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Spartan Stores, Inc. and Roundy's, Inc. Terminate Merger Discussions

GRAND RAPIDS, MI—It was announced Monday, November 14, 1994, that Spartan Stores, Inc. and Roundy's, Inc. have terminated merger discussions. The proposed transaction was first announced in September of this year.

Both companies announced their intentions to continue pursuing separate strategies to enhance their growth and shareholder value.

Spartan Stores, Inc. is the nation's seventh largest food wholesaler and operates nine distribution facilities in Michigan, Ohio and Kentucky. Roundy's, Inc. is ranked as the sixth largest food wholesaler in the country and operates 10 divisions in Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, and Indiana and Ohio. An official publication of the Associated Food Dealers of Michigan and its affiliate, Package Liquor Dealers Association

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The board of directors and staff of the Associated Food Dealers of Michigan wish all readers of this publication and their families a very happy and safe holiday.

Please join us for the Associated Food **Dealers** of Michigan 79th Annual Trade Dinner. Themed the Snowflake Ball, this gala event takes place January 20, 1995 at Penna's of Sterling-Heights. Your evening begins with cocktails. hors d'oeuvres and piano music. An exquisite five course meal follows. The Contours are the headline entertainment so get ready to shake 'em down to favorites like "Do You Love Me!" Over 1,000 industry leaders attend AFD's Trade Dinner. Please join us at the Snowflake Ball on January 20, 1995. The cost is \$700 for a table of ten or \$160

per couple. For tickets or more information, please contact Danielle MacDonald at (810) 557-9600.

Food distribution industry issues report card for Congress

The food distribution industry has issued an end-of-season report card for the 435 congressional representatives and 100 senators who served in the 103rd Congress.

"This was a busy Congress in 1993 and 1994 and, on balance, the food distribution industry feels very good about our objectives and the support they received in the House and Senate. We saw quite a few congressmen and women with 90% or even 100% ratings," said John Block, president of the National-American Wholesale Grocers' Association (NAWGA)/International Foodservice Distributors Association (IFDA).

The 103rd Congress, which ran from January 1993 to October 1994, debated a broad range of economic and regulatory issues of interest to the food industry. NAWGA/IFDA's report card evaluated the members of the House and Senate on 11 key issues, including President Clinton's stimulus package, the North American Free Trade Agreement, the balanced budget amendment, efforts to control federal spending, and similar initiatives.

"This end of session report card indicates that many members of Congress have been working harder these past two years at improving their marks in the subject of free enterprise," said Bruce Gates, NAWGA/ IFDA vice president of Public Affairs.

"Some of them deserve to go to the head of the class, but others still need some remedial instruction about the negative impact their voting records have on the American economy," Gales said.

The National-American Wholesaler Grocers' Association (NAWGA)/ International Foodservice Distributors Association (IFDA) is an international trade association, based near Washington, D.C., comprised of food distribution companies which primarily supply and service independent grocers and foodservice operations. throughout the U.S. and Canada. NAWGA/IFDA's 200 members operate over 1,200 distribution centers with a combined annual sales volume of over \$85 billion. NAWGA members employ a work force of over 350,000 and, in combination with their independently owned customer firms, provide employment for several million people. Fifty-six percent of the groceries sold in the U.S. are distributed by independent wholesale suppliers. IFDA represents member firms that sell annually \$34 billion in food and related products to restaurants, hospitals and other institutional foodservice operations. EMI

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Voting records of the U.S. House and Senate Representa- tives. A 100% rating indicates they voted with the food distribu- tion industry on every key issue in the 103rd Congress.	
Michigan	Cum %
Stupak (D)	0
Hoekstra (R)	100
Ehlers (R)	0
Camp (R)	100
Barcia (D)	27
Upton (R)	100
Smith (R)	100
Сап (D)	9
Kildee (D)	0
Bonior (D)	0
Knollenberg (R)	100
Levin (D)	9
Ford (D)	0
Conyers, Jr. (D)	0
Collins (D)	0
Dingell (D)	9
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'tis the time for charity

by Joe Sarafa AFD Executive Director

As we approach the holiday season, I want to thank all of you who do nated your time and/or efforts to our Thanksgiving turkey drive. Because of your generous

support, we

were able to provide the main course on Thanksgiving day to 1,380 needy families in Detroit, Inkster, Pontiac and Southfield.

Miller and AHC

Speaking of charity, AFD is proud to work with the Miller Brewing Company and their local distributors to support research to find a cure for Alternating Hemiplegia of Childhood (AHC) as well as the AFD scholarship program. We ask that you promote Miller High-Life, Miller High-Life Lite and Miller High-Life Ice in any and all packages through

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December 31.

Miller's Diane Hamilton says that for every case sold between November 21 and December 31, Miller and its distributors will make a donation. She adds that Miller is excited about doing something to help the community during this time of year.

Executive Director's Report

Participating distributors include: Action, Powers, O&W and Eastown. I hope you will put a display and feature price on these products throughout the holidays. All of us involved in this program cannot thank you enough for helping to find a cure for children afflicted with AHC, a rare disease with symptoms that include scizures, developmental delays, paralysis, epilepsy and mental retardation. The Miller program also helps to support AFD academic scholarships for deserving youths in the food industry. If you have any questions, please call the AFD office at (810) 557-9600.

Remember real estate transfer tax With the passage of Proposal A last

spring, beginning in 1995, Michigan will impose a higher real estate transfer tax. Currently there is a county tax of \$1.10 per thousand (except in Wayne County where it is \$1.50 per thousand).

Any real estate contract signed after January 1 will be subject to the additional state tax of \$7.50 per thousand which is added to the county tax.

Please keep this in mind if you are planning to buy or sell real estate in 1995.

Holiday wishes

I am looking forward to seeing you at our annual trade dinner, January 20, at Penna's in Sterling Heights. Please mark this important date on your calendar now. On behalf of the AFD Board of Directors and staff, I wish you a safe, and happy holiday season. May you and your family have a healthy and prosperous new year.

The Annual Meeting of the Associated Food Dealers of Michigan will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 1994 at 8:00 p.m. at the Southfield Manor. Members are invited. Please RSVP to Liz at (810) 557-9600.

ar	December 20	AFD Annual Meeting, 8:00 p.m. Southfield Manor, Southfield
-	January 20	AFD Trade Dinner, Pennas, Sterling Heights
q	February 1 - 4	NGA Annual Convention, Las Vegas, Nevada
en	March 5 - 8	NAWGA/IFDA Convention, Dallas, Texas
O,	March 11 - 14	Annual Produce Conference, Fort Myers, Florida
-	March 13 - 14	1995 FMI Public Affairs Assembly, Rochester, N.Y.
Ü	March 22	Category Management: The Merchandising Tool of the Future, Adams Mark Hotel, Memphis, Tennessee
-	April 25 - 26	AFD Trade Show

The Grocery Zone By David Coverly





From left to right: Sam Arafat, Inkster Chamber of Commerce; Former Mayor of Inkster Betty Miller; and Governor John Engler break ground for new Inkster stripmall.



AFD Board Members meet with Detroit Police Chief Ike McKinnon to discuss resolutions to problems faced by the store owners in the city.



AFD Chairman Nabby Yono, Detroit Councilman Clyde Cleveland and board members Barbara Weiss-Street and Sam Yono are all smiles after their meeting.

AFD On The Scene

The AFD Board of Directors works overtime to help the food and beverage industry.



Chairman Nabby Yono leads a discussion on "Planning for the Future" with AFD board members.



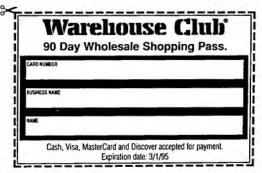
C.J. "Gabe" Gabriel, Pepsi-Cola Market Unit Manager, talks to the AFD Board about Pepsi's product line.







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AFD On The Scene

The Associated Food Dealers, along with the AFD Board of Directors, hosted a sponsor appreciation night at the Gem Theater on Thursday, October 27, 1994. It was our way of thanking our Trade Dinner and Golf Outing Sponsors along with our valued advertisers. We all had a great time singing along with the 60's musical *Beehive*. A few AFD guests were even asked to join the cast on stage. Photographs below . . .



Mr. and Mrs. Mel Pearl from Hiram Walker enjoyed the company of Mr. and Ars. Ronnie Jamil, AFD Board Member and owner of Mug & Jug Liquor Store.



Mr. and Mrs. Jeff and Romy David from Kramer Foods were first time Gem Theater attendees; I bet they'll be back!



Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Stoval and Sharon Brock from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan sang along with the Beehive cast to favorites such as Proud Mary and My Boyfriend's Back.



Mr. and Mrs. Larry Stamos and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Odinez both from Kar Nut all have big smiles because Larry was such a big hit on center stage playing the name game. He really could carry a tune! (Larry is in the center.)



Everyone was having a great time at the Gem Theater. Mr. and Mrs. Cal Stein from the Pfeister Company and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Fischioni from Paul Inman Associates Made Their Own Kind of Music with The Mamas and the Papas!



Mr. and Mrs. Werner Stark from Stark and Company were very glad the Beehive cast chose Shelley Welch and not them to star in the name game on center stage. She did an outstanding job!



Friends from the Spartan gang came down from Grand Rapids to toe tap with the girl groups and solo singers of the 60's. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smoliga (from the Plymouth office of Spartan) along with Lisa McIntyre and Jann McKellar really enjoyed Detroit's Theater District.



Nabby Yono, AFD Chairman and owner of XTRA Foods and Orchard Food Center, started the show by putting a nickel in the juke box. Louis Stephen from Nu-Ad also had a terrific time.





Steve Walkerwicz, Berni Ferrari and Mark Shulte from The House of Seagram.

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John Karmo of Market Square in Birming-ham with Sam Awdish, Sector Manager for Remy Martin.

Pat Shields, Kathy Zambrowsky and Keith Keefer take good care of the Kramer Foods booth.



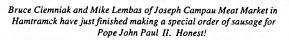
Mike O'Connor of Spirits of Michigan gets an order from Vino Hesano of The Glass Bottle Shoppe in Detroit.



AFD On The Scene

Just a few of the many members who are very pleased with the Associated Food Dealers self-insured workers compensation program.







Basim Nafsu does an excellent job with his produce at Shop-A-Rama Food Center.



Mario Cercone (right) and his son, Giacomo, of Mario's Meats show off their fine beef at their Eastpointe Store.



John Kassa (right) and son, Chris, of K & G Food Mart pose near their quality fruits.



Vino Hesano of The Glass Bottle Shoppe has been with the AFD's workers compensation program since its inception in 1982.



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Basim Bahoora of Trade Fair Market sells a Lottery Ticket.





Andy Konja of Handy Spot Fine Food gives Russ Nelson of Coca-Cola an order.

Najib Gumma of Western Liquor.

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Cigarettes may be dangerous to your store's health

by James V. Bellanca of Bellanca, Beattie & DeLisle Attorneys for the AFD

In recent weeks, the number of complaints that we have received from AFD members concerning illegal or contraband cigarettes has grown steadily. The source of the problem is the increased cigarette taxes, which took effect this year.

As a result, a whole underground industry has developed for smuggling cigarettes into the state without paying Michigan taxes. These "contraband dealers" present themselves in a very professional manner and very often will be willing to provide you an invoice which details the cigarette purchases. In some instances these invoices are accurate and in others they identify only a portion of cigarettes purchased and require a cash payment.

The temptation to buy cigarettes of questionable origin is great, but the problems which arise in connection with the purchase of illegal cigarettes far out weigh the risk.

First and foremost, it is against the law to buy cigarettes that have not

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been authorized by the state for resale in Michigan. A violation of this law can and will, very often, result in a jail sentence. In addition, you must understand that the purchase of cigarettes that have not been authorized for resale by the state of Michigan, exposes your store to trouble with the Lottery Bureau, Liquor Control Commission and, perhaps, the WIC and Food Stamp programs.

The law presumes that you know the current market for cigarettes on a wholesale basis. The law presumes that you know who the legitimate licensed wholesalers are. The law presumes that, if you get a reduced price for cigarettes, you know that the source of those cigarettes is illegal. The presumptions made by the law, in connection with the purchase of cigarettes, is no different from the presumptions in the law for the purchase of any article at a reduced price. If a Rolex watch costs approximately \$5,000 at most jewelry stores, someone who offers to sell you one for substantially less than that amount, must have secured that watch from an illegal source or the watch itself is counterfeit. The same presumption exists for designer clothes, video cassettes, music tapes, etc.

in your store representing a company that you have never heard of, who offer you cigarettes at a substantially reduced price. If there are any questions in your mind concerning their legitimacy, ask for proof that their company is licensed in Michigan and check that proof out with Lansing. Beware of any sales that are not supported by an invoice which exactly matches the amount of cigarettes purchased and beware of any sale which requires a payment in cash.

There are no second chances. The State of Michigan has proclaimed that they intend to aggressively search out and find both those who sell cigarettes from illegal sources and those who are prone to buy cigarettes from illegal sources. That probably means that the state will be conducting sting operations and will be tracking down those people who engage in the illegal sale or purchase of cigarettes at reduced prices. Legitimate cigarette wholesalers have been instructed to check out your inventory and report any irregularities to the authorities. Neither you nor your store can afford to sell any cigarettes from any source other than an authorized wholesaler or distributor. To do otherwise, would be dangerous to your store's health.

Watch out for people who appear

Going metric: why, when, and some hints . . .

According the FDA Consumer (Sept., 1994) the monthly magazine of the Food and Drug Administration, the final regulations for metric labeling of food packages are expected soon. These proposed regulations, 1992 amendments to the 1967 Fair Packaging and Labeling Act (FPLA), will require "dual labeling" of many consumer packages-in both the customary inch-pound (avoirdupois or English system) and the metric (SI) units of measurement for net quantity of contents. While we're waiting for the FDA to issue its final metric labeling regulations (originally scheduled for Feb. 14, 1994), here's some background.

The metric system is known as the International System of Units or SI, from the French "Le Systeme International D'Unites." As the international standard of measurement, the metric system is an important key to success in the global marketplace. In fact, except for two small countries, Liberia and Myanmar (Burma), the United States is the only trading nation not routinely conducting its commercial affairs in metric units. All other English-speaking nations have made the switch to metric, even those with longtime ties to the English system of measurement-England itself, Canada and Australia.

The United States has been on the "metric track" for almost 120 years,

starting in 1866 when President Andrew Johnson signed an act making metric measurements legal anywhere in the U.S. And the U.S. was the only English-speaking country among the 17 original signers of the Treaty of the Meter, signed in 1875 in Paris. In 1893, metric units were declared to be the country's fundamental standards of measurement. But for the next 80 years, the metric movement lost its momentum.

In the late 1970s, the U.S. government started a push towards metric, but this drive slowed in the '80s. Even so, some changes were made. For example, the beverage industry switched from "English" to metric. Most big bottles of soft drinks are now labeled "2 liters." Spirits, once packaged in pints, fifths, etc. are now sold in roughly equivalent metric units: 375 milliliters (mL), 750 mL, etc.

Much of what has been done to date has been spurred by American business, to better its bargaining position in a growing and increasingly competitive global marketplace. According to the FDA, the inch-pound system "habit" has put us at a disadvantage with our competitors overseas. As non-metric products become increasingly unacceptable in the world market, the conversion to SI becomes more important. --PMA Freshline

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Products Kramer Food Company to distribute innovative products

Power Ranger Snacks With all the hype of the very popular kids show, Mighty Morphin Power

Rangers, the new Frookie and Delicious cookies are sure to be a hit with kids.

The Frookies are a fat-free, nine-ounce vanilla or cinnamon graham cookie called Power Grahams. Also available are the Dinozord Sandwich Cookies which are 10 ounces and available in vanilla and duplex cremes. A two-ounce vanilla power cookie is available as well.

Music for your mouth?

Canadian Music Water is being marketed as absolutely the world's purest and softest water. Music is naturally ice filtered as it melts into creeks in government-protected and controlled regions

away from environmental pollution and human habitat. It is bottled in Richmond. British Columbia.



The Music bottle itself is just as

unique as the water. The bottle is triangular and comes in two sizes, 1.5 liter and 400 ml. The bottles, with sports caps, can be stacked vertically or horizontally and they won't roll around.

Natural Soda Brew

No fat, no caffeine, no alcohol, no preservatives and very low sodium describe this all-natural soda brew called West End. It is available in six flavors: red raspberry, country peach, wild cherry, kiwi

lemon lime,

strawberry kiwi, and mango orange. The sodas are made from freshbrewed fruit



which enables West End to extract every ounce of flavor. It is brewed just like beer except instead of using malt, West End uses fresh fruit. No yeast is added, therefore, no alcohol.

West End comes in 11 oz, and 20 oz. bottles.

Wanted: Flavorful beverages The Sioux City family of Western style beverages are finding a niche in the 90s. With



drink comes in its own distinctive embossed brown bottle or colorful can. The bottled flavors are Sioux City Sarsaparilla, Cream Soda, Birch Beer, Cactus Orange, Wildberry and Ginger Beer. The canned flavors are Lemon Iced Tea, Raspberry Iced Tea, Kiwi Strawberry Lemonade and Grape Strawberry Lemonade.

Limited Edition Perrier Art bottles introduced

Experience the magic as Perrier's little green bottle becomes a translucent canvas radiating the pure art of refeshment for a limited time.

First introduced this past summer, a new series of limited edition bottles has been specially created for the grocery trade by three artists.



lighted in an end-cap display for the holiday season, this limited edition of Perrier

will be offered in regular, lemon and lime.

Although Perrier is for always, these "artful" bottles are for just a little while.

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Retailer Profile

Kielbasa for the Pope

by Wendy G. Waldrep

Surrounded by pictures of the Pope, John Ciemniak's market is reflective of his Polish heritage. Along with pictures of his family and religious leaders hangs a sign which

reads, "Loving is the Best Part of Life."

That love is apparent in Ciemniak's Meat Market on Joseph Campau in Hamtramck. Their Polish Kielbasa is made fresh



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daily in the market. For those who would rather make their own sausage, everything from the casings, assorted meats and spices are available too.

John and his son Bruce own and operate the market. John came over from Poland when he was five years old. At 88 years of age he is still actively involved in the business, although he had already left to go hunting on the particular day that I visited.

In the back of the market is an oldfashioned smokehouse. There is no "liquid smoke" used here. The hams and sausage are smoked with real wood chips and sawdust as opposed to the heat- activated chemicals. This produces a taste difference

which is quite noticeable,' says Bruce Ciemniak. John is ouite active in the Catholic community donating his time, products and money. A

John Guzowski, Credu The Cinzer Father Jim Leary, states "Some day in heaven there are going to be so many people coming up to you to say "thank you" for the many meals you gave them here. If you think you have many friends in this world, John, you are going to be surprised at the number you have in heaven!" This letter was in response to a donation from the Ciemniaks to the Capuchin

Soup Kitchen.

Also on the wall is a plaque from Detroit Monthly. They awarded the market a "Best of Detroit Award" for the "Best Kielbasa." Their kiel-

basa is not only consumed locally, but also is sent to the Vatican. The Pope himself enjoys their Krakowska Sausage, while other smoked products are sent to customers in Florida. North Carolina, Texas and California. The market relies on fresh meat. Ninety percent of their meat is hanging meat, as opposed to boxed beef. Their pork is

delivered fresh daily other day. The Ciemniaks have built

their reputation on quality meats, and strive to please their customers.

table with two chairs and a stack of magazines. Whether it is Sports Illustrated, Movieline, Consumers Re-

port or Business Week, the customer can sit and rest while waiting to place his order. Customer service is a priority.

This is appar-

ent not only in the

homemade pierogis,

and kielbasa, but also

in the attitude that is

ket is full of helpful

and courteous em-

ployees. The words

on a sign in John's

office are reflective

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wait on customers

each day.

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for work, wear a smile." Their smiles

Ciemniak's mar-

projected.





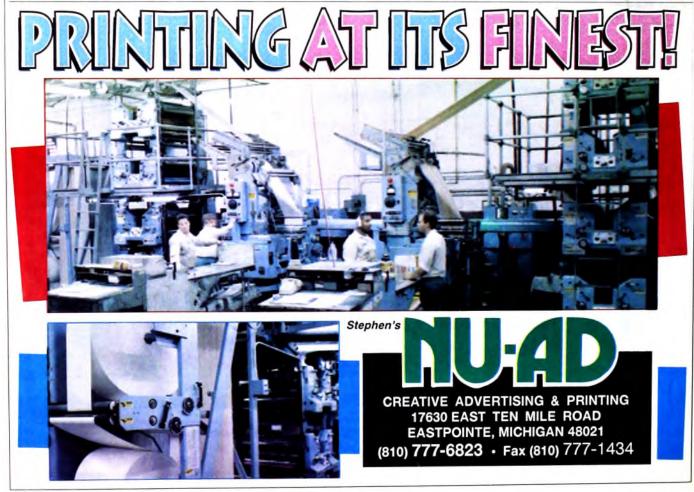
Bruce Ciemniak showcases the fresh meat at their market.

Despite competition, they will not sacrifice the quality or freshness of their products. Whether it is fresh ground poppy seeds or an assortment of hams, Ciemniak's market continues to cater to the community that they have been a part of for over forty years.

letter from

with chicken and beef arriving every

In the middle of their market is a



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Detroit holds public hearing on temporary banners

Detroit City Council will be holding a public hearing Dec. 9 at 11 a.m. in the 13th floor chambers of City Council, Detroit City-County Building, 2 Woodward Avenue, concerning a proposed City Ordinance to prohibit the display of temporary signs and banners on the exterior of any business.

The proposed ordinance, if passed by Detroit City Council, will go into effect February 1, 1995, and will require all businesses to remove banners by that date. Price banners or product banners cannot be displayed once the new ordinance goes into effect.

An exception to the rule, however, would be for a special event, such as a grand opening. If a store wants to display a special event banner, a permit would first have to be obtained from the City's Buildings & Safety Engineering Department. The permit allows for the banner or other temporary signage to be displayed for not more than 15 days. This kind of permit for special-event temporary signage can be obtained not more than two times in any year.

If the ordinance is passed, anyone violating the ordinance will be given written notice by the Buildings & Safety Engineering Department to remove the signage. Failure to do so will lead to a complaint at Thirty-

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violating the ordinance, a fine of \$500 and/or 90 days in jail may be imposed. This proposed ordinance was re-

sixth District Court, if convicted of

cently approved by the Detroit City Planning Commission. The City Council public hearing is required before City Council can vote on any ordinance. The purpose of the public hearing is to hear the opinions of the public and those who will be affected by the ordinance.

The Associated Food Dealers and most member stores should have received an official notice of the public hearing. For additional information, call the City Planning Commission office at (313) 224-3219

Liquor Control Commission holds hearing

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission will hold a public hearing at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 6, 1994, at the Lansing office of the commission, 7150 Harris Drive, Lansing, Michigan.

Section 7 of the Liquor Control Act (MCL 436.7) requires that this hearing be held for the purpose of hearing the complaints and receiving the views of the public with respect to the administration of this act.

Members of the commission will conduct the meeting which will be open to participation by the audience in a question and answer period.

Retailers that cannot attend, may submit written testimony prior to the date of the hearing to Maxine Perry, Liquor Control Commission Chairwoman, 7150 Harris Drive, P.O. Box 30005, Lansing, MI 48909.



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From County Commissioner to State Representative

by Wendy G. Waldrep

Heading toward Lansing in January, Sue Rocca, a Republican from Sterling Heights, will bring an abundance of political experience with her. She has served as a county commissioner in Macomb County for two years and was appointed by Ex-Governor James Blanchard to serve on the Health Occupation Council. She has continued on that council for eight years and has served on the executive board for four years.

Rocca, a newly elected State Representative, will be an aggressive advocate for the medical community. Utilizing her degree in nursing, she will employ her skills to help bring about a fair and equitable health-care plan that will not damage the small business person.

"I would like to see health care for everyone. However, I totally oppose the Clinton Plan and believe that we need tax incentives for the small businesses that provide health care for their employees," Rocca says.

Rocca would also like to serve on a committee that oversees liquor control. She believes that being selective in doling out licenses will help to protect those merchants who already have an established business. "If a community doesn't have the business to support the current establishments, then we shouldn't be issuing further licenses," says Rocca. "This (alcohol) is their 'bread and butter,' and I have a lot of respect for individuals who have risked everything . . . to open a business."

Many of Rocca's family members have owned small businesses. Her father owned a jewelry store and she watched her sister pour her energies into a clothing store which failed. With this background, she is not naive about the challenges and stress that face the small business owner. "Keeping the Single Business Tax low so establishments can remain competitive is essential," Rocca said.

Rocca also believes in ethics reform. She would like to abolish the Office Holders Expense Fund (OEF) and honorariums for speaking engagements for public officials. There are many abuses in the system. "Why should you get paid (an honorarium) to go out and educate when that is your job? With these perks extending your funds, it makes it very difficult for you to relate to your constituents," Rocca states.



A conservative, Rocca believes in keeping our taxes low, providing for senior citizens, and protecting the investments of small business owners. With a fresh set of eyes heading toward Lansing, you can be sure that Sue Rocca will be an effective lobbyist for business.

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News Notes

Heinz announces agreement to acquire Budget Gourmet

H.J. Heinz Company announced that it has signed an agreement with Kraft General Foods, Inc. to acquire The All American Gourmet Company, maker of the Budget Gourmet frozen meals and side dishes.

Headquartered in Orange, California, The All American Gourmet Company currently makes all of its products at two locations: Atlanta, Georgia and Clearfield, Utah. It employs nearly 1,000 people. The All American Gourmet Company is a unit of Kraft USA, which is an operating group of Kraft General Foods, Inc., the multi-national food business of Philip Morris Companies Inc.

Terms were not disclosed and the agreement is subject to appropriate government approvals.

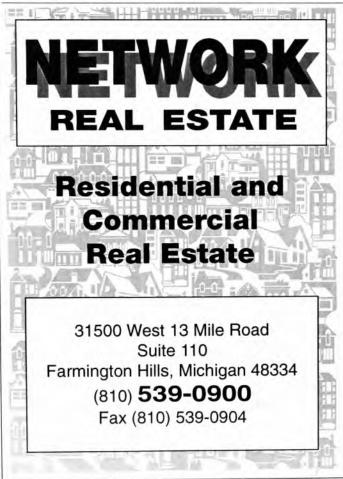


Foodland Distributors, the Livoniabased wholesaler, was honored with a Golden Penguin Award for its outstanding achievements in promoting National Frozen Food Month.

The prestigious award was presented by Olympic champion Bonnie Blair on behalf of the National Frozen Food Association at its annual convention held in Orlando, Florida, in November.

Stark & Company Honored

Stark & Company has been appointed National Broker of the Year for J&J Snacks for the Detroit, Michigan office.



Dear AFD:



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I want to thank you for your invaluable role in helping to make the Detroit area <u>Michigan Agriculture:</u> Growing Michigan's Future tour a smashing success.

The time we spent in the Detroit area on August 30 is still being heralded for the interest it generated among members of the community, those working in agriculture and those employed in other areas. I have had rave reviews from everyone who came along on the tour.

Approximately 90 people, including state legislators, local elected officials, business leaders and farmers participated in the day's activities. Because of your efforts and the help and support of the Detroit area team, we were able to display Southeast Michigan's agriculture at its best.

The 1994 tour season ended with our seventh tour in the Saginaw area on September 29. Over 800 people participated in the seven full-day tours across our state, with another 500 joining us for meals or other special events during the tours. When you add in farmers, businesses, and associations who participated by hosting stops, you can see the response was tremendous.

As was evident on the Detroit tour, Michigan agriculture is a diverse, vital part of our state's economy and heritage. Thanks again, for making this a great summer for Michigan agriculture!

Sincerely,

Dr. Gordon Guyer, Director, Michigan Department of Agriculture

Dear AFD and AFD members:

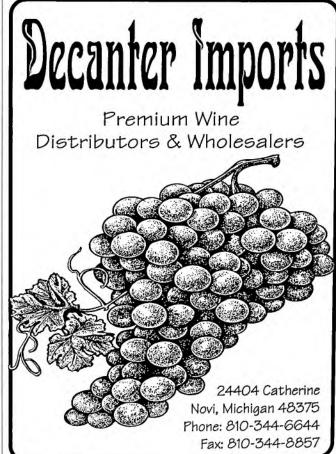
Fall is here... and our thoughts turn to many different things. Holidays, gift-giving, a season of good food and good times. But for some folks, it is a time of additional need. A need to feed their families when there just isn't enough to go around.

Operation Foodbasket, a collective effort by DAGMR members, is in its 22nd year. During this time, we have fed tens of thousands of families. We are asking for donations of food.

If you cannot directly give food, other contributions are equally important. Donations of money, toys or clothing are also greatly appreciated.

Some hungry people are counting on you. Please call DAGMR at (810) 357-4242. Thanks in advance for your continued support.

Operation Foodbasket Committee.



Lysczarz Brothers Foundation seeking a helping hand

by Wendy G. Waldrep

Struggling with a debilitating disease is tough enough. But Ken and John Lysczarz managed to graduate with various degrees from Macomb Community College and Wayne State University, while also mounting a successful fund-raising campaign for

Detroit loses a generous supporter

by Wendy G. Waldrep

Whether it was free pumpkins, fruits or vegetables, Joe Shaya's generosity flowed into the community. Not content with just owning Farmer Zeke's Market in northwest Detroit, Joe sponsored children's baseball teams, donated money to church programs and block clubs, while also serving on an anti-violence committee in the predominantly African-American neighborhood.

Shaya, 50, came to the United States from Baghdad, Iraq in 1964 and worked in other grocery stores before purchasing Zeke's almost 30 years ago. He died July 23, 1994 after swerving to avoid an accident on the Lodge Freeway in Detroit.

Recently friends, neighbors and community leaders gathered to show their appreciation for his generosity towards the neighborhood that surrounded his store.

Organizers of the memorial service included U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Damon Keith, Detroit Councilman Gil Hill and Bishop David Ellis of Greater Grace Temple, where the ceremony was held.

"He was such an influential force in the community," Ellis said.

Shaya is survived by his wife Linda, two sons, Todd and Shannon, and a daughter, Shelby. The family has established the Joe Shaya Memorial Scholarship of \$2,000 for collegebound urban students.

On behalf of the Associated Food Dealers of Michigan, we extend our deepest sympathy to Joe's wife Linda, his three children and all those who knew and loved him. If you attended the memorial service at Greater Grace Temple last month, you would have seen first hand the positive impact one grocer had on an entire community. We encourage you to follow Joe Shaya's example of becoming involved in, and being a part of, the community where you work and do business. We can all learn a very valuable lesson from this man. He will truly be missed.

the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA).

The foundation is seeking to raise \$1 million in honor of Ken and John who have both succumbed to the disease, in the hopes of saving other children from the effects of Muscular Dystrophy. The family has been instrumental in raising over \$800,000 towards their goal.

In conjunction with the Clawson/ Troy Elks Club and the Lysczarz Brothers Foundation, there will be an "Answer the Challenge" MDA benefit on June 3 and 4, 1995. Activities will include a picnic, baseball game and bowling tournament, along with a dinner dance that will include Las Vegas-style gambling. All proceeds will go to MDA.

Albin Lysczarz, their father, was a member of the food industry for 44 years. Lysczarz started his career as a young boy in the meat department at Kroger on Chene and Lyman. Before retiring he worked at A&P, Big Bear Markets, National Food Stores, and Chatham Supermarkets. Lysczarz maintains that the happiest days and moments of his life were in the food industry. "The finest people in the world are the people in the food industry. I will never forget my last employment with Chatham. They always gave 102% for my two sons and the fund-raisers," says Lysczarz.

The Foundation is seeking donations of food products from AFD members. For further information, please call: MDA at (810) 228-0000 or Albin Lysczarz (517) 821-9792







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Formation of CPA's Association

A new organiziation, the Chaldean-American Association of Certified Public Accountants was recently formed.

The formation of this association was due to the needs of the Arab and Chaldean community for guidance and advisement from its experts in the various areas of finance, investments, management and taxes. The main goals that this association will be striving to achieve are:

1. Providing the business community with recommendations and advice regarding the various aspects of investments, risks, savings and organization.

2. Providing collectively a scientific and independent opinion to various Arabic and Chaldean organizations, and offering help in resolving disputes between parties in the business community.

3. Arranging seminars and educational meetings to inform the public in general and business community in particular as to the periodic changes and new issues in the tax laws and economy in general.

4. Publishing articles in newspapers and magazines related to the businesses and arranging interviews through the television and radio network to update the community of any information that the members of the association feel are needed to make informed decisions.

Michigan Sugar names assistant sales manager

Michigan Sugar Co. named Anthony D. Moeggenberg assistant sales manager at its corporate headquarters in Saginaw. He will coordinate sugar, molasses and beet pulp

beet pulp sales with distributors, warehouse personnel, industrial and grocery customers. He will also co-

ordinate a more detailed customer-service program.

Moeggenberg joined Michigan Sugar Co, in 1990 as a logistics analyst in the sales department. He was promoted to assistant manager of transportation and logistics in 1993. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in logistics management from Central Michigan University.

In 1994, Michigan Sugar Co. embarked on its 88th year of business.

Michigan Sugar Co. is based in Saginaw, Michigan, and is the subsidiary of Savannah Foods & Industries, Savannah, Georgia.



What's Happening At The Michigan Lottery?

Lottery makes record contribution to state school aid fund and retailers earn record \$89 million in sales commissions

By Jim Kipp Acting Lottery Commissioner

Thanks to you, Michigan's school chil-

dren hit the jackpot this ycar with Lottery revenue to the state School Aid Fund hitting an all-time record level of \$511 million. That's \$2.8 million for each school day for our children's education.



Michigan Lottery gross revenue reached an all-time record in fiscal year 1993-94 with sales soaring to more than \$1.34 billion. Net revenue of \$511 million, a nearly 20 percent increase over last year, will be transferred to the state School Aid Fund this year to help support K-12 public education.

Preliminary unaudited figures for fiscal year 1993-94 which ended September 30, show total Lottery sales at \$1.343 billion, the highest ever in the Lottery's 22year history. The previous record was set last fiscal year 1992-93, with Lottery sales at \$1.243 billion.

Michigan Lottery retailers earned a record \$89 million in sales commissions. Increased Lottery sales means increased store traffic and bigger profits for nearly 9,000 Michigan retailers who sell Lottery tickets. The Lottery is a win-win-win proposition for Michigan, for our school children, players and business.

Much of the increase in sales is due to the new approach we've taken to marketing instant games. We introduced exciting new instant games, like "Bingo" with a top prize of \$10,000 and "Wild Time" with a top prize of \$20,000. These games were instantly popular with our players. Players enjoy having more choices and the new marketing approach has led to an increase in instant game sales of more than 50 percent.

Overall in fiscal 1993-94, players won \$697.9 million in prizes.

Our record year could not have been accomplished without the tremendous support of our retailers and the dedication of our Lottery staff.

The new fiscal year got off to an exciting start with a Michigan Lotto jackpot rolling to \$16.6 million. A 53-year-old Detroit man who requested ononymity, won the jackpotsaid, "It's a miracle!" after winning the Michigan Lotto jackpot worth \$16.6 million in the November 5 drawing.

"Instantly, I'm a multi-millionaire. It's a miracle," he said.

The winner will receive installments of \$831,400 before taxes, each year for 20 years.

A regular Lottery player for the past

22 years, he purchased his winning ticket at Superland Market on Schoolcraft in Detroit.

The Michigan Lottery will spend this month boosting the holiday gift promotion. The new "Holiday Cash" instant game is on sale at nearly 9,000 retailers statewide. The new \$2 instant game, which is clad in bright holiday colors, offers players the chance to win up to 10 times on each ticket with a top prize of \$25,000.

As part of the holiday promotion,

Michigan retailers will give away free specially designed Lottery gift cards which provide a unique way to package Michigan Lottery instant tickets as gifts.

The Lottery will run both television and radio ads on this promotion in December. In addition, the Lottery has provided retailers with colorful point-of-sale kits to promote "Holiday Cash" in their stores.

In addition, the Michigan Lottery will also introduce a \$1 instant game in December, "Triple Cold Cash."

Players can win up to \$1,500 in the new "Triple Cold Cash" instant game, which goes on sale on December 12 at Michigan Lottery retailers statewide. If players get three like symbols, they win the prize amount shown in the prize box. If players get two sets of three like symbols, they win double the prize amount. If players get three sets of three like symbols, they win triple the prize amount -"Triple Cold Cash!"

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Statewide Financial Services	
Thomas P. Soltys, CPA	(616) 698-8855
Telecheck Michigan, Inc.	354-5000
Travelers Express Co	1-800-328-5678
Ultracom	
Vend-A-Matic	
Whitey's Concessions	(313) 278-5207
Worldwide Financial Services	647-1199
Wolverine Real Estate Services	353-7800

STORE SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT:

210KE 2011TTE2/EGOILWEI	
All-American Cash Register	(313) 561-4141
Ameri-Copy	1-800-888-1683
Belmont Paper & Bag Supply	(313) 491-6550
Bollin Label Systems	1-800-882-5104
Brehm Broaster Sales	(517) 427-5858
Brinkman Safe	
Cornelius Systems Inc.	545-5558
DCI Food Equipment	(313) 369-1666
First National Pallet Rental	
Hobart Corporation	(313) 697-7060
MMI Distributing	(313) 582-4400
Metro Equipment Inc	
Michigan Bale Tie Company	
Midwest Butcher & Deli Supply	
Murray Lighting Company	
Refrigeration Engineering, Inc	(616) 453-2441
Sales Control Systems	
TRM Copy Centers	(503) 231-0230
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WHOLESALERS/FOOD DISTRIBUTO	RS:
All-Star Foods	. 669-0240
Bremer Sugar (616) 772-9100

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Cahana Foods	(313) 834-0800
Capistar, Inc.	(517) 699-3605
Canital Distributors	(313) 369-2137
Central Foods	(313) 933-2600
Dean French Inc.	544-1740
Detroit Warehouse Co.	(313) 491-1500
EBY-Brown, Co.	1-800-532-9276
Epco Foods, Inc.	857-4040
Family Packing Distributors	644-5353
Foodland Distributors	(212) 572 7100
Garden Foods	(212) 523-2100
Garden Foods	1 800 975 5557
Gourmet International, Inc.	1-800-873-3337
Great Lakes Home Food Service	(317) 833-0783
H & O Distributors	(313) 493-0011
I & K Distributing	(313) 491-3930
J.F. Walker	(517) /87-9880
Jerusalem Foods	(313) 538-1511
Kehe Food Distributors	1-800-888-4681
Kramer Food Company	
Lipari Foods	
McInemey-Miller Bros	(313) 833-8660
Midwest Wholesale Foods	
Midwest Wholesale Foods Miesel/Sysco Food Service	(313) 397-7990
Mucky Duck Mustard Co.	
Norquick Distributing Co	(313) 522-1000
Northwest Food Co. of Michigan	(313) 368-2500
Rich Plan of Michigan	
Riviera Food Corp.	(313) 538-3020
Robert D. Arnold & Assoc	635-8411
S. Abraham & Sons	754-0220
Sackett Ranch	(517) 762-5049
Sandler-Stone Co.	674-1100
Scot Lad Foods, Inc.	(419) 228-3141
Sherwood Foods Distributors	(313) 366,3100
State Fair Wholesale	(313) 893-4629
State Wholesale Grocers	(313) 567-7654
State wholesale Orocers	(906) 293-3851
Stephenson & Stephenson	455-1400
Super Food Services	(517) 777-1891
Superior Fast Foods, Inc.	706-7118
Tony's Pizza Service	1 900 247 1533
Tony's Pizza Service	546 2661
Trepco Imports	(112) 840-5001
Value Wholesale	(212) 271 5406
Warehouse Club, Allen Park	(313) 2/1-3490
Warehouse Club, Hazel Park	
Warehouse Club, Redford	(313) 332-2023
Weeks Food Com	121-3333
Ypsilanti Food Co-op	(313) 483-1520

ASSOCIATES:

American Synergistics	(313) 427-4444
Basket Case	
Business Dining Services	
Herman Ruhin Sales Co.	
Livernois-Davison Florist	
Minnich's Boats & Motors	
Sigma Associates, Inc.	(313) 963-9700
Wileden & Assoc.	588-2358
Wolverine Golf Club, Inc.	781-5544
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