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other brother said Ponke told him he had considered suicide.

Oxford police later discovered torn cloth and cut cord near a bed frame in the home, with a knife underneath. Police speculate the family bedroom was being turned into a torture chamber.

The court refers testing to the Forensic Center in Northville, which contracts out services. Ponke will likely be run through a battery of tests, including intensive one-on-one psychotherapy.

Testing for Huntington's will likely be done at the University of Michigan, Chapman said. The process involves chemical testing,

A court date has been set for May 17 in Circuit Court. Results of forensic testing should be known by then.

analyzing enzymes in the blood serum. Raymond Ponke has difficulty focusing during conversations, Chapman said.

"He'll be talking about baseball on the one hand and then he'll be crying about his daughter on the other," he said.



Jackie Ponke



Raymond Ponke

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sion," he said. "It also shows your support for the police department."

Dwyer has gone on record in his opposition to the Metropolitan Muscicafé staying in operation in the city. In addition to the liquor violations, it has been the scene of several fights; both inside and outside, and vandalism of cars, he said.

Wyandotte Police Chief

Charles Brown said that's no surprise to him.

"We've had problems of all sorts at the Muscicafé (in Wyandotte)," he said.

Brown said his department has responded to 66 calls in a one-year period at the Wyandotte Metropolitan Muscicafé, which like the Hills Muscicafé is owned by Antonino Cutraro.

Brown said Pontiac police had told him about problems at the

Via A Vie Lounge in that city, which prompted him to recommend against granting a license for the Wyandotte establishment.

His recommendation was overruled by the mayor and council.

In addition, Brown quoted an article in the Taylor News Herald in which Cutraro said he was surprised to learn of problems at his restaurant in that city because he hadn't had problems at other locations. Cutraro owns es-

tablishments in Royal Oak and Pontiac, in addition to establishments in Taylor, Wyandotte and Farmington Hills.

The Hills Muscicafé has announced that it will be converted to an Italian restaurant, Amici's Italian Village, which is scheduled to open in about three weeks. It will still serve alcohol.

Cutraro, who could not be reached, is on vacation in Florida.

Uptown business association elects new officers

At a recent meeting of members of the Uptown Farmington Business Association, Mary Teeta, owner of Backyard Birds in the Uptown Farmington Plaza, was elected the new president of the association.

Dr. Brian Nocella, Nocella Chiropractic Office, was elected vice president and Barbara Platt, manager of First of America Bank at Lakeway, was re-elected treas-

urer/secretary.

Others elected were: Ken Barthelette, Yankee Consignments, past president; Chuck DuQuet, DuQuet Jewelers; Terry Hein, Results Advertising; Paul King, King's Garage; Joan Nusly, Framery One; and Mike Schwab, Cuttlemen's Market. Carol Kurth continues to serve as executive secretary of the group.

The association serves the area

at Grand River and Orchard Lake Road with members on Mooney Avenue and north on Orchard Lake Road, as well as east to the city limits on Grand River.

With the help of association members, the executive board plans four seasonal events as their major activities throughout

the year, including Spring into Uptown in May, Founders Festival in July, Kids' Carnival in the fall and a holiday promotion.

The association was organized as a nonprofit organization in 1988 by interested businesspeople in the area to promote and beautify the Uptown area.

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