

Area Deaths, Funerals

Livonia Mother Angered By No Dress Code

ASENCIO BADIA. Funeral services for Mr. Badia, of 3231 Rosslyn, Garden City, were held from 3 to 5 p.m. at St. Raphael's Catholic Church Saturday morning. Burial was in Michigan Memorial Park. Mr. Badia died Aug. 27 at Wayne County General Hospital at the age of 75.

He is survived by his wife, Lucy, five sons, Vincent, Raymond, Anthony, Victor, and Robert, five daughters, Mrs. Rose Purgallia, Mrs. Mary Jane Purgallia, Mrs. Dolores Bazzanelli, Mrs. Betty Verda and Mrs. Roberta Bartle.

LUCIA CARDOLA. Funeral services were held Sept. 10 for Mrs. Lucia Cardola, of 1903 Wadsworth, Redford Township. Services at St. Valentine Church were followed by interment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

A Redford resident for 20 years, Mrs. Cardola died Sept. 7 at Highland Park General Hospital following a two-year illness. She was 76.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. John Serra of Redford; a son, Anthony of Detroit; a brother, Joseph of Detroit; 11 grandchildren; and 2 great-grandchildren.

THEODORE H. BENSON. Services for Mr. Benson, 47, of 3820 Montecarlo, were held at the First Presbyterian Church in Northville. Interment was in White Chapel Cemetery.

Mr. Benson died Sept. 8 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Josephine, and three daughters, Mrs. Judith Cain, Mrs. Betty Mason, and Susan.

Mr. Benson was born in Detroit on May 23, 1920. He was a member of the American College of Life Underwriters, an instructor in Life Insurance at the University of Michigan and a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

HELEN RAKECKI. Funeral services for Mrs. Rakecki, of 3182 Woodward, Westland, were held Wednesday, Sept. 10, from St. Richard Catholic Church, Westland. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery.

Mrs. Rakecki died Sept. 6 in Wayne County General Hospital at the age of 61.

She is survived by two sons, Clarence and Theodore; and one daughter, Mrs. Irene Beltrami; 10 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

DENNIS M. GRAHAM. Services for Mr. Graham, 50, of 4951 S. Drive, Plymouth, were held at Evergreen Village Presbyterian Church in charge of the Rev. Raymond Lumley.

Mr. Graham died Monday, Sept. 8. He was a graduate of Garden City East.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Graham, and grandparents, Gordon Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Gibbs.

WESLEY JAMES WELLS. Funeral services for Mr. Wells, 61, of 1926 Becca Rd., Plymouth, were held at the Schrader Funeral Home with Rev. C. Carson Cline officiating. Interment took place at Washington Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Wells died Sept. 6, after a short illness.

He is survived by his wife June.

HARRY J. GREENSHIELDS. Services for Mr. Greenshields, 42, of 3820 Montecarlo, were held in the R. G. & O. R. Harris Funeral Home with Dr. L. Wilson Rakes officiating. Interment was at Grand Lawn Cemetery.

Mr. Greenshields died Sept. 4 at home.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Greenshields; a son, Bruce; a daughter, Mrs. Jeffrey (Stephanie) Carter; and a sister, Mrs. Thomas (Nan) Kennedy.

Mr. Greenshields was born June 24, 1927.

PETER G. MATTHEW. Funeral services for Mr. Matthew, 37, of 3705 Marquette, Garden City, were held Tuesday morning in Garden City. Burial was in Michigan Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Matthew died Sept. 6 in Garden City Osteopathic Hospital at the age of 37.

He is survived by three sons, Raymond, Bernard, and Peter T.; 14 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

RUSSELL D. BEXIN. Services for the Bexin child, 1, were held in the R. G. & O. R. Harris Funeral Home with Father J. Zak officiating. Interment was at the St. Hedwig Cemetery.

Russell was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bexin, 3646 Dover, Livonia.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bexin, Jr.; sisters, Kathleen and Pamela; brothers, Christopher, Richard, Paul and Andrew; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bexin Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Ward; and great-grandmother, Mrs. Ida Thibault.

He was born Feb. 25, 1967.

EDITOR:

After a heated discussion with my children and their friends, I decided to get this down on paper, while I was still hot. I understand there are no restrictions on what to wear in the schools this year. If your girls choose to wear skirts or their blouse falls down to their knees they may do so.

While I am not blaming the schools, I want this understood, because if rules are made, they are to be broken. So it appears. Not by the children so much, as by their parents who do not enforce them.

If parents had a little more backbone and were not afraid of their children, rules would be carried out. Discipline begins at home and perhaps if we parents enforced the long hair but would have stopped before it began.

For one on against long pants on my girls during school hours and will firmly see that they do not wear them. I expect some parents to back me up.

Would these same parents let their husbands go to work at the office with coveralls and shirt tail out?

I expect there would be no promotion at hand and they would soon complain.

How many are with me? Girls who wear dresses and skirts and look like girls with respect for their teachers, or girls who wear slacks and miniskirts?

Thank you for letting me sound off.

MRS. E. ERICSON
Livonia

Is Money Wasted
By Livonia Schools

EDITOR:

I, as a parent, am not against a good education for my child. I am against wasteful spending.

Both parent groups working against the school board are now saying, parents, citizens, board members, join forces, go to Lansing for finances.

We are paying locally through school taxes; we are going to pay on a state level through taxes. I say eliminate the waste, show us sound spending and I will willingly pay any tax needed to support our schools.

I have heard so many statements of waste, I am overwhelmed. Show me responsible spending by the Board of Education and I'll show you full school days for our children and cooperative parents when a millage request is necessary.

MRS. DORIS KOSTIN,
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Defeating Purpose?

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I must conclude that those arguing against sex education because of "moral" reasons are deluding themselves. Sexual morality cannot depend upon ignorance for its appeal. Morally correct conduct cannot

be promoted by ignorance nor stifled by knowledge.

ANTHONY J. KILYANEK
Westland

Sad Fishing Foray
To Newburgh Lake

EDITOR:

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We started fishing below the falls east of Newburgh. The sight of hundreds of small fish (just the size kids like to catch) really got us going. But it was quickly determined that these fish were not small bluegills that may have gone over the falls after being planted in Newburgh Lake. They were young carp. Well, maybe the poisoning and draining of Newburgh Lake didn't affect the river

below the falls, somehow. So, we moved to Newburgh Lake itself. Another disappointment. Algae growth was so thick and deep into the lake from the shoreline that fishing was almost impossible. Fish were observed again under the great floats of algae but they looked very much like the carp seen before. We gave it up.

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Quit 'Wasteful'
Report Card Mailing

EDITOR:

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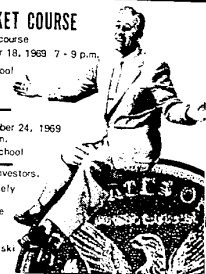
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Children account for many of the injuries occurring when persons try to walk through a closed sliding glass door.

Gerald P. Montgomery, executive director of the Greater Detroit Safety Council, a chapter of the National Safety Council, says children at play forget to watch for danger and can run or be pushed through a glass door and suffer serious or even fatal injury.

"Parents should repeatedly warn their children not to play near glass doors," Montgomery says.

Montgomery says the U.S. Public Health Service has made an in-depth study of the causes of sliding glass door accidents.

The study points out that hurrying is of far greater significance than slipping, crowding and horseplay combined," he says.

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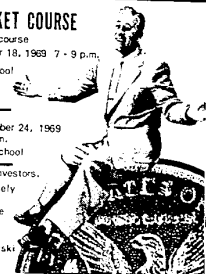
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