#### EXHIBITIONS

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Sunday, Oct. 30 — "Bird Sculptures in Wood," the second annu
al one-man show of the sat ork
of Alfred Ponte of Rochester
Hills, will take place non to 5
p.m. Sunday at 816 fudlow, nort
of University Drive and west of
Main. Hold decurres and coffee
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ETHE SOMERSET SHOW Sunday, Oct. 30 — A show of an-tique and collectible dolls will take place 250 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Troy Marriott, 200 W. Big Beaver Road, east of 1.75. Admission is 33. Antique and col-lectible dolls, Teddy bears, acces-sories, books and patterns will be featured.

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Sunday, Oct. 30 — The South
Oakland Art Association's fall
show will run to Nov. 11, Reception 24 p.m. Sunday. Works in
many media will be featured.
Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 27777 Franklin Road,
north of 11 Mile in Southfield.
Call (610) 435-6041 for more information.

formation.

HALSTED GALLERY To Oct. 27 — An exhibit of photographs by Walter Rosenblum continues. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 560 N. Woodward, Birmingham, (810) 644-8284.

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#### Pontiac Rescue Mission filled with inspiration By MARY KLENIC

STATY MUTES.

The Pontiac Rescue Mission is full of stories.

The inspiration for these can come from beights of the human spirit as well as depths of despair. They are stories in which the subjects are the authors, determining the direction of the tale.

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come for help. The mission is a place where they can stay while they look for work, housing or other ways to turn their lives

around.
"They don't need a free handout," said John Greenwood, director of development at the mission.
An event called "Mission Fossible" will help make many of the
shelter's stories happy. This is a
fund-raiser set for 7-9 p.m. Fri-

nating etchings by Nicholas Maravell and baseball works by Lance Rieschenbourg, among pther pieces. Nylube had been a longtime de-nor to the mission, and Edwards thought of a special kind of fund-raisor. Lance Rieschenbourg, among other pieces.

"This is kind of a sports town," said the gallery's David Klein. Hors doewree, live classical music and success stories from the mission will be featured at the event. Tickets are \$100 per person. Call the mission at (610) 534-2187 for information. Besides the art, items at the suction will include a fur coat from Dittrich's, a car from Pontiac Motors, jewelry and Llons and Pistons memorabilla.

"Mission: Possible" came about when Frank M. Edwards of the Nylube Producta Co. of Rochester Hills, Pontiac Rescue Mission development director John Greenwood and Klein pooled their resources — Greenwood's contacts with the Detroit Pistons and Llons and Klein's in the art world, for example.

"One day the idea just came to me," he said.

"The rescue mission has been doing great work in Pontiac for quite a number of years... They do an excellent job at what they do."

Honorary co-chairpersons of the event are Kathleen and Jason Hanson of the Detroit Lions and Marquita and Pontiac Mayor Charile Harrison Jr.

Among the members of the ex-ceutive committee are Romy Bar-rett of the Detroit Pistons, Micah Materre of WJBK-TV, Judy and John Middlebrook of Pontiac Mo-tor, Diann and Tim Pendell of the Detroit Lions and Pam and state Sen. Michael Bouchard.

day, Nov. 11, at The Community
House in Birmingham. The event
will include art works donated by
Birmingham gallery (see related
story).
Success stories from the mission will also be presented.
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One of these is about a man who was "Pontiac's pride, an all-American kild," in Greenwood's description. Popular in high school, the man had tried out for the NFL and was cut. He worked in the corporate sector for a while but got addicted to crack cocaine and lost his family, his job and all self-esteem.

self-esteem.
After living in the Cass Corridor for 10 years, he came to the shelter midnight Christmas Eve two years ago. He is now drug-free and speaks on the subject around the area, including at Walled Lake High School.
"His is a wonderful, wonderful story."

The mission has had to set up 11 cot to mission has had to set up 11 cot to make the mission and children make up the fastest growing homoless population in the country. Their numbers at the mission have seen by more than 300 percent over the last two years. This year newborn triplets were housed at the shelter.

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use of the increase in wom-

en and children, a separate facility for them is being planned.

A brief visit to the mission sugdigests what stories it contains. The undorms are empty during the day, '0',
as the people staying there are out 'ne
doing such things as looking for
work or housing.

In the dining room is a recently donated quilt that adds to the bright atmosphere of the room. The inviting chape lie where services take place and where guest speakers, including athlete, give their talks. The mission is non-denominational, and attending services ian't required.

#### Auction set

The Frank H. Boos Gallery, 420 En-terprise Court in Bloomfield Hills, will

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The Pontiac Rescue Mission is in the Furiong Building at 35 E. Huron in Pontiac. Established in 1942, it is the oldest and largest homeless shelter in 'Oakland County.

The mission has 160 beds. The closest number of beds in another shelter is 40, freenwood said.

Last year the Pontiac Rescue Mission provided more than 20,000 nights of lodging, 55,000 meals and 23,000 pieces of cloth.

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