

# GR library won't restrict Playboy

(AP) — The leader of a Grand Rapids anti-pornography group wants to make sure Playboy magazine is one library reference tool more can't get their hands on.

Dar VanderArk, executive director of the Michigan Decency Action Council Inc., is seeking to change a policy at the Grand Rapids Public Library allowing children to view copies of the magazine.

After his request to change the policy was rejected by the library's governing board, VanderArk sent out a survey in his November newsletter to gauge the reaction of parents to the availability of the magazine at the library's main branch.

"We're not panicking, but we will persist and we will keep on," VanderArk said, adding that he would determine his next move when his group obtains the results of the survey.

# Violin prodigy to give concert at Cranbrook

Corey Cerovsek, 16-year-old violin prodigy, will be the guest artist for a concert at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Cranbrook House library, 380 Lone Pine, Bloomfield Hills.

The Vancouver-born musician and mathematics whiz enrolled at Indiana University at age 12 where he studies with teacher/violinist Joseph Gingold. Corey completed his bachelor's and master's degrees in music and math and is working on a doctorate. He has been a soloist with almost every major orchestra in Canada and many in the United States and Europe. Last month he performed with Charles Dutoit and the Montreal Symphony Orchestra.

Corey portrayed the young Vivaldi in a television documentary has been the subject of articles in Newsweek and People magazines and has appeared on the David Letterman and Johnny Carson TV shows.

In his Tuesday performance, he will be accompanied on the piano by his sister, Katja Cerovsek, 18, who entered Indiana University at 14 to study with Gyorgy Sebok.

For ticket information, call 646-2037 or 647-2884. Parking at Christ Church Cranbrook with shuttle bus service to Cranbrook House.

# Slave history OU talk topic

Professor-author Colin A. Palmer will present a free public lecture at Oakland University Tuesday, Nov. 22, on "Searching for the Invisible: Toward a Reinterpretation of the Black Past in the Americas."

The guest speaker is a former OU professor (1959-1990) who is now chairman of the department of history at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Palmer's address will be at 300 N. Gold Room C of the Oakland Center.

Palmer's current research is focused on the pre-emption experiences of blacks in the Americas. He is the author of two major works on the history of Afro-Americans: "Slaves of the White God: Blacks in Mexico, 1570-1650" and "Human Cargoes: The British Slave Trade to Spanish America."

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**LIBRARY DIRECTOR** Robert Raz said the magazine is classified as a reference material, meaning it cannot be removed from the building, and it must be requested at the periodicals desk.

"The magazine has an excellent reputation as a reference document, with articles written by authorities in various subjects," Raz said.

"It is generally the policy in the library profession that if you make something available, you should make it available to everybody," he said.

"It is not our job to stand in the place of the parent."

RAZ SAID the only library materials with age restrictions are video-cassettes with ratings that recommend age limitations. He said there have been no other complaints about the library's policy, which was adopted in 1985.

"But when something like this happens, one always wonders what's next," he said, adding that he didn't know how common it is for libraries to carry Playboy.

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