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IN THE PAPER
TODAY

AROUND TOWN

Memorial Day: The 1997 Wayne-Westland Memorial Day Parade will take place today at 11 a.m. starting from the Kmart store and ending at Westland City Hall via Wayne and Ford roads. Units from Canada and the U.S. will participate, including marching bands, veteran units and bagpipes, with Boy and Girl Scout units.

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PLACES & FACES

In the schools

- The Edison Elementary School community did a cleanup and beautification project of the school grounds this month to celebrate Arbor Day. The project at the Westland school was sponsored by the Edison PTO and the school's Scout troops.
- Lincoln Elementary School in Westland held its first all-school Math Night on May 14. Nine hands-on activities per grade level were set up, where parents and students were able to work together, said teacher Lois Sinagra. "It's a way to get the parents working with the kids," she added.
- Hamilton Elementary students in Linda Wiseman's second grade class recently directed a school-wide car drive, raising \$500 for the Adopt-An-Animal program at the Detroit Zoo. Scott Trudell will visit the school May 29 to present a certificate and picture of the school's adopted tiger.
- Wildwood Elementary recently held a school-wide clothing drive for the Wayne-Westland district's clothing bank. Called "Nickels for Necessities" the program raised \$228.79 which will be used for socks, underwear and laundry soap. Jim Pratt, clothing bank coordinator, accepted the check in May from students. The fund-raiser became a math project for many classes in which students wrapped and counted their own change.
- Lutheran High School Westland is one of 19 area schools and among 3,800 in 22 states which signed on for the Prom Promise program. The mission of the program is to eliminate alcohol-related fatalities and injuries by fighting against underage drinking.
- Stevenson Middle School will host Career City USA on Thursday, May 29. There will be a variety of community business displays, student-run businesses and speakers. Fifty percent of the proceeds from the student-run businesses will go to next year's career program with the remainder going to relieve victims of the recent flooding in the Midwest. The program is made possible by a grant through Wayne County RESA. Businesses interested in participating can call Elsie Myers at (313) 595-2500.
- Fifth-graders at Patchin Elementary held a farewell party Friday, May 23 and buried a time capsule with a history of each student in it; parent Shari Clemente said the "capsule" would be opened in 2004, as the class graduates. The day also included a picnic at the Bailey Center and a softball game.

Batters up

Four lucky men from Westland will compete in the "1997 Home Run Derby" on May 30 at Tiger Stadium. Rick Knurek, Rob Bishop, Rick Sidelko and Mike Sidelko are one of 50 teams which will have the chance to stand at home plate and take a few swings for the American Heart Association. The event is in its third year. The event is presented by the accounting firm of Doeren Mayhew and is co-sponsored by the Detroit Tigers, WJR Radio and PASS Sports. Doeren Mayhew will also donate \$500 for each home run hit. Last year, 27 home runs were hit, raising money for the nonprofit group. Call the American Heart Association at 1-800-242-8721 for information.



Battle of the Bellevilles: A thoughtful Kevin DeBono watches his opponent, Rod Bassler of Belleville, Ill., during a wheelchair billiards tournament held recently at the Electric Stick. DeBono was born and raised in Westland but now lives in Belleville, Mich. Owners of the billiards room plan a new \$9 million entertainment facility in Westland.

Electric Stick owners plan mega-entertainment complex

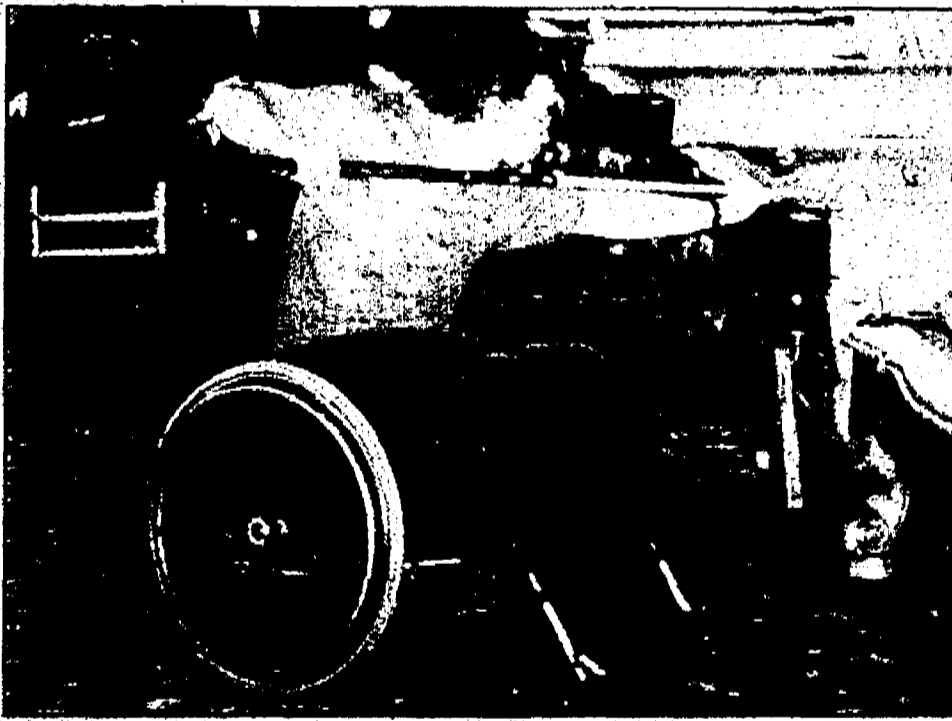
BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Imagine going to one entertainment complex that offers billiards, a comedy club, a dance floor, a sports lounge, an outdoor volleyball court, an adult game room, a retail shop and a restaurant. A Westland couple hopes to open the first such business in southeast Michigan. George and Mary Marvaso — owners of the Westland-based Electric Stick billiards club — are negotiating to buy a multi-acre

site for a 53,000-square-foot entertainment complex. "We want to build in Westland," George Marvaso said Monday during an interview in his Electric Stick office. "We want to build the finest center of this type anywhere." Marvaso had hardly uttered the last sentence when he flinched and voiced concerns that he might sound too boastful in print. An unassuming businessman, he isn't one to brag. Others readily do that for him.

In 1994, for example, Billiard Digest Magazine named The Electric Stick the best new billiard center in the nation. The Electric Stick's success raises expectations for the Marvasos' new venture, which would provide patrons with one-stop shopping for entertainment. Marvaso didn't publicly disclose a site that he is hoping to buy for the \$9 million facility; negotiations are delicate enough, already.

Please see **COMPLEX, A4**



STAFF PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFELD

International billiards tourney wheels into town

BY DIANE HANSON
SPECIAL WRITER

The crack of the pool balls resonated at the Electric Stick Cue Club on North Wayne Road in Westland last weekend. For the second year in a row the pool hall, owned by George and Mary Marvaso, hosted the Viking Cue U.S. Open Wheelchair 9 Ball Championship. Thirty-two players, including eight from Michigan and one each from Scotland, England and Canada, competed in the double-elimination tournament for cash and prizes totaling more than \$8,000. "It's a game of luck and skill," explained Bob Calderon, a Livonia resident and tournament coordinator for the wheelchair players. Calderon is recently elected president of the National Wheelchair Billiards Association. He will replace current president Pete Vanko in October. An Ohio resident, Vanko organized the association in 1994 and has watched it

grow from 100 to the 450 current members. "Right now, we have anywhere from 10 to 14 tournaments a year," said Calderon. He said the national tournament, held in Cleveland the past two years, will be held in a different location next year. In the tournament 9 ball game, the pool balls must be sunk in numerical succession as players move through the game, although a player may try for the 9 ball after sinking the next successive number. If the 9 ball happens to slide into the pocket off the break, that's an instant win. Calderon said he managed two of the breaking-ball victories Saturday but admitted there was "a lot of luck involved." Practice and skill are key components to a successful billiards game as well. "I've been in the chair 27 years and I've probably played about 25 of that," said Calderon. He plays on a league at the Electric Stick Cue Club where he is the only wheelchair player among his able-

Pool competition: Westland resident Mitch Zukowski lines up a shot during his first match against Hinie Markham of Kent, Ohio. Zukowski played May 17-18 in the wheelchair pool tourney at the Electric Stick in Westland.

Getting ready: Below, Sheila Zukowski racks 'em up for her husband, Mitch, during the weekend pool tourney.



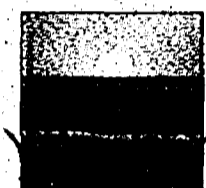
bodied team members. But Calderon does not consider his disability a handicap where billiards is concerned. "Myself and a lot of the other players feel that it's more of an advantage rather than a disadvantage," he said, "because, in pool, it's key to try to be as level as possible with the table with your stick and we're at that level already." "It's one of those sports that you

Please see **BILLIARDS, A4**

Happy trails:

Nature sanctuary is saved

■ After four long years, the formal agreement has been signed to save the 51-acre Sassafras Trails property in Westland. Members of a group formed to push for the property's protection said they are "relieved."



BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Westland citizens' group's four-year battle to protect a sprawling nature area from residential development has been crowned in victory. Friends of Sassafras Trails, a group that lobbied unrelentingly to save the heavily wooded area northeast of Palmer and Wildwood, scored a major success Monday as Wayne-Westland school board members approved a long-awaited proposal between local and state officials. Board members supported a resolution authorizing Superintendent Duane Moore to seal negotiations for selling the Sassafras Trails property's development rights to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for \$520,000.

SASSAFRAS TRAILS

The decision, which came during a school board meeting, means that 51 acres of Sassafras Trails will be protected from development. A battle to save the property emerged four years ago when board members facing a budget crunch considered selling the land. "We are relieved," Friends of Sassafras Trails member Teresa Robbins said Thursday. The board's decision means that the district can execute a legal agreement with DNR officials, said Greg Baracy, Wayne-Westland assistant superintendent for general administration. DNR officials still have to give final approval to the agreement, but no hurdles are expected. Board members decided the resolution with little fanfare, quietly culminating a once-heated issue. When

Please see **TRAILS, A2**

John Glenn thespians are sought

Calling all former thespians from John Glenn High School. Sherri Smith, John Glenn drama teacher, is looking for alumni from the Westland high school and others who might have been involved with the student theater productions, music, art, set design or other play-related areas. Smith, a 1989 John Glenn graduate, wants to start an alumni theater company this year and put on a fall production which will raise funds for a scholarship program to benefit theater students. If successful, she hopes such a group could continue into future years. "We (she and friends) miss that we don't have a lot of opportunity to perform," she said. "We would love to see a lot" of people respond for this theater call. She said the theater company would put current high school graduates with older graduates, and make for an interesting mix of people. She hopes to hear from interested grads by Aug. 1. If interested, call her at (313) 595-2367.

Retired educator honored by elementary school naming

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

WALKER-WINTER DEDICATION

Former Wayne-Westland educator Francis "Bud" Winter beamed Thursday as scores of his supporters welcomed the renaming of a local school in his honor.

"I will treasure this," Winter, 68, said as district officials unveiled new signs for Walker-Winter Elementary School, formerly just Walker Elementary School.

"I'm extremely honored," Winter told a crowd standing outside the Michigan Avenue entrance to the only Wayne-Westland school in Canton Township.

Winter lived in Canton before he retired to Goodyear, Arizona last year.

Winter spent his career as an educator in Wayne-Westland, including two stints at the school now named in his honor. He taught there for four years in the late 1950s and served two years as principal in 1964-65. Both of his children, now adults, attended Walker.

His most recent Wayne-Westland job was principal of Wayne Memorial High School. He also

served a four-year term on the Wayne-Westland school board headed for warmer climate last year.

School board president Patricia Brown called Thursday "a great day" for the school district and the community.

"It's extremely important that we recognize people in our community who have made a big impact on the school district," she said. "Bud Winter is certainly one of those individuals."

Winter gave Principal Jim Edwards an undisclosed sum of money Thursday for Walker-Winter Elementary, and he told the Observer he plans to give annually to the school.

Even before he moved from the district, he had established a student scholarship in his name at Wayne Memorial, and he returns each year to present it.

Winter said his entire family was honored by the renaming. He was accompanied Thursday by his wife, Maggie, whom he called his "guiding light."

A group of Walker-Winter students Thursday sang a song that had been written especially for the occasion. The weather cooperated fully for the renaming ceremony, as supporters stood under sunny skies.

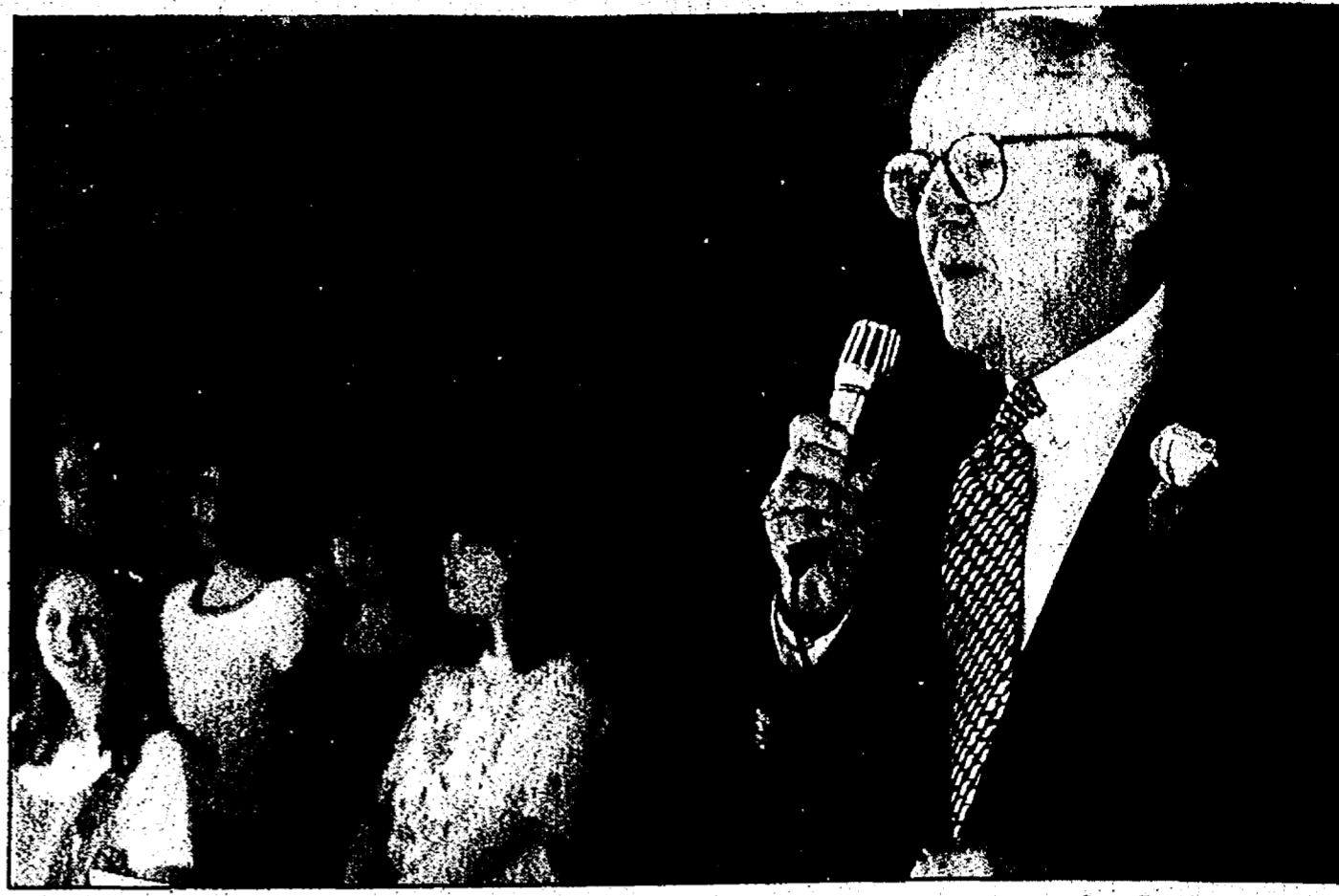
Winter noted that school board members last year approached him about renaming either Walker Elementary or Wayne Memorial High School's Alumni Arena in his honor.

"Either one would have been a great honor to me," he told the crowd.

But the more he thought about it, he said, the more he favored the elementary school. Because of personal memories, he said, "I just had to have this building named after me."

A school has been on the site since 1839. The land was donated to the school district by the daughter of the Walker family that owned the Walker Tavern in Wayne.

The building served as the first stagecoach stop outside of Detroit in the early 1800s.



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

He's honored: Retired Wayne-Westland principal Francis "Bud" Winter speaks at a ceremony Thursday, rededicating the Walker-Winter Elementary School in Canton.

Friends:
Volunteers
(from left)
*Josephine
Calker, Irene
Soroka, Betty
Tremain and
Barbara
Alturs visit
during the volunteer lunch.*



Helpers thanked for time

Four Chaplains Convalescent Center has a volunteer tea recently, honoring 40 community members who volunteer their time at the Westland center.

Volunteers received lunch, were thanked for their individual projects and were introduced to each other by activity director/volunteer coordinator Pamela Cohen.

the Resident Council and also a volunteer, explained the importance of volunteers and the rewards of helping others.

Volunteers at Four Chaplains run bingo games, lead sing-alongs, provide Bible study opportunities, visit with residents, read letters, assist with activities, plan parties, decorate bulletin boards, and join in outings among other things.

If you are interested in volunteering at Four Chaplains, call Cohen at (313) 261-9500.

Two seniors earn scholarships from club

BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

A local literary club recently presented scholarships to two area young women in an effort to further their pursuit of a college education.

Antoinette Gilbert of Wayne Memorial and Corinne Stone of John Glenn High School are 1997 scholarship recipients, accepting \$1,000 awards from one of the most historic organizations in the city of Wayne - The Ladies' Literary Club.

Founded in 1896, the local organization boasts a membership of more than 100 women representing communities including Wayne, Westland, Livonia, Canton, and Plymouth.

Club members gather once a month for activities of a social and educational nature with the primary intent of raising monies to benefit one senior female student from both high schools in the Wayne-Westland Community School District.

Stone and Gilbert accepted the scholarships at the final pro-

gram of the literary club's 1996-97 meeting schedule. Members and special guests gathered at the historic Hawthorne House in Blissfield where president Dottie LaSuer and program chairperson Bev Woodard introduced both young women to the club.

Stone, a Romulus resident, said she will attend the University of Michigan-Dearborn, in the fall in hopes of studying medicine.

"The scholarship will really help me out with my books and my studies," said Stone. "I'll put

it to good use." Fellow scholarship winner Gilbert, a Westland resident, was accepted by The University of Michigan-Ann Arbor where she plans to pursue degrees in music and foreign language.

"My mom and dad really need help sending me to college," said Gilbert, "and now my mom can use some of the money she was going to use to send me to college and put it toward her education so she can get her master's degree."

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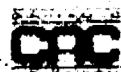
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NEWSPAPERS



1996 General Excellence Award

Senior forum is scheduled

State Rep. Eileen DeHart will co-host the annual Senior Citizen Conference for local retirees next month to hear about issues dealing with the aging. Registration is limited to the first 200 who register by the June 11 deadline.

The free event will be held from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 21, at the Dyer Senior Center, on Marquette between Wayne Road and Newburgh, Westland. DeHart will co-host the conference with state Rep. Tom Kelly, D-Wayne, whose district includes a portion of Westland.

Seniors may register by calling DeHart's toll-free phone number, 1-888-833-8494.

Trails from page A1

the potential sale of Sassafras Trails had loomed, citizens became upset that school board members would even consider allowing the woods to be razed and developed.

Now that the controversy has subsided, Robbins said Friends of Sassafras Trails can turn attention to seeking grants to help the district chart a nature curriculum for the property.

She and others had hoped that the former Wilson School, on the west edge of the property, could be used as an indoor nature center to complement Sassafras Trails. But board members decided to sell 13 acres of land including the school for residential development.

Still, Friends of Sassafras Trails won the larger battle, with help from Lansing legislators such as state Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton Township.

Bennett was instrumental in amending a state law that raised questions about whether the school district and DNR officials could legally enter into an agreement on the property's development rights.

"I want to give Loren Bennett the credit," Robbins said Thursday. "He never wavered, because he believed in this. He never backed off from it. He was the leader."

State Reps. Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, and Tom Kelly, D-

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Teresa Robbins
—Friends of Sassafras Trails

Wayne, also supported efforts to save Sassafras Trails, Robbins noted, but she said Bennett proved invaluable at convincing a Republican administration to support pro-Sassafras Trails measures.

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Show features hospice issues

Those considering the option of hospice care for themselves or a loved one can learn more about this unique program by watching Sen. Loren Bennett, R-Canton Township, on his regular cable show.

The monthly show, "People and Police: A Common Sense Agenda with Senator Loren Bennett" features Ken Grunow, education coordinator, and Jesse Battle, community relations representative, both with the Henry

Ford Health System.

Grunow, Battle and Bennett discuss various aspects of hospice care including costs, insurance coverage, criteria for being admitted, services offered and when one might want to consider such an option.

In addition, with the issue of physician-assisted suicide the subject of much debate recently, hospice care will be discussed as an alternative method.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
June 16, 1997
CITY OF GARDEN CITY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mayor and Council will hold a Public Hearing on June 16, 1997, at 7:20 p.m., in the Council Chambers, at the Civic Center, 8000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the adoption of the proposed ordinance. At the hearing, all interested persons shall have an opportunity to be heard. The proposed ordinance is as follows:

To solicit public comments on the proposed Wireless Telecommunications Ordinance.

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LIVONIA SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

ELECTION

Five candidates are running for two four-year terms on the non-partisan Livonia Board of Education. The school election will be held on Monday, June 9

If elected, what would you personally bring to the Board of Education?

What are your thoughts about the state high school proficiency exam and endorsed diploma?

What should be the district's primary responsibility to its students?

Thomas A. Kasper, lifelong resident, Stevenson High graduate who will Oakland University. Worked as a cook's assistant two years, volunteered for Greenmead Arts Fair, helped register young voters, attended Boys State representing Stevenson.

If elected, I would be committed to staying in touch with the community. I genuinely care about the quality of education for the children of this community. I have been on the other side of the desk for more than 12 years; I can do this job for the hard working, dedicated people of Livonia.

The HSPT is a total money-wasting failure that was merely designed to make public education look bad. The curriculum used to prepare for the ACT is totally different from the HSPT. As for state endorsed diplomas, they really do not mean much to a college admissions officer. I know from experience.

This district's primary responsibility to the students should be to provide the best possible education by employing and retaining the best possible educators and having them teach in a safe comfortable environment using the best possible technology and materials, in a somewhat efficient manner.

Patrick Nalley, MA special education, Specialist educational administration, teacher Wayne-Westland Community Schools, board member Livonia Community Foundation, Indian Guides, volunteer Youth Making a Difference and Just Say No.

Twenty-five years of experience in education, an ability to reach goals with other board members (I am endorsed by three of them), the desire to see my own three children achieve, a clear and specific agenda, and experience with community organizations as they impact schools.

Controlling what goes into a school program has far more significant effect on output than other factors. A demanding curriculum (which the state has repealed) strict licensing of managers (which the state has also repealed), and adequate funding (which the state has cut) would outproduce proficiency tests.

There are five levels of thinking skills, each one higher than the other. With the proper materials, a changing curriculum, and excellent instruction, the district can develop thinkers who can compete successfully for employment, achieve success in college, and become premiere citizens, neighbors and spouses.

Dan Lessard, 20-year resident, worked 32 years Michigan Bell, chairman Coalition for Youth, served one term Livonia Board of Education, member Building Utilization Committee, Livonia PTA Council member, past member East Detroit School Board.

I would bring the experience of having served on two boards in two cities. I have the ability to deal with issues. I have the commitment and the dedication to serve our children and our citizens fairly and with an open mind. I have the ability to represent the citizens and the district in a clear and concise fashion.

Students should be tested to determine subject mastery. Not sure we need another standardized test, MEAP, etc. Idea of withholding funds for under-achievement seems counter productive and punitive. Present method of endorsement needs great deal of improvement. Not convinced this is a good idea in any case.

The district should strive to provide the highest quality education possible. The buildings, buses, and all facilities should be clean, up to date, and safe. The district must maintain its top quality, professional staff. These things will enable the district to carry out its responsibility to its students.

Jane Teska, 11 year resident, high school science teacher Southfield Public Schools, MA in science education, MS educational leadership, probation worker Partners Against Crime, volunteer mentor Madonna University. Focus Hope volunteer.

If elected to the Livonia Board of Education, I would bring commitment to public education, competence in educational leadership, enthusiasm for the community of Livonia, support for quality education for all students, good listening skills, good problem solving skills, and an honest voice to public service.

Proficiency exam and endorsed diplomas will create two classes of graduates. Aim of public education has always been to give all students basic skills and knowledge necessary to be productive citizens. The mechanism must be valid to evaluate if these skills and knowledge have been mastered.

Primary responsibility is to provide a safe and orderly environment that facilitates quality education for all. Every effort must be made to meet individual needs, allowing all students to reach potential. Ultimate goal of public education is to educate citizens who are capable, responsible, and productive community members.

Kirsten Galka, five-year resident, masters of public health, RN, former public health nurse, led Hoover and Holmes PTAs, LPS Masterworks, Early Literacy volunteer, parent computer assistant, Church council member, Sunday School teacher.

Wealth of pertinent knowledge and skills which are result of my education, professional background, years of participation in PTA and LPS volunteer, regular attendance at board meetings, knowledge of legislative process. Self-starter with knowledge of how LPS operates, works well with others.

Testing necessary to evaluate students and education delivery system, and recognize achievement. Proficiency exam is good if objective, aligned with curriculum being taught and economical to implement. In Michigan, exam has been criticized in all these criteria. Significance of the test and endorsed diploma not yet recognized.

District should provide a suitable and safe learning environment, and quality instruction and allied educational resources that enable the district's students to develop a base of knowledge and skills that enable them to become independent thinkers and learners, and prepare them to successfully compete in the global economy.

Teen-ager will stand trial in Marshall stabbing case

A 16-year-old Detroit youth has been ordered to stand trial on charges of trying to kill a Marshall Middle School student during a May 8 stabbing on school property.

Timothy White, charged as an adult, was ordered to stand trial for assault with intent to murder following a preliminary hearing Thursday in 18th District Court. He could face a maximum sentence of life in prison if convicted in Wayne County Circuit Court.

White is charged with stabbing 14-year-old Neil Young in a field behind Marshall school.

White also was ordered to stand trial for assault with intent to do great bodily harm for injuries suffered by a second victim, 12-year-old Steve Young, no relation to Neil Young. Neil Young survived four stab wounds, and Steven Young was kicked and beaten.

The afternoon incident occurred while the two boys, crossing a field behind the school, encountered a group of youths. Four other youths charged as juveniles face charges similar to White's, and they are in juvenile custody. McKnight refused Thursday to lower White's \$50,000 cash bond.

"I think Judge McKnight was very fair," Mary Young, Neil's mother, said Thursday. "She lis-



CRIMEWATCH

tened to both sides."

Police labeled the attack as random and said it occurred following an exchange of words.

Hearing delayed

A 20-year-old Plymouth man has been scheduled for a July 10 hearing to determine whether he is competent to face charges of discharging a firearm from his vehicle, felony firearms and fourth-degree fleeing and eluding police.

Michael Gustafson was scheduled for the competency hearing after a preliminary hearing on the charges was postponed Thursday at the request of his defense attorney.

Gustafson is accused of barricading himself inside a friend's Yalewood apartment in Westland on April 23, before leading police on an erratic car chase that ended at Ford Road and Central City Parkway, where Gustafson allegedly hit two other cars. The suspect allegedly fired a shot inside his car at the scene of the accident, in what police believe may have been a suicide attempt.

No one was injured. Gustafson admitted in court on May 15 that he had been suicidal. Police have said the man had been despondent over a relationship breakup.

Gas station larceny

Two teenagers are charged with larceny from a person for an incident that occurred just after 1 p.m. last Sunday at the Total gas station on the southwest corner of Ford and Wayne roads, police said.

A 17-year-old Westland man and a 15-year-old Detroit youth face charges after the younger defendant grabbed \$100 that an employee had placed on a counter next to a cash register, police reports said.

The younger suspect then got into a car with the older suspect, police said. The two are scheduled for a preliminary hearing May 29 in Westland 18th District Court.

The older suspect has been released on a \$5,000 personal bond, police said. The younger defendant remains in custody of juvenile authorities.

COUNCIL BRIEFS

D.A.D.'s Day

The day before Father's Day is D.A.D.'s Day in Westland.

On Saturday, June 14, the day before Father's Day, members of Sheet Metal Workers' International Association Local Union 80 will hit the pavement, soliciting funds in the city for Dollars Against Diabetes Day.

They will collect money from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at various locations in the city.

The purpose of D.A.D.'s Day is to raise money for diabetes research. The charity event is sponsored by the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO. Local 80 received approval for D.A.D.'s Day from the Westland City Council May 19.

Nursery gets contract

Westland is about to get leafier.

On May 19, the Westland City Council awarded a contract to Artman's Nursery to install an estimated 50 trees around the city, including 25 Norway Maple and 25 Red Sunset Maple trees.

The city mailed bid specifications to 13 companies, and Artman's was the low bidder of the two that responded. It submitted a bid of \$195 per tree, whereas Crimboli Nursery submitted a bid of \$250 per tree.

Funding for the trees will

come out of the Department of Public Service's current and proposed budgets.

Budget notes

Three amendments to the city's current budget were introduced at the City Council meeting May 19. They involve attorneys' fees, the motor pool and the Youth Assistance Office.

The amendments were introduced at the request of Budget Director Elizabeth Duggan.

She asked that \$33,200 be transferred from the Legislative-Professional Services fund to the Law Department-Professional Services Fund, to cover higher than anticipated city attorney expenses this year.

She said the increase is due to the great amount of time that the legal department has had to spend on water and sewer issues, and on litigation regarding the Community Treatment Center and potential halfway house, and on the denial of the proposed land use of Spectrum Human Services.

Duggan also asked that \$50,000 be taken out of the city's increase in state shared revenues and that the money be transferred to the Motorpool. The money is needed to cover larger than anticipated expenditures for fuel, oil, grease and solvents; vehicle parts; garage equipment; vehicle services, tire

repair and garage repair.

Unlike the first two, the third budget amendment is needed because of an increase in revenue.

The city's Youth Assistance Office recently received a \$5,600 check from the Conference of Western Wayne Youth Assistance Block Grant for work completed with young offenders who were referred by the Juvenile Court.

Duggan asked for a budget amendment to the Youth Assistance Grants fund to show that the check had been received.

Traffic signs

Ten additional traffic signs will be installed along North and South Frontage.

On May 19, the City Council gave its permission for:

■ Four "One Way" signs to be installed on the south side of North Frontage.

■ Two "One-Way" signs to be erected on the north side of South Frontage, across from driveways to 39139 and 38921 Ford Road.

■ Two "Two-Way Traffic" signs to be installed on South Frontage, west of Marie, facing eastbound traffic.

■ Two "Do Not Enter" signs to face westbound traffic on South Frontage, west of Marie.

— Compiled by Donna Mulcahy

ACHIEVERS

Westland Achievers is a column that runs regularly in the Observer, highlighting achievements and accomplishments of Westland-area residents. To submit an item for this column, please send to: Editor, Westland Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150 or fax information to (313) 591-7279.

The following Westland residents and students the University of Michigan-Dearborn were named to the Dean's List for Fall 1996. Students must maintain a 3.5 grade point average while carrying at least 12 credit hours. They include: Aaron Elvis Andrus, David Glenn Bulbuk, Scott J. Cingolani, Tina Louis Desantis, Jodi Lynn Kurliak, Katherine Mi-

Lafave, Lawrence Vic Safadi, Martha Schumacher, David William Staff, Doris E. Thornton, Julianne Turczyn, Sheryl Ann Wilkins, Melissa L. Ziemba, Maria I. Howard, Lynn Little.

Others are: Dionna M. Bolton, Michael A. Mancini, James M. Slebodnick, Jennifer T. Soronen, David James Steinert, Scott Brod, Timothy Corcoran, Michael Lee, Michael Olszewski and Stacey DeRose.

Jessica Carr, daughter of Chris and Paula Carr of Westland, was selected to participate in the Distinguished Youth of Michigan Scholarship & Recognition Program held in Kalamazoo May 2-4. The program is designed to recognize girls who

rank high academically and are strong leaders in their schools and communities. She is sponsored by the Michigan Academy of Gymnastics, Stu Evans Lincoln-Mercury, Westland Camping and Jets Pizza.

Robert J. Filary, a 1992 graduate of John Glenn High School and class valedictorian, has been offered a full tuition scholarship/fellowship and a teaching assistant's position at North Carolina State University where he will begin his Master of Architecture degree this fall. He currently works for Arthur F. Smith Architects in Southfield as an architectural designer. He graduated in the top 5 percent of his class at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield.

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Complex

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But he clearly seemed enthusiastic as he discussed plans for an entertainment complex that would be second to none in southeast Michigan.

Preliminary drawings reveal features such as:

■ An elevated dining level overlooking a vast billiards area below.

■ A huge sports lounge allowing patrons to view several athletic events in one place.

■ A retail shop where shoppers could buy pool tables, billiard supplies, clothing and other merchandise.

■ An adult game room equipped with video games, pinball machines and other activities.

■ A self-contained dance club where a disc jockey would spin tunes and, possibly, live bands might occasionally play.

■ Outdoor volleyball courts giving patrons a place to spend summer hours; an outdoor dining area also would be offered.

■ A banquet room available for weddings, political fund-raisers, company parties and other special events.

■ A comedy club aimed at drawing top-notch talent.

Many rooms of the complex would have glass walls that would allow - for example - game room patrons to see dance floor enthusiasts.

From the outside, passers-by would see a brick exterior, neon signs and large windows - features aimed at making the complex visually appealing.

"We want to make it look like a fun place," Marvaso said.

In planning their project, the Marvasos traveled to see entertainment complexes in such cities as Las Vegas, Fort Lauderdale and Chicago.

George Marvaso envisions a groundbreaking ceremony late this summer, amid hopes of opening for business early next summer.

He promised to disclose other details, such as the location, as soon as possible. Stay tuned.



Getting ready: Bob Calderon lines up a shot during the Westland tournament.

Billiards

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can play against anybody and still be competitive."

Kevin DeBono, a Belleville resident who grew up in Westland, couldn't agree more. "I shoot better from the chair than I did when I walked," he said. The self-professed "sports nut" has tried all kinds of activities since being wheelchair-bound eight years ago, downhill skiing among them.

This was his first tournament. "I love it," he said. "It's just the camaraderie, getting together with all the guys. We have a good time."

Wayne resident Ronald Buhl agreed that the sitting position afforded him "better sight and a better angle." That proved true last winter on his league of 11 other players, all able-bodied, where Buhl came in third place.

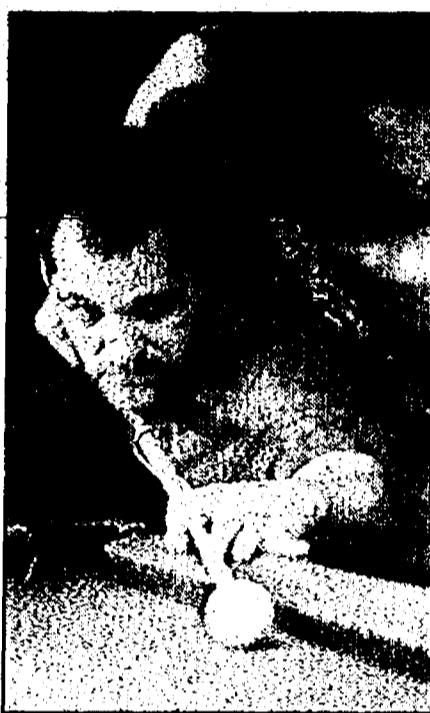
Other Michigan players in last weekend's championship included: Mike Barrons of Redford; Vince Jabkiewicz of Jackson; Ray Millsap of Port Huron; Bill

Warren of Albion; and Mitch Zukowski of Westland. Matt Duffy of Glasgow, Scotland, took top prize for the weekend championship, followed by Hinie Markham, Kent, Ohio.

Calderon would like to see more people participating in wheelchair billiards. He has long-range plans of where he would like to see his organization in the next couple of years.

"Our plans are to, hopefully within two years, triple our membership," said Calderon. Being on the Internet with their own home page is another of his goals for the NWBA.

"It will go all over the world so that anyone who wants to know anything about wheelchair billiards will be able to punch it up on the Internet," said Calderon. "The main thing is to get more members and to be able to do more for newly injured people to get them involved in wheelchair sports."



Good times: Wayne resident Ron Buhl participates in the weekend tournament.

OBITUARIES

PHYLLIS J. HUGGINS

Funeral services for Phyllis J. Huggins, 62, of Westland were in Aldersgate United Methodist Church with burial at Parkview Memorial Cemetery. Officiating were the Rev. Robert F. Goudie and the Rev. Diana K. Goudie. Local arrangements were made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Westland.

Mrs. Huggins, who died May 17 in Livonia, was born in Havana, Ill. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are: husband, William Sr.; sons William Jr., Keith and Frances; daughters Kathryn Pearson, Elizabeth Sharp, Wandh and Susan; three brothers; one sister; and seven grandchildren.

LOUIS HABICHT

Funeral services for Louis Habicht, 65, of Westland were held in UHt Funeral Home with burial at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. Officiating was the Rev. Don Confer.

Mr. Habicht died May 18 in Wayne. He was a ground maintenance employee at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West.

Surviving are: wife Lillian; sons Louis Jr., Michael, Daniel, John and James; daughters Shirley Oster and Lori Kitson; brothers William and Charles; sister Loretta Wilson; 17 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by brothers Red, Albert, Paul, Gilbert and Edward.

STELLA B. STOLARCZYK

Funeral services for Stella B. Stolarczyk, 81, of Mesa, Ariz., were held in Leonard A. Turowski & Son Funeral Home with burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Officiating was the Rev. Matthew Ellis. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 2328 West Royal Palm, Suite D., Phoenix, Ariz. 85021.

Mrs. Stolarczyk, who died May 17 in Mesa, Ariz., was born in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. She was a former resident of Westland and a steel press operator with Ford Motor Company.

Surviving are: son Bernie Stoll of Washington, Mich.; and daughter Barbara Truscott of Arizona.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bernard.

JOSEPH R. WHEELER

Funeral services for Joseph R. Wheeler, 66, of Ann Arbor were held in Hosmer-Muehlig Funeral Home. Officiating was the Rev. David Horning. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Wheeler, who died May 21, was born in Okemos, Mich. He was a former Garden City resident.

He retired as GM Willow Run plant production supervisor in 1986. From 1986-92, he owned and operated Starline Consultants. He served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army 1952-54.

Surviving are: wife Marcia; sons Joseph of Ortonville, Timothy of Westland, Peter of Dexter and Kevin of Dexter; daughters Mary Rizkallah of Wayne and Jeanette Brooks of Ypsilanti; four stepchildren, Thomas Higgins of Westland, Patrick Higgins of Dearborn, Eva Slavik of Pinckney and Terry Whitley of Ada; brothers Peter Wheeler and David Wheeler; sisters, Trudy Cook, Patricia Edington and Molly Weeks; and 23 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by: wives Mary and Maureen; son David; stepson Leo Higgins; and brothers Robert and John.

JAMES R. FRIELING

Funeral services for James R. Frieling, 54, of Westland were held in Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. Officiating was the Rev. Richard Alberts from Cornerstone Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Frieling, who died May 21 in Westland, was born in Detroit. He had lived in Westland for five years and was formerly a resident of Farmington and Novi. He was an EMT specialist and was previously a welder with GMC Fisher Body. He attended Farmington High School and Oakland Community College.

Mr. Frieling was a member of Single Point Ministries at Ward Presbyterian Church, Livonia, and was a volunteer with the American Red Cross. He served in the Navy 1964-66.

Surviving are: son Scott of Texas; daughter Sandra Brown of Texas; parents Robert and Jean Frieling of North Carolina; sisters Barbara Frieling of Pontiac, Betty Dielh of Virginia and Susan Dill of Farmington; and two grandchildren.

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SCHOOLCRAFT ELECTION

Trustee says law encourages tax hike

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Richard DeVries likes the fact that students can get a tax break for tuition hikes.



Richard DeVries

What the Schoolcraft trustee doesn't like is state law actually encourages community colleges and universities to increase tuition below the rate of inflation, as college boards act to prevent larger increases down the road that would not qualify for tax credit.

DeVries opposed the \$1 per credit hour tuition hike for district residents. That hike — the fourth increase in four years for in-district students — was approved by the Schoolcraft board in April, 4-2.

"We can always be on the list of 'good guys' when we keep that hike below inflation," DeVries said.

"Moms and Dads who support their kids in paying tuition will probably file (for tax credit). But our average age student is between 28 and 31 years old, and I don't know if it is available on the (1040-EZ) form.

"Why not let them have the money now in the real world and only raise tuition when we really need it?"

DeVries background

DeVries, a 57-year-old retired Livonia schoolteacher and Livonia resident, and Carol Strom are running unopposed in an election June 9. Both are running for six-year terms on the Board of Trustees. Schoolcraft's district includes the Wayne County portions of K-12 districts of Clarenceville and Livonia

Public Schools; the Northville district; Novi Community Schools, excluding the portion covered by Oakland Community College and portions of the Plymouth-Canton school district.

DeVries taught mathematics in Livonia public schools, including Churchill and Stevenson High schools, until he retired five years ago. He also coached baseball.

DeVries has worked as a legislative aide to County Commissioners Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, and Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia, and as an assistant manager at Lake Erie Metroparks Golf Course.

He still substitute teaches in Livonia. DeVries received his bachelor's degree in mathematics from the University of Michigan in 1962.

Politically, DeVries seeks his second term on the board after he was elected in June 1993 to fill the remaining four years of a

Please see TRUSTEE, A6

Teaching methods are changing: Strom

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Carol Strom doesn't believe the educational goals of Schoolcraft College will change much over the next few years.



Carol Strom

But teaching methods probably will.

The first-term trustee at Schoolcraft College believes technology incorporated in "distance learning" and computer-assisted classes will continue to play a major role in delivering quality education at the college.

"Computers are taking over the way that we teach, and the tools that we use," Strom said.

Strom first joined the Schoolcraft Board of Trustees in January 1995 when she was appointed to serve on a vacant seat. Strom ran and won election in June of that year to complete the unexpired two-year term and is now running for six-year term. Strom and Richard DeVries are running unopposed in an election June 9.

Strom is one of four business partners who own the Apple Wreath, a gift and antique shop in Livonia. Strom has a bachelor of science in education from the University of Michigan and completed graduate work at the University of Michigan and Wayne State University.

Strom, 61, served on the Livonia school board from 16 years, serving on parent-teacher associations on local and state levels. In 1991 she decided not to run for re-election to that board.

Now on the Schoolcraft board, she finds that she is contacted less often than on a local school board. "On a local board, when parents have a complaint, they call you. College students usually go to the staff.

"It isn't quite as personal, but the decisions are similar. You worry about the budget, you worry about buildings, you worry about the faculty."

Not that Strom thinks that anything is wrong with Schoolcraft's educators or curriculum. "Our culinary arts program is the best in the state, last year our business development program was one of the best in the state, and our technology is way ahead of other colleges."

Finances are "always an issue" for trustees, Strom said. "You worry about state support and worry about raising tuition. You try to come up with a decent balance with all the funding sources. You don't want to rely too heavily on one."

and trustees remain wary of tuition hikes because they don't want to price the college out of the students' range.

Strom agrees with the master plan to upgrade buildings approved by trustees in April, particularly the modernization of the science labs.

The college also should look for ways to increase enrollment, Strom said. "I think we would be remiss if we didn't strive to grow. The students we try to get aren't the ones going immediately to the four-year colleges. With the student retention plan by (dean of marketing and development) Sam Florek and a concerted effort, we can see what we can do to make it better."

"It's been working. While other campuses have lost students, we've had a modest increase."

Tuition will be increased \$1 per credit hour for in-district students this fall. That hike was approved after a study by the board and comparison was completed with other community colleges, Strom said. Administrators and the board strive to examine all sources of financial aid.

"We work very hard to get grants to provide a lot of things. We also raised fees in other areas. I think our business office works very hard and I don't think they come to us with a tuition increase unless it is needed."

"I supported (the tuition increase) after I decided it was the only way to do it. It is a minimal increase, and it kept us below the average of campuses in the area."

"We all would have preferred not to have needed it. I don't think we are pricing ourselves out of the marketplace."

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Compromise won on proficiency tests

BY TIM RICHARD
STAFF WRITER

High school graduating classes of '98 will see their state proficiency test scores on their transcripts — but not the hated words "novice" and "not yet novice" — under a bill passed 99-1 by the state House of Representatives.

"We have bipartisan, bicameral agreement on this bill," said House Education Committee chair Sharon Gire, D-Macomb County, adding that Gov. John Engler also agrees to it.

The House shot down attempts to halt High School Proficiency Tests entirely for two years by conservatives who argued that educators, parents and students don't want them. HSPTs are given to 11th graders in four subject areas: reading, writing, math and science; in the year 2000, a social studies test is due to be added.

Parents and students in Birmingham, Troy and two out-state districts had boycotted the tests in droves this year, expressing unhappiness with the terms placed on their diplomas and transcripts.

"What are those Birmingham kids afraid of?" asked Rep. Jessie Dalman, R-Holland, minority vice chair of the Education Committee.

Gire, Dalman and others said the use of HSPTs will be studied by their committee during public hearings this spring. One in southeastern Michigan is scheduled for 1 p.m. Friday, June 6, in Annapolis High School, 20629 Annapolis, Dearborn Heights. A Senate committee also intends to schedule hearings.

Art Ellis, state superintendent of public instruction, insists the HSPTs are here to stay and are a key tool in checking whether a core curriculum

is being taught. The House then sent HB 4492 to the Senate, where passage is expected. It amends the school code by adding a single section requiring that raw test scores be reported on transcripts.

Attacks on the HSPTs came from Republicans Alan Cropsey of DeWitt and Harold Voorhees of Wyoming.

"Who wants this test?" said Cropsey. "The colleges don't. Do educators trust it? They say 'it's a waste.' Do parents like it? Do kids want it? The very intelligent kids don't want it."

Defenders said the tests are in the process of being improved and shouldn't be junked now.

Voorhees' amendment to place a two-year moratorium on giving the HSPTs sank on a vote of 15-89. All area members voted no except Republicans Greg Kaza of Rochester Hills, Gerald Law of Plymouth and Deborah Whyman of Canton.

A second amendment, by Democrat Howard Wetters of Kawkawlin, would have required local schools to inform parents of their right to have their students "opt out" of the HSPTs. It lost 53-41. Here is how area members voted:

Yes — Bob Brown, D-Deerborn Heights, Eileen DeHart, D-Westland, Deborah Whyman, R-Canton.

No — Lyn Bankes, R-Redford, Tom Kelly, D-Wayne, Gerald Law, R-Plymouth.

The state will release High School Proficiency Test results at midnight Tuesday, June 3, state superintendent Ellis announced.

Some time this week, the state Department of Education will forward to local districts the percentage of test takers for the class of 1998 who achieved proficiency on each of the four tests.

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six-year unexpired term.

DeVries was unsuccessful in a 1995 campaign to be elected to the Livonia City Council. He is active in supporting Republican candidates, and has served approximately 25 years as a precinct delegate in his native Grand Rapids and Livonia. He is a member of the Plymouth Republican Club.

DeVries hopes he is re-elected to ensure that college education remains affordable for students, while the college maintains a strong budget.

"I think the board needs to keep in mind that we represent the community, that we really must keep these increases to a minimum," DeVries said.

Technology emphasized

While DeVries believes Schoolcraft's two-year programs prepares students well for four-year universities, he would like to see technical trades emphasized more.

"Students can come to Schoolcraft and save on college costs, which are escalating big time," DeVries said. "Our Business Development Department allows students to go into the industrial part of it, and do computer work to run machines."

DeVries commended the Women's Resource Center and its effectiveness in bringing women into the workplace. "But I would like some additional enticement to bring in men. There are a lot of men who have the same problems."

State funds increase

Schoolcraft will receive more this year in state funds, but the state's percentage portion of total revenue in Schoolcraft's budget has declined from 38 to 26 percent since the early 1980s.

The Schoolcraft Foundation for scholarships for students plays an important financial role, DeVries said, collecting more than \$4 million total, and \$180,000 in scholarships this year.

Schoolcraft's master plan to expand buildings and upgrade classrooms and study areas could have used more input from trustees, DeVries said.

"The process wasn't very good, and I'm not sure \$15,000 (paid for the master plan) really did the job. The trustees weren't involved and that bothers me."

"I'm not sure Schoolcraft needs the junior high school in Garden City. We need a presence in Canton."

The master plan calls for larger study areas for students. Should Schoolcraft push for a larger student enrollment?

"Yes, if we can provide for the academic and technical needs for students, and yes, if we can provide an education that people want and need, which I think we are."

DeVries doesn't foresee the college asking for a higher millage in the next couple years.

"Currently residents are asked to fund 38 to 40 percent of the budget in the millage. We've been able to establish a growth in development, mostly in Can-

ton.

"Even with the ability to ask for Headlee overrides, we only do about 1.85 mills, so we've asked to stay within that. I don't think we will ask for more."

DeVries doesn't always follow the majority of the board. Last December he and trustee Steve Ragan opposed a request for Schoolcraft to "opt out" of the Canton Downtown Development Authority. DeVries supported Canton's attempt to use increases in property tax revenue normally earmarked for the college to spend on capital improvements, namely roads.

The college had the option to "opt out," which it did under the support of five trustees.

Schoolcraft gathers revenue from new development from Canton, so DeVries believed the DDA should receive the revenue.

"I voted 'for' (the DDA) because there are only two exits out of Canton. How do students get here? They take I-275 north. We have to meet the needs of Ford Road. Canton is growing at such an incredible rate."

About 3,900 acres will be developed. "We will make a ton of money out of the Canton area," DeVries said.

"(Canton Supervisor) Tom Yack has wanted this for years. This was another attempt to improve Ford Road. I don't think our losses would be anywhere near our gain."

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Strom agrees with Schoolcraft's participation in the Galileo Consortium, an educational leadership conference for nine school districts and two community colleges. The consortium includes Schoolcraft, Oakland Community College, Farmington, Novi, Northville, Southfield and Walled Lake school districts, the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency and Oakland County Intermediate School District.

"Obviously we hope our staff

members will improve their own lives, their teaching and their own administrative skills," Strom said. "Anything we can provide to enhance the lives of the staff, we should do that. And so far, they've been pleased with what they've seen."

Strom was opposed to Canton Township's request to use Schoolcraft property taxes for a Downtown Development Authority to widen Ford Road. Strom was one of five trustees who voted for the college to "opt out"

of the DDA.

"I understand the need for Canton to improve the roads, but I don't think it should be at the expense of school dollars."

Strom doesn't think the board will be considering any proposals to increase the millage or override the Headlee Amendment to levy the maximum amount, unless there were significant changes in funding for the college.

"We're in pretty good shape financially," Strom said.

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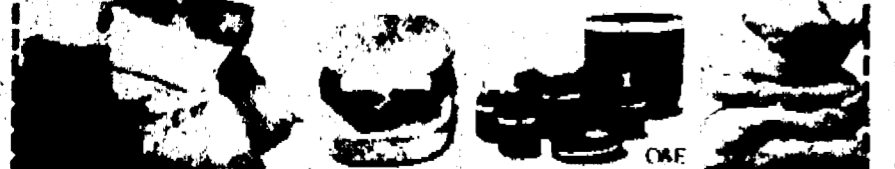
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GOLDEN MUSHROOM



CHEF STEVEN ALLEN

Gadgets make cooking easier, fun

What is your most indispensable gadget or piece of kitchen equipment? When I chose this topic several months ago, I wasn't sure what direction to take. To my surprise, in the March issue of "Bon Appetit" magazine, this same topic was discussed!

The author of the article spoke to 20 individuals in the national spotlight, and asked what was their most important possession in the kitchen.

I thought it would be just as interesting to ask local chefs and restaurateurs what gizmo they couldn't be without in their kitchen at home.

Let's face it, if you can purchase something that can do the job more efficiently, while keeping the integrity of the food, why not?

In my home the center of activity is the kitchen. Cooking shouldn't have to be hard work, it should be pleasurable.

It is bewildering to me how my grandmother, and generations before her, survived in the kitchen without equipment we take for granted such as blenders, food processors, and electric mixers. Today, thanks to these tools, we can spend less time toiling and more time enjoying!

I asked some of my friends what they found indispensable in their home kitchens. Here are their responses:

Reid Ashton - Golden Mushroom owner/operator - can't do without his Cuisinart Mini-Prep Processor that's designed for small amounts so it's great for two people. Since he and his wife Lynn bought it, they rarely use their blender, large food processor or mixer. He adds that it's great for small jobs like chopping garlic. He puts garlic cloves and olive oil in the bowl of the mini-chopper, processes it, and keeps it covered and ready-to-use in the refrigerator.

Chris Hessler - executive chef at The Huntsman Club near Metamora, really likes his toaster oven. It heats up fast and hot - up to 500 degrees F., it's quick and convenient for small portions, and energy efficient.

Brian Polcyn - chef/owner of Five Lakes Grill in Milford, enjoys using his hand-held vertical blender designed by Braun, a good set of knives (a personal favorite is a 10-inch French Trident), a Robot Coupe (a French forerunner of the Cuisinart he uses at home) and a good sharp 99 cent vegetable peeler.

Kevin Enright - culinary arts instructor, Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills, can't do without a salad spinner at home. He says that spinning salad greens is a quick and efficient way to dry them, leaving salads crisp and fresh. Greens can be prepared in advance for parties, and salad dressing adheres better too.

Certified Master Chef Milos Cihelka - formerly executive chef of the Golden Mushroom, believes a good set of sharp knives can make kitchen work much easier. He finds a French chef's knife, a paring knife, boning knife, and bread knife indispensable. Chef Milos has a grinder in his garage for sharpening knives, a buffer wheel to polish them, but for normal kitchen use, a good quality knife sharpener is fine.

According to Chef Milos, if knives are taken care of, they shouldn't need sharpening too often. Store your knives on a magnetic strip or in a wooden block. It is important to invest in a good knife because a dull knife is frustrating and miserable to work with. A good knife will outlast you.

Joan Adamski - catering chef at the Golden Mushroom Banquet Hall, cooks with Calphalon cookware. He says it heats evenly, is sturdy, strong and cleans up easily.

Laurie Dorich - executive chef at Addison Oaks Conference Center in Leonard, north of Rochester, loves her Little Oscar, a two-cup food processor. It's just the right size for making meals for one or two people, doesn't take up much storage space, and cleans up quickly and easily.

Jim Barnett - corporate chef of Unique Restaurant Corp., likes his vertical mixer for making pureed vegetable and fruit sauces.

Chuck Rachwitz (Rocky) - chef/owner of Rocky's in Northville and Brighton, loves to grill fish and vegetables outdoors on his Weber Genesis II gas grill.

Certified Master Chef Joe Decker - a pastry instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, wouldn't be without his electronic scale for the accuracy it provides when breaking down recipes from large to small quantities. He says the digi-

Please see GOLDEN MUSHROOM B2

LOOKING AHEAD

What to watch for in Taste next week:

- Vegetarian menu teen approved
- Focus on Wine



Popularity raises 'steaks'

BY KEELY WYGONIK • STAFF WRITER



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Scrumptious steak: Beef Filets with Asparagus and a Roasted Shallot and Tarragon Sauce is one of the dishes featured in "The Steaklover's Companion."

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Yamaguchi of Roy's in Honolulu, and Mark Miller, Coyote Cafe, New Mexico.

In addition to recipes, there's an introduction to "Steak in America and Around the World," by Merle Ellis, a syndicated food columnist and expert on beef, how-tos about buying steaks, storing and cooking them, basic recipes for stock, black beans, roasting garlic, chiles and bell peppers, toasting herbs and spices; and resource guide.

Omaha Steak has won lots of fans including the late James Beard. "We met in 1973," said Simon. "My wife said, 'dear you've got to meet this man.' He wrote recipes, and helped us develop new products. He was a man who never had an unkind word to say about anyone. He could taste a sauce and tell you what was in it. He had remarkable taste buds. I listened and never stopped learning. Because of Jim, dining became a continu-

Omaha and Steak - the words are synonymous. "Basically, I'm a meat and potatoes guy, salt and pepper, I go for simple," said Frederick J. Simon, the fourth generation owner of Omaha Steaks, and author of "The Steaklover's Companion: 170 Savory Recipes from America's Greatest Chefs" with consulting chef Mark Kiffin and John Harrison. Founded in 1917, Omaha Steaks has won international acclaim for being a premium purveyor of steaks.

"For about 15 years steak was getting a bad rap," said Simon. "People were eating less red meat. But the picture of red meat has changed."

Beef is inching up, and according to the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, steak remains the single most popular beef dish in American homes followed by hamburgers. This June marks the second annual celebration of National Steak Month.

Restaurant traffic at casual and upscale steak houses has increased 41.6 percent from 1993 to 1996. Consumers order over 8.7 million servings of steak per year.

Men participating in National Cattlemen's Beef Association focus groups said they like beef steak for its traditional, juicy flavor that is complemented by bold, flavorful sauces and accompaniments. They order beef because it makes them feel macho and because they feel entitled to it.

Women said they feel assertive and empowered when they order beef. They prefer more sophisticated plate presentations and accompaniments such as beef complemented by sauces, relishes and other side dishes.

The beef we buy is leaner than it was 20 years ago. "Beef is a nutritional bargain," said Kathleen Hawkins, executive director of the Michigan Beef Industry Commission. "Today's beef has 27 percent less trimmable fat than just a decade ago and beef has significant amounts of important nutrients like iron, zinc, protein and B vitamins."

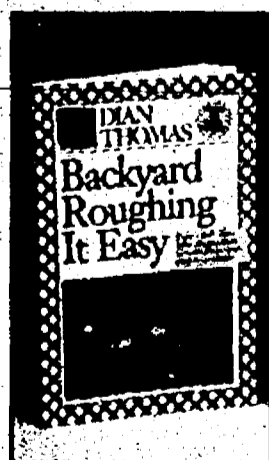
Because steak is "really coming back," Simon said he thought it was time to do a "steak bible."

In "A Steaklover's Compan-

ion," Simon takes readers on a gastronomic journey across the United States to Europe, Asia, Central and South America. "You'll see different seasonings and different approaches to cooking steak," he said. "Our selection of recipes in each region had to make sense."

Some of the steak and side dish recipes were created in the Omaha Steak kitchens, others were contributed by prominent American chefs including Roy

BY KEELY WYGONIK
STAFF WRITER



Your back yard is already paid for, so instead of heading for the highway, open your back door, for some "Backyard Roughing It Easy."

With help from Dian Thomas, you can turn your wheelbarrow into a salad bar, make a laundry basket cooler, and roast wienies on pitchfork skewers over a flowerpot grill.

"I tried to come up with ideas that would make people snap their fingers and say 'why didn't I think of that,'" said Thomas, a best-selling author/TV personality who holds a master's degree in home economics.

Time has become a precious commodity for most of us, and Thomas wants to help readers make dining outdoors a memorable event by using things they have around the home.

Imagine sitting around a wheelbarrow grill, roasting apples on a stick. "The juices become hot then you roll it in sugar and cinnamon. It's wonderful," said Thomas. "I use my wheelbarrow grill all summer."

An optimist Thomas defines problems as creative challenges. "Most of my ideas come from having a problem," she said. "Ingenuity is my favorite thing. Rather than say 'I can't do it,' I say 'how can I do it,' then 'wow! look at this! All my life I've been figuring out solutions to problems.' To keep pesky bugs away from serving dishes, she fastened a sheet of plastic wrap between two

Backyard Roughing It Easy: Unique recipes for outdoor cooking, plus great ideas for creative family fun - all just steps from your back door
By Dian Thomas
(Dian Thomas Company, \$14.99)

embroidery hoops "as if it were a piece of fabric to be stitched. Place the hoops over plates and bowls and you will prevent flies from enjoying the food before you do - and you'll keep the food from drying out as well."

Electric fans work good too, and keep you cool while you're cooking. "Set up your work table with large fans facing each other. Turn the fans on high. When the food is ready, put a fan on one end of the serving table to keep the bugs away."

Thomas said she wrote "Backyard Roughing It Easy," as a companion to the best-selling "Roughing It Easy," for people who say "I really want to go camping, but I don't have the time." Thomas shows you how to plan a backyard camping trip, and even make homemade sleeping bags from blankets.

"You can create memories that will last forever," she said. "Most parents are exhausted from work and don't know what to do with their kids."

Thomas doesn't have children, but she does have nieces and nephews, and dedicated "Backyard Roughing It Easy" to them. "Ice cream is such a fun thing to do. We made tin can ice cream and I'll never forget it," she said.

You don't need a lot of fancy equipment to enjoy the great outdoors. Thomas shows readers how to improvise. An ironing board serves as a portable buffet, line a laundry basket with a garbage bag, and fill with ice for a "soda pop station," or wagon with a sheet of plastic, and fill with ice for a "salad bar." Pass the Frisbee, it's a great plate

holder, and you can play with it after dinner.

Chapters on grill, smoke, foil, Dutch Oven, Stick and Spit Cooking offer cooking and improvising suggestions, which you can test by trying some of the fun recipes.

Thomas illustrates her creative techniques with pictures. There are low-calorie and emergency substitution suggestions, and a helpful "How Much is Enough?" chart, which explains for example, 4 cups cooked spaghetti equals 8 ounces uncooked spaghetti, and "Tidbits For Creative Cooks."

"It's a chance to use your creativity," Thomas said about her book. "Just do it!"

See recipes inside.



THE DIAN THOMAS COMPANY

Improvising: Dian Thomas shows you how to turn your wheelbarrow into a salad bar in "Backyard Roughing It Easy."

'Steaklover's Companion' shares savory recipes

See related story on Taste front.

BEEF FILETS WITH ASPARAGUS AND A ROASTED SHALLOT AND TARRAGON SAUCE

For the roasted shallot and tarragon sauce:

- 1 tablespoon butter, diced
- 20 large shallots, peeled and with roots slightly attached
- 3/4 cup heavy cream
- 2 tablespoons red wine, such as Cabernet Sauvignon or Merlot
- 2 teaspoons minced fresh tarragon or 3/4 teaspoon dried
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground pepper

For the steaks:

- 4 filet mignon steaks, about 8 ounces each

- 1 tablespoon tamari
- freshly ground black pepper
- 1 tablespoon light olive oil

For the asparagus:

- 1 pound fresh asparagus
- 1 to 2 tablespoons butter, diced
- Salt to taste

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F.

To prepare the sauce, melt the butter in a saute pan or skillet. Add the shallots and toss to coat

well. Transfer the shallots to a baking dish and roast in the oven for 10 minutes. Remove the baking dish and stir in the cream, wine tarragon, salt, and pepper. Return to the oven and roast for 30 minutes. Meanwhile, rub the steaks with the tamari and pepper. Heat the oil in a heavy saute pan or skillet and sear the steaks for about 5 to 6 minutes per side for medium-rare or about 7 minutes per side for medium.

While the steaks are cooking, prepare the asparagus. Place in a steamer or in a steamer basket set over a saucepan of boiling water. Steam for about 5 minutes, or until tender. Transfer to a serving platter, dot with the butter and let it melt over the asparagus, and season with salt. To serve, place each steak in the center of a warm serving plate and spoon the sauce around the meat. Place the shallots evenly around the steaks and arrange the asparagus spears artistically around the steaks in spoke fashion or to the side. Serve immediately. Serves 4.

GRILLED BEEF TENDERLOIN WITH SPICY BALSAMIC VINAIGRETTE

For the Spicy Balsamic Vinaigrette:

- 1/2 cup beef stock

- 1/2 cup red wine
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon coriander seeds
- 1/2 teaspoon fennel seeds
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne
- 3/4 tablespoon paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon minced fresh thyme
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon sugar

For the Beef:

- 1 beef tenderloin, about 2 pounds, cut into 4 equal portions
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- Salt to taste
- Freshly ground black pepper to taste

To prepare the vinaigrette, combine the stock, wine, vinegar, coriander, fennel, cayenne, paprika, cumin, and thyme in a saucepan and bring to a boil over high heat. Lower the heat to medium and reduce the mixture to 1/2 cup. Transfer the mixture to a blender, and with the machine running, slowly add the oil in a steady stream. Blend until the mixture has emulsified. Add the

salt, pepper, and sugar, and blend until just combined. If the vinaigrette is too thick, add about 1 tablespoon of warm water. Return to a clean saucepan and keep warm until ready to serve.

Prepare the grill (or, alternatively, the steaks can be broiled). Rub the tenderloin portions with the oil, and season with salt and pepper. Place the meat on the grill and cook for about 4 or 5 minutes per side for medium-rare, depending on the thickness of the meat and the heat of the grill. Remove the meat from the grill and let rest on a platter for 2 or 3 minutes.

Spoon the warm vinaigrette in the center of each plate and spread out. Place the tenderloins on top of the vinaigrette and serve immediately. Serves 4. Recipe by Chef Gordon Hamersley, Hamersley's Bistro, Boston.

TOP SIRLOIN STEAK SANDWICHES WITH CHEESE, TOMATOES, AND CARAMELIZED ONIONS

For the Caramelized Onions:

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 large white onion, sliced
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon ground fennel seeds

- 1 teaspoon sherry vinegar
- For the Steaks:
- 4 top sirloin steaks, about 8 ounces each
- Salt to taste
- Freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 2 ounces smoked Cheddar, smoked Gouda, or Jalapeno Jack cheese, thinly cut into 8 or 12 slices

For the Sandwiches:

- 2 tablespoons butter, softened
- 1 tablespoon whole-grain mustard
- 4 Kaiser rolls or French bread rolls, cut in half lengthwise
- 8 romaine lettuce leaves
- 2 ripe tomatoes, sliced

Prepare the grill. Or alternatively, the steaks can be broiled or sauteed in a heavy pan or skillet using 1 tablespoon of vegetable oil; they will take approximately the same time to cook as they will on the grill.

To prepare the caramelized onions, heat the oil in a saute pan or skillet. Add the onion, salt, sugar, and ground fennel, and saute over medium-high heat for 10 minutes, until the onion turns golden brown. Deglaze the pan with the vinegar, remove the pan

from the heat, and let cool.

Pound the steaks lightly with a meat mallet and season on both sides with salt and pepper. Grill for about 4 minutes per side for medium-rare or 5 to 6 minutes per side for medium. Transfer the steaks to a platter and cover with the cheese slices so they melt slightly.

To assemble the sandwiches, mix the butter and mustard together and spread on both sides of the rolls. Toast lightly on the grill or under the broiler, then remove. Place 2 lettuce leaves on the bottom half of each roll and add the tomato slices. Then add the steaks and cover them with the caramelized onions. Add the top half of the rolls and place toothpicks in the sandwiches to hold them together. Cut the sandwiches in half, place on serving plates, and serve with chips or fries if desired. Serves 4.

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Escape into your backyard for some 'Roughing It Easy'

See related story on Taste front.

Recipes from - "Backyard Roughing It Easy: Unique recipes for outdoor cooking, plus great ideas for creative family fun - all just steps from your back door," by Dian Thomas, (The Dian Thomas Company, copyright 1997, \$14.99)

TIN-CAN ICE CREAM

Equipment:

- 1 (1 pound) coffee can with lid, well-cleaned
- 1 #10 can with lid
- 1 (8 pound) bag of ice, crushed, or in cubes
- 3/4 cup rock salt

table knife

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 cup whipping cream
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Put all ingredients in the 1-pound coffee can with a tight-fitting plastic lid. Place lid on can. Place can with ingredients inside a #10 can with a tight-fitting plastic lid. Pack larger can with crushed ice around smaller can.

Pour at least 1/2 cup of rock salt evenly over ice. Place lid on #10 can. Roll back and forth on cement slab or other flat surface for 10

minutes. Open outer can.

Remove inner can with ingredients and open. Use a table knife to stir up mixture and scrape sides of can. If ice cream is not frozen hard enough, replace the lid.

Drain ice water from larger can. Insert smaller can; pack with more ice and rest of salt. Roll back and forth for 5 more minutes. Makes about 3 cups of ice cream.

APPLE ON A STICK

Ingredients:

- 2 cups sugar
- 2 tablespoons cinnamon
- 1 baking apple per person

- 3/4-inch dowel or roasting fork

Mix sugar and cinnamon together and place in a shallow bowl. Place apple on the end of a dowel or roasting fork and rotate over glowing coals until it becomes shiny and the skin begins to pop.

Remove from fire, cool slightly and remove the skin from the apple. Roll in sugar and cinnamon, and place back over coals until the sugar begins to melt and drip off the apple. Remove from heat, cool slightly, slice and serve.

Variation: Apple Kabobs - Peel and core the apple and cut it into

chunks. Place it on a skewer, brush with butter and roll in sugar and cinnamon. Toast over glowing coals.

LEMON ROSEMARY CHICKEN

Ingredients:

- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- Olive oil
- Zest of 1 lemon
- 1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon rosemary leaves
- 1/4 teaspoon onion powder

- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- Skewers

Cut chicken breasts in half. Wash, pat dry and brush chicken with olive oil. Mix the lemon zest, ginger, rosemary, onion powder, salt and pepper, and coat each chicken piece with the seasoning rub.

Place in the refrigerator for 20 minutes. Cut the chicken breasts into strips or chunks and thread on skewers. Cook over hot coals (about 4 inches from the coals) for 10 to 15 minutes, or until the chicken is done. Serves 4.

Golden Mushroom from page B1

tal scale is more accurate than a dietetic scale.

Certified Master Chef Dan Hugelier - culinary instructor at Schoolcraft College, enjoys using a good quality paring knife for carving various vegetables to create garnishes with eye-appeal.

Derin Moore, a chef at Bay Harbor Country Club in Potosky, likes his manual pasta roller. He says freshly made pasta is easy, economical, and tastes so much better than the dry, store bought version.

Pat Dunn - executive chef at

the Detroit Institute of Arts, finds a French mandoline indispensable for making french fries.

So what can't I do without in my kitchen? Well, this might sound a bit old-fashioned, but it's my wife, Terri. She is my right hand, my tester, my companion.

With her help, preparing meals is a creative experience. It's quality time spent together,

and truly enjoyable.

Trained under Certified Master Chef Milos Cihelka and in France under Chef Michel Guerd of Eugenie les Bains, Steven Allen is executive chef of the Golden Mushroom in Southfield.

Look for his column on the fourth Sunday of the month in Taste.

Make a turkey focaccia sandwich

AP - Tired of the same old sandwich? Make it special by using focaccia and topping the sandwich with fresh basil salsa. The result is a Turkey Focaccia Sandwich, layered with slices of smoked turkey and provolone cheese.

TURKEY FOCACCIA SANDWICH

- For the Basil Salsa:
- 2 large plum tomatoes, seeded and diced
 - 1 large cucumber, peeled, seeded and diced
 - 1/2 cup fresh basil, chopped
 - 1 tablespoon green onion, chopped
 - 1 tablespoon olive oil
 - 1 teaspoon garlic, minced
 - 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 - 1 tablespoon lemon juice
 - Zest of 1 lemon

- For the sandwich:
- 6 pieces sandwich-size focaccia or 1 large focaccia, cut into 6 pieces
 - 6 lettuce leaves
 - Twelve 1-ounce smoked turkey slices (3/4 pound)
 - 6 provolone cheese slices

For the salsa: In medium bowl, combine all ingredients. Cover and let stand at room temperature for 1 hour. For the sandwich: Slice focaccia pieces in half horizontally. For each sandwich, arrange lettuce on bottom half, top each with about 2 slices of turkey and 1 slice of cheese. Top with salsa, dividing evenly among sandwiches. Cover with top half of focaccia. Makes 6 servings.

Recipe from: National Turkey Federation

Designer Showhouse cafe features delicious roll-up

Be sure to stop by the cafe set up, and catered by Fox & Hounds restaurant of Bloomfield Hills, at the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall Volunteer Council 1997 Designers' Showhouse. The house at 892 Boston Boulevard in the Boston-Edison Historic District of Detroit, is open for viewing 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays/Sundays through Sunday, June 8. The showhouse is closed Mondays except Memorial Day. Admission is \$15 at the door. No cameras, or children under 8 years of age allowed, call (313) 962-1000, Ext. 285 for details.

The cafe in the baronial mansion's freshened four-car garage offers luncheon selections, baked goods and desserts from Fox & Hounds pastry shop. The luncheon menu also includes Fox & Hounds salad - mixed greens, blue cheese, onions and garbanzo beans, and other salads such as Greek, angel hair pasta with smoked salmon, or chicken and bow tie pasta.

Here's a recipe for one of the most popular luncheon choices from Fox & Hounds' executive chef Terrence J. Shuster.

FOX & HOUNDS LAWASH SANDWICH

- 4 pieces wheat lawash
- 4 (1 1/2 ounce) slices Swiss cheese
- 4 (2 ounce) portions thin sliced ham
- 8 ounces cream cheese
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh chives
- 2 shakes Tabasco sauce
- Pinch of salt and white pepper
- 3 plum tomatoes, diced
- 4 pieces leaf lettuce
- Mix chives, tabasco, salt and pepper with the cream cheese.
- Lay lawash flat. Spread with cream cheese mixture.
- Lay one piece of leaf lettuce on cream cheese. Lay down ham next. Sprinkle ham with diced tomatoes. Finish with Swiss cheese.
- Roll up tight and wrap in plastic cling wrap for 15 minutes or until ready to use. Will keep up to 12 hours refrigerated. To serve, unwrap, trip off ends, and slice diagonally in half. Makes four sandwiches.

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Dentistry in the 90s

by Herbert M. Gardner, D.D.S. & Martha P. Zinderman, R.N., D.D.S.

DENTAL IMPLANTS

Dental implantation, which has gained widespread acceptance in recent years, offers several advantages as a tooth-replacement option. Implants are generally made of titanium (often with a ceramic coating). They are inserted into fixed positions below the gumline and into the jaw. Bone then actually bonds directly with the implant, and gum tissue forms a biological seal around posts secured to the below-gum piece that protrude upward through the gums. These posts serve as attachment points for fixed bridges or other prosthetic devices. The primary advantage of this arrangement over removable dentures are that implants do not move and the bone supporting them is less likely to shrink.

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Pack a picnic for good fun and good health

With bright sunshine, fresh air, and spring's color-splashed landscapes all around, it's a perfect time to plan a picnic. And in keeping with the freshness and vitality that spring ushers in, let's take a peek in our picnic baskets to be sure the food is as wholesome as the setting.

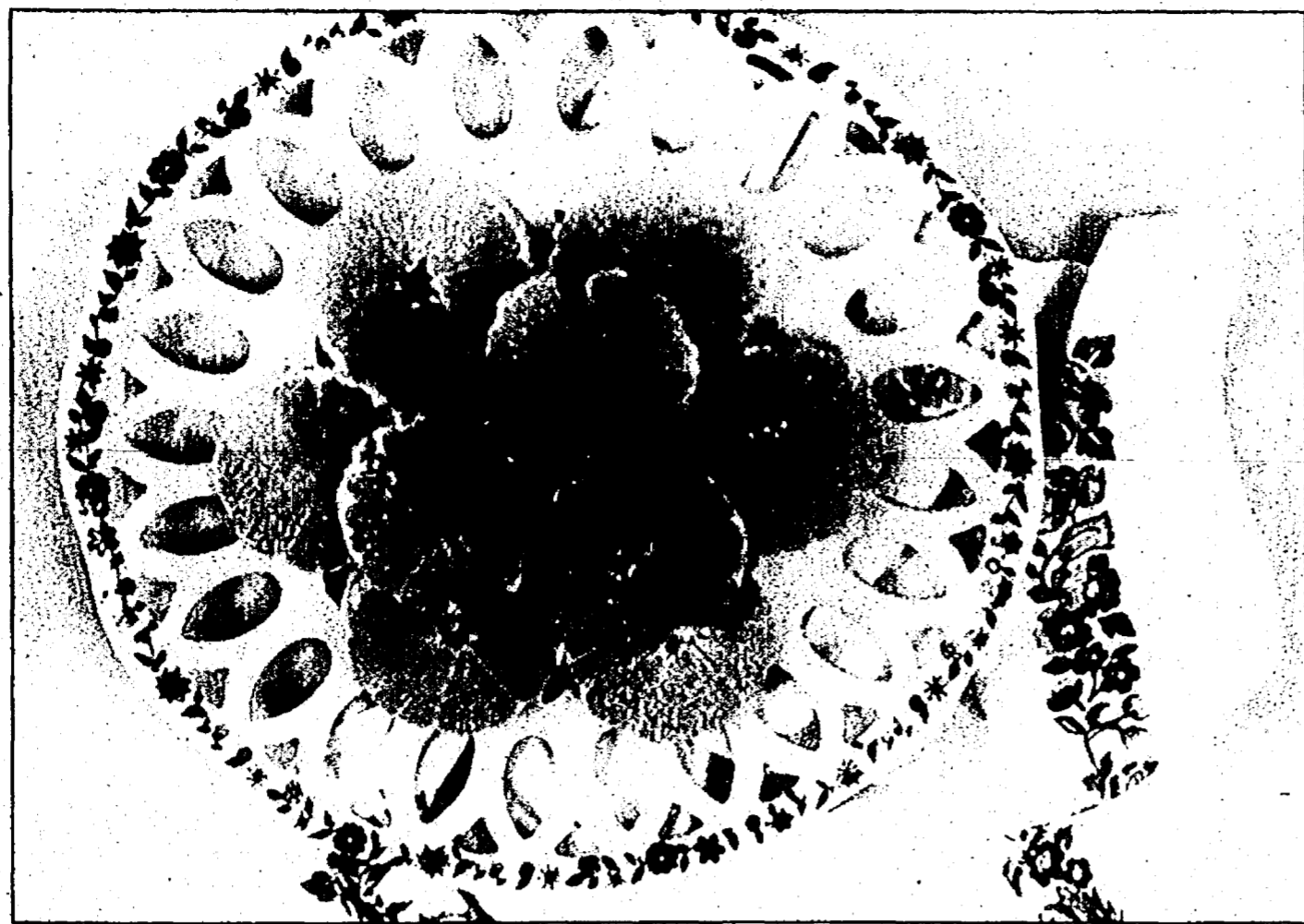
What's on your picnic menu? Did you prepare fried chicken, deviled eggs, potato salad, and chocolate cake? Perhaps you've brought hot dogs to grill and eat with potato chips and cole slaw. Unfortunately, most of these traditional picnic foods are loaded with fat. But you don't have to sacrifice picnic pleasure for the sake of nutrition. With some planning, you can prepare an outdoor feast that's delicious, convenient and healthful.

Anything portable is perfect for a picnic. How about sandwiches filled with turkey breast or lean roast beef and bolstered with crunch, fiber-rich greens, celery or carrots? Instead of grilling high-fat red meats, try cooking marinated skinless chicken breasts or salmon steaks for a delicious-fresh-tasting entree that won't weight you down. If your kids love hot dogs, try the low-fat varieties with just one or two grams of fat per frank (be sure to check the nutrition label). They taste great, and you'll save about 11 grams of fat and 90 calories with each.

While the grill is going, why not cook up some tasty and colorful vegetables?

Kebabs made with new potatoes, green and yellow squash are a quick, no-fuss side dish. You can make an easy grilled dish that tastes gourmet by filling foil packets with eggplant slices, zucchini rounds, red or green paper strips and cherry tomato, and season them with lemon juice, garlic, thyme and oregano.

Fruit is a natural choice for



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Flavorful finish: Lightly sweet Ambrosial Oranges are perfect for picnics.

dessert, especially in the great outdoors where berries, watermelon, peaches and plums can be eaten out of hand without worrying about the drippy juice. Finish a meal with a flourish by serving a low-fat pineapple upside-down gingerbread, a fruit tart, or lightly sweet Ambrosial Oranges (recipe below).

What is it that makes picnics fun? It's breaking the routine, lounging around on the ground, eating with your hands, and getting a healthy dose of the great outdoors. So, don't take the fun out of picnic meals. Just be sure to prepare tasty, nutritious foods that are a change of pace and

add to the spirit of the day.

AMBROSIAL ORANGES

- 2 large naval oranges, or 3 medium
- 2 pitted dates, sliced
- 1-2 tablespoons of honey, according to taste
- 1/8 teaspoon of ground cinnamon

Peel the oranges and cut them crosswise into 1/2-inch slices. Arrange the slices nicely on a 10-12-inch plate. Sprinkle the dates over the orange slices. With a fork, drizzle the honey over the oranges and dates, cover with foil and

refrigerate up to four hours. Let sit at room temperature 30 minutes before serving.

Each of the four servings contains 60 calories and less than one gram of fat.

For a free brochure with healthy recipes for special occasions, send a self-addressed, stamped business-sized envelope to AICR, Department GH, Washington, D.C. 20069.

The material in "Good Food/Good Health" is reviewed by Melanie Polk, director of nutrition education, American Institute for Cancer Research.

Celebrate spring with strawberry-rhubarb crisp

AP - At this time of the year, the seasoned cook's fancy turns to much anticipated strawberries and rhubarb, that irresistible combination that nearly shouts "spring!" to food lovers everywhere. The following recipe for Strawberry-Rhubarb Crisp takes only 20 minutes of preparation time and is so simple, even a novice cook is assured of success.

STRAWBERRY-RHUBARB CRISP

- For the topping:
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
 - 3/4 cup sugar
 - 1 teaspoon nutmeg
 - Dash salt

- 6 tablespoons butter, softened
 - 3/4 cup rolled oats
- For the filling:
- 2 pint baskets strawberries, stemmed and halved
 - 3 cups rhubarb slices, 1/3-inch thick
 - 2-3rds cup sugar
 - 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- Heat oven to 400 degrees F.

For the topping: In a large bowl mix all ingredients except butter and oats to blend thoroughly. With pastry blender, cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs.

Mix in oats; set aside.

For the filling: In another large bowl, mix 4 cups of the strawberries (reserve remaining strawberries), the rhubarb, sugar and cornstarch to blend thoroughly. Spoon into shallow 2-quart baking dish. Cover evenly with topping. Bake in center of oven about 40 minutes until filling is bubbly and topping is lightly browned. Cool slightly. Serve warm or at room temperature with reserved strawberries. Top with whipped cream or ice cream, if desired. Makes 8 servings.

Nutrition information per serving:

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Recipe from: California Strawberry Commission

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The Wayne County Commission will consider an amendment to Enrolled Ordinance No. 96-100 to prohibit disposal of scrap, unauthorized waste materials, auto bodies and parts, construction debris, yard clippings, and similar litter as defined in Act 451, Part 89 Section 8901 (A) and Part 115, Section 11506 (7) on public or private property, to prohibit the discharge of hazardous wastes and obstructions into public or private property and surface waters in Wayne County; to provide for misdemeanor penalties for a violation of the ordinance; and to provide for the reward of persons who report violations of the ordinance.
THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 1997, 10:00 a.m.
Wayne County Building, Commission Chambers
4th Floor, 406 Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, Detroit
Copies of the proposed amended ordinance may be reviewed may be reviewed at the Commission Clerk's Office, 406 Wayne County Building, 600 Randolph, Detroit.
Publish May 25, 1997

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO ESTABLISH
A BRANCH OF A STATE MEMBER BANK**
Old Kent Bank, Grand Rapids, Michigan, intends to apply to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago for permission to establish a branch at University Rd. and Adams Rd., Rochester Hills, Michigan; 17447 Haggerty Rd., Northville, Michigan; 1495 Rochester Rd., Rochester, Michigan. The Federal Reserve considers a number of factors in deciding whether to approve the application including the record of performance of banks we own in helping to meet local credit needs.
You are invited to submit comments on this Application, in writing to the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, P.O. Box 834, Chicago, IL 60680. The comment period will not end before June 25, 1997, and may be somewhat longer. The Federal Reserve Board's Policy statement regarding notice of application may be found at 12 C.F.R. Part 262.25. To obtain a copy of the Federal Reserve Board's procedures or if you need more information about how to submit your comments on the application, contact Alicia Williams, Community Affairs Officer at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (312) 322-5910. The Federal Reserve will consider your comments and any request for a hearing on the application if they are received by the Reserve Bank on or before the last date of the comment period.
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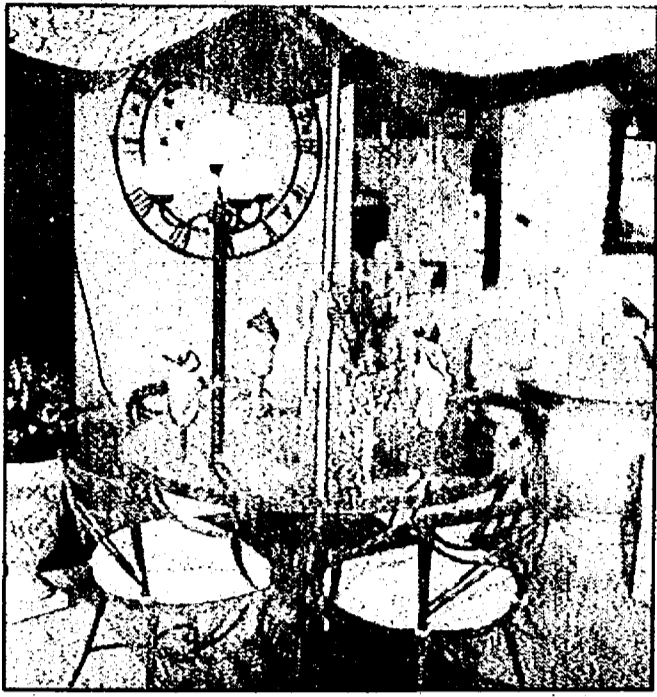
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MALLS & MAINSTREETS

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The newest from Jimmie's Rustics.

Bar sets star at patio parties

BY DONNA MULCAHY
SPECIAL WRITER

Patio bar sets — tables and chairs the height of bars and barstools — are what the well-dressed deck is wearing this summer.

"We took these on two years ago and they really took off, but this year the sale of bar sets for the deck are on fire," said Joe Snider, owner of Country Squire Inc. in Livonia, selling outdoor furniture for the past 26 years. "I'd say that out of every 10 patio sets we sell, one is a bar set."

SHOPPING CENTERED

Some people buy bar sets as their main patio set. Others, who have large decks or multiple decks, put a bar set out along with a standard set according to Snider.

"Bar sets are perfect for entertaining, because you can stand or sit down at them, and because you're up high, it's easier to see over deck railings."

What else is new in home patio furnishings? To find out, I contacted Jim Sica and his sister, Maria Sica-Panter, owners of Jimmie's Rustics in Birmingham, Livonia and Novi. The business has been in their family for 52 years, specializing in outdoor furniture and accessories.

They agreed that more and more people are buying upscale patio furniture.

"Most Baby Boomers have already gone through a starter set, and now they want something better, something their friends and neighbors don't have," Sica said. "They're buying it like it's furniture for the inside of their home — they're putting that much thought into it. It's not just something to throw out on their deck."

The most popular patio sets have always been made of extruded aluminum, because it's affordable, long-lasting and easy to care for, both Sica and Snider said. However, the demand for sets made out of more expensive materials, like wrought iron and cast aluminum, is increasing.

Wrought iron tends to be very ornamental and sturdy, but people have shied away from it for many years because of its tendency to rust. However, thanks to new rust-proofing finishes, it's making a comeback.

Still, wrought iron does require special care. "You have to make sure that when you slide the chairs under the table, that they don't touch each other, to prevent nicks and scratches. And whenever you do see a nick in the finish, you should repair it right away," Snider said.

Full-service patio stores, like Jimmie's Rustics and Country Squire, carry touch-up paint for the wrought iron furniture that they sell. With the proper maintenance, a wrought iron set can go five to 10 years without needing to be refinished, Snider said.

Cast aluminum sets are made by pouring molten, liquid metal into cast forms, whereas extruded aluminum pieces are made by shaping cold metal with compression machines.

Cast aluminum pieces can last forever and have very intricate designs because of the way they're made. The only maintenance they require is to be hosed off now and then, and be covered or stored away during the winter, Sica said.

In addition to wrought iron and cast aluminum, Sica said he has noticed a demand for wooden furniture, especially pieces made of teak, which is very expensive. Snider said that the demand for wooden furniture at his store spiked a little last year, but now it's non-existent.

Wooden furniture requires either a lot of maintenance or very little, depending on the look you want, they said.

"If you want it ship-shape, like a boat, then you're in for a lot of maintenance," Sica said. "It needs to be cleaned and re-oiled twice a season and covered in the winter."

But if you want the wood to look gray, then you don't have to do anything to it, because it naturally grays as it ages.

Teak is the best wood when it comes to outdoor furniture, said Sica, because its both durable and beautiful.

"People make boats out of teak and it gets very silvery as it ages, but it doesn't get blotchy, like other woods," he said. "In Europe, they don't even want to put teak out unless it's old. They can't wait for it to get old, because they prefer that silvery look."

In addition to buying patio sets made of more expensive materials, people are buying sets with rectangular and oval tables, just to be different, Sica and Snider said.

Mall fun offers kids a lesson

Twelve Oaks offers shoppers a multi-media rainforest exhibit — complete with live iguanas and friendly(?) pythons:

Did you know that 75 percent of the earth's oxygen comes from the rainforest?

Or that rainforests give us 40-percent of our medicines?

Or that rainforests can get up to 400 inches of rainfall a year compared to Michigan's 27 inches?

Or that rainforests are being destroyed at a rate comparable to four city blocks each minute?



Twelve Oaks in Novi is celebrating the rainforest with a distinctive sand exhibit with accompanying performance schedule through June 29.

In early May, 100 tons of sand was delivered to the shopping center's center court and a crew of six artists began sculpting it into the wonders and mysteries of the rainforest pictured.

In addition, live rainforest animals are visiting the center, a laser-disc rainforest movie on a leaf-shaped sand structure screen is airing, and an Exploration Station is offering an interactive computer trek through the Amazon with high-speed connections to rainforest web sites.

All events are free. Plus, guests who spend \$100 or more at the mall during Project Rainforest, receive the "Backyard Adventure" booklet with passes to many area institutions and cultural events.

Co-hosts of the program are the Detroit Science Center, the Living Science Foundation, MST TechnoKids, and the Children's Theatre of Michigan.

Here are the program highlights:

May 31: "Rainforests of the World" presented by the Living Science Foundation in JC Penney Court at noon, 1, 2 and 3 p.m. Guests can get up close and personal with a live alligator, iguana, python, toucan, lizard and Pantagonian cavy. Event repeated Sunday, June 1 at 1, 2, and 3 p.m.

June 7-8: "Forest Trails and Jun-



gle Trails" an original musical production by the Children's Theatre of Michigan in JC Penney Court at 1 and 3 p.m.

June 14-15: A repeat of the May 31 program.

Twelve Oaks is at I-96 and Novi Road, open daily 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sundays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information call (248) 348-9438.

- Susan DeMaggio

PHOTOS BY BILLS HANSEN

"Edutainment": Savvy mall marketers know that these days people want more reasons to come to the mall than merely shopping. Twelve Oaks often leads the way in providing first class entertainment for shoppers, making sure the educational element is present for the mall's core customer — families.

Target launches education initiative

BY SUSAN DEMAGGIO
EDITOR

A good education matters to Target shoppers, so improving America's schools is the new mission of Target stores.

Relating focus group concerns about our public education system in the 21st century, Minneapolis-based Target (the largest division of the Dayton Hudson Corp.) announced the creation of the Take Charge of Education program, now available to 90,000 schools nation-wide.

"Because education funding remains a critical issue, we believe there is a real need for more public/private partnerships to help support our children's schools," said Target communications vice-president Gail Dorn.

The retailer now offers this multi-tiered program:

- \$1 million for teachers who want to continue

their education. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded at each participating Target store. One \$2,750 scholarship will be awarded per Target district.

- Beginning in May, Target charge card customers can designate that 1-percent of their Guest Card purchases go to the school of their choice. If Target gets 25 new and approved charge applications by Oct. 31, 1997, that school gets a \$200 bonus.

- Target All-Around Scholarships for a total of \$1.6 million to student leaders. Each store has two \$1,000 scholarships for college-bound seniors. In 1997, four \$10,000 scholarships will be awarded to students.

- A state-of-the-art voice mail system that parents can call 24-hours a day for updates on their children's assignments, PTO information, sports schedules, and more. (It's being tested in Min-

neapolis, Dallas, Los Angeles, Washington D.C. and St. Louis.)

- Target will carry discounted school uniforms for schools that wish to adopt a uniform policy.

- An EarthSavers Club for kids who want to receive newsletters and activity materials to "help them have fun while they care caring for the planet."

- Grants for the arts and Good Neighbor Volunteer Programs through partnerships formed with community organizations.

Since it was founded in 1962, Target operates 752 stores in 39 states. In 1997, Target plans to give back \$35 million to communities through grants, special programs and team member donations, according to company officials.

To sign up for Take Charge of Education credits, open a Target charge, or learn more about the new education programs, call 1-800-316-6142.

ADDED ATTRACTIONS

Trunk Show

See Zelda's Transition Fall I and II at Hersh's 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. May 30 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and May 31 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The line offers classic garments with many details.

The Boardwalk. Orchard Lake's. of Maple. West Bloomfield. (248) 626-7776.

Spring Barbie Show/Sale

Noted Barbie Doll dealer and appraiser Norita Bergman of Troy coordinates a series of three Barbie Shows of which this is number two. (The next will be a pre-holiday show at the mall Oct. 11.) 12 dealers will offer unique and hard-to-find Barbie items, plus accessories from the past and present. Bergman will provide free appraisals in center court from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Meadowbrook Village Mall.

Walton/Adams. Rochester Hills. (248) 375-9451.

Concert/Show

High energy performers Act Four, presented by SH-BOOM of Ohio, take to the Crowley's stage at 4 and 7:30 p.m. The concert is free, spotlighting the musical styles of The Drifters, Elvis, Four Seasons, Temptations, Smothers Brothers, Mamas and Papas and The Beach Boys.

Livonia Mall. Seven Mile/Middlebelt. (248) 476-1160.

DKNY Workshop

Saks Fifth Avenue hosts a DKNY Summer Wardrobe Workshop with special representative Irene Jorgensen noon to 5 p.m. in Casual Sportswear, second floor.

Somerset Collection South. Big Beaver/Coolidge. Troy. (248) 614-3317.

Shoe coloring contest

Rocard's Stride Rite invites kids to come in and color a shoe, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Prizes by age. The Boardwalk. Orchard Lake's. Maple. West Bloomfield. (248) 932-5308.

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

SUNDAY, MAY 25

Dinosaur exhibit

"Blast from the Past" features eight moving, roaring dinosaurs in natural setting, plus related activities, information booths, and classes by Cranbrook Science Center staff for school groups. Through July 7. Co-sponsored by Blue Care Network, Cranbrook and the mall. Dinosaurs by Kokoro Dinosaurs of Los Angeles. Oakland Mall. 14 Mile/John R. Troy. (248) 585-4114.

MONDAY, MAY 24

Memorial Day

Limited holiday shopping hours at most area centers, mostly 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 29

Musical comedy men



Rock-n-roll oldies: Act Four comes to Livonia Mall, Saturday, May 31 at 4 and 7:30 p.m. to perform the biggest hits of the 1950s and 1960s with four-part harmony, high-energy choreography, hilarious props and costumes. The complimentary show will entertain all ages of the family. Livonia Mall is at Seven Mile and Middlebelt roads. The show is a production of SH-BOOM of Ohio.

Hudson's to give cultural center \$1 million

BY LINDA BACHRACK
SPECIAL WRITER

Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer and Tricia Dirks, senior vice president, community relations and human resources, Department Store Division of Dayton Hudson Corporation, took Hudson's tradition of community involvement to the highest level with their announcement of Hudson's Team 500, a \$1.5 million fund-raising effort for 10 Detroit cultural center institutions.

The initiative marks the first time a major corporation has spearheaded a funding effort for a group of arts and cultural institutions through one campaign.

"No need to tell Hudson's to - Show me the money," quipped the mayor. "The money has been shown."

Hudson's \$1 million commitment will fund start-up gifts to the organizations and provide matching funds for community contributions.

"Our goals are to actively participate in Detroit's comeback by enhancing the present institutions and to raise awareness of the city's University Cultural Center," said Dirks.

The line-up

Hudson's initial \$500,000 gift will be shared by the Center for Creative Studies, Children's Museum, Detroit Historical Museum, Detroit Institute of

Arts, Detroit Public Library, Detroit Science Center, Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall, International Institute, Museum of African American History and Your Heritage House.

The amount of each institution's gift was determined by a group of community representatives which selected worthy projects from a "wish list" submitted by each organization.

The initial \$500,000 is a catalyst for more investment by the community. The final goal is to raise an additional \$500,000 from personal contributions, to be matched by a third \$500,000 from Hudson's for a total of \$1.5 million.

Hudson's will double-match their employees' contributions

and the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan will accept and allocate the funds.

The community - including Hudson's guests, the general public and Cultural Center visitors - is invited to make personal contributions to Hudson's Team 500. Individuals may designate that their gift benefit a specific institution.

Fund-raising efforts will be supported with Hudson's in-store and external marketing promotions and special programs in the institutions. Look for informational kiosks, displays and cultural center ambassadors.

The campaign begins June 1 and continues through Jan. 31, 1998.



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Times: May 8 - 2:00 PM May 21 - 9:30 AM May 29 - 9:30 AM	Times: May 7 - 9:30 AM May 14 - 9:30 AM May 15 - 2:00 PM May 22 - 2:00 PM	Times: May 7 - 2:00 PM May 22 - 9:30 AM
Location: Bill Knapp's Restaurant 36601 Warren Avenue Westland	Location: Bakers Square Restaurant 22373 Eureka Road Taylor	Location: Bakers Square Restaurant 5946 N. Sheldon Road Canton
Times: May 15 - 9:30 AM May 22 - 9:30 AM May 29 - 2:00 PM	Times: May 14 - 2:00 PM May 28 - 2:00 PM	Times: May 8 - 9:30 AM May 21 - 2:00 PM
	Location: Grosse Pointe War Memorial 32 Lake Shore Drive Grosse Pointe Farms	
	Times: May 2 - 10:00 AM May 9 - 10:00 AM May 23 - 10:00 AM	

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Where can I find?

Thanks to all the readers who phoned in locations for the hard-to-find items listed last week!

What we found:

- A caller said Jacobson's sells the nylon gloves you wear while putting on pantyhose to prevent snags and runs. "I recently bought some in the hosiery department at the Laurel Park Place store in Livonia," she said.
- Several readers called in sources for wooden, six-story Purple Martin birdhouses. These folks build them as a hobby and accept orders: J. Walker at (313) 425-9347; Judy at (810) 254-4933; or write for a bird-lovers catalog "Birds in Bloom" c/o Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA, 16444. The catalog is printed by the Purple Martin Conservation Association.
- A Birmingham woman had a Hump-A-Jump to sell a West Bloomfield mom.
- One reader offered her mineral oil rain lamp for sale to another.

We're still looking for:

- A Garden City caller said she could NOT find Disposal-care at any Meijers on the west-side. She still hopes to find the product, any more suggestions?
- A handicapped reader needs the phone number or address of Niagara Therapy Equipment Supplies because his special lounge chair has broken and needs repair.
- Connie McKinnon wants to know what grocer still sells a Date Bar Mix (not date bread). "It comes in a red box by Pillsbury or Betty Crocker, but I can't find it anymore."
- Lorraine Bower is looking for the out-of-print "Encyclopedia of Cooking" by Mary Margaret McBride.
- A glass bowl in the shape of a fish for Janet Dixon.
- Three old paperbacks: "The First Christian" by somebody/Davis; "The Miracle of Rebound Exercise" by Albert Carter; and "God's Recipe for Ezekiel Bread" author unknown, for Georgia.
- Sandy Crocker of West Bloomfield reports that Megaware from France is no longer made by the company we supplied to her. Now she wants to know if any reader is willing to sell their old Megaware pieces?
- A store that carries Permit Sportswear for Cynthia of Birmingham.
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- Wallpaper featuring a crowd scene (preferably at a sports event) for Jerry.
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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Arts council goes on the road to 'rally' for sign

Frank Kuszak guarantees participants will have a good time at a road rally to benefit Plymouth Community Arts Council 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 31.

Kuszak, a Plymouth Community Arts Council board member, thinks the road rally is a fun way to acquaint the community with the arts council, and its recently renovated building at 774 Sheldon Road in Plymouth. Rally proceeds will help the council reach its \$4,000 fund-raising goal for a lighted sign for the front of the building.

The cost is \$25 per person, or \$100 per four-person team. For more information, or to sign up, call (313) 416-4ART, or Kuszak at Frances Jewelry Gallery (313) 459-1980.

Upon registering, participants will be given a list of props necessary to play the game. A package of clues will be handed out before the 6:30 p.m. departure from the Plymouth Cultural Center on May 31. Kuszak expects the rally circuit will take between two and three hours to complete.

"I've been on a couple of road rallies and they're great fun," said Kuszak.

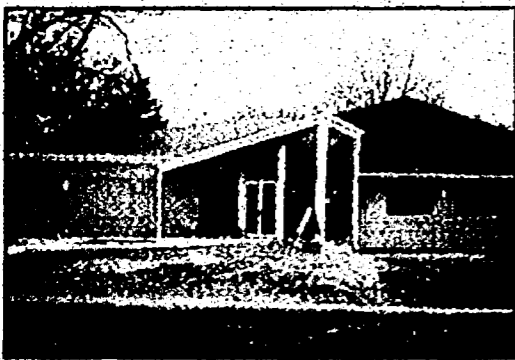
Artful theme

"Because this a fund-raiser for the arts council, we decided to use an art theme. For people to continue to their destination, they'll have to unlock a package of clues. You open up one for each location. The goal is to reach all 10 locations."

Participants will be videotaped at various locations as they read from a movie script or create works of art. At the end of the rally, teams will return to the arts council for pizza, beer and to enjoy the entertainment the tapes will surely provide.

The idea for the road rally came about when Kuszak and other board members held a fund-raising, brainstorming session. Kuszak hopes events like the road rally will eliminate the perception "that arts council activities are stuffy." In fall, the Plymouth businessman plans to continue the jazz concert series suspended during renovations.

Please see ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS, C2



Road Rally: The Plymouth Community Arts Council will hold a Road Rally to raise money to purchase a lighted sign for the front lawn of the arts center.



MICHIGAN OPERA THEATRE

Ebb & flow: Michigan Opera Theatre performs its first Wagnerian opera in its 26-year history. The expanded orchestra and large-scale set capture the rushing current and grandeur of the Norse myth, "The Flying Dutchman."

'Flying Dutchman'

BRAVES EMOTIONAL WAVES

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

Singing in the chorus of a Wagner opera is a long way from performing karaoke for Joel Mapes. The 24-year-old tenor from Westland will put his lip-synching hobby aside when he makes his first appearance in Michigan Opera Theatre's "The Flying Dutchman," which opens Saturday.

While Mapes is fond of Bach, Schubert and singing Brahms' "Requiem," he also listens to the head-banging music of AC/DC and Guns and Roses as well as the melodic pop crooner Roy Orbison. About two weeks before the opening, he stood on the Detroit Opera House stage for the first time.

"I had chills," said Mapes, who also performs in the Schoolcraft Choir. "I kept thinking Pavarotti stood on the same stage when the theater opened."

Perhaps Mapes' appreciation for gut-wrenching musical catharsis has been preparation for his premier performance as a chorus member in Wagner's wildly beautiful score. After all, in "The Flying Dutchman," like most Wagnerian operas, seat belts and life jackets are required to maintain equilibrium on the rushing emotional seas unfurled by the German composer.

Until the opening of the Detroit Opera House, however, the MOT simply didn't have the resources to perform Wagner. While many operas require about a 50-member orchestra, Wagner's work

demands up to 80 pieces. With the newly renovated opera house, MOT can accommodate an expanded orchestra and large-scale set. In fact, "The Flying Dutchman" is MOT's first Wagnerian opera in its 26-year history.

"He created a philosophy of opera where the orchestra becomes a central figure in the drama," said David DiChiera, general director of MOT. "The role of the orchestra portrays ideas and emotion in far more depth than Italian opera where the orchestra accompanies the singing."

In the melodramatic opera world, it's commonly viewed that Italian opera is an emotional river traversed by flesh and blood characters, then Wagner's work is where the river meets the bay. A place where mythic characters sail against all odds to find their course, only to meet their tragic fate.

Unlike most other composers, Wagner created the librettos — the text of a musical drama — for his operas. In "Flying Dutchman," he draws on the Norse myth of a sea captain, the Dutchman, who dared to round the Cape of Good Hope

"The Flying Dutchman"
 ■ Where: Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit
 ■ When: 8 p.m. Saturday, May 31; 2 p.m. Sunday, June 1; 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 4; Friday and Saturday, June 6-7; and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 8.
 ■ Tickets: Range from \$18 to \$95, (313) 874-7464, (810) 645-6666.

despite sailing into a furious gale. The heroic task was ill-received by the devil, who condemned the captain to sail the sea until Judgment Day.

In the spirit of wicked curses, there's a seemingly insurmountable way out. The captain must find a woman who would love him faithfully until death. The mythic challenge, however, can only take place once every seven years when the captain is allowed to go ashore in search of a woman whose undying love will redeem him.

The Dutchman meets another sea captain whose daughter, Senta, falls deeply in love with the cursed soul. But devotion and loyalty fall prey to suspicion. Trekking the climatic hill of the drama is a ride on an emotional tempest.

The Dutchman baritone is one of the most demanding in the operatic repertoire, said DiChiera. Meanwhile, three of the most compelling features of the opera are the ocean motif — an orchestra depiction of a storm at sea; the Act Two piano arrangement, the "Spinning Chorus;" and Senta's surging ballad when she proclaims her devotion to the Dutchman.

Please see DUTCHMAN, C2

Behind the scenes

By the time Michael Parr returns home from rehearsals for "The Flying Dutchman," it's nearly 11 p.m. A full day for the insurance manager from Livonia who has also sung with the Dearborn Players Guild.

"I try to exercise in the morning, and nap when I can," said Parr, who has performed with Michigan Opera Theatre for the last four seasons.

A member of the chorus, Parr is performing in his first Wagner opera. "There's a big male choral sound, and a few parts where the male and female singers are

Please see SCENES, C2



PHOTO BY BILL HANSEN

On pins & needles: Alice Moss of Birmingham, a Michigan Opera Theatre seamstress, is in the midst of busy week tailoring costumes for the 65-member cast.

ART STORE

Art Advocate makes Monet affordable

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Glenn Gerhard is an art advocate. He'd like to make it financially possible for homeowners and businesses to reap pleasure from living with art. No matter that the works are reproductions. After all, who could afford a Van Gogh or Monet?

Instead, Gerhard opened the Art Advocate in Canton April 15 to offer the imagery of Renoir, Picasso, Chagall, Michelangelo, Georgia O'Keefe, Ansel Adams, and Art Wolfe at affordable prices. More than 175 framed works of wildlife, florals, Victorian genre scenes, sports, and abstracts hang on the walls of the gallery at any one time.

"I'm an art advocate," said Gerhard, who

grew up in West Bloomfield and graduated from Andover High School. "I feel, it's nice to put art on your walls, and there's something here for everyone. If customers don't see it on the walls, they can special order it through catalogs. I also do custom framing because people have different tastes. Some people would never do anything but metal (frames), some people only wood."

After graduating with a masters in business administration from Wharton Business School in Philadelphia, Gerhard worked in the financial side of product development for Ford Motor Co. in Livonia eight years, all the while dreaming of owning his own business. A Canton resident, Gerhard fluctuated between running a bagel or sub-sandwich shop, but decided to

combine a framing hobby with his love of art. He chose Canton for a gallery location because of the growth of new homes and businesses.

Although Gerhard currently sells only reproductions, he plans to eventually show limited edition prints and original art works.

"While I'm not an artist myself, I'm creative with the framing," said the 31-year old Gerhard. "I work with people on everything from framing posters to vacation photos, wedding pictures, graduation diplomas, needlework, cross-stitch, and children's art. I lay out the options. While it's not always necessary to use a mat, you can use a mat to bring out colors or increase size."

Please see ADVOCATE, C2



New Business: Glenn Gerhard opened the Art Advocate in Canton April 15 to provide affordable art for homes and businesses. Vincent van Gogh's self-portrait is one of the reproductions Gerhard offers.

STAFF PHOTO BY BILL BRISLER

Scenes from page C1



PHOTO BY BILL HANSEN

On pins & needles: Alice Moss of Birmingham, a Michigan Opera Theatre seamstress, is in the midst of busy week tailoring costumes for the 65-member cast.

combined." It's taken months of practice to learn the German vocalizations, but Parr has been encouraged to audition for a supporting role in next season's "Aida" and "The Magic Flute." Moss will be making last minute nips and tucks to the costumes. "Rigoletto" and "Marriage of Figaro" had more stylized costumes, while this opera is fairly simple. The men wear pants, sweaters and jackets while the woman are clothed in petticoats and long skirts. "At least we don't have to dress the ghost chorus," she said. In addition to the male and female chorus, who'll appear on stage, another chorus will perform off-stage near the loading dock.

At this week's dress rehearsal,

Dutchman from page C1

In an age of gender equality, the Norse moral may seem anachronistic. These days, redemption of man's soul through a woman's trust and sacrifice would hardly be covered by a prenuptial agreement. Regardless, the long-awaited Wagner work provides the grandeur and magic of the finest operatic compositions. "The Flying Dutchman" also marks the close of an MOT season that DiChiera calls "a runaway success" in terms of ticket sales and critical acclaim. Several weeks ago, MOT added an extra performance to

"The Marriage of Figaro" due to popular demand. And next season, MOT has expanded its schedule to 38 performances of five operas.

"We've built an audience who wants full exposure to opera that covers several centuries," he

said. In the future, MOT's productions will likely include additional works by Wagner. It's been a long time coming, but finally, with "The Flying Dutchman," the MOT has set sail to bring local audiences the grand dramas of one of opera's greatest composers.

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"We were looking for an event to implement now," said Kuszak. "A road rally is a great summer activity. I hope people will come and enjoy a light-hearted activity and understand the arts council is more than just paintings. It's music; it's fun, not just for a certain class of people. It's for everybody. The arts council building is a community center." Road rally registration has been slow. "Not everyone real-

izes a road rally is just another name for a scavenger hunt," said Nancy Pilon who also serves on the board. "I think people, who have never done road rallies before are leery of them because they don't know what to expect."

Spotlighting the arts

Acquiring a sign for the front lawn is the next step in arts council building renovations. Phase one and two are complete.

The lighted sign must be installed before landscaping can begin.

"We need a sign out front, so people will know where we are, who we are and what's happening," said Jennifer Tobin, Plymouth Community Arts Council executive director. Art class and concert schedules will be listed on the sign. The arts council is looking for

volunteers to help on the evening of the road rally. If you have a few hours to spare, call (313) 416-4ART.

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Advocate from page C1

Gerhard brought pictures to Kathy and Armando Santos's home for approval. The Canton couple had been looking for some time to find just the right picture for their recently renovated family room when they visited Art Advocate. After choosing one of the works, the Santosos thought

"might work," Gerhard brought the musical theme picture to them.

The frame type was wrong; the mat, an unsuitable color, and the picture overwhelmed the area above the fireplace. But the shape of the urn in the picture

coordinated with the designs in their lamp shade and echoed the urn placed on the Santosos' hearth.

"You just can't buy something without seeing it in the setting," said Kathy Santos. Gerhard took the picture back

to Art Advocate, framed it in light wood with a platinum outer mat and moss green inner mat, and the Santosos bought it.

"The picture just really blended in with everything including the U-shapes in the lamp shade and the pottery from Arizona," said Santos.

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WINNERS HONORED

The Livonia Arts Commission and Mayor Jack Kirksey will present five fine art scholarships to winning students 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 27 in the fourth floor conference room at Livonia City Hall. The public is invited. A committee of five chaired by

arts commissioner Lucy Timmons chose the winners from 19 entries. Money for the scholarships of \$1,000 apiece was raised during the Livonia Arts Commission's arts and crafts fair held each June at Greenmead Historical Village.

"This is the first year, we're offering high school or college students scholarships," said Timmons. "I think, this is a good use of money to encourage students who want to pursue the arts." Livonia Arts Commission

scholarship winners included Tiffany Bowers, a Churchill High School senior who will be studying music therapy next fall at Michigan State University; Melissa Edmunds, Churchill senior to study art at Center for Creative Studies fall 1997; Andrea Pyrkosz, Stevenson senior studying art and music at Center for Creative Studies fall 1997; Mary Beth Snyder, Stevenson senior studying art at the University of Michigan next fall, and Emily Hasse, a University of Detroit junior studying theater.

provide the music for the show. The group hopes to make "A Baker's Dozen" an ongoing activity. They've already performed for a mother/daughter dinner in Garden City.

CHORAL AUDITIONS

The University Musical Society Choral Union will hold auditions 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, May 27-28; 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 31, and 1-6 p.m. Sunday, June 1. Other dates and times available by appointment.

For information regarding membership and an audition, contact the Choral Union at (313) 763-8997.

POLISH DANCE RECITAL

A fast-paced dance and song recital featuring national and regional folk dances from Poland will be presented by the Polish Alliance Dancers of Dearborn 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 31 at the Players Guild of Dearborn Auditorium, 21730 Madison, near Monroe and Outer Drive in Dearborn.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 children and seniors, and available by calling director Christine Kryszko at (313) 581-3181.

During the recital "Memories of Poland," the ensemble performs authentic dances portraying the enthusiasm of the folklore of various regions of Poland. The integral part of the show is not only the carefully choreographed dances, but also the colorful costume wardrobe, some of which was acquired in Poland.

Cast members include Corey Cantrell, Garden City; Yvonne, Stefan and Renata Bankowski, Redford, and Kasia Lisiecki, Westland.

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MUSIC

Friends come together to perform Gottlieb's compositions

BY FRANK PROVENZANO
STAFF WRITER

The idea is really quite simple for most of today's composers if they want to perform their new music. Call a few musician friends. Convince them to play — usually for free. Find an available venue. Schedule the gig. Hope word gets out. (Whew! And to think that composing was a lot of work.)

It doesn't hurt to pray for good weather, a big turnout, and while you're having a one-to-one with the arbiter of fate, put in a good word for a recording contract.

Mark David Gottlieb has mastered the routine. Well, nearly. All except that last part about a recording contract. It's not for lack of opportunity or talent.

This Friday at Birmingham Unitarian Church, in a concert billed as "Gottlieb and Friends," the Royal Oak resident and his musician companions will perform a range of Gottlieb's compositions, including the premier of "Music for English Horn and Piano," "Concerto for Clarinet" and a Spanish folk song, "Espanola."

Bringing together nine friends for a dinner party is usually a difficult balancing act of schedules and temperaments. Finding time for everyone to rehearse while they hold down full-time jobs and maintain family obligations takes relentless effort, not to mention plenty of creative energy.

"It's an informal network contingent upon availability," said Gottlieb.

In the perceived stuffy classical music world, there's a general attitude that classical musicians are somehow above the fray of looking for a gig. Gottlieb and friends prove that's hardly the case.

"If we don't look for opportunities, they may not happen," said Nadine Deleury, principal cellist with the Michigan Opera Theatre, who'll perform Gottlieb's duo for violin and cello.



STAFF PHOTOS BY JERRY ZOLYNSKY

Musical friendship: Mark Gottlieb and Nadine Deleury create their own opportunities to perform. Finding time to rehearse, however, is often an intricate balancing act.

Impressed when she first heard a recording of Gottlieb's composition, Deleury organized a concert at the Women's Club in Royal Oak where the piece was first performed publicly.

"We're not just doing Mark a favor," she said. "His music has great warmth. It's like his heart is talking. Some people say that maybe they've heard his work before because it seems so familiar."

A graduate of the Paris Conservatory and Yale University, the French-born Deleury of Birmingham augments her living playing at weddings, pursu-

ing freelance jobs and seeking opportunities with local classical music series. "I don't know anyone who likes knocking on doors saying how good they are."

Competition for work in metro Detroit, Deleury said, hardly compares with the cut-throat struggle in larger cities like New York.

"You have to be good in business," said Patricia Willington, a soprano, who'll sing Gottlieb's compositions for voice and piano this Friday.

"There's a limited audience for this type of music, almost like there's an anti-art feeling out

there. So you have to spend a lot of time on the marketing end — making demo tapes, sending out your (professional) bio and reviews," said Willington of Southfield, whose credits include work with the MOT. She also teaches at the University of Windsor.

"Sometimes I feel like a dinosaur," she said. But then, there are special moments, said Willington, when she realizes she's part of a communal art. "It's gratifying to perform Mark's work. His music is immediate. You can feel and hear the melody."

A different beat

Like his music, Gottlieb is honest, engaging and unflinchingly direct. He seems to be moving along with the type of emotional trade wind that swept along Mozart and other eccentric composers. He not only walks to a different beat, he's created a whole new key for himself.

His eclectic compositions from folk music to sonatas reflect the influences of the Beatles, Gershwin, and above all, Brahms and Stravinsky. "I just set out to write music that I like," he said.

Part-time woodworker and full-time music teacher for Birm-

What: Gottlieb and Friends, an evening of chamber music and songs

When: 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 30

Where: Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 Woodward Avenue at Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills

Tickets: \$8; (810) 334-8703, Ext. 27

ingham, West Bloomfield and Bloomfield Hills school districts, Gottlieb's inspiration comes from trying to put a melody to his emotions, his ardent environmentalism and memories of sailing the South Pacific.

Nearly 25 years ago, Gottlieb had a pending contract with Capitol Records. At 21 years old, however, he chose not to heed the advice of a producer to add a horn section. Instead, he set off to build a 37-foot Trimaran sailboat from his home in San Fernando, Calif. He became a boat builder apprentice and learned enough about woodworking to pursue yet another career.

Through the 1970s, Gottlieb could be found sailing to Hawaii or Mexico from Long Beach Harbor. Surrounded by the natural beauty of the ocean, however, didn't compel Gottlieb to compose. "When you're sailing and see a zillion stars, you become part of nature. It's like you're right there a part of it."

But the longing to compose soon returned to Gottlieb. Since the early 1980s, his music has been performed at concerts throughout the United States and Europe. Recently, he received awards from the National Endowment for the Arts and Michigan Arts Foundation. Two years ago, Gottlieb was a featured composer at the Michigan Composers Concert.

"My story isn't over yet," said Gottlieb.

Students show work at arts council

An exhibition of student art work continues through June 12 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

The winning entries in the Plymouth Rotary Foundation-Isbister Memorial Art Competition are exhibited along with a collection of batik poetry banners created with funds from an arts council teacher assistance grant.


The purpose of the Rotary-Isbister competition is to encour-

age young artists within the school district by according them public recognition. On display are the first place to honorable mention winners in each grade level from elementary through high school. The first place winners are framed and circulated within the district for two years. Certificates of recognition will be awarded at the annual Arts Awards Festival to be held at the arts council 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 4.

Adding to the colorful display

of student art pieces are beautiful batik poetry banners created by Nancy Sullivan's fifth grade class at Bentley Elementary in Canton. The arts council grant provided funds for the week-long immersion in the creation of art. Retired Plymouth Salem High School art teacher Kris Darby, taught students and parents the process of batik. The concept was to transform a few words of poetry into a visual image of nature.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.



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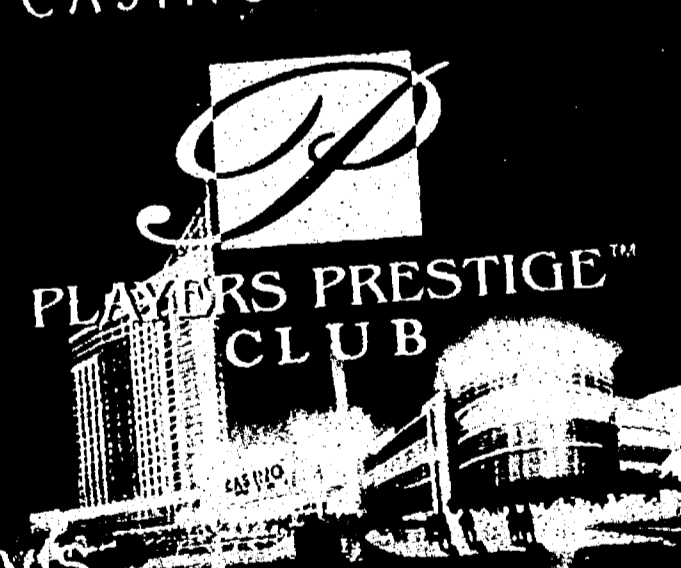
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TRAVEL

Mackinac - Michigan's island of timeless escape

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Michigan has its own special island out of time. No automobiles intrude here. Once you board a ferry in St. Ignace or Mackinaw City, you are transported to another world and another time on Mackinac Island.

And sitting on top of that world since 1887 has been the Grand Hotel, billed as "the world's largest summer resort."

For many suburban dwellers, Mackinac has become a yearly pilgrimage, a place to briefly escape the hustle and congestion of the Motor City.

Nancy Galloway of West Bloomfield tries to go "as many times a year as possible," to ease away the tensions of her job at the State Bar of Michigan.

"It started out my husband (David) is a big long distance bicyclist and he goes on the DALMAC every year (around Labor Day) and my husband's sister's husband went," said Galloway. "So we girls decided that when the men went bicycling, the girls would go to the Grand."

Every Labor Day and at least one other time during the year, the Galloways make their way to the Grand.

"I have a high stress job, and as soon as I get on the ferry to the Grand I begin to relax," Gal-

loway said.

"You feel like a queen there." The Grand has been treating people in royal fashion from its earliest days.

Built during the Gilded Age, the Grand was opened on July 10, 1887, as a summer resort for vacationers who arrived by steamer from Chicago, Detroit and Montreal. Rates were \$3-\$5 a night.

The Grand sits high atop a hill overlooking the Straits of Mackinac and the Mackinac Bridge. The 660-foot front porch provides a great view of sailboats and freighters gliding through the Straits. It is also a great place for Nancy Galloway to pursue her favorite Mackinac activity.

"I go to read and relax," she said.

"I like to read, watch people, have high tea, get a massage. I love to be pampered."

Galloway isn't so positive about the transportation over.

"The ferry is just a necessity," she said. "Even though we live on water here, water is my nemesis. I like the new catamaran boats better, it's a smoother ride."

Steve and Mary Anna Harper of Plymouth also enjoy the leisurely pace.

"It's sort of like taking a cruise without the boat, it's an all-inclusive vacation and a pretty much cashless existence when

you stay on the hotel property," Steve Harper said. "The food is good, the service is good."

The Grand has 11 restaurants and bars. A stay at the Grand includes breakfast and five course dinner in the price of the room.

"Breakfast in the morning includes just about anything your could want - eggs, omelettes, pancakes, waffles, smoked fish, corned beef hash or munch on a bagel," Harper said. "It's very nicely served and presented. Dinner is five courses including salad, soup, entree, dessert. You can sit on the porch or in the patio with a demitasse."

Harper said you also can't top the wine list. "We especially appreciate the balanced list of fine wines at moderate prices, with many selections available by the glass as well as the bottle."

The Harpers go for Memorial Day and Labor Day for the Jazz Festival. They've also been up for the annual Antiques Weekend. The Harpers also enjoy being on the go.

"If you want to do something else, you can tour the island. If we're up there for any length of time, we'll go off island and drive down to Petoskey or up to the Soo. It's a nice getaway," Harper said.

On Jazz Weekend Saturdays a stage is set up in front of the

Grand's porch with a tent, tables for sitting or table clothes for sitting out on the lawn for picnics. Name performers such as Dave Brubeck, Herbie Hancock, Wynnton Marsalis and Tony Bennett have appeared.

The Harpers conclude their weekend with the walk across the bridge with the governor.

Nowell and Ron Bierman of Plymouth are also regular Labor Day weekend Grand visitors, a pilgrimage they intend to continue even after they move to San Diego this summer.

"I love the evenings and getting dressed up," said Nowell Bierman. "There's a reception on the veranda, everyone is elegantly dressed. We see some of the same people every year."

She said the Grand makes you feel "very special."

The Grand has 325 uniquely decorated rooms with a wide selection of room sizes, locations and views. Galloway joked that she has been coming to the Grand so often that her husband says they'll probably name a room after her.

The Grand has named a suite after the romantic movie "Somewhere In Time" and is donating a portion of the revenue from the suite to the American Paralysis Association in honor of Christopher Reeve, the actor paralyzed in a horse riding accident who starred with Jane Seymour in the popular 1980 fantasy film.

The Grand is open this year through Oct. 26. (See separate story on Grand weekend specials, page 4.) For reservations, call 1-(800)-334-7263.

Mackinac Island has many other attractions and accommodations. The downtown retains its lively 19th century resort town look with its famous fudge shops, restaurants, hotels, bed and breakfast places and a regular parade of horse drawn carriages and bicycles.

Bicycling and hiking are popular island diversions. The ring road and several black top interior roads make for pleasant on-road biking. There is also a mountain bike trail through the island's state park (which takes up most of the island).

Other attractions are historic Fort Mackinac (used as a surveillance point because of its high position over the straits); Arch Rock; narrated carriage tours (there are more than 500 tours on the island in summer);

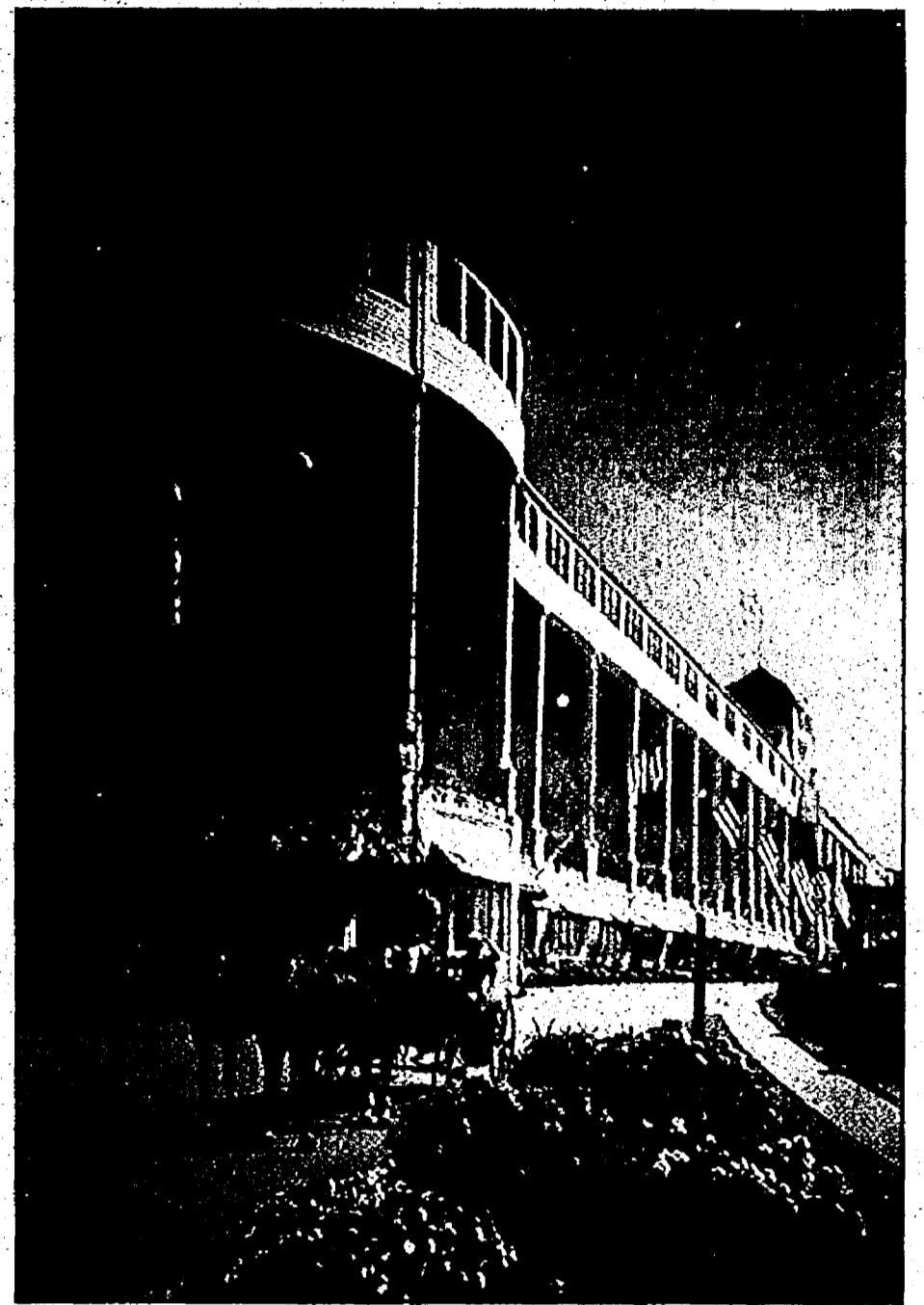


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Majestic setting: The Grand Hotel's long porch overlooks the Straits of Mackinac and the Mackinac Bridge.

three golf courses (two are part of the Grand Hotel for Grand visitors and the other is a 9-hole links-style course open to the public); and several historic buildings, including three churches and Beaumont Hospital where in 1822 Dr. Beaumont did research on the human digestive system.

The Lakeview, Iroquois and Chippewa hotels are near the water's edge in the downtown. On the southeastern shore, Mission Point Resort has been recently renovated. The resort has 238 guest rooms and suites with three decorative themes, Nautical, Lodge and Northern Michigan. The resort has the island's only movie theater. (For reservations to Mission Point,

call 1-(800)833-7711.)

The island also has several bed and breakfast facilities in some of the historic homes and rental condominiums for longer stays. Steve Harper said he and his wife have enjoyed condo vacations with their grandchildren.



Somewhere In Time: Celebrating a weekend based on the famous Christopher Reeve-Jane Seymour movie are, back row left to right, Richard Lee and David Galloway and, front row left to right, Lynn Lee and Nancy Galloway.



On the lawn: Steve and Mary Anna Harper of Plymouth, left, and Nowell and Ron Bierman of Plymouth, right, pose on the Grand's majestic front lawn.

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FATHER'S DAY SCRAMBLES

The 16th-annual Father's Day three-person golf scramble tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 15 at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton.

Sponsored by the Canton Parks and Recreation Services, the tournament costs \$96 per three-person team, which includes greens fees, awards and a snack lunch. Golf carts are extra.

Prizes will be awarded for longest drive, closest to the pin, and to the top three teams. Registration deadline is June 12; there are no residency requirements.

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Men's Class B Division: 1. (tie) Tom Hojter and Prudential Packing, 2-0 each; 3. (tie) Dependable Transportation and Beaver Creek/Tools Rods, 3-1 each; 5. RW Mail-booze, 2-2; 6. (tie) Charlies Too and Blarney Bay, 0-2 each; 8. Beaver Creek-Wallace, 0-4.
Men's Class B (North): 1. Gracie's Lounge, 4-0; 2. Boss Con, 2-1; 3. (tie), J&E Sign and Thunder, 1-1 each; 5. Don Thomas, 1-2; 6. (tie) ReMax Crossroads and Major League, 0-2 each.

Men's Class C (East): 1. Prudential Packing, 3-0; 2. Beaver Creek 1, 2-0; 3. (tie) State Farm and Commercial Mower, 2-1 each; 5.

Antique Auto Sales, 1-1; 6. (tie) Electric Stick, Westland Florist and Reiser's Keyboard Lounge, 1-2 each; 9. (tie) Beaver Creek and Amato's Collision, 0-2 each.

Men's Class C (West): 1. Dependable Transportation, 3-1; 2. Olson's Rental and Quality Movers, 2-2; 4. C&B Machinery, 1-3.

Women's Division (Tuesday): 1. Prudential Packing, 4-0; 2. (tie) New Concept, Aman-tea/Wheat & Rye, Beaver Creek, 3-1 each; 5. Real Estate 1, 2-2; 6. Tantara Group, 1-3; 7. (tie) Amerimax and Auto One Of Canton, 0-4 each.

Co-Ed (Sunday): 1. Prudential Packing, 2-0; 2. (tie) Beaver Creek and Little Bills Trophies, 1-1 each; 4. (tie) Double Bogle, Talentless and Double Bogle, 0-0 each; 6. Chatters, 0-2.

WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL
Tuesday, May 27
Redford CC at Farmington, 4 p.m.
Baptist Pk. at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

GIRLS SOFTBALL
Tuesday, May 27
Huron Valley at Baptist Pk., 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 29
Ladywood vs. PSL champ. at Dearborn King Boring, 5:30 p.m.

CLASS A REGIONAL GIRLS SOCCER DRAWS
at SOUTHGATE ANDERSON
Wednesday, May 28
Churchill vs. Woodhaven champ, 5 p.m.
Stevenson vs. Canton, 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Championship final, 11 a.m.

STATE TOURNAMENT DISTRICT BASEBALL DRAWS

CLASS A
REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL (Host)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Plymouth Salem vs. (B) Livonia Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 31: Livonia Churchill vs. A-B winner, 10 a.m.; Redford Catholic Central vs. Plymouth Canton, noon.
Championship final: Approximately 2 p.m. (Winner advances to the Ann Arbor Huron regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Monroe district champion.)

GARDEN CITY PARK (Host)
Saturday, May 31: Garden City vs. Livonia Franklin, 10 a.m.; Dearborn Edsel Ford vs. Dearborn, 12:30 p.m.
Championship final: Approximately 3 p.m. (Winner advances to the Southgate Anderson regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Lincoln Park district champion.)

BELLEVILLE (Host)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Romulus vs. (B) Westland John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 31: Wayne Memorial vs. A-B winner, 10 a.m.; Taylor Center vs. Belleville, 12:30 p.m.
Championship final: Approximately 3 p.m. (Winner advances to the Ann Arbor Huron regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Saline district champion.)

CLASS C
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE (Host)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Detroit Benedictine at (B) Southfield Christian, 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 31: Lutheran High Westland vs. A-B winner, 10 a.m.; Livonia Clarenceville vs. Redford Bishop Borgess, noon.
Championship final: Approximately 2 p.m. (Winner advances to the Goodrich regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Armada district champion.)

CLASS D
OTTAWA LAKE-WHITEFORD (Host)
Saturday, May 31: Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard vs. Britton-Deerfield, 10 a.m.; Ottawa Lake Whiteford vs. Westland Huron Valley Lutheran, 12:30 p.m.
Championship final: Approximately 3 p.m. (Winner advances to the Ottawa Lake-Whiteford regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Adrian-Madison district champion.)

STATE TOURNAMENT DISTRICT SOFTBALL DRAWS

CLASS A
LIVONIA LADYWOOD (Host)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Plymouth Canton at (B) Livonia Ladywood, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 31: Livonia Stevenson vs. Plymouth Salem, 10 a.m.; Livonia Churchill vs. A-B winner, noon.
Championship final: Approximately 2 p.m. (Winner advances to the Ann Arbor Huron regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Monroe district champion.)

GARDEN CITY PARK (Host)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Livonia Franklin vs. (B) Garden City, 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 31: Detroit Cody vs. A-B winner, 10 a.m.; Dearborn vs. Dearborn Edsel Ford, noon.
Championship final: Approximately 2 p.m. (Winner advances to the Southgate Anderson regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Lincoln Park district champion.)

BELLEVILLE (Host)
Tuesday, May 27: (A) Westland John Glenn vs. (B) Romulus, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 31: Belleville vs. Taylor Center, 10 a.m.; Wayne Memorial vs. A-B winner, 12:30 p.m.
Championship final: Approximately 3 p.m. (Winner advances to the Ann Arbor Huron regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Saline district champion.)

CLASS C
LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE (Host)
Saturday, May 31: Livonia Clarenceville vs. Lutheran High Westland, 10 a.m.; Southfield Christian vs. Detroit Dominican, noon.
Championship final: Approximately 2 p.m. (Winner advances to the Goodrich regional semifinals Saturday, June 7 vs. Royal Oak Shrine district champion.)

CLASS D
OTTAWA LAKE-WHITEFORD (Host)
Saturday, May 31: Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs. Ottawa Lake-Whiteford, 10 a.m.; Britton-Deerfield vs. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, noon.
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Millers Crossing: Pretty setting, big homes

All the amenities of Stony Creek Metro Park are right across the street from Millers Crossing, a platted subdivision of upper-end houses in Washington Township.

And if that weren't enough, the sub, itself, 38 lots off Snell Road east of Rochester Road, was created to enhance natural features on the site.

"Forty acres have been designated as parks and open space," said Richard Cherkasky, the developer/builder. "Some is wetlands. Some is woods. Some is meadow. All is beautiful."

"We have a walking (nature) trail almost a mile long. We're loaded with deer here and we have wild turkey. We're going to put out some birdhouses, some park benches," he added.

Cherkasky presents four floor plans.

Base prices range from \$324,900 for a colonial or Cape Cod of 2,700 and 2,800 square feet, respectively, with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths to \$394,900 for a colonial of 3,700 square feet with four bedrooms and 3-1/2 baths.

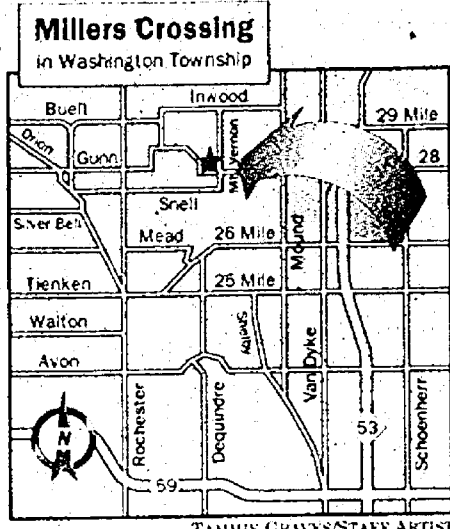
All plans include a three-car garage; fireplace; first floor laundry; cooktop, double oven, microwave and dishwasher; and basement.

Screened porches, about \$15,000, and air conditioning, starting at \$2,250, and carpeting are extra. So, too, are walkout, \$20,000, and daylight, \$7,500, basement options.

Only premium-priced lots, \$29,900 to \$59,900, are still available.

Most buyers at Millers Crossing have built before or are upgrading from an existing, upper-middle class house. Many purchasers will bring children.

"I was very concerned about making this a community, a small-town neighborhood,"



Cherkasky said, comparing his vision of life in the development to the old TV show Leave It to Beaver.

"A place where they walk down the street and know neighbors, common areas where adults can congregate, kids can congregate," Cherkasky described. "If the ladies want to take a cup of coffee and walk or sit, kids want to ride their bikes around, it will be very conducive to that."

Two models have been constructed.

The Jefferson, a 3,460-square-foot colonial, includes a double staircase with one set of stairs off the two-story foyer, the other off the family room.

The main living area contains a library, living room with cathedral ceiling, dining room with pan ceiling, kitchen/nook with island, built-in desk and walk-in pantry, and family room.

The master suite features a separate tub and shower, walk-in closet, dual-sink vanity and compartmentalized commode. Three other bedrooms and a full bath are upstairs.

Base price is \$374,900, the model with many upgrades including finished walkout with extra bath, screened porch, car-



Jefferson model: This colonial, nearly 3,500 square feet, features a gourmet kitchen, double staircase, four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths.

peting and landscaping, is about \$555,000.

"It's beautiful, stately, not intimidating," Cherkasky said. "It's people friendly."

The Mannington, a colonial of 2,810 square feet, has a T-staircase off the two-story foyer and kitchen.

This plan showcases a library with cathedral ceiling, dining room, and open kitchen/nook and family room combination across the back of the structure.

The master with pan ceiling has a pair of walk-in closets, separate tub and shower and two-sink vanity.

Again, three other bedrooms and a full bath also are upstairs. Base price of the plan is \$324,900, the model with extras, about \$450,000.

Cherkasky also will build custom. "They tell me what they like, what they saw in a magazine, I take it to an architect and have it drawn up," he said.

Exterior materials are brick and masonite/wood siding.

Jason Squire, sales representative, gets the opportunity to show off the development to visitors.

"In the sub, they're impressed with the back-to-nature feel," Squire said. "When they walk through models, they use superlatives like warm, cozy, friendly. They feel it's a casual elegance, warm Americana."

"We're five minutes from downtown Rochester and 15 minutes from Lakeside Mall," Cherkasky said. "We're a very short walk from Stony Creek."

Each house at Millers Crossing will be serviced by its own water well and septic system. The sub is within the Rochester school boundaries. There are no sidewalks.

The property tax rate currently is \$25.95 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation, half of market value. That means the owners of a \$370,000 house would pay about \$4,800 the first year.

An annual maintenance/association fee, projected at about \$500, would include trash removal, Cherkasky said.

Bob and Dawn Lust are building a colonial for themselves and children Rebecca and Jonathon.

"The large amount of open, common area, the relatively low housing density and proximity to the metro park were all things

that we were looking for," Bob said.

"It wasn't hard to choose a basic floor plan - the Mannington was very close to what we were looking for - and Richard was extremely helpful in working with us to make some changes," Lust said.

Tim and Sherian Clark are building a custom house.

"We decided to build our new dream house in Millers Crossing because of its location, the value of the home and the reputation and personality of the builder," Tim said.

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Spring cleaning from an architect's point of view



STEVEN SIVAK

Spring is an important time of year from the vantage point of one's home. The winter can be — and often is — extremely destructive to the finishes and the structure of most residential construction. So spring is the ideal time to catch the damage before it progresses and causes further more expensive damage. As always, water is perhaps the most destructive of forces work-

ing to erode both man-made and natural objects and must be watched very carefully. Starting up on the roof and working downward is the most logical way to work through a home. Check for damaged shingles, flashing and masonry. If these are found to be defective, replace them immediately before making any interior repairs. Check attics for wet insulation and, while you are at it, make sure that the required amount of ventilation is available, both on the low side (soffits) as well as the high side (ridge and/or "mushrooms"). Check gutters and downspout

for damage and water tightness. Clean the gutters one more time to ensure that spring and summer rains will be carried away from the house. At grade, make sure that the rain water is being carried away from the house. Ideally, you should have five to six feet of grade, unless the grade drops off sharply from the point at which the downspout stops. If your basement appears to be damp, consider modifying the grade around the house to encourage the water to run off quickly as opposed to standing and working its way into your basement. Spring time is also a good time to look for paint damage, mortar in need of repair and torn screens. If any of these problems are found, repair them immediately to prevent future problems. To find such problems, wash the exterior of your house. As you wash, keep your eyes open, be alert!

In going over each square foot of the exterior, you will find all kinds of irregularities — some will need attention and some are things to keep your eyes on over the next few years. This way, you will not be surprised by having let things go too far; repairs can be made before excessive damage has occurred. Caulk is a very useful item for making houses last a long time. It keeps water out of small cracks and between the joints between dissimilar materials. Yet it degrades through time, especially older caulking materials. Check to make sure any caulk on your house is still flexible and more, important, that it still adheres to the base materials. If it does not, grab an old screwdriver and paint scraper and dig all of it out, brush out any dust and reapply new caulk. The trick is to take your time, make a very small hole in the caulk gun and keep a wet rag within easy reach as you are performing this important task. Make it look real good while it is wet because it does not get any better looking when it dries. In particular, windows and their trim need lots of caulking attention; Start here and if this is your first time, start with a

window on the side of your house. Remember that if the caulk does not come out the way you want it to, you can always remove it by first letting it dry, then scraping it off and reapplying more caulk. Beveled siding can take a pretty good beating over the winter and should also be looked at carefully. Damaged boards can be removed back to their last butt joint or they can be cut in the middle of a horizontal run with a Japanese hand saw and a carpenter's protractor. New boards should be back primed before being put up and front primed after installation with a high-quality oil-based primer. Color coats should be a high-quality latex. Latex paints excel at exterior protection and colorfastness — not to mention their benefits to the environment. Your heating system ought to be put to rest in good working order, so if there are specific problems with the furnace I would get them taken care of now so that the system will work correctly in the fall. The humidifier (we all need

humidifiers in this climate) should be cleaned: The foam pads that are used in most of the systems develop lime and other mineral deposits and need to be removed. Your local hardware store ought to be able help here. Filters probably need to be changed and should be taken care of. The plumbing and electrical systems should be fine, and I really can not think of any springtime corrective measures for these systems.

May 18th's article on architecture with a beer budget, which was taken from an earlier New York Times article, included a reference that may have offended some of my readers. Please accept my apologies. Steve Sivak is a licensed architect in private practice and an adjunct professor of architecture at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. He specializes in well-crafted residential and commercial architecture and can be contacted at (313) 769-8502.

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(NAPS) — White picket fence, cedar shake roof and a wrap-around porch or maybe the art deco look complete with palm trees and pink flamingos. Everyone wants his dream home to reflect his tastes and personality. With the U.S. economy moving along in high gear, Americans are remodeling and building their dream homes in record numbers. According to one recent survey, nearly half of all consumers plan to undertake a home remodeling project this year, with personal taste cited as the number one reason for doing the project. Demographics for current and

soon-to-be home owners and personal computer users are nearly a perfect match, so it's little surprise that many Americans today are reaching for home design and planning software to help them visualize, layout and build their dream homes. With a CD-ROM program costing less than \$40, the family computer becomes a virtual gateway to dozens of remodeling projects, allowing users to "walk through" 3-D rooms to review design, traffic flow and decorating ideas. One such program, Better Homes and Gardens' Remodeling Your Home, lets users visualize appealing remodeling options,

including color and style suggestions for the new rooms in their home. It even takes users out to look at name brand appliances, furniture and building materials. The built-in feature automatically guides users to the Internet sites of selected manufacturers, including companies such as Anderson window, Armstrong flooring, General Electric appliances, and others. Along with dimensions and approximate prices, the program can provide information on obtaining products from manufacturers or nearby retailers. A materials guide offers suggestions on choosing appropriate building materials for each family's needs, such as whether to select a certain flooring, based on durability. Users can grab and move cabinets, furniture and various other components around inside a three-dimensional drawing to

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These important practices can ensure a healthy and bountiful crop," Thomas Zitter, plant doctor

and research scientist at Cornell University and a society member, said.

Tomatoes can be infected by a number of different blights (early, late, and Septoria leaf blight) that limit the quality and abundance of fruits or sometimes totally destroy the plant. To banish blights, follow these tips from the society:

- Inspect transplants and purchase healthy plants. Select wilt and nematode resistant varieties. Look for the capital letters V, F, and N following the cultivar name.
- Choose a range of varieties that mature at different times. The earlier the tomato matures, the more susceptible it is to early blight.

- Practice crop rotation by planting tomatoes and related vegetables in a different spot in the garden every year. Do not plant tomatoes and potatoes next to each other since they both are susceptible to early and late blight.
- Allow adequate spacing between plants. Remember, they grow pretty big late in the summer.
- Water only at the base of the plant and early in the day. Long periods of moisture on foliage encourage blight.
- Stake plants and remove suckers to increase air movement through the plant and to reduce moisture on the foliage. Staking also improves fruit quality and helps prevent soil rots.

- Mulch to keep plants evenly moist, to minimize watering, weeding and cultivation and to reduce blossom end rot.
- Monitor the leaves, especially lower ones, for the first symptoms of tomato blight. Remove infected leaves and begin application of a labeled fungicide.
- Remove all plant debris from the garden in the fall. Many tomato blight organisms overwinter on dried plant tissues.

The American Phytopathological Society is a professional scientific organization of 5,000 members dedicated to the study of plant diseases and their control. For more information, visit the society's web site: <http://www.scisoc.org>

Coping with those garden volunteers

By LEE REICH FOR AP SPECIAL FEATURES

Every year you should expect some volunteers in your garden. But before you start watching out for carloads of helpers to pull into your driveway, let me tell you that the volunteers to which I am referring are plants, not people.

"Volunteer" plants are annual plants that regrow every year by themselves, saving you the trouble of planting them.

And where do these volunteers come from? Most originate from seeds ripened and dropped on the soil last fall and winter. The herbs dill and borage are notorious for this habit - plant them just once and never again.

Annual flowers that self-sow include alyssum, calendula, cornflower, cleome, cosmos, California poppy, morning glory, petunia, nicotiana and moss rose.

You will find self-sowing seedlings of any of these plants coming up this year, usually near where they grew last year.

Other volunteers come from the compost pile. You might unknowingly spread seeds when you spread compost over your garden. The heat of composting can destroy many seeds - thankfully, because otherwise the garden would be overrun with unwanted plants.

But not all compost piles heat thoroughly or adequately. And anyway, tomatoes can tolerate the heat of composting and often appear even where well-cooked compost is spread.

Sunflower, melon, squash and pumpkin seeds are large enough to be able to burst forth from a cool compost pile's innards, or grow wherever the compost is spread. Occasionally, these plants will appear where an overlooked fruit rotted on the ground the previous season.

If you want to encourage volunteers such as tomatoes, sunflowers and dill, don't be overly meticulous in your gardening. If you harvest all the dill when it's young and green, there

will be no plants left to sow seeds.

Covering the whole garden with a 3-inch blanket of leaf mulch often means that small-seeded volunteers will use up their energy reserves before the seedlings ever reach light. Over-meticulous weeding is another habit that eliminates some potentially valuable volunteers.

On the other hand, you cannot give volunteers free reign in the garden.

A weed has been defined as "a plant out of place," and there is a fine line between a welcome volunteer and an unwelcome trespasser. An exuberant pumpkin vine is out of place in a bed of carrots. If 25 tomato plants pop up in a couple of square feet of space, most are - almost by definition - weeds.

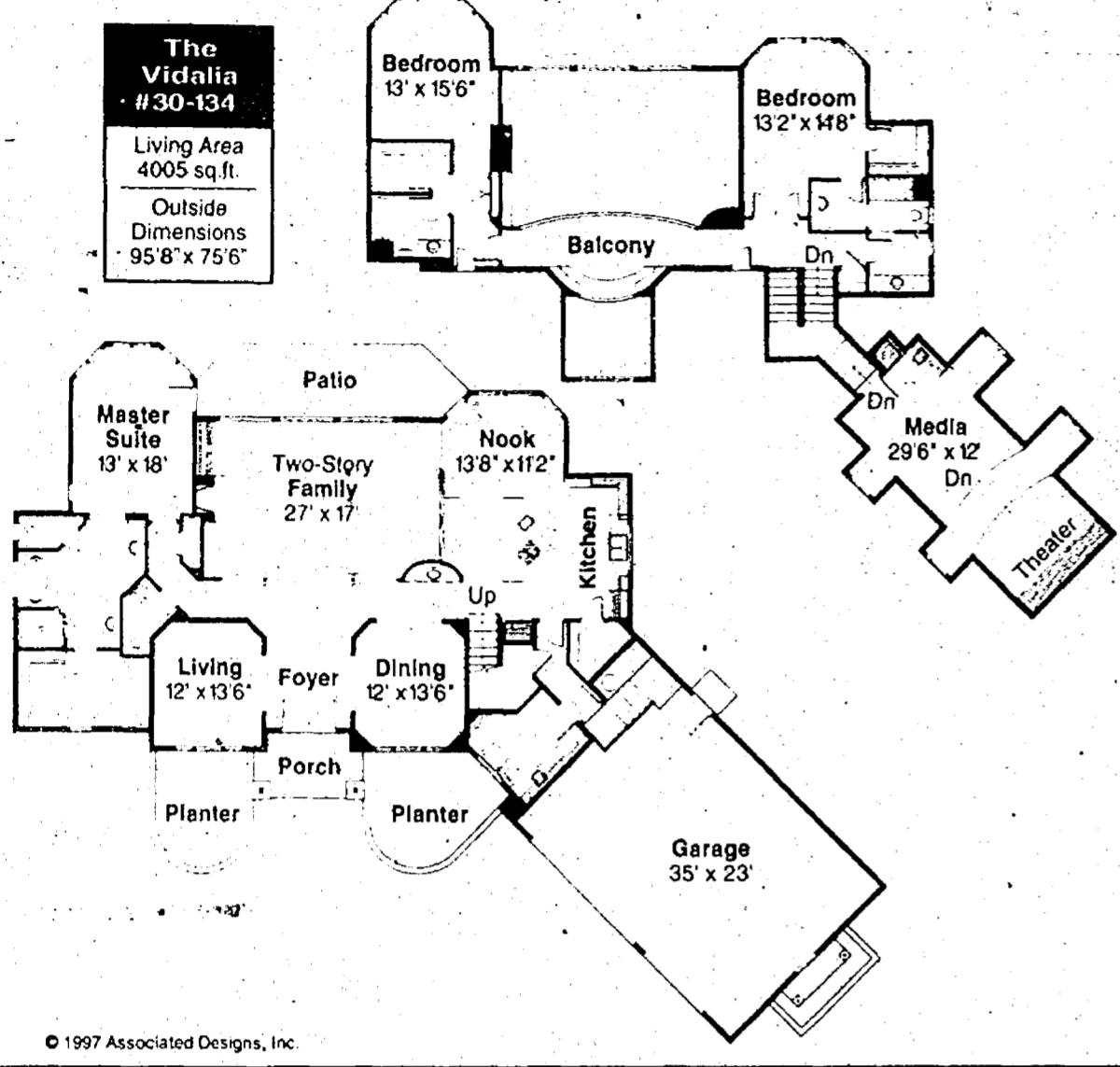
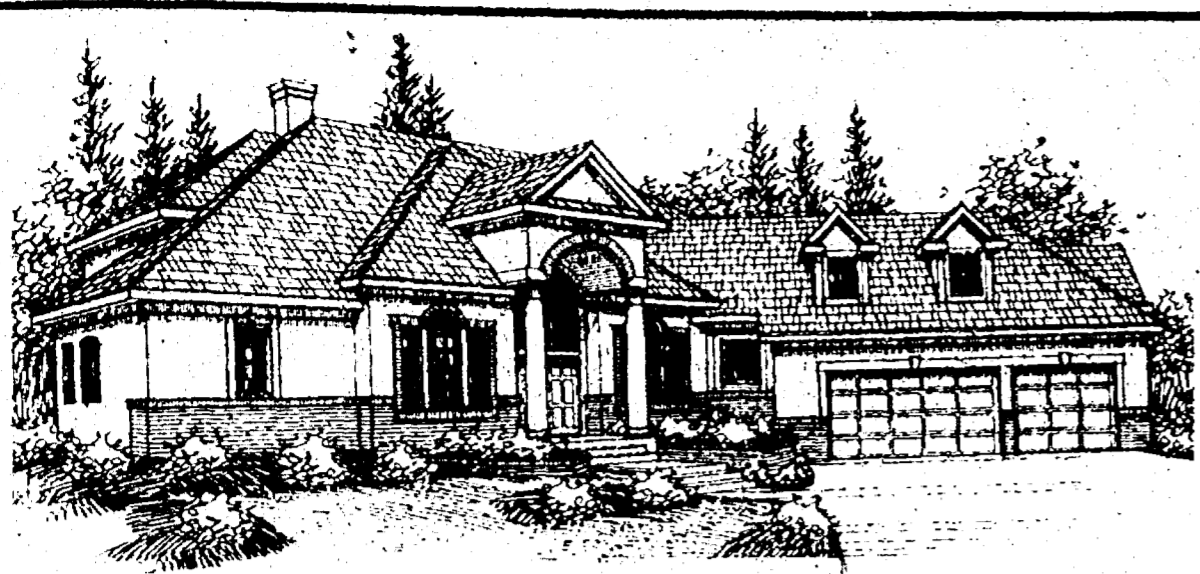
Garlic chives is a plant that is tasty and attractive, but be careful: it can easily overtake a spot of garden. The plant self-seeds prolifically and is very hard to weed because of its slippery, straplike

leaves.

Nature makes the choices when it comes to volunteer plants. With volunteers, there is never a fear that seeds have germinated too early in the spring. And you can rest assured that wherever volunteers appear, they have found suitable conditions with respect to sun and soil. Of course, volunteer plants may not show up where you want them.

Unfortunately, most garden plants cannot be relied upon to perpetuate themselves by volunteering. Corn, for example, is ineffective at self-sowing because as soon as the kernels from a fallen cob germinate, they tangle together and crowd each other out. One of the corn's probable ancestors, teosinte, does disperse its ripe seeds - but we humans prefer to bite into a cob full of intact kernels.

Nonetheless, among those plants that do self-sow, let some capable volunteers "work" in your garden.



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Windows fill most of the rear wall of this comfortable, bright and lofty informal liv-

ing area. On one end, it connects to the kitchen. At the opposite end, there's a fireplace with bookshelves on one side and an entertainment center on the other. The butler's pantry is a sink with room enough beneath for a small refrigerator.

The large kitchen is expanded by a bright nook. Other notable features include: a large walk-in pantry, built-in phone desk with shelves, and plenty of storage space.

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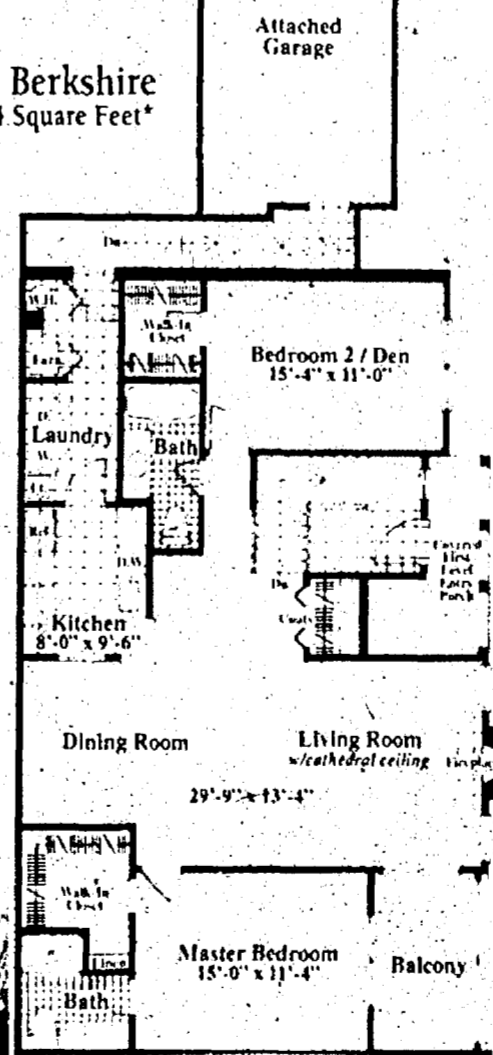
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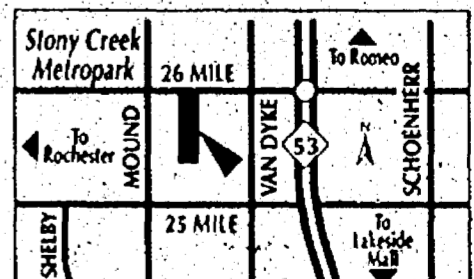


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If a door is badly deformed, replace it. Minor warping can sometimes be corrected by adding another hinge.

If the house's settling has pushed the door's frame - or jambs - out of square, the door can often be planed or trimmed to fit the new shape. You may need to call in a professional to repair - or replace - a metal door with a warped frame.

Hinge-related repairs are easier to make. Check them first. Look for hinge screws that have worked loose or that are turning in their holes without gripping. Plug an enlarged screw hole with a glue-coated wooden golf tee or dowel, or use matchsticks or toothpicks.

When the glue is dry, trim the plug flush. Then drill a pilot hole and insert the screw.

For a hole that's only slightly enlarged, drill a pilot hole going through the jamb into the stud behind it. Insert a longer screw.

Here are some other trouble-shooting tips:
• If the door rubs at the top or bottom corner, check and tighten loose hinge screws. Or place a thin piece of wood or cardboard behind a hinge leaf on the jamb. Do it on the hinge that is closest to the rubbing area.

• Humid weather can cause a door to stick because the wood under the paint swells. Wait until you've had a few days of dry weather. Then lightly sand the door edges and jambs. If necessary, sand down to the bare wood, then prime and repaint the edges. If the sticking is severe, you may have to plane the door edges.

• Saw the bottom of the door to fit if it won't clear new flooring or carpeting. Score the cut line with a utility knife to keep the veneer from chipping.

Sawing the bottom of a hollow-core door

may expose a cavity; fill it with the frame board in the cutoff portion of the door. Before rehanging it, seal the bottom of the door with a clear wood sealer.

Planing a door

Always take down a door before planing it. Take out the pin from the bottom hinge first.

When reinstalling it, seat the top pin first. Because it's easier to reset than to refit latches, always plane the door's hinge side rather than the lock side.

To avoid dulling the plane blade, strip the paint or varnish from the door edge before planing. Check the door's fit often so you don't remove too much wood. After planing, deepen the hinge mortises on the planed edge as needed.

Finish the planed edge with primer and paint or a clear wood sealer, such as polyurethane thinned with mineral spirits.

Doors that don't close

• If a door doesn't latch properly, the latch bolt may not be catching in the strike plate.

Correct minor misalignment between the bolt and strike plate by enlarging the strike plate's opening with a file.

To correct a larger mismatch, move the strike plate. Unscrew the plate and enlarge the mortise. Then plug the old holes and drill new ones. After mounting the plate, fill any exposed old mortise with wood putty.

• If a door springs open, it may be that a hinge has been mortised too deeply into the jamb.

Remove the hinge leaf from the jamb. Cut a thin piece of cardboard or wood the same size as the leaf. Reinstall the leaf with the shim behind it, driving the screws tight.

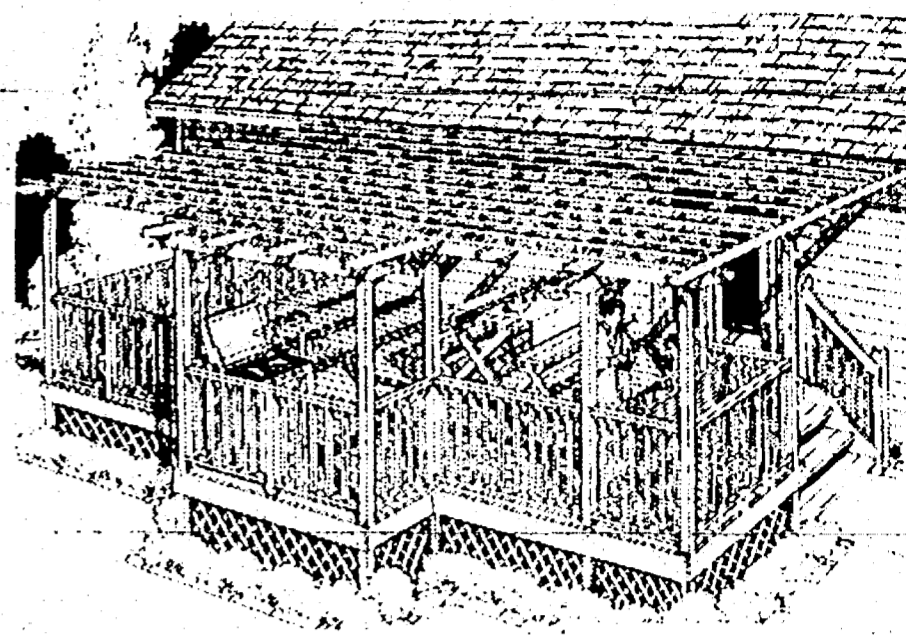
Test the door. If the mortise is still too deep, add another shim.

Fire safety in your home

(NAPS) - Fight fire in your home with these safety tips:

1. Install properly placed smoke detectors, test monthly and change the batteries annually.
2. Place a fire extinguisher close to the kitchen and recharge periodically.
3. Place deep large ash trays around the house.
4. Empty cigarette butts into a metal can. Don't put in anything that could catch fire.
5. Don't leave any cooking unattended.
6. Don't hang spice racks or pot holders over stoves.
7. If a grease fire breaks out in a pan on the stove, put a lid on to cut off oxygen and turn off burner. Never carry the pan from the stove since it could fan the flame.
8. In case of an oven/broiler fire, close the oven or broiler door and turn off the oven.
9. Follow heating unit instructions carefully and heed warning labels.
10. Before you go to bed, check on and behind sofas and chairs for dropped cigarette or embers.
11. Never smoke if you are overtired, taking strong medication, drinking alcohol or reclining on a bed or sofa.
12. When selecting furniture, look for the gold UFAC hangtag. This tag tells you that the furniture is more resistant to smoldering cigarettes.

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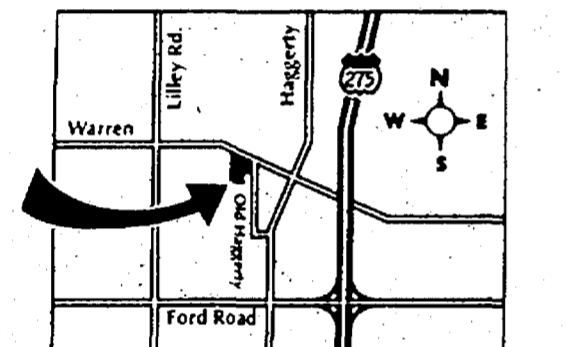
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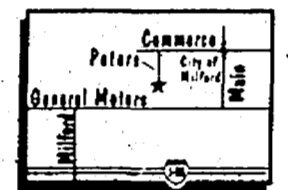
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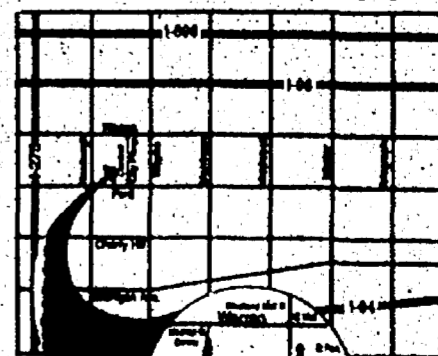
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Mortgage rate down this week

WASHINGTON (AP) - Interest rates on 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages averaged 7.91 percent this week, the lowest level in two months, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. said Thursday.

The decline to a nine-week low was the fourth in a row and brought the weekly average more than one-quarter percentage point below a seven-month high of 8.18 percent the week ended April 3. That was the week after the Federal Reserve tightened monetary policy for the first time in two years.

Fifteen-year mortgages, a popular option for those refinancing mortgages, averaged 7.44 percent this week, also a nine-week low and down from 7.47 percent a week earlier. On one-year adjustable rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 5.78 percent this week, the lowest in seven weeks and down from 5.82 percent.

The rates do not include add-on fees known as points.

HEALTH NEWS

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Accreditation

Botsford General Hospital's Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Program has again met the highest standards of performance and has achieved a three-year accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities. This year also marks the 10-year anniversary of the Botsford program.

CARF is a nationally recognized accrediting authority that establishes standards of quality for services to people with disabilities. The three-year accreditation represents the highest level awarded to rehabilitation organizations that demonstrate substantial attainment of the standards established by CARF.

"Botsford's Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Program has put itself through a rigid peer review process and has demonstrated that its rehabilitation services are of the highest quality, measurable and accountable," said Dr. Donald E. Glavin, Ph.D., CARF's president and CEO.

Botsford's Inpatient Physical Rehabilitation Program in Farmington Hills treats persons with disabilities through individualized physical, occupational, speech and language therapy, therapeutic recreation and rehabilitation nursing. It also offers education and caregivers' support groups, stroke education classes, and a self-medication program. For more information, call (248) 471-8753.

Cancer fight

The Kresge Foundation, one of the nation's top 10 charitable foundations, has made its largest grant ever to a single institution - a \$6.5 million challenge to Detroit's Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute.

The grant is part of the institute's Cancer Care and Cure Campaign, a five-year, \$100 million effort to fund new facilities and programs. The Kresge fund will support two components of the campaign: renovation and expansion of facilities to create the Hudson-Webber Cancer Research Center and research program/community outreach goals. As a challenge, fund-raising goals must be reached before Kresge will release grant payments.

"This is a critical time to support the Karmanos Cancer Institute," said John E. Marshall III, Kresge president and CEO. "We wish to endorse the consolidation of Detroit's cancer effort; to recognize the leadership of Dr. William Peters; and to celebrate the institute's ability to attract the \$15 million gift from Peter Karmanos, the largest individual gift to a Detroit organization in recent memory."

A portion of the Kresge gift will be directed toward the institute's strategic benchmark of creating a 5 percent decrease in smoking in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties by the year 2000.

Other strategic benchmarks include increasing compliance with mammography guidelines by 5 percent in the tri-county area over the next 1,000 days.

"The Kresge Foundation is committed to the redevelopment of metropolitan Detroit, including the health and welfare of its residents," said Marshall.

Hospice gift

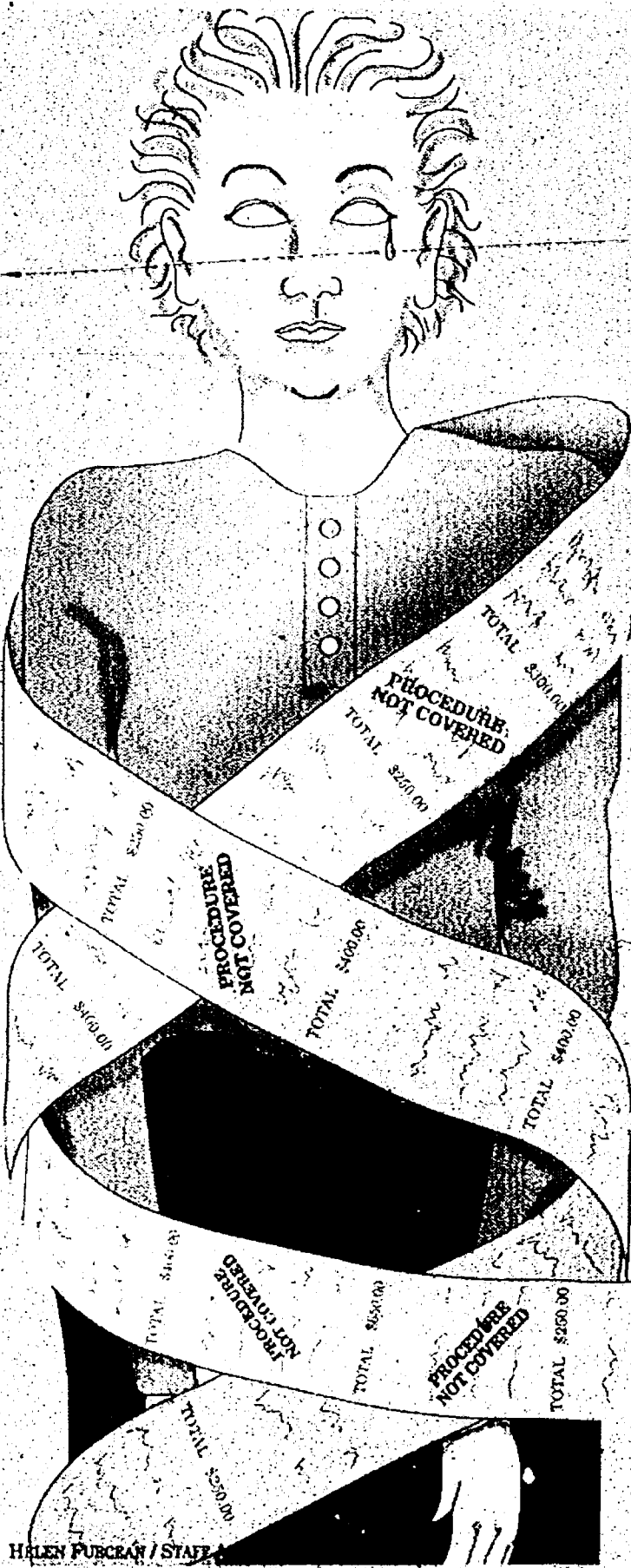
Local businesswoman Marian Ilitch has announced a gift of \$1 million to Hospice of Michigan, to be used for construction of the Hospice Home in the Brush Park area of Detroit. Construction is expected to start this summer on the 72-bed facility, which will be named the Sam and Mitra Bayoff Hospice Home in memory of Ilitch's parents.

She has made an additional gift of \$25,000 to name the staff conference room at Sam and Mitra Bayoff Hospice Home in honor of Marilyn Brady, a nurse on the Hospice of Michigan staff who cared for Sam Bayoff during his final illness.

"It is important for me to establish this Hospice Home honoring my parents in the city of Detroit," said Marian Ilitch. "Hospice makes an enormous difference in people's lives by creating a compassionate environment for terminally ill people that treats them with great dignity."

Ilitch's gift was announced at Hospice of Michigan's 12th annual Crystal Rose Ball May 3, where she, husband Michael, and their family were honored with the Crystal Rose Award, Hospice of Michigan's highest honor. More than 400 people attended the ball at the Bloomfield Hills estate of auto dealer Don Massey, who also has a dealership in Plymouth Township.

Another Hospice Home, at 11 Mile and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills, is scheduled to open in June. The 40-bed residence is licensed as an adult foster care home.



HELEN PURGAN/STAFF

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI SPECIAL WRITER

Carolyn Mauch has suffered all the trauma that comes with mental illness, including losing her job and having people question her behavior even during good times. But she didn't expect to suffer financially, too.

Her money problems began after she was admitted to the hospital in 1993 for kidney failure that she believes was triggered after years of taking lithium to treat her manic-depression. Mauch, who was raised in Livonia and recently moved to another Wayne County community that she prefers to keep private, was hospitalized on an emergency basis. She was placed in the mental health unit of the hospital and released after four days.

When she got her \$3,300 bill weeks later, she learned for the first time that her insurance covered 60 percent of the stay because it was a mental health diagnosis. A physical diagnosis carried 80 percent coverage. Her ordeal worsened when she was fired from her job selling cars after she missed three weeks of work.

"The hospital kept sending notices and then a collection agency got involved," Mauch, 43, said. She applied for financial aid with the hospital and after intervention from the Michigan Mental Health Association and her attorney the hospital agreed to pare the bill to \$1,900 with the understanding that she will pay \$10 a month without interest. The payments are a constant reminder of her manic-depression, first diagnosed when she was 23.

"It's a genetic condition, just like diabetes or epilepsy," Mauch said.

Mauch isn't alone. Some 40 million American adults and about 11 million children suffer some form of a mental disorder. About 6.5 million adults become disabled by their illness, according to statistics provided by the Mental Health Association in Michigan, a nonprofit agency.

Coverage limited

A campaign, "Are you Covered?" is the group's focus during May, National Mental Health Month.

"Most Americans do not have adequate insurance for mental illnesses," said Tom M. Sovine, executive director of MHAM, which is funded primarily by the United Way to promote mental well-being. "Your health insurance policy most likely contains provisions for mental health services. Yet, upon close examination, you will see that mental health coverage is not nearly as comprehensive as that for physical illnesses. The reality is that today's insurance policies are designed by accountants to discourage access to mental health services."

Insurance policies cover fewer inpatient and outpatient visits for mental disorders than for physical illnesses, he said, adding that copayments and deductibles for mental health services are also higher.

"A serious disorder requiring long-term treatment could devastate an individual or family financially," Sovine said. "Often aggregate lifetime limits and annual caps on mental health expenditures cause people to exhaust their private insurance coverage in short order, causing disqualification for further benefits. Mental illnesses are real, common, diagnosable and treatable, and equitable insurance coverage is only fair."

But insurance companies aren't the only ones at fault, Sovine said. "The blame should be spread - insurance companies take part, we as citizens (by not taking a stand against unequal coverage), business owners and employers," he said. "Historically the stigma of mental illness is the biggest problem. In the past, mental illness was thought to be caused by yourself - that you need to pull yourself up by the bootstraps and pull yourself out of it. They've learned there's more of a biological base for mental illness than the fact you decide to be depressed some mornings. When

S·H·O·C·K TREATMENT

Mental illness costs can lead to financial ruin

we can change that brain chemistry we can stabilize someone."

George Carr, a lobbyist agent for Health Insurance Association of America and for American Community Mutual Insurance based in Livonia, says the responsibility for coverage is based on employee and employer relationships. HIAA is an advocacy group for insurance companies. Since the majority of Americans are covered by a plan provided by their employer, it's up to bargaining units, like unions, to hammer out better mental health coverage if that is what their members want, Carr said.

"It's truly a market-driven product." Mental health practitioners are demanding better coverage because they want to be paid more, Carr said.

"In short, unions and employers are not willing to go forward and say they want to have this increase," Carr said. "So it's not the customers of the system debating

she said. "There are so many people on Prozac that I think depression is more understood now."

Still, though, employers "look at you and they see a ticking bomb and they can't take that chance," she said. Outside work, there's discrimination, too.

"People who know you have this illness are evaluating you most of the time and if there's anything different at all they think you're having an episode and they're not qualified to evaluate you." On the other hand, having manic-depression, characterized by extreme mood swings, has been associated with creativity, diligence at work and intellect.

"It's a blessing that I'm a manic-depressive, because of the things I have done with my life," Mauch said. In high school, she was voted outstanding young woman. In college, she was an honor student, extremely active and awarded a scholarship to study abroad. She studied in England, returned home and had 15 job offers when she graduated.

Her world crashed the year she graduated and suffered her first manic episode. Her mood swing was so high that emergency room people thought she was on drugs.

"I've only had two manic episodes (the second occurring eight years after the first)," she said, adding that she believes her medication has prevented other episodes. "I'm glad I was never diagnosed earlier. I probably wouldn't have gone to college, had a scholarship or sold cars. People would have been afraid and probably wouldn't have let you do things."

Just as the public has become more aware of mental illnesses since Mauch was first diagnosed, there are other changes on the horizon. Last September, President Clinton signed into law prohibitions against discriminatory lifetime and annual caps on mental health insurance coverage. This parity law says health plans can't have separate lifetime or annual cost ceilings for mental health and medical/surgical care unless the limitation on physical health coverage is equal.

The provisions don't take effect until Jan. 1, 1998, and are authorized through Sept. 30, 2001. However, mental health advocates say the law needs more teeth. "We're pleased the parity act passed, because you'll take part of the loaf of bread if you can't get the whole loaf," Sovine said.

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it, it's the providers of the services advocating and a small group of people who are utilizing the system who may have maximized their benefit."

"It's not always easy to make your mental illness known at work, because of feared repercussions," said Mauch, explaining that she spends about \$4,000 annually for medical costs, which includes insurance premiums. "The insurance companies have so much money and so many lobbyists they don't want to have things changed," she said.

Better understanding

Mental illness is better understood today than when Mauch was diagnosed with manic-depression in 1977. Few people knew what it was and there was a definite stigma. "Before it was thought mental illness was environmentally induced and now they're finding it's genetic and a chemical imbalance,"

'Winning Kid' sought for epilepsy battle

The Epilepsy Center of Michigan is looking for a child to represent the organization as its 1997-98 "Winning Kid" Poster Child.

The winning candidate will also be entered in the Epilepsy Foundation of America's National "Winning Kid" contest.

Any boy or girl between the ages of 5 and 9 is eligible if he or she has epilepsy.

Each year, a "Winning Kid" is chosen to dramatize the fact that many people with epilepsy can lead normal, productive lives with the help of

medications and better public understanding of the disorder.

The center will announce its "Winning Kid" selection in October. Entry blanks for the contest may be obtained by calling James K. Riashi at (810) 351-7979 in the Detroit area or 1-800-377-6226 elsewhere in Michigan. Entries must be received by Sept. 8, 1997, to be eligible.

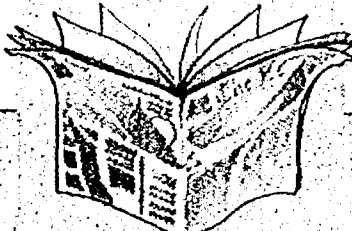
Epilepsy is a disorder of the brain characterized by a tendency to have recurrent seizures. A seizure is caused by an unusually large burst of electrical energy within the brain. More than

90,000 people in Michigan have epilepsy.

Founded in 1948, The Epilepsy Center of Michigan is the state's only nonprofit organization focusing solely on epilepsy. The center provides seizure management, employment, advocacy, epilepsy awareness, individual and family support, and telephone information and referral services to people with epilepsy, their families and the general public.

The center's offices are at 26211 Central Park Blvd., Suite 100, Southfield 48076-4154.

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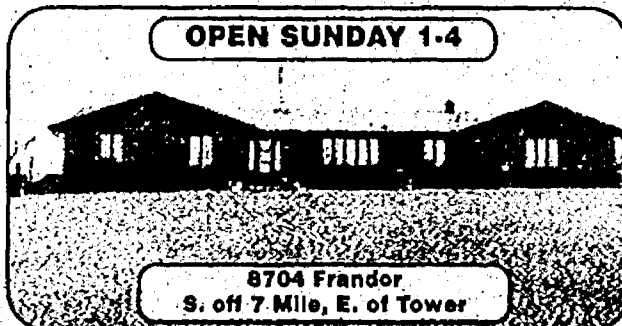
units and central vac thru-out the home, plus a 3 car side entry garage. This home offers dramatic 10 ft. ceilings thru-out and exquisite custom tile & mirrors are just a few of the tasteful amenities that are offered. There is also a lovely custom deck which overlooks the lake. This home truly gives a whole new dimension to quiet lakefront living. The almost acre lot is professionally landscaped with sprinkler system and offers you almost 300 ft frontage on the lake.

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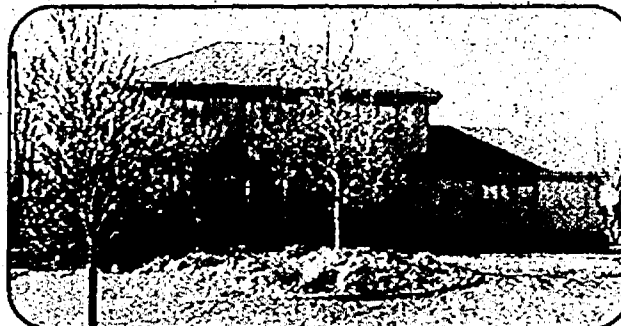
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IT Salaries Still on the Rise

By Sheryl Silver, Career Source
It looks as if information technology (IT) professionals with in-demand skills can look forward to another year of improved earning power. A recent national survey found that starting salaries are expected to increase by 2.3 percent on average in 1997, with increases even higher for jobs where demand is highest.

According to the survey, conducted by Menlo Park, California headquartered Robert Half International Inc., whose Robert Half and RHI Consulting divisions place full time and contract information technology professionals, the largest jump in base compensation (5.4 percent) will be for systems analysts with Internet expertise. Network architects armed with knowledge of Internet technology ranked second with average increases of 4.4 percent projected.

Keep in mind, say recruiters, these increases are coming on the heels of last year's already sizeable increases in IT salaries. According to John Qudeen, manager for the Vienna, Virginia office of Source EDP, a division of the Dallas-based IT recruiting firm

Source Services, "Last year, in our area, median salaries for client server application developers, including object-experts, increased by 20 percent over the previous year. For software engineers, median salaries were up about 22 percent and for data base administrators, about 17 percent."

Although projected increases for those who stay with their current organizations are only in single digits, individuals who change employers can look forward to double digit increases if they possess sought after skill sets. According to Kevin Spitze, branch manager for the Culver City, California office of Mini-Systems Associates, a technical placement agency, "Software developers of any kind, people with client server expertise, and network engineers can get increases of 10-20 percent or more."

The trend seems to apply nationwide. Burt Heacock, senior vice president of Paul-Tittle Associates Inc. in McLean, Virginia confirms, "Salary inflation is relatively flat but companies are still paying a premium for people with hot skills willing to change jobs."

Even for those who don't accept the new positions they're offered, job hunting can yield above-average salary increases. "Counteroffers have become common," says Spitze. "When candidates give notice, many employers sweeten the situation. Employers are becoming aware that it's a seller's market for people with certain technical skills, and if they have someone with those skills, they'll try to keep them."

Despite the strength of the current market, Spitze says employers have limits. When making new hires, he says, "They may make one offer following a counteroffer, but they don't like to get into extended bidding wars."

They may also pass on applicants who negotiate too aggressively. Qudeen says, "Negotiating a salary doesn't usually yield more than 4-5 percent more than what a company would have offered. In this market, companies are afraid of missing out on good technical talent, so they tend to give their best offers first." Spitze agrees, noting that in today's recruiting environment, "An employ-

er's best offer tends to be the initial offer or the one following it."

Qudeen, Spitze and Heacock all caution candidates against making money their top priority when changing jobs. "Many people make the mistake of going for the highest immediate dollar rather than evaluating the kind of earning power they could have in 4 or 5 years," says Qudeen. "It's more important to get into a company that will keep your technical skills up-to-date so you don't become obsolete or get priced out of the market." Spitze agrees, noting that the demand for skills runs in cycles, and can evaporate as soon as a new technology comes along.

Heacock offers another reason to consider more than money when comparing job offer. "You have to be sure that you replace those things that made you happy in your current job," he says. "If you don't, it doesn't matter what you're paid. You'll be unhappy."

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WORKING LIFE: Successful People Make Their Own Lucky Breaks

By Deborah L. Jacobs, Chronicle Features

Many job-hunters get discouraged when things don't go their way. Often they're waiting for that lucky break. Whether you're just joining (or rejoining) the job market, or have reached a career plateau, it's easy to feel stumped when you've hit a roadblock.

At some point, most successful people have felt the same way. But instead of letting inertia set in, they try another tack. Eventually, it gets them where they want to go.

That's among the more important messages buried in "Women of The Street," Sue Herrera's (co) new book about female executives on Wall Street (John Wiley & Sons, 1997). Herea has gone to some famous and not-so famous women in the financial community and asked how they made it. Among them: Muriel Siebert, the first woman to own a seat on the New York Stock Exchange; Elaine Garzarelli, who predicted the 1987 stock market tumble; and Abby Joseph Cohen, one of Wall Street's latest soothsayers.

Unfortunately, most of Herea's subjects are too guarded to supply much detail. Still, within this collection of 14 largely uninspiring mini-profiles are the stories of two women who shaped their own destinies. Their dogged pursuit of opportunity is a lesson for other women—and men—who might at times despair. The first woman is Julie Stone, now a management consultant at Smith Barney. Many years ago, Stone was a single mother with a baby to support. Wanting to complete her education, she applied for a student loan, only to have a female loan officer nix her application. Why? Stone should be at home with her child, not going to school, the bank official said.

Undeterred, Stone made her case to another loan officer. "Being a single parent will be very difficult for me unless I have an education," she said. "How am I going to raise and educate a child if I can't complete college?" That was just the beginning of a career path that took her from teaching at a community college, to being a real estate broker, to becoming a stock broker in the late 1980s.

Earlier in the same decade, Elizabeth Mackay (co) was just getting out of college when she applied for a job at an options firm she read about in The Wall Street Journal. "Your resume says that you're a psychology major. What makes you think you can do this job?" the company president reportedly asked when interviewing Mackay. Her snappy retort: "I can do anything I want to." She got the job, and the first break of her career.

Years later, when Mackay interviewed for a highly competitive spot at the brokerage house Bear Stearns, she didn't fare as well. After getting turned down, she heard a company executive speak at an industry luncheon. Determined to work at Bear Stearns, she wrote a financial strategy report and sent it to him with a note. It said, "This is the kind of work I do; I think it would dovetail with your economics work." A follow-up phone call got her an interview. Today she's chief investment strategist and managing director at the company.

True, neither of these women would have gotten far without decent credentials. Yet, as for so many people, that wasn't enough. It was persistence, self-confidence and determination that

helped them reach their goals. Here are some steps you, too, can take to make your own lucky breaks.

*Ask yourself whether something in particular is consistently tripping you up, whether it's a resume that never yields any nibbles, or interviews that don't result in jobs. Then focus on this weak spot and correct the problem.

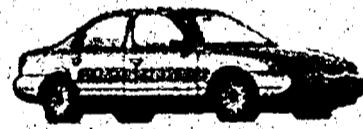
*Chart your own career path, rather than following someone else's formula for success. It's great to ask other people how they got their positions, but timing, market conditions, and hiring criteria change. You might take a different route to the same end.

*Always reach a little higher than what you think you can readily achieve. If you don't score a goal on the first round, you can always go back later and take another crack at it.

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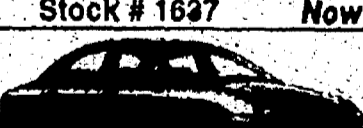
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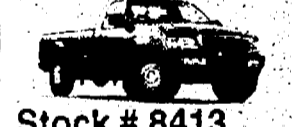
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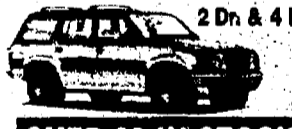
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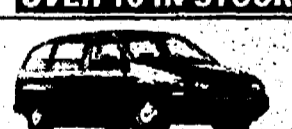
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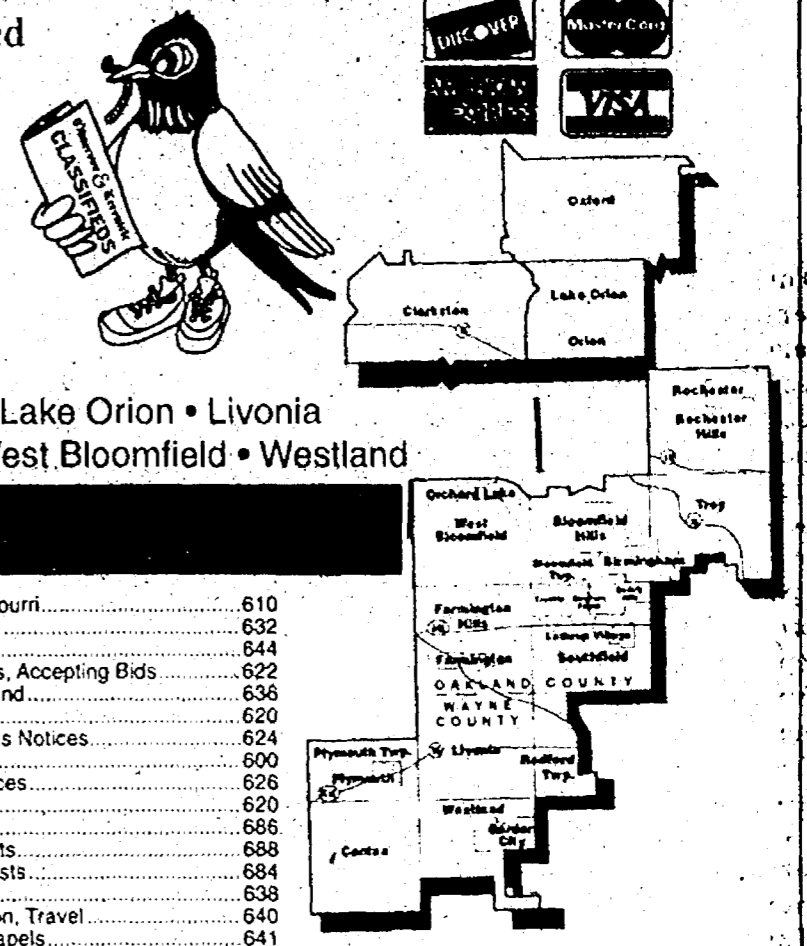
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Administrative Assistant

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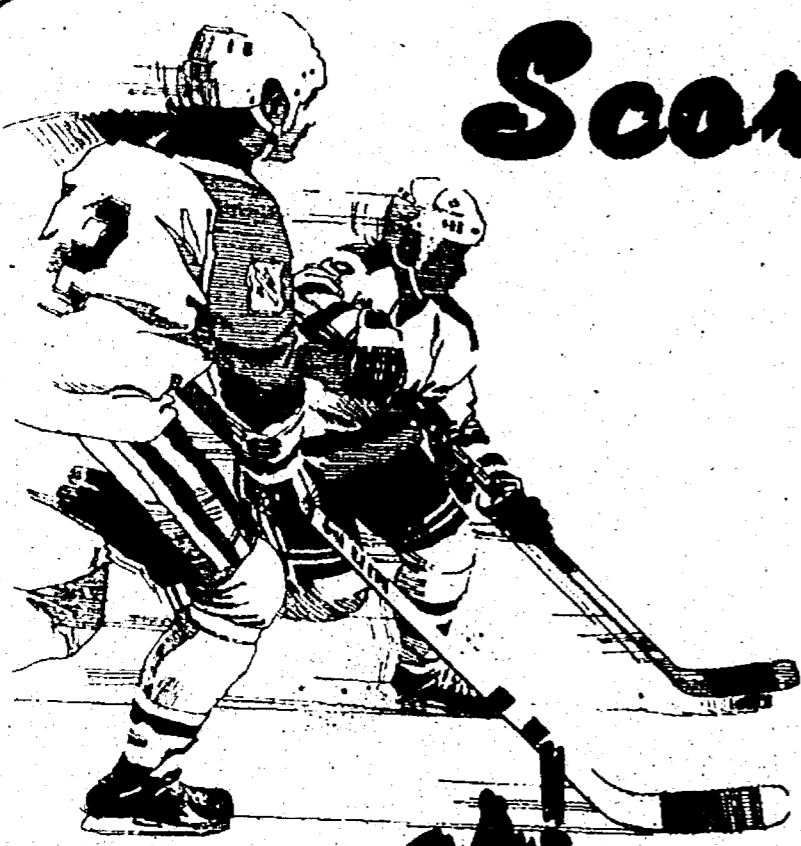


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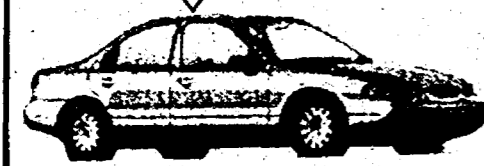
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- PEP 743A
- RV Package
- Power Windows
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\$19,995*

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1998 Contour GL

- PEP 236A
- Air
- Rear Defrost
- Cruise
- Automatic
- Light Group
- Automatic
- Floormats
- Power Mirrors
- Power Locks
- AM/FM Cassette
- Alloy Wheels
- Stock #80046

Was \$18,745

\$15,265*

24 Month Lease
Zero Down **\$248**** mo.
24 month lease
\$1500 Down **\$177**** mo.



1997 Ranger XLT

- PEP 864A
- AM/FM Cassette
- Cast Aluminum Wheels
- Sliding Rear Window
- 60/40 Cloth Seat
- Power Steering
- XLT Tape Stripe
- Stock #73613

Was \$14,325

\$9989*

24 Month Lease
Zero Down **\$167**** mo.
24 month lease
\$1500 Down **\$97**** mo.



1997 Taurus GL Sedan w/ Touring Package

- PEP 205A
- Power Brakes
- Air Conditioning
- Dual Air Bags
- Speed Control
- Floor Mats
- Tilt Steering
- Power Windows
- Power Locks
- Remote Entry
- Power Moonroof
- Leather Buckets
- Rear Window Defroster
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- Automatic Overdrive
- Air Filtration System
- Power Driver's Seat
- Aluminum Wheels
- 6-Disc CD Changer
- Electronic AM/FM Stereo/Cassette
- Stock #72170

Was \$23,550

\$18,690*

24 Month Lease
Zero Down **\$366**** mo.
24 month lease
\$1500 Down **\$297**** mo.



1997 F-150 XLT

- Cruise
- Tilt
- Power Windows
- Power Locks
- AM/FM Cassette
- Air Conditioning
- Sliding Rear Window
- Aluminum Wheels
- XLT
- PEP 507
- Stock #72984

Was \$20,465

\$15,395*

24 Month Lease
Zero Down **\$249**** mo.
24 month lease
\$1500 Down **\$179**** mo.



1998 Windstar GL

- PEP 472A
- Speed / Tilt
- Floor Mats
- Power Windows
- Defrost
- Air
- Cassette
- Power Locks
- Power Mirrors
- 3.8 Liter SPI / Auto
- 7 Passenger Bucket
- Light Group
- 25 Gallon Tank
- Privacy Glass
- Stock # 80057

Was \$24,935

\$19,895*

24 Month Lease
Zero Down **\$359**** mo.
24 month lease
\$1500 Down **\$289**** mo.



1997 Probe

- Cruise
- Tilt
- Floor Mats
- AM/FM Cassette
- Air Conditioning
- Rear Defrost
- Auto Conditioning
- PEP 253A
- Stock #71107

Was \$17,360

\$13,995*



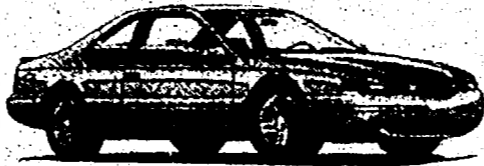
1997 Escort LX 4-Door

- PEP 317A
- Air Conditioning
- Power Mirrors
- AM/FM Cassette
- Front & Rear Mats
- Driver Remote Entry
- Rear Defrost
- 2.0 Liter
- 5 Speed
- Stock # 74133

Was \$13,815

\$10,895*

24 Month Lease
Zero Down **\$235**** mo.
24 month lease
\$1500 Down **\$165**** mo.



1997 Thunderbird

- PEP 155A
- Rear Defrost
- Custom Wheels
- Power Windows
- Power Locks
- Power Seats
- AM/FM Cassette
- Rear Spoiler
- Much More
- Stock #72398

Was \$19,345

\$15,700*



1997 Mustang Coupe

- PEP 243A
- Automatic
- Air
- Rear Defrost
- Rear Spoiler
- Cruise
- Power Windows
- Power Locks
- Power Drivers Seat
- AM/FM Cassette
- Premium Sound
- Aluminum Wheels
- Stock #70710

Was \$19,900

\$15,425*

24 Month Lease
Zero Down **\$326**** mo.
24 month lease
\$1500 Down **\$256**** mo.



1997 Aspire

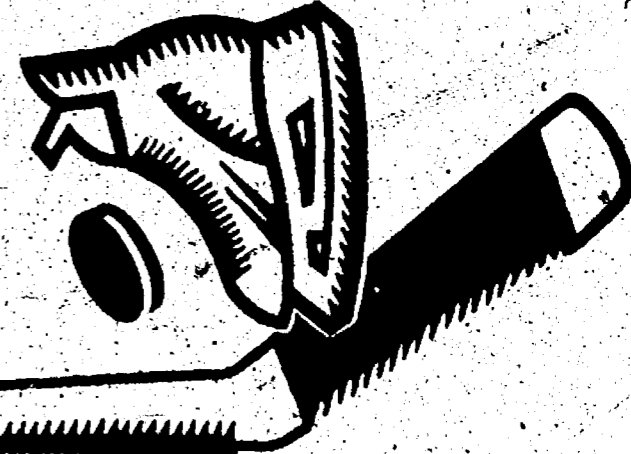
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- Cloth Bucket Seats
- 1.3 Liter Multi-Port
- Fuel Injection
- Power Brakes
- Dual Air Bags
- Stock #70946

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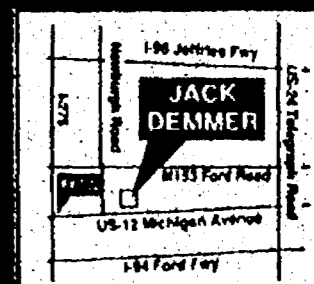
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Lexus ES300 a strong investment in quality

CAReport



By Anne Fracassa
Avanti NewsFeatures

Lexus officials say the ES300 is positioned to be in the "near luxury" segment.

Pardon me. This new generation of ES300, complete with its spirited performance, luxurious interior and total Lexus character make it pretty darn close to the

"luxury" label it deserves.

I guess the only thing that makes the ES300 "near luxury" is its price: \$29,900. Considering most vehicles out there cost an average of about \$25,000 with most of the bells and whistles, that's really not a bad investment to be able to put a Lexus in your garage.

I actually like the ES300's size better than anything. It's a smaller car than the LS 400, but on the outside only, it seems. The newest generation of ES300 has a large enough interior to suggest it's a larger car than it really is.

The exterior redesign is not that dramatic to make you take notice. It does stand out like a Lexus should, however. That was done on purpose. Lexus didn't want to abandon the model, completely redesigning it. Instead Lexus chose to use subtlety to continue the design development to ensure owner and prospect recognition.

On the outside, you'll find an aggressive lower front air dam and headlight reflectors that give much better dispersion of light. It's actually got a sporty look to it. Gaze at it from the front and it



There's a lot of value in the Lexus ES300. For the price, it's almost a steal.

looks more like a coupe than a sedan. The ES300 is almost 2.5 inches longer than the previous model. That gives you almost 1.5 inches more rear leg room.

It's powered by a standard 3.0-liter all-aluminum V6 that takes much of its design cues from the V8 in the LS 400. It has most of the same materials and design architecture and the horsepower and torque numbers are pretty close to the V8's.

Actually, 200 horsepower is enough for a car of this size. Anything larger would probably compromise the noise level. This is a very, very quiet car, both inside and out. You'll never hear the engine with the windows rolled up. Even during quick acceleration, you barely hear it.

Even though the ES300 has better leg room, more standard equipment and is larger than the previous model, the new ES is 78 pounds lighter.

And there's no compromise for safety here.

Front and rear doors are reinforced by six tubular steel beams. There are dual front seat airbags, front seat belt pretensioners, center rear 3-point seat belt and adjustable headrest in the front and rear seats. Anti-lock brakes, are standard and available traction control add to its value.

The inside is all new as well. The ES300 now has the LS 400's distinctive instrument cluster, Lexus calls it the "Optitron white cold-cathode-tube backlight instrument cluster." I call it "cool." It's what sets Lexus apart from any other.

There's also a first on the ES300: An optional in-dash 6-disc CD auto changer that's housed in the glove compartment. Everyone else has it in the trunk, which is a pain.

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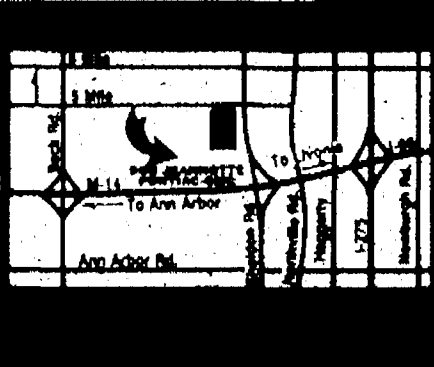
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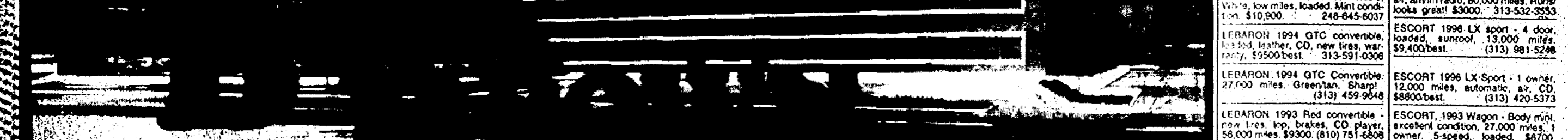
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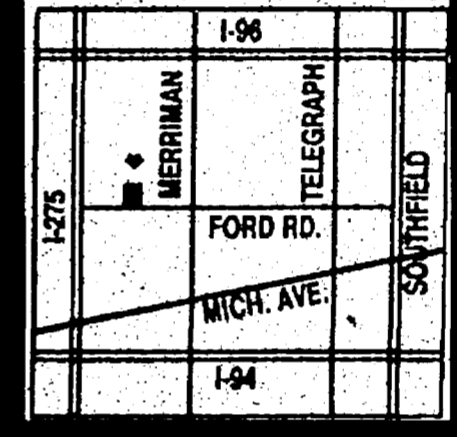
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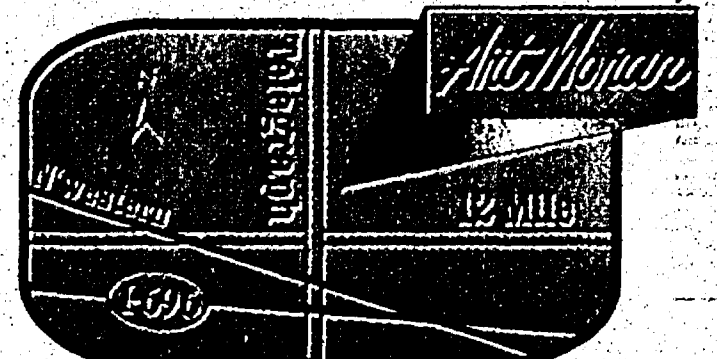
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