

**around Oakland**

**Teens can talk about adoption**

"Why was I adopted? Who do I look like? Does anyone else know how it feels to be adopted?" are questions teens frequently ask. Teenagers adopted at any age may bring their questions about adoption to a drop-in support/discussion group to meet 4:30-6 p.m. Mondays beginning Jan. 27 (no meeting the week of Feb. 17). Teens will meet together to give and get support about adoption issues, and find out ways to deal with feelings, families and friends. PAR director Linda Yellin, herself an adoptee, and Laura Fortz Norberry from the PAR staff will facilitate the group. Post Adoption Resources (PAR) will sponsor the group in the Lutheran Adoption Service offices at 20700 Greenfield Road, 6th floor of the North Center Building on the northeast corner of Greenfield at Eight mile Road in Oak Park. A fee of \$3 per session per person will be charged, or \$15 for all six sessions. No registration is necessary, however, for more information or to receive a brochure call either Yellin or Norberry at PAR. (313) 968-1700.

**County chamber hosts Perry**

Lowell Perry, director of the Michigan Department of Labor, will speak at the Oakland Economic Forum sponsored by the Oakland County Chamber of Commerce at noon, Feb. 12, at the Holiday Inn in Bloomfield Hills. Perry will discuss how government and business can work in a partnership to help prepare workers for tomorrow's workforce. He will discuss the impact of possible plant closings and other economic factors. The cost of the luncheon is \$18 for chamber members and \$20 for non-members. Reservations can be made by calling 683-4747, or 644-1229 during normal business hours.

**Mental illness group meets**

The Oakland County Alliance for the Mentally III holds its monthly general meeting at 7 p.m. today at the Jewish Vocational Services, 29699 Southfield Road, Southfield. The Rev. Robert Harrison, a founder of the alliance, will speak. Questions? Call 557-6440.

**Fuel tax stand hurts county roads**

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 stride with his no-tax position."  
 "I'm delighted he's not going to ask for a gas tax," said freshman Rep. Georgina Goos, R-Norville. "If he can find a way to pay for roads, more power to him."  
 "I'm opposed to any tax increase, including a cigarette tax," said Sen. George Z. Hart, D-Bearon.  
 "It's gratifying his road program does not include a gas tax increase," said freshman Rep. Barbara Dobb, R-West Bloomfield, repeating Engler's line: "Now is not the time."  
 An accountant with small business clients, Dobb warmly praised Engler's proposal to lighten the single business tax burden for small business. "I know first hand the impact it can have on small business."

the corporate board room — the country club — not neighborhoods." But Engler fired his own salvo, citing his conversations with 400 individual Michiganans last year in his open door chats. "I listened to a single mother. . . I listened to a factory worker. . . I listened to senior citizens. . . I listened to a mother of three in a Salvation Army shelter," he said. "I know people who want change."

DEMOCRATS JAMES KOSTEVA of Canton and William Keith of Garden City won starring roles in their party's reply to Gov. John Engler's state of the state message. Democratic orators on a 22-minute videotape used the term "middle class" 14 times and accused Engler of "shredding the safety net" of social services for the poor. Kosteva, chair of the House Colleges and Universities Committee, sponsored the Michigan Education Trust (MET), the prepaid college tuition program Engler is trying to shut down.

"One evidence of the success of the MET program is that it's not only the 55,000 enrollees who have

signed up, but we currently have 1,300 students in Michigan colleges and universities today who are there largely because of MET," Kosteva said.

He accused Engler of "political motivations" in trying to "discredit" MET.

KEITH, de facto chair of Speaker Lewis Dodak's commission on worker training, said the goal is to bring business into vocational education so it's "no longer a dumping ground" for the academically weak.

Keith added, "Many of these middle class people are one paycheck away from disaster."  
 "And with massive layoffs and massive cutbacks such as we're facing in the state of Michigan, many of those people need to be retrained so that they could get jobs, even in their own fields, today, with more technical knowledge."

But as Democrats bashed Engler on behalf of the middle class and poor, one Republican bashed back. "What we don't need is people think-

ing in terms of one class against another," said Rep. Lyn Bankes, R-Livonia.

REP. MAXINE BERMAN, D-Southfield, found one line in Engler's speech to praise.

"The governor struck the right chord on Michigan workers being quality workers. He may have learned from last year that if he comes waving a machete, people are going to wave a machete back," she said.

"But I don't like his (property) tax proposal. First, it will decimate our budget — there's no money to replace that. Second, the residential property taxpayer has been paying more (than business). I suspect it won't win at the polls."

Bennett found much more to agree with. A \$1,000 per job tax credit for business? "That's pretty good. I like that."

Staff writer Judith Doner Berne contributed to this report.

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