

No desk for him

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 year throughout school districts in southeast Michigan. Mobile Productions Inc., of Livonia, books Yauch in the schools.

There's no doubt kids and adults go bananas over Yauch's animals. But Yauch's point is to show people that animals are special creatures — not stuffed toys — that deserve respect.

"I try to emphasize they are not for everybody (as pets). You have to be educated. They aren't dogs or cats. You can't punish a pig for example. They don't forget it," Yauch said. "People have to learn about animals, especially before they buy one."

Consider, Yauch said, those people who are enamored with snakes. They want a python or a boa constrictor. "If you buy a snake, you have to feed it rats. Are you able to do it?"

Yauch's animals were all bought from breeders. He doesn't believe in taking something from the wild. "If something is born in the wild, it should stay in the wild."

HOOVER THE pig — which Yauch affectionately calls the "house pet of the future" — probably gets the most oohs and aahs from the audience at Boblo.

"They're not for everybody," Yauch said. "They have an obsession for food. They like food. They live for eating."

On the other hand, pigs don't shed, they're smart, they're clean and you can't get allergies from them, Yauch said.

One more thing: pigs do leave nose prints — on everything.

"They can make a nice pet for the right person in the right situation," Yauch tells the audience, who obviously can't wait to get up to the stage to pet Hoover.



It's no easy feat for Steve Yauch of Farmington — or anyone else for that matter — to pick up 40-pound, 9-foot Stretch, a python. On his out-door stage at Boblo Island, Yauch hosts four "Back to Bones" educational animal shows a day.

slowed shirts and working outside in the fresh air is Yauch's idea of a good job. He loves the freedom of

working at Boblo and traveling to a myriad of schools during the year. "I have the best of two worlds. I

have a hobby — my love of animals — and it's turned into a profession," Yauch said.

club circuit

WESTSIDE SINGLES plan a dance Friday, Aug. 23 and Aug. 24 in Romma's of Livonia. Schoolcraft Service Drive west of Inlander, 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Ages 21 and up. Dressy attire, snacks, budget bar, no jeans. Hotline 562-3160.

VOYAGERS SINGLES will have a picnic Aug. 24 from 5-9 p.m. at Rotary Park, No. 3 Shelter, Six Mile and Hubbard Roads, Livonia. Bring a food dish, tableware, beverage, cards and games and lawn chairs. There is a \$5 charge for those without a dish, \$2 for those who bring a dish to pass. For more information, call Ann Anderson, 591-1350.

THE CATHOLIC ALUMNI Club is a non-profit organization comprised of single Catholics age 21 and older who have a bachelor's degree and who are free to marry in the Catholic Church. It is sponsoring the following events: Labor Day Picnic, Sunday, Sept. 1 at Camp Dearborn.

The picnic runs from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Cost is \$7 which includes beverages, munchies and luncheon foods. General meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Livonia Public Library, 3277 Five Mile Road. Volleyball every Tuesday night from 7-9 at Wilson Park in Ferndale for 50 cents. For more information, call 981-8197 or 247-8428.

DEFICIT DISORDER Association will meet on Thursday, Sept. 5, at 7:30 p.m. in Livonia Civic Center Library on Five Mile, just east of Farmington Road. No charge and it is open to the public. Registration begins at 7 p.m.

All club news and announcements for this column are to be addressed to: Club Circuit, Farmington Observer, 21888 Farmington Road, Farmington 48338. The information must arrive before noon on the Monday before Thursday publication.

Economics teacher chosen as a Fellow

Mark Sperling, a resident of Farmington and an economics teacher at Cass Technical High School, attended the Junior Achievement National Teacher Fellow program a week-long seminar on teaching economics in Colorado Springs, Colo. Sperling was chosen as a Fellow in recognition of his outstanding efforts on behalf of students and economic education.

One of 19 teachers from across the country attending the second of two summer seminars, Sperling was nominated by Junior Achievement of Southeastern Michigan Inc. The seminar dealt with the United States and the global economy and focused on the role of global economy in education reform and strategies for teaching global economics. Sperling teaches Applied Economics, a se-

master-long course designed by Junior Achievement Inc. and provided at no cost to the school through contributions from local businesses.

Presenters included Peter Barth, professor of economics, University of Connecticut, and Barry Dean Simmons, Center for Teaching International Relations at the University of Denver.

Junior Achievement of Southeastern Michigan is one of 225 affiliates of the nationwide not-for-profit economic education organization. Last year, Junior Achievement programs reached 1.3 million elementary, junior high and high school students with business and economics basics. More than 37,000 teachers are part of the effort, along with 52,000 business men and women.

How to look cool when it is hot

By Susan Steinmueller
 staff writer

It's an unwritten rule of summer that as the temperature heats up, clothes go off and casual style gets uncovered.

"Basically, it's basic survival to wear as little as possible to avoid heatstroke. And, it's hard to make shorts and a tank top look like haute couture."

"Summer is a casual time," said Joyce Knudsen, an image consultant and owner of the ImageMaker in Rochester. "It's a great time for the casual personality."

But style doesn't have to go out the screen door just because it's hot. Bra straps completely exposed by a cutaway tank top, beach flip flops at the office, and other fashion faux pas don't have to be part of the picture.

There are ways to beat the heat by dressing cool while at the same time looking hot — hot as in terrific.

There are no secrets to it — just common sense, said Knudsen, a West Bloomfield resident. It all starts with cool thoughts and attitude.

"Think cool," she said. "There's an attitude to summer. It won't last forever, and you want to enjoy it while you can."

Keeping it simple is also a good overall principle to follow when dressing in the summer, she said.

Apart from that, following are some practical tips given by Knudsen for warm weather fashion style:

- **Wear breathable fabrics.** "Basically you want to wear breathable fabrics," said Knudsen. "Examples are natural fabrics such as silk or cotton. Something permanent press is also good, to avoid wrinkles."

- **Wear light colors.** "Light colors are cooler than dark colors. A lot of people like black — it's thinning, flattering and cool. Teenagers wear a lot of black. But black is not cool. That's why you'll see so much white, beige and cream in the summer."

- **Wear fewer accessories.** "Keep accessories down. In the summer, less is more."

- **Wear a hat.** "Hats, or even a visor, serve as a shade. It's something to keep the heat off of your head."

- **Layer.** "It's good to layer because many places are air-conditioned. Women can wear a halter top or tank top, then a T-shirt or button shirt and summer jacket over that. That way

you can wear it in a movie theater, and if you end up at a beach you have your halter top to lay down in and be comfortable in."

- **Consider tanning creams for the bare-leg look.** "A lot of people don't want to go out without nylons. I really recommend that they try self tanning lotions."

"In summer, we need to really keep our face clean and to wash our face more often to get rid of the dirt from sweat, heat and humidity."

Knudsen started her business in 1985 in Troy, and expanded and moved to Rochester in 1987. She holds workshops and gives personal consultations.

In August, Knudsen will publish a book. "You have to think about the shoe you'll be wearing because your feet will swell. So you don't want to wear something too tight. An open-weather shoe is good. But open-toed sandals wouldn't be appropriate for most jobs."

- **Consider shorts alternatives.** "A lot of women don't like to wear shorts because of their legs. So it's perfectly acceptable to wear a loose, flowing skirt instead."

- **Consider jeans alternatives.** "I'd recommend a loose-fitting pant, culotte or shorts."

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