

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 1992

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On View at MSU

**S**inger Linda Abar, a 24-year-old Farmington Hills native, will be among those performing at the MSU On View portion of the 10-day Michigan Festival coming up at Michigan State University.

Abar will perform at noon Sunday, Aug. 2, opening a day of back-to-back performances by various artists lasting to 6 p.m.

Abar, a June MSU graduate with a bachelor of arts degree in music composition and vocal music education, has sung with MSU jazz combos, been a soloist with MSU Jazz Band II and appeared at the Travelers Club and the Evergreen Grill.

In 1990, she became a resident of the Ten Pound Fiddle Coffeehouse, which showcases folk talent. She also appeared as a guest artist with jazz dancer Ira Bernstein at the Hiawatha Folk Festival.

As much as Abar seems to thrive on performing, she has another love — teaching. She hopes to land a job teaching elementary school music, and will continue to tutor others in the subject.

"I like the idea of combining the two," she said. "I always wanted to have voice students. I've always been a nurturing type. I think that's part of me that I can never ignore."

The MSU On View tent will be open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Aug. 1-2 and 8-9. It features MSU students, faculty and others from the university community in performances ranging from rap to folk, from dance to magic.

She's promoted

**T**ish Heffernan of Farmington Hills has been promoted to senior account executive at Kohn, Bittker & Desmond Inc., a Troy-based advertising agency.

Heffernan, a graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in advertising, joined the agency in 1987 as a media assistant and was subsequently promoted to the position of junior media buyer.

# Meyer stresses honesty in House bid

■ Michael Meyer, one of two Democrats in the running for a U.S. House seat in the 11th District, is stressing honesty in his campaign.

By GREG KOWALSKI  
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Michael Meyer made two critical, soul-searching decisions in his life. The first was in 1971 when he quit the seminary shortly before he was to be ordained as a Catholic priest. The second was made last May when he decided to run for the 11th District U.S. House seat.

Meyer, 46, is facing Walter O. Briggs IV in the Democratic contest for the seat. And, while both Democrats in the primarily Republican district are viewed as long shots, Meyer is confident he has a chance to win.

"My toughest decision was to leave the priesthood. I didn't realize it, but I went through a period of grief after that," said Meyer, who is a bereavement counselor and teaches philosophy at Schoolcraft Community College and world religions at Oakland Community College in Auburn Hills.

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On the trail: Democratic U.S. House hopeful Michael Meyer meets with Mary Anne McDonnell at the Michigan '90s Festival in Novi, where Meyer set up a campaign booth. Meyer will face Walter O. Briggs in the Democratic primary Aug. 4.

# Gilbert, Knollenberg go after Honigman

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Alice Gilbert and Joe Knollenberg have declared war against Dave Honigman in the Republican primary for the 11th District U.S. Congressional seat.

On Tuesday Knollenberg and Gilbert formed an alliance to challenge Honigman "to expose deceitful campaign tactics."

Surrounded by 30 elderly people, Knollenberg and Gilbert held their

press conference in the American House senior citizen home in Farmington Hills.

Holding the press conference was "an unusual step," said Gilbert's staff, but was prompted after Honigman blasted

Knollenberg and Gilbert for advocating changes in Social Security. It is a charge both candidates vigorously denied.

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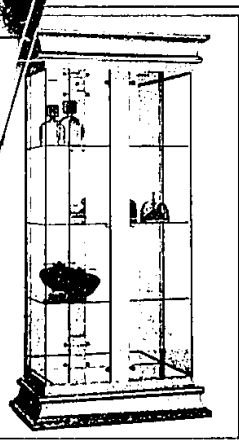
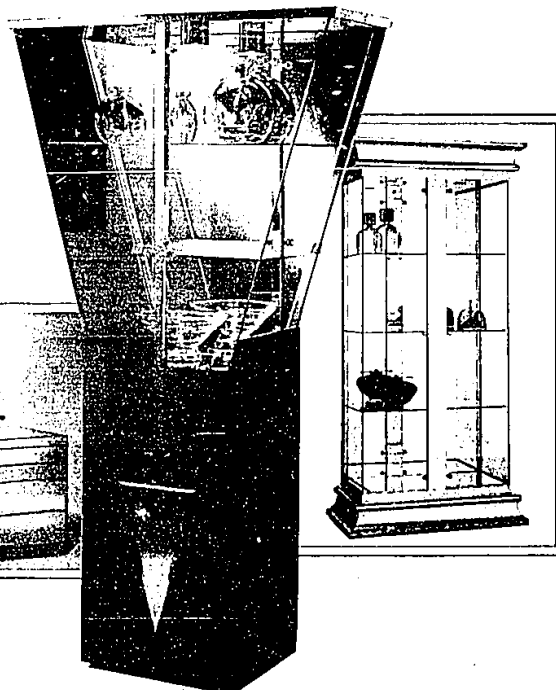
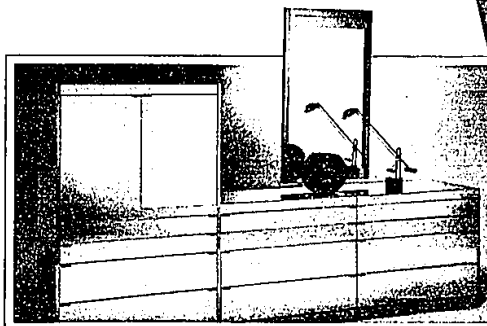
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