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Acquitted of poisoning, parents regain their son

By WYLIE GERDES

A West Bloomfield couple acquitted in March of poisoning their six-year-old son with mercury have regained custody of the boy.

Doctors and psychologists testified at the trial in March that they couldn't explain why Daniel's mercury level was so high. They also said there was no evidence the level was the result of anything his parents had done.

Out-of-court settlement filed in DeLorean lawsuits

DETROIT — A proposed out-of-court settlement in a bankruptcy and a series of lawsuits against John DeLorean was filed Thursday in U.S. District Court in Detroit.

The settlement, which needs the approval of Bankruptcy Judge Ray Reynolds Graves, would have DeLorean or companies he controls pay \$9.36 million to the creditors of his bankrupt sports car company.

UM-Dearborn probing vandalism

By JOHN CASTINE

University of Michigan-Dearborn officials are investigating a former editor of the school newspaper and six of his staff members in connection with \$6,000 worth of theft and vandalism at the paper's offices that prevented publication of its June issue.

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and computer system were vandalized, graffiti covered some walls, and three cameras, a printer, newspaper files and other items were missing.

Under Evans, the paper also launched a petition drive against a student mall renovation project and reported over university objections U-M-D Chancellor William Jenkins' prostate surgery.

Horn, who was chosen editor over two candidates from Evans' staff, said she quit the paper when the petition drive story was published under the phony byline "Ben Dover."

Sypula said there were "concerns about (the Journal's) quality and sophistication" under Evans' leadership.



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Marie Fortin, wife of police diver Richard Fortin, holds the flag given to her during his funeral Friday outside St. Jude Church in Detroit. Family members are, from left, son Kevin Fortin, holding his son; daughter April McCullough; Marie Fortin, and son David Fortin. At right is funeral director Tim Lynch.

Drowned police rescue diver praised as hero

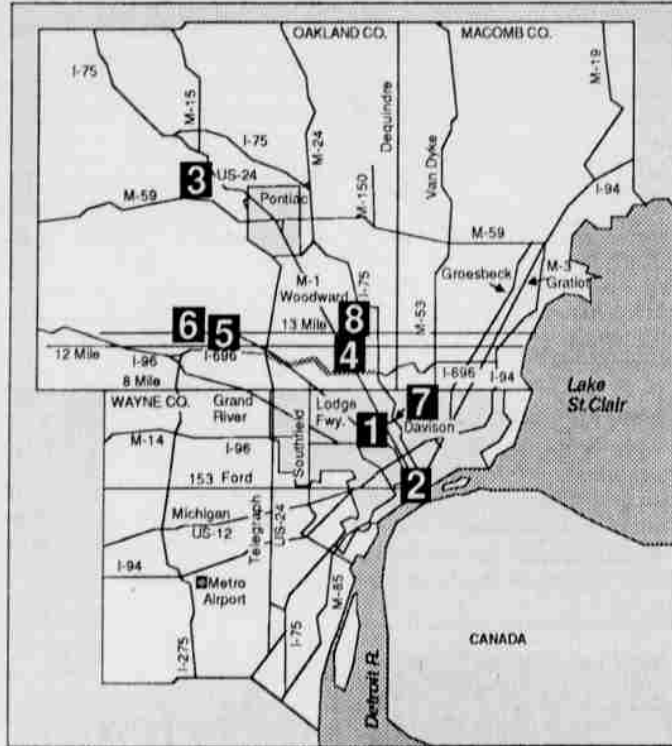
By JIM FINKELSTEIN

A helicopter flyover and a 21-gun salute punctuated the silence Thursday outside St. Jude Church on Detroit's east side as police diver Richard Fortin was laid to rest.

who founded in the Detroit River in front of the Grand Prix race course. Hundreds of uniformed police from Detroit and nearby departments saluted in formation before and after the ceremony, which took place along several blocks cordoned off by a police barricade.

people: Frank Sudek has been appointed secretary of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority, which operates the 13 Metroparks in Wayne, Macomb, Oakland, Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

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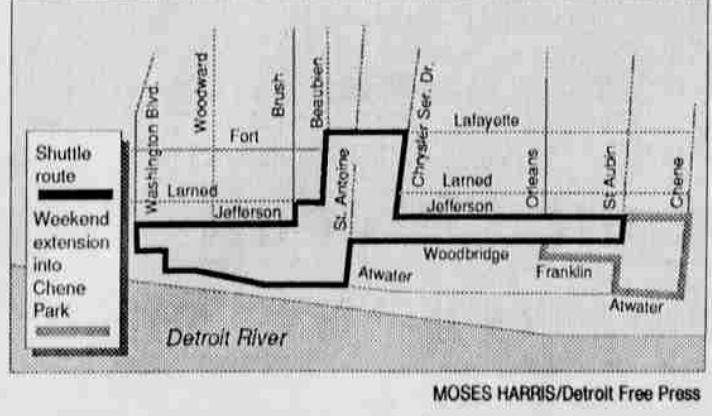
- 1. All northbound lanes of the Lodge Freeway (U.S.-10) will be closed from downtown to Seven Mile until late July.
- 2. Until February 1989, the Larned exit from the southbound Lodge will be closed.
- 3. In the Waterford area, expect severe traffic backups on Dixie Highway (U.S.-10) from Sashabaw to Telegraph.
- 4. Main Street in the Royal Oak area near Ten Mile is closed until August.
- 5. Twelve Mile west of Inkster Road in Farmington Hills will be closed until late November.
- 6. Thirteen Mile between Halstead and Main in Royal Oak is closed until late June.
- 7. The right lane of the westbound Davison Freeway in Highland Park is closed from the Chrysler Freeway to the Lodge Freeway.
- 8. Crooks Road between Thirteen Mile and Main in Royal Oak is closed until mid-October.

FBI investigating officer's slaying of unarmed man

FBI officials have launched a preliminary investigation into the shooting death of an unarmed Detroit man by a Detroit police officer, a spokesman said Thursday.

SHUFFLE 'ROUND DOWNTOWN IN NEW SHUTTLE

"Downtown Get-Around," the Detroit Department of Transportation's shuttle bus system linking downtown restaurants, hotels, nightclubs and other attractions, kicks off today with free rides through the weekend.



You'll need a Lotto luck to hit jackpot on Saturday

The jackpot for Saturday's Super Lotto game will be at least \$13 million — and the chance that you'll win it on any one ticket is one in seven million.

County OKs Pontiac incinerator site

By DAWSON BELL

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners voted Thursday to build a garbage incinerator on county-owned property in Pontiac despite last minute pleas by commissioners from Pontiac to delay the decision.

The board did not give enough consideration to the environmental impact of emissions from the incinerator. The commissioners' 20-7 vote, along party lines on the Republican-dominated board, came two weeks after Price and fellow Pontiac commissioner John Rowland won a delay in the decision to give city officials time to negotiate concessions from the county in exchange for the incinerator.