



Skitmaker: Samantha Shery, a first-grader at Larkshire Elementary, performs on an *Odyssey of the Mind* skit. Her team was made up of seven kids.



Taking their bows: Gill Elementary's Bradley Mock and Katie Groat take their bows as Frankenstein and a wicked witch. Greg Haskins (far left) is Dracula.

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possible. The device would also have to protect a pingpong ball in the middle, allowing the sphere to escape unscathed if it collapsed. Students had an eight-minute time limit to solve their problem and could use no more than \$80 worth of materials. Parents coach the more than 140 students involved. Teams represented Flanders, Highmeadow, Hillside, Kenbrook, Larkshire, Longacre, Gill, Wood Creek and Wooddale elementary schools. East Middle School and North Farmington High also had squads. In some cases, students from Power, St. Fabian and Our Lady of Sorrows schools joined forces. "The kids are really encouraged to work together and not have one person in charge," Kambouris said. "You take one idea a person has and you multiply it six times and expand it and come with even a better idea."



Post-skit analysis: The Larkshire team goes over its skit with judges after the performance.

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CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF CONDITION OF METROBANK IN FARMINGTON HILLS in the State of Michigan, and its Domestic Subsidiaries, at the close of business on December 31, 1993.

Published in accordance with a call made by the commissioner of the Financial Institutions Bureau pursuant to the provisions of Section 223 of the banking code of 1969, as amended.

	Thousands of dollars
ASSETS	
Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	3,892
Interest-bearing balances	16,677
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	1,650
Federal funds sold	3,208
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	40,440
LEAS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	400
LEBS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	1,674
Other real estate owned	0
Assets held in trading accounts	0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	0
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	0
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	0
Intangible assets	84
Other assets	76,939
Total assets	N/A
Loases deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	0
Total assets and loases deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	76,939
LIABILITIES	
DEPOSITS:	
In domestic offices	59,630
Noninterest-bearing	52,844
Interest-bearing	6,786
Federal funds purchased	0
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	3,478
Undiscounted promissory notes	0
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury	0
Other borrowed money	0
Mortgage, indenture, and obligations under capitalized lease	0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	0
Subordinated notes and debentures	207
Other liabilities	98,697
Total liabilities	158,917
Minority interests preferred stock and related surplus	0
EQUITY CAPITAL:	
Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common stock	322
Surplus	5,478
Undiscounted promissory notes	0
LEBS: Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities	7,082
Total equity capital	N/A
Loases deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	0
Total equity capital and loases deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	7,082
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, equity capital, and loases deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	165,999
MEMORANDA: Deposits of state money - Michigan	8 None

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this Report of Condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformity with the applicable instructions and is true and correct.

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UPDATE ON OSTEOARTHRITIS

The most common form of arthritis is osteoarthritis. In this condition the cartilage that covers bone at the joint surface wears out. What was a smooth and gliding contact between joint surfaces is replaced by an irregular edge of bone with attendant friction on movement.

The knee is the joint most at risk to develop osteoarthritis as the knee's ability to bend and rotate brings a great force to its joint area. Just as it is a hinge, which no matter how well made, eventually wears down, so with your knees, if you live long enough, you will use the knee sufficiently to bring on osteoarthritis.

Usually, you ache only when you walk. Eventually you hurt in other joints as they develop wear from your altered gait. The back is particularly vulnerable as you take on a forward bend posture to avoid weight loading on the worn knee joint surface.

Medication such as aspirin and acetaminophen can provide pain relief, while joint aspiration and injection can remove excess joint fluid. When walking becomes more of a hazard than a help, knee joint replacement becomes an option.

Unfortunately, research in osteoarthritis is not ready to provide a breakthrough in treatment. The lack of medical therapy - giving relief rather than offering cure - is likely to continue for the foreseeable future.