

Southfield High School Monthly

**Gift Giving Ideas**



Senior Jim Haver and junior Ed Soloman consider record albums as holiday gifts. (Photo by Frank Jewett)

*This Month*

**Public Becomes More Aware of Eating Disorders**

In recent years anorexia nervosa and bulimia have gained greater public concern, attention and understanding.

**Teens and Drug Abuse — an Ongoing, National Problem**

The recently initiated Chemical People Program and Community Task Force are fighting this problem head on.

**Holiday Gifts Galore! But What About the 'Hard-to-Buy-Fors'?**

The JAY Lists some suggestions for finding the best in unusual gifts and what albums will be available for holiday listening and giving.

**SHS Cagers Bound for Glory — and Another Crack at State Title**

Cager coach Greg Sliwka predicts another top season for Southfield High School.

**Speech Department Readies for Forensic Drama Competition**

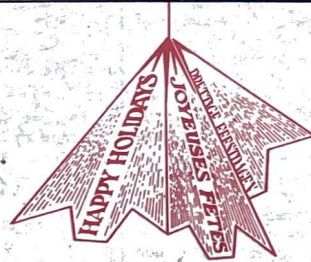
SHS Thespians have selected 'Member of the Wedding' as their entry in this year's Michigan Forensic One-Act Competition.

**Plus . . .**

A rundown of school, club and team news

*Departments*

**A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR YOU . . .**



**Happy Holidays!** To make the season even brighter and to show our appreciation for your generous patronage . . . here's a Christmas present from us to you.  
Hang it any place you please to create a little Christmas cheer . . . on the tree, in the window, above a door.

Just follow the simple instruction given below, and in no time your festive ornament will be ready to go. Merry Christmas to all!

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**Editorial**

**Parent involvement welcome, needed to fight drug abuse**

**W**e welcome the rising tide of attention that has emerged nationally on teen substance abuse. While Southfield and Lathrup Village do not have as large a problem as other communities in the United States, there still is a problem.

It is hard to define the magnitude of substance abuse among local teens. Whether it is one, ten or hundreds of students, it is still a problem for the community. Substance abuse affects us all. It leads to crime, accidents, death, loss of work and wasted lives and futures.

We applaud the recent program "The Chemical People" and the citizen involvement and awareness it has generated. We feel the priorities of this program should be on stopping drug abuse before it starts. We encourage the formation of groups to help young people deal with substance abuse and that since the problem begins at home, that is where the first steps of prevention should be taken.

**Happy Holidays from the JAY**

The Southfield JAY extends best wishes to the students, faculty and staff of Southfield High School for the holiday season and the coming new year. May everyone have a pleasant and relaxing vacation. Holiday greetings to all! Happy 1984!

**Letters**

**Soich has more to say about Southfield JAY**

To the Editor:

I was very pleased to see that the paper is off to another fine start and, I'm sure, award-winning year. It looks to me like Stimson is working his tail off to organize a complete 16 page paper.

It was nice to see you are keeping up with the progress of John Raby. Try not to feature the attendance policy so much this year. The paper should be retitled the "Southfield Attendance Policy" or, if you prefer, the "Southfield Soich" as I'm sure has been recommended several times in the past.

Seriously speaking, I was rather impressed with the quality of writing and coverage of the problems and issues of Southfield High. The page layouts look very well organized.

That's all that Soich has to say. (Or is it say?)

**Drew Soicher**  
1982-83 JAY Editor

**JAY tells only 'half' of cable TV story**

To the Editor:

An article in the Southfield JAY recently noted the absence of cable in the cable TV class. The reasons given were only half of the story.

According to sources at Continental Cablevision, the franchise agreement with Southfield included \$1,000,000 in equipment and technical aid. A large portion of this was to be used for the high schools.

But the City of Southfield chose to accept the cash value of the equipment and aid and spend it on what equipment they deem to fit the city's needs.

As of yet, much of this money is still in the city's possession. And will stay

there until it is decided how to divide it fairly between the different organizations and committees who have requested it.

Mrs. Barbara Johnson Low of Continental Cablevision stated that Southfield Public Schools would have had cable a long time ago had the city taken the equipment. But she also said that this way is better in that once negotiations are resolved, the schools will have most of what they want instead of being limited to what Cablevision chooses to give them.

A citizen committee has volunteered to go over the proposals and either grant or reject them as they see fit, but this does not involve only Southfield High School.

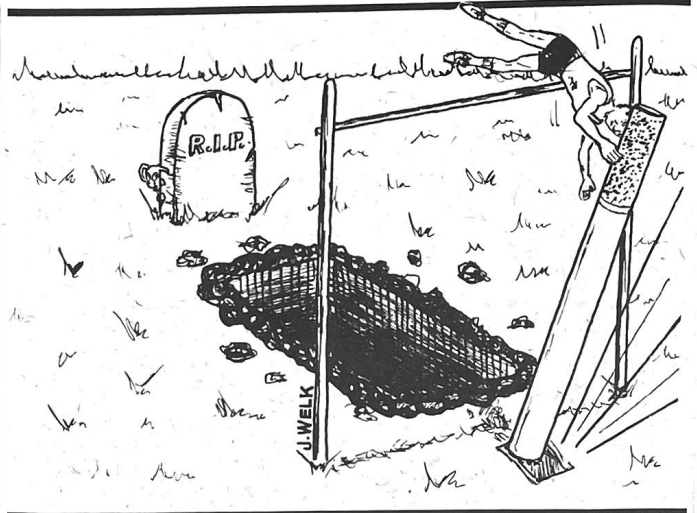
Section 27, part A, of the Continental Cablevision speaking to Southfield on Municipal and School service states that on request, the City of Southfield shall provide within 45 days and without installation or monthly charge, service to a single receiver location in each city building, and to an aggregate of 100 additional receiver locations within such buildings or elsewhere within Southfield as the city may designate.

Therefore, the citizens committee must go over the proposals from the different city buildings and make sure that everyone gets his fair share of the \$1,000,000 conforming to the above paragraph.

Consequently, the Board of Education must come up with a proposal which includes what they need, yet limits what they want, because they (the Board of Education) will get only so much of the \$1,000,000. The first proposal was turned down and the second is being negotiated now.

The only permanent solution is patience. All parties involved are working their hardest to make the most of tax money and to fulfill the needs of the non-cable class. Mrs. Low sounded very confident of a solution in the near future.

**Tony Bradley**



**Sound Off**

**Student views vary on extent of local substance abuse**

*In recent months teenage drug abuse has captured considerable attention in the media. In November Channel 56 broadcast the nationally televised program "The Chemical People" which focused on this problem. "No community is untouched by teen drug/alcohol abuse" the program noted.*

them at any time."

**Joel Michaels, 12**

*SHS students were asked to give their views on drug abuse in the Southfield and Lathrup Village communities.*

"I don't think there is a drug problem at Southfield High because by the time, most teenagers reach high school, they have already been in contact with drugs, or know enough about them to know whether or not they are going to take them."

**Jason Mixon, 12**

"If the kids are going to do it, they're going to do it and you can only tell them the facts. They have to decide."

**Chris Packala, 11**

"I think there is a drug problem because people are always going around selling drugs and influencing teens to take them."

**Kim Vance, 10**

"There is a drug problem because of the pressure from problems at home and school work. People think taking drugs is cool and it makes them feel good."

**Terrence Bryant, 11**

"They all think it's a big joke."

**Tina Dobs, 10**

"Only the kids who want to use drugs are the ones that use them."

**Dave Steiger, 12**

"Of course there is a drug problem. If you have anyone on drugs it's a problem. They are so easy to get, anyone can get

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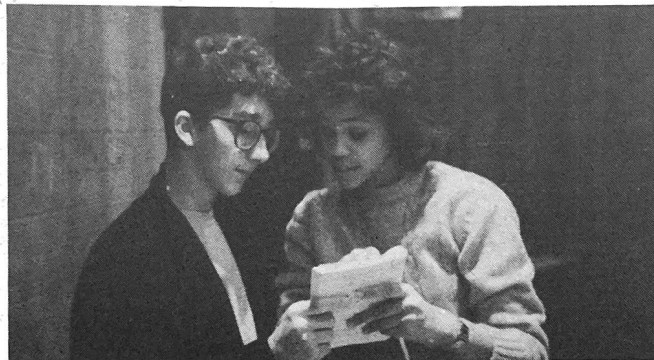
# SHS selects 'Member of the Wedding' for competition

By PAMELA MILLER  
JAY Staff Writer

The state organization which judges forensic one-act competition set 1984 as a year for serious drama. And Southfield High has complied with their choice of Carson McCuller's *Member of the Wedding*.

The organization set this rule because of the difficulty in judging powerful drama against a light-hearted comedy. Other rules are that entrants have 45 minutes to set the stage, run the production and clear the stage. Any inflection on the guidelines ruins the chance for the participants to place first.

The story is the coming of age of a 12-year-old, tomboyish and misunderstood Southern girl, Frankie Addams (Jennifer Dunlop). Her world is the Addams' kitchen where she spends most of her time talking with Berenice (Alicia Washington), the black family cook and Frankie's only means of maternal guidance. Even though Berenice is stern and harsh with Frankie, she loves her like her own daughter. Frankie's father (David Walega), a conservative widower of many years, finds it difficult to relate to her throughout her maturation process. Frankie's seven-year-old cousin,



Jon Carver and Alicia Washington practice lines for upcoming one-act competition.

in, John Henry (Jon Carver), also spends his days learning about life from Berenice in the kitchen, also the focal point of his world.

The excitement centers around the impending marriage of Frankie's brother, Jarvis (David Carleton), to Janice (Jennifer Peacock). Frankie wants to join the honeymooners, to become an insider instead of an outsider in the game of life. It's tragically

funny to watch Frankie as she weaves together in a fantasy life of her, Jarvis and Janice living together happily ever after.

Also involved in the play are Doug McCoullough, Ken Johnson, Angie Spencer, Lisa Ferstenfeld, Gayle Starr, Deanna Detweiler, Arthur Moloian and Susie Cohen. "It's an extremely powerful show and with the cast we have, we're sure to be state

champs," Peacock and Walega agree.

All the action takes place in the interior of the Addams' kitchen and in their yard. None of the technical crew has been selected except for stage manager, Mike Menczer. "All of the tech crew is dependent on what it takes to stage the show," Mr. Bunnell said.

Mrs. Borts will have her usual role as director with Lisa Ferstenfeld aiding as assistant director. "I'm really looking forward to getting closer to the cast professionally and personally," Ferstenfeld said.

As this is competitive theater, the rehearsal process is taken very seriously. Characters must be firmly defined before the Jan. 28 District competition. If successful, the production will be taken to Regionals Feb. 11 and hopefully State Finals Feb. 18. This should not be a problem as several cast members favor serious drama. "You can be more involved with your characters on a person level in serious acting," Dunlop feels.

An evening performance for parents will be scheduled at a later date. A schooltime performance may also be planned, but that has yet to be determined. An assured Washington believes that whenever *Member of the Wedding* is performed, "It will be spectacular!"

## Free Press focuses on Southfield Public Schools

By BOB ELLIS  
and ED RAYKHINSHTYEN  
JAY Staff Writers

Education, or the state of it, has become the center of national attention in the past six months. Locally, the Detroit Free Press is reflecting the public interest in education by devoting a large amount of coverage to this topic.

Besides new stories, the Free Press is running two series on schools. Both series touch on Southfield Public Schools. One, "Our Adopted Classroom" was begun last year and covered the day-to-day activities of a fourth grade public school class in Sterling Heights. The other series is new this fall and features a "look inside" three Detroit area high schools. This series is called "Focus on Schools".

This fall the "Adopted Classroom" series shifted from Sterling Heights to Southfield and is now covering the Intensive Studies English class of Mr. Cliff Lein at Levey Middle School. "Focus on Schools", on the other hand, is a comparative feature that presents high school education in Southfield, Mt. Clemens and Detroit. Coverage centers on a government class at Southfield High (Mr. Richard Dengate's), Mt. Clemens High School and Detroit's Cooley High.

These three schools were picked because the Free Press wanted three totally different schools. One, a suburban middle class school, also an inner city school and the third one which will be different from the other two. Free Press reporter Stephen Franklin came up with this idea.

"The reports that came out about our schools, raised a lot of questions. However, most people don't read these reports, so we take major issues and write about them," Franklin said.

Franklin is centering on Mr. Richard Dengate's third hour government class. "This is a very good opportunity for the

school to tell people about education from the inside, because outsiders draw conclusions and make judgments that are usually tragically inaccurate," Mr. Dengate said.

Southfield High School is considered to be one of the top schools in the Midwest and Franklin agrees with that. "Southfield High is a school with proven successes academically and it's nothing like other schools which have academic problems," he said.

Franklin is not in the school every day, but he is here occasionally. Since he will be covering SHS throughout the year, he feels that he will get to talk to most people at SHS.

One thing that he really likes about SHS is its people. "The teachers and the students are very honest, and that was surprising to me," Franklin said.

By MICHELE BURDOWSKI  
JAY Staff Writer

Southfield High School has been an accredited school by the North Central Association since 1954, yet there has never been a formal follow-up of the recommendations made by the evaluation teams as organized or as extensive as this year's effort.

Accredited schools must pass several evaluations and open themselves up for criticism and improvements. Presently, Southfield High is in the process of "trying to implement every recommendation made," Mr. Peter Mazzara, NCA evaluation chairman, said. The evaluation is a vehicle for renewal and maintenance of quality in every school.

Twenty-five committees at Southfield have been added to prioritize their own and the visiting teams' recommendations. A full day in-service was planned to decide exactly who will be responsible

for accomplishing the decided goals. The recommendations must be approved by the school district's central administration and the school, itself.

"Because of the new approach," Mr. Mazzara said, "more people are involved and more things are getting done. (The teams) are pushing to get things done. The recommendations, for the first time, will not lay on a shelf and collect dust."

An example of a high priority recommendation for this year is the English department's attempt to formulate a writing style sheet to share throughout all departments on which a student might be required to write a paper. This would lessen a student's confusion caused by individual teacher's writing concerns. The style sheet is already in the process of developing. The goal set for review is Dec. 18.

A recommendation which has already been fulfilled is the school's new com-

puter room. The lab is in place and the new equipment is already in use.

Another committee, headed by Mr. Leo Oshinsky, is planning improvements in the student activities area. Because of the declining enrollment, the committee feels that the girls' locker room can be divided, using one half for girls' gym classes and the other as a varsity locker room for female athletes, similar to the boys' locker room.

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## SHS follows up NCA recommendations

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## Southfield Schools millage election set for Monday, Dec. 12

Monday, Dec. 12 from 7:00 am until 8:00 pm the citizens of Southfield and Lathrup Village will vote on a 22.79 mill renewal for Southfield Public Schools. The current millage expires in December 1983. The renewal is proposed for 10 years, 1984-1993.

At present Southfield Public Schools spends approximately \$4,624 on every student. The district spends over 40,000,000 dollars yearly.

"If the renewal does not pass we will be \$29,000,000 short in operational funds," Mrs. Zeldia Robinson, president of the School Board commented. "I am very confident that the renewal will pass. All students who are 18 and registered are urged to exercise their right and vote."

## Music dept. 'notes' holiday concerts

Southfield High School's music department has made numerous holiday plans, among them caroling and concerts.

The Madrigals had a preview concert on Nov. 7 in the SHS auditorium. They are continually on tour and perform at places like Northland, the Southfield Sheraton, Franklin Club and the Meyer Prentiss Home for the Aged. They provided entertainment for luncheons, dinners or evening meetings.

On Dec. 10 the Madrigals are hosting a medieval dinner, complete with period costumes and a harpsichord. "It will be ceremonious, but entertaining," Mrs. Susan Martin, director of the Madrigals said. The dinner will begin at 7:00 pm in the gym with a rustic meal of turkey drum sticks and flaming plum pudding. Reservations must be made.

Additional activities include a caroling party on Dec. 16 and on Jan. 12 all the choirs will have a choral concert at 8:00 pm in SHS auditorium.

In other music department news, the SHS orchestra held a concert with five musical numbers on Nov. 17 in the auditorium. On Dec. 6th the Eastern Michigan University orchestra came to SHS for a free concert.

The orchestra may have a concert in late February or early March and will have a spring concert on May 24.

SHS Band played for the annual Festival of Lights at the Civic Center on Dec. 5. They will also appear at the Cleary Auditorium in Windsor with the Scarlett Brigade, a drum and bugle corps, on Dec. 11. On Jan. 14 the annual Cabaret Concert will be held at SHS. □

## Local Arts Council creates grant fund

The Southfield Arts Council has created a grant/scholarship fund for the arts and set guidelines for the distribution of awards to eligible individuals and organizations at a recent meeting.

The purpose of the meeting, held at Lawrence Institute of Technology, was to encourage the development of the arts in Southfield and Lathrup Village.

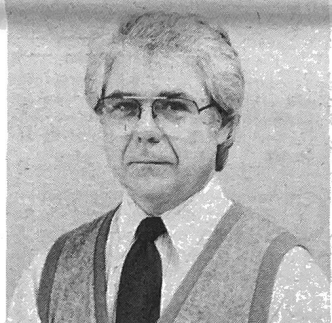
Individuals residing in these cities are qualified to compete in art, music, literature, theatre and dance divisions for scholarship prizes totaling \$4,500. Cultural and educational organizations are also eligible to receive project or operating grants.



For several weeks last month auto shop students provided a free (plus cost of materials) winterization service for local senior citizens. Here, Paul Taylor and Steve Scott check a senior's car. (Photo by Frank Jewett)

The program is being funded by proceeds received from the Festival 2001, held last May.

Interested applicants may apply for assistance by writing to the Southfield Arts Council for more information: Southfield Arts Council Grants-in-Aid/Scholarship Program, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield, MI 48076, or by contacting Southfield City Librarian Bruce Schmidt (354-9089).



Mr. Richard B. Dengate

## Mr. Dengate to serve on review committee

Social studies department chairman Mr. Richard Dengate has been appointed to serve on the Military Academy Selection Committee by Congressman Sander Levin. The committee selects students to attend West Point, Annapolis and the Merchant Marines and Air Force academies.

"This committee is composed of 12 people that represent a broad spectrum of the population and have a background in education," Mr. Dengate said.

The committee reviews the credentials for all the applicants to the service academies. Not just anyone can apply for admission to these academies.

Besides having to be 18 years old, applicants had to have been involved in extra curricular activities in high school and be in top physical condition.

"Besides showing evidence of leadership ability," Mr. Dengate said, "the average grade point of a person who applies is 3.8. Also, their average ACT score is about 27."

## SSF awards prizes for UNICEF drive

Last month the Southfield Student Forum (SSF) sponsored a UNICEF drive to help raise money for needy children. The drive was organized through second hour classrooms, and prizes were awarded to the three classes that collected the most donations.

The results of the drive are as follows: first prize of a pizza party was awarded to Mr. Richard Heimlich's class; second place, a prize of cider and doughnuts went to Mr. George Brackx's class; and third prize went to Mrs. Sarah Pullar's class. The prizes were paid for by the SSF.

There will be a dance sponsored by the SSF here at Southfield High on Dec. 17. The cost will be two dollars a ticket. "This dance will be better than homecoming," Miss Mary Markos, SSF sponsor, said.

Every year there is a talent hunt for the SMA talent shows. This year, the search will be held sometime in December. The top four acts will be eligible for talent shows at other SMA schools.

The SSF sponsored a canned food drive the week of Nov. 28. Prizes were offered to encourage students to bring as much as possible. The class prize was a pizza party. Individual prizes were also given. First prize was a camera; second prize, ten dollars; and third, five dollars.

If students have any concerns, questions or problems which you would like the SSF to consider, contact a student serving on the SSF board, or Miss Markos in room B20. □

## NSPA rates JAY 'first class'

The National Scholastic Press Association (NSPA), the organization that rates and sets standards for high school and college publications, recently bestowed a rating of "first class" to the Southfield JAY. The NSPA chose this mark after reviewing the 1982-83 editions of the JAY.

The JAY received "marks of distinction" in writing and editing, opinion and content and art and graphics. The other areas judged are coverage and content and design and advertising.

The coverage and content section was rated a "good" in the scope and balance of sources, and a "very good" mark was received in timeliness and vitality of content section. The sports pages, however, were rated as "fair" because of the lack of coverage of girls sports.

Writing and editing appears to be one of the JAY's stronger points as varied marks of "good" and "very good" were received in all but one section. The JAY did receive a mark of "excellent" for their advertising. Marks of "good" and "very good" were also given in the photography, art and graphics sections.

The 1983-84 JAY staff has studied the NSPA's report and is working to improve those areas not rated as high as the staff would like.

## Fire dept. warns of holiday hazards

With the holiday season in full swing, the Southfield Fire Department reminds residents to be aware of the fire hazards that are particular to this season.

Residents should observe the following tips during the holidays:

- Use only artificial Christmas trees that are flame retardant and labeled by a testing laboratory. Use care when choosing real trees not to select one turning brown or with needles falling off when touched . . . tell-tale signs the tree is too dry. All real tree trunks should be kept in water and checked daily for sufficient moisture.

- Use care in selecting a location for menorahs or Christmas candles. Keep them away from curtains or other flammable materials.

- Do not place trees or other holiday decorations where they block exits.

- Never use candles on a tree. Before decorating with electric lights, check wires carefully. Discard any strands with frayed wires or loose connections. Ensure lights are in proper working order before decorating the tree.

- When you leave the house or go to bed, always unplug all electrical decorations.

- Wrapping paper piles up during gift-opening. Never toss the paper into the fireplace to burn . . . it can result in a chimney fire.

## Order backlog foils robots' debut

Students around the electronics department at Southfield High have been wondering why a shipment of new computers have stayed in their boxes since their delivery early in the school year.

The computers were ordered on the "first of July," electronics teacher, Mr. Robert Younker, said. They are meant to control a set of three incoming robots ordered from three different companies. Two of the companies are located in England and have backlogs of thousands of orders, causing the delay in delivery to Southfield High. Only one robot had been delivered on Friday, Nov. 14.

An addition to the delay in deliveries, the computers are shipped by air and involved in a two week customs process, Mr. Younker said.

One robot was delivered earlier in the year, but was found not to work. It was sent back to its company and finally returned on Friday, Nov. 14.

Mr. Younker has placed calls, himself, to find out exactly when all the robots will be received and the response was that all were sent out the week of Nov. 14.

The electronics department will meanwhile have to be content waiting for the last two robots to be delivered and using the computers that the department already has, five Apple computers and three Commodore Vic 20's.

## Moltz, Carinci lead MFLA workshops

Mrs. Ruth Moltz, along with Mr. Art Carinci, of the foreign language department, attended the Michigan Foreign Language Association's 20th Annual Conference "Foreign Language Road to Excellence," held at MSU this fall.

Mrs. Moltz chaired two workshops, the first was entitled, "It Works!", a discussion of classroom-tested ideas, techniques and strategies that were presented by a panel of experienced teachers. Mr. Carinci also made a presentation on this subject. He discussed student interest and motivation in the study of foreign language.

The second workshop was entitled, "Microcomputers and the Foreign Language Classroom." Two Southfield High sophomores, Darin Gray and Steve Wilson, made presentations on this subject.

The conference was held October 27-28th.

"It was a very beneficial and stimulating experience," Mr. Carinci said. He also noted that the exchange of ideas between teachers was very worthwhile.

## Students attend Holocaust Symposium

Although the Holocaust happened over 40 years ago, it is an event in history many believe must not be forgotten. In that regard, the Fifth Annual Youth Symposium on the Holocaust took place on Dec. 7, at Metropolitan Methodist Church.

Students who attended had the chance to meet Holocaust survivors and hear their horror stories.

There were also administrators, clergy and educators helping people to better understand the Holocaust.

"It was very informative and by going to this I was able to get another

view of the Holocaust from people who actually lived through it," senior Karen Walli said, after attending the symposium last year.

The symposium is held annually. Over 600 students attended last year, including 58 from Southfield High School.



Dietta Collins

## Collins represents SHS on Board of Ed

Southfield High School senior Dietta Collins is serving as a school board representative for SHS during the 1983-84 school year.

Dietta, who served as president of the Junior Class Board last year, said she is enjoying being a school board representative. She said she wanted to know what kind of rules are being discussed and to have a say in making them. She realized when the position came around last spring, that it was what she wanted.

Dietta is required to attend all the meetings. Southfield-Lathrup's Student School Board Representative Phil Arbit, attends the meetings with her. After all meetings, she reports back to the SSF to fill them in on the latest topics.

"I really enjoy being a school board representative. I am learning so many things that I never knew about Southfield High," Dietta said.

The Southfield Board of Education meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 8:00 pm. Location of the meeting is rotated throughout the school district.

### SOUND OFF, from p. 2

"There's not really any pressure to take drugs. Everybody does what they feel is right for them." **Sherri Segal, 11**

"It can be safely said that 99 percent of this school parties, yet, I don't believe a very high percentage of these people who party have a problem with it. Most people can limit themselves and control their intake." **Anita Morabito, 12**

"Kids around here don't really care what they are doing. They think it's fun being high all the time, but it is not because they're really hurting themselves." **Joan Ralston, 11**

"No, there is only a drug problem if you make it a drug problem. It is your own choice." **David Stroughter, 12**

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Dec. 6	Ply. Salem	H	6:00
Dec. 9	Hazel Park	T	6:30
Dec. 13	Andover	H	6:15
Dec. 16	Kimball	T	6:30
Jan. 6	Berkley	T	6:30
Jan. 10	Seaholm	H	6:15
Jan. 13	Ferndale	H	6:15
Jan. 17	Highland Park	H	6:00
Jan. 20	Troy	T	6:30
Jan. 23	Flint Northwestern	H	6:00
Jan. 27	Hazel Park	H	6:15
Jan. 31	Kimball	T	6:15
Feb. 3	Andover	T	6:15
Feb. 7	Saginaw	H	6:15
Feb. 10	Berkley	H	6:15
Feb. 17	Seaholm	T	6:15
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# Local project battles teen substance abuse

By ANDY SMITH  
JAY Staff Writer

Parents and concerned citizens gathered for a local town meeting as part of the national Chemical People Project aimed to combat school age drug and alcohol abuse.

The Chemical People Project which began over a year ago with the establishment of task forces in the Pittsburgh metropolitan area went national with two public television specials and town meetings throughout the country.

The specials, hosted by First Lady Nancy Reagan, attempted to make people aware of the serious problem that exists and learn ways to fight the problem. Willie Stargel, former first baseman and World Series Most Valuable Player with the Pittsburgh Pirates, began to work with the project last year in Pittsburgh and now, a year later, there are over 120 task forces in western Pennsylvania.

Celebrities Sandy Duncan and Michael Landon also have given their time to appear on the specials and work with the project.

The goal of the Southfield/Lathrup Town Meeting which was held at Southfield-Lathrup High School on Nov. 9 was to define the local problem and help launch a task force as a part of the national project. The S/L meeting had an experienced panel from the community which consisted of Eric Coleman, of the Southfield Parent-Youth Guidance Commission; Dr. Clifford Furgision, of Providence Hospital's drug and alcohol abuse program; Dr. Beverley Geltner, associate superintendent for instruction, Southfield Public Schools; Myron Hornyak, social worker of Providence's employees' assistance program; William Kopp, intake referee for Oakland County Juvenile Court; and officer Ron Valesano of the Southfield Police Department's Youth Division.

The S/L meeting was chaired by Mrs. Peggy Frank, a Southfield parent and a member of the Oakland County Advisory Board on substance abuse who got involved because she "just wanted to serve."

Dr. Furgision began the panel discussion which followed the viewing of the second special by simply stating the fact that there is a large drug problem amongst S/L youths. He said that many students take drugs because they want "... power and approval amongst peers ..." and that the only way for a student to reject such pressure is to "become someone who is strong in himself and cannot be swayed by the group."

Mr. Coleman feels that our children are often influenced by parents habits.

"If we (as parents) smoke and drink heavily our children will follow suit," Mr. Coleman said.

Dr. Geltner stressed that there is a great amount of concern in the Southfield Public Schools about drug abuse. Programs to teach children the dangers of substance abuse at a younger age, help students involved at the high school level and an attempt to bring famed drug lecturer David Toma to Southfield for the 1984-85 school year are just a few things planned for the future.

"What we have is efficient," Dr. Geltner said referring to the schools' policies regarding drugs and alcohol (defined in section C3 of the Code of Conduct). Dr. Geltner reported that the school district has had a substance abuse program since 1972, and that numerous science and health courses in the district's curriculum address the substance abuse issue. "It is a family problem. It is a social problem," she said.

A meeting to officially establish the local task force was held on Dec. 6 at the Southfield Civil Center. Future meetings are planned.

"We would like to establish on-going programs within Southfield. It (the drug abuse problem) needs to be above ground and out in the open to be easily dealt with," Mrs. Frank said.



## Widespread drug abuse forces Southfield students to make choice

By ANDY SMITH  
JAY Staff Writer

During the high school years, students are forced to make important decisions concerning drugs and alcohol. Many students at Southfield and Southfield-Lathrup high schools have had the chance to try alcohol or marijuana with friends or at a party.

Each person confronted with an opportunity to drink, smoke or take drugs has had to make a choice. If the answer is "no", many times this can be the end to certain pressures but also the end of attending parties. If the answer is "yes", acceptance may be found in the situation, but a problem may arise if use becomes a habit.

Four million Americans between the ages of 12 and 17 use marijuana at least once a month. In the same age group, 8.6 million Americans use alcohol monthly. This translates to approximately 37 percent of our youth drinking and about 17 percent smoking pot at least once a month according to a survey by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA).

"From a national perspective, one word summarizes our drug and alcohol problem: epidemic," Dr. Carlton Turner, special assistant to the president for drug abuse policy said.

The use of drugs and alcohol is wide-spread amongst teenagers. Many teens in Southfield who get "high" or "wasted" on weekends at parties do not feel that they have a problem. A number of youths like to "experiment" and do not see anything wrong at all. According to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) a young problem drinker "uses alcohol more often (than other adolescent drinkers), in larger amounts and usually for the purpose of getting drunk. He or she is also more likely to display aggressive and destructive behavior and to drink alone." The use of alcohol and marijuana together is popular and causes a synergistic effect which is an effect greater than the total of what the drugs could produce individually.

There are also ways to realize a drug problem at home. A parent should look for withdrawal from the family, closed doors to rooms, new friends, burn holes

in clothes and eye drops or Visine (to take away the redness in eyes that comes from being "drunk" or "high") as clues to a child's drug use.

While some students do not see any problems in their use, others see the problems, but continue to use anyways.

"I'm always tired and it (marijuana) slows me down," one SHS student said. "But I'll party (get high) again."

"Every day this summer I went to work high," another SHS student said.

"If you didn't get drunk, it wasn't a successful weekend," a third student said.

There are many approaches to the problems that youths face concerning drug abuse. First Lady Nancy Reagan, host of the Chemical People specials feels that staying away from drugs is the only way.

"You have one life and you want to face that life with a clear head and mind so you can enjoy fully the pleasures of it and face the challenges of it," Mrs. Reagan said.

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# Prescription drugs become innocent victim of public

By PAMELA MILLER  
JAY Staff Writer

Prescription drugs in America are closely rivaling illegal substances in the arena of mass abuse. The picture that comes to mind when one thinks of a drug abuser is that of a dirty, poorly dressed person with glassy eyes and needle marks on their arms. The corporate executive, the housewife and, until recently, the athlete never fit the description despite rumors to the contrary. As the 1970's progressed and people became more self-oriented, the prescriptions for major and minor tranquilizers grew, as did those for pain pills (percodan; talwin) and codeine. And those who did abuse these substances escaped recognition, only partly due to their station in life.

According to the Detroit News, barbituate abusers are "persons who use the sedative effect to deal with emotional stresses, sometimes carried to the degree of almost total oblivion and semipermanent stupor. This is most common in adults."

Many people are given tranquilizers to help them overcome intense anxiety and is a regularly prescribed relief substance for mental patients, especially those overcoming nervous breakdowns. It can be used for temporary relief, or it can become a permanent dependency. Tolerance increases easily. However, the amount necessary for a lethal dose remains constant. Patients who have had a large amount of emotional turmoil can not always be responsible for their own actions, especially when dealing with the one thing that could possibly blot away all the pain. Most barbituates are psychologically and physically addictive.

On the opposite end of the spectrum lies the amphetamine. Its usage is most commonly linked with appetite suppression, though it also can relieve minor depression as it increases energy by stimulating the central nervous system. One can rapidly become psychologically addicted though there is no evidence of a true physical addiction.

The genuine taboo subject is the prescription of narcotics. An overdose of percodan can leave the person with a coma, cardiac arrest and other serious ailments, not to mention death. When death does occur the question always remains of who was guilty, the doctor or the patient.

The methods of obtaining the substances can be clever, but, more often than not, are very easy. The Beatles wrote an ode about a "Doctor Robert" who in actuality was a licensed New York physician. His claim to fame was the fact that he had no qualms about the amount of prescriptions he wrote. This practice, doctors writing prescriptions for friends and profit is not as wide-spread as one can imagine. The threat of losing their medical license and lawsuits looms heavily. A doctor might, though, write a prescription for a mother-in-law without worry or an examination.

If there are no doctor relatives handy, the double doctor stunt usually takes place. A person will go to several physicians with the same ailments. If a medicine is prescribed, the patient will take the separate prescriptions to different pharmacies. The patient invariably never mentions the other doctors during an examination. This method can also be used when obtaining a barbituate from one doctor and a sedative from another. "The prescriptions go to the unknowing pharmacists and the only guilty person is the patient," a Southfield dentist said.

Of all abused prescription drugs valium has the greatest aura built up around it, only partially the doing of the media. In the 1960's the Rolling Stones wrote of a little yellow pill that helped a weary mother get through her day (a five milligram tablet of valium is yellow). Even today the drug is being sung about and in the same light. It is a barbituate, but it also can aid the treatment of alcohol withdrawal, tremors and skeletal muscle spasm. However, as printed in the *Physician's Desk Reference* "valium is not of value in the treatment of psychotic patients and should not be employed in lieu of appropriate

treatment." The opposite must be the opinion of several doctors, if one took note of their presumed actions, though this claim cannot be justified.

The pharmacies in and around the Detroit area have taken some of the responsibility to avoid giving out prescriptions of drugs with a track record of abuse. Stickers are now being placed on bottles with instructions that a doctor might have forgotten to mention. And the newest addition will be a computer terminal that will have a complete record of the patient's drug history. Of course, if someone frequents several pharmacies, their efforts will be in vain, but it is a step in the right direction.

People look to doctors in hope of miracle cures. But doctors are not always "angels of mercy." For proof that these charges are indeed true in certain circumstances, all one would need do is take a look at the number of prescriptions given to Elvis Presley by his "friend," Dr. George Nichopoulos. It took eight full-sized legal pages to list the thousands of drugs including amylal, biphetamine, demerol, dexamyol, parest, qualude and valium that Dr. Nichopoulos prescribed.

## Psychologist reaches out when 'growing gets tough'

**Editor's Note:** In a recent program for Southfield students and their parents, Dr. Gail Parker explored teenage stress as an additional factor concerning substance abuse.

By MICHELLE BURDOWSKI  
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A parent's key to communicating with their teenagers is "straight talk," Dr. Gail Parker said, a licensed psychologist with ten years' clinical practice.

Dr. Parker is co-founder and associate director of the Center for Contemporary Psychology in Birmingham and also appears regularly on WXYZ-Radio and WXYZ-TV. She discussed techniques for helping teens adjust in a program entitled, "When the Growing Gets Tough" at Southfield High last month that followed up a report on teenage stress slated for WXYZ-TV's 6 pm news.

Students and their parents were invited to realize the stress teens deal with on a daily basis. Childhood and adolescence are still viewed as unpressured, stressless stages, yet a closer look at the rising rate of teenage suicides, alcoholism and depressive mental illnesses should dispel this illusion.

"Teens, today," Dr. Parker said, "are future oriented. Even the students not planning on going into college are worried about whether or not there (will be) a job out there somewhere for them." They need assurance that it is okay to make mistakes. "Parents need to put themselves into (their teens') place and give them a little bit more freedom."

By the age of 16 and 17, teens are hopefully no longer centrally concerned about their appearance and popularity, but rather, about doing well in school, about getting into a good college, and especially, about leaving home. Teens will need to leave home successfully and the goal for "the end of high school is to have established a sense of independence," Dr. Parker said.

Dr. Parker answered parents' questions about their sons' or daughters' rebellion, during the program. She feels that "every crisis is an opportunity for learning or teaching."

When a student, especially a high school senior, "suddenly" fails classes a statement is being made about his or her feelings. The student can be saying that he or she "is frightened about leaving home and going out into the 'real world,'" Dr. Parker said.

The doctor is against grounding as a means of punishment. She feels that parents need to set limits to ensure their children's safety and a child must pay the price if he or she does not follow through. Realistic disciplining is necessary.

Many parents worry about drug abuse and Dr. Parker points out that "kids who abuse drugs are depressed. . . they deal with pain by avoiding it or masking it with other substances — alcohol, drugs. . . they're saying 'it's too scary to grow up. We don't have any support. It hurts too bad'."

Parents need to come straight out and say, "I want to help and I'll be here whenever you need me." Parents need to give their children options and give them what it is the child needs.

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# Holiday sounds to rock your stockings

By **SCOTT GREENBERG**  
JAY Staff Writer

'Tis the season to be jolly. 'Tis also the season for K-tel, Ronco, Popeils and other merchandisers to compete for one's dollar during the Christmas rush. Always leading the merchandising pack is the recording industry.

Aside from the traditional Christmas albums (Bing Crosby, et. al.) and a few 1983 classics, such as Michael Jackson's "Thriller", The Police's "Synchronicity" and Def Leppard's "Pyromania", most albums bought for gifts will be ones that have been in the stores since only September or October.

These releases include the first studio album from Genesis since 1981's "Abacab", entitled simply "Genesis", the first album by Kiss without their makeup ("Lick It Up"), a new one by Cheap Trick ("Next Position Please"), which looks like their first hit since 1980, the follow-up to Aldo Nova's smash debut of 1982 ("Subject"), the second lp from the DeBarge family of Saginaw and a warmly greeted new piece of wax from another Motor City fave, the Romantics ("In Heat"), which is already heating up the radio in time for Christmas.

A select few albums released in late October and early November were by some of the biggest names in the business. Paul McCartney, the 40-year-old "boy genius" from Liverpool, revealed to the world "Pipes of Peace," which features yet another top of the charts duet with Michael Jackson ("Say Say Say").

Bob Dylan shocked the musical world by releasing his first non-religious studio album in five years (the last time was "Street Legal" in 1978) and most exciting as always was the premiere of the brand new one by the ageless Rolling Stones ("Undercover"), featuring some of the best performances of bassist Bill Wyman and drummer Charlie Watts ever, not to mention the dynamic presence of Mick Jagger, Keith Richards and Ron Wood. The Stones' new lp is also their last one for Atlantic Records. The next is for CBS.

For the jazz aficionado, there are brand new sets out by keyboardist Bob James, who composed and performed the theme song for the television show "Taxi", vocalist Michael Franks; guitarist Al Di Meola, formerly of Return to Forever; and former Frank Zappa sideman, violinist Jean-Luc Ponty.

Without a doubt, the most visible albums in the stores will be the live sets and greatest hits packages.

RCA Records has already shelled out big bucks to promote two of their greatest hits lps. Daryl Hall and John Oates' "Rock and Soul Part I," which including two new songs, "Say It Isn't So" and "Adult Education" (the former is already on M TV) is getting a big push from the people at RCA. This is probably because they have had, since 1981, 12 hits on the Billboard charts, nine of them reaching the top ten and four of them hitting number one.

The other album that RCA is promoting heavily is "Dolly Parton's Greatest Hits." Though not as successful on the charts as Hall and Oates, she has however, a great amount of appeal to the older crowd and that makes her a star in her own right. Other greatest hits



albums were released in time for Christmas listening by Roxy Music, Barry Manilow and Kenny Rogers, whose last greatest hits album was number one three Christmases ago.

As far as live albums go, Pat Benatar's "Live From Earth", which showcases Ms. Benatar at her best in concert as well as two brand new songs, "Love Is A Battlefield" and "Lipstick Lies", looks very promising. Others who will have live albums out in time for the holidays are Styx, who recorded most of the material on the "Kilroy Was Here" tour and Sammy Hagar, who shared a

concert stage with Styx earlier this year.

Finally what goes better with the Christmas time movie releases than soundtracks. Many of the movies will soon be out, but some of the soundtracks that are out right now are making waves. These include "The Big Chill", containing many Motown classics, "Eddie and the Cruisers", featuring a band that sounds so much like Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band, that it's scary; and "All The Right Moves", featuring brand new songs by Jennifer Warnes, Chris Thomson and Junior."

All in all, this should make for a very melodic holiday season.

## Quirky gifts for unusual tastes

By **PAMELA MILLER**  
JAY Staff Writer

In this age of automation, holiday gifts tend to look as if they came off an assembly line to become part of everyone's world. Luckily there are several stores and mail-order services that sell the bizarre to the unusual for those who don't want to be swallowed up in a world of averages.

The fact remains that the average gift is boring and will eventually be thrown away unless it truly surprises the receiver. The rule for creative shopping seems to be avoid any major department stores that claim they can be your one-stop shopping place. Their selections tend to be "typical."

Something as ordinary as a calendar can be changed into a special gift. Maximus and Co. Booksellers in Birmingham, which also has some of the most original stock in book-related items in general, has a George Orwell inspired calendar with dates of destructions yet to come and excerpts from his "1984." The Book Beat in Oak Park and The Mayflower Bookshop in Royal Oak also have unusual stock, the latter specializing in occult related items.

Every music collector knows that there is more than singles and albums. At Sam's Jams in Ferndale you can find a selection of picture discs, talk records, import releases and colored vinyl. They also have hard to find used records. Instead of the standard album, a vinyl junkie would rather have a copy of an album with the cover superimposed on the record. Marty's Records in Birmingham and the Record Outlet in Farmington Hills also specialize in the obscure.

It's the Ritz in Birmingham and Tobacco Road in Southfield deal with items involved in most underground cultural fads. Many of the clothes you can find in these stores have already made their

European debut and just now are finding their way across the Atlantic. You can find bright orange nylon hiking boots and skull and crossbone earrings at these places that would never ever appear in the major department stores.

For those who would rather do their shopping at home, there are hundreds of mail order catalog companies. Johnson-Smith, C-6323, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043 has the world's largest selection of novelty items in the world. Most of their items are under \$10, but some of the items look as if they came out of a gum ball machine. For the richer gift buyer there is Hammacher Schlemmer, 147 East 57th St., New York, NY 10022. They claim they only stock items that are "those things that are the only ones that do what they do; those that are, without qualification, the best of their kind; and, . . . those that are personal favorites." They have, for \$47.50 an electric kitty litterbox and a personal golf computer for a mere \$79.00. The selection is substantial and diverse.

There are also very specialized catalogs. Hawaiian Memories, Box 7161, Honolulu, Hawaii 96821 has Hawaiian souvenirs as their only offering. TK Graphics, Dept. "R", Box 1951, Baltimore, MD 21203 main thoroughfare is that which is related to science fiction, specifically unicorn, dragon and wizard buttons and stickers.

But for those who would just assume go to only one store, Cargo Hold and Orthogonality, both in Birmingham, have a reputation for stocking the slightly unusual. Cargo Hold has ceramic hands that are actually towel racks or toothbrush holders. Orthogonality has the new line of Guindon (the comic strip that made carp a household name) tee and sweat shirts. And if your really in doubt of what to buy, for \$11.50 you can give a box of fresh California garlic. Now that's a gift that won't be soon forgotten.



Larry Stern



Mike Roskind

## WSHJ lures S-L students

By SCOTT GREENBERG  
JAY Staff Writer

**Editor's Note:** In October's FM 88 Update it was mentioned that two of the stations directors are from Southfield-Lathrup High School. This issue the JAY takes a look at those two, Larry Stern and Mike Roskind.

Music Director Larry Stern, a senior at Southfield-Lathrup High School, had hard time getting on staff at WSHJ. He formerly lived in Oak Park and was going to try to get on staff at WOPR until he moved to Southfield. Stern expressed a definite interest in radio to Mr. Hugh Fagan, who teaches a television class at S-L, and Principal Mr. James Smythe, who was scheduling Stern at the time. Fagan referred Stern to Mr. Arthur Voisin and he inquired about getting on staff.

Perseverance paid off, for in January of last year Stern finally got on staff. "I like it," Stern said of his first impression. "The moment I got there, I made friends and started talking about mutual interests."

Stern's hard work and devotion to the station brought him an unexpected accolade last spring when he was named as Music Director for the year 1983-84. Stern, who applied for the directorship and had no idea he'd get it, had only two words to say about the promotion, "all right!!!"

Stern's favorite aspect of working at the station is getting to cart up (record) records that come in for on-air use, which also means listening to a lot of music. "I'm a music lover and that's the best part," Stern said.

"I'd like to get as many songs in

rotation as possible and keep our sound current," Stern said of what he wants to accomplish this year at WSHJ.

Besides being an S-L senior who had a tough time getting on staff, News Director Mike Roskind has one other thing in common with Stern, he didn't expect to get his directorship either.

"I was thoroughly surprised," Roskind said. "The morning after the director changes were made I looked at the new sheet to see who some of the new directors were. When I saw my name I thought it was a misprint or a joke."

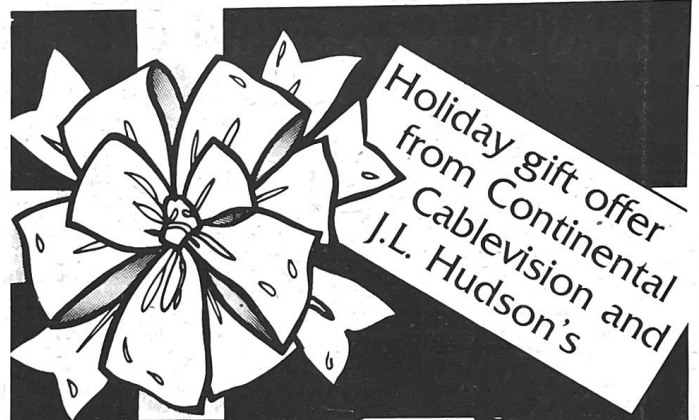
It was no joke, but getting on staff was no laughing matter for Roskind. "I had to go through a lot of interschool scheduling and a lot of busing hassles, but looking back on all of it, it was worthwhile," Roskind said.

Roskind first found out about the station from his good friend and current Program Director Adam Slonim. "I've been interested in music," Roskind said, "so when I heard about the possibility of being a DJ at WSHJ, I was intrigued."

Roskind's first encounter with WSHJ was intriguing as the aforementioned possibility. "I was amazed. I saw kids doing the work of adults and doing it well."

As far as a future in radio, Roskind thinks there's a distinct possibility, but is not sure. Right now, he is looking to get into some technology related field or medicine.

"I'd like to leave the station," said, "with the best news department it's ever had. I'd also like to take with me the skill I learned that could get me a good job in radio."



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## Anorexia/Bulimia: Some hard facts about these eating disorders

By LIZ PLOTKE  
JAY Staff Writer

Cathy was always considered the "perfect" child. She was pretty, popular and well behaved. She always received straight A's on her report cards and boys were always calling her up and asking her out.

No one would have ever guessed that anything was "imperfect" in Cathy's life.

Her parents were always fighting over things that weren't perfect. . . the financial problems, Cathy's older, trouble-making sister and they constantly complained about how miserable one made the other.

They were too busy with these problems to notice that Cathy never accepted dates. They never noticed that Cathy forced herself to vomit after meals. They never noticed that this 5'2" teen who had once weighed 100 pounds had shrunk down to 68 pounds. Her parents were too busy with all their other problems to notice that anything was wrong with "perfect" Cathy.

One evening Cathy's parents came home to find her passed out on the bathroom floor. She was immediately taken to the hospital, but it was too late. At the age of 16 "perfect" Cathy died of a disease called anorexia nervosa.

Anorexia nervosa is a serious life threatening eating disorder. It is deliberate self-starvation that causes much physical as well as mental turmoil.

The anorectic victim, usually views herself as obese and will usually suffer the loss of 20-25 percent of their total weight. If an anorectic does eat, which is seldom, they will generally force themselves to vomit and then exercise in excessive amounts. Most of the time the victim will completely ignore their hunger because of their determination to lose weight.

Researchers note that the spread of anorexia is rapid, showing itself mainly in adolescents and young adults. Some believe that more than half a million, 95 percent of them women, are anorectic. The numbers can be counted as even higher with the inclusion of a related eating disorder called bulimia.

Bulimia can be characterized as "binge" eating. The bulimic victim is generally of average weight or a little above. These victims go on secret food binges and will eat large amounts of "forbidden" high caloric food for a brief period of time. Frequently following these binges, the bulimic individual will try and counteract the binge by various weight control methods. The most commonly used are self-induced vomiting and the taking of diuretics and laxatives. The victim may exercise for a short period of time but will generally feel depressed and guilty because they realize that they are hurting their bodies.

One cause of the spreading starving disease epidemic is the pressure from society for women to be thin. Experts believe that the idea of "thin is in" is having an increasingly growing impact on the nation at large.

Another major cause of the disease is family problems. Teens who feel that their families are falling apart may feel as if they have no control over what is happening in their lives and controlling

their weight is one thing that only they can control.

One teen from Southfield High said, "I would have horrible fights with my parents and I would get very frustrated. The only way to get rid of some of the frustration was to throw up."

Anorexia and bulimia can be helped with the combination of medical



treatment and psychotherapy for the parent as well as counseling for family members. Anorexia should be taken quite seriously because it can prove fatal.

Studies show that ten to 15 percent of the victims die. Whatever the actual number, victims of anorexia nervosa can die of heart failure, infections, irreversible hypoglycemia and simple starvation. It is prompt and competent help that can help save the anorectic's life.

### Symptoms of Anorexia Nervosa

1. 20 percent to 25 percent body weight loss.
2. Lack of menstrual periods
3. Hyperactivity
4. Distorted body image
5. Food binges followed by fasting, vomiting, or using laxatives.
6. Excessive constipation.
7. Loss of hair (head)
8. Depression
9. Growth of fine body hair.
10. Intolerance to cold temperatures.

### Symptoms of Bulimia

1. Inconspicuous binge eating
2. Menstrual irregularities
3. Swollen glands
4. Frequent significant weight fluctuations due to alternating binges and fasts.
5. Fear of inability to stop eating voluntarily.

The following organizations provide literature on anorexia and bulimia. They can also provide a list of therapists and self-help groups:

Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders, Box 271, Highland Park, Ill 60035 (312) 831-3438. Office hours are 9 am-5 pm Monday-Friday.

National Anorectic Aid Society, P.O. Box 29461, Columbus, Ohio 43229. (614) 846-6810. Office hours are 8:30 am-10 pm. Monday-Thursday, and 8:30 am-5 pm Friday. [3]

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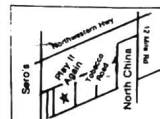
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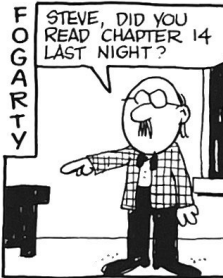
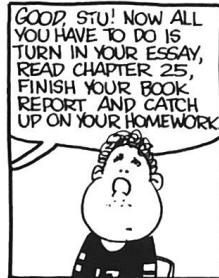
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## 1983: The year of MTV

By SCOTT GREENBERG

Musically, 1983 was a year of many trends. Styles such as reggae, "new music", synthesized music and others enjoyed chart success, but through it all, one thing remained evident. 1983 was the year of MTV.

Though MTV started in 1981, as a 24 hour a day outlet for the promotional videos that bands frequently make, it wasn't until this year that it caught fire. Many of the aforementioned were brought to attention by the videos played on MTV.

In fact, if there were no MTV, the chances of songs such as Thomas Dolby's "She Blinded Me With Science", Eddy Grant's "Electric Avenue" and Duran Duran's "Hungry Like the Wolf" becoming hits would be very slim. Before MTV, artists like these would rarely get airplay and thus, suffered from poor record sales. MTV allows the lesser known bands to be seen along with the tried and true favorites.

The one band that has used its video potential to the maximum in 1983 could be dubbed "the first MTV band." That is, of course, Duran Duran.

When Duran Duran released their debut album in 1981, it went nowhere fast, as did their second, "Rio" and the EP, "Carnaval." After a tour during the summer of 1982 w/Blondie, they had gained recognition, but not enough. MTV changed all of this. By the end of 1982, the boys had a small, but devout following in the United States (unlike their great following in Britain) because of the videos for two songs from 1982's "Rio" ("Hungry Like the Wolf" and the title track) both featuring exotic locations and fantasy-like situations.

By the beginning of the year, "Hungry Like the Wolf" was headed for the top five. Duran Duran finally hit the big time in the US. All of the interest in them brought a re-release of their first album, which on the second time around contained a brand-new top ten hit, "Is There Something I Should Know." Leading up to this was a second hit ("Rio") and a new

video ("Save A Prayer") both from "Rio." The video for "Is There Something I Should Know" premiered in the spring and this evidenced that Duran Duran was here to stay.

The question is for how long? Are they another flash in the pan or is this long term success? According to the sound of their brand new song, "Union of the Snake" and the looks of the video, it's safe to say that they will be here awhile, or at least have a spot in rock and roll history.

But, Duran Duran isn't the only band who was saved by video. The Fixx, A Flock of Seagulls, Stray Cats, Culture Club, Naked Eyes and countless others can thank MTV for helping them gain acceptance on the US pop charts.

New artists aren't the only ones who utilize this state of the media. In fact, some of the best videos around are by established artists. One that automatically comes to mind is Billy Joel's recreation of the Ed Sullivan Show (with the help of Rodney Dangerfield) in his presentation of "Tell Her About It." Joel continued his use of famous people in his latest video, "Uptown Girl," which has Joel, as a mechanic, trying to win the heart of model Christie Brinkley.

In addition to the videos, MTV has the finest coverage of music news, as well as programs like the Saturday Night Concert, "Liner Notes," "Fast Forward," "Freeze Frame," "The Basement Tapes," "The Guest VJ Hour" and "The Cutting Edge."

MTV has also sponsored some of the most exciting contests ever. The prizes have included seeing Asia in Asia, being in a video with Loverboy, taking 35 friends in a jet to see the Police and a "one-night stand" with the Rolling Stones.

The big question is — Has "Video Killed The Radio Star"? It'll be a while before it's found out, but in the meantime, sit back, relax and watch some videos, it can be fun.

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukkah, Happy New Year and let's hope 1984 will be a killer year for music.

# December Horoscope

**SAGITTARIUS**  
(Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)  
Two heads often are better than one! Discuss your problems, large or small, with a trusted friend. Often a solution can be quickly found without exerting great effort.

**CAPRICORN**  
(Dec. 22 to Jan. 20)  
Don't be obsessed with achieving perfection. There is much more to life than worrying about the impossible. Appreciate your positive qualities.

**AQUARIUS**  
(Jan. 21 to Feb. 19)  
Being a nice guy can backfire! Be considerate of others but not to the extent that they take advantage of your kindness. Use more prudence in your judgment.

**PISCES**  
(Feb. 20 to March 20)  
Sidestep approaching trouble! Too often there are no winners in heated arguments. Maintain more emotional control.

**ARIES**  
(March 21 to April 19)  
Stop worrying about future events over which you have no control. Use common sense and rational thinking before making decisions, large or small.

**TAURUS**  
(April 20 to May 20)  
Evaluate your life style and achievements to date. Are you satisfied with your accomplishments? If not, make changes immediately.

**GEMINI**  
(May 21 to June 21)  
Improve your grades by eliminating distractions while studying. Look for a quiet place to concentrate on your work.

**CANCER**  
(June 22 to July 21)  
Be wary of those who are envious of you. Jealousy knows no logic.

**LEO**  
(July 22 to Aug. 21)  
Take the initiative! With your leadership much can be accomplished. Others will follow your lead once they realize that you have control over the situation.

**VIRGO**  
(Aug. 22 to Sept. 22)  
Be wary of insincere overtures by unscrupulous peers. Rely more on your established friends.

**LIBRA**  
(Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)  
Look at yourself objectively in the mirror. If you are not satisfied, consider what can be done and do it!

**SCORPIO**  
(Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)  
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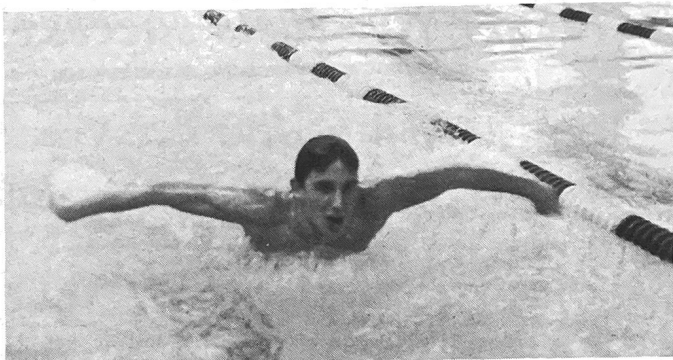
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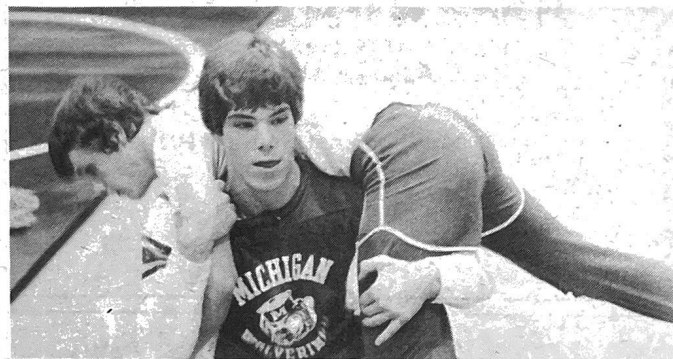


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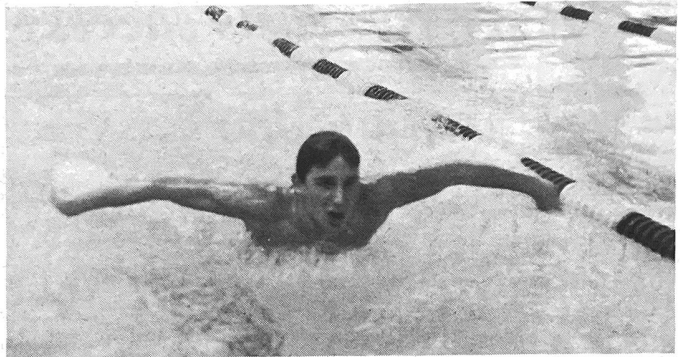
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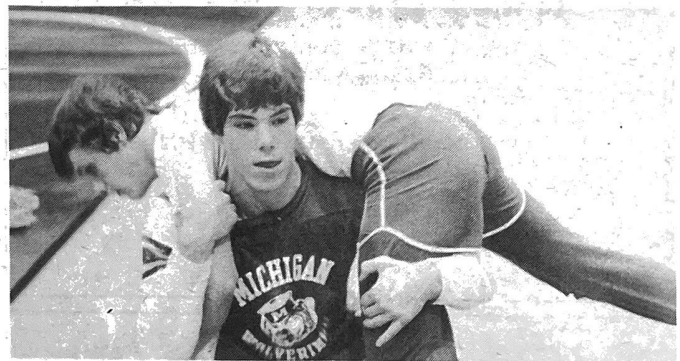


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## Jimmy's Jive

by Jimmy Heuer

No one asked me but . . .

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. . . if you don't have anything to do at 5:30 am, you could always train with Mr. Bob Harding and the Men's Swimming Team.

. . . with the cold weather approaching, this year's crop of varsity jackets will somehow find their way into the hallways of SHS. Some nicknames already gracing the back of vj's are: "The Enforcer," "Captain Crunch," "Time

Bandit" and "M-Nice." Keep your eyes peeled for more clever nicknames.

. . . the hockey players must be crazy. They skate around on a thin sheet of ice in sub-freezing weather and shoot a hunk of rubber at a net. At least, they beat Lathrup three times last year.

. . . maybe Brian Langer will follow in his brother Larry's footsteps and become an All-SMA wrestler as well.

. . . my prediction is, the girls volleyball teams will do better than they did last year. (They can't get worse.) The combined, Varsity and JV record was 1-20.

. . . any Blue Jay basketball opponent attempting to get a rebound or score inside the key will *definitely* have trouble. With the likes of Charley Hart, Lorenzo McCaskill, Ronnie Austin and Tyrone Green patrolling around the hoop, Mt. Rushmore would have trouble getting a rebound.

. . . to keep in tune with the theme of this month's paper, the Athletic Code says that any student-athlete caught consuming any alcoholic beverage or any foreign substance will be immediately

terminated from the sports team which they are competing on.

. . . while we are on the subject of the Athletic Code, some students will not have trouble meeting the requirement of passing at least five classes to remain eligible; Bill Salo, Alan Ferber, Brian Langer and George Franklin Francis IV are all currently enrolled in the IB program.

. . . if the wrestling team took driving lessons over the off-season, they will be more successful in the upcoming campaign. On a way to a tournament, a van, owned by coach Cal Fletcher, and driven by some wrestlers, was hit by another car. There were some injuries but all have recovered and are ready to grapple to another successful season.

. . . the next Antoine Joubert should

come from Chadsey High School in the form of Demetreus Gore. Demetreus is one of the top 25 players in the nation, according to Street and Smith basketball magazine. He should get some competition, for the state's top billing, from Highland Park's Glenn Blackwell.

. . . we have all heard of the big three, football, basketball and baseball. I guess Erik Enyedy and Lorie Silverman play the little three. Erik competing in soccer, swimming and track, while Lorie plays basketball, volleyball and softball.

. . . it's time to wish all the winter sports teams good luck.

. . . I hope they find more room for the Blue Jay Hall of Fame because eventually, with the abundance of successful athletes, all the hallways in House O will be filled with smiling Blue Jays. □

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Returning team leaders Jim Muszynski, John Galuardi and Ken Chaput. (Photo by Frank Jewett)

## Icers' goal: Winning season

By BOB ELLIS  
JAY Staff Writer

The Southfield High Hockey Team is now ready for the upcoming 1983-84 season. This season, which runs from the middle of December through mid-March, is looking to be one of Southfield's best.

The 1983-84 squad, which was drafted last month, consists of many new players. Captains Ken Chaput, John Galuardi and Doug Olree head the starting line which includes Jim Muszynski and Tom Bucknell. Brian Paul, Frank Pedwaydon and Matt Hatz are returning from last year, along with goaltenders Sean Rose and Eric Sedler. The new players, including two freshmen, are Erin Porter, Kevin Galin, Rich Frescura and Tom Rankin.

The upcoming season which starts soon looks very promising. After practicing daily, and scrimmaging against Southfield-Lathrup, coach John MacFarland is pleased with the way his team is skating and handling the puck.

SHS is currently ranked eighth in the state. Their goal is to raise that rank. By the end of the season they hope to be near the top. SHS is also the preseason pick to win the Suburban Prep Hockey League.

"Right now it is hard to say how good we will really be," Chaput said. "The first few games should give a good indication on how we will finish," Chaput added.

"I'm looking forward to a better season," Muszynski said. "I hope we get a larger turnout at our games," he added. □



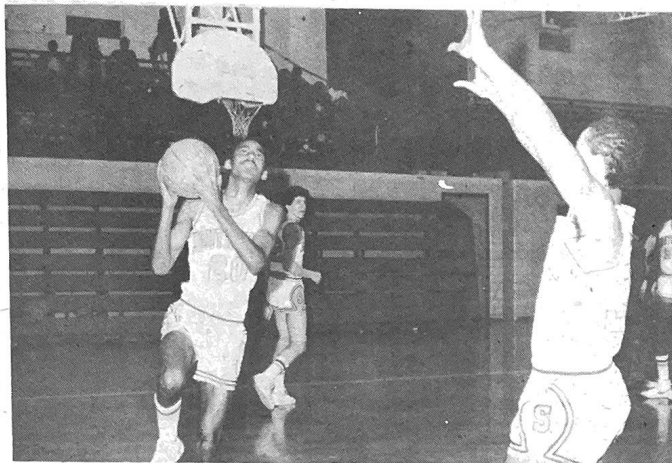
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Mill Harrison makes a shot during basketball practice with Jim Heuer and Ron Austin. (Photo by Frank Jewett)

## 'SHS in top 10' — Sliwka

By STEVEN STIMSON  
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**T**his is the season to be jolly. Yes, its that time of year when basketball is here. Another potentially good season is ahead for the varsity team.

"This year we have the potential to be as good if not better than our teams in the last two years," coach Greg Sliwka said.

The teams in the past two years have advanced to the State Semi-Finals in East Lansing. Mr. Sliwka feels that SHS probably has the largest team in the State of Michigan, size wise.

A tough schedule could help the Jays prepare for this year's post-season play. On Tuesday, Jan. 27, the Jays will host Flint Northwestern, ranked number one in the state and number four in the nation.

"We could go anywhere from a 14-6 season to 20-0 season," Mr. Sliwka stated. "An SMA championship is a strong possibility, but Berkley could give us some trouble," he said.

Blue Jay fans will be happy to note that all of the non-league games, besides Southfield-Lathrup, are at home. Highland Park, Saginaw, Willow Run and Plymouth-Salem lead the list with tough games. Last year the Jays won close games with Highland Park and Willow Run, but lost to Saginaw.

As for rating teams in the state, Mr. Sliwka ranks: Flint Northwestern, first; Benton Harbor, second; Lansing Eastern,

third and Detroit Chadsey and Detroit Southwestern tied for fourth. Mr. Sliwka noted however, "Southfield High is definitely in the top ten."

**A**s for players, "Glynn Blackwell is absolutely the best player in the state. Demetreus Gore would probably be second," Mr. Sliwka said. Blackwell plays for Highland Park, while Gore plays for Detroit Chadsey. "The Bond Brothers from Willow Run are good players," Mr. Sliwka stated, "but they don't see the competition that the other two do."

This year the games might not have the excitement of last year's after losing "All-American" Mike McCaskill. "Southfield High doesn't know how much they will miss him," Mr. Sliwka said. Even after losing three of last year's starters Mr. Sliwka is not worried. "Look at the team two years ago. We lost four starters and a few substitutes, but came back last year and went to the Semi-Finals again," Mr. Sliwka stated.

Many SHS fans have wondered about when Southfield will "break the bill" — a 100 point game. "It would be nice to get, but it is not one of our higher priorities. I do however, try not to embarrass students. That's a bad policy," Mr. Sliwka stated. "I have been accused in the past about pouring on the points."

"This year could be very exciting especially the non-league games," Athletics Director Fred Goldberg said: ☐

## Spikers head for improvement

By JIMMY HEUER  
JAY Sports Editor

**T**here is at least one team at Southfield High which will have a better record than they did last year, girls volleyball.

Last year's varsity spikers captured one win in 12 games, while the JV was beaten everytime they took the floor.

This year should be different though, with an abundance of experienced players returning, the team looks to double, triple or even quadruple the win total from last season.

"Last year there were people, myself for example, who had never played volleyball," sophomore Debbie Watson said.

The leaders (and captains of the team) are: Janet Pedwaydon, Nancy Caulley, Becky Shafner and Kelly Poole, all who have had at least two years of varsity experience. "We really look up to those guys (the captains)," Diedra Watkins said. "They can really help us younger players," she adds.

The team, with a majority of the players either sophomores or juniors, looks to the future with a smiling face. "We really have fun at practice and during games, and many people decide to play more than one year, which is unusual for girls sports," Watson adds.

The spikers have one of the easiest tasks this year. They should surpass their win total of last year in no time. ☐



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## Students get 'close' to government

By CAROLE GARVIN  
JAY Staff Writer

**C**LOSE UP, an intensive, one-week study program is seeking student participants for the annual seminar in Washington, D.C. The program will be held March 4-10, 1984.

Interested students should contact social studies department chairman Mr. Richard Dengate, the SHS CLOSEUP coordinator this year.

"This is not a vacation. This is a very intensive and exhausting working trip," Mr. Dengate said.

According to the CLOSEUP Resource Book, in the course of the week curricular activities, such as the following, will be taking place:

**WORKSHOPS** — In daily small group discussion sessions, CLOSEUP staff instructors work with the students to analyze the events of the day.

**SEMINARS** — Twelve to 15 seminars of 30 to 60 minutes in duration will feature guest speakers and will end with question-and-answer periods."

**STUDY TOURS** — Conducted by CLOSEUP staff instructors, tours will cover the city of Washington, D.C., various historical sites and key political institutions.

**TOPICAL SEMINARS** — Also conducted by CLOSEUP staff instructors, these seminars cover important issues and topics."

**BRIEFINGS** — Prior to the seminars, staff instructors will provide the students with background information on various topics.

**INDEPENDENT EXPLORATIONS** — Self-directed explorations are usually scheduled during Capitol Hill day and on Friday afternoon from noon to 5:00 pm.

Mr. Dengate hopes that what students gain from this week will be "a deeper, clearer understanding of how the federal government works."

**T**his is the third year that both SHS and Southfield-Lathrup High School have participated in this program.

The cost of the trip, which includes round-trip group transportation, lodging, meals and much more will be \$685.

Also, the school system will contribute a few hundred dollars and divide it up between the students.

Students who are either juniors or seniors may sign up before the Jan. 12 deadline.



Workmen conclude construction on the new Lahser Road bridge south of SHS. (Photo by Brian Dubanik)

## Lahser bridge construction concludes

By JOANNE SPALLETTA  
JAY Staff Writer

**T**he bridge on Lahser Rd. between Nine and Ten Mile roads has been widened from two to four lanes to allow for a freer flow of traffic. Construction was scheduled to be finished by the end of November.

The bridge, which is over Tamarack Drain, has undergone construction since April 15. Because the fire station is so close and the weight allowance for

trucks on the bridge was less than the allowance for the road, the bridge was replaced and widened. The finished bridge will have four lanes for now, but there is room for five lanes if necessary.

The bridge, designed to withstand the worst storm from the past 100 years, will be completed once a finishing top coat is put over it. The actual bridge is 72 feet long, and the construction area was 500 feet.

Problems were encountered during construction. Leaks developed in

various places and the water level in the drain rose last spring, delaying work for a few days.

Ninety percent of the funding for this bridge comes from the government or federal aid. The reconstruction of the bridge is budgeted at \$558,605. Toebe Construction Company was awarded the bridge construction contract after submitting the lowest bid to the Oakland County Road Commission which is overseeing the project.

## Take a tour of infinity. . . anything goes

**J**ust this past week, a friend of mine began his search for infinity. As he began to delve into this subject, my brain started working on this problem. My solution is as follows:

Infinity is a magical place, where anything and everything is possible and probable. Things thought impossible in the normal world are frequent happenings in infinity.

Time is constant in infinity. Everything is now, and hours, minutes, and seconds are nonexistent. Direction of things is also nonexistent. Up is down, down is up and everything is relative.

In the world we know, third dimensional objects cast two dimensional shadows. In infinity four dimensional objects exist next to three, two and



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by Amy Goldstein

one dimensional things. And anything can cast any type of shadow, or none at all.

**O**bjects can melt into each other, or appear where there was nothing before. One second there is air, the next, an automobile. And things change from one form to another, faster than a chameleon can change its colors.

Speaking of colors, all colors

imaginable are in infinity. And an object can be any and all colors. And odd combinations of colors are found everywhere.

You can visit this place called infinity and never leave your seat. It is the place that only your mind can reach. It takes no imagination, just set your mind free. Let it go to wherever it wants. Just wander. The longer it wanders, the deeper it gets into infinity.

### People

## Actress Alicia astounds audiences

By ESTEE LIPENHOLTZ  
JAY Staff Writer

**A**licia Washington, a senior at Southfield High, is making a name for herself in the drama world.

Both of Alicia's parents are actors and at age ten she began acting for the Wayne State University Theater. The theater is under the direction of her father Professor Von Hugo Washington.

She has appeared in numerous professional, para-professional and school plays. She has also taken part in two television commercials.

"Alicia is a hard working actress," Mrs. Virginia Borts chairman of the

speech department commented. "She is very creative and a joy to work with in class and in plays."

Alicia came to Southfield High in her sophomore year from Ann Arbor Pioneer High School.

**A**fter graduation Alicia wants to do anything there is to do related to acting. Her plans also include attending college and earning a minor in telecommunications so that she can experiment with broadcasting.

Alicia's latest undertaking was a play in which she had a leading role. The play, *Hot to Trot*, was presented by the AfroAmerican Studio Theater under the direction of Paul Robeson. AAST is a non-profit organization. The play pre-

sented the black experience in America through songs, dance, drama and excerpts of speeches by Malcolm X and Martin Luther King.

Assistant Principal Mrs. Olivia Dyson and Miss Gayle Maudlin went to see *Hot to Trot* in Detroit. "It's excellent. It culturally depicts the black American experience," Mrs. Dyson said. "I think it would benefit history, literature and drama classes."

Possibilities of bringing *Hot to Trot* to this school are being explored with the Cultural Arts Commission. "I hope *Hot to Trot* will come to our school. It was very enjoyable to be involved in the production and I think blacks and whites alike would benefit from it," Alicia commented.



Alicia Washington