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Twas nary an Irishman attending Detroit's 8t. Patrick's Day Parade unlucky enough to miss Canton Irish dancing teacher Tim
OHare and his 40 stop dancers. A few (below) had the constitu-

## His students learn steps to Irish fame

 tion to brave Sunday's brutal wintry weather and treat thecrowd to a slip lig. O'Hare stayed warm in the float's (truck's) passenger seat.


By M.B. Dillon Ward
staff writer staff write "I don't like to brag, but in the De-
troit area, we're the best." That's Canton's 23 -year-old Tim
O'Hare, two-time world step-dance champion, speaking of his Irish dancing O'Hare teaches reels, Ceilis, jigs and
slip-jigs to about 75 dancers ages $4-20$ slip-jigs to about 75 dancers, ages $4-20$ - some of whom hail from as far away
as Cleveland, Ohio. Routinely, they exas Cleveland, Ohio. Routinely, they ex-
cel in nationwide competion and earn cel in nationwide competion and earn
berths in Ireland's annual all-world championships.
Twenty-five OHare step dancers, in-
cluding 9 -year-old Julie Allen of cluding 9 -year-old Julie Allen of Can-
ton, recently qualified for the Irish compectition at "Oireachtas," the Gael-
ic name for the nine-state, ic name for the nine-state, mid-Ameri-
can championships held at Southfield's can champions
Michigan Inn.
"We've competed in mid-American competition the last three years, and
I've had an 85 perceent rate of kids who win. We placed seven in national com-
petition the year before las petition the year before last,"", said
O'Hare, an Eastern Michigan University senior who for the past five years load while teaching.
This year's qualifiers, in addition to
Allen, include Livonia's Brenda and
Jenny Beld Alen, include Livonia's Brenda and
Jenny Belleville, Colleen McCarthy and
Erin and Patrick Curtis. Allen, who says "I think T'm a little bit Irish,"
thoroughly enjoys her bet prospect of competing in Eire.
"I really like it
Irereally like it a lot. I like the steps,
costumes tre havel to competition, the
costumes we have, and just the people
in my class. I want to
teacher
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## MADD wages

 war on drunks
what's inside

## Board OKs curriculum plan after prolonged debate

By Emory Danie
staff writer
A curriculum finally has been ap
proved for implementing the day at the middle school level this fall in Plymouth-Canton Community
Schools. Schools.
But it took three votes and plenty of
debate before the school board could come up with a majority of four votes Monday night to appprove the change.
When the final votes were counted, the plan which emerged was the "preCurriculum Committee, endorsed by the central administration.
Voting against the recommendation were trustees Roland Thomas and Da-
vid Artley. Trustee E.J. McClendon Ebstained from voting.
Earlier MoClendon sought approval quired 40 weeks of health education at he 8 th-grade level with physical education being an elective, and provided an option of 40 weeks foreign language social stadies. That motion failed $6-1$. Thomas then introduced a motion

Trustees' health, language plans lose out
 option at 7 th, 8 th and 9 th grades, physi-
cal education would become an elec-
realth. industrial arts, skills for living,
 tive, all 10 -week classes would be elec-
tive, and 20 hours of health education would be required to be taken once in grades $9-12$. That motion also failed 6 - weeks math (remedial, general), preElaine Kirchgatter, supported by weeks of science or social studies seFlossie Tonda, moved that the commit- life science plants ( 20 ), life science anitee's preferred plan be approved. Vot- mals (20), world history (40) or social ing with the majority were Tom Yack studies survey ( $20 / 40$ ). Ninth grade
and Glenn Schroeder. and Glenn Schroeder.
UNDER THAT PLAN, which will be implemented this fall, the following classes would be offered: $\bullet 7$ th grade: 40 weeks of English (including developmental reading), social physical education, 10 weeks of coms.
puter, art, music, industrial arts, skills
 velopinental reading), social studies,
guage instruction, he added, because the superintendent had stated it would when student enrollment was being reduced and when going to the six-period
day. Telford added that there was not enough planning time left to implement a plan of the scope McClendon
was asking for and still implement the six-period day in the fall.
Superintendent Dr. John Hoben said
he didn't feel it was viable to offer four he didn't feel it was viable to offer four
languages at all five middle school languages at all five middle school
buildings (West, East, Central, Pioneer and Lowell).
and Lowell).
(Curently gth graders \&are of-
fered electives in German. French
fered electives in German. French
and Spanish, except at Lowell and Spanish, except at Lowell
which doesn't offer German as Which doesn't offer German as
there is not enough interest there in that subject. Some 10 ninth graders
go to the Centennial Educational go to the Centennial Educational
Park first hour for Latin.).
McClendon said he hoped the com-
mittee's original recommendation
would have included a variety would have included a vecommentetation of op-
ions with the administration having the chance to determine the cost. "But we didn't get that. I would not feel too went back to square one. We have gone ${ }^{\text {Lon. }}$ Patricia Patton, principal of Lowell mittee basically took the curriciclum in place now with the only addition being
a requirement for computer instruc-
McClendon questioned whether was wise to take the same material as period of time what was being gained In additional materials was not being
provided for in the added time, be said Patton commented that middile chool teachers are having problems
covering the material in 45 -minte period, and meterial in a 45 -minute some of the effective techniques learned in the Instructional Skills pro-
gram.

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Woman's Club members and scholarship
winners at the ball were Sheila Vaccher (left); Carole Hackett, who chaired the scholarship committee; Kandra Dilte; Ida Williams; Pam Bur-
ton; Linda Beale; Tamara Budiong; K.C. Mueller, club vice president; and Linda Pawling, club
president (seated).

## Part-time Moms: traumatic role reversal

 advertisements. She is celebrating his birthday Saturday, March 17 with a big sale and, at 1 p.m.members of the Plymouth Fife an Drum Corps will beat the mall to
play a birthday salute.
ANDREA GEARIN called picture of the duck carved by her husband, Patrick, during the Ice Spectacular in Kellogg Park. Andrèa took pictures of his duck
with no film in her camera: Now shien is desperate.
Patrick is a culinary arts student at Oakland Community college, and
he needs a photo of his duck for his portfolio. He competed in the
student division. She said the wa student division. She said he was
close to the professional carvers in che park.. "TII pay ay anyone forvers a photo or park. Til pay anyone for a pho
said Andrea. She would be most, said Andrea. She would be most
grateful if amateur photographers grateful if amateur photographers
would check through their icecould check through their
Her number at work give her a cal 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. is $595-9489$; at home, it's 722 -
4778 .

SOME CALL IT basketball fever, and some refer to it as March
Madness. The affliction recurs the third month of each year as college
and high school basketball teams enter tournament play. A group of 29 fans, most of them from Plymouth, are car-pooling
their way to Miliwaukee for the N.C.A.A. Mid-East preregionals this weekend. The following weekend, a
smaller group of the gentlemen will smaller group of the gentlemen will
be heading for Lexington, Ky, and
the Mid-East Regionals at the the Mid-East Regionals at the
University of Rentucky University of Kentucky. Some of the faithfull have been
making the pilgrimage for 14 years. making the pilgrimage for 14 y
LISA KONCHEL, 16 , is finalist in the Miss Michiga American Co-Ed Pageant which wil
be May 11-13 at the Plymouth be May 11-13 at the Plymouth
Hiliton. Lisa is the daughter of


Lise Konche Her hobbles are The contest is for 13 to 18 -gear-

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$\qquad$ Nigh are part of an and Gail
creasing number of women suffering nomber of woin that is usually reserved for the fathers of diup from afar. They know first-hand what it's like to

## Panhel plans benefit luncheon

guilt and frustration, playing the role that she was an unfit parent, but rathe
of the secondary parent after years of
on the fact that the being an anchor in the lives of their of the fact that the living arrangement at the time a
convenient. of her divorce. Her decision to turn over her two young sons to her hus-
band's care'stemmed from


COPELAND OF Redford Township was awarded the children at the time band's care stemmed from a combina on ovents spanning a year.
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nice "Herbs 'is ste speriee and other things

 be at noon scoularsaip fund-raiser wh

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members: The event will include lunch, bridge, Favora sad prizes will be potpourriand
potued berte. Grand prize will bea spe


 Maynlower in Plymouth. Tricets will
be osod and a name drawn for the prize Second prize is lucch for two and Admission to the party is $\$ 3.50$ and reservations can be made by calling
Maret Garard, $453-0998$.

Advance reservations are preferred
at admissions may be paid at the but ad
door.
PANHELLIC mennbers will prepare the food for the luncheon. They have sorted spice and nut breads, spiced peaches and cheese cake tarts.
Alice Chrénko, club president, said
the Panhellenic members have created he Panhellenic members have created silent auction table. These will include stained glass, suncatchers, hand cro mats, framed candlewicking, picture frames, and a quilted wine bottle sock The sock has a handile to carry the bot. tle and is reversible. The quilted padd-
ing acts as a thermos to keep the wine ing acts as a thermos to keep the wine
cool for picnic and parties. Maret Garard, vice president
association, is chairing the party.
and brochitis that required pospita and bronchitis that required hospital ization and kept her from working. An-
other was an unreliable car that broke down frequently, sometimes causing her to miss work and adding to her fi-
nancial difficulties A third was a mix
of the Court over child support ments sent by her chusband. Failure to
receive the money on time threw receive the money on time threw her
even further into debt. The upshot was that she found she
was unable to cope both physically and financially with raising her two sons. "We were practically starving," she
recalled. "I couldn't get any help. My
ex-husband ex-husband wouldn't get any help. My
have any family nearby." I didn't mainly the financial problems that was mainly the financial problems that led
her to relinquish custody.
"I VOWED I would never give them ap, she said, but after a year of hard the point "where I couldn't be selfish and think only of my interests. I had to Nigh's case was different. At the time of the divorce, the judge granted
custody of her two daughters to their the because they were in his custody
the divorce. This occurred, she said, when he
came and took them from the family came and took them from the family
home the week after they separated
and he moved out of the house. HE CAME BY one afternoon while she was away and the childrren's grand-
mother was the baby-sitter, Nigh said "He picked them up and never returned with them," she said. He ignored her
requests to requests to return the girls to the home, Nigh said. vorce proceedings when the judge
wwarded custody of the girls to her hus a warded custody of the girls to her huse
band "just because they were already band "just
in his care"

## in his care." "So let's lea

ed the judge as saying.
Another shock came when the judge
ordered ber to pay $\$ 40$ in child ordered her to pay $\$ 40$ in child support
monthly when her income was cally nil. When is fighting that ruling just as she is still fighting to gain custody of
the two girls. the two girfs.
It was one
ly legal lose of several bitter and cost learned as non-custodial parents.
"DON'T CALL US 'weeken
moms.'" said Nigh. "We are full-time
mothers. We still worry about all the
time. We still go to
time. We still go to school functions
and try to do all the things we did be-
fore during the times they are with us." The two women went through their
ordeals separately. They met when Copeland called Mothers Without Cus
tody, a nationwide support group, and wady, a nationwide support group, and
was given Nigh's name as someone she
could talk with. After meeting the could talk with. After meeting, the two
women decided to set up an area chapwomen decided to set up an area chapter of Mothers Without Custody. The nationwide group was first orga-
nized by a Boston radio talk-show host who asked hest ex radio tallk-show host to take their two children after she had serious medical problems. The problems and frus-
trations she encountered prompted her to form the support group whereby women could havert a place to talk out the traumas of being part-time moth-
ers with others.

THE GROUP NOW is estimated to have 700 members in 110 cities from complex reasons for not living with their children most of the time. "My mother sent me a clipping about the group from California. I wrote to maticn," said Nigh. Much of it provided
ment a insight into what the legal rights are
for mothers without custody. for mothers without custody.
The first meeting Nigh and Copeland The first meeting Nigh and Copeland
called drew about four women. Slowly, as the word gets around of the chap-
ter's existence, they are getting more calls from women in the same plight. this kind of group support at if the time
of my divorce, things would be of my divorce, things would be a whole
lot different now." "I wouldn't have rolled over and died," added Nigh. For instance, some-
thing she learned only recently might custodial question. Had she of the castodial question. Had she known the daughters, she could hase obtained a court order that would have forced her husband to return the children to
the marital home. The judge mighit not the marital home. The judge might not
have turned the children over to their
father, she believes.

THOSE ARE THE kinds of situations me support group will address at its stance, an attorney discussed visitation rights and how to handle the many has-
sles that can occur when cooperatio is missing regarding the visitation provi Both women feel they made several crucial mistakes because made several mothers. They also feel that they have been victims of male-biased judges and also taken advantage of by attorneys
who seemed indifferent to their circumstances and the
the on their behalf.

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Part-time moms: traumatic role reversal



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## 5-part alcohol series offered

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The series, which will begin on March 28, presented through diagrams, films, discussion, and lecture.
Anyone who is or has been, concened or fortable with their own drinking, or that of a family member, would benefit from this oreries, says Davil Breeden, executive director of Plymouth Family The series also may be
grew up in a home where there was problematic alcobol use, he added.
Topics will include attitudes phein fects of alochol, and the symptoms and phases of on alcoholism and the will be a special emphasis on alcoholism and the family which will look a alcooholic family system and how to get help.
Anyone interested in attending the series, or
Fanting more information, may call Priymouth Family Service at 453-0890. Enrollment is limited. Partymouth Family Service, which is funded in
blymouth Community Fund-United Way also provides on-going individual, marital, and
family counseling.

East students
jump for heart
Students at East Middle School will be particlpaprill in.
The fund-raising marathon will be $3: 15-6: 15$ p.m. that day.
Doris Pipkens, coordinator, sald the school raised ear with year and hopes to top that amount this East students will jump as part of a six-person then pass the rope to another team member. The Jump Rope for Heart is a community ser-
vice project developed by the Physical Edvcation vice project developed by the Physical Education
Public Information Committee of the Michigan AsPuciation for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance to promote the benefits of physical education.
Pledges collected from sponsors will benefit the forts to combat the state's number-one cause of death (heart disease and stroke) and also waull earn ducational materials and athletic equipment for

Student earns
honor at fair
John Sheylin, 12, of Plymouth recently earned a
couple of honors Fair in Cobo Hall. the Science and Engineering John, an 8th grader at Our Lady of Good Counsel
Catholic School in Plymouth, mention and a professional award winner ribtable the fair held March $9-11$ in cobo Hall. His science teacher at Counsel is David Rayburn.
His project, "The Astronomical Seasons of the
Year," was displayed last month at o.L.G.C. From the more than 2,000 exhibity at Cobo, there are eight grand winners who will receive trips with their sponsoring teacher to the International Fair receives a four--. Eacar paid Mrand award winner also
Merit scholarship from Wayne State University.
The professional awards are given by business or ment by students in professional or scientific dive plines. Winners are invited to attend professiona meetings and conferences to learn about future ca
The Science and Engineering Fair is sponsored by the Detroit News and the Engineering Society of
Detroit.

Builders show
opens Saturday
Show will 1984 Builders Home, Flower and Furniture Show will open at 10 a.m. Saturday in Detroits history. Southeastern Michigan announced these special - Wednesday March 21. Michigan Carpenter Competition.

- Sunday, March 25, 8 p.m. Second annual March of Dimes celebrity flower auction. Hundreds
of plants, flowers and shrubs which have decorated of plants, nowers and shrubs which have decorated
the show for the past week will go on the auction
block. block.
Hours of show are 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturdays
and Sundays and $1-11$ p.m. weekdays. Tieckets are $\$ 3.75$ at the door. Senior
children 6-12 are si.50. Cuilddren under 6 are admitted free. Advance tickets are available for $\$ 2.75$ with newspaper coupon.


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## millitary news

- ARRIVES FOR DUTY

Plymouth Pent. Simone Moore, a 1983 graduate of rived for duty at Schofield Barracks, Hawail. Moore is the daughter of Fred and JoAnne Moore of
Aspen, Plymouth. Division, was previously assigned at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

- GETS AWARD

Airman 1st class Jimmie Lovelady, a 1981 grad-
uate of Plymouth Salem High School, has nate of Putymouth Salem High School, has been 4392nd Aerospace Support Group at Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. Lovelady is the son of Sharon dy of Westland.
The competition was based on job knowledge, significant seli-improvement, leadership qualities and the ability to be an articulate and positive
spokesman for the Air Force. Lovelady is spokistration specialist in the Air Force.

- COMPLETES COURSE

Airman 1st Class Jeffrey DuCharme has graduat-


## Expert on gardens will speak here

ing to Ppert on gardening will be comat the Plymouth Coltural Center.
With the traditional planting time
for gardeners only weeks away, the for gardeners only weeks away, the
Friends of the Plymouth Duning Friends of the Plymouth Dunning-
Hough Library have arranged for Lizz Korb to appear at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 27.
Korb, a native of Birmingham, Eng. land, is a humorous as well as being an
expert on gardening.

She appears monthly on the Sonja Triedman Show, and on "Los Angeles taped in her own garden. She also has regular five-minute radio segments which are broadcast in Detroit, Cleveland and Washington.

Korb became interested in gardenin when she lived with her grandmo
in Scotland during Worid War II.
Tickets at $\$ 2$ each are available at
the library, or at Plymouth Book Worl the library, or at Plymouth Book World in Forest Place Mall. Admission is free to members of the Frie
Korb presently operates a clothing resale shop on Ford Road in Deerborn Helghts. She studied hotel management worked as a chef in adinburgh and has receptionist for Vidal Sassoon, añ stewardess for BOAC.
After moving to the Detroit area in greenhouses for Michigan Indoor Plan Distributors.
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## Bob Bowling placed 12th in the state in the 50-yard freestyle Saturday with a time of 22.46 .

## Bowling and Kleinsmith place at state swim meet

\section*{| By Chris Mat writer |
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Brian Goins is Brian Goins is going to stay out of the water for
few weeks. As his mother said, he's going to try to de-chlorine himself.
But, come summertime, the North Farmington junior will be back in the water working out wit
the Michigan State University swim team the Michigan State University swim team. He feel
he has let some people down this past season and he feels he has sometying to prove. That's kind of odd coming from a state swim Goins became the first state swim champion in North Farmington's history Saturday winning the 100 -yard butterfly at the state Class A swim meet at MSU. His time was 51.43 .
Goins also placed ninth backstroke, swimming a 55.44
BUT, GOINS wasn't at all satisfied with his per formance Saturday.
"After I swam Friday (at the state preliminaries) 1 knew nobody would beat me. So, I really was swimming to break the state record (in the butter
fly) I wanted to break 51.0. I was disappointed that I didn't," he said.
Goins' time of 51.43 may earn him All-American consideration. The All American time in the foly is
50.5. Butterflyers can gain All-American considera
tion if they better the time of 52.5 , which Goins has Tid really like to be a two-time All American," Goins said. "I can't wait until next year. I feel like
let a lot of coaches and other people down this year I don't think I did as well as I was expected to. I
did hope to prove myself next year.
Taking some of the fun out of
Taking some of the fun out of Goins' state cham
pionship was the fact that three Class B . pionship was the fact that three Class B butter
flyers swam faster than Goins. He said he won't be happy until he has the fastest time in the state. Goins may feel he's disappointed some peop but his coach, Pat Duthie, couldn't have been any
"WEVE FELT all year that we had the best two butterflyers in the state right here in the Farming. ton School District," said Duthie. "We knew it
wouldn't be se sy, but, we knew we had an opportu Alec Camphell from Farmington High was the other flyer Duthie mentioned. He placed third at he state meet with a 52.7 . Campbell also took a
ifth place at state with a $1: 58.3$ in the 200 individufifth place
"We are really excited about next year," Duthie said. "He didn't swim as well as he could have. He has an enormous amount of talent and he's a har
worker. I know he can break 50 seconds."

## Rocks eye region title

By Chris McCosky
staff writer


For Plymouth Salem basketball Class A regional contest against Taylor Truman will be a homecoming of sorts. No, Thomann is not a graduate of
Eastern Michigan University, the site of tonight's game. He was, however,
born and raised in born and raised in Taylor, and was an all-state cager for Taylor
School in the early 1960 . Truman hearl coach Van Kostegian
used to coach used to coach Thomann in the Taylor
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nity to play against them," Thomann said. "It's my home town and he (Kos
tegian) tegian) coached my brother (Dave Tho-
mann) in high school. This will be the mann) in high school. This will be the
first time I've coached against a Taylor team. course, there's much more at stake in this contest than Thomann'
homecoming - namely, a shot at a re gional championship.
THE WINNER of tonight's contest THE WINNER of tonight's contest
will play either Romulus or Detroit
Southwestern (who played last Win play either Romulus or Detroit
Southwern (who played last night)
for the title Southwest for the title. Southwestern (22-1), led by
potential all-stater Clarence Jones, is potential all-Stater Clarence
favored to win the regional. Salem would love another chance to
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"We felt at the time that the super-
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ficiating," Thomann said "If the game had not been called the way it was we'
have been in a position to win it at the ${ }^{\text {end }}$ We definitely . (Southwestern). We'd like remembe opportu nity to play against them. They are rec ognized as one of the top team's in the state. But, we know that Taylor Tru
man is the team standing in our wa right now." The Rocks (19-3), Lakes Division and
district champions, district champions, seem to match u
well against Truman. They will her height advantage as Truman's fro line goes 6 -foot-4, $6-3$ and $6-2$. The Rocks go 6-6, 6-5, 6-2 across the front.
Truman is $13-7$ and placed third be Truman is 13-7 and placed third be four-team Metro West Conference. A
cording to Kostegian, the Cons. cording to Kostegian, the Cougars re
spect Salem, but do not fear them. spect Salem, but do not fear them.
"They (Salem) are beatable," he sai "We are a good basketball team. We've
lost to some really geal lost to some really good teams (Oak
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beaten some very good teams (Wyan
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two). We'll try two). We'll try to do the things we've
always done. We'll just have'to try and THE COUG
THE COUGARS are led by Aaron is Glenn - Aaron and Derrick scores a lot of points off offensive wh bounds. Derrick is probably the
Cougars best player. The Cougars best player. The 6-1 guard is
an outstanding one-on-one player much in the mold of Salem's Eric

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"I grew up with Toro equipment. I know it lasts.
 Rocks are always at and sate tournament time they methodically carve (Salem district foes and make it to the reg. belief that teams that always win can be as disinteresting to fans as teams that always lose.
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## Livonia City Hall plays host to artists

By Mary Klomic
staff writer
City halls have the reputation of the gleaming towers of the Livonia
City Hall are getting more and more of The city hall, located east of Farmington Road at -33000 Civic Center
Drive, holds more than council champers and offices. Nestled on the fifth floor is the tiny but impressive art galGallery V has off quiet place to see artworks, and has given local artists an opportunity to display their creations in exhibits.
*WHEN PEOPLE go to city hall and pay their bills, they can sit down in the gallery," said Barbara Stewart, chairwoman of the Livonia Art Commission. proximately a year ago.


St's good, especially for a beginner," Stewart said. "We have some perma-
nent pieces too. We have some up there. nent pieces too. We have some up there,
which have been donated to the city through the commission. down and relax.
It was a year ago, Stewart estimates, proached Mayor Edward McNamara with the idea of turning the fifth floor of city hall into an art gallery. The fifth floor wasn't being used at that time.
The mayor responded that other organThe mayor re
but said the art commission could use one room there for six months. Six months later, the gallery was such a remain permanently, according to Stewart
THE REACTION has been real

## ple who go up there. We have a peobook out, and usually quite a few people sign the guest book. <br> sallery V has hosted receptions, with Stewart says. The Michi in attendance,

 Society has discussedshows there, she said
"It takes time to build up a reputation," Stewart said. "But we've done
real good for the time we've had" real good for the time we've had,"
All works submitted by artists ar screened before they appear in Gallery
"We like to encourage local artists especially," Stewart said. "We send let-
ters to everyone we can think of - all the art clubs, and if we see someone in the paper we try to contact them too.
And some of it is word of mouth. We get calls from artists too.
Future plans for Gallery V are to put showcases and more sculpture and pot
tery works there, and to have it
the evening one day a week. The gal-
lery now is open during regular city
hall hours, $8: 30$ a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday hall hours, 8:30
through Friday. "There are a lot of people who work
during the day and can't get to see it" Stewart said.
A YOUNG ARTIST whose wor will be on display at Gallery V through March 29 is Gregory Pici, , 1983 grad-
uate of the Center for Creative Studies uate of the Center for Creative Studies
College of Art and Design Pici, a Westland resident, hopes to sell and exhibith his paintings on his own ing as an illustrator for a plant in War ren. At ar "At school I thought there was more
freedom in fine arts than advertising" freedom in fine arts than advertising,
Pici said. "Here I ' m sort of contradict ing myself - $\quad$ 'm doing advertising to help fund my art work."
Pici's work has been seen in the

Livonia Purchase Award Art Show in
1981 and 1983 and in the fifth National
Biennial Small Painting Exhibition in Biennial Small Painting Exhibition in
Birmingham in 1981. He has won third Birmingham in 1981. He has won third
prize and honorable mention in other shows, and hias applied to appear in the juried East Lansing Art Fair this year.
"I think that's one of the things that "I think that's one of the things that
keep me going: when something good keep me going: when something good
does happen like being accepted in a show," Pici said.
PICI SAYS his paintings at Gallery $V$ are based on dreams. He says he keeps a notepad by his bed and jots
down his dreams as soon as possible. Watercolor is Pici's favorite medium. "I like the play that the medium
has," he said. "A lot of it is unplanned. I'm seeing something that happens be fore my eyes. With oil painting, it's too much a final stroke of the brush. Once
you put it down, it's there. Watercolor has always beenn exciting to ma." It is difficult for an artist to get into
the field, Pici says, but he keeps trying. help. such as those at Gallery V "T've tried to get into as many shows
a some exposure. TTVE KNOWN that I wanted to go
into art since the seventh into art since the seventh grade. It was
the only thing that seemed to keep my interest all through high school and col-
leg. "A lot of my friends haven't picked up a paintbrush since they left school, et that happen. My work is too important to keep on the shelf."

Pici advises would-be artists "not to "You gotta have the courage to stand up and say, 'That's what $\Gamma$ 'm about,"' he said. "I feel that I have something to
say. and I say that through my art-

## Take chance on different subjects



By David Messin
special writer
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## Artifacts

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a modifier? Are my participles past or present, or is there such a thing as a future participle? It amazes me to see
the writers at the newspaper. They type a line or two, answer the phone,
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Brenda Whitaker (left) is a Riverfront leasing agent, and Charlene Foster is a Southfield book specialist. Both elect the fresh fashion by David Hayes, $\$ 560$. Hanae Mori's puff-sleeved, check dress,
$\$ 600$. Hats by Adolfo. All from Bonwit Teller.


