster woman was declared dead about 45 minutes after the 5:48 p.m. accident, but the baby she carried for 7 1/2 months survived after doctors performed an emergency Caesarean section. Her family is caring for the little girl.

Novell, driving east on Ann Arbor Trail, was turning left onto Middlebelt when his Beretta collided with a west-bound Tempo driven by Serda's roommate, 19-year-old Margaret Louise Bargowski.

Westland police have said both drivers entered the intersection as a green light turned yellow.

Joshua Daniel Krause, a back seat passenger in Bargowski's car, testified Thursday that he saw the light change while Bargowski was eight to 10 car lengths from it.

"She sped up a little bit," Krause said. "We hit a car as we went through the intersection."

Bargowski and Serda were taking Krause to his Livonia residence before going to work at the Ford-Tel theater in Dearborn Heights, Westland police have said. Novell was going to a concert with 21-year-old Jonathan Wood of Westland.

"They turned in front of us, and we hit their front right fender," Krause testified.

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City, residents team up to clean up Corrado Park

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Vandals and party crowds used to hang out at a north-end Westland park, leaving behind broken beer bottles, trash, used condoms and drug paraphernalia, residents say.

"You couldn't even walk the dog

because there would be broken glass all over the place," nearby resident Jilda Macuga, a mother of two, said.

But city officials and residents this year joined forces to transform Corrado Park into a place where families are returning.

"More families are coming to the park," Macuga said. "I see more people there with young kids."

In early summer, city parks department workers started a concerted effort to clean up the park, she said.

"Now I see them out there quite a bit cleaning up the trash," Macuga said.

Westland police also started patrolling the park more often, prompting trouble-makers to move elsewhere, she said.

In another positive move, the city

spent \$25,000 to build a heavy plastic "playscape" structure for children, Parks and Recreation Director Robert Kosowski said.

To celebrate the changes, some 200 people recently gathered for a cookout and neighborhood outing that coincided with the playscape project's completion.

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Rivers votes with Democrats on impeachment

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For only the third time in American history, the U.S. House of Representatives voted Thursday to begin an impeachment inquiry of a president.

While the vote to begin an inquiry into the conduct of President Bill Clinton contained a crossover tally of 31 Democrats supporting the Republican proposal calling for an open-ended inquiry, the remainder of the votes were partisan: 227 Republicans for and 175 Democrats and one independent against it.

Observer area representatives — U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield Township, and Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor — voted along party lines.

The House action authorizes the House Judiciary Committee to open an investigation into whether Clinton should be impeached for his actions stemming from his relationship with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky or, if the inquiry reveals it, for other wrongdoing.

Knollenberg, whose district includes Redford, Farmington, Farmington Hills and part of Livonia, said there is "compelling evidence" that Clinton may have committed perjury and obstructed justice in his attempts to conceal his affair with Lewinsky.

"While the president has apologized for lying to the American people about this affair, he has denied that he committed any crimes," Knollenberg said.

Knollenberg said the House had "a constitutional obligation to seek out the truth in the fairest, more

expeditious manner."

"The allegations of perjury and obstruction of justice are serious matters that must be fully investigated. To do anything less would set the terrible precedent that the chief law enforcement officer of our nation can swear under oath to tell the truth and then lie for political convenience."

Rivers, whose district includes Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Garden City, Westland and part of Livonia, voted for the Democrats' amendment to place a time limit on the inquiry through Dec. 31. It also called for the House approval of any needed extensions or referrals on other possible investigations into campaign finance

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He estimated that Bargowski was driving 35 mph to 40 mph in the 35 mph zone before she increased her speed to "around 45 mph."

Signal flashing

Krause said he braced himself as he saw a turn signal flashing on Novell's car, and he said Bargowski didn't hit her brakes. Krause said he didn't remember if Bargowski was turned toward passenger Serda and talking when the accident occurred.

Novell's attorney, Stephen Boak, argued that Novell shouldn't stand trial for negligent homicide because he was merely trying to complete his left turn when Bargowski ignored the traffic light.

Boak and Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Wade McCann differed on whether Bargowski had time to stop her car before the light changed.

Boak argued that Novell had the legal right of way to complete his turn but that Bargowski kept driving "obviously in an attempt to get through the light before it turned red."

Boak said Bargowski refused to yield "as she was required to do under the law."

"Mr. Novell had the right of way. He was not negligent," Boak said.

But McCann said drivers like Bargowski, approaching a changing traffic light, "are very likely going to proceed through the intersection because they don't have time to stop."

McCann argued that Novell, not Bargowski, should have

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yielded.

Westland police Officer Ron Kroll testified that Novell admitted he tried to turn left when the traffic light was yellow.

Police Officer Jack McIntosh, an accident reconstruction specialist, testified that no skid marks were found on the road. He estimated that Bargowski was driving at or near the posted speed limit.

The accident occurred on a clear, sunny day.

To stand trial

On Thursday, McKnight stated that there was enough evidence to order Novell to trial because he could be "a substantial cause of the death of this young woman."

Westland police have said both Novell and Bargowski had perfect driving records.

Novell could face a maximum sentence of two years in prison if he is convicted as charged of negligent homicide.

For now, he is free on a \$50,000 personal bond. But 18th District Court administrator David Wiacek said Novell has been ordered to abide by judicial orders such as avoiding drugs, appearing for random drug screenings and continuing to attend classes at Wayne State University.



STAFF PHOTOS BY TOM HAWLEY

On the rock: Max Trombley, 2, (left) of Westland and Alex Cubr, 4, of Westland climb up the simulated rock mountain at Corrado Park in Westland.

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But city officials don't plan to stop there, Kosowski said. The city is seeking a state grant to install a hockey rink and a roller skating path at Corrado Park.

"Hockey is being played right now on the tennis courts, and we want to stop that," Kosowski said.

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City officials hope to receive a grant in time to implement the new measures as early as next spring. The grant would cover 75 percent of the cost, with the city paying the remaining tab.

Macuga also commended the city for placing a stop sign at Mackenzie and Flamingo — a move that she said has cut down on drag racing in the area.

What's more, Kosowski said the city is trying to start a north-end neighborhood watch program that would include efforts to protect Corrado Park from potential vandals. To help, call (734) 722-7620.

Kosowski said the city wouldn't have been as successful with transforming Corrado Park unless residents had shown an interest in their neighborhood.

"The residents have really helped out," he said.



Sliding in: Alex Cubr, 4, of Westland enjoys the new slide, part of the new playground equipment at Corrado Park in Westland.

Town hall meeting Nov. 12

The final Town Hall meeting for the year is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, on Central City

Parkway between Warren and Ford roads. Town hall meetings give residents a chance to air concerns to the mayor and his administration.

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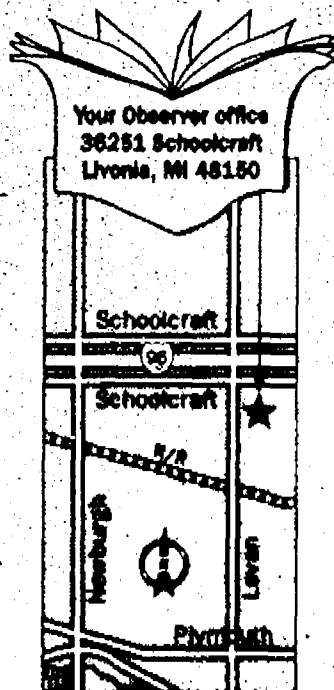
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Paper pumpkins: Alyssa Young, 7, (left) of Westland gets a little orange paint on her hands while painting paper pumpkin at the "Turn off the Violence Night." Her friend (right) is Gianna Brooks, 8, of Westland.

Off

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television programming and to get them to participate in activities together.

"The purpose is to get families out together and enjoy recreation instead of parents dropping off their kids and leaving," Kosowski said.

Mayor Robert Thomas and Deputy Mayor George Gillies helped kick off the evening with opening remarks.

Among the fun during Thursday's 6:30-9 p.m. event:

- Children enjoyed a giant, inflated slide brought in by the Rotary Club.

- DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) police officers sponsored a hockey puck shoot, and they shot basketball with youngsters.

- The Dad's Club sponsored a barrel race in which children and parents tried to beat each other pushing barrels.

- Chip "the wonder dog" was brought in by the Michigan Humane Society to let volunteers teach children how to care for pets.

- Westland firefighters brought emergency vehicles that participants could see. Firefighters even let children and parents take rides in a high-rise ladder. Police vehicles also could be seen up close



Pig puppets: Kelsey Blevins, 7, and mom Darla (right) of Westland make one of the "Three Little Pigs" puppets.

by children.

- First Step, a program that helps abused women and their children, had an informational booth.

- Clowns Around Redford did face-painting and made balloons into the shape of animals.

- Westland's library sponsored a project allowing children to make their own puppets.

- Numerous arts and crafts tables were set up to let chil-

dren try their hand at art.

Martin said Westland Police Explorers served hot dogs and walked the grounds to make sure the event didn't have any snags.

"They were everywhere," she said. "They were incredible."

Kosowski also commended local clubs and civic organizations for helping out.

"The clubs around here really helped us out," he said.

Martin labeled the evening "a wonderful success."

Woman faces fraud charges

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A 31-year-old Westland woman faces trial on fraud charges in the use of a bank card and two credit cards belonging to her late mother.

Lisa Ann Highfield was sent to Wayne County Circuit Court on six felony counts Thursday after her preliminary hearing before 16th District Court Judge Kathleen McCann. She is currently free on a \$5,000 bond.

The prosecution contends Highfield, on two occasions in May, used a credit card issued to her mother, Mary Highfield, signing her mother's name. In another May incident, she used a bank card to take money from her mother's account, the charges say.

The transactions related to the

charges total less than \$825. Defense attorney Timothy Ash said after the hearing there was no criminal intent on his client's part.

Mary Highfield, 48, and her husband, Jacob Highfield, 58, were killed in April in a fire at their house on Barkley in Livonia. Lisa Highfield, her husband, Joe, and their two children lived with the elder Highfields at the time.

Patrick Highfield, Jacob Highfield's son and the executor of his estate, testified Thursday that he has found about \$200,000 of credit card debt in his father's name. He estimated that \$40,000 to \$50,000 can be attributed to his father.

Patrick Highfield went to police in June after finding that credit card accounts of his father and stepmother's had been used

after their deaths.

In the use of the credit cards, Lisa Highfield is charged with two counts of forgery and two counts of possessing a financial transaction device without the owner's consent. She had also been charged with two counts of using false pretenses to obtain more than \$100, but McCann agreed with defense attorney Timothy Ash that those charges plus the forgery charges amounted to double jeopardy. The false pretenses charges, which carry a lesser penalty, were dismissed.

In the use of the automatic teller machine card, she is charged with using false pretenses and possessing a financial transaction device without the owners consent.

The forgery charges each carry a penalty of up to 14 years in prison.

New ADD support group to meet

A new support group will meet next week for parents of children who have Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) or Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

The first session is scheduled for 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, at P.D. Graham Elementary School, 1265 S. John Hix at the corner of Avondale.

Cost is \$3 and includes baby-sitting, but participants need to call (734) 595-2279 to register.

The Wayne-Westland school district's Family Resource Center is spearheading the effort, in hopes of starting biweekly meetings.

"We understood through several school districts that a lot of parents are feeling that they just don't get the support they need," Family Resource Center director Jacquie Martin-Downs said Monday.

Organizers plan to help parents learn about nutrition, discipline skills, getting children to focus on tasks, getting them to cooperate in household chores, completing school work and other responsibilities.

Wednesday's session will feature Denise Collins-Robison, who has her master's degree in social work and who comes from the Hegira Prevention behavioral health group.

"She's very familiar with all the symptoms of ADD (and ADHD) and how to help parents," Martin-Downs said. "This new group will provide education and support at the same time."

Organizers plan to help parents learn about nutrition, discipline skills, getting children to focus on tasks, getting them to

cooperate in household chores, completing school work and other responsibilities.

"The parents may have children as young as 3 or as old as 18," Martin-Downs said.

The support group isn't limited to Wayne-Westland district residents.

"It's really for anybody in all of the metropolitan area," Martin-Downs said.

She said the group is different from other support groups because it has a master's level facilitator.

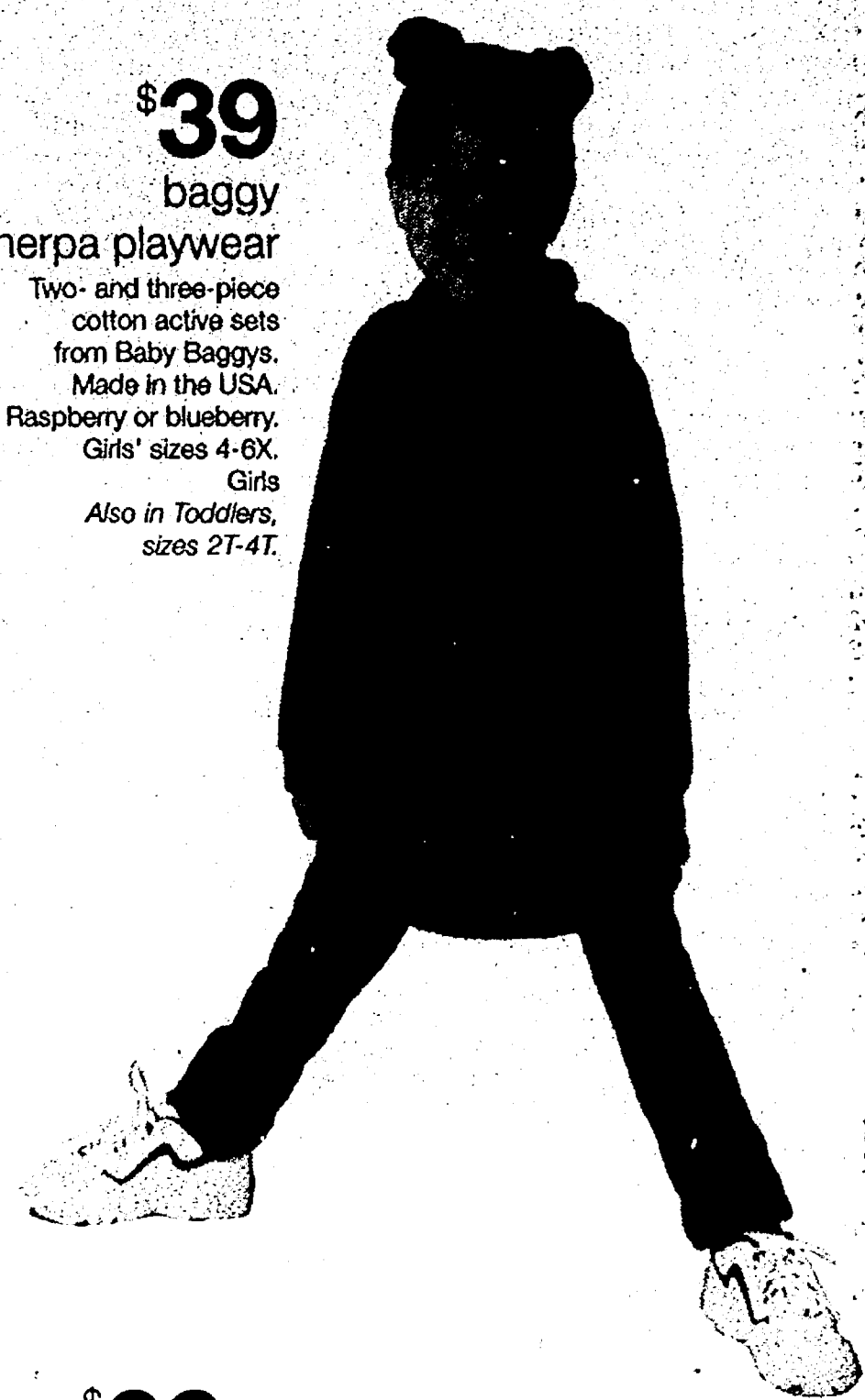
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or the White House travel office.

"I thought it was a pretty good compromise," Rivers said.

The intent behind the proposal was to keep focused on the allegations, Rivers said. She didn't vote for the Republican proposal because it did not limit the time and scope of the inquiry.

Congress needed to deal with the inquiry, Rivers said. "The Democrats' proposal was better than this (Republican proposal). It allowed for new material and a simple extension of time. It deals with those issues."

Knollenberg said the Republican resolution was patterned after the model used during Watergate. "It provides congressional Democrats with shared investigative power and shared subpoena power. It also provides full access to all proceedings for the president's lawyers."

Rivers said her constituents were split on her decision, much like Congress was. Some were angry with Rivers for voting no, others felt the country had been through enough and want the (independent counsel Ken) Starr investigation to end soon, Rivers said.

"People recognized that (the vote) was a difficult decision," Rivers said. "Some were angered, while others felt it was the right thing to do."

Rivers said it wasn't clear how her vote would

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Lynn Rivers
—U.S. congresswoman

affect her re-election efforts on Nov. 3, about three weeks from now. After her vote Thursday, Rivers read three or four polls in various publications. "One said the Democrats would be hurt, the other said the Republicans would be hurt."

On whether she considered her district a "swing" district, Rivers said, "I consider my district to be a lot like America. Michigan voters tend to vote for the individual rather than the party."

Once the inquiry begins before the House Judiciary Committee, Rivers believes it should remain in Congress and not in the newspapers or television news shows.

"I'm concerned that this issue is ripe for partisan in-fighting. I hope we can rise above that. We can differ on our votes and still behave in a bipartisan manner."

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Westland will be the site of an event on Make A Difference Day, Saturday, Oct. 24.

The project is being hosted by the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army. Concerned Americans 4 Cultural Exchange is also involved.

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The project will involve 300-400 volunteers who will provide blood pressure checks and immunizations from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 2300 Venoy Road in Westland.

The project is open to the general public. For more information, contact Leau'Rette Douglas at (734) 722-3660.

Author to visit

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

Conference planned

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day saints is holding a single adult conference in the Westland Michigan Stake (Similar to a Catholic diocese) center at 7575 North Hix Road in Westland on Saturday, Oct. 17.

Cost is \$10 and the public is welcome.

The conference, which includes single adults from the Ann Arbor, Bloomfield Hills, Grand Blanc, Detroit, Windsor and Westland Stakes of the church, is for all single adults, age 30 and older.

Mari Vawn Tinney of Canton, the director for the conference, said, "This will be a time when single adults, inside and outside of the church, can find help for many of the trials that they face on a daily basis. We will have workshops on weight loss and fitness, internet job sources, fun date and party ideas, beekeeping, family history software, with a tour of the Family History Library in the Westland Stake Center, and personal relationships, among others."

For more information call Marlene Thomas at (313) 846-1912, Joyce Black at (734) 451-8264 or the Singles Hotline at (734) 480-4619.

OBITUARIES

HELEN CAULKETT

Funeral services for former Westland resident Helen Caulkett, 80, of Indiana were Oct. 9 in Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. Officiating was the Rev. George Jarrell of Metropolitan United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Caulkett, who died Oct. 6 in Whiting, Ind., was born in Superior, Wis. In addition to Westland, she was also a former resident of Farmington and Detroit. She lived in Indiana one year. She was an obstetrical nurse who worked in Sinai, Grace, Mt. Carmel, Crittenton Hospitals and the Arnold Home in Detroit. She attended college in Superior, Wis. She was a member of Metropolitan United Methodist Church. Mrs. Caulkett was a member of St. Gemma's Senior Citizens. She traveled extensively by train.

Surviving are: son, James (Lynne) of Florida; daughters, Beth (William) Balasia of Indiana and Mary (Dennis) Morgan of Farmington; sisters, Bernice Hanson, Delores Mathison, Doris Wick and Florence Olsen; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Caulkett was preceded in death by her husband of 47 years, Harland (1989).

Memorials may be made to Arthritis Foundation, 23999 Northwestern Highway, Suite 210, Southfield, Mich. 48075-6820.

LORANE E. MACK

Funeral services for Lorane Mack, 65, of Plymouth were Oct. 2 in Vermeulen Funeral Home, Plymouth Township, with burial at Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Brian Tweedie.

Mrs. Mack, who died Sept. 30 in Livonia, was born in Detroit. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: husband, Ronald; son, Richard (Pam) of Canton; daughters, Karen (Donald) Fabbri of Hartland and Terry (William) Kerby of Ann Arbor; brother, Thomas Riley of Northville; sister, Dolores Kish of Westland; and seven grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia 48154-5010 or Karmanos Cancer Institute Plymouth Region, 744 Wing St., Plymouth 48170-3446.

DOROTHY A. KENT

Funeral services for Dorothy Kent, 69, of Romulus were Oct. 5 in Uht Funeral Home with burial at North Farmington Cemetery, Farmington.

Mrs. Kent, who died Oct. 1 in Romulus, was born in Detroit. She was a laundry department worker in a health-care facility.

Surviving are: son, Robert of Westland; daughter, Karen (Donald) Antilla; brother, Raymond Sherman; and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Kent was preceded in death by her sister, Irene Sherman.

LAWRENCE WARNER

Funeral services for Lawrence Raymond Warner, 70, of Westland were Saturday, Oct. 10, at Uht Funeral Home with burial at Udel Cemetery, Ypsilanti.

Mr. Warner, who died Oct. 8, was born in Ypsilanti.

He was a foreman in the printing business.

Survivors include his wife, Irene Warner; daughter, Debra (William) Korreck; brother, Leonard Merritt; sister, Virginia Estermyer; grandson, Billy Korreck; and granddaughter, Alaina Korreck.

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Voters will decide assisted-suicide issue

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER
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The ballot language is blunt: "suicide." Merian's Friends, the group that collected a quarter-million signatures to put it on the ballot, doesn't use the word "suicide." It prefers "physician aid in dying" and "terminally ill patient's right to end unbearable pain or suffering."

On Nov. 3 the argument will come to a head when voters decide for or against Proposal B, an amendment to the Public Health Code that would legalize and regulate a physician-prescribed lethal dose so a patient could end his own life.

Prop B would overturn an act (Senate Bill 200) by the Michigan Legislature that took effect Sept. 1 making physician-assisted suicide a five-year felony. It is the second effort by the Legislature to halt the controversial ministrations of Jack ("Dr. Death") Kevorkian, the retired West Bloomfield pathologist who has helped more than 100 patients end their lives. So far, no jury has convicted Kevorkian.

Excess red tape?

Prop B is long (40 pages, at least 10,000 words) and complex. It involves an attending physician, a consulting physician, a pharmacist, a large Oversight Committee appointed by the governor, a residency rule, a list of options the patient must be

given, and a seven-day waiting period.

Isn't Kevorkian's way simpler and less bureaucratic?

"Those are safeguards," said Ken Shapiro, a spokesperson for Merian's Friends, the group pushing Prop B. It was named for Merian Frederick, an Ann Arbor woman who was an early Kevorkian patient. "And what's wrong with the way Kevorkian is doing it?"

"If people have any complaints, it's with the physicians who weren't doing anything for their patients before they got to Kevorkian. Like him or not, everybody has to give him credit for bringing the issue to the front."

"When this is legalized and regulated, you have fewer people that will take it than when you ban it. The reason is that you know you're in control," said Shapiro, a retired Champion Products worker who has had melanoma for 20 years.

Treatable?

Opposed to Prop B is Dr. John Finn, executive medical director of Hospice of Michigan in Southfield. Finn said physician-assisted suicide is "more of an issue for the worried-well and the chronically ill suffering with untreated depression and social isolation."

"Pain and depression are treatable," said Finn. "The solution is not (Prop B) but improved physician competencies in end-

of-life care."

Finn called Prop B "flawed" because it's difficult to predict that a patient has six months or less to live. "Fifteen percent of our (hospice) patients live longer than six months. Each week, we discharge people from hospice because somehow they've gotten better."

Meanwhile, he said, a 1996 law called the Dignified Death Act gives patients the rights to know their prognosis, to have pain management, to refuse even life-sustaining treatment, and to appoint a decision maker with durable power of attorney.

Shapiro said a study in the Journal of the American Medical Association says "doctors are very good at predicting who is going to die, when they're going to die." He said the 1996 law doesn't help patients who don't respond to pain control.

M.D. as C.O.

Suppose a Catholic doctor — who believes with Cardinal Adam Maida that "physician-assisted suicide is morally wrong; such actions destroy God's gift of life" — is asked by a patient for help in dying and refuses. Prop B says the doctor "shall" refer the patient to a more cooperative doctor; if he doesn't, he can be fined \$10,000 and jailed 90 days.

"Is that fair?" Finn and Shapiro were asked. "It isn't fair," said Finn, "because it stretches a Catholic

physician's ethical zone ... This is not an area that needs to be subjected to courts and overzealous prosecuting attorneys. Many physicians would be conscientious objectors."

"It's an absolutely appropriate thing to be in the bill," replied Shapiro of Merian's Friends. "A doctor's religion should not affect his treatment, whatsoever. He has an ethical responsibility to tell me if he's opposed to this and to help me find (another)."

Secrecy issue

Prop B sets up a 17-member state Oversight Committee to review patients' records and determine compliance by the two physicians and psychiatrist. It would be entirely exempt from the "sunshine laws" — the Open Meetings and Freedom of Information Act.

Shapiro disagreed that everything would be a secret. "The only thing that would be denied are the individual patient records," he said.

But Sec. 5685 would provide: "All proceedings, minutes, conclusions and actions" are exempt, not just the patient's medical records. Only the panel's "statistical summary" would be a public document.

The panel is told it must collaborate with epidemiologists at a state university on compliance, and even that would be kept secret from the Freedom of Information Act.

A matter could become public

Proposal B

Initiated legislation to legalize the prescription of lethal dose of medication to terminally ill, competent, informed adults in order to commit suicide

THE PROPOSAL WOULD:

- ▶ Allow a Michigan resident or certain out-of-state residents of Michigan residents confirmed by 1 psychiatrist to be terminally ill with 6 months or less to live to obtain a lethal dose of medication to end his/her life.
- ▶ Allow physicians, after following required procedures, to prescribe a lethal dose of medication to enable a terminally ill adult to end his/her life.
- ▶ Establish a gubernatorially appointed, publicly-funded oversight committee, exempt from Open Meetings Act and whose records, including confidential medical records, and minutes are exempt from Freedom of Information Act.
- ▶ Create penalties for violating law.

Should this proposal be approved?

YES ☐
NO ☐

if the panel discovers a caregiver "willfully" or "recklessly" failed to comply and turned the case over to the prosecutor.

Twenty states have rejected assisted-suicide measures. Oregon has passed one. Of 10 patients approved for physician-

assisted suicide, eight carried it out and two died before it could be carried out.

Shapiro and Finn were interviewed on Channel 7's "Spotlight" program to be broadcast at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11.

Rouge 'Friends' plan annual meeting

Friends of the Rouge, a group promoting restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River ecosystem through education and citizen involvement, will hold its annual membership meeting at 6 p.m. Thursday in Room 170 in the Henry Ford Community College Dearborn Heights Center, 22586 Ann

Arbor Trail.

Cameron Priebe, director of Wayne County Department of Public Services, will discuss Newburgh Lake and wetland banks. Dick Wolinski will discuss the frog and toad survey completed earlier this year along the Rouge River.

Friends of the Rouge also will

award certificates and name badges to the first class of Rouge River stewards, a group of volunteers who have received special training to participate in public outreach and river stewardship programs. Board members will be elected and mem-

bers updated on activities. Visitors will have a chance to see the new offices of Friends of the Rouge.

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After earning his medical degree at Wayne State University, Dr. Dodds completed his internship and residency at Providence Hospital. Among his other awards and activities, Dr. Dodds was honored as Resident Teacher of the Year each year from 1995 through 1998. He is also a member of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology and the American Medical Association.

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Paraprofessional to help at Kennedy

BY MARIE CHESTNEY
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A soon-to-be-hired paraprofessional should help ease crowded conditions in three fifth- and sixth-grade classes at Kennedy Elementary, 14201 Hubbard.

"The three teachers are pleased on the kids' behalf," said principal Joanne Hughes. "This will be real helpful and an extra way to deliver things to the kids."

A group of parents had come to the school Thursday to discuss with Hughes ways to ease the crowding, only to discover that

just two hours before administrator Kent Gage had decided to hire a paraprofessional to help out in the three classrooms.

"We wondered if the administration would listen to our concerns, and they did," said Arden resident Robert Jones, who attended last week's meeting of parents.

The job has been posted and should be filled shortly.

Teachers will then decide how to use the paraprofessional, depending on his or her teaching talents, Hughes said. For example, a paraprofessional with a sound science background could help the three teachers in science pro-

jects.

The paraprofessional will be able to help supervise students and work in small groups on class assignments and homework.

Parents recently voiced their concerns about the quality of education their children are getting in the crowded classrooms to the Livonia Board of Education. One of the parents, Chris Brueck, also met with Superintendent Ken Watson.

Parents had asked that the district hire another teacher.

"It was Dr. Gage's decision," said Superintendent Ken Watson. "The principal made the request (for a paraprofessional),

and he approved it. Special education students also may increase, so they may need that extra paraprofessional."

The fifth- and sixth-grade classes have 34 students, the maximum enrollment. A fifth/sixth split classroom has 29 students.

Right now, two other teachers at Kennedy are helping out until the new staffer comes on board, Gage said.

This is a cheaper solution than hiring a teacher. Gage said the yearly cost of a paraprofessional is about \$17,000, versus \$55,000 for a teacher.

15 high school bands perform at invitational

Fifteen bands from high schools in southeast Michigan converged at Livonia's Franklin High Oct. 3 to perform in the fifth annual Americana Invitational, sponsored by the Michigan Competitive Band Association.

As host school, the 82-member Franklin Marching Patriots did not compete against the other schools, including Livonia's Stevenson, Westland's John Glenn, and Redford's Thurston. All participating schools earned points that will be tallied to determine the winner in the state finals competition, held Nov. 2 at the Pontiac Silverdome.

For four hours Saturday, the 15 bands got the chance to give a longer routine than normally given during the half-time of a sports game.

The theme for Franklin's performance was "Prisoner of the

Mind," based on a TV show in which the main character struggles to escape the confines of society and be his/her own person.

It ended with the Beatles/Paul McCartney favorite, "All You Need Is Love."

"Here, at these competitions, the band, not the sports team, is the center of attention," said Kristi Jasini, Franklin's music department head and band director.

Equally exciting to the participants was a workshop put on after the competition at Franklin by a well-known band expert from California, Scott Johnson.

Johnson both helped judge the competing bands' routines and gave tips on band performance to the students during the workshop.

"It was a real coup to have him here," Jasini said.

Westland Walkers to meet

Westland Walkers Club will hold its monthly meeting 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14, in the lower level auditorium of Westland Shopping Center.

The Westland Walkers meet the second Wednesday of each

month, except during the summer.

Westland Center opens its doors to walkers beginning at 7 a.m. through Arcade 2 by Olga's Kitchen.

Mail walking ends at 10 a.m.

1998 First Citizen of the Year

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

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

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Nominations sought for 1st Citizen award

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

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

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

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

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

CITY OF GARDEN CITY PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 28, 1998

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Present were Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick. Absent was Councilmember Wiacek.

Also present were City Manager Bayless, City Clerk-Treasurer Bettis, City Attorney Salomone, and Department of Public Services Director Barnes.

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

◆ Otis Maddox, of the Garden City Goodfellows announced that they will have their annual paper drive November 27 and 28, 1998.

◆ David Fetter, of the Garden City Lions Club announced that they will have a hayride at Sugarbush Farms on October 16, 1998 between 7:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

◆ Mike Bachko, of Garden City, discussed the CIP.

Item 09-98-434

Moved by Lynch; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To approve the minutes from the meeting of September 21, 1998. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-435

Moved by Waynick; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To approve the appointment of Patrick J. Rodgers as an alternate to the Zoning Board of Appeals, with term to expire August 1, 2000. AYES: Unanimous

The Council as a Whole discussed the following items:

1. Engineers Report - Beechwood/Moeller Design Project.
2. Payments - George Hartman Architects.
 - a. Lighted Field Renovations.
 - b. Library Renovations.
 - c. Main Pavilion Renovations.
 - d. Swimming Pool Renovations.
3. Change Order #30, 1998 CSO Abatement Program.
4. Change Order #18, Midtown East Paving & Drainage Project.
5. Change Order #4, Merriman Trunk Connector Sewer.
6. Midtown East Drainage & Paving Project - Final Payment #18, Sunset Excavating.
7. Merriman Connector Project - Final Payment #4, D'Agostini & Sons, Inc.
8. Payment #17, 1998 CSO Abatement Program, Sunset Excavating.
9. DDA Streetscape/Watermain Payment #2.
10. Salary Ordinance - International Association of Firefighters (IAFF).
11. Salary Ordinance - Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM) Dispatch Unit.
12. Log/Chip/Brush Removal.
13. Paging Service - Bid.
14. Resolution - City Credit Card.
15. Rain Days - Garage Sale Permits.
16. Reorganization Plan.
17. Purchase of Cable Television Equipment.
18. Retirement System Software Changes.

◆ Mayor and Council concurred with the request by Peter A. Basile Sons, Inc. to extend work hours until 11:00 p.m. on September 30, October 1, and 2, 1998.

Item 09-98-436

Moved by Dodge; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To approve payments on the consent agenda, as recommended by Administration, Items B-2-a through B-2-d.

- a. Payment to George Hartman Architects in the amount of \$22.70 for Lighted Field Renovations, Account #401-401-332.350.
- b. Payment to George Hartman Architects in the amount of \$671.21 for Library Renovations, Account #401-401-332.375.
- c. Payment to George Hartman Architects in the amount of \$440.84 for Main Pavilion Renovations, Account #401-401-332.368.
- d. Payment to George Hartman Architects in the amount of \$954.13 for Swimming Pool Renovations, Account #401-401-332.366.

AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-437

Moved by Dodge; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To approve Change Order #30, 1998 CSO Abatement Program, Perrin Project. This change order reflects the reconciliation of as-built quantities for items that were higher or lower than the bid proposal. The net result is a decrease of \$27,534.50. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-438

Moved by Dodge; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To approve Change Order #18, Midtown East Paving & Drainage Project. This change order reflects the reconciliation of as-built quantities for items that were higher or lower than the bid proposal. The net result is a decrease of \$140,848.09. AYES: Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Dodge, Lynch, Kaledas, and Waynick. NAYS: Councilmember Briscoe. Motion passed.

Item 09-98-439

Moved by Briscoe; supported by Waynick: RESOLVED: To approve Change Order #4, Merriman Trunk Connector Sewer in the amount of \$4,113.48, a net decrease. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-440

Moved by Kaledas; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To approve Final Payment #4 for D'Agostini & Sons, Inc. for the Merriman Connector Project in the amount of \$59,538.63, Account #480-000-337.000. AYES: Mayor Barker, Councilmembers Lynch, Kaledas, Briscoe, and Waynick. NAYS: Councilmember Dodge. Motion passed.

Item 09-98-441

Moved by Briscoe; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To approve Payment #2 of \$207,909.64 to Wayne-Oakland Contracting for the DDA Streetscape/Watermain Project, Account #729-729-987.400. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-442

Moved by Lynch; supported by Briscoe: RESOLVED: To introduce and call for a public hearing on October 12, 1998, at 7:25 p.m., to discuss the Salary Ordinance for the International Association of Firefighters (IAFF). Council approved the tentative agreement with this collective bargaining unit on September 14, 1998. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-443

Moved by Dodge; supported by Lynch: RESOLVED: To award the 1998/99 Log/Chip/Brush Removal Contract to R & E Trucking in the Purchase Order amount of \$40,000.00 to be charged to Account #101-465-958.001. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-444

Moved by Dodge; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To award the Paging Service Bid to Air Touch Paging for a period of two (2) years with an option of three (3) additional years. Charge to each department telephone account (.850.100). AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-445

Moved by Lynch; supported by Dodge: RESOLVED: To approve the "Rainy Day Resolution" to allow one additional day of garage sale in the event of rain. This day must be used within ten (10) days of the original sale. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-446

Moved by Lynch; supported by Dodge: RESOLVED: To award the bid for Cable Television Equipment and repair services to Thaler Electronics, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$3,436.60, Account #235-235-337.977. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-447

Moved by Dodge; supported by Kaledas: RESOLVED: To approve the modification to the retirement tracking software purchased from New World Systems. Estimated cost is the amount of \$3,000.00, Account #401-401-332.343. AYES: Unanimous

Item 09-98-448

Moved by Briscoe; supported by Waynick: RESOLVED: To authorize Wade-Trim to proceed with the street design for Beechwood Avenue only which includes the 37 ft. and 33 ft. cross sections and the watermain up to the alley, and, to authorize the City Manager to notify Wade-Trim Tuesday, September 29, 1998. AYES: Unanimous

The meeting was then adjourned.

ALLYSON M. BETTIS,
City Clerk-Treasurer

Publish: October 11, 1998

CITY OF GARDEN CITY

The City Street Sweeper will begin the week of October 12 and should be finished October 19, 1998, weather permitting. Resident's should not park on the road during this period of time.

Publish: October 11, 1998

REQUEST FOR BIDS - NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Charter Township of Redford invites the submission of sealed bids for:

- New Fire Station
110125 Beech Daly
Redford, MI 48239
- BID CATEGORIES**
- 1A - Demolition
 - 1B - Earthwork and Site Utilities
 - 1C - Landscaping & Irrigation
 - 1D - Site Concrete
 - 1E - Fencing
 - 1F - Concrete Foundations
 - 1G - Concrete Flatwork
 - 1H - Masonry
 - 1I - Structural & Miscellaneous Steel
 - 1J - Rough & Finish Carpentry
 - 1K - Shingles
 - 1L - Joint Sealers
 - 1M - Hollow Metal & Finish Hardware
 - 1N - Overhead Doors
 - 1O - Wood Windows
 - 1P - Glass & Glazing
 - 1Q - Drywall & Acoustical
 - 1R - Carpet & Resilient Flooring
 - 1S - Ceramic Tile
 - 1T - Painting & Wallcovering
 - 1U - Visual Display Boards
 - 1V - Toilet Compartments & Accessories
 - 1W - Metal Lockers
 - 1X - Flagpole
 - 1Y - Signage
 - 1Z - Food Service Equipment
 - 1AA - Plumbing
 - 1BB - Fire Protection
 - 1CC - HVAC
 - 1DD - Electrical

A Fifty Dollar refundable deposit made payable to "The Charter Township of Redford" is required to obtain construction documents, specifications and bid forms. They are available at A.J. Etkin Construction Company's office only.

Bids will be received until 12:00 P.M. Thursday, October 22, 1998 at A.J. Etkin Construction Co.'s office located at 30445 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 250, Farmington Hills, MI 48334.

All bids will be publicly opened and read in the Board Room of the Charter Township of Redford, Town Hall Building, 15145 Beech Daly, Redford, MI 48239 on Thursday, October 22, 1998 at 2:00 P.M. The Charter Township of Redford reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids. Any bid submitted will be bidding for ninety (90) days after the date of the bid opening. BID SECURITY in the amount of 5% of the Proposal is MANDATORY for amounts exceeding \$12,500.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF REDFORD

15145 Beech Daly
Redford, MI 48239
By: Marilyn Heldenbrand
Publish: October 11 & 15, 1998

CITY OF GARDEN CITY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and Council will hold a Public Hearing on October 19, 1998, at 7:25 p.m. in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan on the following proposed ordinance.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE #A-98-021

The City Council of the CITY OF GARDEN CITY, in accordance with the City Charter and Labor Negotiations between it and the Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM) Dispatch Unit, hereby adopts and establishes the following salaries for the dispatchers and civilian police department employees for the period of January 1, 1998 through December 31, 2000.

THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY HEREBY ORDAINS:

SALARY ORDINANCE: POLICE OFFICERS ASSOC. OF MICHIGAN DISPATCH UNIT

SECTION 1:

EFFECTIVE 1-01-98:

Hourly Rates:	A	B	C	D
Senior Secretary	\$12.1211	\$13.3019	\$13.9365	\$16.2389
Secretary	\$11.4437	\$12.5548	\$13.1778	\$15.4360
Ordinance Officer & Enforcement Officer	\$11.4437	\$12.5548	\$13.1519	\$15.2968
Clerk/Secretary	\$10.0884	\$11.0600	\$11.5831	\$13.6197
Dispatcher	\$10.4264	\$11.4336	\$11.9759	\$12.9894

EFFECTIVE 1-01-99:

Hourly Rates:	A	B	C	D
Senior Secretary	\$12.6709	\$13.8517	\$14.4863	\$16.7887
Secretary	\$11.8935	\$13.1046	\$13.7278	\$15.9858
Ordinance Officer & Enforcement Officer	\$11.8935	\$12.5548	\$13.7017	\$15.8464
Clerk/Secretary	\$10.6382	\$11.6098	\$12.1329	\$14.1895
Dispatcher	\$10.9762	\$11.9834	\$12.5257	\$13.5392

EFFECTIVE 1-01-00:

Hourly Rates:	A	B	C	D
Senior Secretary	\$13.0998	\$13.4228	\$14.9162	\$17.2176
Secretary	\$12.4224	\$13.5335	\$14.1565	\$16.4147
Ordinance Officer & Enforcement Officer	\$12.4224	\$12.9837	\$14.1806	\$16.2753
Clerk/Secretary	\$11.0671	\$12.0387	\$12.5618	\$14.5984
Dispatcher	\$11.4051	\$12.4123	\$12.9546	\$13.9681

Section 2:

In addition to the above salaries established herein, fringe benefits agreed to at the bargaining table and made a part of the contract are affirmed and established as if set out in full.

This amendatory ordinance is declared to be effective upon publication as required by law.

JAMES BARKER,

Mayor
ALLYSON M. BETTIS,
Treasurer/City Clerk

Adopted:
Resolution:
Publish: October 11, 1998

CLASS REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Please include the date of the reunion and the first and last name of at least one contact person, and a telephone number.

ALLEN PARK

Class of 1968
A reunion is planned for Oct. 24. (313) 886-0770
Class of 1973
Nov. 28 at The Red Fawn, Allen Park.
(734) 522-9325 or (734) 676-8838
ANN ARBOR PIONEER
Class of 1988
Nov. 27 at Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor.
(800) 677-7800 or reunions@taylorpub.com

BISHOP BORGESS

Class of 1989
A reunion is planned for August 1999.
(313) 271-3050, Ext. 189 (days), (248) 552-8020 (days), or (248) 723-1907

BISHOP GALLAGHER

Class of 1978
A reunion is planned for Nov. 28. (313) 885-8639
Class of 1968
A reunion is planned for Nov. 27. (313) 886-0770
Class of 1988
A reunion is planned for Oct. 24. (313) 886-0770

BRABLEC
Class of 1978
A reunion is planned for Nov. 27. (810) 263-4374 or (810) 329-2702

CATHOLIC CENTRAL

Class of 1948
Oct. 31 at Embassy Suites Hotel in Livonia. Stag Night is Oct. 30.
(734) 591-1900.

CHERRY HILL

Class of 1983
Reunion and alumni family picnic is planned for August.
(734) 729-6783

DEARBORN

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DURAND

Class of 1948
Is planning a reunion.
Send name, address and telephone number to Gerald Bartram, 605 E. Clinton St., Durand, Mich. 48429 or call (517) 288-3732 or (517) 288-3679

EAST DETROIT

Class of 1978
A reunion is planned for Nov. 7. (810) 783-6889
Class of 1953
Oct. 24 at the Van Dyke Park Hotel, Warren.
(801) 293-2664

GARDEN CITY

Class of 1958
Oct. 31 at the Holiday Inn, Ann Arbor.
(734) 261-5193

HARTLAND

Class of 1983
Oct. 17 at the Holiday Inn North Campus, Ann Arbor.
(248) 360-2070 or (248) 486-3471

HENRY FORD TRADE

Class of 1949
A reunion is planned for June 1999.
(313) 565-2392 or (734) 261-8546

HIGHLAND PARK

Class of 1969
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 864-5943, (313) 583-5418 or (313) 867-3201

HURON

Class of 1988
A reunion is planned for Nov. 28. (800) 677-7800 or reunions@taylorpub.com

JOHN GLENN

Class of 1978
Oct. 24 at the DoubleTree Guest Suites, Southfield.
(248) 360-7004

L'ANSE CREUSE

Class of 1988
A reunion is planned for Nov. 13. (313) 886-0770

LIVONIA BENTLEY

Class of 1968
A reunion is planned for Nov. 7. (313) 886-0770
Class of 1964
July 24 at the Holiday, Laurel Park, Livonia.
(734) 416-5993 or Tink@mediaone.net

LIVONIA FRANKLIN

Class of 1973

A reunion is planned for Nov. 14. (313) 886-0770
Class of 1988
A reunion is planned for Nov. 27. Advance tickets are \$50 per person, no at-door sales.
(734) 776-9143 or (313) 635-3933

LIVONIA STEVENSON

Class of 1988
A reunion is planned for Nov. 27. (734) 459-8428

MELVINDALE

Class of 1988
Nov. 21 at Park Cove, Allen Park.
(313) 383-4048 or (313) 278-7932

PLYMOUTH CANTON

Class of 1978
Is planning a reunion
(248) 627-5118, (248) 347-7785 or (313) 561-1699
Class of 1979
Aug. 7, 1999, at the Holiday Inn-West in Livonia.
(734) 397-8766 or www.reunionworks.com

PONTIAC CENTRAL

Class of 1968
A reunion is planned for Oct. 24. (313) 886-0770

REDFORD THURSTON

Class of 1973
Nov. 28 at St. Mary's Cultural Center, Livonia.
Donna Erndt, 33466 Vargo Drive, Livonia, or call (734) 522-9405 or (313) 535-4000, Ext. 412
Class of 1978
A reunion is planned for Nov. 27. (313) 886-0770
Class of 1973
Nov. 28 at St. Mary's Cultural Center, Livonia.
(313) 522-9405, (313) 535-400, Ext. 412, or Donna Erndt, 33466 Vargo Drive, Livonia 48152

REDFORD UNION

Class of 1978
Nov. 28 at Vladimir's, Farmington Hills.
(248) 391-7665 or (248) 473-8979
Class of 1988
A reunion is planned for Nov. 27. (313) 886-0770

REGINA

Class of 1973
Oct. 24 at Gino's Surf. Cost is \$45 per person, \$90 per couple or \$15 per person drinks only.
(810) 986-6054 or (810) 578-3527
Class of 1963
Nov. 7 at Pasquale's Restaurant, Royal Oak.
(313) 245-4285

ROCHESTER ADAMS

Class of 1989
Is planning a reunion.
(248) 393-1151

ROMULUS

Class of 1968
Is planning a reunion.
(313) 699-4925 or (313) 697-7483.

ST. ANATHA

Class of 1978
Nov. 7 at the Bonnie Brook Banquet Center, Detroit.
(734) 397-8766 or by e-mail at www.reunionworks.com

ST. MARY'S HIGH

Class of 1973
A reunion is being planned for the fall.
(734) 981-1254 or (313) 274-3623

ST. MARY'S OF REDFORD

Class of 1978
A reunion is planned for Nov. 20. (313) 886-0770

ST. RAPHAEL**Class of 1974**

A reunion is being planned for later this year.
(734) 729-3320 or (734) 266-3137
Class of 1973
Reunion Mass at 4:30 p.m. Nov. 28, followed by a reception.
Send current name, address and telephone number to Class of 1973, c/o 6905 Gilman, Garden City 48135.

ST. RITA

Class of 1957
Nov. 7 at the Clawson Steak House in Clawson.
(248) 476-0623 or (248) 542-8600.

SOUTHFIELD

Class of 1990
A reunion is being planned.
(810) 662-5557 or CAT2504@aol.com
Class of 1989
A reunion is being planned.
(248) 354-9648

Class of 1978

A reunion is planned for Nov. 28. (313) 886-0770
Class of 1957-58
Nov. 7 at Baker's of Milford (248) 437-2373, by fax at (248) 437-1180 or e-mail at dgholt70@aol.com

TAYLOR KENNEDY

Class of 1978
Nov. 7 at Oak Hall in Wyandotte.
(248) 360-7004

TAYLOR TRUMAN

Class of 1978
Nov. 28 at Laurel Manor in Livonia.
(734) 676-0244 or (313) 565-5725

WAYNE MEMORIAL

Class of 1958
Oct. 24 at the Fellow's Creek Golf Club.
(734) 595-3479



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Tues., Oct. 20 7-8:30 p.m. Why Can't We Get Pregnant? Infertility Issues for Couples

This free presentation will provide an overview of reproductive anatomy; infertility evaluation, including male factor infertility; current reproductive therapies and information to help couples understand the emotional and psychological issues surrounding infertility. Presented by Jonathan Ayers, MD, Reproductive Endocrinologist, and Teresa Gallagher, RN, BSN.

Thurs., Oct. 22 7-8:30 p.m. Women and Heart Disease

Heart disease is the leading killer of women over 40. This informal discussion will cover what's different about heart disease in women and will answer your questions on how you can live a more heart-healthy life. Presented by Cardiologist Barbara Kong, MD.

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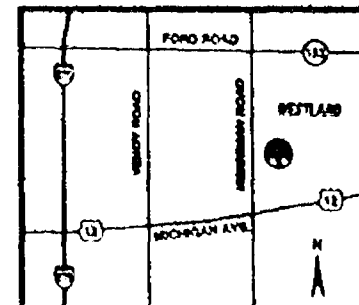
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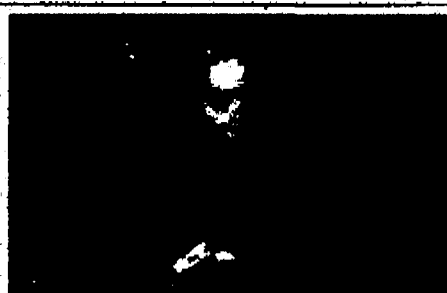


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KELLI LEWTON

Tips to tailgate

Keeping Hot Food Hot

- Thermoses come in many sizes and shapes.
- Don't forget your cooler is not just for keeping food cold, it can also serve as a heat insulator. You can line a small cooler with a heavy plastic bag and store hot stews, chili, wing dings or sausages for later feasting.

Keeping Cold Food Cold

- Conventional coolers are always good. If you have larger items such as platters or trays, try lining a large box like the bottom of a sheet cake box with heavy plastic. Line the bottom of the box with ice, set platters on the ice and then place a loosely packed bag of ice over your platters or trays.
- Be careful with spreads that contain mayonnaise. They spoil quickly.

Ten Unofficial Rules for Tailgating

- Pack, transport and maintain food at the proper temperature.
- Divide and delegate responsibilities.
- Make it simple and easy to transport.
- Choose food you nab and eat standing up with minimal utensils.
- Having a master plan and doing pre prep is a must.
- Have a menu plan for success in all weather conditions.
- Offer a balance of items to please all.
- Bring both hot and cold beverages.
- Arrive early to stake a claim.
- Post game tailgating is just as good as pregame, so don't forget to pack extra goodies.

Tips from Adrienne Amelio, 2 Unique corporate sales manager, sports fan, and tailgater

Tailgating isn't just for football fans

Rah...Rah... go team, go... Bring in the bands, cheerleaders, teams and most importantly, don't forget the food. The change of season with the autumn colors and crisp air conjures a vision for many of us. Of what else but? Tailgating!

You'll find the food and sports fanatics in the parking lots before college and pro games. We wear funny hats, bold colors, wacky outfits and paint our faces, all in support of our team. These traveling food fests can range from simple to elaborate. A day of spirited fun and simple planning can be exhilarating.

Expert opinions

When I decided to write this article, I called a friend and tailgate wizard, Andrew Price of Northville. Andrew is a "true blue" fan of Michigan and arrives at his special spot around 8:30 a.m. for the 3:30 p.m. kick off, via his M-van, which is embossed with autographs of players, media personalities and celebrities. He only uses this special vehicle for tailgating. Andrew starts his tailgate affair by cracking eggs for his Farmers Market Style omelet loaded with cheeses, sausage and veggies. By 11 a.m., Andrew and 50 of his friends and family are reveling in pre-game fun.

"It's about being outdoors and sharing camaraderie," he said. "It's a big block party. We share food and company in the out of doors, renew old friendships and make new ones. How often in our busy day-to-day lives can you take a whole day to enjoy people, and traditions over food and sports?"

P.S. Andrew says:

"Don't forget the grill. It's an institution. Start with sausage and peppers in the early fall (you'll need foil to cook your veggies on top of the sausage.) As the weather gets cooler, move on to chili and warm bread on the barbecue. Go Blue!

For those on the sidelines, don't believe for a moment that tailgating is only for football games. Eating habits, traditions and people's perceptions have changed over the past few years. It's not a prerequisite of tailgating to have game tickets. You can enjoy good friends, family and food out of doors by spending a day in the country enjoying the color change or visiting an apple orchard.

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Focus on Wine
- Pumpkin patches



Pleasures of

It's not junk and it can be good for you

BY PROBY MARTINELLI-EVERTS
SPECIAL WRITER

Americans love pizza! We eat 90 acres of it everyday. It is estimated that 94 percent of Americans would list pizza as one of their favorite foods, and children ages 3-11 prefer pizza over all other foods. A little over half of us prefer thin crust pizza and nearly three quarters of pizza is eaten at home.

Made popular in this country by soldiers who brought the idea of pizza home from Italy after the end of World War II, pizza is thought to have evolved from Egyptian flat bread. It may have begun as a use for leftover bread dough.

Literally translated, pizza means "pie," but it has evolved to mean the savory tart covered with tomato sauce, mozzarella cheese and other toppings such as pepperoni and sausage.

Pizza may be considered "fast food," but it is certainly not junk food. Pizza dough is usually made with fortified and enriched flour, the cheese is an excellent source of calcium, an important nutrient known to be lacking in young people's diets, and toppings such as tomatoes, mushrooms, onions and green peppers provide some vitamins and fiber.

Traditional pizza favorites such as pepperoni and Italian sausage are much higher in fat and sodium, but can be enjoyed occasionally. Other healthy ingredients like chicken, scallops and Canadian bacon allow you to pack nutrition and wonderful taste on a crust.

The caution for those who eat some restaurant pizzas is that they can be high in fat. There can be oil in the crust, and many crusts are baked in oil to give them a crispy texture. Traditional pizza toppings - double cheese, pepperoni and sausage - only add to the high fat content. But don't despair, pizza is even more delicious when it is made with less oil, less cheese and topped with fresh vegetables. Order your pizza that way when you eat out.

The secret to making pizza a part of a nutritious, balanced meal is contrast and variety. A spicy pizza that is balanced with a cool salad or delicately flavored fruit dessert allows for all the major food groups to be included in one

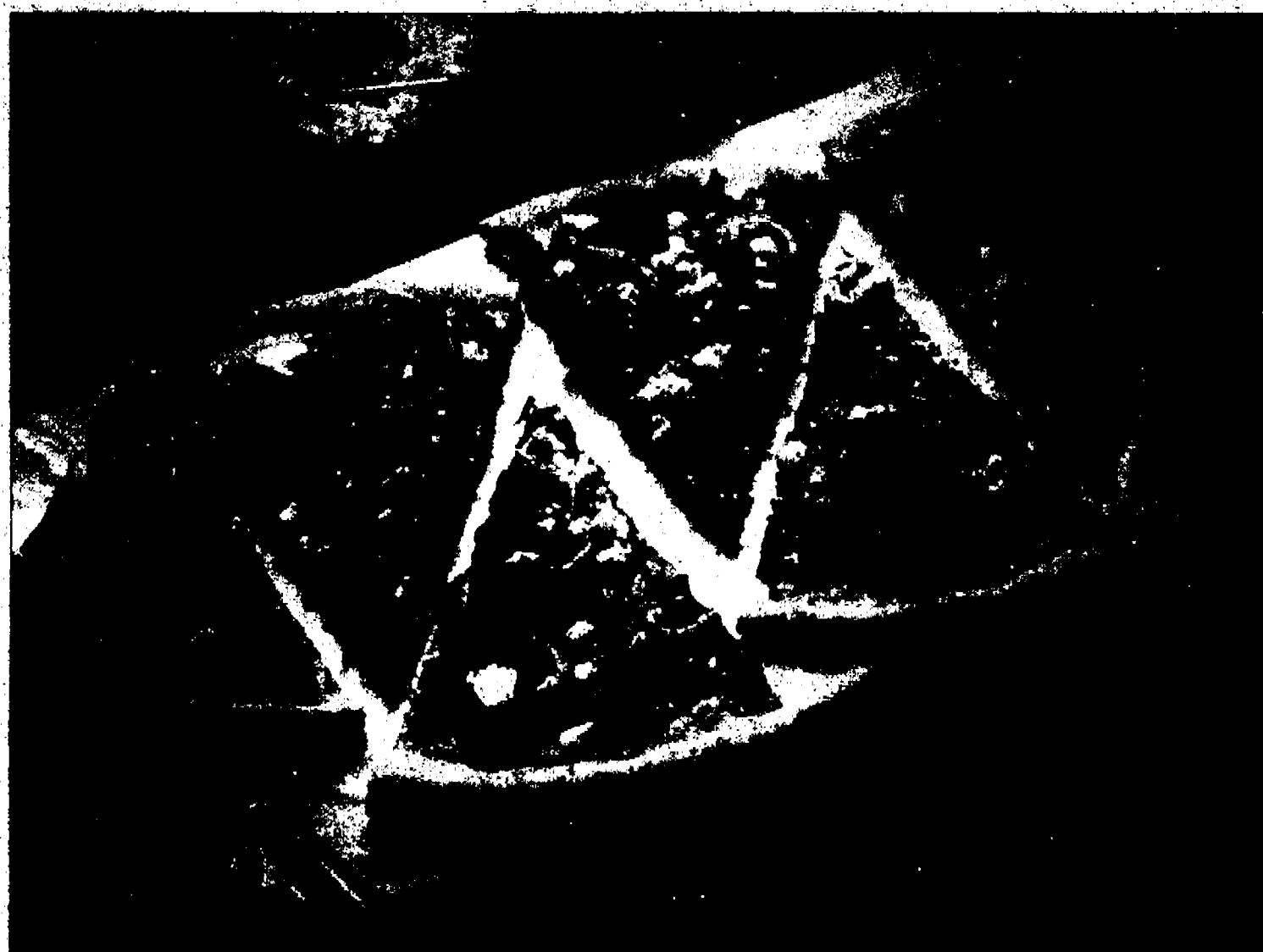


ILLUSTRATION: WENDY GORDON

Weeknight treat: Easy Greek Pizza starts with a three-ingredient crust that's topped with fresh spinach, tomatoes, olives and tangy feta cheese.

meal. That's nutritious!

Pizza is quite easy to make at home, if you have the right equipment. I like to use a pizza stone for baking - or better yet - cook it on the grill. A basic pizza starts with homemade or frozen bread dough. It is important that your dough be a bit on the stiff side. If the dough is too moist it will stick to surfaces instead of holding together and stretching well.

Begin by forming a crust by stretching the dough with your hands like pizza chefs in the movies. However, I usually finish rolling out the dough with a rolling pin to get a nice, thin crust. Spread corn meal liberally on your pizza stone or cookie sheet before placing the dough on top. The corn meal acts like little ball bearings, and your pizza won't stick to the pan. If you're using a pizza stone, follow the manufacturer's instructions.

If you prefer a traditional pizza - sauce, mozzarella cheese, and pepperoni - spread your sauce thinly over the dough. A little sauce goes a long way. Too much sauce will make the dough too wet to cook thoroughly, so go lightly.

My friend Mickey is adventurous when it comes to making pizza. Her goal is not to duplicate a commercial pizza but to create something new and delicious. She thinks of the dough as her canvas.

Please see PIZZA, B2

Pizza dough tips

- Pizza dough performs best at room temperature.
- You can use honey in place of sugar in a basic pizza dough recipe, but use a smaller amount. Honey tends to hold moisture so your crust may not be as crispy. Better yet, don't sweeten your pizza dough.
- If your dough browns too much, replace about 10 percent of the water with milk. It will help control browning and adds tenderness to the dough.
- You can mix flours such as whole wheat or rye with regular bread flours for an interesting flavor, but go lightly, whole wheat flour doesn't have the elasticity of bread flour and tends to rip instead of stretch.
- Eggs can be added to pizza dough to give the dough a golden color.
- Add a bit more water and yeast if you have hard water and a bit less water and yeast if you have softened water.
- If you're using frozen bread dough, cover it with oiled plastic wrap to prevent formation of a crust during thawing.
- If you make thick crusted pizza, the dough needs to be thawed, risen then rolled out and proofed before adding ingredients. (Proofing is a final short rising before baking).
- Pierce the pizza dough with a fork to prevent blistering during cooking.

Pizza comparisons

- **Homemade, cheese/sausage**
 - (4 oz. - 1 slice)
 - 310 calories
 - 13g protein
 - 11.4g fat
 - 948mg sodium
 - 288mg calcium
- **Frozen Lean Cuisine**
 - (5.1 oz.)
 - 310 calories
 - 17g protein
 - 9g fat
 - 830mg sodium
 - 350mg calcium
- **Microwave Pillsbury**
 - (4.5 oz.)
 - 308 calories
 - 14g protein
 - 15g fat
 - 781mg sodium
 - 196mg calcium
- **Jeno's Crisp and Tasty**
 - (4.05 oz. - 1/2 pizza)
 - 296 calories
 - 11.8g protein
 - 15.4g fat
 - 811mg sodium
 - 170mg calcium
- **Banquet Zap, deluxe**
 - (4.8 oz.)
 - 330 calories
 - 13g protein
 - 13g fat
 - 890mg sodium
 - 192mg calcium

Take the fat, not flavor out of Chicken A La King

MAIN DISH MIRACLE



MURIEL WAGNER

Who would have predicted the deluge of reduced fat and fat free foods that you can find in today's supermarket? Ten years ago, it wouldn't have seemed possible that fat, saturated fat and cholesterol would become household words.

The link between fat and cholesterol and heart disease began to be soldered in the 1950s. But it took many studies to be sure that saturated fat and cholesterol were the real villains. Saturated fat was found to be three times more likely than cholesterol to raise your blood

cholesterol level.

Since the risks of diabetes are primarily associated with poor blood circulation, it's no surprise that the new recommendations from the American Diabetes Association center on reducing fat intake. Saturated fat has been indicted as the culprit in many cancers

of the bowel, breast and prostate. **Saturated fat has been indicted as the culprit in many cancers of the bowel, breast and prostate.**

a long-gone restaurant in the Fisher Building in Detroit. You remember Chicken A La King - chunks of chicken, bread, pimiento, mushrooms and peas nestled in a thickened sauce of butter and cream inside a patty shell made with buttery French puff pastry.

My version has much of the magic minus 90 percent of the fat and 50 percent of the calories. Instead of the fat-laden patty shell, a slice of bread stuffed

into the cup of a muffin tin holds this no less delicious, but fat reduced chicken dish. If you make the bread 100 percent whole wheat instead of white, you'll add fiber too.

To increase the flavor, I've added white wine Worcestershire sauce and thyme. Evaporated skim milk preserves the consistency of the cream sauce. The sherry helps mask the milk's slightly caramelized flavor.

I like to poach my chicken with a pinch of herbs in the chicken broth for flavor. But you could use many of the ready prepared cut-up chicken breasts that are now available. The varieties of prepared food appearing in ever increasing numbers at meat counters and vegetable departments continue to amaze me.

Despite its reduced calorie and fat content, this Chicken A La King will add enough oomph to all those showers, brunches and luncheons that dot your holiday calendar. It's still a main dish fit for a queen (or king). And - long live the queen or king!

See recipe inside

Pizza from page B1

Sometimes she uses chèvre (goat) cheese, sometimes she substitutes a little flavored oil or pesto for the sauce.

Mickey uses fresh herbs whenever possible. Her favorite toppings include green and red bell peppers, spinach, mushrooms, chopped fresh basil and oregano, and a combination of chèvre and mozzarella cheese. Good pizza cheese should "stretch" when melted without become rubbery or burned.

Some pizza makers like to put their cheese on top, others like the toppings to go last. Add toppings from the outside in like mushrooms, onions, tomatoes,

olives, pineapple, or other vegetables. If you do use meat, add it last.

Grilling pizza is fun and imparts a flavor similar to cooking pizza in a brick oven.

Allow your pizza to rest for at least one minute before cutting. Anyway you slice it, pizza can be part of a nutritious diet.

Peggy Martinelli-Everts of Clarkston is a registered dietitian and director of clinical operations for HDS Services, a 32-year-old Farmington Hills-based food service and hospitality management and consulting company.

Thanksgiving recipes sought

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Your family will flip over homemade pizza

See related story by Peggy Martinelli-Everts on Taste front.

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EASY GREEK PIZZA

3 cups packed raw spinach leaves (about 4 ounces), large stems removed
1-1/2 cups low-fat baking mix
1/2 cup toasted wheat germ, plus additional for sprinkling on cookie sheet
3/4 cup skim milk
1 cup chopped seeded tomatoes
3/4 cup red onion rings (about 1/2 medium onion)
1/4 cup sliced pitted Kalamata or ripe olives
4 ounces feta cheese, crumbled
1 teaspoon dried oregano leaves

Heat oven to 425 degrees F. Lightly spray large cookie sheet with vegetable cooking spray. Sprinkle with wheat germ. Rinse spinach well. Place wet spinach in medium skillet. Cover and cook over medium-low heat just until wilted, about 3 minutes. Drain spinach well; set aside. In a large bowl, combine baking mix, 1/2 cup wheat germ and milk. Stir with fork until thoroughly combined. Turn dough out onto lightly floured surface. Knead 8 to 10 times. Roll into 14-inch circle; transfer to cookie sheet. Top with spinach, tomatoes, onion rings, olives and cheese; sprinkle with oregano. Bake 20 minutes or until crust is golden brown. Serve

BASIC PIZZA DOUGH

2 teaspoons active dry yeast
1-2/3 cups warm water
4 cups bread flour (can substitute 1 cup whole wheat for 1 cup bread flour)
2 teaspoons salt

If using a breadmaker, put water into dough pan first, then add dry ingredients. Process on dough setting.

If making by hand, dissolve yeast in the warm water and set aside.

Mix the flour and salt together, making a well in the center.

Add the yeast liquid and mix together. The dough should be quite soft.

Knead until silky and elastic. Cover and set in a warm draft-free place to rise. It should be ready to deflate in about an hour and a half.

Carefully press the air from the dough and let it rise again. The second rise should take half the time of the first one. It is now ready to shape into a pizza or use in the grilled pizza recipe below.

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PERSONAL SIZED GRILLED PIZZAS

Basic pizza dough
Sauces such as
Traditional pizza sauce
Olive oil flavored with basil, oregano and garlic
Very thinly sliced fresh tomatoes, drained on toweling
Pesto
Salsa
An assortment of cheese. I like a variety of hard grating, white semi-soft and tangy crumbling cheese like:
Mozzarella
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Toppings including:
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Artichoke hearts
Sliced, pitted olives
Very thin slices of pepperoni (turkey pepperoni is now available)
Ham slices
Cooked and crumbled bacon
Turkey sausage, cooked and crumbled
Chopped fresh herbs, including basil, oregano, tarragon, marjoram
Slice dough into six pieces and form into balls.

Roll each ball into a personal-size pizza dough. Let the dough rise in a warm spot at least 30 minutes on a surface that has been spread with corn meal (so dough won't stick.)

Fire up your grill. (I use a gas grill, but a charcoal grill works well, too.)

Place crusts directly on clean grill grate. Cover and cook quickly, for about 2 to 3 minutes.

Crusts should cook through and have golden-colored grate marks. Your flame is too hot or you've left them on too long if they get scorched or burnt.

Your flame is not hot enough if dough sticks to grates. Remove crusts once they are cooked.

When guests arrive, instruct them to put a crust on a plate, brush it with a sauce and top with desired cheeses and toppings. Tell them to be frugal - toppings piled high won't cook well.

You can finish cooking pizzas on the grill or in a traditional oven at 375 degrees.

Place pizzas on a cookie sheet or pizza stone and bake until toppings are cooked through and cheese is melted (usually about 10 minutes). If using a pizza stone, preheat the stone in the oven or grill and then place pizzas on the hot stone.

Parmesan and feta cheese don't melt like mozzarella. Pizzas with these cheeses are done when other toppings are heated through.
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Sports fans will cheer these tailgate recipes *Treat your guests to chicken a la king*

See related story on Taste front.

Whether it's a football game, pumpkin picking, the zoo, or an autumn roadside picnic, try a tailgate this fall.

Recipes compliments of Chef Kelli L. Lewton owner of 2 Unique Caterers and Event Planners in Bloomfield Hills. Kelli is a graduate of Schoolcraft College's Culinary Arts program, and a part-time instructor at the college. Look for her 2 Unique column in Taste on the second Sunday of the month.

8 BEAN VEGETARIAN CHILI

- 1 cup carrots (diced)
- 1 cup red pepper (diced)
- 1 cup green pepper (diced)
- 1 large onion (diced)
- 1 cup celery
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon garlic (chopped)
- 1 tablespoon chili powder
- 2 teaspoons black pepper
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 2 teaspoons cumin
- 1/2 cup kidney beans
- 1/2 cup cannellini beans
- 1/2 cup garbanzo beans
- 1/2 cup black beans
- 1/2 cup pinto beans

- 1/2 cup navy beans
- 1/2 cup black eyed beans
- 1/2 cup Calypso beans
- 1 (32 ounce) can chopped tomatoes with juice
- 1 (32 ounce) can tomato puree
- 1 bay leaf
- 1/2 cup parsley or cilantro, chopped

In a large stockpot heat oil and diced vegetables. Sauté for 2 minutes over medium heat.

Add spices and continue to sauté for 2 minutes over low heat.

Add chopped tomatoes and puree; simmer for 20 minutes.

Add beans and simmer for another 20 minutes

Adjust seasoning to taste.

Serve with yogurt or sour cream, grated cheddar cheese and tortilla chips.

JALAPENO CORN SPOON BREAD

- 1 1/2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 1/4 cups corn meal
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/2 cup unsalted melted butter (cooled)
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 2 eggs (separated)

- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/2 cup corn
- 3 jalapeno chilies (steamed, seeded)
- 2 tablespoons cilantro (minced)
- 3 tablespoons sugar

Preheat oven to 375°F. In a large bowl combine flour, corn meal, baking powder and salt.

In separate bowl stir together the butter, milk, honey, egg yolks, jalapenos, cilantro and corn.

In a third bowl, beat the egg whites until soft peaks form, then add sugar and continue beating until mixed.

Gently fold flour mixture into butter/milk mixture then fold in egg whites.

Put mix into 9-inch cake pan or in muffin tins and bake at 350°F for 20-25 minutes.

These are some great spreads for breads, crackers, and pita chips.

OLIVE TAPANADE

- 1/2 cup pitted Kalamata olives
- 1/2 cup sliced California olives
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 tablespoons garlic
- 1 tablespoon herbs of your choice

- choice
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Lemon juice to taste

Puree all main ingredients in food processor. Add garlic. Stream in olive oil and lemon juice. Add herbs, salt and pepper.

ROASTED EGGPLANT AND GARLIC SPREAD

- 2 large eggplants, sliced and roasted
- 3 cloves garlic, roasted
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh parsley
- Juice of 1/2 lemon

Puree all main ingredients in food processor. Add garlic. Stream in olive oil and lemon juice. Add herbs, salt and pepper.

SUN DRIED TOMATO SPREAD

- 1 cup sun dried tomatoes (reconstituted)
- 3 roasted garlic cloves
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste

Puree all main ingredients in food processor. Add garlic. Stream in olive oil and lemon juice. Add herbs, salt and pepper.

Treat your guests to chicken a la king

See Main Dish Miracle on Taste front. Recipe compliments of Muriel G. Wagner.

CHICKEN A LA KING IN CROUSTADES

- 1 cup sodium and fat reduced chicken broth
- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme
- 2 teaspoons canola oil
- 1/2 pound mushroom caps
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 can (12 oz.) evaporated skim milk
- 1 (10 oz.) package frozen peas, defrosted
- 1 red bell pepper, cut into strips
- 2-3 tablespoons sherry
- 1 teaspoon white wine
- Worcestershire sauce
- 6 slices whole wheat bread, crusts trimmed

Heat chicken broth with thyme. Add chicken breasts. Simmer until chicken is thoroughly cooked (about 25 minutes). Remove from broth and cool. Save broth. Cut or tear chicken into large chunks. Set aside.

Heat canola oil in non-stick skillet. Add mushrooms, bell pepper strips and defrosted peas. Cook,

stirring until softened. Remove from skillet. Set aside.

Mix cornstarch with a little evaporated milk to make a paste. Add remaining milk and broth. Stir over low heat until thick and smooth. Stir in sherry and Worcestershire sauce. Add vegetables and chicken to sauce. Adjust seasoning. Serve in Croustades.

To make Croustades

Flatten each bread slice with a rolling pin. Fit each slice into a muffin tin pressing the bread against the sides of the cups. Bake in a 350°F oven for about 10 minutes until edges are golden. Remove from muffin tin after cooling. Serves 6.

Food Facts (per serving): Calories 268, fat 4.5g, saturated fat 0.8g, cholesterol 93mg, sodium 188mg

Food Exchanges: 3 lean meat, 1 starch, 1 vegetable

Look for Main Dish Miracle on the second Sunday of the month in Taste. Muriel G. Wagner is a registered dietitian and nutrition therapist with an office in Southfield. She publishes "Eating Younger," a quarterly newsletter with recipes and nutrition tips. To subscribe, send a check for \$13.50 to "Eating Younger," P.O. Box 69021, Pleasant Ridge, MI 48069.

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Rustle up a pot of vegetarian chili in no time at all

BY DANA JACOBI
SPECIAL WRITER

While in Austin, Texas recently, I ordered chili. The dense, slurpy bowl of red that arrived contained honest chunks of hand-chopped meat simmered with searingly hot ground chile and perfumed with oregano. Intense aromas of cumin and garlic wafted from the steaming bowl. Only the addition of canned tomato made this different from chili con carne as it was invented in Texas, somewhere back in the 1800's.

In all honesty, I would cook chili, either con carne or meatless, more often if it did not take so much time. When using meat,

I want it hand-chopped, so it's nice and nubby, and chopping enough for a worthwhile pot of chili takes a while. For meatless chili, simmering the beans together with all the other ingredients until they knit together with feisty flavor is also time-consuming.

Thinking about this, and about how beans are such a great source of fiber, folacin and other good things, I set out to make a quick-cooking chili packed with the same depth of intense and balanced flavors as those which are slow-cooked.

I started with canned beans. For quick, profound flavor, the answer included a good broth. I

used ground chile peppers, though you could use a prepared chili powder. (I prefer the distinctive flavor you get from the individual seasonings. Also, I have a personal aversion to the taste of dried garlic, an important ingredient in chili powder.)

At the end, I thickened the chili with masa harina. Some supermarkets, as well as Hispanic food stores, carry this meal made from dried corn cooked with a lime. It gives chili the taste of fresh tamales and adds a creamy texture. If you can't get masa, corn meal will do just fine.

Harry James, a great American musician, said, "Next to jazz music, there is nothing that lifts

the spirit and strengthens the soul more than a good bowl of chili." I think this meatless version proves it.

VEGETARIAN CHILI

- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, chopped
- 1 medium green bell pepper, cut in 1/2-inch pieces
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped garlic
- 1-3 jalapeno peppers, seeded and minced
- 1 tablespoon ground cumin
- 2 teaspoons ground ancho chile, or 1 tablespoon chili powder
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 2 (15-ounce) cans pinto beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 cup coarsely chopped canned tomatoes, drained

- 2 cups vegetable broth
- 1/2 cup chopped cilantro leaves
- 2 tablespoons masa or corn meal

Freshly ground black pepper In a medium Dutch oven, heat the oil over

medium-high heat. Sauté the onion, bell pepper and garlic in the oil until

the onion is translucent, about 4 minutes.

Add the jalapeno pepper, cumin, ancho chile or chili powder, and oregano.

Stir until the spices are fragrant, about 1 minute. Take care not to let them burn.

Add the beans, chopped tomatoes, all but 3 tablespoons of the vegetable broth, and the cilantro. Set the remaining vegetable broth

aside. Bring the chili to a boil, reduce the heat and simmer, uncovered, for 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, place the masa or corn meal in a small bowl. Mix in the reserved vegetable broth, stirring to make a smooth mixture. While stirring the chili, blend in the corn mixture, blending it in well. Mix in a generous amount of freshly ground black pepper. Continue simmering the chili 10 minutes longer. For the best flavor, let the chili sit 1-2 hours, reheat, and serve.

Each of the four servings contains 245 calories and 5 grams of fat.

Information and recipes written for the American Institute for Cancer by Dana Jacobi, author of "The Best of Clay Pot Cooking" and "The Natural Kitchen: SOY!"



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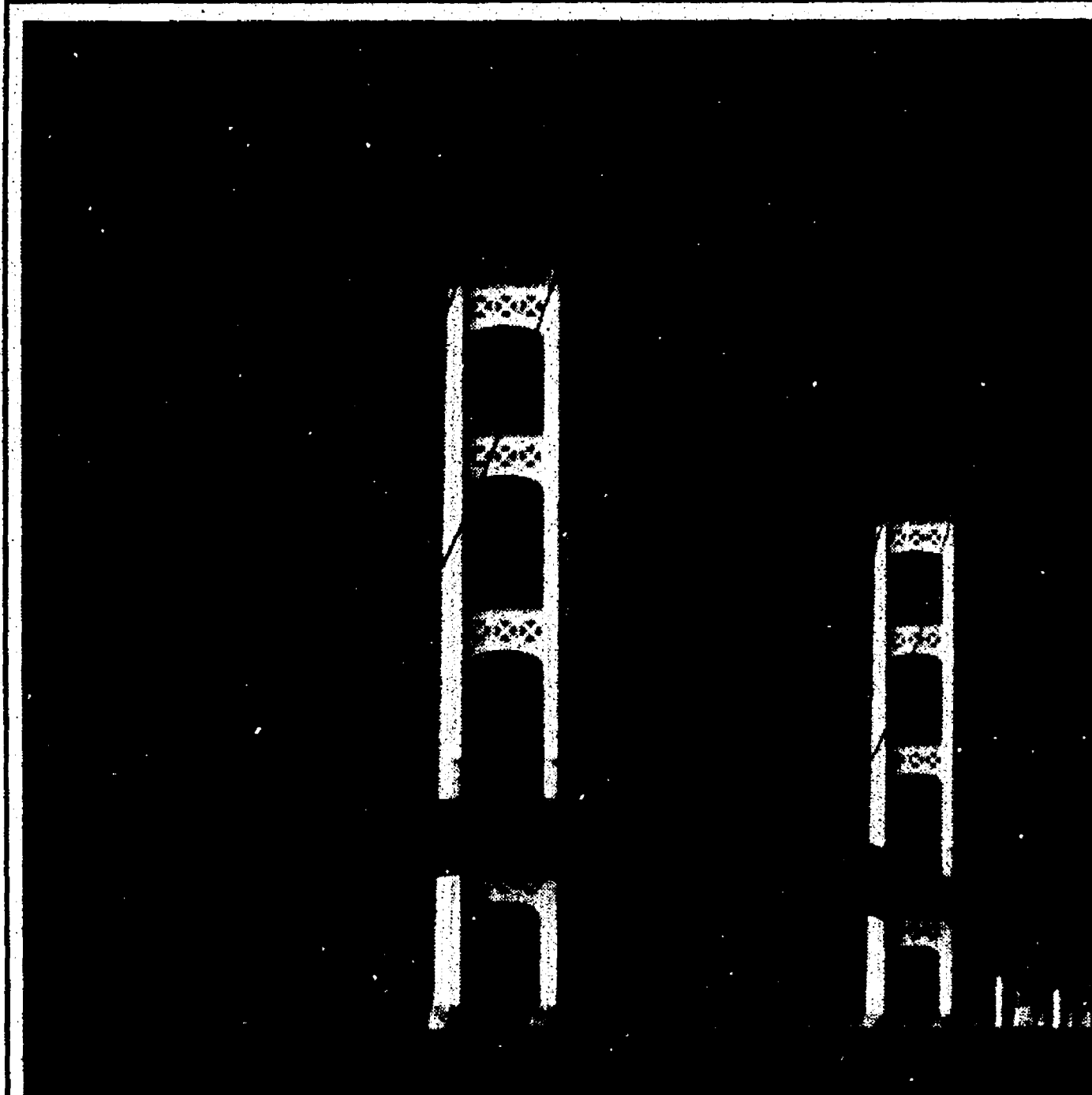
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Is it worth \$5 to keep a good employee healthy through this year's flu season? If the answer is "yes," contact the Occupational Health Services of Garden City Hospital, which is offering flu shots at just \$5 per employee during the months of October and November. The hospital also has a flu vaccine worksite program for businesses with a minimum of 10 employees wishing to receive the vaccine. For more information, contact Karen Parsell at (734) 458-3332.

Healthy balance

There is still time to enjoy Botaford's Health Development Network's month-long series of Positive Living Workshops. Sign up now for one or all of the following workshops: ■ "Trials, Tribulations and Transitions," Oct. 14, exploring ways to handle change and transform it into a positive life-enhancing experience. ■ "Prescription for Burnout," Oct. 21, presenting strategies on how to extinguish life's stresses and their accompanying symptoms. ■ "The Magic of Humor: How Laughter Can Save Your Life," Oct. 28, illustrating how humor affects a person's body, mind, spirit and health. Workshops take place from 7-9 p.m. on Wednesdays. Cost is \$15 per session. Preregistration and prepayment is required. Call (248) 477-6100.

We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Databook (upcoming calendar events); Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field); and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies). We also welcome newsworthy ideas for health and fitness related stories. To submit an item to our newspaper you can call, write, fax or e-mail us.

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AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION

Sports injuries sideline too many kids



Stretch out: (Above) Churchill football player, Aaron Geddes takes a moment to limber up before the game. (Upper right) John Glenn's Nick Hudson gets ready for the game with some practice throws.



Hold that pose: Aaron Lada, football player for John Glenn, goes through a pre-game stretching ritual.

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
STAFF WRITER

Parents who take preventative measures after they sign their children up for organized sports may help their budding athletes sidestep a lifetime of aches, pains and limps.

In fact, Westland physician Stanley J. Szczeciński writes his patients a "prescription for sports."

His first recommendation is for parents to find a sport that their child enjoys.

"To have mom force a child to go into gymnastics is going to make an unhappy child, and that will lead to more injuries," he said. Szczeciński worked as a U.S. Olympic Committee physician for the 1996 Summer Games in Atlanta, Ga., and is team physician for the Westland John Glenn High School football team and the Michigan Express Soccer Team.

Next, parents should set aside time each week for their children to practice the sport, which strengthens their bodies and prepares them for games, he said.

Health benefits

And if you're looking for health benefits, keep in mind that it takes at least 15 to 20 minutes, three days weekly for a cardiovascular workout.

Kids should also get a complete physical before starting a sport, especially checking for heart problems, seizure disorders and skeletal abnormalities, such as bone deformities, said Dr. Robert Gordon, who practices at Family and Sports Medical Center on Main Street in Plymouth.

"Once the person is screened, the next step is the coach's responsibility to make sure whatever sport that person is doing that they physically work them up to the point that they are ready for full participation," Gordon said.

"You can't take a kid who has been watching Nickelodeon all summer and expect him to do the same activity at the same intensity from when they left off. Most of the injuries we see are from overuse."

Flexibility is key

Both doctors agree that flexibility is the key to maintaining health and staving off injuries.

"In training, one of the most forgotten elements is flexibility," said Szczeciński.

"We've far too long stressed strength and endurance and haven't given enough attention to flexibility," Szczeciński added.

Like adults, children should stretch before games and concentrate on working the muscles that will have the hardest workout. For instance, baseball players should work their lower and upper bodies, because the kids will be running, throwing and batting.

Szczeciński also points to the importance of good coaches who prepare children with effective workouts and who teach them the fundamentals of how to play the game without getting hurt. This is especially true for young football players.

Use proper equipment

Proper equipment that fits is another essential component, he said. In fact, if the equipment that's provided doesn't fit or is worn out, consider buying extra gear.

Each sport calls for a specialized shoe. Basketball players, for instance, need foot gear that will provide extra ankle support to buffer the blow as the athletes repeatedly jump and land.

If your child is involved in a number of sports and you can't afford to buy a shoe for each, think about buying one all-sports shoe that should adequately protect your child's feet, ankles and legs, Szczeciński suggested.



The most diligent parents can think about every safety detail, but if the child doesn't cooperate, he is still a candidate for accidents.

Wear helmet

Every parent has heard their children, from preschool to high school, complain about wearing helmets when roller skating and cycling. But all it takes to make parents persevere is one story from an emergency room worker about a cyclist or a skater who suffered brain damage or died because he didn't want to be bothered with head gear.

"The accidents (from skating and cycling) are few and far between, but the accidents are a lot more serious when they do happen," Gordon said.

Ranking sports in terms of the number of injuries, Szczeciński lists football first; hockey second; basketball third followed by soccer.

Children who are involved in non-contact sports, such as swimming and tennis, are less likely to have an accident but have to consider the possibility of overusing a particular muscle and causing tendinitis.

Other injuries

Your children don't have to be involved in organized sports at all to get hurt, according to Dr. John Williams in "Good Health Online: Sports and Fitness Health" on the Internet.

About half of the kids he sees are injured after falling from monkey bars and playsets. Backyard trampolines are loads of fun, but they can also bounce you right into an emergency room, he said.

Most injuries from trampolines, usually broken bones, are caused by the momentum from jumping compounded by the odd angles kids get into as they contort their bodies.

No matter how kids are injured, if a bone is repeatedly broken, it may become crooked.

"An injury will impede growth if there's a fracture in the growth plate. If it's not properly treated after the fracture, it could cause one arm to be shorter than the other," Szczeciński said.

If your child is injured, orthopedic surgeon Edward Lewis recommends treating the injury with RICE (Rest, Ice, Compression and Elevation), according to "Good Health Online: Sports and Fitness Library."

"Work out muscle cramps with slow, easy stretching and quit altogether if the pain doesn't stop," Lewis added.

It is also important to have the injury checked by a physician trained in sports medicine, because he knows what to look for, Szczeciński said.

"The longer you let an injury go, the longer it will take to get it better," he added.

Positive results

Despite the risks, sports can be positive. Physical activity is especially important, considering studies that show children are getting fatter and less fit. In fact, one in five youngsters age 6-17 is overweight. Twenty percent of boys and 22 percent of girls are carrying around more bulk than they should for their health now and in the future, according to the National Center for Health Statistics.

"Many times when a child comes in and has an injury, the parents will say 'Look, we shouldn't have gotten him into this,'" Gordon said.

"And my first comment is they should be involved in sports, but they should stretch and prepare themselves first."

"There are so many benefits to sports, like the physical and mental conditioning, as well as overall emotional benefits from participating."

Identifying illegal drug use

The promise and usefulness of drug testing programs is that these programs can accurately identify illegal drug use. This implies the ability to definitively distinguish legal from illegal drug use.

However, in order to achieve this goal, the use of certified Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (SAMSHA) laboratories and medical review officers (MRO) is mandatory.

A recent California court case raised some intriguing questions about how occupational health clinics handle drug testing of prospective employees, especially when the client company wants only the laboratory results with no MRO review. Laboratory tests can be misleading as they indicate both legal and illegal drug use. Without MRO

review, a positive test could cause an employer to not hire the prospective candidate. In the California case that's exactly what happened, and the potential employee sued. The jury's verdict demonstrated that it is up to the employer to seek proper interpretation of the test results via review by a medical review officer.

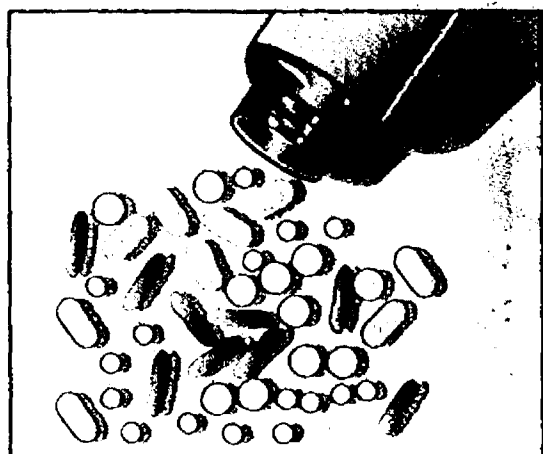
Some companies try to interpret laboratory test results on their own. However, they frequently have no one with training in legitimate prescription drug use, over-the-counter medications, adulteration and dilution issues, dietary concerns or prescription sharing.

The American with Disabilities Act prohibits mandatory prescription disclosure. MRO interpretation will greatly improve the efficiency, scope and

quality of drug testing.

According to Jerry Bell, a pharmacist who works at Garden City Hospital's Occupational Health Services in Taylor, an MRO will contact a prospective employee who tested positive and ask him if he has seen a doctor or dentist in the last few weeks who prescribed medication. If the answer is "yes," the MRO will contact the specific pharmacy to find out if the medication - codeine, for example - could have contributed to a legitimate positive drug test result.

Federal laws are being proposed, and many states are passing legislation that will mandate that all employers involved in drug or alcohol testing follow the Department of Transportation guidelines. These guidelines include policy development, use of SAMSHA-



certified laboratories, MRO services, education and supervisor training.

Dr. David Weaver is the MRO for Garden City Hospital Occupational Health Services at the hospital and Taylor sites. Both Weaver and Karen Parsell, client relations manager, are available to discuss drug testing and other occupational health issues. For an appointment, contact Parsell at (734) 458-3332.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

Items for Medical Datebook are welcome from all hospitals, physicians, companies and residents active in the Observer area's medical community. Items should be typed or legibly written and sent to: Medical Datebook, c/o The Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail kmortson@oe.homecomm.net or fax to (734) 591-7279.

OCT.-NOV.8

CANCER 2000

Ward Presbyterian Church will present Ward Cancer 2000 Seminars, on overcoming the physical and spiritual challenges of cancer. Dr. Manuel Valdivieso, director of Oakwood Cancer Center of Excellence, will speak

along with Ward staff at the six Sunday seminars, to be held 4-5:30 p.m. in Room 317 of the church, on Six Mile west of Hagerly in Northville Township. For registration information, call (248) 374-5904.

OCT.-NOV. 16

UNDERSTANDING PARKINSON'S

In October, Health Development Network at Botsford will present a comprehensive seven-week program, "Living With and Understanding Parkinson's," for people with the disease and their care partners. The only program of its kind in southeastern Michigan to focus on a positive approach to coping with the disease. The 2.5 hour sessions meet consecutive Monday afternoons from 1-3:30 p.m. at Botsford

General Hospital. Call to register (248) 477-6100.

MON, OCT. 12

ESTEEM WORKSHOP

Advanced Counseling Service on Laurel Park Drive North in Livonia is sponsoring a four-week workshop titled "Esteeming Yourself" from 6-7:30 p.m. Oct. 12, 19, 26 and Nov. 2. Cost is \$80. To register, call (734) 953-1203, Ext. 418 or 434.

TUE, OCT. 13

HEART SUPPORT GROUP

This relaxed forum enables patients and their families to gain knowledge and insight into heart disease. Free. 2-3 p.m. at Botsford General Hospital, Conference Room 3 West, 28050

Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Call (248) 615-7480.

MOTHER-BABY SUPPORT GROUP

The Marian Women's Center at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia will offer a Mother-Baby support Group from 10-11 a.m. Tuesday, October 13. The group meets in the West Addition conference Room B near the south entrance. Bring your baby and enjoy an hour of information and emotional support for new moms. Registration required. Call (313) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615.

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Marian Women's Center of St. Mary Hospital will offer a Breast Cancer Support Group meeting from 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 9 in the West Addition Conference Room B. The support group meets the second Tuesday

of each month to share experiences and discuss subjects of mutual concern. Call (734) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615.

OCT. 13 AND OCT. 15

DRUG-FREE FAMILIES

Kramer Chiropractic Center, located at 33481 Eight Mile Road in Livonia, is offering two sessions on keeping your family drug-free through the practice of a holistic and chiropractic philosophy. Sessions are from 9:30-10:30 a.m. on Tuesday and from 7:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursday.

WED, OCT. 14

HARD OF HEARING

Free meeting for people who are hard of hearing - beginning at 7 p.m. at the Westland MedMax Health and Care Superstore, 35600 Central City Parkway. Call (734) 458-3381.

PLYMOUTH BREATHERS CLUB

For those with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, emphysema and other respiratory disease. Meets from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the Arbor Health Building - Plymouth. Call (734) 712-5387.

LUPUS

Dr. Joseph Berenholz, Ob.Gyn., will discuss "Female Related Issues, Sexual Dysfunction, Hormonal Changes" as it applies to lupus at the Northwest Suburban Lupus Chapter meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Farmington Library Conference Room. Call Andrea Gray at (734) 261-6714.

BUSINESS CALENDAR

TUES, OCT. 20

PAYROLL FAST & EASY

Learn how to track employee wages and prepare payroll reports as required by government. Offered by the Big E-Z Bookkeeping Co. at Riley Middle School from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 plus \$3 for payroll forms. Bring calculator. Call Livonia Community Education at (734) 523-9277.

WED, OCT. 21

BUSINESS NETWORK

Business Network International, Laurel Park Chapter, will meet 7-8:30 a.m. at Richard's restaurant, Plymouth Road and Newburgh. For information, call (734) 397-9939.

BOOKKEEPING FAST & EASY

Learn to track a month's income and expenses, then determine profits. Ideal for the number-shy small-business owner. Offered 7-9 p.m. by the Big E-Z

Bookkeeping Co. at Novi High School, Room 149. Bring calculator. Cost is \$27 plus \$3 for bookkeeping forms. Call Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206.

FRI, OCT. 23

BUSINESS NETWORK

Business Network International, Livonia Chapter, will meet 7-8:30 a.m. at Senate Koney Island, on Plymouth Road near Stark. For information, call (734) 397-9939.

SAT, OCT. 24

BOOKKEEPING FAST & EASY

Learn to track a month's income and expenses, then determine profits. Ideal for the number-shy small-business owner. Offered by the Big E-Z Bookkeeping Co. at Farmington Community School, 30415 Shiawassee in Farmington. Bring calculator. Cost is \$25 plus

\$3 for bookkeeping forms. Call Farmington Community Schools at (248) 489-3333.

TUES, OCT. 27

FRANCHISE SEMINAR

Potential franchisees can learn about opportunities at a seminar 6:30-9 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Livonia, 17123 N. Laurel Park Drive. Admission is free. A&W Restaurants, Children's Orchard, Fantastic Sam's, Molly Maid, 7-Eleven, Ziebart Tidy Car and Target Leasing are sponsors. For information, call Marc Lichtenstein, (248) 699-2000, Ext. 9196.

MON, OCT. 26, AND TUES, OCT. 27

WHEELING AND DEALING

David Foltyn, a partner with the Detroit-based law firm of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn, will be a featured speaker at the third annual Auto

Parts Industry Mergers & Acquisitions Institute "Doing the Right Deal at the Right Time" seminar held at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn. The event will explore dealmaking in the auto parts industry, from mergers and acquisitions to avoiding the car manufacture price squeeze. For more information, call (212) 647-0808.

WED, OCT. 28

PAYROLL FAST & EASY

Learn how to track employee wages and prepare payroll reports as required by government. Offered by the Big E-Z Bookkeeping Co. at Novi High School, Room 149, from 7-9 p.m. Cost is \$27 plus \$5 for payroll forms. Bring calculator. Call Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206.

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FRI, OCT. 30

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SAT, NOV. 7

PAYROLL FAST & EASY

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BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS

New trainers

The athletic training staff based at the MEDHEALTH Wellness Center's Plymouth Facility now includes **Ryan Anderson, Tom Bradley, Jen Hagewood and Tracey Lasek**. They will work under the direction of Marc Freeman, head athletic trainer.

Anderson is assigned to provide coverage for sporting events at John Glenn High School. He graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in sports medicine and is a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association.

Bradley is assigned to Detroit Catholic Central High School. He graduated from Ft. Lewis College in Durango, Colo., with a bachelor's degree in exercise science. He is a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association and the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

Hagewood is assigned to Livonia Churchill High School. She graduated from Central Michigan University magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in sports medicine. She was previously employed as a medical assistant at Dow Chemical. She is a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association and the Michigan Athletic Trainers Society.

Lasek is assigned to Livonia Stevenson High School. She graduated from Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in sports medicine. She participates in Red Cross First Aid and is a CPR instructor, and is part of the medical staff for summer Special Olympics.

The announcement was made by Matthew B. Petee, corporate director, Physical Medicine Hospital Practices & Wellness Centers.

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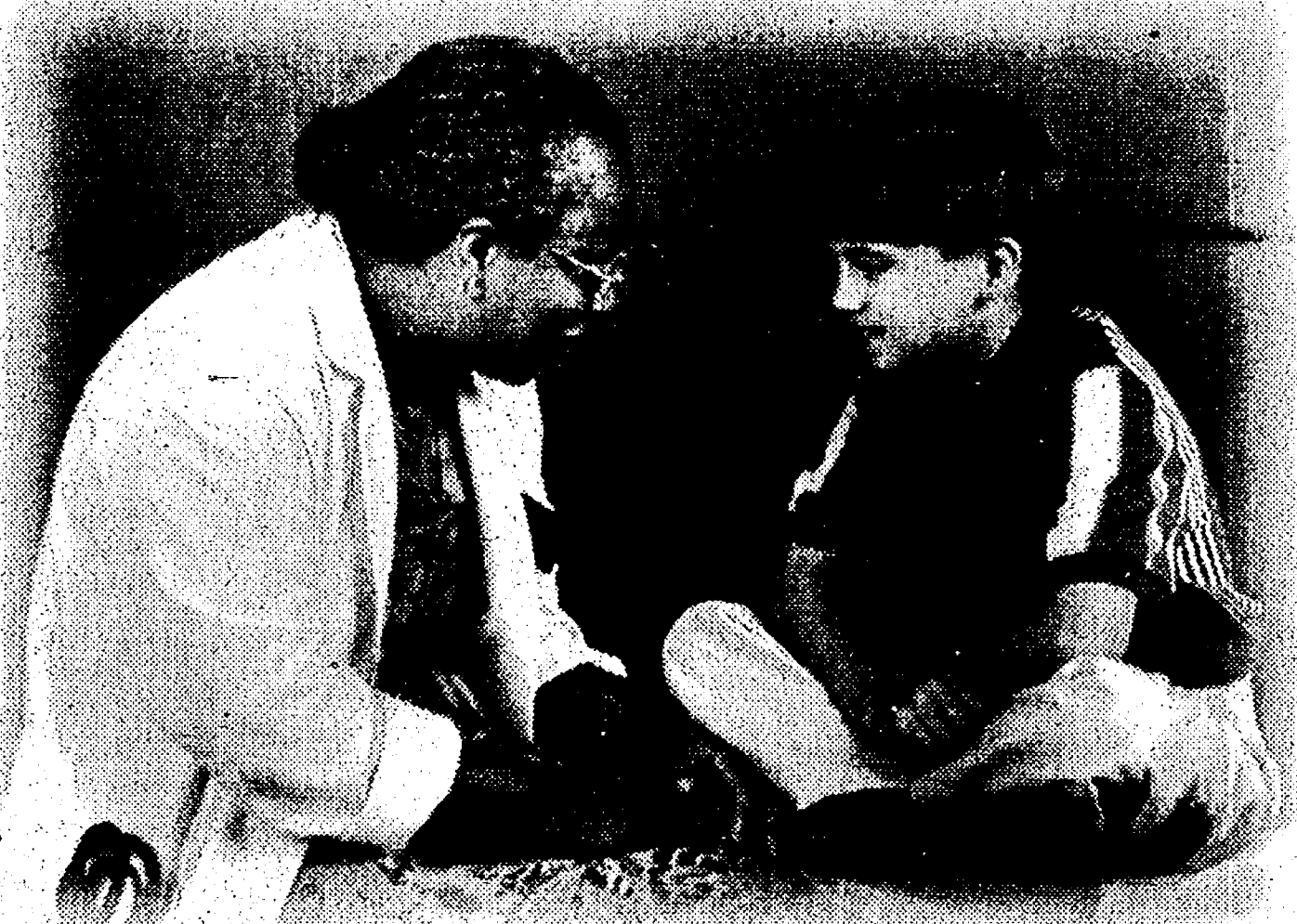
Joseph Fillar

Joseph Fillar has been named director of customer service for Northwest Airlines. He is responsible for overseeing all operations in the Northwest Airlines control center at Detroit Metro Airport, including scheduling, assigning of gates and hub communication.

He previously worked as the manager of Ramp Procedures



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PC TALK

MIKE WENDLAND

If you've been on the Internet for any length of time, you have surely found your e-mailbox jammed with all sorts of unwanted and inaccurate messages, passed along by well-meaning but gullible folks who thought you ought to know about some purported virus or technology threat.

That's why I'm passing along a piece of e-mail I received this week from a Webmaster friend, Adam Miller, about this very issue.

Save this. Print it out. Forward this message, instead of the next warning about some bogus Internet scare.

I don't know who originally authored this. My friend found it in an Internet newsgroup. But it's right on. It hits all of the most common e-mail hoaxes I've seen.

It's called "The E-mail Facts Of Life":

1. Big companies don't do business via chain letter. Bill Gates is not giving you \$1,000, and Disney is not giving you a free vacation. There is no baby food company issuing class-action checks. You can relax; there is no need to pass it on "just in case it's true." Furthermore, just because someone said in the

message, four generations back, that "we checked it out and it's legit," does not actually make it true.

2. There is no kidney theft ring in New Orleans. No one is waking up in a bathtub full of ice, even if a friend of a friend swears it happened to their cousin. If you are hellbent on believing the kidney-theft ring stories, please see: <http://urban-legends.tqn.com/library/weekly/aa062997.htm>

And I quote: "The National Kidney Foundation has repeatedly issued requests for actual victims of organ thieves to come forward and tell their stories. None have." That's "none" as in "zero." Not even your friend's cousin.

3. Neiman Marcus doesn't really sell a \$200 cookie recipe. And even if they do, we all have it. And even if you don't, you can get a copy at: <http://www.bl.net/forwards/cookie.html> Then, if you make the recipe, decide the cookies are that awesome, feel free to pass the recipe on.

4. We all know all 500 ways to drive your roommates crazy, irritate co-workers, gross out bathroom stall neighbors and creep out people on an elevator. We also know exactly how many engineers, college students, Usenet posters and people from each and every world ethnicity it takes to change a light bulb. So don't tell us in an e-mail.

5. Even if the latest NASA rocket disaster(s) DID contain

plutonium that went to participate over the eastern seaboard, do you REALLY think this information would reach the public via an AOL chain-letter?

6. There is no "Good Times" virus. In fact, you should never, ever, ever forward any e-mail containing any virus warning unless you first confirm it at an actual site of an actual company that actually deals with viruses. Try: <http://www.norton.com>

And even then, don't forward it.

7. If your CC: list is regularly longer than the actual content of your message, you're probably going to Hell.

8. If you're using Outlook, IE, or Netscape to write e-mail, turn off the "HTML encoding." Those of us on Unix shells can't read it, and don't care enough to save the attachment and then view it with a Web browser, since you're probably forwarding us a copy of the Neiman Marcus Cookie Recipe anyway.

9. If you still absolutely MUST forward that 10th-generation message from a friend, at least have the decency to trim the eight miles of headers showing everyone else who's received it over the last six months.

It sure wouldn't hurt to get rid of all the ">" that begin each line. Besides, if it has gone around that many times - we've probably already seen it.

10. Craig Shergold in England is not dying of cancer or any-

thing else at this time and would like everyone to stop sending him their business cards. He apparently is also no longer a "little boy" either.

Those 10 points just about cover them all.

Live broadcast today: Join me from 4-6 p.m. today at the Inca Computer Builders store on Michigan Ave., between Southfield Road and Telegraph, for a Live4 broadcast of my PC Talk radio show on WXYT, Talk Radio 1270.

PC MIKE SEMINAR: Space is filling up fast for the next in my PC Mike Computer Internet seminars. The next one is set for Oct. 31, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Computer Learning Center in Madison Heights. You need to call (248) 423-2721 to reserve a space.

Mike Wendland covers the Internet for NBC-TV NewsChannel stations across the country. His "PC Talk" radio show airs Saturday and Sunday afternoons on Detroit's WXYT-Radio AM1270. You can reach him through his Web site at <http://www.pcmike.com>

and System Deicing for Northwest Airlines. In that position, he and others created and implemented a comprehensive restructuring of the deicing program.

Fillar, who has worked for the airline since 1979, and his family live in Canton. The announcement was made by Bob Ball, vice president, Customer Service-Detroit.

Crain's spotlight

Two Livonia businessmen shared the spotlight in Crain's Detroit Business 1998 "40 Under 40" list, a compilation of the Detroit metro area's most successful business people age 40 and under.

Mark Lichtman, 35, president and CEO of ZenaComp Inc., founded his custom-software development company in 1989. Today, his company has grown to 60 workers and generates sales around \$6.2 million. ZenaComp's clients include Wal-Mart Stores Inc., General Motors Corp., and ValueRx, a pharmacy-benefits company.

Lichtman earned his MBA from Michigan State University

in 1997. He is a member of the Young Presidents Organization and was nominated to the Michigan Information Technology Roundtable by the Michigan Jobs Commission.

Gerard Guidici, 38, vice president of corporate development and strategic planning for LucasVarity Automotive, often spends his entire work day handling conference calls from company offices in Hong Kong and London.

Guidici oversees the company's automotive electronics and electrical systems as well as the light vehicle braking systems. Under his guidance, his division generated \$5 billion in sales. He intends to expand his company's vehicle content from braking systems into chassis-control systems, which holds the potential of doubling company sales.

Guidici began his automotive career with a bachelor's degree at the former General Motors Institute in Flint. He earned his MBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

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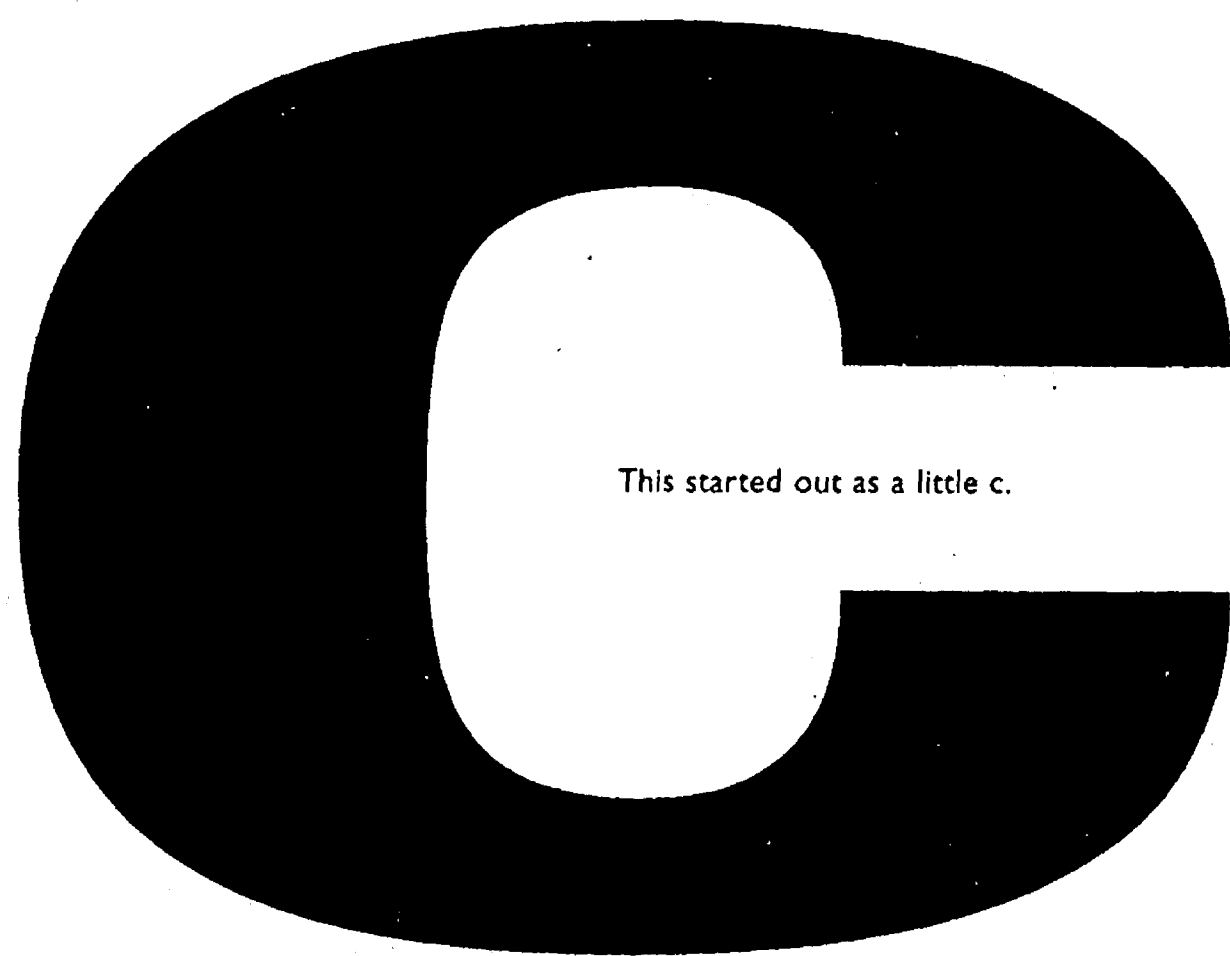
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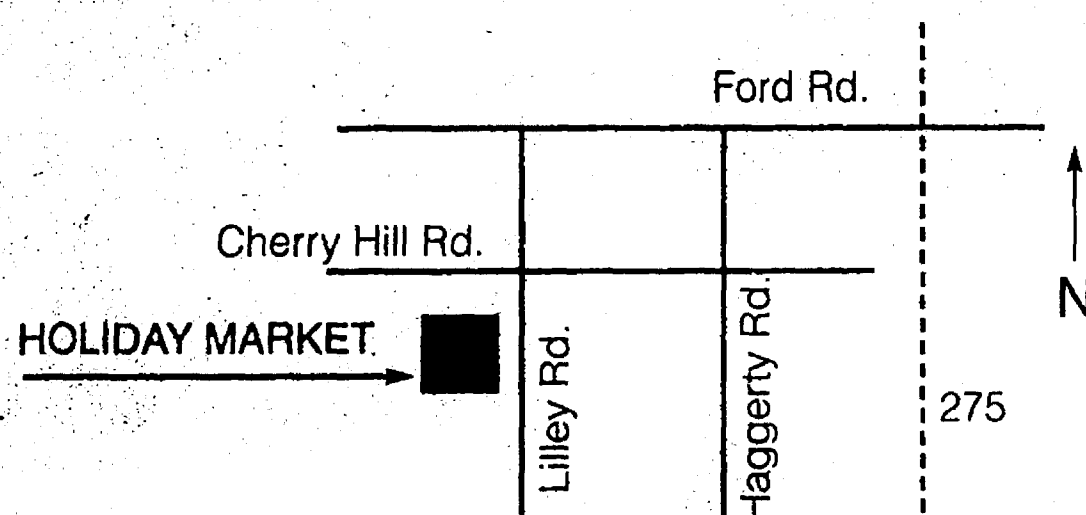
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LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Dracula dances on Devil's Night

If you ask Kendra Phillips what is the scariest scene in "Dracula," she'll tell you it's the final one where she drives a stake through the Prince of Darkness's heart.

Phillips, a Westland resident, dances the role of Mina (Wilhelmina) in the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company's Oct. 25 and Oct. 30 productions of Bram Stoker's classic tale at Clarenceville High School in Livonia.

"Dracula comes up behind me, and I don't know he's there," said Phillips. "It never fails someone in the audience screams, look behind you."

For all of the dancers in "Dracula," the challenge is portraying their parts. While productions such as "The Nutcracker" tell a story, they don't involve much acting. "Dracula" is different.

Set in the 18th century, the ballet spins a web about the Count who packs up his coffin and moves to London after life in Transylvania becomes scarce. Choreographed by Mark Nash for the Plymouth Canton Ballet, the original production tells the story through the eyes of Mina, Lucy's best friend. Lucy is the one who becomes one of the walking dead after Dracula bites her several times.

Frightening

"There's only two screams in the whole production and mine is one of them," said Phillips. "But I've had no problem because the dancer who plays Dracula is so frightening."

"Dracula"

WHAT: The Plymouth Canton Ballet Company scares up choreographer Mark Nash's version of Bram Stoker's "Dracula."

WHEN: 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25 and 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30.

WHERE: Clarenceville High School Auditorium, 20155 Middlebelt, (south of Eight Mile Road), Livonia.

TICKETS: \$10 adults, \$8 children age 12 and under, call (734) 397-8828.



On the dark side: Plymouth Canton Ballet Company members Dean Sheremet and Kendra Phillips dance their way through Bram Stoker's "Dracula."

do pranks," said Greene.

Word of mouth should ensure a full house, according to Dean Sheremet who plays Mina's fiancé, Jonathan Harker is the unlucky real estate agent sent to Dracula's castle to finalize the Count's purchase of Carfax Abbey in London. Sheremet won the national Starpower competition for the Mr. Dance title in Las Vegas this summer.

"People didn't know what to expect the first time," said Shoremet, a senior at Plymouth Canton High School. "But afterwards, they said they'd wished they would've brought everyone and their brother."

Now that Dracula is about to arrive in Livonia, Greene is excitedly asking everyone to come, and on Devil's Night to wear costumes. She cautions parents, however, not to bring anyone below age 5.

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Plymouth Symphony changes with the season



Flute soloist: Deborah Rebeck Ash performs Corigliano's "Pied Piper Fantasy."

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN

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Russell Reed waved his baton for the string players to embark on Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 3. The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra members had waited for this moment, tuning up and running through passages. Along with the sweet strains of strings, changes were in the air. This is to be Reed's last season as music director but one that will be long remembered.

Flute soloist Deborah Rebeck Ash is the first guest artist and will perform Corigliano's "Pied Piper Fantasy" at the Saturday, Oct. 17, opening concert. Written for James Galway, "Pied Piper" is not your typical flute concerto. It pits the flute against the orchestra which is a rat. Rebeck Ash as the flutist tries to destroy the rat. There are also 12 offstage flutists in the seven movement piece.

A member of the Plymouth Symphony since 1981, Rebeck Ash is studying for a doctorate degree at the University of Michigan. She is the winner of the 1997 National Flute Association Professional Performer's Competition.

"We've got a terrific season for the musicians and audience," said Reed. "There's some interesting programming like the 'Pied Piper.' I call it a theater piece because it has lighting and costumes and child actors from (Plymouth Community Arts Council's) Whistle Stop Players who fol-

low the piper."

The final concert with his sons David (violin) and Robert (cello) as guest artists will be the high point of Reed's 13 years with the orchestra. In between the first and last concerts the orchestra is featuring soloists Glenda Kirkland and Conwell Carrington, choirs from Plymouth Canton Educational Park and Northville High School, the Plymouth Canton Ballet, and guest conductors such as Anthony Iannaccone and Anthony Elliott.

A performance of James Lertini's "Sinfonia di festa," especially commissioned in celebration of the 50th

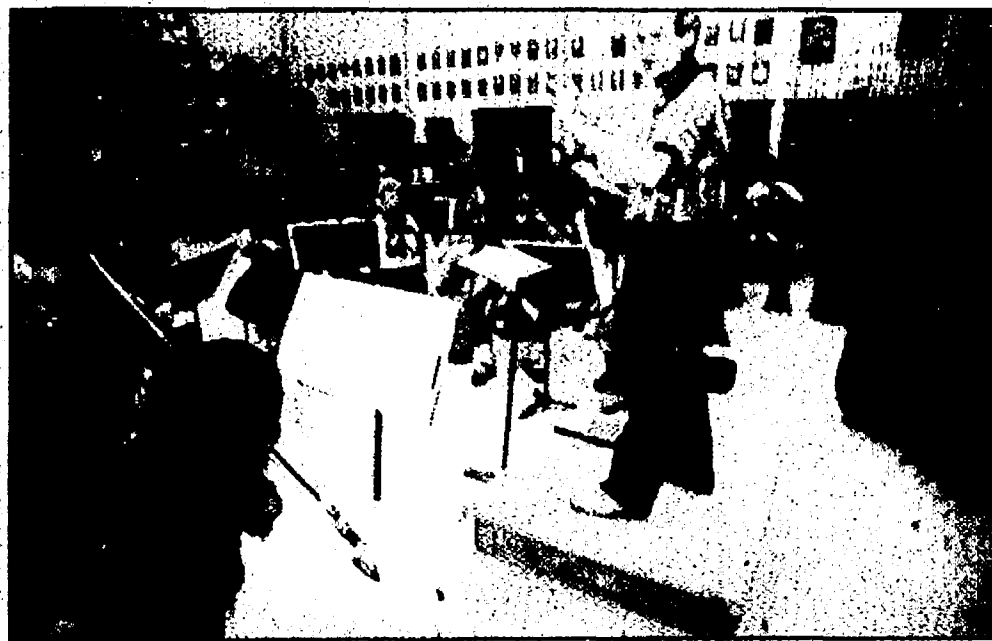
anniversary of the Plymouth Symphony, the annual Pops Dinner and Chamber Concert are some of the other treats on the menu.

On-Stage, the popular pre-concert lecture program, will return, said Reed, to give the audience an opportunity to meet the soloists and learn about the music so they can "appreciate it and enjoy it more as well as feel a personal connection that they wouldn't have felt otherwise."

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Season opener: Russell Reed leads the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra in the opening concert of its 53rd season Oct. 17.

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WHAT: Opens its 53rd season with familiar classics. Orchestra flutist Deborah Rebeck Ash performs Corigliano's "Pied Piper Fantasy."

WHEN: 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17. Afterglow to follow at John Cleveland's Water Club Grill, 39500 E. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. Afterglow tickets \$5.

WHERE: Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium, 48181 Joy Road (at Canton Center Road), Canton.

TICKETS: \$12 adults, \$10 seniors/college students. Students through grade 12 admitted free. Season tickets \$114 adults, \$105 seniors are available through opening night. Call (734) 451-2112 for concert or season tickets.

SEASON SCHEDULE

■ 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, and 3 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Dec. 12-13 - The Nutcracker with the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium.

■ 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 21 - "All American" concert featuring guest conductor Anthony Iannaccone, and soloists Glenda Kirkland and Conwell Carrington at Pease Auditorium, Eastern Michigan University.

■ 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30 - Chamber Concert featuring PSO musicians and Youth Artist Competition winner at the Plymouth Canton Little Theatre.

■ 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 20 - "February Festivities" with guest conductor Anthony Elliott at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium.

■ 6 p.m. Friday, March 12 - Pops Dinner Concert at Laurel Manor.

■ 8 p.m. Saturday, April 17 - "Reed Finale" features the conductor's sons David and Robert at Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium.

FILM

Film documents man's struggles, pain to 'Walk This Way'

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When talking about his disability, Ron Bachman shoots straight from the hip. The double-amputee pulls no punches about being "beat up so bad emotionally in school and in his north-west Detroit neighborhood because he looked so different." But don't feel sorry for him. Bachman's positive attitude demonstrates the Northville resident has come to terms with the hand he's been dealt. Now he's on a mission to show others "you might walk that way, but I walk this way" in a film premiering Saturday, Oct. 17, at the Penn Theater in Plymouth.

The pain and struggle Bachman's encountered along the way is documented in "Walk This Way" but, so, too, is the strength it took to overcome the negativity and become an everyday guy who rides a motorcycle, shops at the supermarket, and works out at the Power House gym in Farmington Hills. The only difference, as producer Kathryn Vander shows through vintage

"Walk This Way"

WHAT: Premiere of the 16mm documentary film about the life of double-amputee Ron Bachman.

WHEN: 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17. Where: Penn Theater, on Penniman (east of Main St.), Plymouth.

TICKETS: \$10, call (248) 542-8935. A portion of proceeds benefit Detroit Area Film & Television, a nonprofit educational association.



Fooling around: Producer Kathryn Vander and Steven Tyler of Aerosmith take a break before filming his part in "Walk This Way."

footage taken at the Mary Freebend Rehabilitation Center in Grand Rapids, is that Bachman, who was born with a congenital birth defect, had his legs amputated at the age of 4. Still, he managed to raise his 18-year-old daughter, Alicia, now a student at Michigan State University, by himself from the time she was 4. One poignant scene, when Alicia was 8, shows how Bachman innovatively solved problems other parents could never imagine. When neither could reach the top of the Christmas tree to place the star, Bachman laid the tree down on its side.

His story

"It starts when I was 4 years old with my legs, then two weeks after without my legs," said Bachman. "Then it shows me at age 9, then in high school, married, divorced and raising Alicia. It's hard to chase after a 4-year-old when you're walking on your hands. From age 4 to 7 it was difficult physically, but from that age on she turned out to be

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Inspiring story: Ron Bachman and Emmy award-winning producer Kathryn Vander teamed up to make "Walk This Way."

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ing rehearsals and concerts is the final step in selecting a new music director after Reed's departure in April. From 160 applicants, seven have been chosen for the 1998-1999 season. Reed is stepping back while a search committee looks for a new music director.

He said he thinks it's important that the board, musicians and community make the choice because "they're the ones who have to work with the conductor."

"You don't conduct the music, you conduct the people," said Reed. If you enjoy the people, board members and the community, that's what makes it worth it, but it takes a tremendous amount of energy. Every rehearsal is two-and-one-half hours of the most intense emo-

tional and physical energy."

Reed, 64, wants to spend more time more traveling and golfing. He also enjoys cabinet making.

"I've been waving my arms at folks for well over 40 years," said Reed. "The hard part of music is once it's over it's gone, but we have a good time. We work hard. I like to feel rehearsal's been worthwhile for the people in the audience. It's been great for me."

Reed laughs as he thinks about how members of the orchestra took the news of his retirement at the end of last season. Several musicians asked who was going to serve refreshments since Reed's wife, Nancy, usually took on the chore during breaks.

Rebeck Ash and her husband, Jeff, a French horn player with

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Plymouth Symphony Orchestra Music Director

the orchestra, are typical of the members who will miss Reed, however. There's a mutual respect between director and musicians. Reed marvels at the dedication of the orchestra members, in particular Rebeck Ash whose mother died the week before the first rehearsal for the new season. "Deborah's a real trooper," said Reed.

"Russ Reed's going to be hard to replace," said Rebeck Ash. "He's easy to get along with."

Targeting the future

Education continues to play an increasingly important role for the orchestra. Through concerts incorporating such groups as the Whistle Stop Players and educational programming in the

schools, Reed and the rest of the Plymouth Symphony organization are trying to encourage young people to take an interest in symphonic music. According to board president Donald Soenen, the operating budget's jumped to \$220,000 from \$120,000 three years ago all because of education. Last month as part of a new program, third graders in Plymouth Canton Schools were treated to visits from orchestra members. Also new is the policy that students through grade 12 will be admitted free to concerts.

"The Plymouth Symphony has always had a part of its mission as education," said Soenen. "It's our goal to become much more involved with students in Plymouth Canton Schools. We hope to develop a very aggressive program over the next two years."

It's in the best interest of the Plymouth Symphony to build an audience as well."

Soenen points out educational programming is just one of the changes the orchestra is making to move the nonprofit organization into the 21st century.

Julia Kurtyka was recently hired as the new executive director to boost ticket sales and market the orchestra. Corporate and individual fund-raising campaigns will allow the orchestra to schedule more youth programs, and the \$200,000 raised for an endowment fund within the last two years will keep the orchestra afloat in the future.

"We're really strengthening the organization," said Soenen. It wasn't that long ago when it was all volunteers now we have two paid staff members."

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the greatest kid ever, and I was the guy car pooling and doing all the things other parents do."

Shot on location in Northville, Novi, The Palace in Auburn Hills, and Plymouth, the film changes perceptions about children and adults with disabilities. Vander, an Emmy-Award-winning film producer, and cinematographer/co-producer John Prusak, an instructor at William D. Ford Career/Technical Center in Westland, use one scene shot at the Salvation Army in Plymouth to illustrate the fact that most of us, children and adults, are at a loss as how to interact with handicapped people on a daily basis. For Bachman, the speaking engagement was a pay back for the help the Salvation Army gave him when he had a kidney removed in 1993.

"We're really excited about it premiering in Plymouth," said Bachman. "That's where I got my start as a motivational

speaker. All of the kids ended up in the movie."

The questions, the children asked - how do you get in and out of bed? are you in pain? Bachman addresses in a series of motivational tapes to be released in January.

"When he's out in public people stare," said Vander. "One little girl was staring at him so he went up to her. We got a feel for what it's like. Ron eventually got her to laugh and smile and quit looking under his scooter."

Delivering a message

To reach a larger audience, Bachman is in the process of applying for grants to take his message to schools around the country. The students in Suzanne Rompel's class at the Dickinson Center in Livonia are still talking about the day Bachman wheeled in on his Amigo scooter to speak to them. The troubled students from Livonia's

three high schools attend the ALPHA, the Alternative Learning Program, for two hours every school day. In a support group setting, students are taught to deal with anger and other emotions.

"Our students come in with low self esteem," said Rompel. "They're having problems at home, with their friends, or in school. To meet Ron who has such a disability they came away saying Ron is a winner. He changes the way people look at the disabled. His main message to the students was, we're all people and if you can accept yourself for who you are, it doesn't matter what other people think of you."

Kindred spirits

Alicia talks about her father in the film as does friend Steven Tyler of Aerosmith. Bachman met Tyler 22 years ago at a concert and since then the two have become "kindred spirits." Tyler

says, 100 years ago Ron would have wound up in the sideshow of a circus, but today he's changing the way people look at people with disabilities.

"The film runs the gamut of emotions," said Vander. "It inspires you and once you're past the initial shock of seeing Ron, you get to know him as a person. You get beyond what you see, the superficial."

Vander, a Berkley resident who grew up in Oak Park and Southfield, met Bachman seven years ago at the Specs Howard School of Broadcast Arts where she was an instructor and he a student. She spent a lot of hours talking to Bachman about his life before "figuring out from a storytelling aspect how to encapsulate Ron's life."

"I didn't want people to walk away feeling depressed, I wanted to get humor in the film because that's his personality, and still tell the story. Everybody will come away with a different les-

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son. Some will go away thinking my life's not so bad, others what would I do in this situation?"

Seven years in the making, the film was set back time and time again because of a lack of money. With the help of private contributions and grants, they eventually completed the film but not without a great deal of frustration. The next step after the premiere is finding distributors but Prusak's not worried. "Walk This Way" has already been shown in Los Angeles and around the country to qualify to win awards, one of which was already


received from the Council on Family Relations.

"Funding documentaries is not like funding feature films," said Prusak. "In independent filmmaking, you're doing everything on your own, distributing, raising money, but it's all worth it especially when you're doing a film about someone like Ron. We don't think about a handicap until it happens to us. If Ron can bring out some of the sensitivity he has and pass that on, it will be a winner. It's just a real human story. It's a story to be told."

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"It's scary," the Canton resident said. "Even though it's good over evil."

Dracula's quick scene changes keeps the dancers on their toes. Nicole Reitz plays one of Dracula's three wives, the ones that suck the blood out of Harker. The Plymouth-Salem High School senior says it's a production not to be missed with lots of garlic, crosses and collapsible stakes.

Two fog machines set the mood along with the costuming. Luty's wedding dress and the rest of the costumes were made by Greene. She tie-dyed many of the ghouls outfits gray and black to make them look ragged and then put drops of

blood on them.

"It's so unique," said Reitz. "because the ballet (Dracula) doesn't come to town that often and you get to see it locally."

"It has more variety for the audience," said Phillips, an instructor at Encore Dance Academy in Westland. "Some people don't like the ballet but this is more like a play and it's fun."

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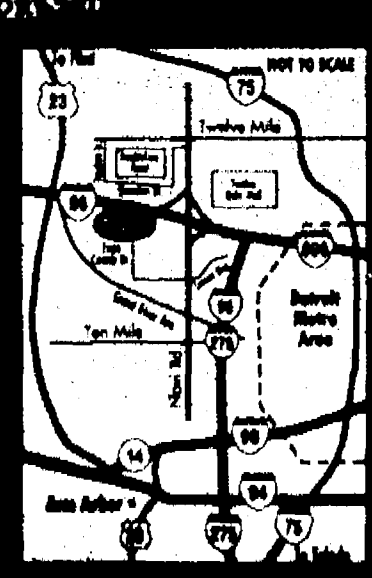
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CHORAL PROGRAM

Old St. Mary's Church in Greektown presents a program of choral music 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18; (313) 961-8711.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

ART MUSEUM PROJECT

Non-credit studio art classes and workshops from mid September through November. Programs led by noted instructors from the region. For free brochure and to register, (734) 593-5058.

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER

Range of art classes for fall. 1516 S. Cranbrook Road, Birmingham; (248) 644-0866.

BIRMINGHAM COMMUNITY ED.

Fall registration for beading classes. Seaholm High School, Lincoln at Cranbrook roads, Birmingham; (248) 203-3800.

CLAYTON ACADEMY OF DANCE

Register for fall classes. 5951 John R. Road, Troy; (248) 828-4080.

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER OF PONTIAC

Range of art classes for fall, including courses for youth, teens and adults. 47 Williams Street, Pontiac; (248) 333-7849.

DANCE CLASS

Open enrollment for ballet, modern, ethnic, tap and jazz. Open for dancers of all ages, from beginning to advanced. Adult courses: \$10 per class. Marygrove College, 8425 W. McNichols Road, Detroit; (313) 927-1200.

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

Fall classes in modern dance and ballet for intermediate and advanced dancers. Central United Methodist Church, 23 E. Adams on Grand Circus Park, across from the State Theater, Detroit; (313) 965-3544.

GETTY MUSEUM TOUR

The Community House in Birmingham is offering a tour of the Getty Museum in the foothills of the Santa Monica Mountains. Tour will be held Nov. 12-16, 1998.

Limited space. For information, call (248) 644-5832.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

"The Pleasure of Painting," demonstration and instruction by Sandra Levin. 12:30 & 6:30 p.m. Session begins Nov. 3. Fee for five-week class: \$50. 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield; (248) 661-7641.

KAMMUELLER DANCE CLASSES

Advanced and professional classical ballet program, 9:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; intermediate level Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays at 11:30 a.m. 5526 W. Drake, West Bloomfield; (248) 932-8699.

LONGACRE HOUSE - ART CLASSES

Range of art classes, including watercolor, drawing and collecting pottery. Hand quilting and appliqué taught by Lynn Van Nest, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Mondays through Nov. 2; fee: \$72. Mask-making, ages 18 and up: 7:15-8:15 p.m. Wednesdays through Oct. 21. Private voice lessons from instructor Bessie Koursaris, all skill and age levels: by appointment between 6-9 p.m. Wednesdays through Oct. 21 or Nov. 4-Dec. 16; fee: \$210. 24705 Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. To register, (248) 477-8404.

ONCE UPON AN EASEL

Classes for preschoolers, students ages 6-16, and adults, Oct. 19-Nov. 15. Golden Gate Plaza, 8691 N. Lilley Road, southwest corner of Joy and Lilley roads, Canton Township; (734) 453-3710.

PAINTING IN THE PARK

Drawing and painting every Saturday beginning at noon. Meet at Heritage Park, Spicer House Visitor Center, on Farmington Road, just north of 10 Mile Road; Farmington Hills; (248) 661-5291.

PAINTING CLASSES

West Bloomfield Parks and Recreation holds watercolor, oil and acrylic painting classes with Karen Halpern. 4640 Walnut Lake Road, West of Farmington Road. (248) 738-2500.

VAAL

The Visual Arts Association of Livonia begins its fall classes. Workshops in pastel, watercolor, monotypes, fall landscape, still life, watercolor, and painting glass ornaments. Jefferson Center, 9501 Henry Ruff, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia. To register, (734) 455-9517.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

High-energy violinist Nigel Kennedy. 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11. Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward, Detroit; (313) 576-5111.

JULLIARD STRING QUARTET

Opening-season concert for the Chamber Music Society of Detroit, 8 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11, Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Tickets: \$15-\$40; (248) 737-9980.

ROCHESTER SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Through October 18 - "Detroit's Black Bottom & Paradise Valley," and "Juke Joint," a recreation of southern country nightclub life by artist Willie Little. 315 E. Warren Avenue, Detroit; (313) 494-5800.

U-M MUSEUM OF ART

Through Oct. 25 - "Dreamscapes: The Surrealist Impulse," 50 objects from the museum's permanent col-

lection which survey the evolution of surrealist art. 525 S. State Street, Ann Arbor; (734) 764-0395.

LYRIC CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Gem Theatre brunch concert series featuring jazz flutist Alexander Zonjic, 11 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 25. Gem Theatre, 333 Madison, Detroit. Tickets: \$15-\$25; (248) 357-1111.

DANCE

EDE

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble, "Rhythmic Kaleidoscope," 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23. Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge Campus, Smith Theatre; (248) 471-7667.

LECTURES

CIVIL WAR

"Sgt. Drake of Michigan Civil War Days," a historic look at the state of the Union before, during and after the Civil War. Noon Thursday, Oct. 15. Oakland County Information Technology Auditorium; (248) 858-0415.

PROLIFIC FICTION WRITER

Loren D. Estleman talks about writing mysteries and western novels 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18. Admission: \$10. Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Road, Southfield; (248) 424-9022.

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR

Award-winning author Jane Yolen and illustrator Jane Yolen guest speakers at 7th annual Young at Heart Luncheon sponsored by Storytellers Guild of The Community House. 12:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 19. 380 Bates Street, Birmingham; (248) 644-5832.

GLASS ARTIST DALE CHIHULY

Woodward Lecture Series presents acclaimed artist Dale Chihuly 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21. Detroit Institute of Arts Auditorium, 5200 Woodward, Detroit. For information, (313) 664-7667.

MUSEUMS (ON-GOING)

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

Through Oct. 18 - "The Invisible Made Visible: Angels From The Vatican," an exhibit of more than 100 rare works of art and artifacts from the 9th century B.C. to the 20th century. Hours: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesdays-Fridays; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. weekends. 5200 Woodward Avenue, Detroit; (313) 833-7900.

MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

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ORGAN RECITAL

ST. ANDREW LUTHERAN CHURCH

Mary Whitmore in recital at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18. 6255 Telegraph Road, Bloomfield Hills; (248) 646-5207.

POP MUSIC

COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOC. OF TROY

Tony Sandler of the legendary Sandler and Young in a concert of standards from Gershwin, Porter, Kern, Berlin. Troy High School, 477 Northfield, Troy. Five-concert season: \$40; (248) 644-3485.

VOLUNTEERS

FAR CONSERVATORY

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

LIVONIA HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Greenmead Historic Village seeks volunteers to assist in school tours, Sunday tours, special events, special projects and gardening. Open May-October & December. Eight Mile at Newburg Roads, Livonia; (734) 477-7375.

MUSEUM DOCENTS

Volunteers to conduct school tours for grades 3-1, special pre-school tours and tours to the general public and adult groups. Volunteers receive extensive training, including one-and-a-half days of class per week from September-June. For information, (313) 833-9178.

EXHIBIT (OPENING)

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

Oct. 16 - "WWW.(Weaving World Wonder.)", featuring artist Graciela Bustos, and flutist Ginka Geroval Ortega. Exhibit runs through Nov. 4. Opening reception, concert 6-9 p.m. Oct. 16.

PRINT GALLERY

Oct. 16 - Grand Opening of new location 7-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16. Franklin Plaza, Northwestern Highway, Southfield.

ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY

Oct. 19 - Work of Jane Dyer and Jane Yen. Reception at 4 p.m. Through Nov. 14. 536 N. Old Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 647-7040.

SOUTHFIELD CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

Oct. 13 - "The Detroit Society of Women Painters and Sculptors," through Oct. 30. 24350 Southfield Road (south of 10 Mile Road); (248) 424-9022.

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

ELIZABETH STONE GALLERY

Through Oct. 16 - "Animals Here. Animals There. Animals, Animals Everywhere!" 536 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 647-7040.

CARY GALLERY

Through Oct. 17 - The paintings of Mel Rosas, professor of art at Wayne State. 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester; (248) 651-3656.

KIDD GALLERY

Through Oct. 17 - New paintings by William Nichols. 107 Townsend Street, Birmingham; (248) 642-3909.

REVOLUTION

Through Oct. 17 - Anne Wilson. Voices. 23257 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale; (248) 541-3444.

ZOOM GALLERY

Through Oct. 18 - New anthropocentric drawings by Randall Veilleux offer a rare glimpse into the empirical, whimsical and holistic vision characterizing the Ann Arbor artist. 212 Miller Avenue, Ann Arbor; (734) 747-9944.

G.R. N'NAMDI GALLERY

Through Oct. 24 - "Cotton Bleu," recent works by Vincent Pimentel. 161 Townsend, Birmingham; (248) 642-7700.

REVOLUTION

Through Oct. 24 - Works of Anne Wilson. 23257 Woodward Avenue, Ferndale; (248) 541-3444.

SYBARIS GALLERY

Through Oct. 24 - 5 p.m., mixed media drawings of Nick Cave.

enamel vessels of June Schwarcz, and the jewelry of Alan Burton Thompson. 202 E. Third Street, Royal Oak; (248) 544-3388.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERY

Through Oct. 29 - "Oriental Art and Calligraphy," sponsored by the Midwest Oriental Art Club. Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays. Executive Office Bldg., 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac; (248) 858-0415.

CENTER GALLERIES

Through Oct. 30 - "Michigan Ceramics '98," the Michigan Potters Association's 19th Juried exhibit for artists in clay, 301 Frederick Douglas, Detroit; (313) 664-7800.

BBAC

Through Oct. 30 - "Capturing the Essence of the African American Experience through Its Artists," featuring the work of Valerie Fair, M. Saffell Gardner, Henry Heading, Al Hinton, Earl Jackson, Robert Martin, Cheryl Pastor, Bill Sanders, Dwight Smith, Gilda Snowden, Shirley Woodson. 1516 Cranbrook Road, Birmingham.

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY

Through Oct. 31 - "Faculty Exhibit," 150 Community Arts Bldg., Wayne State, Detroit; (313) 577-2423.

DETROIT GARDEN WORKS

Through Oct. 31 - Exhibit of recent photographs by Julia Markey. 1794 Pontiac Drive, Sylvan Lake; (248) 335-8089.

ELAINE L. JACOB GALLERY

Through Oct. 31 - "Charged Hearts" by Catherine Richards. 480 W. Hancock, Detroit; (313) 993-7813.

GALERIE BLU

Through Oct. 31 - 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2, opening reception for Romero Britto. 568 N. Old Woodward, Birmingham; (248) 594-0472.

HABATAT

Through Oct. 31 - New work by glass artist Dale Chihuly. 7 N. Saginaw, Pontiac; (248) 333-2060.

LEMBERG GALLERY

Oct. 31 - "Jane Dickson: Almost Flying" in main gallery, and "Janet Hamrick: Wall Narratives" in project gallery. 538 N. Old Woodward Avenue, Birmingham 642-6623.

LIVONIA CITY HALL

Through Oct. 31 - Exhibit of mixed media by members of the Independent Artists of Livonia, 33000 Civic Center Drive, east of Farmington Road; (734) 466-2540.

LIVONIA CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY

Through Oct. 31 - Watercolor paintings by Alice Nichols, and fiber art by Maureen Zale. 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road; (734) 466-2490.

MOORE'S GALLERY

Through Oct. 31 - "Black Echoes," a three-part narrative of slavery, minstrelsy and jazz by C. Bruce Unwin. 304 Hamilton Row, Birmingham; (248) 647-4662.

OAKLAND COUNTY GALLERY

Through Oct. 31 - "Midwest Oriental Art Club Painting & Calligraphy Exhibit," open house & demonstration. Executive Office Bldg., 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Pontiac; (248) 858-0415.

PEWABIC POTTERY

Through Oct. 31 - Works of Sadashi Inuzuka and Liz Quackenbush. 10125 E. Jefferson Avenue, Detroit; (313) 822-0954.

SUSANNE HILBERRY GALLERY

Through Oct. 31 - "I.D. Series," an exhibit of new works by Beverly Fishman. 555 S. Woodward Avenue, Birmingham; (248) 642-8250.

UZELAC GALLERY

Through Oct. 31 - "Works on Paper" by Aviva Robinson, and the works of Paul Lewis. 7 N. Saginaw Street, Pontiac; (248) 332-5257.

WYLAND GALLERIES

GUIDE TO THE MOVIES

Midwest Amusements Showtimes Cinema

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ART BEAT

Art Beat features various happenings in the suburban art world. Send Wayne County arts news leads to Art Beat, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or fax them to (313) 591-7279.

WORKSHOP TODAY

Ojibwe Cathy Wurn presents a dreamcatcher workshop 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11 at Woodland Indians Trading Company and Gallery, 26161 West Six Mile, Redford.

The fee is \$10 each. To register, call (313) 387-5930.

FREE CONCERT

The Schoolcraft College Music Department presents a recital featuring Schoolcraft piano faculty members Jason Sifford and Norman Vesprini, 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 16 in the Forum Recital Hall on campus, 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia.

For more information, call (734) 462-4400, ext. 5218.

LOOKING FOR SINGERS

The Motor City Metro Chapter of SPEBSQSA will sing during the holidays on Wednesday evenings, the four weeks before Christmas. Men willing to join us can come to our open auditions being held Wednesday evenings 7:30-10:00 p.m. in the chorus room of the Fine Arts Building on the Henry Ford Community College campus located at Evergreen and Ford Roads, Dearborn, Michigan.

For more information call 248-358-7393 or 734-261-5321.

'Our Town'
offers diverse
range of art

By FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER
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Even in the local art scene, the Big Three are conducting a restructuring campaign.

Far from the heated competition of the auto industry, high-ranking execs from General Motors, Ford and Chrysler will

go head-to-head.

But this time, they'll be on the same side.

In what sounds like a philanthropic monopoly, The Community House of Birmingham has assembled a stellar lineup of corporate celebrities to attract benefactors to the 13th annual "Our Town Art Exhibit & Sale."

What: "Our Town Art Exhibition & Sale," a show of Michigan artists

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday & Saturday, Oct. 16-17; 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18.

Where: The Community House, 380 S. Bates Street, Birmingham; (248) 644-5832.

Admission: Open to the public

Newly named GM president and chief operating officer G. Richard Wagoner Jr. will join top Ford executive Ed Hagenlocker and Tom Stallkamp of Chrysler at a gala preview.

The three executives and their spouses serve as co-chairs of the exhibition's benefactors committee.

Over the last three years, the exhibit has increased benefactor support from 192 to 515 patrons this year. That translates into more money at the largest fundraiser for the nonprofit organization, which provides a meeting place and a range of educational and "social enrichment" programs for local residents.

While the annual exhibit is expected to bring in \$130,000, the show has another purpose.

"Our mission is to be open to everyone, and for the public to see a diverse range of art," said Shelly Roberts, executive director of The Community House.

The emphasis of the exhibit, said Roberts, is on recognizing local artists and presenting mainstream art in an exhibit. Participants include Igor Beginin of Canton.

There will be an assembly line of art hung in salon style along the walls, hallways, stairwells and ballrooms at the Williamsburg-colonial house just south of downtown Birmingham.

The exhibit is foremost an expression of artistic variety. The 361-piece exhibit of Michigan artists presents a modest range of technical ability over artistic statements.

PORTRAITURE CLASSES

The Art Gallery/Studio is offering art classes taught by Lin Baum 1-4 p.m. Thursdays Oct. 15, 22 and 29 at 29948 Ford Road, Garden City.

Students may work in any medium and subject matter. For more information, call (734) 613-4044 or (734) 261-0379.

CLAY FUNDAMENTALS

Learn about the properties of clay and construction techniques: carving, molding, textures, slab and coil construction 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 15

and 22 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 North Sheldon at Junction.

The cost is \$40, all materials included. To register, call (734) 416-4278.

ART SHOW

Original watercolors, porcelains, needlework, and ornaments will be for sale 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17 at the Sheldon Senior Center, 10800 Farmington Road, south of Plymouth Road, Livonia.

Admission is \$1 for the show sponsored by Wickham Porcelain

Artists.

DIA COMES TO LIBRARY

A lecture and slide presentation titled "Rise of a Great Museum" takes place 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 18 at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. Sponsored by Friends of Livonia Libraries, the program is free. For information, call (734) 466-2491.

The program about the Detroit Institute of Arts will be given by Wendy Evans, a graduate of Oxford University, England. She

teaches art history at Wayne State University and an art history survey class at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH SHOWS

The Livonia Arts Commission presents fiber, watercolor and mixed media works at its three venues in October.

"Into My World," paintings by Farmington artist Alice A. Nichols continues through Oct. 31 in the Fine Arts Gallery at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington.

Next to the gallery in the two circular showcases Maureen Zale of Union Lake exhibits contemporary fiber to Oct. 27.

Library hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, until 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

The Independent Artists take over the lobby of Livonia City Hall to Nov. 6. Located at 33000 Civic Center Drive (east of Farmington), city hall is open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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Sand spooks: The Halloween sand sculpture at Fairlane.

Get ready for tricks and treats

To help put you in the Halloween spirit, here's a trick and some treats:

• **Glowing treat:** This is one promotion you can't help but like.

Now through the end of October, Halloween USA Costume & Decor Superstores are giving away a free glow stick with every children's costume purchased, so that the child can wear it while trick-or-treating and be more visible to motorists.

Last October, more than 8,000 glow sticks were given away as part of the company's Safety First program.

Halloween USA and Gags & Gifts are operated by Livonia-based Gags and Games Inc. Each year, Gags & Gifts stores become Halloween USA stores for the fall season and additional, temporary Halloween USA stores are opened at other locations.

Halloween USA stores are located in the Merri-5 Plaza in Livonia, the Van Beau Building in Royal Oak, the Westland Plaza in Westland, Hampton Village Centre in Rochester, ABC Plaza in Canton, Knollwood Plaza in West Bloomfield, Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield, Summit Place Mall in Waterford, Shelby Township across from Lakeside Mall, and at more than 30 other locations in Michigan, Ohio and Illinois.

• **Tasty treat:** Some people like to give out popcorn balls for Halloween, but Lucy Date of Troy and her sister, Paula Loesser, have an even better idea: gift baskets made of edible popcorn by their company, Just Popped.

The baskets are 8 to 12 inches in diameter and are made with corn syrup in much the same way that popcorn balls are. After they're molded and hardened, the baskets are filled with caramel corn, candy and gift items - whatever the customer desires. Prices start at \$30 and it's best to order at least two days in advance, Date said.

Just Popped has theme baskets for every holiday and special occasion. Its Halloween basket is orange and is filled with assorted white and milk chocolates and "spooky treats."

For more information, call (248) 528-0304 or (248) 528-9436.

• **Corny trick:** Chicago-based Favorite Brands International, one of the country's top manufacturers of candy corn, sweetens your Halloween with everything you'd ever want to know about the little triangular treat - including how they get the white tip to taste different from the orange and yellow bands of each kernel.

(The trick is simple - three candy mixtures are piped into the molding machine. The orange and yellow mixtures are much the same, except for the color. The white mixture contains special ingredients to make it firmer and taste different).

Candy corn is a mellow creme candy, made of corn syrup, honey and sugar; one kernel has 4.4 calories and no fat; there are about 294 kernels in a one-pound bag; and the amount of candy corn produced in the United States each year, expressed as ears of corn, is 2.25 million ears.

Look for the Farley's and Sathers brand names at Sam's Club, Spartan, Rite-Aid, Save-A-Lot and Meijer stores.

• **Mall treats:** Most shopping malls have Halloween events scheduled for this month. At Fairlane Town Center in Dearborn, for example, people can view a life-like, 40-ton Halloween sand castle through the end of October. And one of the attractions at Tel-Twelve Mall in Southfield is a "child friendly" animated Haunted House.



STAFF PHOTOS BY JERRY ZOLINSKY

When John Darin traveled to England and France in 1997, he brought home a vision for a light-filled greenhouse structure that would become a signature English Gardens garden center. On Monday, Darin's European market opens its doors on Coolidge Highway, straddling the Royal Oak and Troy communities, just north of 14 Mile Road.

Darin, chief operating officer of the family-owned English Gardens, describes the new store as "a community gathering place."

"In Europe," he says, "huge garden centers are shopping destinations. They're located out in the countryside and resemble dressed-up greenhouses. People meet there to discuss how their tomatoes are doing or what bulbs they'll be planting this year."

English Gardens wanted to bring this same spirit to metro Detroit, and the European ambience is apparent as you approach the green-and-white-striped awnings that distinguish the facade. A 40-foot clock tower rises from the piazza-like portico, centered between wrought-iron gated and pillared patios that display seasonal decor. Bistro tables line the patios in warm months when customers can grab a coffee and pastry from the indoors bakery/cafe and retreat to the veranda for some perennial repartee.

Demonstration gardens are scattered throughout the parking lot, offering ideas for different kinds of cutting gardens, including a butterfly

garden.

Once inside, the horticultural impression continues in a conservatory filled with tropical and blooming plants, 20-foot palms and soaring 25-foot ceilings. An information kiosk directs guests through the 81,000-square-foot space.

Outdoor pavilion

Outside, find two greenhouses filled with bedding plants, perennials, vegetables, herbs and landscape plantings in the spring and summer, and live Christmas trees, mums, pumpkins and gourds in the fall and winter. The greenhouses are naturally ventilated and warmed with radiant heating. This outdoor sales area also houses a huge selection of garden statuary and fountains, a drive-through loading area, and pottery from across the world.

English Gardens offers a do-it-yourself landscape design option as well as full landscaping and installation capabilities. Should gardeners get the urge to wield a trowel and dig a little, there's even a new handwashing station and potting bench, an English Gardens first.

A Peek Inside

"Everything in the new store is bigger and better," says Darin. "This is the cream of the crop. It will be the model for everything we do in the future."

It seems that no amenity has been

English Gardens blooms beyond its roots

New garden center has European flair



In the garden: John Darin, left photo, poses beside a fountain in English Gardens' atrium. Above: Imported Steinbach nutcrackers fill shelves in the Christmas center.

overlooked in English Gardens' fifth location. There's space to hold garden club meetings, even a unique garden pharmacy.

"The pharmacy will diagnose plant problems and write 'plantscriptions,'" says Darin. "Just bring in your withered leaf."

Other service counters include a plant wrapping station, a floral design center for fresh and silk flowers, a "Casual Living Decorating Station" where customers receive design consultation and order custom outdoor furniture, a gift registry and a garden bookstore.

When the doors open Monday, tall display shelves will be filled with Halloween and Christmas trims and decorations, garden gifts, table fountains, bird feeders and ornaments. Fifteen decorated theme trees will light up the east-side window wall. A Dept. 56 boutique brims with limited-edition collectibles and imported Steinbach nutcrackers, and Christmas lights fill an entire department. Look for blue icicle lights, customized light sets, new tube

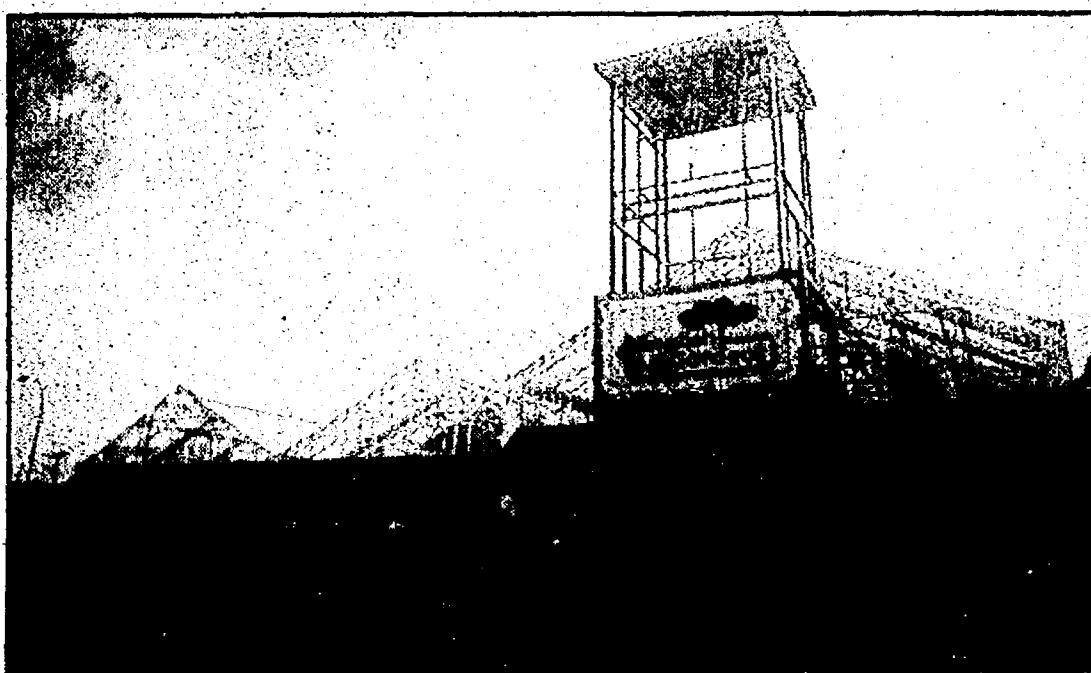
lights and fiber optic trees.

To capitalize on the seasonal business, Darin has provided the store with a massive on-site basement warehouse, ensuring that your purchase, from nativity scene to porch swing, is always in stock.

Today, when carefully tended gardens are thoughtful extensions of a home's interior, the garden center must meld exterior and interior decorating. It must also serve as a repository for new ideas and new looks.

So, when you visit English Gardens during this harvest time of year, take a moment to absorb the experts' flair for arranging mums and pansies, cornstalks, hay bales, pumpkins and gourds. Your front porch might resemble that of an English country cottage this fall.

English Gardens, 4901 Coolidge Highway, Royal Oak. Other English Gardens locations in Dearborn Heights, West Bloomfield, Clinton Township and Eastpointe.



European style: Striped awnings, a clock tower and pillared patios give English Gardens a continental look.



'Pot'-pourri: Meghan Burau prices pottery from Malaysia and Vietnam for the new Royal Oak English Gardens store.

News of special events for shoppers is included in this calendar. Send information to: Malls & Mainstreets, c/o Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009; or fax (248) 644-1314. Deadline: Wednesday 5 p.m. for publication on Sunday.

SUNDAY, OCT. 11

DREAM ON

Woodland Indians Trading Co. presents a Dream-catcher Workshop by Cathy Wurn, Ojibwe. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. \$10. 26161 W. Six Mile Road, Redford; (313) 387-5930.

MONDAY, OCT. 12

FUR PETE

Saks Fifth Avenue and The Fur Salon invite you to meet designers Andre and Lisa Bisang and view their Fall 1998 Collection at an evening to benefit the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall Volunteer Council. Wine and hors d'oeuvres reception at 5 p.m., fashion show at 6 p.m. \$50 benefactors, \$35 patrons. Call (313) 576-5164. Fur Salon, second floor, Saks Fifth Ave., Somerset Collection.

TUESDAY, OCT. 13

DESIGNER DUDS

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Nicole's Revival Designer Resale Clothier features nearly new designer fashions at the Westland Chamber of Commerce business luncheon at Joy Manor in Westland. Networking and lunch at 11:30 a.m., fashion show at 1 p.m. \$15. Call (734) 326-7222.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 14

IN STRIDE

Westland Walkers Club holds its monthly meeting in the lower level auditorium of Westland Shopping Center. 9:30 a.m. Westland opens its doors to walkers beginning at 7 a.m. through Arcade 2.

THURSDAY, OCT. 15

FASHION FARE

Saks Fifth Avenue presents the Dana Buchman Fall 1998 Breakfast Fashion Show featuring misses, petites and plus sizes. 9:30 a.m. breakfast, 10 a.m. fashion show. RSVP (248) 614-3317. Designer Bridge Sportswear, Saks Fifth Ave., Somerset Collection.

POOCH PARTY

You are cordially invited to attend a book party for the debut of *Enter Barking* by Coco Chanel, Detroit's most barked about author. 5-8 p.m. Raphael's Magnificent Possessions, 1799 Coolidge, Berkley.

FRIDAY, OCT. 16

GILDING THE LILY

The Michigan Regional Lily Society holds its annual hybrid Lily Bulb Sale at the Birmingham Congregational Church, 1000 Cranbrook Road in Birmingham. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Continues on Saturday.

SATURDAY, OCT. 17

DEBUT

Lane Bryant celebrates its grand opening at Hunter's Square, 31065 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington Hills. The fashion retailer specializes in clothes for women sizes 14-28.

SUNDAY, OCT. 18

BRIDAL BASH

Brides-To-Be presents Fall's Biggest, Best Bridal Show Ever at the Northfield Hilton in Troy. \$7, \$8 at the door. 5500 Crooks Rd., Troy. (810) 228-2700.

TRAVEL

Cooperstown has great baseball and much more

BY JULIE BROWN

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Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa have been in the spotlight lately for their baseball talents. It's fitting that their accomplishments are highlighted at the National Baseball Hall of Fame & Museum.

When you enter the building in Cooperstown, N.Y., these days, items from the careers of the St. Louis Cardinals and Chicago Cubs sluggers are evident. We saw bats, balls and uniforms during a recent visit, along with items from the late Roger Maris, who had set the previous home run season record of 61 in 1961.

My husband, Mark Rembacki, and I have been to Cooperstown four times now and have enjoyed it more each time. We stay at The Inn at Cooperstown, with hosts innkeeper Michael Jerome and his wife, Marianne Bez, director of guest development.

"Their interest is beyond baseball," Jerome said of visitors to Cooperstown, home to some 2,500 people. "The opera (Glimmerglass Opera) brings in a lot of people."

On previous visits to the "Village of Museums," we have also visited the nearby Farmers' Museum, reminiscent of Greenfield Village but smaller and with more of a focus on New York state, and the nearby Fenimore House Museum. This time, we decided to concentrate on baseball.

The three-floor Hall of Fame & Museum is a ball-lover's delight, and that's as true for the casual fan as it is for the aficionado. Admission is \$9.50 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and \$4 for those ages 7-12. Winter hours (Oct. 1 through April 30) are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with open doors to 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays in April, October, November and December.

Summer hours (May 1 through Sept. 30) are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily. Cooperstown is in central New York state, 70 miles west of Albany. It is 30 miles south of the New York State Thruway.

We drove there each of our four times through Canada, picking up the Thruway in the Buffalo area. The drive took approximately 10 hours, and we chose to stay overnight coming and going.



Not just a man's game: Women have played baseball as well. Julie Brown of Plymouth Township, an Observer staffer, poses by an exhibit.

in the Rochester, N.Y., area. On the way home this time, we stopped in at Seneca Falls, N.Y., for a visit to the National Women's Hall of Fame and related sites on women's history. (Seneca Falls was home of the first U.S. women's rights convention in 1848.)

When we got to Cooperstown in September this year, we were eager to see the Hall of Fame & Museum again. Our trips in 1991, 1992 and 1993 had been rewarding, but we certainly weren't jaded.

One of my favorite spots is the Hall of Fame, with its plaques honoring baseball's greats. This year's inductees, George Davis, Larry Doby, Lee MacPhail, Joe Rogan and Don Sutton, garner special recognition, along with all of those inducted since 1936. The Hall of Fame & Museum opened in 1939.

We visited the Hall of Fame Library & Archive, listening to an interesting presentation on the evolution of baseball equipment. (Suffice it to say early catchers often had broken fin-



Big Al: Former Detroit Tiger Al Kaline's plaque is displayed at the Hall of Fame. Kaline is now a Tiger broadcaster.

gers.) The library/archive is open to the public for research 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday except for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Staff assistance

for casual visitors is offered 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and



Local folks: Mark Rembacki and Julie Brown of Plymouth Township see the jerseys of Mark McGwire and his son and Sammy Sosa that they wore the night McGwire set his record.

Sundays in June, July and August.

I enjoyed seeing the exhibit on women in baseball again, along with exhibits on Babe Ruth and Hank Aaron. New to me was an exhibit on black baseball, covering both the black-only leagues and baseball's integration. The late Jackie Robinson, who broke the major league color barrier in 1947 with the Brooklyn Dodgers, is represented. The Hall of Famer's college sweater and military jacket are featured, along with other items. It was interesting to see how baseball was played in the days when Jim Crow ruled, with a "Colored Entrance" sign serving as a reminder of the not-too-distant past.

Cooperstown is small, but its residents seem to exist peacefully with the tourists. "We don't have obnoxious guests," said Jerome of The Inn at Cooperstown. "Most of our guests are very nice. I think most people like the tourists."

This year, Jerome had many visitors from Japan, proof Cooperstown doesn't just draw from New York. The metropolitan New York City area brings many, as does any city with a major league baseball team.

"I get to be a fan around World Series time," admitted Jerome, who doesn't consider himself a baseball fan. The town gets a bit crazy in the summer when each year's honorees are inducted, he said.

We paid a little over \$100 a night for comfortable accommodations, including a spacious front porch with plenty of rocking chairs for rocking and reading. Cooperstown offers less expensive accommodations as well.

All in all, Cooperstown is a fun trip, particularly during ball season; one time, we visited during the playoffs. I'd recommend it to those seeking a fun destination who have at least some interest in baseball; chances are, the true-blue fans have already been.

The National Baseball Hall of Fame & Museum can be reached at (888) 425-5633 or on its Web site at www.baseballhalloffame.org. The Inn at Cooperstown, 16 Chestnut St., Cooperstown 13326, can be reached at (607) 547-5756. The Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce can be reached at (607) 547-9983 or at its Web site at www.coopertownchamber.org.

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OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

Peters makes final cut

Livonian Rob Peters, a member of the Harrison Long Drive Team, has qualified for the World Long Drive Championship, Oct. 24-26, at Oasis Point Country Club in Mesquite, Nev. Peters' drive of 321 yards at the district contest in Tucker, Ga. qualified him for his seventh National Long Drive appearance.

There is a total purse of \$250,000 with \$75,000 going to the winner.

This year over 8,000 competitors will try for one of the 48 spots in the finals. The event will be aired at 3 p.m. Christmas day on ESPN.

Pats rehires Templeton

Livonia Franklin athletic director Dan Freeman announced that former Patriot wrestling coach Tim Templeton will return for the 1998-99 season.

Templeton, who stepped down last year because of a job commitment, replaces Gary Glashauser, who was interim coach last year.

C'ville holiday boutique

The Livonia Clarenceville High School Athletic Booster Club will sponsor a holiday boutique with over 150 juried crafters from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14.

The holiday boutique also includes a raffle, bakesale and babysitting. Admission is \$2.

Clarenceville is located at 20155 Middlebelt, located between Seven and Eight Mile roads.

Proceeds will go toward athletic program.

Hawks win 5 State Cups

The Michigan Hawks, sponsored by the Livonia Family YMCA, recently came away with five Michigan State Youth Soccer Association Cup titles.

Here is a rundown of last weekend's performance at the Midland Soccer Complex.

- The under-18 team outscored four opponents, 27-0, including a 6-0 triumph in the final over the Rochester Lightning.

- The under-17 squad outscored its opposition 22-1, including a 7-1 win in the final over the Birmingham Blazers.

- The under-16 team beat Livonia Youth Soccer Club United, 5-0, while outscoring the opposition 25-4.

- The under-14 Hawks beat the Birmingham Blazers, 4-0, while outscoring their foes 17-4.

- The under-13 Hawks edge the North Macomb Thunder Cats, 2-1, and outscored the opposition, 21-4.

In 25 years, the Hawks and Wolves (boys) have combined for 65 state championships, eight region titles and three national championships.

All five teams will compete next summer in the Midwest Region Championships in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Director of coaching for the YMCA is Doug Landefeld, assisted by Tom Coyne, Tim Ernst, Lenny Beigler, Jim Kimble and John Buchanan.

Collegiate note

Siena Heights University sophomore forward Nicole Tobin (Livonia Stevenson) scored a hat trick and had one assist in an 8-0 women's soccer victory last week over Concordia College.

Siena Heights is 8-2 overall and 5-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

Livonia YMCA swimming

The Livonia YMCA is offering a competitive swim program using moderate yardage, stroke intensive instruction and favorable swimmer/coach ratio at two sites — Dearborn Edsel Ford High School and the Livonia Y.

Swimmers have the option of competing in both YMCA and U.S.S. meets.

For more information, call Bob Knepper (313) 277-5130 or Keith Niedbala at (734) 261-2161, Ext. 3331.

Adult volleyball meeting

A meeting for Livonia Parks and Recreation adult volleyball will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Civic Center Library (Room A). League play will begin in January.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

Stevenson, Glenn make state cut

Polanski, Fendelet medalists at regional tourneys



On the mark: Livonia Stevenson's Steve Polanski fired a 4-under 68 to win medalist honors at Pontiac Country Club.

BY BRAD EMONS
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Livonia Stevenson and Westland John Glenn are among four Western Lakes Activities Association teams going to the big dance — the Division I state boys golf finals.

And add Redford Catholic Central to that group, which will converge this Friday on the Emerald at Maple Creek in St. John's.

Birmingham Brother Rice (309), Redford CC (315) and Stevenson (317) were the three teams to qualify Friday at Pontiac Country Club.

Three WLAA teams Plymouth Salem (318), Plymouth Canton (320) and John Glenn (321) made the cut at Giant Oak near Temperance.

Michigan Amateur runner-up Steve Polanski carried Stevenson on his back, shooting a 4-under 68 to lead the field, seven strokes better than runner-up Mike Smith of Rice.

Polanski bounced back from Tuesday's 77 when he tied for fifth at the WLAA meet held last Tuesday at Hudson Mills in Dexter.

BOYS GOLF

"I was tired Tuesday and didn't have a lot of sleep," said Polanski, who spent the weekend on an official visit to the University of Georgia. "It was important (the WLAA), but not as important as this."

"I had my driver going on the back side — 300-plus yards. I was hitting my wedge and I got my putts to drop."

A month ago, Polanski shot a 31 on the back side during a practice round at Pontiac CC.

But what made the day even more complete was Stevenson earning its second straight trip to the state finals.

Roy Rabe added a 78, Kevin Yuhasz, 86; Mike Byberg, 86; and Matt DiPonio, 88 (his score was not counted).

"I'm happy for myself, but it's big for our team," Polanski said. "I didn't think we had made it. But now I'm very excited. We can all celebrate."

Polanski, who shot a 67 at last year's regional only to lose to Brighton's Eric Wohlfield in a

playoff, was scheduled to play a practice round Saturday at the Emerald.

"I've never played there before, but my sister (Kristen), she's 13, has won there," said Polanski, who is considering Texas Christian, Oklahoma State, Wake Forest, Michigan and Georgia.

CC was led by fifth-place finisher Armond Samouelian, who shot a 76. Jon Luna added a 77, while Josh Davis and Evan Currie carded 80 and 81, respectively.

At the Giant Oak regional, Salem won its first regional in 16 years under coach Rick Wilson.

But the individual medalist was Glenn's Justin Fendelet, who beat WLAA champ Erik Krueger of Salem and Don Littrell of Belleville in a four-hole playoff.

The three tied at 77.

For Glenn, it will be their first trip to the state meet in school history.

"We're kind of excited," Glenn coach Dan Burtka said.

Brian Reed added an 80, while Chris Tompkins and Ryan Shamrock carded 81 and 83, respectively.

See regional results on page D2.

Rockets pierce Salem, clinch Lakes

BY C.J. RISAK
SPORTS WRITER

Momentum was slipping away from heavily-favored Westland John Glenn. The Rockets were clinging to a 14-13 lead as they set up to receive the second-half kickoff from host Plymouth Salem in what, at that point, was becoming even more of a critical Western Lakes Activities Association football matchup.

Salem had scored in the waning moments of the first half; only John Pettit's block of an extra point attempt had allowed Glenn to retain the lead. And the source of Glenn's offense, Reggie Spearmon, was corralled enough in the second quarter to keep his team scoreless.

But the Rockets haven't been at (or near) the top of the WLAA's Lakes Division since the league's inception without learning what it takes to win. They took that second half kickoff, starting at their own 20, and proceeded to eat up 80 yards and 10:46 of the third quarter, converting two third downs and one-fourth down en route.

PREP FOOTBALL

The result: a 1-yard touchdown dive by Spearmon for a 21-13 lead that put Salem on its heels, trying to recover. Turnovers on their next three possessions cemented the Rockets' fate, and Glenn's victory, by a 28-19 margin.

Salem, which could have tied Glenn for first in the division with a win, fell to 3-3 overall, 2-2 in the WLAA. The Rockets are 6-0 overall, 4-0 in the WLAA.

"That (third-quarter drive) was huge, because defensively we had not been able to stop them in the first half," said Glenn coach Chuck Gordon. "The fact that we were able to use that much time and get points out of it was big."

That drive decided the game. Salem, undersized compared to Glenn, started to wear down and tire out. The Rocks first possession of the second half lasted seven plays and ended with Nick Paddock intercepting a Matt Fair pass and returning it to

the Salem 37.

The Rocks forced Glenn to punt that time, but on the first play of the second possession Fair and Jason Lukasik were hit during the handoff, causing a fumble that Robert Fant recovered for the Rockets at Salem's 18. This time the Rockets did score, the drive lasting five plays, with Jake Tharp powering up the middle for the TD and a 28-13 lead.

Salem's next possession was no better. On the second play Fair was intercepted again, this time by Daniel Smitherman, who returned the ball 22 yards to the Rocks' 14. Three penalties and a quarterback sack, however, ruined Glenn's hopes for a score.

But by then only 2:56 remained. Salem did put it to good use, driving 67 yards on six plays, the biggest a 32-yard pass from Fair to Ryan Cook and an 18-yard pass from Fair to Andy Kocoloski that put the ball on the 1. Four plays later, Eric Peterson wedged his way into the end zone for the TD.

But the two-point conversion try failed, and a nine-point gap was too large to overcome in 1:49.

"The key was the drive they had to start the second half," agreed Salem coach Tom Moshimer. "Once we got down eight, we were really scrambling. They took us out of our game plan right away."

Glenn's game plan, on the other hand, wasn't too difficult to figure out; Spearmon to the right, Spearmon to the left, Spearmon up the middle. All told, the diminutive senior running back carried the ball 38 times for 202 yards, scoring three TDs. The Rockets totaled 284 yards of offense, 264 of it on the ground; Nick Hudson completed 4-of-6 passes for 20 yards, with one interception.

Glenn scored twice in the first quarter, Spearmon getting both TDs: the first on a 12-yard run to cap an eight-play, 73-yard drive. Salem answered with Fair, who gained 47 yards rushing to ignite an eight-play, 66-yard march that concluded with a 9-yard

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C'ville wins 52-40: 2 teams rack up nearly 1,000 yards

BY NEAL ZIPSER
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Clarenceville kept its Metro Conference title hopes alive Friday, surviving a three-hour, 19-minute marathon game with visiting Hamtramck to emerge a 52-40 winner.

The Trojans improved to 5-1 overall and 4-1 in the conference. The Cosmos dropped to 4-2 overall and 3-2 in the Metro.

"We still think we have a great chance," said sophomore Scott Wion, who had three touchdowns and a pair of two-point conversions. "We have to make sure we take care of business next week."

The game was full of highlight plays and statistics that help make career games. The teams combined for 928 yards of total offense and just two punts.

Clarenceville's offense was led by senior tailback Walter Ragland, who gained 211 yards on 27 carries, including an 18-yard touchdown run. Wion scored on receptions of 36 and 60 yards and returned an interception 81 yards for a touchdown.

Senior quarterback John Wallace also played well despite a sore ankle. He threw for 104 yards and scored on runs of 22, 1 and 63 yards.

Not to be outdone, Hamtramck's Aaron Brock rushed 34 times for 241 yards. The junior scored on runs of 15, 6 and 25 yards.

"This was a game full of big plays and poor tackling," Clarenceville coach Chuck Donaldson said. "I've always felt our offense can play with anybody. Our defense had to play with two starters

suspended."

Clarenceville's first scoring drive was set up after senior Mike Wion recovered a fumble at the Hamtramck 38. Five plays later, Wallace hit the younger Wion on a 36-yard bomb.

Hamtramck responded with a 60-yard drive aided by a 14-yard run on a fourth and 14 by quarterback Jason Popov. Brock capped the drive with a 15-yard run, and Popov converted the two-point conversion for an 8-6 lead.

After a 43-yard jaunt by Ragland, Wallace turned in a dazzling 22-yard scoring sprint, avoiding five Hamtramck tacklers. He then hit Wion for the two-point conversion.

It took the Cosmos 11 plays to tie the game at 14-14, as Popov scored on a two-yard keeper.

The Trojans needed only two plays to score again — a 38-yard run by Ragland, followed by a 24-yard scamper by freshman Tim Shaw. A 6-yard run by Brock tied the game at 20-20 midway through the second quarter.

On Clarenceville's next possession, Ragland had a 30-yard touchdown run called back, but Clarenceville eventually scored when Wallace scored on a 1-yard sneak on a fourth-down play.

Hamtramck then went 62 yards in 19 seconds as Popov connected with Brock on a 20-yard pass play. Popov completed 11-of-20 passes for 180 yards. The game was tied 26-26 at half-time.

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Boys soccer rivalry



Log locked: Westland John Glenn's Jeff Ruppel (No. 15) gets tied up with Wayne Memorial's Rob Kantner during Friday's clash of intra-district rivals. See roundup on page D2.

Shootout triumph puts Warriors in Metro Conference title match

State-ranked Lutheran Westland will play for the Metro Conference boys soccer championship Tuesday at Macomb Lutheran North.

Game time is 4:30 p.m.

The Warriors earned a spot in the playoff final with a spine-tingling 1-0 shootout win Thursday against visiting Hamtramck.

North advanced to the final with a 2-0 victory over Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett.

After two scoreless halves and two scoreless overtime periods, the game went to a shootout with Lutheran Westland scoring on its first four attempts.

Clint Gowen, Brad Nollar, Adam Voigt and Derek Bias were the goal scorers. Hamtramck made three of five shots.

"Our goalkeeper Andrew Glieman came up huge," said Lutheran Westland coach Rich Block, whose team is 10-2-2 overall. "He played real big."

Glieman made 12 saves and with the help of midfielder Mike Randall, kept Hamtramck's dangerous scorer Dan Polewski in check.

"It was a good game played by both sides," Block said. "We had to suck it up to keep them off the board. We played hard."

•**JOHN GLENN 4, WAYNE 0:** In an intra-district battle Friday, host Westland John Glenn (6-7-2 overall) scored all four goals in the opening half to down rival Wayne Memorial (7-5-1).

Jeff Ruppel scored the game-winner from Jeff Shelby. Shelby then scored from Matt Trussler and senior Matt Taylor added an unassisted goal at the 38-minute mark.

Goalkeeper Justin Ballard, who notched the shutout, then scored on a penalty kick.

•**WAYNE 2, SOUTHGATE 1:** On Wednesday, Wayne Memorial (7-4-1, 6-2-1) erased a 1-0 halftime deficit to beat host Southgate Anderson in a Mega Blue Division game.

Kingsley Matthew scored the game-winner from Ention Disnica and goalkeeper Matt Arnett saved a penalty kick with five minutes remaining to give Wayne the victory.

Austin Rowland's goal from Justin Smoes tied it for Wayne.

•**JOHN GLENN 4, HARRISON 0:** Westland John Glenn improved to 5-7-2 overall with the Western Lakes Activities Association crossover win over visiting Farmington Hills Har-

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son. Glenn goal scorers included Matt Taylor, Jeff Shelby, John Sterling and Steve Barsy.

Sterling also had an assist.

•**NORTHVILLE 5, FRANKLIN 0:** Junior Brandon Bethell scored a pair of goals Wednesday to lead the host Mustangs (7-7-1, 3-2) to the WLA Western Division triumph over Livonia Franklin (4-10-2, 1-3-1).

Northville goalkeeper Jon McClory recorded his third shutout of the year.

Senior captain Nick Skotakis scored on a penalty kick and added one assist. Juniors Brenden Mullender and Erik Anderson also scored goals for the Mustangs, who will meet Franklin again in the district on Oct. 22.

•**CRANBROOK 7, CLARENCEVILLE 0:** In a Metro Conference playoff consolation game played Thursday, host Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook (5-8-1) blanked Livonia Clarenceville (0-12 overall).

It was 3-0 at intermission.

Despite the loss, Clarenceville coach Randy McCoy singled out the strong efforts of sophomore goalkeeper Trevor Tipton, senior sweeper Brian Pankow, junior defender Quincy Choi and sophomore defender Ryan Smith.

In Tuesday's Metro Conference playoff opener, host Macomb Lutheran North blanked the Trojans, 10-0.

•**ST. JOHN'S 1, REDFORD CC 0:** Redford Catholic Central gave the No. 1 ranked team in Ohio, Toledo St. John's, all it could handle on Thursday before losing 1-0.

The loss dropped the visiting Shamrocks below .500 with a 7-8-1 record while St. John's remained undefeated with a 12-0-1 record.

St. John's scored its only goal with 11 minutes left in the first half on a rebound shot after CC goalkeeper Eric Sullivan dived to make the first save.

"He got a piece of the ball but someone was there and poked it in," CC coach Dana Orsucci said. "It bounced perfectly for this guy and two of our guys were there on either side."

CC's Andrew Kogut and Josh Brooks each hit the goal post with shots and a couple of shots by the Shamrocks were stopped at point-blank range in the second half, according to Orsucci. CC had a 23-8 shot advantage.

Emert goal lifts Madonna past Siena Heights

Talk about dramatic.

Madonna University's men's soccer team almost let this game get away, endangering its hold on first place in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. But while Siena Heights played the Fighting Crusaders tough, keeping the game knotted at 1-1 until the final moments of regulation, it wasn't quite good enough.

Senior forward Scott Emert reached a looping pass from Ryan Thomason (from Plymouth Christian) and headed it past Saints' keeper Nick DeKam with 1:34 left in regulation for the game-winning goal in a 2-1 Madonna win Wednesday in Adrian.

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The win boosted the NAIA's 23rd-ranked Crusaders' record to 10-3 overall, 8-0 in the WHAC. Siena Heights slipped to 10-3 overall, 5-3 in the WHAC.

Madonna's Sam Piraine opened the scoring, getting a goal just 32 seconds into the match. Keith Gniwec (Plymouth Canton) set up Piraine.

The Crusaders' 1-0 advantage didn't stand up long, however. Ten minutes into the game, Steve Mazipaka evened it for the Saints.

Madonna enjoyed a 25-12 shot advantage.

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DIVISION I

BOYS GOLF REGIONALS

Oct. 9 at Pontiac Country Club

TEAM STANDINGS (top 3 qualify for state meet): 1. Birmingham Brother Rice, 309; 2. Redford Catholic Central, 315; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 317; 4. Walled Lake Western, 321; 5. (tie) Walled Lake Central and Livonia Churchill, 324; 7. West Bloomfield, 330; 8. Northville, 335; 9. University of Detroit-Jesuit, 343; 10. Novi, 344; 11. Livonia Franklin, 351; 12. Detroit Cass Tech, 353; 13. Milford Lake, 358; 14. Southfield-Lathrup, 362; 15. Berkley, 371; 16. Dearborn Fordson, 390; 17. Southfield, 411; 18. (tie) Detroit Redford and Detroit Mumford, 470 each.

Individual medalist: Steve Polanski (LS), 4-under 68.

Redford CC scorers: Armond Samouelian, 76; Jon Luna, 77; Josh Davis, 80; Evan Currie, 81.

Stevenson scorers: Steve Polanski, 68; Roy Rabe, 78; Kevin Yuhasz, 85; Mike Byberg, 88; Matt DiPonio, 88.

Churchill scorers: Mike Lightbody, 79; Evan Chall, 80; Randall Bobolke, 81; Brad Bascoe, 84; Tom Fitzstephens, 88.

Franklin scorers: Tony Fotli, 77; Scott Waara, 92; Tim Kufel, 89; Mick Kearney, 94; Mike Wallace, 95.

DIVISION I

BOYS GOLF REGIONAL

Oct. 9 at Giant Oak

TEAM STANDINGS (top 3 teams qualify for state meet): 1. Plymouth Salem, 318; 2. Plymouth Canton, 320; 3. Westland John Glenn, 321; 4. Temperance-Bedford, 329; 5. Garden City, 330; 6. Wyandotte Roosevelt, 335; 7. Wayne Memorial, 344; 8. Belleville, 345; 9. Lincoln Park, 351; 10. (tie) Monroe and Dearborn, 358 each; 12. Woodhaven, 363; 13. Dearborn Edsel Ford, 364; 14. Taylor Truman, 368; 15. Southgate Anderson, 376; 16. Taylor Kennedy, 389.

Individual medalist: Justin Fendelei (WJG), 77 (won 4-hole playoff).

Salem scorers: Erik Krueger, 77; Adam Wilson and Matt Leon, 79 each; Mark Doughty, 83; Ryan Nimmerguth, 88.

Canton scorers: Ben Tucker, 78; Jon Johnson and Derek Lineberry, 81 each; Matt Rosol, 89.

Glenn scorers: Justin Fendelei, 77; Brian Reed, 80; Chris Tompkins, 81; Ryan Shamrock, 83; Duane Stoll, 103.

Garden City scorers: Nate Briscoe, 81; Dan Evans, 82; Matt Vechetta, 83; Brian Harros, 84; Tom McCall, 89.

Wayne scorers: Chad Campbell, 80; Greg Beracy, 86; Greg Laws, 87; Adam Chinnason, 91; Ryan Green, 105.

SPORTS SHORTS

WSU NEEDS HOCKEY COACHES

Wayne State University is currently accepting applications for two head coaching positions — men's ice hockey and women's ice hockey.

Both sports will be brought into WSU at the Division I level beginning the 1999-2000 season.

Those interested should send a letter of application, a current resume and three letters of reference to: Bob Brennen, Athletic Director, Wayne State University, 5101 John C. Lodge, 1010 Matthei Building, Detroit, Mi. 48202-3489. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

WSU HALL OF FAME NOMINEES

Wayne State University is currently accepting nominations for induction into its 1999 Athletic Hall of Fame. Nominations will be accepted until Friday, Oct. 30.

The 1999 Hall of Fame ceremony will be April 24, 1999, at WSU.

Please send nominations to: Lisa McCoy, Director of Sports Information, 501 John C. Lodge, Matthei Building, Detroit, Mi. 48202-3489.

BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Registration is on for the Livonia Family YMCA's winter (Jan. 3-March 20) and spring (March 21-May 22) youth basketball leagues.

Fees are \$50 for Y members and \$60 (plus \$15 program membership, team jersey and participation medal).

For more information, call (734) 261-0888.

•Livonia Parks and Recreation will stage a meeting for Boys Class D basketball teams (18 and under) at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4 at Civic Center Library (Room A).

League play begins in January. You must be a resident of the Livonia or Clarenceville school districts to participate.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

•A meeting for Livonia Parks and Recreation men's basketball will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4 at the Civic Center Library (Room A). League play will begin in January.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

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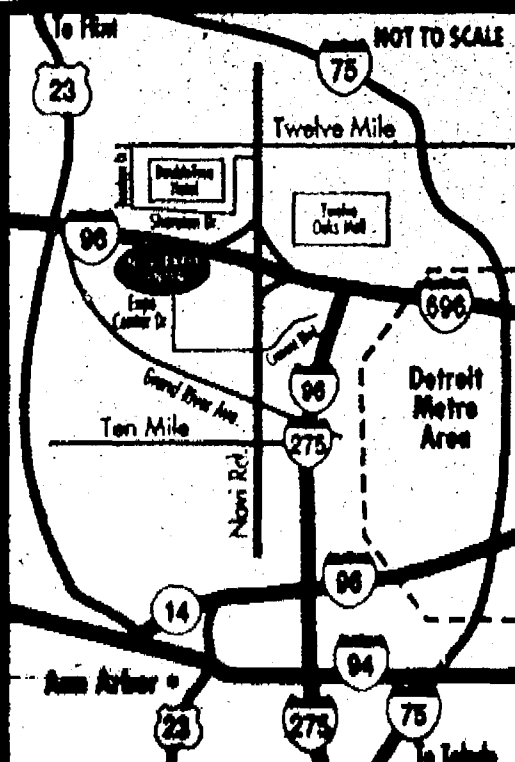
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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL

Friday, Oct. 16

Thurston at Highland Park, 4 p.m.
N. Farm. at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Melvindale, 7 p.m.
Harrison at Churchill, 7:30 p.m.
Franklin at Canton, 7:30 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Central, 7:30 p.m.
Wayne at Monroe, 7:30 p.m.
Garden City at Tay. Kennedy, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 17

Salem at Farmington, 1 p.m.
St. Agatha at Cranbrook, 1 p.m.
Hamtramck at Luth. W.ald, 1 p.m.
Clarenceville at Luth. North, 1 p.m.
Bishop Borgess vs. St. Agatha at Garden City Jr. High, 7 p.m.
Redford CC vs. Warren DeLaSalle at Roseville Memorial, 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Monday, Oct. 12

Agape vs. Greater Life at Stevenson M.S., 6:45 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 13

Luth. Westland at Liggett, 6:30 p.m.
Clarenceville at Luth. East, 6:30 p.m.
Farmington at Churchill, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at Canton, 7 p.m.
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.
N. Farmington at Harrison, 7 p.m.

Woodhaven at Wayne, 7 p.m.
Garden City at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Ypsilanti at Thurston, 7 p.m.
Ladywood at Borgess, 7 p.m.
Mercy at Divine Child, 7 p.m.
St. Agatha at St. Florian, 7 p.m.
Inter-City at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at Baptist Pl., 7 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 15

Luth. North at Luth. W.ald, 6:30 p.m.
Clarenceville at Liggett, 6:30 p.m.
Churchill at Canton, 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Farmington, 7 p.m.
Salem at N. Farmington, 7 p.m.
Harrison at Northville, 7 p.m.
Wayne at Farmington, 7 p.m.

Garden City at Edsel Ford, 7 p.m.
Thurston at Taylor Kennedy, 7 p.m.
Pardons at Redford Union, 7 p.m.
Holy Redeemer at St. Agatha, 7 p.m.
Huron Valley vs. Oak Christian at Marshall M.S., 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 16

Temple at Canton Agape, 6 p.m.
Borgess at H.W. Regina, 7 p.m.
Mercy at Ladywood, 7 p.m.
Greenfield at Ply. Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 17

Huron Valley at Inter-City, 6:30 p.m.

Lenawee at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.

Salem at Bishop Borgess, 7 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER

Monday, Oct. 12

Franklin Road at Agape, 4:30 p.m.
W.L. Central at Harrison, 5:30 p.m.
Salem at Churchill, 7 p.m.
Farmington at Northville, 7 p.m.
N. Farm. at W.L. Western, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Franklin, 7 p.m.
Redford Union at Garden City, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

PCA at St. Field Christian, 4:30 p.m.
(Metro Conference Championship)
Luth. W.ald at Luth. North, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

Wayne at Ypsilanti, 4 p.m.
Redford Union at Thurston, 4 p.m.
Taylor Truman at Garden City, 7 p.m.
(Western Lakes Championship)

Stevenson at Canton, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 15

Cornerstone at Agape, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 16

Garden City at Allen Park, 7 p.m.
Cabrini at Ply. Christian, 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 17

Churchill at Troy, 11 a.m.
Tecumseh at N. Farm., 12:30 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Monday, Oct. 12

Madonna at Concordia, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 13

Saginaw Valley at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 14

Cornerstone at Madonna, 3 p.m.
Kellogg at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 17

Taylor at Madonna, 2 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

Tuesday, Oct. 13

Madonna vs. Aquinas College at Whitman Center, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 17

Madonna at Cornerstone, 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 18

(Schoolcraft Non-Conference)
Schoolcraft vs. Madonna Valley (II), 3 p.m.
St. Mary's vs. DuPage (II), 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 19

(Schoolcraft Non-Conference)
DuPage vs. Schoolcraft, 11 a.m.
Moraine (II) vs. St. Mary's, 1:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Tuesday, Oct. 13

Tri-State at Madonna, 7 p.m.
Schoolcraft at St. Clair, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 15

Schoolcraft at Huron Ford, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 17

Madonna Univ. Classic, TBA.

TBA — time to be announced.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

Spartans fall, 19-3

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Farmington High did what a good football team is supposed to do Friday and took advantage of the opponent's mistakes.

The Falcons turned three of host Livonia Stevenson's seven turnovers into touchdowns for a 19-3 victory — their third in four games.

Farmington improved to 3-1 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association and evened its record at 3-3 overall.

"Five-hundred is not our goal; it wasn't from the start," Farmington coach John Bechtel said. "We were prepared to play today and we were successful. Now we have to prepare for next week. We're interested in improving every week."

"We know we can play this game. We can play better than we did tonight. That's nothing against Stevenson, because that wasn't their best game. They turned the ball over, and that was unfortunate for them."

The Spartans, now 2-4 overall and 1-3 in the division, fumbled away three punts, lost another fumble at the Farmington 7-yard line early in the game and had three passes intercepted.

"It's hard to do much with the ball when you're giving it back to them," Stevenson coach Tim Gabel said. "We only scored three points; that's why we lost the game."

"All the turnovers are big, because you're not scoring and you're giving them field position. If they're punting, that means we stopped them, and we're giving the ball back."

"But the kids didn't quit. They were playing hard all the way to the end of the game."

After losing two fumbles in the first quarter, Stevenson was still first on the scoreboard when Dan West kicked a 23-yard field early in the second period. Eric Puninske's 45-yard run on first down at the Stevenson 20 sparked the drive.

"We were concerned about their ability to throw the ball, and we took that away," Bechtel said. "In so doing, we gave them the fullback trap and counter, which we haven't in the past."

"But our goal-line package has been strong all year."

When we got down to the goal line, we got after them and forced turnovers."

The Falcons rallied to take a 13-3 halftime lead. Dustin Greese and Rory Crittenden recovered fumbled punts at the Stevenson 20 and 36, respectively.

Farmington needed just four plays to score and go ahead, 6-3, with six minutes left in the half on Grant Weber's 1-yard quarterback sneak.

On first down after Crittenden's recovery, quarterback Scott Kneller threw a 36-yard touchdown pass to Weber and Stephen Wayne booted the extra point for a 13-3 score.

The Spartans had a 174-122 advantage in first-half total offense. The Falcons ended up on the plus side for the game, 248-225.

In the third quarter, Stevenson pinned Farmington in its end with a punt but was penalized for illegal motion, forcing the Spartans to punt again. But the snap was low; the punter tossed the ball forward in desperation and Crittenden intercepted.

Instead of starting at its own 13, Farmington now had the ball at the Stevenson 43. On fourth-and-1 at the 22, the Falcons drew the Spartans offside to get the first down.

Farmington scored on the ninth play of the drive when Weber passed 13 yards to tight end Justin Milus, who used his 6-foot-5 height to reach for the ball in the end zone.

The Spartans had one last chance when they recovered a fumble at the Farmington 20 early in the fourth quarter, but they were stopped on downs at the 14.

The Falcons used up the last 7:58 with a ball-control rushing game, staying on the ground for the final 14 plays and five first downs.

Farmington had 119 yards rushing and was led by Brian Brinsden, who carried 10 times for 84 yards. Scott Rycerz had 12 carries for 37 yards. Mark Ostach six for 32 yards and Weber 11 for 20. Kneller was 1-of-11 passing for 36 yards.

Eight players carried the ball for Stevenson, which had 143 yards rushing and 82 passing. Waleed Haddad had 35 yards on 12 carries, Puninske 48 on three, Dan Wilson 27 on five. Ryan Van Belle was 4-of-10 passing for 44 yards.

Dearborn runs over Wayne

BY BRAD EMONS
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Dearborn's three-headed monster made life miserable Friday night for Wayne Memorial's football team.

The Pioneers, playing near flawless first half, made all 30 of their points stand up in a 30-0 thrashing of the host Zebras.

Dearborn is now 6-0 overall and 4-0 in the Mega-Red Division of the Michigan Mega Conference.

Wayne slips to 4-2 and 3-2.

Slotback Colin Wilkinson (11 carries for 143 yards), quarterback C.J. Kreger (15 for 77) and 6-foot-1, 242-pound fullback Eric Green (14 for 106) made the triple option work in their favor.

Wilkinson had three touchdowns, including a 78-yard jaunt coupled with bursts of 10 and 3

MEGA-RED

yards.

Kreger added a 6-yard TD run and kicked four extra points.

The Pioneers also put a two-point safety on the board in the second quarter when snap from center sailed four feet over the head of punter Eric Wojcie and into the end zone.

"We executed pretty well and I was proud of the way our kids came in focused because after a big win (48-28) against Monroe, I was worried about a big-time let-down," Dearborn coach Dave Mifsud said.

For the game, Dearborn rolled up 372 total yards, 345 coming on the ground.

"Dearborn is an explosive team," Wayne coach Floyd Carter said. "We went into the

game trying to stop the long runs and passes — we didn't do it."

"Their quarterback (Kreger) does a good job of executing. He's the one who allows them to run a wide open attack. And their offensive front is very good."

The Pioneers had gainers of 10 or more yards on 11 different occasions during the first half.

"We look to see what the defense gives us and tonight Green did a great job and our line did a great job," Mifsud said. "We've got athletes, basketball and baseball players on the line. And they've been working really hard."

Dearborn's defense was equal to the offense.

Wayne's Wing-T attack was stymied. The Zebras had just 94 total yards, 84 rushing on 29 attempts.

Quarterback Terry Turner was

one of 14 for eight yards with two interceptions. But in Turner's defense, several balls were dropped.

"Our game plan was to key on Mingo (Cameron) and Turner," Mifsud said. "We figured if we stopped them, we could stop their team because they can break tackles."

Despite being down 30-0 at intermission, Wayne refused to die in the second half.

"We did a little better defensively and made some key adjustments," Carter said. "We needed to keep the ball and sustain some drives, but we didn't do it."

"Dearborn has a pretty good scheme, though. They spread us out and ran the fullback and we didn't do a good job of shutting them down."

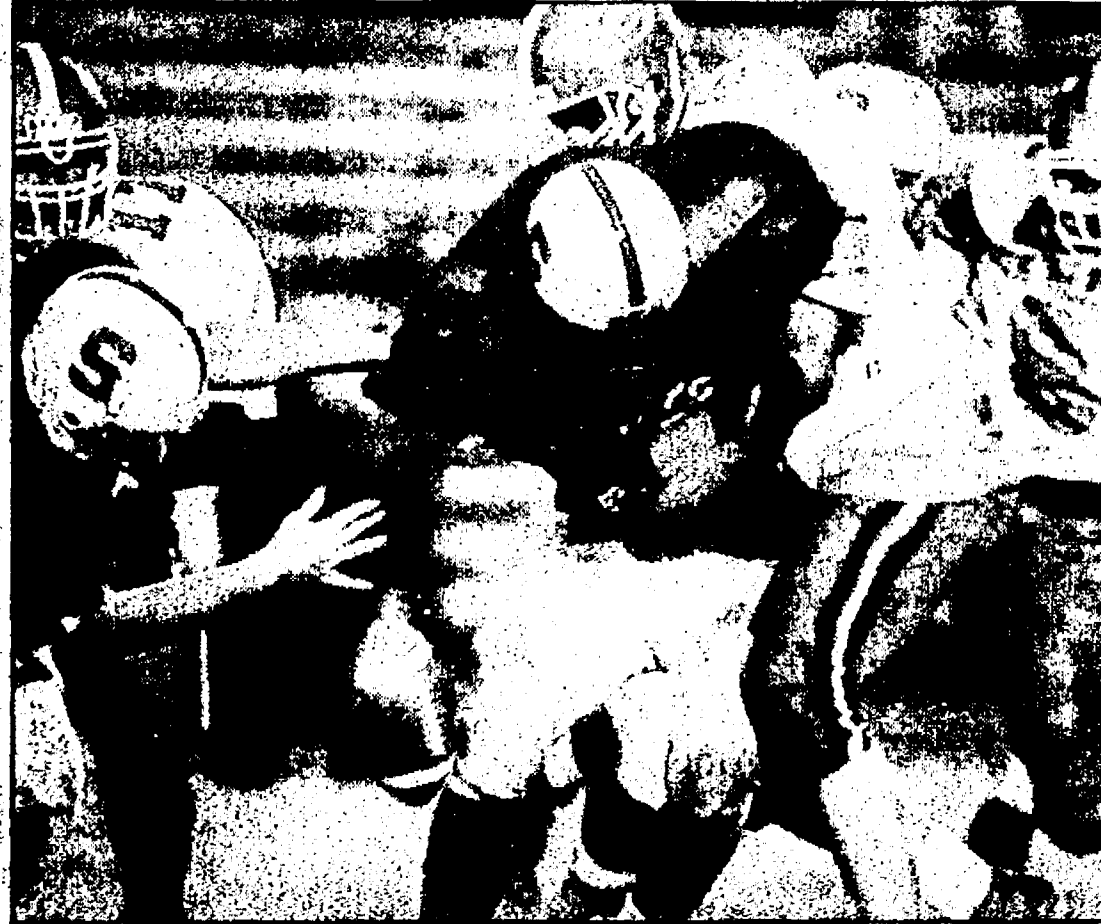
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scoring toss from Fair to Jason Furr, tying it at 7-7.

The back-and-forth struggle continued with the Rockets traveling 65 yards on 13 plays on their next possession. Spearmon dove in from a yard out to make it 14-7 with 15 seconds left in the first quarter.

Salem dominated the second quarter. A 22-yard punt by Glenn's David Lewandowski gave the Rocks possession at their own 48; they covered those 52 yards in nine plays, with Lukasik (who led Salem with 72 rushing yards on 14 carries) scoring on a 4-yard run with 1:35 left in the half.

All that changed in the third quarter. Indeed, Salem had just 5 yards rushing in the second half. And in a game between two running teams, that won cut it.



Loose pigskin: Plymouth Salem's Jason Lukasik is wrapped up by a Glenn tackler during Friday's Lakes Division clash. Glenn stayed undefeated in six games with a 28-19 victory over the host Rocks.

STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL EISENBERG

Western topples Churchill, 22-0

BY JOE KYRIAKOZA
STAFF WRITER

Walled Lake Western found no trouble getting up for Livonia Churchill on Friday.

There was simply too much incentive for Churchill to even stand a chance at the Warriors' home.

Not only was it Homecoming '98 at Western, but a host of key Warriors were injured and inactive for the game.

Western needed a sounding board, an opponent to help relieve its frustrations.

After all, the Warriors were going to make someone pay for its first loss of the season, which occurred the previous week at Farmington Harrison. Churchill just happened to be first in line.

And the Chargers endured the brunt of Western's fury, suffering a 22-0 shutout in a Western Lakes Athletics Association Western Division game.

For Western coach Chuck Apap, this game was a chance to patch up the injuries and allot playing time to all.

"We got all 53 players in the game," said Apap, whose Warriors are now 5-1 overall, 3-1 in league play and clinging to play-

off hopes. "All of the replacements and backups did a tremendous job. We were really pleased with the effort."

"(This victory) means we're still in the playoff hunt. We know we have to win every game the rest of the season."

Churchill, which dropped to 2-4 overall and 2-2 in the Western Division, found no answer to Western's ground attack as the Warriors reeled off 304 yards rushing.

"We knew they'd play tough defense and try to take away the inside," Apap said of Churchill. "So we went to the outside and it worked."

It worked wonders for senior tailback Eric Sage, who busted out for 205 yards on 18 carries and scored on runs of 17 and 55 yards. Sage was shaken up late in the contest, but Apap said that he should be ready to return to the lineup when Western visits Northville on Friday.

Western's defense controlled the tempo, though.

The Chargers were stuffed for a paltry 138 yards of offense and nine first downs. The Warriors forced three turnovers — interceptions by junior defensive backs Jim King and Dave

Merandi and a fumble recovery by junior Lorenzo Parker.

"The defense really came to play," Apap beamed. "It was a great effort on defense."

Western posted 384 total yards on offense, which Apap thought should have translated to more points.

"The offense moved the ball well and had a lot of yards," Apap said. "But we wanted to score more."

The first quarter took on the look of a scoring-fest for Western. The Warriors opened the scoring on a 1-yard run by junior quarterback Chris Payton, followed by Sage's 17-yard TD scamper. A blocked extra point and a failed two-point conversion gave the Warriors a 12-0 first quarter lead.

After the Chargers went three-and-out to start the second quarter, Western changed the scoreboard again on Sage's 55-yard run, which also covered about 40 yards laterally.

Senior kicker Luciano Gonzales's extra point sailed through the uprights, handing Churchill a 19-0 deficit.

Churchill started the second half with more of the same — three plays and a punt — and Western followed it up with an eight-play, 57-yard drive that resulted in a 32-yard field goal by Gonzalez.

The Chargers seriously threatened to score only once more the rest of the game, but the drive resulted in a missed field goal. The drive covered 17 plays and 61 yards and was spread over the end of the third and the fourth quarter. It was simply that kind of day for Churchill, which only threw for 35 yards on 3-of-14 passing by quarterback John Bennett.

"We played hard and I'm pleased with the effort," Chargers coach John Filiatraut said, "but I was not pleased with the execution. We're still struggling to get some rhythm in our offense. We've got young, inexperienced kids in the backfield."

Clarenceville from page D1

Clarenceville got a break to begin the second half when Wion's kickoff traveled only 10 yards and bounced back to the Trojans.

"It was a great call by me," Donaldson joked. "Actually, our kickoff return team hasn't been playing well and I'd rather let them start at their 40 than take the chance of them returning it."

Clarenceville lost the ball on downs, but got it right back on a Wallace interception. Ragland then gave the Trojans a 32-26 lead with an 18-yard run.

Wion stopped Hamtramck's next drive as he stripped Brock of the ball at the Clarenceville 47. On the very next play, Wallace outran the defense for a 53-yard scoring run.

It seemed as if the Trojans took control of the game later when Tony Rachoza and Steve Rothenheber stopped Popov at the 3-yard line on a fourth-and-goal. But Wallace was called for a safety after grounding the ball in the end zone on the very next play.

The Trojan defense again stepped up as Wion stepped in front of a Popov pass and returned it 81 yards for a touch-

down, which gave Clarenceville a 44-28 lead.

"The coaches had just told me to be ready for that play so when I saw it coming I knew it would be six," Wion said.

The Cosmos refused to quit as the came back and cut the lead to 44-34 with 6:23 remaining on a 25-yard run by Brock.

Hamtramck got the ball back and received a break on a questionable pass interference call on Clarenceville. The Cosmos took advantage as Popov connected with Stanley Garbacz on a 15-yard scoring pass.

The Trojans then put the game away when Wallace threw a jump ball to Wion. The 6-foot-3 receiver outleaped the defender then pushed him to the ground and ran 60 yards for the game's final touchdown.

"I have two older brothers and am used to playing that way," Wion said.

Hamtramck failed to threaten again, as the Clarenceville defense took over.

"The kids played great and finally understand that this is a team game and not an 'I' game," Donaldson said.

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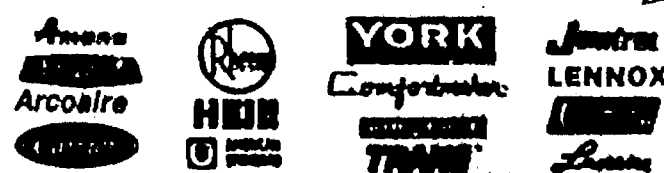
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Turn the corner: This run by Jeff Job set up Livonia Franklin's only TD in the second quarter.

Field goal with no time wins it Northville stuns Pats, 10-7

Northville scored all 10 of its points in the final 25 seconds Friday to stun Livonia Franklin in a Western Lakes Activities Association football game, 10-7.

Northville is now 3-3 overall and 2-2 in the Western Division of the WLAA. Franklin falls to 0-6 and 0-4.

Franklin carried a 7-0 lead into the final quarter on quarterback Joe Ruggiero's 1-yard sneak in the second period. (Dave Scicluna kicked the extra point.)

The host Mustangs then mounted a 60-yard scoring drive, capped by quarterback Eric Cooley's 1-yard keeper. Don Rohoff then booted home the extra point to tie it at 7-all with 25 seconds remaining.

The Patriots returned the ensuing kickoff 7 yards and tried a final desperation pass, only to fumble at their own 17.

With the clock stopped at 1 second, Rohoff returned to the field and booted the game-winning 34-yard field goal as time expired.

Northville outgained Franklin in total yardage, 195-117.

Cooley was 17 of 30 for 141 yards with two interceptions (both by Scicluna). The Mustangs had just 54 yards rushing in 30 attempts.

Franklin rushed for 71 yards in 32 carries and passed for 46 yards (five of 15). The Patriots lost one fumble.

Northville had 12 first downs to Franklin's nine.

Lutheran Westland cagers prevail

Lutheran High Westland stayed unbeaten in Metro Conference play Thursday with a 44-30 girls basketball victory over visiting Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest.

The victorious Warriors improved to 9-2 overall and 8-0 in the Metro. Northwest falls to 4-7 and 3-6.

"At the halfway point of the league season you have to be happy we're 8-0, especially since I think we've only played one good game all year," Lutheran Westland coach Ron Gentz said. "Our team defense did it tonight. It's probably the best four quarters we've played all year."

Lutheran Westland, which led 35-13 early in the fourth quarter, got a team-high 12 points from Sharon Greer. Junior guard Anna Rolf added 11 points.

Senior Anna Schewecke contributed seven points and nine rebounds, while junior Sarah Mardy had nine rebounds and three assists.

Meghan Mahler, a junior guard, led Northwest with eight points.

HURON VALLEY 35, INTER-CITY 29: Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (2-9, 1-4) notched its first win in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference by beating visiting Allen Park Inter-City Baptist (2-8, 0-5) in a game at Marshall Middle School.

The Hawks grabbed a 22-12 halftime lead and held off the Chargers.

Three players scored for Huron Valley — Rachel Zahn (14 points), Stacie Graves (12) and Jessie Cherundolo (9). "We played a very good first half and gutted it out in the second half," Huron Valley coach Tod Bartholomew said. "We played good defense and rebounded the ball well."

Angela Samuels and Nicole Talley each scored eight for Inter-City.

MARIAN 59, LADYWOOD 47: Call Kelly Byers a Ladywood killer.

The Birmingham Marian senior guard scored 14 of her



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

Pressure defense: Stevensdn's Stephanie Dulz (left) and Kate LeBlanc (right) try to steal the ball from Glenn's Rola Amad.

game-high 25 points in the third quarter, lifting the state-ranked Mustangs (10-2, 6-) to a Catholic League Central Division triumph over host Livonia Ladywood (4-8, 1-2).

"Every time she plays us, she kills us," Ladywood coach Andrea Gorski said. "She takes the ball hard to the basket and has a quick first step."

With defender Melissa Harakas on the bench with four fouls, Marian broke away from a 25-20 halftime lead with a 20-10 third-quarter run.

Senior center Nicole Anaejonu added 18 points.

Erin Hayden led Ladywood with 20 points, 11 coming in the final quarter. Sophomore forward Michelle Harakas added 11, eight in the first quarter.

Ladywood made just six of 19 free throws.

WAYNE 47, ALLEN PARK 41: Senior forward Tonya Crawford scored 20 points and grabbed 11 rebounds.

Thursday, leading Wayne Memorial (4-7, 2-3) to the Mega-Red Division victory over Allen Park (6-5, 1-4).

Jessica Guerard scored 13 for the Jaguars.

STEVENS 54, JOHN GLENN 42: Stephanie Dulz came up with a big game, scoring 22 points, eight rebounds, three steals and four assists Thursday as Livonia Stevenson (7-4, 2-3) defeated host Westland John Glenn (5-5, 2-3) in a Western Lakes Activities Association game.

Sophomore guard Lindsay Gusk had nine points, five steals and three assists for the Spartans, who led 33-27 at halftime and sewed it up with an 11-3 fourth-quarter run.

With Katie LeBlanc out early with an ankle sprain and Cheryl Fox and Cassie Ehlerdt in foul trouble, Stevenson went to its bench.

Katie King responded with seven points and eight rebounds. Jen Peltier contributed a pair of steals and three assists.

Samantha Crews led Glenn with 16 points. LaToya Chandler added eight.

The Rockets made just six of 19 free throws.

HARRISON 49, CHURCHILL 38: Farmington Hills Harrison nailed seven shots beyond the three-point arc Thursday to subdue visiting Livonia Churchill (6-5, 2-3) in a WLAA battle.

It was 21-all at halftime before the Hawks took control with runs of 14-8 and 14-9 in the third and final quarters.

Ari Ault led Harrison with a game-high 17 points. Kelly Taylor added 10.

Kersten Conklin paced Churchill with 12 points, while Karen Kramer contributed nine. Stacey Sapanich grabbed 10 rebounds.

Harrison is a disciplined team and they were able to knock some time off the clock once they got the lead," Churchill coach Dave Balog said. "We missed five layups and once we got behind we had to go man-to-man."

"We played hard and didn't give up, but we just didn't have enough."

CANTON 68, FRANKLIN 26: Janell Twilmeyer scored 14 points and grabbed eight rebounds Thursday, lifting Plymouth Canton (8-3, 4-1) to the Western Lakes win over Livonia Franklin (1-8, 1-5).

Christina Klesse and Elise Thornell tallied 12 and 11 points, respectively, for the victorious Chiefs, who led 24-6 after one quarter and never looked back.

Kerstin Marshall (seven points) and Tera Morrill (six) paced the Patriots.

Blazers' standout Young commits to CMU

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College is still a year away for Jenny Young, but the 6-foot-1 outside-hitter from Livonia Ladywood can't wait to play volleyball next season for Central Michigan University.

Young, an All-Observer first-team pick last year as a junior, verbally committed Wednesday to the Mid-American Conference school even though she can't sign an NCAA letter-of-intent until February.

Her official visit over the weekend to Mount Pleasant made her decision an easy one.

"I just love the school, everybody was wonderful and all the players love the team and the school," said Young, who helped

VOLLEYBALL

lead Ladywood to a 53-9-1 record last year. "And it's still close by, only two hours or so away, so my parents can see me play."

That will also enable Young to watch her brother Chris, a Catholic Central graduate and 6-foot-10 freshman basketball player at the University of Michigan.

Several schools expressed interest in Young, including Eastern Michigan, Morehead State (Ky.), Auburn, Northwood and U-M.

"I just like the campus, the dorms, everything about the place," said Young. "I knew right away."

Young was one of Observer-

land's most feared hitters as a junior, averaging 3.68 kills per game while hitting at a .301 clip for the Blazers, who reached the state Class A quarterfinals and captured their seventh straight Catholic League championship.

CMU will also be getting a talented student-athlete. Young carries a 3.8 grade-point average and scored 25 on the ACT.

She is undecided about a major, but is leaning toward education or journalism with perhaps a minor in music.

Young plays the piano and guitar and is involved in Ladywood's vocal music program.

CMU is coming off a 7-19 season, 3-13 in the MAC.

The Chippewas' roster includes Jenny Trott, a freshman from Plymouth Salem who

is sitting out the year with a knee injury, and third-year player Erin LeSage, who was at Ladywood when Young was a freshman. Amanda Ault, from Farmington Hills Harrison, is a senior setter at CMU.

"Erin has been up there awhile and all the players I talked to were pretty reassuring," Young said. "I also went to summer camp there and got to know the coach (Elaine Piha)."

Piha took over on an interim basis for Terrie Robbie, who resigned in May.

"I'm confident the coach will be back next year," Young said. "That really wasn't a factor at all in my decision. I'll be going as an outside-hitter and I hope to get some playing time. But you can't tell until you get up there."

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3. Poll your family. Does your spouse's employer sponsor a

credit union? Most credit unions allow credit union members' families to join. Each credit union, however, may define "family" differently. At some, only members of your immediate family are eligible. At other credit unions, family may include extended family members, such as cousins, uncles, and aunts.

4. Quiz the neighbors. Some credit unions have a "community" field of membership, serving a region defined by geography rather than by employment or some other association. Ask friends in the community if they know of a credit union you may join. 5. Read the yellow pages. Some credit unions rarely advertise, so you might not know about them unless you look them up. A yellow pages display ad may state a credit union's field of membership. If not, at least you'll know what number to call to ask about membership eligibility.

Your Money Is Safe in a Credit Union

Credit unions are usually more modest institutions than banks, which can sometimes lead to confusion. Few credit unions have imposing granite pillars at their front door or costly oak paneled boardrooms where highly paid directors discuss billion-dollar transactions. Most credit unions are located in simple business offices.

Sometimes this makes people think that credit unions aren't as safe as banks.

In fact, credit unions are the safest, most stable financial institutions in America. First off, all deposits at a Michigan credit union are fully insured by the federal government up to \$100,000. What is of interest to the hard-pressed American taxpayer is that credit unions - unlike some other financial institutions - have always paid for their own insurance program and have never taken a penny of taxpayer's money.

Consumer Choice Restored with Passage of Credit Union membership Access Act

BY LORI Z. BAHNMLER

Consumers will soon have more choices in the financial services industry - options that, for many, can't come soon enough.

While it took more than two years of courtroom battles, a U.S. Supreme Court ruling, Congressional hearings, debates and votes to earn an invitation to the White House, the Credit Union Membership Access Act (H.R. 1151) has finally graduated from bill to law. The Act makes it possible for consumers to join credit unions as a low-cost financial service alternative to banks.

"This bill resolves uncertainty about the future of credit unions," said President Bill Clinton on August 7, 1998, after signing the measure into law. "It protects existing credit union members and makes it easier for credit unions to expand where appropriate. This bill also ensures that consumers continue to have a broad array of choices in financial services."

The law protects 74 million current credit union members - including four million Michigan members - and restores eligibility for 62 million small-business employees who want to join a credit union where they work.

"Millions of consumers who want the door open to low-cost credit union services are grateful for the bipartisan support that has moved our legislation through both houses of Congress and on to the President's desk for approval," said David Adams, president and chief executive officer for the Michigan Credit Union League.

"This is a significant victory for consumers brought about by the efforts of millions of credit union members in Michigan and across the country," Adams added. "It ensures we'll be able to continue to provide low-cost financial services to millions of Americans in the future."

Once the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA)

finalizes its new regulations, federal credit unions can once again reach out to new groups of members - including small businesses and low-income communities that had been locked out by a narrow Supreme Court ruling.

The President's signing of

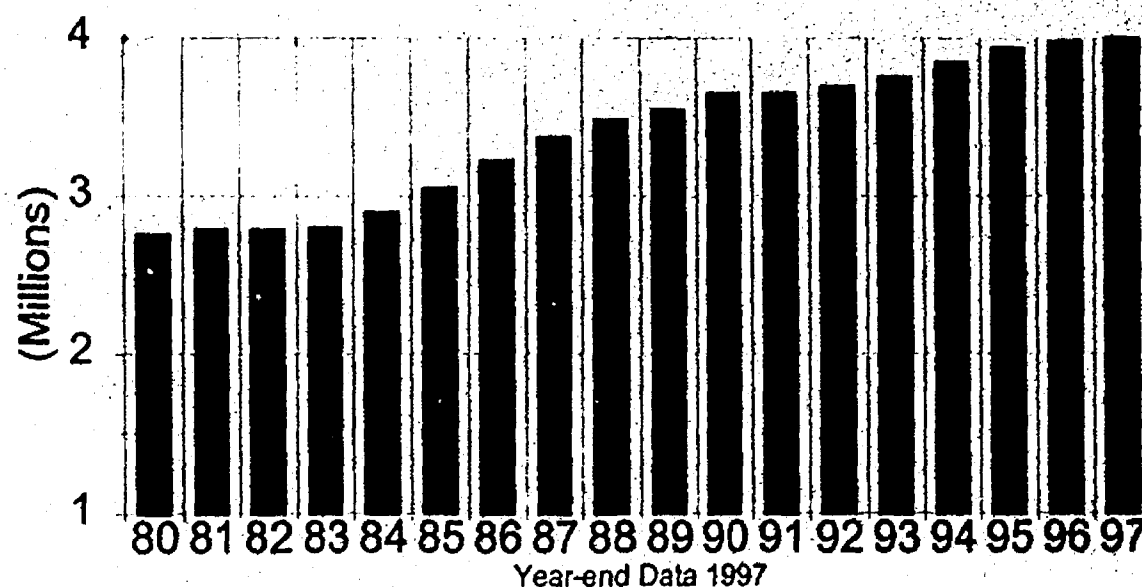
financial services and the impact of the court-imposed restrictions on the more than 62 million Americans who work for businesses too small to form their own credit unions.

The Congressional effort gained further momentum February 25, 1998, when the

Levin, D-Mich., and Spencer Abraham, R-Mich., quickly embraced the measure and committed their support.

On July 28, the Senate overwhelmingly passed H.R. 1151 by a vote of 92-6. Immediately following passage, Sen. Levin said he hoped the House would

Number of Members Michigan Credit Unions



H.R. 1151 marks the completion of a journey that began on March 20, 1997, when Reps. Steven LaTourette, R-Ohio, and Paul Kanjorski, D-Pa., first introduced the measure with 18 House cosponsors - including Reps. John Dingell, D-Monroe, and Lynn Rivers, D-Ann Arbor. The bill was immediately met with fierce objection from the banking industry.

In the ensuing months, credit unions, united under the Campaign for Consumer Choice, worked in Washington and locally to build cosponsors. Major themes emphasized were freedom for consumers to choose credit unions for affordable

U.S. Supreme Court ruled 5-4 in favor of the banking industry in the landmark AT&T Family Federal Credit Union field-of-membership case. On April 1, the House - including the entire Michigan House delegation - passed H.R. 1151 by the huge margin of 411-8. The key provision overturned the Supreme Court decision by allowing credit unions to accept multiple groups.

After the House bill passed, Senate Banking Committee Chairman Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., quickly held hearings on the field-of-membership issue and put forward his own version of H.R. 1151. Senators Carl

accept the Senate version of the bill and avoid the need for dragging out deliberations in a joint conference. That proved to be the case, as the House approved the Senate version of the measure on August 4 in a voice vote.

Following the President's action this morning, the law moves to the NCUA. The NCUA must adopt rules and regulations before any of the provisions of H.R. 1151 can be exercised by credit unions - including the field-of-membership rule. The NCUA reports that it may take up to six months before new groups will be permitted to join credit unions under the new law.

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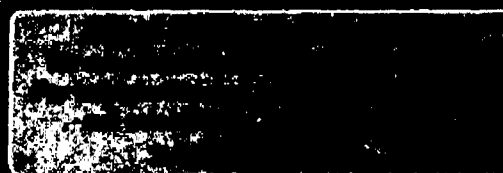


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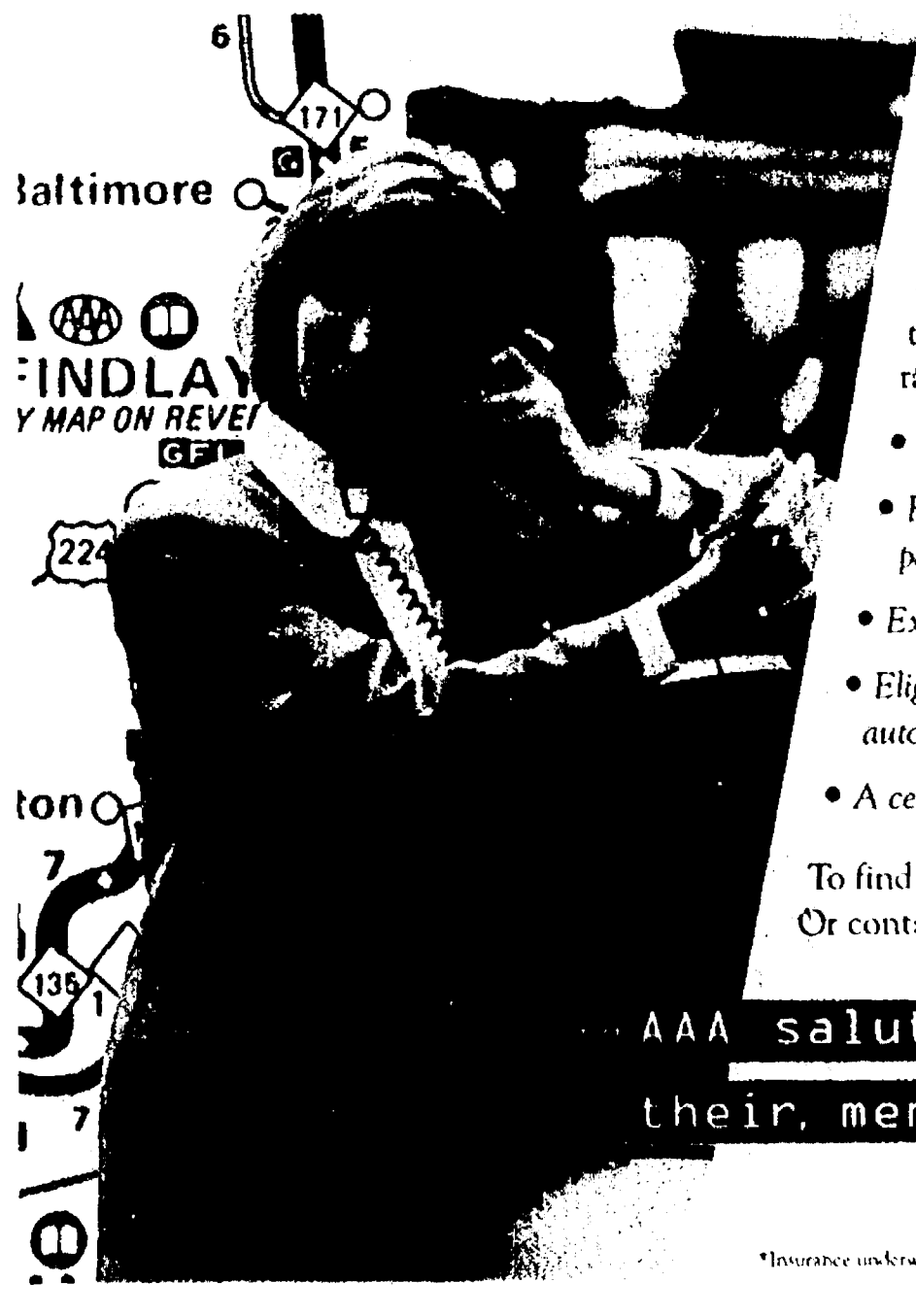
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Banks Charge More Fees and Higher Fees than Credit Unions, Consumer Federation Study Reports

By LORI Z. BARNHILLER

On most financial services products, banks charge more fees and higher fees than credit unions, according to survey data recently released by the Consumer Federation of America (CFA) and Credit Union National Association (CUNA).

"The difference in fees is significant and helps explain why consumers consistently rate credit unions more highly than banks," said Stephen Brobeck, CFA Executive Director.

"Credit unions charge fewer fees and lower fees because they are not-for-profit consumer cooperatives run for the benefit of all members," said David Adams, president and chief executive officer of the Michigan Credit Union League.

The CFA/CUNA data was gathered between 1994 and 1997 by Sheshunoff Information Services and CUNA.

For almost all services, fewer credit unions than banks charge

fees. These differences are especially striking for economy checking accounts, where far fewer credit unions than banks charge monthly fees (15 percent vs. 86 percent) and per-check fees (6 percent vs. 95 percent). The differences are also large for per-check fees on other checking accounts, fees for having a cashiers check or certified check written, and annual credit card fees.

Almost all fees surveyed were lower at credit unions than at banks, sometimes substantially so. Fees on checking (among those institutions that did have a fee) were about 30-40 percent lower at credit unions. Fees for a money order and certified check were about 55-65 percent lower at the non-profits. The only fees that were roughly the same at the two types of institutions were for a safe deposit box and for ATM transactions (on non-owned ATMs, and on owned ATMs when used by non-credit union members).

Over the past three years

(1994-97), most fees have risen less rapidly at credit unions than banks. In fact, at credit unions some fees — e.g., monthly and per-check fees on economy checking — declined during this period. The one major exception to this trend was fees for non-sufficient funds, overdrafts, and stop-payments, which increased more rapidly at

credit unions than banks.

Bank fee income on deposit accounts approximated \$18 billion in 1997, according to Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation data. "Apart from banking at a credit union, the two most important ways that consumers can lower check fees is to meet minimum balance requirements and avoid bounce-

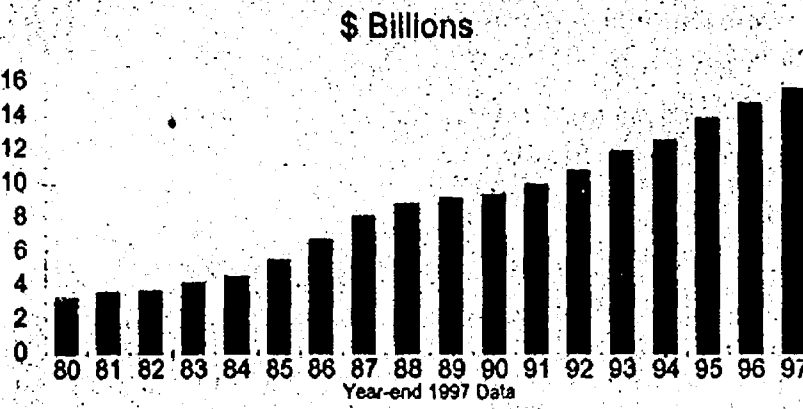
ing checks," said Brobeck.

Sheshunoff Information Service bank fee data were collected in the summer of 1997 by sending out a survey form to all banks and savings & loans. The CUNA survey was conducted by its market Research Department and Credit Union Executive Magazine in the fall of 1997 based on a random sam-

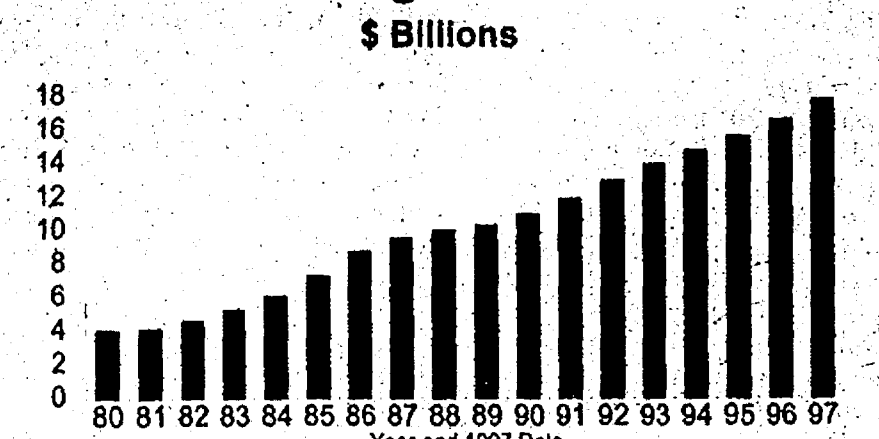
ple of 2000 credit unions.

CFA is a non-profit association of some 240 pro-consumer groups that was founded in 1968 to advance the consumer interest through advocacy and education. CUNA serves more than 90% of America's 11,500 credit unions, which are owned by 72 million consumers.

Savings - Michigan Credit Unions



Assets - Michigan Credit Unions



Credit Unions Top Financial Services in Customer Satisfaction Survey

By LORI Z. BARNHILLER

Credit union members continue to be more satisfied with their financial services than bank customers, reports the American Banker in its most recent Gallup Consumer Survey.

"Credit unions, the perennial service quality champs, rose to 73 percent from 69 percent (in customer satisfaction)," reports the American Banker. "They also far exceeded other organizations in their ability to keep improving: 36 percent of credit union members said they had a better feeling about their relationships this year than last. The comparable numbers were 20 percent for both banks and thrifts and 25 percent for other."

For more than 10 years, the American Banker Gallup Consumer Survey has consistently shown customer satisfaction is higher among credit

union members than bank customers.

Diana Nash, chairman of the Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL) Board of Directors, attributes credit unions' success to the philosophy and volunteer organization that powers them.

"Credit unions are cooperatives, owned and managed by their members," Nash said. "There are no stockholders like you find at banks. Credit unions pay good dividends and at the same time extend credit more freely, and most often at a lower cost, than other sources of consumer financing. That's because credit unions know their borrowers."

More than 73 million people belong to nearly 11,500 credit unions across America. In Michigan alone, over four million people are credit union members — and as such, owners of not-for-profit cooperatives.

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SERVICES AVAILABLE

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How can you find a credit union? You can call the Michigan Credit Union League at 1-800-474-JOIN. And once a member, you're a member for life, even if you move or change jobs.

Policymakers Meet, Nash Elected to Head MCUL Board of Directors

The Michigan Credit Union League (MCUL) chairman's gavel has changed hands.

Diana Nash, president and chief executive officer at Steelcase Employees Credit Union in Grand Rapids, was elected as the MCUL's 27th chairman when the League Board of Directors gathered recently at the Holiday Inn South in Lansing. She is the first woman to hold the office in the League's 64-year history.

As chairman, Nash will take on the top policy-making position at MCUL, a not-for-profit trade association representing more than 90 percent of Michigan's credit unions.

Robert Huston, president and chief executive officer at Co-op Services Credit Union in Livonia and former MCUL secretary/treasurer, succeeded

Nash as MCUL vice chairman. Robert Mackay, general manager at Berrien Teachers Credit Union in St. Joseph, succeeded Huston as the MCUL's new secretary/treasurer. All three were elected to one-year terms.

Nash, who has served on the MCUL Board since 1994, said she was "both humbled and excited to be entrusted with the chairman's gavel." She praised her predecessors, Paul Fredenburg and Allan Kemp McMorris, for the examples they set in the League's highest elected office.

In addition to the vote for MCUL officers, the policymaker meetings also included several other elections, including two posts on the CUcorp Board of Directors and a Michigan CU Foundation trustee.

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U.S. Treasury and Federal Reserve Bank Introduce a New Twenty Dollar Bill

BY LORI BAHNMLER

Jackson will soon be sporting a bolder, snazzier look.

Slated for unveiling this fall, an enlarged, off-center photo of the late president is among the noticeable changes embedded in the newly redesigned \$20 note. Other architectural changes include: the addition of a watermark; enhanced security thread that glows green when exposed to ultraviolet light; fine line printing patterns; and color-shifting ink.

The Series 1996 \$20 note is the third U.S. currency note to be redesigned to include such security features to deter coun-

terfeiting of U.S. currency. Lower denominations will follow.

The continuing introduction of redesigned notes is a critical component of the Federal government's anti-counterfeiting effort. The new series aims to maintain the security of the nation's currency as computerized reprographic technologies such as color copiers, scanners and printers become more sophisticated and more readily available. The \$20 note is the most frequently counterfeited note in the U.S., said Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin in a recent ceremony at the Treasury's Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington,

D.C.

"The new \$20 note will be an important tool against would-be counterfeiters," Rubin said. "The introduction provides us with an opportunity to educate cash-handlers and consumers about the importance of authenticating currency. These security features are effective only when they are used."

Like its predecessors, the \$20 note will replace older notes gradually. However, unlike the new \$50 and \$100 note introduction, old \$20 notes still in good condition will be recirculated. About \$88 billion worth of \$20 notes is currently in circulation, 80 percent of those in the U.S.

More than \$450 billion worth of U.S. currency circulates around the globe.

"We are most gratified by the successful introduction of the new \$100 and \$50 notes and look forward to the same success with the new \$20s," Rubin said. "Older notes will not be recalled or devalued. All existing notes will continue to be legal tender."

Many large retail companies have partnered with Treasury to help ensure a smooth transition to the new \$20 note, the first major redesign of the U.S. currency in almost 70 years. The retailers have agreed to educate their employees and customers by distributing posters to their

outlets, training cashiers, offering pamphlets to the public, and including information about the new note in advertising circulars.

The new \$20 bill also includes a capability that will allow the development of technology to help the blind ascertain the denomination of their currency; the new \$20 and \$50 notes also have a large numeral on the back that make the notes easier for millions of Americans with low vision to read.

Wal-Mart will include a promotional ad in its Sept/Oct. circular reaching 84 million households; post signage at its 100,000 cash registers; include

materials in its company-wide training; and host Treasury speakers at its August managers' convention. Domino's Pizza Inc. will train employees and distribute information to all its franchisees.

Kroger Company, Inc. will display tent cards and posters; include a \$20 ad in their circular; play Treasury's radio announcement; host authentication seminars for their cashiers; and send training CD-ROMs to its 155 stores; and enclose posters in all its employee paychecks. Ace Hardware will distribute posters, pamphlets and point-of-sale displays to all its stores.

Seven Ways to Invest Fifty Dollars or Less

Saving money - we all know that we're supposed to be doing it. And, once it's saved then we should be investing that money to make it grow. But how can we save (and then invest) when we can't seem to save more than a few bucks here and there?

It can be done. Consumer Reports magazine offered the tips below, which are proof positive that anyone is capable of saving and investing \$50.

1. Pay off your credit cards. This is a top priority for your \$50. If you pay off a debt balance carrying a 17.36% interest rate, that is as good as earning 17.36% on an investment. That's better than you'll do in most investments and it's a sure thing. Also, be sure to check the interest rate on your credit card. According to Diana Nash, Chairman of the Board, Michigan Credit Union League, the average bank issued credit card has an interest rate of 18.21%, while a credit union issued credit card has a much lower average interest rate at 13.14%. Using these rates as an example, you could save \$252 dollars a year on a \$5,000 balance by switching to a credit union issued credit card.

2. Invest where you work. Add that \$50, and as much more as you can to your employer's 401k or other retirement plan. Your contribution will help reduce next year's tax bill and your employer may match it.

3. Buy U.S. Savings bonds. Series EE bonds sell for half their face value, so your \$50 will get you a \$100 bond. Hold it less than five years, you are guaranteed a 4% interest rate; held longer, you get that guaranteed rate or a variable rate, whichever is higher. Savings bonds are among the safest investments going, even though their returns are not huge.

4. Invest in mutual funds. These are getting harder for small investors, but with some companies' mutual funds are still accessible. Look for 'no-load' funds that ask for an initial investment of \$1,000 or less, with subsequent investments as low as \$50. Or, seek out a fund that will waive its minimum investment requirement if you commit to making regular deposits.

5. Buy stock directly. If you already own stock and partici-

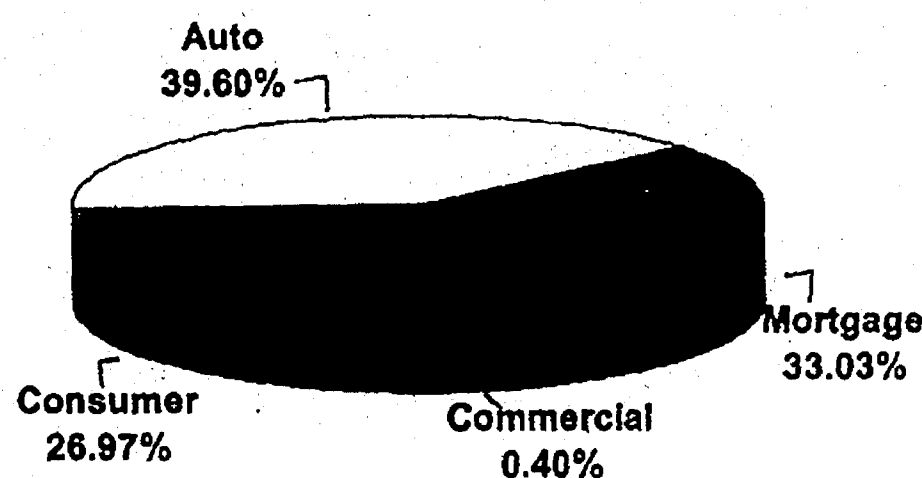
pate in a dividend reinvestment plan (where your dividends pay for new shares of stock), you might be able to send your \$50 as a contribution toward more stock purchases. A Standard & Poor's directory of companies offering dividend reinvestment plans is available in many libraries.

6. Join an investment club. These are like do-it-yourself mutual funds, in which members pick stocks and pool their funds to invest. The typical monthly investment is about \$25 per person.

7. Prepay your mortgage. Paying an additional \$50 per month on the principle of a 30-year, \$100,000 mortgage at 9 percent interest would save \$49,434 in interest and get the mortgage paid off six and a half years early! Pretty impressive. Do call your lender to check rules on prepayments and keep your canceled checks as proof of the extra payment.

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Waterfowl season expanded

Despite an early drought throughout much of the prairie pothole region of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Michigan DNR have instituted another 60-day waterfowl season with a six-duck per day limit for the 1998 season.

The season opened Saturday and runs through Dec. 8 here in the South Zone and runs through Dec. 1 in the North and Middle zones.

The continental duck breeding populations have declined slightly from last year's record-high numbers, but still remain above the long-term population objectives of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Duck flights through Michigan are expected to be similar to what they were last year.

Puddle duck hunting should remain good throughout the season, but will get tougher later on as the birds become edgy after having been shot at for weeks. Local ponds and rivers should hold good numbers of ducks and should be productive right from the start.

The outlook for divers is also excellent. Hunting should pick up later in the season as cold weather up north drives the ducks south to the waters of Lake St. Clair and Lake Erie and the connecting rivers. The infestation of Zebra mussels in the Great Lakes has been a boon for waterfowlers.

Many divers feed on the mussels. Another plus is that the mussels have cleaned the water in the big lakes and this clean water has promoted weed growth, which offers an abundant food source that tends to hold the ducks a little longer than in the past.

Shallow water at Moulee
Hunters heading to the Pointe

OUTDOOR INSIGHTS



BILL PARKER

Moulee State Game Area for the waterfowl season should be aware that the water level has been lowered.

The water is being drawn down as part of an ongoing effort to restore the marsh. The lower water levels will allow for hydraulic dredging and revegetation of the Vermet and Lead units.

Sediment dredged from these areas will be used to recreate islands in what is now open water.

"Duck hunters will need to use boats that can operate in very shallow water," said Tim Payne, wildlife biologist at the DNR's district office in Livonia. "Water levels that are normally around 18 inches will be lowered to less than six inches, which will have an impact on hunter mobility."

Hunters will not be able to operate outboard motors in the Lead Unit, which will have very shallow conditions. Jon boats less than 14-feet, canoes and punt boats are recommended for the Lead Unit. Foot or bike access is encouraged. The Vermet Unit will have less than three-feet of water at its deepest point. Water levels at the Long Pond and the Nelson Units are expected to be normal.

"Hunters will benefit from this year's inconvenience as the marshes' historic channels are recreated to expand habitat for waterfowl," added Payne.

Hunters can call Pointe Moulee on Mondays and Wednesdays at (734) 379-9692 for more information.

Turkey season underway

Michigan's revived fall turkey season began Monday and runs through Nov. 8 in designated areas of the state. With an annual flock hovering around 100,000 birds, fall turkey hunters can expect a banner season.

"Many turkeys survived the mild winter this year, and spring nesting and summer brood-rearing conditions for turkeys were good over most of the state," said Dave Luukkonen, upland gamebird specialist with the DNR. "Biologists are seeing many

turkey broods and we expect a large number of young turkeys in the fall flock."

Interest in the fall season is also soaring with a total of 19,538 hunters applying for 10,250 available permits.

Hunters may take a male or female turkey during the fall hunt. Only shotguns with shot no larger than No. 4, and bow and arrows may be used to hunt turkeys and they may not be hunted over bait. The bag limit is one turkey per season.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to help kids catch better than 4,000 hybrid bluegills at Buck Wilder's Fishin' Hole, the pond at the DNR's Pocket Park located at the state fairgrounds. This "Catch a Meal" event will help remove fish stocked into the pond for the State Fair.

"We stocked 5,000 hybrid bluegills into this pond for the state fair, which is more than the pond can sustain," said Bruce Matthews, chief of the DNR's Information and Education Division. "Now we have a unique opportunity for children to learn how to fish and to help reduce the fish population in the pond."

Children ages 6-16 with little or no fishing experience are invited to fish in the pond during morning and afternoon sessions for the next three Saturdays. The morning sessions will run 9:30 a.m.-noon and the afternoon sessions will run 1-4:30 p.m. Children must register for a limited number of openings.

The program is coordinated through Project F.I.S.H. (Friends Involved in Sportfishing Heritage) through the Michigan State University Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, Hook Line and Sinker Inc., in cooperation with the DNR.

Ten volunteers are needed to work each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Volunteers will assist youngsters in a variety of duties from helping untangle lines to taking a fish off a hook.

Call (517) 432-2700 to register and for more information.

Birds often recognized in battle

Heated battle in the middle of a war seems like the last place someone would be watching for birds. Yet here are a couple stories that relate to this very topic.

Dan LaBlonde was kind enough to send me information on a story from the Civil War.

On the battlefield at Gettysburg near the location of the 90th Pennsylvania Infantry there is a sculpture honoring the infantry's efforts in battle. It is a tree stump with ivy growing on its side some infantry accouterments and a bird nest near the top.

Though it may seem like an unusual monument, there is a non-authenticated story about why the tree was erected.

According to a story handed down through the generations, an oak tree had been hit by artillery fire and shattered.

Wood splinters, limbs and branches went flying everywhere.

NATURE NOTES



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Only a tall stump remained.

As the debris came raining down, a robin's nest landed near a soldier. The young were still in the nest but very shaken.

Though the enemy was still firing, the soldier grabbed the nest and replaced it in the remaining stump.

Maybe the bird nest symbolizes a regeneration of life, or maybe it is a true story. This is not the only time birds have been recognized in battle.

A long time before the Civil War, the Athenians fought the Persians. Athenians were anticipating an attack by the Persians, but continued to pray at their new temple the Acropolis, dedicated to Athena.

People who came to pray noticed an owl had taken up residence at the temple. They soon came to expect to see the owl and attributed intelligence to the bird for having chosen such a safe place to nest.

Legend soon evolved that Athena had taken the form of the owl. Athena was loved by all her people and was a great inspiration to them. This is one story on how the owl came to be associ-

ated with wisdom.

Eventually the day came when the Persians attacked.

Athenians had divided their army and only a small contingency was left to protect Athens when the Persians were sighted. Out numbered four to one the Athenians decided to attack the Persians near the shore at night when their horses were unavailable. Despite the odds, the Athenians attacked.

In the heat of battle the Athenians saw the owl, which they associated with Athena, circling overhead calling to rally on her troops.

This incident inspired the warriors to fight even harder and push back the Persians to the sea.

After the battle the Athenians gave all the credit for their victory to the owl.

Subsequently, generals even kept tame owls on the battlefield to use in case they needed that extra edge during future conflicts.

Birds in battle — both inspirational and recipients of compassion.

OUTDOOR CALENDAR

Taylor. Call (734) 676-2883 for more information.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

OLD FASHION BASS MATTERS
Old-fashioned Bass Matters will hold a 60-hour open tournament on Sunday, Oct. 11, on Lake Orion. Registration is \$75, \$90 after Oct. 7. Call (248) 542-5254 for more information.

MEETINGS

MNO
The monthly meeting of the state Natural Resource Commission will be Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 4-5, at the Lansing Center (Wednesday) and the Steven T. Mason Building (Thursday) in Lansing. Persons who wish to address the commission or persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation should contact Teresa Golden at (517) 373-2352 one week in advance.

SEASONS/DATES

BEAR
Bear runs through Oct. 26 in designated bear management units.

DEER
The first half of the archery deer season runs through Nov. 14. The firearms season opens statewide runs Nov. 15-30. The second archery season runs Dec. 1-Jan. 3. The muzzleloading season opens Dec. 4 in Zone I (Upper Peninsula) and Dec. 11 in zones II and III (Lower Peninsula). There are several other special seasons. Check the 1998-99 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide for details.

DUCK
The open season on ducks, mergansers, coots and gallinules runs through Dec. 1 in the North and Middle zones and Oct. 10-Dec. 8 in the South Zone.

ELK
The late elk season will be held Dec. 8-14, by special permit and in designated elk management units only.

GOOSE
There will be a special late Canada goose season Jan. 9-Feb. 7 in the southern Michigan Goose Management Unit. Check the 1998-99 Michigan Waterfowl Hunting Guide for specific boundaries.

GROUSE
Ruffed grouse season runs through Nov. 14 statewide. A special late season will be held Dec. 1-Jan. 1 in the Lower Peninsula.

RABBIT/HARE
Rabbit/hare season runs through March 31 statewide.

SQUIRREL
Squirrel season runs through Jan. 1 statewide.

TURKEY
The fall wild turkey season runs through Nov. 8 in designated areas of the state by special permit only.

WOODCOCK
Woodcock season runs through Nov. 2 statewide.

QUAIL
Quail season runs Oct. 28-Nov. 11 in 22 counties throughout

southern Michigan. Consult the 1998-99 Michigan Waterfowl Hunting Guide for specific openings.

STATE PARKS

STATE PARK REQUIREMENTS
Maybury State Park, Proud Lake Recreation Area, Bald Mountain Recreation Area, Highland Recreation Area, and Island Lake Recreation Area offer nature interpretive programs throughout the year. A state park motor vehicle permit is required for entry into all state parks and state recreation areas. For registration and additional information on the programs at Maybury call (810) 349-8390. For programs at Bald Mountain call (810) 693-6767. For programs at Proud Lake and Highland call (810) 685-2433. For programs at Island Lake call (810) 229-7067.

HAYRIDES
Maybury Farm will offer horse-drawn hayrides, 1-4 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday through October.

METROPARKS

METROPARK REQUIREMENTS
Most Metropark programs are free while some require a nominal fee. Advanced registration and a motor vehicle permit are required for all programs. Call the respective parks toll free at the following numbers: Stony Creek, 1-800-477-7756; Indian Springs, 1-800-477-3192; Kensington, 1-800-477-3178.

1998 PERMITS
The 1998 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual vehicle entry permits and boat launching permits are on sale at all Metropark offices. Vehicle entry permits are \$15 (\$8 for senior citizens). The annual boat launching permits are \$18 (\$9 for senior citizens). Call 1-800-47-PARKS for more information.

FORESTER ACTIVITY
Webelos scouts can earn their Forester Activity pin during this program, which begins at 10 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17, at Stony Creek. There is a \$5 fee and participants must pre-register by mail only. Send a SASE to Stony Creek Metropark Nature Center, 4120 Inwood Road, Washington, MI 48095.

GREAT PUMPKIN
Ages 5-7 will get into the spirit of the season during this craft program, which begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at Kensington. There is a \$2 fee per child and pre-registration is required.

ANIMAL MYTHS
Explore the real world of bats, wolves, spiders and other Halloween-type creatures during this program, which begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 17, at Kensington. Pre-registration is required.

CIDER
Press your own apple cider during this program, which will be held throughout the day on Sunday, Oct. 18 and again on Sunday, Oct. 25, at Stony Creek. Participants should bring clean apples and clean plastic containers and should call ahead to reserve time on the press.

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