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Playing for a cleaner earth

Musical artists will play for a cleaner earth during two upcoming programs at Independence Oaks County Park.

Doug Scheer encourages partici-pants to be part of "The Pollution Solution" Saturday, Sept. 21, at Cohn Amphitheater, adjacent to the Inde-pendence Oaks Nature Center. Scheer will use his magical, musical and humorous ways to beighten the audience's awareness of stresses the Earth endures.

On Saturday, Oct. 12, folk singer and environmental songwriter Ken Lonquist will incorporate thought-ful messages into his entertaining tunes. After his 3-4 p.m. perform-

ance, stop by the nature center's "Autumn Magic Festival."
The cost of each program is \$2 per person; \$8 per family. Pre-registration is suggested, but not required.
Anyone attending amphitheater events that begin after 4 p.m. will not be charged a park entry fee. The charge, on weekends, is \$4 per vehicle for Oakland County residents; \$7 year vehicle non-residents.

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This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Oakland County Parks
and Recreation Commission, founddin 1986
Independence Oaks County Park is
Viv miles north of 1-75 on Sashabaw
Road, near Clarkston. For more information call 625-6573.

Play based on adoption

A play about a woman's search for the baby she put up for adoption—and their reunion—will be presented at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Lila R. Jones-Johnson Theater on the Royal Oak campus of Oakland Community College.

The play, "... a name you never got," is the autobiographical story of Ronda Slater. It was first performed

in 1984 in Santa Cruz, Calli, and has since toured the U.S. and Canada. It is sponsored by Post Adoption Resources, a program of the Lutheran Adoption Service. Tickets are \$10, with discounts available for groups of 10 or more. The theater is at 739 S. Washington St. at Lincoln. Additional information is available at 988-1790.

Biology and mental illness explored at OU workshop

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To what extent do biological fac-tors relate to mental illness?

The Oakland University Continu-um Center will explore that link with a workshop, "New Biological Theo-ries on Mental Illness," from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, Sept. 28.

The workshop — valuable for

counselors, therapists and social workers — explores scientific data pertaining to psychiatric medical and psychotherapeulic issues. The fee is \$30, with two NCC cred-its offered. Registrations will be tak-en through Sept. 25, Additional infor-mation is available at 370-3033.

Special project will bug them

High school and college students in Oskinor and Micomb countiles will be searching for bug in the Clinton River this fall. Through the Clinton River Waters (Council's Interactive River Water Quality Program, students and teachers from five schools located throughout the watershed will be using aquatic insects as "blo-indicators" to provide an assessment of Clinton River water quality.

The \$48,250 pilot project is funded by a \$40,000 grant form the W.K. Kellogg Foundations of Battle Creek and \$8,250 from the Clinton River Watershed Council.

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"Though the Clinton River has made a major comeback in recent years, we have always had a paucity of water quality data to measure progress," said Erich Ditschman, program director.

"This program will provide an op-portunity to high school science and social studies teachers and their stu-dents to collect needed water quality information, identify pollution sources and develop action plans to address these sources."

The project will serve as a model for developing a statewide volunter river quality data base. "With continually decreasing state funds for river protection, it becomes imperative that we work to protect our rivers at the local level," said Disconsistip to develop local action toward protecting our river resources."

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Oakland Community College and Oakland University will also partici-

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