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Win a back-to-school shopping spree at Oakland Mall.

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Prevention

Healthy new diet recommendations can help prevent cancer. PAGE C6

Patterson picnic

State Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton Township, will host his annual "Picnic in the Park" at Heritage Park in Canton 5:30 p.m. to dusk (about 8:30 p.m.) Thursday, Sept. 16. Ċall Melissa McLaughlin locally at (734) 495-0304 or the Lansing

tickets. The picnic will feature a pig roast and food from Canton's Holiday Market. The picnic, now in its 11th year, is for friends, supporters and constituents. Tickets are \$25 for one person, \$35 for couples. Heritage Park is behind the

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senator at (866)

262-7307 toll-free for

Center Road. **Fund-raiser**

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complex on Canton

Friends to Elect Bill Rice have scheduled a fund-raiser for the Democratic trustee candidate 7-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 10, at the UAW Local 735, 48055 Michigan Avenue in Canton.

Tickets are \$20 per person. Reservations are requested by Sept. 7. For information call (734) 981-5066.

Library closed

The Canton Library is closed today (Sunday) and tomorrow (Labor Day). Normal hours resume Tuesday, Sept. 7. Township hall will be closed except for essential services.

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District dunks basketball program BY TONY BRUSCATO

A dispute over nearly \$20,000 in past-due rental and maintenance fees is forcing the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association to move its games out of town, possibly to Livonia.

Plymouth-Canton schools administrators say a disagreement over the balance due the district is forcing them to sever ties with the PCJBA by refusing to let the basketball league use its facilities for the upcom-

"It's been a nightmare dating back to 1996, as he's continually disputed charges," said Patricia Brand, Plymouth-Canton schools assistant superintendent of business services, in reference to PCJBA President Al Flowers. "It's unfair to the students of this district to have funds redirected from instruction to operations to cover custodial and maintenance costs incurred by the use of our facilities. I believe he has no intention of paying it."

Flowers admits he owes money. However, he not only disputes the bottom-line total, but also having to pay a two-hour charge for custodial fees after the games are over.

"We don't feel it was worth \$50 an hour for maintenance, and I don't feel it took two hours after the games to clean up," Flowers said. "We helped put the chairs away, and they would give us a broom to help sweep. At times, the maintenance man was walking to the car with me after the games."

Flowers said he's been thwarted in his efforts to settle the matter.

"We owe them money and we asked for a meeting with the maintenance department, which they refused," he said. "We're not going to pay until we sit and talk to somebody."

Brand said Flowers never responded to two recent letters asking for payment of \$19,515.

"We never charged him the full rental rate, and we adjusted some of the maintenance costs in dispute," Brand said. "We also had an issue of him getting a certificate of insurance for liability purposes.

The frustrating thing is we had an agreement, so he knew what the rates were," she added. "He used our gyms and we in good faith allowed him to use our facilities, and then he decided not to pay."

Some PCJBA players have already paid their \$115 registration fee for this fall's season. Flowers said he's requested gym times from Livonia Public "Mr. Flowers has approached us about using our

gyms," said Leslie Allison of Livonia Public Schools. "I should know by the end of the month if we will have available times. I don't have any reason not to rent space to him."

Meanwhile, the Plymouth-Canton schools' Community Education department decided to run a junior basketball program of its own, charging athletes from \$85-\$95 for the season, depending on age

Supervisor Betty Bloch said athletes who have already paid money to the PCJBA can participate in the district's program without incurring additional

"If they can show us proof they've already paid the PCJBA, then they can register in the district without charge," Block said.

Bloch noted while the district program still pays maintenance fees, the cost for facilities is cheaper because it's a district-run program.

Both the PCJBA and Plymouth-Canton schools have additional registrations planned before the beginning of their seasons, which are slated to begin in October. Flowers said last year his program supported nearly 800 athletes.

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Flutists Katle Donaldson, Liz Anderson and Katle Hensel warm up with the P-CEP Marching Band before hundreds of family and friends arrive for the first 'official' presentation of this year's production, 'The Train Man Cometh.'

Marching into a new season

Plymouth-Canton band tunes up for competition

BY DIANE HANSON CORRESPONDENT

Powerful, ominous and mysterious sounds emanated from the deep woods at Lake Ann near Traverse City last week, but no one was terribly alarmed.

Instead, the noise put smiles on listeners' faces since it was coming from a multitude of instruments belonging to the nationally acclaimed, award-winning Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band during its weeklong camp Aug. 22-28.

The 187 marchers performed a portion of this year's competition piece for hundreds of family and friends on a suddenly chilly last day

The music is part of this year's

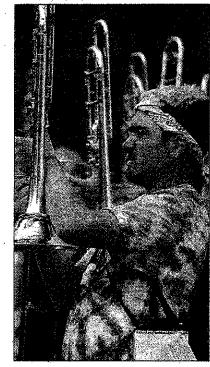
competition show called "The Train Man Cometh," a combination of powerful music from the Matrix Revolutions score and a technically challenging concert piece called Vortex by Dana Wilson.

"It's very, very exciting and so different from anything I've ever done," Canton senior clarinetis Jaime Paffenroth said. "This is the hardest show I've ever been a part of, but everyone is working very hard. It's going to be a great year."

All that hard work started earlier this spring with musical and marching practice, culminating in a week and a half of at-school camp followed by the week away in the northern Lower Peninsula.

This show is very exciting," said Salem senior Dave Hawkins, who is a four-year band member and this year's trumpet section leader. "It is dark and mysterious - kind of an energy-building show. It starts out slow with the whole band in the back of the field and the energy just keeps building up throughout the

PLEASE SEE BAND, A3



Trombonist John Gonthier listens for directions during a performance runthrough Saturday morning before the arrival of family and friends.

CCF gets development director



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Loren Wadington is the new development director for Canton Community Foundation.

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI STAFF WRITÉR

Perfect matches may be rare, but in the case of the Canton Community Foundation, executive director Joan Noricks is certain chemistry with the newly hired development director will take the nonprofit organization to greater heighths.

"I came in and talked with Joan and it sounded just perfect," said Canton resident Loren Wadington, who will start Sept. 7 in the foundation's new position of development director.

Wadington, a longtime community volunteer and assistant tennis coach at Plymouth High School, just happened to know the foundation's administrative assistant, Nancy Williams.

PLEASE SEE WADINGTON, A6

Get ready to 'Pick the Pros,' win prizes

Starting Thursday, Observer readers can play "Pick the Pros" and be eligible to win weekly prizes and a grand prize trip.

Readers can play online.

Simply pick your game winners for all pro football Sunday. games and the Monday night game. Then check out Thursday's Observer Sports section to see who won that week.

It's easy, fun and you could win a \$50 gift certificate from area merchants, including the Rochester Mills Beer Co.,



Detroit Beer Co., The Royal Oak Brewery, Unique Restaurants (excluding Coach Insignia) and four passes to any Star Theatre.

"Pick the Pros" runs for 22 weeks. You will want to play

every week because the grand prize winner will be drawn from all qualifying entries after the Super Bowl. The grand prize includes airfare and accommodations for four to Las Vegas courtesy of the Observer *Eccentric Newspapers* and Worry Free Vacations, MLT

Be sure to look in next Thursday's Sports section for our "Pick the Pros" Web site, which will include a list of rules and how to play.

In addition, see Thursday's Sports section for pro and college game stories. And check out the picks from area merchants who will be playing against one another for the entire season.

Stay tuned to WKRK-FM (97.1), the Lions' flagship station, where Gregg and Michelle of the Motor City Midday Show will make their picks in the newspaper every week and live on the air every Thursday.

Coming Thursday in your Canton Observer



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CURTAIN GOING UP

The Gala Grand Opening for the Cherry Hill Village Theater will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 11. Tickets are \$100 per person and are now on sale at the Summit on the Park. Community grand openings will be 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 12. Participants will be treated to a show and light refreshments. Tickets are \$10 and are also currently on sale at the Summit. Free tours will take place Sept. 18-19 at the Cherry Hill Arts and Antique Show. Tours will be offered every hour on the hour, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The tours are free, but tickets are required and can be picked up at the Summit front desk.

CANTON SPEAKER AT THREE CITIES

Three Cities Art Club will be holding their next meeting on Monday, Sept. 13, 7-9 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Plymouth Township Municipal Building at 42350 Ann Arbor Road (northeast corner of

Lilley and Ann Arbor Roads). Special guest speaker Linda Shapona of the Canton Arts Commission and Canton Project Arts will talk about the opportunities available to

artists in Canton.

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Everyone is welcome including artists, want-to-be artists and patrons of the arts. Refreshments will be served.

For further information about this event or the club, please contact Marilyn Meredith at (734) 397-2348 or threecitiesartclub@hotmail.com

CENTRAL CITY AUDITIONS

Auditions for female and male dancers, singers and gymnasts, ages 6 to adult, are being held Saturday, Sept. 18 at Central City Dance Center, 8004 Sheldon Center Road, in Canton.

The Central City Christmas Spectacular will provide audiences with a Broadway-style Christmas performance for the entire family.

The Christmas Spectacular will celebrate the spirit of the holiday season with some of... the most talented performers in Southeast Michigan. Showdates are Dec. 17, 18, and 19 at the new Cherry Hill Village Theater.

Tamara Nastev-Smola, owner and artistic director of Central City Dance, is looking for dancers with strong stage presence and performance qualities, dancers that are

technically diverse. Tim Smola, a native Michigan dancer and choreographer, says that it is important to find dancers that love performing. "When a dancer loves what they're doing, they shine on stage and keep you at the edge of your seat," Smola said. The Central City Christmas

Spectacular will be a part of the Cherry Hill Village Theater's grand-opening season.

SULLIVAN PICNIC

Wayne County Commission Vice Chairman John Sullivan is hosting his fifth annual family picnic for constituents on Friday, Sept. 10.

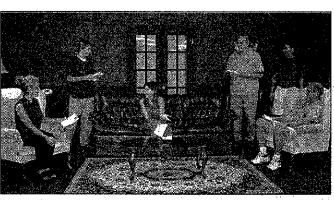
The picnic will be held at Attwood Park in Wayne from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

The fun will include free hot dogs and refreshments. Children can enjoy playing on a playscape at the park and will be entertained by a clown.

In addition, the Wayne County Sheriff's Office will be bringing a mounted unit and a motorcycle unit to the picnic.

"The kids like seeing the Sheriff's horses, while their parents like looking at the Sheriff office's Harley-Davidson," Sullivan said.

To RSVP for the event,



Medley of laughs

Cast members Nancy Sievert (from left), Trevor Sponseller, Becky Wolf, Lane Ritter, Dave Fedewa and George McConnell will be among the cast as Genesis Troupe, a community theatre group in Plymouth, presents 'A Little Murder Never Hurt Anybody,' by Ronald Jay Sept. 17-19 and Sept. 24-26 at St. Kenneth Church Social Hall. Show times are 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 7 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for students. You can get tickets and reservations in advance by calling (734) 420-0288. The troupe will designate a portion of the proceeds to Gilda's Club of Detroit.

please call Commissioner Sullivan's office at 224-0944.

SUMMIT FASTPASS

Canton Township residents should receive their fall 2004 Discover catalogue within the next few days. Residents are advised that there is a misprint regarding in-person program registration dates on page 63. In person, program registration begins Wednesday, Sept. 8, at

5:30 p.m. at Summit on the Park. Residents may pick up FastPasses on Tuesday, Sept. 7 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. A FastPass is required for in-person registration on Sept. 8 only.

Residents may also register for Leisure Services classes online beginning Sept. 8, at 5:30 p.m. All residents wishing to register online must obtain and complete a user name and password form. Forms are available at Summit on the Park during normal hours of operation (Monday-Friday 5:30 a.m.-10 p.m., Saturday 6 a.m.-8 p.m.,

The fall 2004 Discover catalog includes information for classes and events scheduled September through December. If a resident does not receive a

Sunday 7 a.m.-8 p.m.).

copy via mail, additional copies are available at Summit on the Park and at leisure.cantonmi.org.

CHILI IS COMING

The Great Lakes Regional Chili Cook-off, Salsa Competition and Motorcycle Bike Show returns Sunday, Oct. 10, to the streets of downtown Plymouth.

The event starts 8-9:30 a.m. with check-in and setup, followed by a cooks' meeting at 9:30 a.m. Salsa and chili judging takes place between noon and 3 p.m., with samples available to the public for \$1 apiece starting at 3 p.m. Awards are announced at 5 p.m.

The motorcycle bike show runs 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Bobby Lewis & the Crackerjack Band is among the live entertainment between noon and 5 p.m. and chili and food booths will be open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event also features opportunities to shop Plymouth's unique downtown stores, and activities for children.

For more information, call Chili Chairperson Annette Horn, (734) 455-8838.

CRAFTERS, ARTISTS WANTED

Officials of the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters are looking for crafters and artists for "Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble.

The event is scheduled for 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, March 19 at Canton High School. It's a juried show.

For more information, email Diane VanDyke at djvandyke@peoplepc.com or call (734) 416-3354.

Reach for the Stars! Register NOW



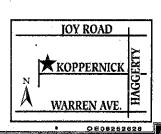
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show to the big climax when the train man comes."

Marching Band Director Marc Whitlock said the show is not a simple one to write or perform, but it is simple to understand and will make a lot of sense to the audience.

"Some bands have used a train as an icon before, but not quite like this," Whitlock said. "It is not really about trains. It is about dealing with the power, energy, movement and force of performance."

He said the drill writer this year is Michael Gaines, wellknown for his work for some of the country's top marching bands as well as for the sixtime world champion drum and bugle corps, The Cavaliers.

Musical arranger Don Hill, who has been with the P-CEP band since 1994, said, "We tried to find music that suggested industrial sounds and the feelings of power and motion of a train coming and leaving throughout the show."

"The drill and the music are tough," said Canton senior Kavita Srivastava, who, along with Salem senior Liz Schellhase and Salem junior Jenna Olexsey, are this year's drum majors. "There are people turning at different times, different sections popping up all over the place, playing music then going away and something else comes out. There is always something to look at. It is a much more serious show, but it is very exciting."

That excitement is something that Brad Green, the new assistant marching band director, is getting caught up in as well. He comes to the P-CEP marchers from 4½ years of performance and management experience with the Tony Award-winning production of Blast! in New York. Whitlock was once Green's teacher, "so I'm very familiar with his teaching style," Green said. "We even finish one another's sentences.'

Green is very impressed with the students' work ethic. "The kids are really great and hardworking," he said. "They always want us to make them better. They'll say, 'Thanks for pushing us along today. That's what we wanted. They're good, really good kids.'



Soloists Al Moran, Jenna Stamper and Joe Girard are front and center during Saturday's practice at Lake Ann.



The Plymouth-Canton color guard practices their tosses at the Lake Ann band camp near Traverse City on Aug. 27.

Band Booster President John Jackson couldn't agree

"These kids have been great," he said. "They've been working very hard, but they've also had some fun activities.'

He said the eight-in-themorning-until-dark practice has been punctuated with activities like swimming in Lake Ann, team-building exercises, pizza nights, dances and bonfires.

Jackson has been helping out at camp since 1999 and also served as head counselor this year. He had nothing but kudos for his fellow boosters.

We have had a total of 42 chaperones here for all or part of the week and they have been amazing," he said. "Some of the chaperones here are also members of the equipment crew and have been doing some incredible work on the props."

Props are back big time in this year's show. Plans are in the works for an enormous wall along the back, among other things.

One of the special effects slated for this year's show is percussive in nature. Drums are being borrowed from other schools "and there will be a part of the show where the majority of the band will be playing percussion," Whitlock said. "It will be the loudest thing anyone has ever heard in a stadium."

Whitlock is pleased with the



Marimba player Sarah Jung warms up before final band camp performance.

way his 2004 band is shaping up. "Our band has 22 more

members than last year," he said. "It is a young band with about 70 incoming freshmen, which is promising now and definitely for the future. The upperclassmen, especially the seniors, have gone out of their way, even giving up their own free time, to help these incoming freshmen. The seniors serve as the peer mentors for this group.

"I'm very excited about this season," Whitlock added. "I think the students are definitely up to the challenges ahead and to reaching their goals this

The Hanson Chronicles

Writer combines love of writing, covering band

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

As a supportive mother, Diane Hanson wanted to get involved when her eldest daughter joined the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band.

She probably didn't figure that, more than 10 years later, she'd not only still be supporting the band, but she'd also be responsible for letting the community know about its students and its successes.

Hanson, whose youngest daughter is in the program now, has covered the marching band for the Observer for more than a decade.

"Writing has always been a real passion of mine," said Hanson, who covers not only the Plymouth-Canton band, but also bands in Farmington, Westland and Livonia for the Observer. "I walked into the Observer office and said, 'If you ever need anyone, I'm available.' That's how it all started."

Hanson started covering the band for the Observer in 1994. She's been on hand for all of their successes, including the national championship the band won in 1999. Her stories have described those achievements for thousands of readers.

"The P-CEP marching band involves a great number of students, and their achievements are an important part of the

success of our schools," said Susan Rosiek, executive editor of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. "Having a quality writer like Diane to chronicle those achievements is a great service we're happy to be able to provide to our readers."

Hanson has always been impressed by the quality of the marching band program ever since her daughter, Lora, started with the color guard and played the trumpet. Lora, now a student at Michigan State, was followed by Lisa, who is studying elementary education now at Eastern Michigan.

Leah, a junior at Canton High School, is in her third vear in the marching band. "It is such a wonderful pro-

gram," Hanson said of the marching band. "The kids learn so much. It teaches them about discipline and organization of time and just to play an instrument. It also gives you an opportunity to be involved in what your kids are doing. Plus, they want you there, which is really cool."

She's always been part of the band boosters, volunteers who make up a vociferous portion of the band's fans. She hasn't always had a child in the band — sons Eric, Jeff and Scott never joined - but Hanson has always been drawn to the band anyway, mostly because of the quality of the kids.

"You can't help it, it gets in your blood," Hanson said. "All these years, I'm so impressed with these teenagers doing incredible things. Each one is a shining star, and you put them all together and they make an incredible constellation."



Diane Hanson (right), who has covered the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band for the Observer since 1994, talks with Canton senior Jaime Paffenroth during the band's pre-season camp.

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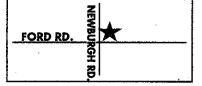
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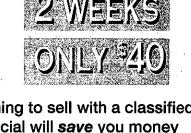






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Czech-mate

Crier folds, owner moves business

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The man who filed and lost a \$100 million federal lawsuit against the City of Plymouth will soon be moving his busi-

Tom Prose, owner of General Medicine, said he'll move his offices from the NBD Bank building downtown as a result his sale of the building to John

Prose said he's hoping to be out within six months to a location that will give him double the space for his growing



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Prose

business.He 🔻 declined to say specifically where he'll move, but said it will be in the general area and out of

Plymouth. Prose, pub-

lisher of the Community Crier newspaper, also said last week's edition was the last. He indicated the newspaper has been a financial drain and it was time to get rid of it. However, Prose said he'll continue to produce specialty publications like the dining guides. The publishing company will also move to new facilities with General Medicine.

Prose announced he was recently appointed Counsel General for the Czech

Republic, making him the highest-ranking Czech official in Michigan and Ohio.

Prose said the political appointment resulted from his relationship with President George H.W. Bush's administration.

'It's a great honor they asked me," said Prose. "I'll be dealing with cultural, economic and social relationships involving the Czech Republic."

Prose indicated that while he now has diplomatic immunity, he won't use that power to fight the Northville Township planning commission, which rejected his controversial effort to construct a heliport on his residential property.

Prose said he didn't want to cause problems with his neigh-

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The Association booked for CHV Theater Sept. 25

Some call them "oldies, but goodies." Others call them "the Golden Oldies." Either way, when you think of the most memorable songs from the 60s, Cherish and Never My Love by the Grammy-nominated group The Association are sure to come to mind.

Fans of The Association will/ have the opportunity to see the ensemble perform these songs live at Canton's Village Theater at Cherry Hill 8 p.m. Saturday,

Along with their Grammy nominations and numerous Gold Records, The Association also holds the record for the second most played song of the 20th century- Never My Love.

Since regrouping in 1979 the band, which still includes several of its original members, has performed all over the country and appeared on many television shows.

Tickets, which are \$30, will go on sale tomorrow. Sept. 3. There are two ticket



The Association has been booked for late September into the new Cherry Hill Village Theater.

locations, Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway and the Village Theater Ticket Office. The Summit on the Park ticket office, located behind the Canton Library at 46000 Summit Parkway, is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. and on

Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The Village Theater ticket office will be open two hours prior to the performance.

For more information about the theater and to view the CHV Theater's complete schedule, please visit www.canton-mi.org/CPAEC/about.asp.

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Ervin L. Andrejewski, of Livonia, died Aug. 31.

DEATHS

Mildred Bridges, 83, of Westland, died Sept. 2.

Elaine D. Davis, formerly of Garden City, died June 29.

Elizabeth M. Dixon, 71, of Garden City, died Aug. 29. Mary E. Dudenas, of Westland, died Aug. 26.

Dorothy M. Fenner, 87, of Waterford, died Sept. 1.

Samuel M. Hargis Sr., 84, of Belleville, died Aug. 23.

lise Kaldobsky, 83, of Commerce Township, died Aug. 25. llene Kucharski, 48, of Canton, died Aug. 26.

FOR THE RECORD



For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's Observer Life section in Passages on page C5.

Endre A. Mayer, of Troy, died Sept. 1. Glen M. McDonald, 73, of Livonia, died Aug. 27. Frances R. Moncher, formerly of

Bloomfield Hills, died July 15.

Aug. 25.

James R. Navarre Jr., of Clarkston, died Aug. 31. Elizabeth Neville, 74, of Wixom, died Paul M. O'Rourke, 68, of Troy, died Aug. 22.

Melissa A. Richards, 39, of China Grove, N.C., died Aug. 31.

Joseph P. Schrithauer, 91, of Farmington Hills, died Aug. 28. Gertrude M. Sledz, of Westland, died Aug. 30.

Merlin D. Spitsbergen, 74, of Oakland Township, died Aug. 31. Verna M. Stocker, 88, of Farmington Hills, died Aug. 29.

Heights, died Aug. 19. Ruth H. Teggerdine, of Harrison Township, died Aug. 24.

Veva M. Tappan, 82, of Madison

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Here's latest on Canton road, sidewalk repairs

The following is an update on various road construction projects currently taking place in the Canton, as well as an update on locations of resurfacing road projects, utility extensions, sidewalk programs and traffic signals.

Saltz Road paving (Canton Center to Ridge) – Construction was to begin in late August. Contractor will begin clearing brush and trees within Wayne County right-of-way to allow placement of storm pipe. The new two miles of asphalt road will consist of a two lane cross-section, one

lane in each direction.
Construction anticipated to be completed in mid-November for segment between Canton Center and Beck. The remaining portion from Beck to Ridge will be completed in the spring of 2005 along with final restoration.

Michigan Avenue (Belleville to Denton) - Construction to switch to Stage II in mid-September. Traffic will be diverted to travel on the newly paved concrete lanes. The contractor will begin removal and reconstruction of the outside lanes along with construction of the median cross-overs. Limited left turns will be allowed at the existing crossovers. Alternate Routes are advised until construction is completed in mid-November and restoration to occur next

Cherry Hill Road and N.
Ridge Road - Cherry Hill Road
closed from Denton Road to N.
Ridge Road until Aug. 29 or

later. Detour route is posted. Asphalt to be placed in late August along with intersection improvements at Denton and Cherry Hill Road. Mast arms will be installed at the intersections of Cherry Hill Road and Denton Road, Cherry Hill Road and Cherry Hill Road and S. Ridge Road. Construction to be completed in September.

Denton Road extension (N. Cherry Hill Road) -Construction for the future extension of Denton Road is anticipated to be completed in late September. The road will extend north for approximately a half-mile and consist of a three lane cross-section to the overhead transmission lines owned by ITC (International Transmission Company) and then transition to a two lane road. This road will serve as the bypass through Cherry Hill Village for traffic heading north. A proposed roundabout will be constructed at the intersection of Saltz Road, Ridge Road and tie into this segment of road. The roundabout is anticipated to be constructed in late fall 2004 or next spring

Lotz Road paving (between Ford and Warren) – Awaiting Wayne County to award the contract for construction. Anticipate construction fall 2004, depending on Wayne County award of contract. The portion of the water main on the east side of Lotz Road will be relocated as part of the construction project.

Warren Road (Canton

Center to Morton Taylor) –
The road will be widened to
five lanes and cross-section will
be a 10-inch non-reinforced
concrete pavement. Project is
still being designed and construction will not occur until
2005.

Resurfacing projects: (Wayne County to complete during construction season)

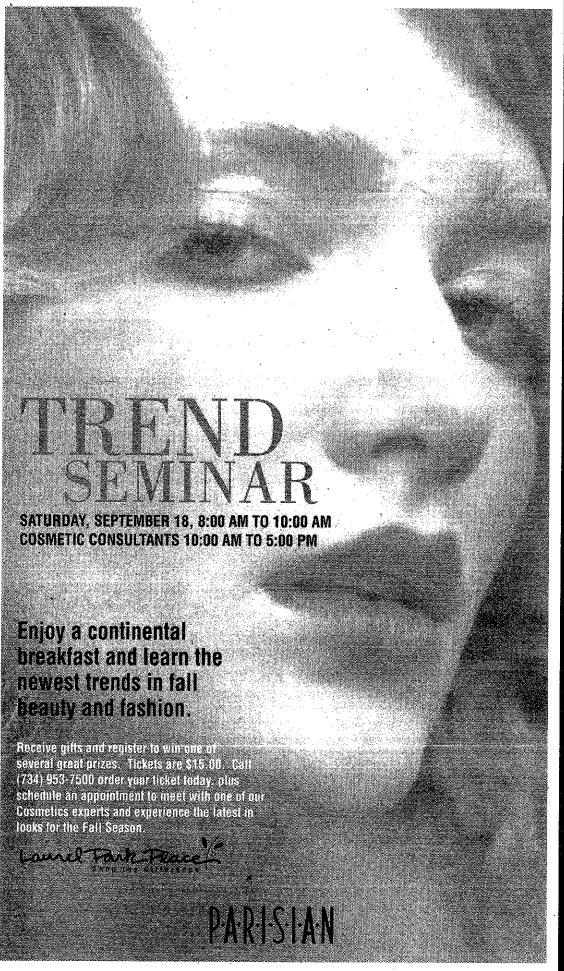
■ Canton Center Road -0.04 miles N/Geddes to 1.07 miles N/Geddes (Project under construction)

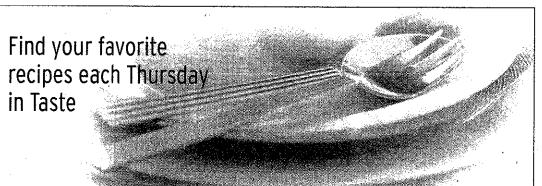
■ Cherry Hill Road - Beck to 0.95 miles E/Beck (Project almost completed)

■ Ridge Road - County Line to Cherry Hill

Water main improvements (Dominion to Ford) - Extend approximately 1,200 lineal feet of new 12-inch diameter water main on the east side of N. Ridge Road from Dominion to Ford Road. Construction anticipated to begin in late October.

Sidewalk repair program -"Green Dots" denotes property owner's responsibility and "Red" is for Township responsibility. The following subdivisions participating are as follows: Smokler Truesdell, Cherry Hill Oaks, Edenbrooke Estates, Edenbrooke Farms, Cherry Hills Pines, Salem Manor, Brookside Village West, Brookside Village 1 through 5, and Miscellaneous Locations. The Township's contractor was to start in Brookside #1 through #5 beginning on Aug. 25, to repair sidewalks. All sidewalk repairs will be completed by Oct. 30, 2004.





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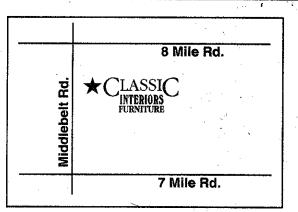
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WADINGTON

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"It was like a bell went off for her. She said there was a new position opening up that would be perfect for me," Wadington said.

Williams urged Wadington to meet with Noricks. Anyone who was listening should have been able to hear the instant click when the two women discussed the foundation.

"She will be just perfect for the foundation," Noricks said. "This is a very exciting expansion for the foundation."

Wadington will solicit new donors for the foundation, which in its 15 years has \$1.2 million in assets and about \$1 million in its endowment fund that is used to support worthwhile community endeavors and individuals.

"She will establish new relationships and maintain our current relationships," Noricks added.

The new position, approved by the foundation's board of directors, was born out of necessity. "Because the community is growing so much and I feel I can't clone myself and knock on more doors, I asked the board to create the position," Noricks said.

The mother of three essentially grown children — Rob, 20; Beth, 18; and Chris, 17 —



Wadington

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Wadington was ready to reenter the professional world. "I didn't want to work just to work," she said. "I needed something that I was excited about, wasn't far away and that was part time."

Development director fit the bill. And Wadington knows her away around the business world and as a full-time mom has missed professional contacts with people.

"I like problem solving and meeting the public," said Wadington, who with her family and husband, David Treadwell, has lived in Canton for 10 years and Plymouth before that for 10 years.

A graduate in communications from Michigan State University, Wadington previously worked at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital as the head of patient relations.

"I have been involved with the community since we moved here. I have kept my hands involved in a variety of ways," she said. "We try to do all of our shopping and entertaining in the community."

In her second year as tennis coach, the Portage (near Kalamazoo) native couldn't pass up the opportunity to work with the girls team.

"I am a longtime tennis player and I had two kids who were on teams," she said. "I was thrilled. I love it. I love working with the kids. I have 43 girls on the team — freshmen, sophomores and juniors. They are great kids and they are fun to work with."

In her new position, Wadington intends to bring the successful foundation even more public exposure: "I'm going to tell the story of what a great thing this foundation is and what it does for the community."

The foundation provides organizations and particular community efforts with grants. It also annually provides scholarships to students. The foundation acts as the go-between for those who wish to financially give to the community and organizations and individuals who need a variety of aid.

"I hope people will feel free to contact me and find out more about the foundation," Wadington said.

To contact the foundation at 50430 School House Road in Cherry Hill Village, call (734) 495-1200.

Governor taps locals for cultural seats

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

Two Canton residents and a Plymouth resident have been appointed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm to the newly created Commission on Arab and Chaldean Affairs.

Terry T. Ahwal and Samir W. Mashni of Canton and William H. Salaita of Plymouth were appointed to the group, which will serve in an advisory capacity to the governor.

Ahwal is director of development at Madonna University,
Mashni is an attorney in Redford and Salaita is director of the
Detroit area Arab American and
Chaldean Council.

"I'm very pleased that the governor has created this Arab American and Chaldean Commission to advise her on our affairs and our concerns," Mashni said.

"We're a growing population within the state of Michigan and we have very similar concerns as other Michigan residents, but we also have different concerns that this commission could address."

Mashni said he was a member of most Arab American organizations and a supporter of many others.

"As the governor said," he added, "we're (in Michigan) the largest Arab American and Chaldean population outside the Middle East."

In announcing the creation of the commission, Granholm said the group will make recommendations about programs and policies for the betterment of Arab and Chaldean Americans in Michigan and will help promote awareness of Arab and Chaldean culture and accomplishments.

"I have a vision of building

'One Michigan' in which all people have an equal opportunity at fulfilling their dreams and are welcomed into our inclusive community," Granholm said. "I believe that by creating this commission, we will be one step closer to realizing this ideal."

Salaita said he was honored to be selected to serve on the commission.

"I am very thrilled to be able to serve on this commission," he said. "I'm in constant contact with the community to make them aware of their process of assimilation into American culture. This will give me more resources to make them aware of things the government is doing to provide services to the community."

Ahwal was not available for comment at press time.

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Contest seeks photo entries about recreation

Canton Leisure Services is looking for cover photos for their upcoming Discover program brochures that celebrate recreation throughout the different seasons.

The contest is open to all amateur photographers in the Canton area.

Participants must use their own equipment and cover all film development costs. Entrants are permitted to submit one color or one black and white photograph, (as they will be judged together) per season.

One entry per person, per season will be accepted (four

total). Please submit 5 by 7 inch or 8 by 10 inch prints only; (no matted or framed entries, and no slides please). Digitally enhanced photos will not be accepted.

Photos entries will be accepted starting Monday Sept. 13 and ending at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 21. Please submit your photos in an envelope to the Summit on the Park Front Desk, attention: Jen Eubanks.

On the back of each entry, please include a photo "title" along with the photographers name, address, e-mail and phone contact information.

All submitted photographs will become the property of Canton Leisure Services and will not be returned.

All entries will be displayed during the Canton Harvest Celebration on Saturday, Sept. 25. Winners will be selected that afternoon, and contacted within the next following week.

The contest is free to enter. A complete list of rules will be available for download and in the lobby of the Summit, beginning Sept. 7.

For more information, please contact Jen Eubanks, or call (734) 394-5460.

Canton girl will compete in Miss Teen Detroit

Stephanielyn Melynary Hellmer of Canton was recently selected to participate in the Nationals Inc. 2004 Miss Teen Detroit pageant competition Sept. 12.

She submitted an application and took part in an interview session that was conducted by Patty Neidert, this year's

Detroit Pageant Coordinator. Hellmer will compete for her share of \$20,000 in scholar-

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ships, prizes and specialty gifts that will be distributed to contestants. She will compete in the Miss Teen division, one of three divisions that will have young women between the ages of 10 and 19 competing in modeling routines in casual and formal wear.

Hellmer will show her personality and interviewing skills while speaking with this year's

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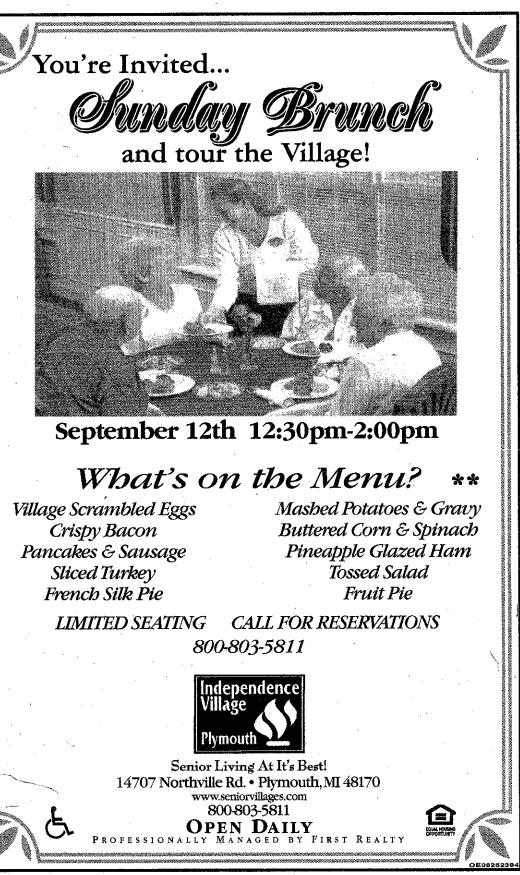
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Ford deserves recognition as one of GOP's heavyweights

■here was a brief tribute at the Republican National Convention to their only living president not named Bush. But the delegates barely noticed and the media completely ignored it.

And that was just plain wrong, Gerald R. Ford is an authentic hero. He is ancient now -91and, if still politically active, would be seen as hopelessly out of step, maybe even a (shudder) liberal by the current Republican Party.

Nobody ever called him a liberal during the many years he was a sturdy, even rock-ribbed conservative from Grand Rapids. He hated budget deficits, backed Pentagon appropriations and was a Vietnam hawk. But he was pro-choice

and supported the Equal Rights Amendment.

He also did not think every problem could be solved by tax cuts for the rich or military force and, while he enthusiastically bashed Democrats, he never implied that they were a party of semi-traitors.

And, by the way, he restored faith in this country in a way no other president ever has. Gerald Ford, the only Michigander ever to make it to

the White House, is probably the only man who never dreamed he'd be president a year before it happened.

Lessenberry

Though we all may think we know the story, it bears retelling. Politicians today all talk about moral crises. This nation was in a real one 30 years ago. The vice president had turned out to be a common criminal, and had to resign.

Ford reluctantly agreed to finish out Spiro Agnew's term. Then, barely seven months later, he learned that Richard M. Nixon was a crook, a liar, had lied directly to him and would be forced from office. The country was reeling from a decade of assassinations, failure in Vietnam and the discovery that their president was deeply

We were in a spiritual crisis far deeper than anything later produced by Bill Clinton's sexual fumblings. But when President Ford told the nation, "our long national nightmare is over," a cloud lifted. A month later, he lost a lot of support when he pardoned Nixon. But most still believed in his essential decency.

He served less than 2½ extremely difficult years. "The state of the union is not good," he candidly told Congress. The nation was rocked by soaring inflation, the result of hidden and deferred spending on Vietnam.

South Vietnam finally collapsed, with Congress (sensibly) refusing Ford's last-ditch appeal to send more military aid. Meanwhile, his own Republican Party was turning increas-

ingly rightward, and when Ford decided to run, he barely survived a primary challenge from Ronald Reagan.

The nation was in a mood to punish someone, especially the party of Watergate. Logically, Ford ought to have been beaten in one of history's biggest landslides. Instead, he almost won.

Nine years ago, I had the privilege of going to his home in California to interview him about all of that. He knew the pardon had probably cost him the election; what's more, he said he knew it when he gave it to Nixon.

"Some people, even today, don't forgive me," he said. He understands that. But, he told me, fully a quarter of his time was being taken up by Nixon and his problems. "I wanted to get the issue off my desk as quickly as possible, so I could concentrate 100 percent of the time on what I thought were the problems of (all)

Nobody remembers now that it was Ford, when he ran for re-election, who agreed to revive the custom, never abandoned since, of televised political debates. The race with Jimmy Carter was tough, and we naive children at the time thought it was nasty. Today, it might seem like a tea party.

Mostly, they stuck to the issues and said the other side had boneheaded policies. Nobody talked about the candidates' sexual histories or implied that either was plotting to destroy democracy or our defenses.

When President Carter took office, his first words were to thank Ford "for myself and for our nation ... for all he has/done to heal our land."

That sort of team spirit is out of favor today. Instead, we have the politics of slash and burn, and a government consisting of two hostile camps. Some think Jerry Ford's politics doomed the GOP to permanent minority status.

Maybe so. But the politics of polarization doesn't lend itself to cooperation for the national good. When Ford became president, Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill congratulated him: "Christ, Jerry, isn't this a wonderful country? Here we can talk like this and you and I can be friends, and 18 months from now I'll be going around the country kicking your

President Ford appreciated that — and thought keeping the personal and political separate was "the essence of democracy." If he lives three more years, he will be the oldest ex-president in history. I hope he survives long enough to see the politics of common decency come back in vogue.

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Corporate America working hard to keep our environment healthy

'll be the first to admit, when a business or corporation trashes our environment, the press is usually quick to pounce — and rightfully so. It is our job as journalists to inform the public of potential health hazards, as well as corporate irresponsibility, something there never seems to be any shortage of.

In my opinion, environmental polluters rank right up there with the most loathsome characters of society. In the name of profit, too many companies, both large and small, have degraded our water, land and air, because they don't want to pay the extra costs to properly dispose of their sludge or filter the exhaust emitted from their facilities.

Look no further than to our Great Lakes,

which by the 1960s were on the brink of death because of

industrial and municipal pollution. In other areas of the country, rivers caught fire and acid-laced rain burned the foliage from trees. Such horror stories could no longer be ignored, leading the federal and state governments to enact tougher environmental laws, such as the Clean Water Act and Clean Air Act.

Fortunately, it appears the corporate world has joined this ecological awakening that has taken place during the last quarter century. Many corporations have decided to become part of the solution, rather than the root of the problem. Even in the Detroit area, with its rust belt image and industrial history, there are many companies that have begun taking the lead on the issue by starting to employ environmentally friendly policies.

The biggest example of this is Ford Motor Co.'s recently completed \$2 billion renovation of its legendary Rouge Plant in Dearborn, a facility that was once the poster child of corporate irresponsibility when it came to the environment.

The project included the world's largest living roof, which will retain and absorb stormwater, rather than send it directly into local streams, after it has collected any number of pollutants you might expect at such a large industrial facility. The new Rouge plant also uses renewable energy sources, large windows that will cut down on electricity costs and native plants that will rid surrounding soil of contaminants.

Other corporate giants based in the area have begun to partner with governmental agencies in an effort to restore wildlife, such as along the Detroit River. The newly created Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge, the only urban park in the federal wildlife refuge system, encompasses large tracts of cor-

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porate-held lands.

Companies like BASF, which owns a plant in Wyandotte, and Detroit Edison, which owns the Fermi Power Plant near Monroe, have begun restoring their lands in a way that will benefit countless animal and plant species in the refuge.

Even in suburbs like Troy and Southfield, where urban sprawl has run amok for a generation, companies are becoming greener. For example, the Southfield-based DENSO Corp. has initiated numerous environmentally friendly programs, such as helping each year with Rouge Rescue. Not only has the company been one of the monetary sponsors of the event, it has also sent out a team of company volunteers to actually get their hands dirty and? clean up a section of the Rouge in Southfield each year since 1998.

And in Troy, automotive supplier Behr America, which is located near the concrete jungle of I-75 and Big Beaver Road, began and event this summer called Big Beaver CreekFest, in which employees helped restore a small stream that runs through company property. Although it is not a pristine or rare stream, Big Beaver Creek, a tributary of the notoriously polluted Red Run Drain, benefited; greatly from the event, in which employees stabilized streambanks with native plants and

monitored water quality. Big Beaver CreekFest gives our employees a great opportunity to connect with the local community," said Anna Peraino, a Behr employee who helped organize the event. "The work week is always busy and fast-paced. This is a chance to take time to appreciate what we have here, and each do a little bit to help make it even better."

It is refreshing to see all these companies

practicing environmental stewardship, rather than environmental degradation. Far too often, journalists are criticized for focusing on the negative. But these companies should be applauded. Hopefully, their efforts will be contagious.

Kurt Kuban is a staff writer for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, and can be reached at (248) 901-2536. He welcomes your comments.

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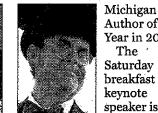
The two-day conference begins with hands-on writing workshops and individual manuscript critiques on Friday and continues on Saturday with sessions that focus on long and short fiction, nonfiction, poetry, playwriting, children's fiction and working with agents, publishers and editors.

Special interest sessions will deal with book critics, literary magazines, free lancing, newspapers and popular magazine



writing.

Poet Thomas Lynch, who gained fame with his collection of essays, The Undertaking -Life Studies from the Dismal Trade, will deliver the keynote address Friday at the kick-off dinner. Lynch also is a funeral director in Milford, and the winner of multiple literary honors. He was named



Lynch

Stinson, founder and publisher of Walk Worthy Press, a Christian publishing company affiliated with Warner Books. As a literary agent, Stinson represented clients such as Queen Latifah, Omar Tyree, CeCe Winans and J. California Cooper.

Michigan native Judith Guest will deliver the Saturday luncheon keynote speech. Her

latest novel, *The Tarnished Eye*, was published in June 2004. A mystery/thriller, it is loosely based on still-unsolved murders in Good Hart, Mich., and a series of University of Michigan female student slayings between 1967 and 1969.

While Guest has written novels, essays and screenplays, she is best known for her novel Ordinary People, which was made into an Oscar-winning movie directed by Robert Redford.

There will be an opportunity to purchase books by conference authors during the Saturday activities, and authors will sign their books.

The conference will be held

in the VisTaTech Center, on the north end of Schoolcraft's Livonia campus. Registration for the individual workshops and critiques is on a first-come, first-served basis. Fees for the individual workshops are \$55 and \$65. The Saturday session fee is \$95. Tickets for the Friday evening dinner with

Thomas Lynch are \$20.

Registration forms are available by calling 734-462-4518, at www.detworkingwriters.org or at www.schoolcraft.edu

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Truran campaign names Marti Bush as manager

Phil Truran, Democratic candidate for the 11th Congressional District, has appointed Marti Bush to serve as his campaign manager. Bush, a longtime political strategist. got her start in 1979 while cam-

paigning for Debbie Stabenow. "I am honored that Marti has agreed to join our team. Her dedication to the citizens of the 11th Congressional District is unparalleled and she possesses a wealth of knowledge. Her focused, energetic style of leadership will truly be an asset to our organization," stated Truran.

The 11th District includes Western Wayne and Western Oakland counties. Truran, a Novi resident, is President of the Communication Workers of America Local 4013. He is a Navy veteran and a father of two children who attend Novi Public Schools.

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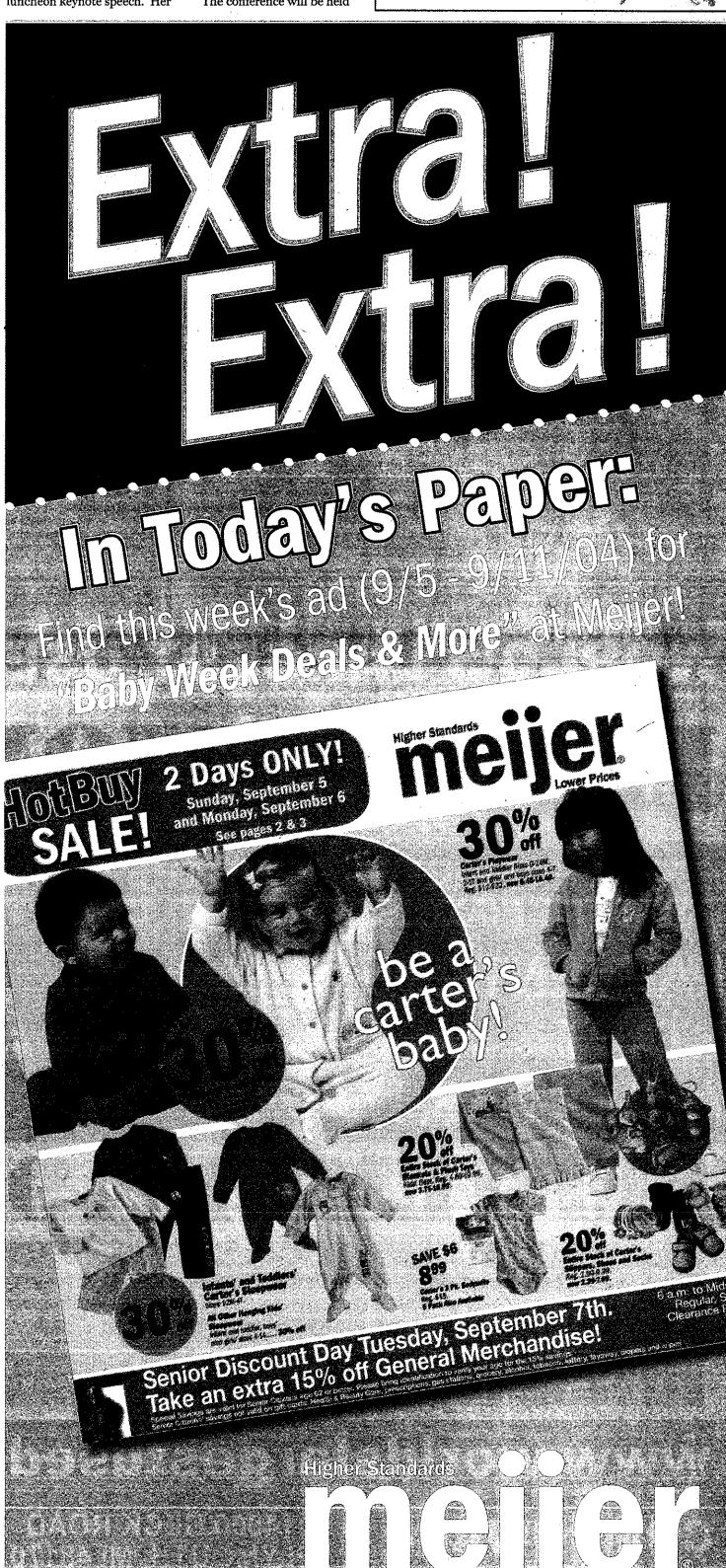
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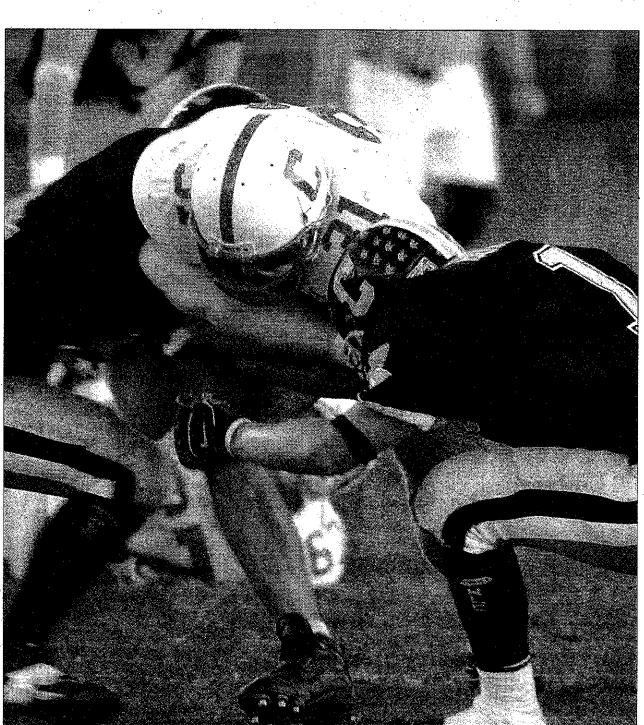
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GOLF — Salem has little to show for effort.



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Canton's Andy Rossow rams through Walled Lake Central's Tim Cross and Kameron Bonner, and into the end zone during the second quarter of Thursday night's WLAA opener. Rossow finished with 13 yards on three carries.

No doubts

Canton's ground game hammers Central, 41-0

BY ED WRIGHT Staff Writer

A speeding, six-ton steamroller would have had a tough time matching the effectiveness of Canton's ground game Thursday night in the Chiefs' Western Lakes Activities Association opener at Walled Lake Central.

Canton flattened Central, 41-0, to again entrench itself as the team to beat in the WLAA. The Chiefs improved to 2-0 while the Vikings dropped to 1-1.

"Central looked good in their scrimmage and first game, so we were expecting a closer game," Canton coach Tim Baechler said. "But it's so early in the season that it's difficult to tell how good certain teams are going to be, and how good our own team is."

Baechler said he saw several areas of improvement since last week's season-opening 26-6 win at Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"We're getting more consistent play out of our offensive line," Baechler said. "Our quarterback (Shawn Little) also did a nice job throwing the ball tonight, and our backs' footwork was improved. They got through the holes quicker tonight."

At times Thursday night, the Vikings must have felt like they were trying to tackle a steamroller — especially when Canton fullback Chuck Schumacher was carrying the ball. The senior gained 196 yards on 11 carries and scored two 50-yard-plus TD's.

Sophomore running back Deshon McClendon also had a big night, gaining 106 yards on just seven attempts

Altogether, Canton outgained Central, 436 yards to minus-nine yards on the ground.

Although the Chiefs completed four scoring plays in excess of 20 yards, their biggest play of the night may have been a point-less 11-yard pass play.

After Central stopped Canton on its opening possession, the Vikings threatened to make it two defensive stops in a row late in the first quarter when they forced the Chiefs into a third-and-eight hole.

PLEASE SEE CANTON, B2

Plymouth netters ace Chargers

BY ED WRIGHT Staff Writer

Plymouth's girls tennis team showed it has a flair for the dramatic Wednesday in its season-opening match against Livonia Churchill.

The Wildcats pulled out two of three three-sets showdowns toward the end of the match, giving them a

5-3 home victory over the Chargers.
"It was an exciting day for the whole team," said Wildcat coach
Tom Kimball. "It was definitely a pleasant surprise beating Churchill because they have a decent program

and we're so young."

Tension was higher than a perfectly placed lob shot toward the

end of the contest.

"The final three matches went down to the wire, so I was getting a little nervous," Kimball said. "I definitely wanted to win at least one of the three so that the worst we could do was tie. And, obviously, if we would have lost all three, that would have been a heartbreaker to lose. But even though we have no seniors, the girls showed a level of maturity beyond their years and they pulled it

"The nice thing about our team is that we'll be the only team around that doesn't lose any seniors next year."

The match was knotted at 2-2 following the four singles matches. Plymouth's Sarah Hillegonds downed Karyn Tomasic, 7-5, 6-0, at No. 1, and Kelly Armbruster ousted Rachel Saatio, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, at No. 2. Churchill evened the score with victories in the three and four singles matches: Ashley Keenman downed Chelsea Woodruff, 6-3, 4-6, 6-1, and Ruchi Shah upended Noha Bachra, 6-4, 6-2.

The Wildcats' No. 1 doubles tandem of Kinnari Patel and Natalie Maurer rebounded to down Julie Foresta and Megan Stachura, 2-6, 6-3, 6-3. The Chargers evened the match at 3-3 when the No. 2 doubles duo of Lindsey Paszko and Amy Vinson downed Lauren Smith and Ali Gasorski, 6-3, 6-4.

Salem takes inaugural Black & Blue Classic

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Rarely do sporting events hyped with the word "classic" live up to their pregame billing.

Thursday night's Salem-Plymouth football game came close to exceeding the hype.

In a game billed as the "Black & Blue Classic," the Rocks prevailed 22-21, pushing them to 2-0 for the first time since 1996. The win also earned the Rocks the right to carry the "Black & Blue" trophy off the field and into the Salem display case.

case.

Plymouth dropped to 0-2, but it earned the respect of Salem coach Bob
Cummings.

"That's a real good team over there," Cummings said, gesturing toward the Plymouth side of the field. "All those kids have played together for three years now, and it shows."

The Wildcats outgained the Rocks, 363-323, in total yards, but were hampered by ill-timed penalties that stalled

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sustained drives on numerous occasions. Plymouth was whistled 10 times for 68 yards.

"That was a carry-over from last week (against Livonia Churchill)," said Plymouth coach Jay Blaylock, referring to the costly yellow flags. "We'd get a good drive going, then get pushed back by a penalty. Some of it's because we're young, but it's definitely something we're going to work on in practice.

"That's a tough game to lose because the kids have to hear about it all year now. But I'm proud of the way we played and

we have no excuses."
Officially, Salem was the home team
Thursday night, but both teams came out
in their home dark uniforms.

"Back in the '80s when Salem would play Canton, both teams would wear the home uniforms, too," remembered Cummings, who was on the same coaching staff with Blaylock when they coached for Salem's JV squad in the 80s.

Salem set the tone early when quarterback Jeff Lake scored on a 60-yard keeper on the Rocks' first play from scrimmage. Joey Alva booted the extra point to make it 7-0

Plymouth retaliated quickly, marching 57 yards in 10 plays on its first drive, which ended with an 8-yard TD run by quarterback Brent Jones. Jones carried the ball on seven of the 10 plays, amassing 46 yards. He also hooked up with Josh LeDuc on a key 15-yard third-and-13 pass play to keep the drive alive.

Kevin Minor's extra point knotted the score at 7-7.

Salem regained the lead, 14-7, on its final first-half drive. After getting pinned at its own 2 on LeDuc's 49-yard punt, the Rocks used 12 plays to drive 98 yards and score on a 1-yard keeper by Lake.

Plymouth came close to re-tying the game just before halftime, but the clock expired with the Wildcats on the Rock 11.

Both teams moved the ball effectively on the ground in the third quarter, but

PLEASE SEE **SALEM, B2**

Whalers' appeal could rise if NHL strikes

BY ED WRIGHT

With a National Hockey League work stoppage looming, fans of the Detroit Red Wings will be looking for a quick hockey fix this fall.

Mike Vellucci hopes they look no further than Compuware Arena, home of his Plymouth Whalers.

"First of all, we hope the lockout doesn't happen," said Vellucci, the Whalers' president, general manager and head coach. "But if it does, we hope the diehard hockey fans who are looking for a fix try us out. We are convinced that because of our top-notch brand and style of hockey, a fan who attends just one of our games will be hooked."

During the lengthy NHL work stoppage in 1995, the Ontario Hockey League's Junior Red Wings, who played at Joe Louis Arena, experienced a rapid increase in attendance, said Whalers director of communications Pete Krupsky.

"Our average attendance was about 4,000 back then," Krupsky remembered. "Most of the lower bowl of Joe Louis Arena would be filled. But during the work stoppage, our average attendance jumped dramatically to probably between 7,000 and 10,000. People wanted to watch hockey, and we were the biggest game in town until the NHL came back."

Plymouth is coming off a moderately successful season in which it finished second in the OHL Western Conference's West Division with a 32-24-9-3 mark. The Whalers were knocked out in the second round of the playoffs by eventual champion Guelph.

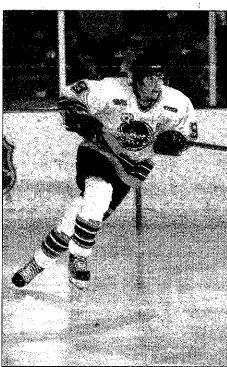
"We've lost to the eventual league champ two years in a row, so we're getting beat by the best," Vellucci said.

Despite overseeing a roster racked with inexperience, Vellucci is upbeat about the upcoming campaign.

"We're very young this year," he said.
"But we probably have six or seven firstyear guys who have the potential to get
drafted by the NHL. We're young and
inexperienced, but at the same time we're
energetic."

Two large voids the youngsters will have to fill were left by departed Whalers Ryan Ramsey and James Wisniewski. Wisniewski, a Canton native, should

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Dearborn native John Vigilante should be one of the Plymouth Whalers' mainstays this season. The defenseman is coming off a solid 2003-04 season.

Savitskie scores

Former Salem soccer standout Kevin Savitskie is making his mark at the University of Michigan.

The sophomore forward scored the match's lone goal in the Wolverines' season-opening 1-0 victory over Connecticut on Wednesday.

The goal, which was scored at the 81:02 mark, was Savitskie's second at Michigan.

"The goal came on a corner kick," explained U-M coach Steve Burns. "Kevin came on his run and got a head on the ball. The keeper trailed it, but Kevin found that small window and it went

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Adult hockey

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for men and women will be offered as well as two over-50 leagues.

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MU's Jansen inks 4

Madonna University women's basketball coach Marylou Jansen recently announced the signing of four recruits for the 2004-05 season including first-team All-Observer pick Martina Franklin, a 5-foot-10 forward from Redford Union who averaged 15.4 points, 11.6 rebounds and 3.4 blocks per game last season. All four recruits will play inside including a pair of 6-2 centers, Katie Bennett (Clinton) and Marissa Semark (Pinckney), along with 5-11 forward J.C. Czarnecki (L'anse Creuse North).

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The Wildcats finally broke grough in the fourth when they made it 14-13 on Anthony Green's 2-yard TD run with 5:38 left. Green's score was set up on the previous play when he sprinted 47 yards to the Salem 5. Green fumbled the ball at the end of the run, but an alert Jones pounced on the ball at the 2.

Instead of sending Minor on the field to attempt the gametying extra point, Blaylock gam-Bled and went for two and the lead. Jones was stuffed for no gain on the conversion attempt by Salem's Cory Sinischo and Steven Lehane.

T'We talked about what we were going to do if we scored during the entire drive," Blaylock said. "We had the momentum and our offensive line had been playing great, so we took a shot for the win? Clinging to a one-point advantage with 4:00 to go, Salem converted a clutch thirdand-four play when Lake made two play action fakes and hit Schambre for a 27-yard pass

"That was a huge play,"
Cummings said. "Ed Evers, our blocking back, deserves some credit for that play's success eredit for that play's success Plymouth picked up 22 first because he made a key block to downs compared to Salem's 16.

give Jeff enough time to get rid of the ball."

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Eight plays later, Kevin Bradley plowed into the end zone from four yards out to make it 20-13 with 1:00 remaining. Alva's extra-point attempt was wide left, but the Wildcats were called for roughing the kicker. With the ball now marked at the 1-and-a-half, Cummings sent his offense back onto the field to go for two. Bradley hammered it in to make it 22-13.

Plymouth scored its final TD on a 14-yard pass from Jones to LeDuc. Jones then ran in the two-point try to account for the final scoring.

Lake turned in his second straight eye-opening effort, running for 151 yards on 19 carries. He also completed both his pass it 14-0 at the 2:44 mark of the attempts for 35 yards.

Schambre rambled for 72 yards on 15 carries while Bradley had 70 yards on 18 attempts.

Jones accumulated 253 yards in total offense. He ran for 110 yards on 20 carries was 12-for-21 for 143 yards through the air.

"Brent's leadership and awareness on the field are awesome," Blaylock said. "We're very fortunate to have him playing quarterback."

Green finished with 116 yards on 11 carries. LeDuc caught six passes for 60 yards.

Plymouth picked up 22 first

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Little rolled out and connected on a pass with tight end Jake Powers, but Powers was well short of the first down. He proceeded to drag a pair of Central defenders down the field until the first down was secured.

"That play got the kids fired up," Baechler said. "It gave us some momentum, which is so important in these games."

Two plays after Powers' heroics, Schumacher busted a trap play for a 51-yard touchdown, giving Canton a 6-0 lead with 1:36 left in the opening quarter. Erik McKee booted the extra point to make it 7-0.

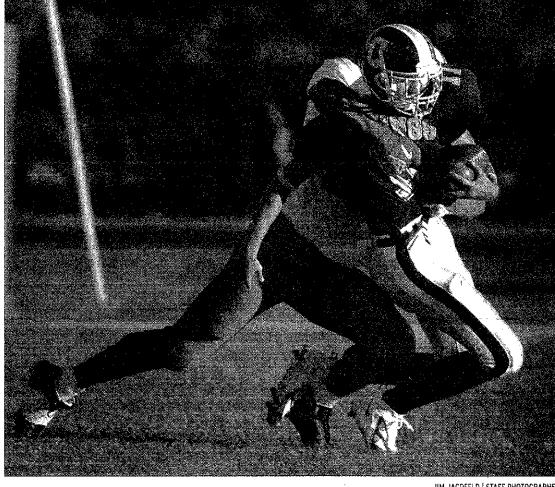
Canton's Andy Rossow made second quarter when he plunged in from one yard out, capping an 11-play, 75-yard drive.

Rossow set up the TD a few plays earlier when he sprinted 30 yards with a flare pass from

Schumacher started the second half like he ended the first quarter — with a long scoring run, this time from 54 yards out with 10:45 to go in the third.

Less than a minute later, McClendon dashed 65 yards to paydirt on an off-tackle play, boosting the Chiefs' lead to 27-

Little hit Julian Smith with a 23-yard touchdown pass to bump the lead to 34-0 and Rodney Preston closed the scoring with a 16-yard TD run



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Canton safety Julian Smith drags down Walled Lake Central running back Chad Adamiec Thursday night. Smith had an interception and a 23-yard TD reception later in the game.

with 3:39 left in the game. McKee converted five of six

extra points. Canton finished with 500 total yards compared to the

Vikings' 89. Central's lone bright spot was les each. Smith, Jeff Hudson,

quarterback Justin Goltz, who completed nine-of-15 passes for 98 yards.

Defensively, Canton was paced by Matt Sweda and Powers, who recorded six tack-

and Bryan Wagner had sacks. Canton swamped Central in the first-down department, 19-5. Canton was penalized seven times for 55 yards; the Vikings were called for four infractions totaling 30 yards.

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make the NHL Chicago Blackhawks' roster this season, Vellucci said.

"He was the Blackhawks" top OHL defenseman last season, so his chances of making the team look good," he said.

Scoring was a concern last season for the Whalers, who averaged just over three goals a con-

"We need to put the puck in the net more this year, especially during even-strength situations," Vellucci said. "Another key

for us will how well our inexperienced defensemen play. We have a new goalie, Ryan Nie, but I'm confident he'll do well. Our first-string goalie was injured against Kitchener . in the playoffs last year, but Ryan stepped in and did a great job."

Top returnees this year are John Mitchell (28 goals, 54 assists), Dearborn native John Vigilante, Tim Sestito (30, 38) and Mike Knight.

Plymouth opens its regular-season schedule Friday, Sept. 24, at Sarnia. Its home opener is the following night against Saginaw.

Madonna opens with 3-1 win

The Madonna University women's soccer team started the 2004 season off on the right foot with a 3-1 victory over Calvin College Wednesday afternoon. The match was the season-opener for both squads.

Liz Slebodnik tallied the first of two goals for the Crusaders, tying the match at 1-1 at the 19:47 mark. She put MU ahead for good 30 minutes later.

MU's Kelly Japowicz punched in an insurance marker with 15 minutes left in the match.

Lacey Cattarino assisted on all three goals for Madonna, which outshot Calvin, 20-8. Slebodnik and Japowicz each had five shots on

goal. Jill Capel scored Calvin's lone goal after taking a pass from Linnea Butler.

MU goalie Diana Kaip recorded eight saves. Calvin's Linda Heilman also knocked away four shots. POINT LOMA (CALIF.) 4, MADONNA (MEN) 1: The

Madonna University men's soccer team opened its season Friday by scoring the first goal of the game by Livonia Stevenson's T.J. Djokic (from Matt Placek) at 8:41, but host Point Loma Nazarene (Calif.) stormed back with two unanswered goals in each half to earn the non-conference win in San Diego."

Brian Thames (33:02), Greg Stoaks (42:57), Matthew Horak (75:41) and Brandon Fonseca (83:16) tallied goals for Point Loma, now 3-0 on the year. Derrick Thames assisted on three of Point Loma's four goals. Goalkeeper Michael Gebhart made six saves for

Point Loma, while Madonna's Kristofer Lyons had Djokic had four of MU's five shots on goal.

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Cezat sparks Chiefs to victory

STAFF WRITER

Members of Dearborn High's girls basketball team must wince every time Canton's Katie Cezat steps onto their court.

Cezat torched the Pioneers for the second straight year Thursday night, scoring 33 points in the Chiefs' 45-32 victory. Cezat poured in a careerbest 38 points last year against Dearborn (2-1).

The win improved Canton's record to 2-1 heading into Thursday's home showdown with highly regarded Flint Northern.

"Katie must have scored off of six offensive rebounds tonight," Canton coach Bob Blohm said. "Her biggest strength is knowing where the rebound is going to go, and getting after it. I was very impressed with how she passed out of the double-teams tonight, too."

Canton raced to a 16-5 firstquarter lead and 27-15 halftime advantage. Twenty-three of Cezat's points came before intermission.

The 6-0 senior also hauled down a game-high 17 rebounds.

Molly Conlon and Becci Houdek both twined four points for the Chiefs.

Chris Falzon paced the Pioneers with 18 points. "They're a good team," Blohm asserted. "They play

extremely hard. We played good, sound defense tonight." The Chiefs earned their first victory of the 2004 campaign Tuesday night when they held

off Howell, 35-30. Canton led throughout the contest, but the host Highlanders narrowed their deficit to 31-30 with under a

minute to play. "What surprised me," Blohm revealed, "is that they didn't foul us until there were only a few seconds left on the clock. Katie made the free throws

and it was over." Cezat had a memorable performance, netting 21 points

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and 21 boards. The 6-0 senior scored all seven Canton points in the second quarter.

Lisa Ealy and Houdek both netted four points for the Chiefs. Ealy also pulled down seven caroms.

"We got off to a nice start with all five starters scoring in the first quarter," Blohm said. "But we struggled in the second and third quarters and they got back into the game. Offensively, we couldn't match what we did in the first quar-

"I'm still looking for someone to step up and help Katie with the scoring load. We a couple of players to score six,

eight or 10 points every game." Canton led 13-5 in the conclusion of the first quarter and 20-14 at the half.

Agape edged

The Wolverines hung tough at Melvindale Thursday night before falling, 47-45, to the Cardinals.

Led by senior A.J. Kreps, Agape surged to a 13-8 firstquarter lead. Melvindale fought back to take a 24-23 halftime lead, but the Wolves led 35-34 after three.

Agape was hindered all night by its inability to convert free throws. They canned just three-of-16 shots from the charity stripe.

The Wolverines had a chance to tie or win the game at the

end, but it was a remote chance.

"We rebounded a missed free throw with four seconds left, but we had to go the length of the court, so we couldn't get a good shot off," Agape coach Chuck Henry said.

Kreps led all scorers with 21 points. She also yanked down 16 rebounds.

Danielle Henry turned in a solid effort, netting 11 points and five assists, and Brianna Chrenko scored six points.

"A.J. really excelled tonight," Henry said. "She's determined to make her senior year special. She did a great job."

PCA cruises

Plymouth Christian Academy rolled to its second victory in as many games Thursday night, upending Ypsilanti Calvary Christian, 47-

"They had one 6-foot-4 girl (senior Jerri Penley) who must have blocked 15 shots," said PCA coach Harvey Jennings. "I've seen a lot of basketball, and in my opinion, there aren't three or four girls in the state who are better players, at least defensively, than this girl. We had to put three girls on her most of the time to contain her."

Jennings said he was encouraged by his team's comfortable victory margin, especially considering the Eagles were on the short end of too many 20-point scores last season.

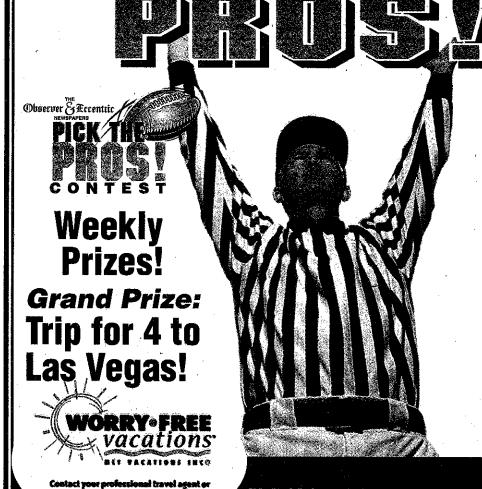
"Yeah, it makes me feel good," Jennings admitted. We're 2-0, but we still don't know how good we are. Once we play a few games on the road I think we'll find out."

PCA point guard Joi Jennings paced all scorers with 22 points before leaving late in the game after catching an inadvertent elbow in the face.

'We thought it might be broken right after it happened, but everything looks fine now," Jennings said.

Lauren Soblesky added nine. Penley finished with 10

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earch of a muscular, secure, rounded SBM, 30-55, 6'+, 200-40 tos Kids are welcome

I'm a SWF, 33, who loves camping, family & friends, plays, sight-see-

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SWF 51, retired, likes to garden, ride bikes, and long walks in the

woods. Seeks someone who is

smart, funny, educated between 18-59 years old you don't have to be high on religion. Someone who

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58. SWF, soon to retire, will live in

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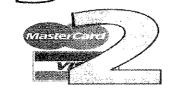
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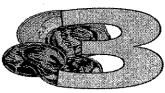
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SBM 29, 6', 190 lbs., and has kids. Looking for SF 23-32, who is nice

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SBF. 24, dark brown hair, eyes, 57", 155 lbs. Likes dancing, and movies. Seeks a SBM, 26-40. that's honest, hardworking, and likes to have fun. Ad#:789178 LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH 58, SWF, widow, 5'8", blond hair & blue eyes, I love life and laughter and meeting men. Ad#:789003

A GOOD FRIEND TO START 50, SWF, 5'4", 150 lbs., good ldoking. Seeking a man, not a game player, Friends first, for dancing, outdoor activities, kids ok. Ad#:788825

GET BACK TO ME SWF 48, and she works. Likes camping, going out, being with people, enjoys children and family. Seeks SWM 45-55 years old.

THANKS FOR RESPONDING SBF 40, 5' 2", 120 lbs., and she has children. Likes movies. and poetry. Seeks SBM 30-45 who is

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SWF 54, 5' 5", red hair, and brown eyes. Likes to dance, social NO COUCH POTATOES SW Mom, 42, 5' 7". 150 lbs., blonde, hazel eyes. Seeks a truthful. SWM, 36-55, who likes going out and having fun! Ad#:780581 drinker, and likes to entertain people. Seeks SWM 54, who is co passionate caring n/s, has Christian values and morales. Seeks a relationship that will lead SEEKING HONEST MAN 🔏

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SWF 70, is looking for a companion for doing activities with like dining out, walks and having great conversations. She likes reading

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SW Mom, 26, blonde, 5'4", 135 lbs., smoker, social drinker, Seeks APPRECIATE MY DUALITIES a SWM 22-32, who likes children SWF 39, divorced, very pretty, petite, 120 lbs., and feminine. and likes to go out. Ad#:779358 Seeks SWM 43-54, that is ambitious and independent Someone

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HELLO, IT'S ME. I'm a SH Mom, 18, 4'11". a smok-er, with blue eyes, tattoos & pierc-ings. Looking for a SBM, 19-28 years old. Ad#:779256 vill appreciate my qualities. SWEET SUSAN SBF 35, long brown hair, light brown eyes, has children and she

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I'm a SHF, 49, N/S, N/D, Mother of two, looking for a male partner, between 46 and 52, who will love me and my children. I want some

LOVING AND KIND 80, SWF, 5'4", medium build, attractive and caring, seeking SWM, 75-85 with varied interests

Adventurous, SHF, 30, very attractive, 119 lbs. Enjoys working out. dancing, cooking, quiet evenings at home, camping, traveling, etc. Seeks a very attractive, muscular. good-humored, financially secure SW/HM, 23-35. No players, please. Ad#:779189

LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR ME SWF, 21, 5'8", 193 lbs., smoker. Searching for a funny, outgoing, SWM, 18 and over. Ad#:779184

games, is looking for a long lasting relationship. Could you be that guy? Ad#:784371 FEEL FREE TO CALL SB Mom, 39, 5'2", medium build, employed, student. I'm seeking a 20, SHF, in college, I am from a big family, I love music and dancing. I SB centleman, 35-50, who shares am seeking an honest, loving man

my interests in movies, concerts, picnics, time at home and dining by candlelight. No games! Ad#:779108 SEARCHING SWF 55, widowed, 5' 2" and proportionate. Red hair and green eyes. Loves music, dancing, long walks and long rides. Seeks SWM

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SWF, 49, 5'6", stender who is intelligent, creative, and has apassion music and dancing. Seeking a htteman who is trim. 39-49, to share these interests and more, for a possible LTR. Ad#:538187

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ater, boating, swimming, cooking and time with family. Seeking a SWM, 55-79, who is ambitious, successful and fun SWEET AND LOVELY

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SWF, 57, 5'4", red curly hair, brown eyes, Enjoys movies, the-

Early 60's, with beautiful brown hair and eyes, seeking a tall gentle-man, 59-70 who is interested in dating, traveling, and financially secured. Call! Lets Talk.

MAGIC OF LOVE 49, SWF, attractive, NS, no depen-dants, 5'5", nice shape, like music. animals, romance and much more. l am seeking an intelligent, adven-turous, SWM, 49-69, for a great deal of Ad#:776558 companionship

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A WONDERFUL FRIEND , SWF, 5'4", medium build, and & green, love music, animals, gardening, educated. Seeking a SWM, honest, mature, N/S, S/D; no games. Ad#:775295

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LIVES TO RIDE Attractive SWF, 40, Cancer, 5'7", is searching for her tall, lost shaker of salt. If you're a SWM, 35-50, who's honest, with an outgoing personal-

ity, she's waiting on your call. Ad#:768275 NEED SOMEBODY? SWF, 56, likes dining out, country music & just spending time alone. I am seeking a SWM, 54-65. who's tired of being alone and needs someone in their life. Ad#:767998

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with, Ad#:767658

SEEKING MY BETTER HALF social drinker. Looking for a SM. 45-60, for movies, dining out, eling and more... Ad#:764447

GOOD VALUES, WARM HEART 24, 5'2" 113, blonde/blue. I have one child shared custody, I am a home-owner and a Christian. I like festivals, dancing, travelling etc. Seeking a single man 21-29 who is employed, has good-values and a warm heart, Ad#:760468

ESTABLISHED WOMAN Good-looking, 40, I have black hair, dark brown eyes, medium complexion. I have one 14 yr old child at home. I am professionally employed and own my own home f am looking for a man with the same interests who is nice with good values and good-looking Ad#:759908

GEMINI SWF. 62, 58" blonde hair blue eyes, enjoys family-get-to-togethers, music cards exercising, dream cruise, dancing, camping and much more. Looking for tall SWM, 58+ to share special times. Ad#:725948

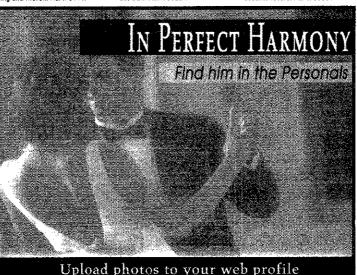
GAMES OVER 18, 120 lbs., 5.7, petite, SBF, seeks an admirer, head on their shoulders, future plans of marriage mature, enjoy life to the fullest, 18-23, SBM Ad#:759284

LIKES TO WATCH THE SUNSET SWM, 48, 510°, 225 lbs., WS. light drinker, wears glasses, and has a short trim beard. Likes to watch the sunset, campfire, movies, dancing and more. Seeks SHF, 35-40, to spend some time with and a possible LTR. Ad#:799408

WANT TO BE LOVED? Positive, humorous, SWM, young 59, 5' 11", 230 lbs., N/D, and smokes. Looking for a SWF, 50-60, under 150 lbs., under 6' talt. who enjoys sports, dining out, movies, dancing, cuddling, holding hands & hugging. No games. Ad#:404689

ARE YOU READY? 📳 Do you have a passport? Do you have a swimsult? Do you have dance shoes? I'm 55+, tall, slim, cance snoss? I'm 554, tall, slim, active and ready for friendship, companionship and romance with a SWF, 48-60, slim, trim, svelte, who is my equal! Phone replies only please! Ad#:612394

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average middle aged woman look ing for someone ! can complime and will compliment me in life. Not a couch potato nor looking for one l have kids, and grandkids, love animals, and more, Ad#:764141 TALL MAN WANTED

ing, fishing, motorcycles, I am attractive, good sense of humor looking for a tall man with a good sense of humor. Ad#:723304

HEAD ON YOUR SHOULDERS Attractive, outgoing and humorous, SWF, 32, in search of an interesting and adventurous, SWM, 30-

FAMILY AND FUN 25. SBF, attractive, curvaceous, full-figured. I like movies, dancing, exercising, family functions as family is important to me. I am

to be with, SWM, 25+. Ad#:760324 **FUN AND ADVENTURE** 41, SWF, seeking a gentleman for fun and adventure, over 50, who

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TRY IT OUT SWF, 47, beautiful blonde, who is and sophisticated. Enjoys the bookstore, entertaining and cooking. Seeks a special SWM, to make her house a home He should be intelligent, financial ly/emotionally secure, handsome, Ad#:640050

JUST MOVED BACK Adorable SWF, 33, 5'5", 150 lbs., brown hair and light green eyes. Seeking a stable, mature. SWM, 35-47, who is affectionate and humourous, for a committed relationship. Ad#:644179

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Seeks SF, race is unimportant, with

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strong relationship. Ad#:778576

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SBM, 43, tall, handsome and out-

going. Looking, for a SF, 25-40, who is shapely beautiful inside and

SBM, 29, 5'8", 185 lbs., and he is a smoker. Looking for SBF, 18-38

years old, who is pretty to talk to. It

interested please get back to him.

SWM, 29, seeks open minded peo-

ple to meet and have a good time.

Seeks SF, between 18 to 55 years

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HAVE A GOOD TIME

similar Interests, Ad#:788652

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HAVE SOME FUN. NO GAMES SWM, 51, one child home. looking for a SBF, 28-55. Searching for someone who doesn't play games, a nice lady. Smoker ok, drinker OK. Ad#:774385

ROMANTIC DENTIST SWM, 54, 6', 173 lbs., is very successful and attractive. Seeking a smoker, very attractive and physically fit, who loves fine dining best friend. Ad#:403950

EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL SWM, 45, 5'8", fit, light brown hair, blue eyes. Looking for a pas sionate, compassionate, profes sional, SWF, 28-45. Oakland or Wayne County, Ad#:449863

TIRED OF BEING ALONE SWM, 49, hardworking, 5'8", 175 lbs. Seeking a SWF, 45-48, who is easygoing, intelligent and fit, for a long-term relationship in the

Redford area only. No E-mails please! Ad#:406401 I AM WAITING... SWM, 49 (looks 39), nice build, with a pleasant personality and knows how to treat a lady. I am looking for a woman that is looking for a good man. Hope to hear fr

you soon. Ad#:411537 soon. Redford area. **MUSCULAR & ATHLETIC** Single, white male, 45, 6'2", 209 lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, cleancut, never married, no dependents, outgoing personality, has a degree Enjoys roller blading, working out, etc. Seeks a friendly, single female.

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SWM, 40, brown hair, eyes, 5'10". 245 lbs. Loves the outdoors. Seeks fun times. Please give him a call. Ad#:789556

er and drinker. Looking for a SWF SEEKS AN UPBEAT PERSONALIand a good conversationalist. Ad#:784411 SWM, 62, seeks a SF, 50-99, to have a friendship. Seeks someone

SEIZE THE DAY SEE Energetic SWM, 45, 5'10", 170 lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, with varied interests. Seeking talented, who is friendly, and has an upbeat personality. Ad#:789258 SMOKING ,LISTENING TO fun SWF, 30-40, who likes the out doors Ad#:481086 63, SWM, brown hair and eyes, like

SPONTANEOUS A MUST sports, animals, old music, smok-30, SWM, brown hair and eyes, 200 lbs., enjoy outdoors, single dad of four year old son. Seeking er, non drinker. Would like to meet humorous, affectionate and likes music and smokes

an outgoing lady. Ad#:784256 LIKES YOUNGER WOMEN dark hair and eyes. Seeking vounger than 25 woman, petite who is affectionate and likes to

GETTING TO KNOW YOU 24, SBM, 5'7", 155 lbs., looking for someone to talk to and get to know, Ad#:783137

eyes, retired. He likes to travel and is financially stable. Seeks SWF 50-IT'S NOW OR NEVER SNCM, 45, 5'11", 170 lbs., with brown hair and eyes. Seeks SWF 60, 120-140 lbs., attractive and financially secure. Let's build a 31-45, who is in shape and pretty Wants a person who enjoys going out to NASCAR races, movies plays and out to eat. He also likes children. Ad#:491514

48, tall, nice looking black male, 61, 180 lbs., seeks honest, independent lady, who is opionated, LETS GET IT STARTED and can enjoys sports as well, ages 34-50 Ad#:788077 40, 5'8", 190, likes concerts sports, and a social drinker, Seeks to start a long term relationship Children okay, Ad#:782012

MAKE SOME MEMORIES! Muscular, SWM, 40, dark hair hazel eyes, 6'2", 230 lbs., smoker business owner. Has children who do not live with him. Seeks a wel kept, self-confident, SWF, 25-45

years old. Ad#:781721 LET'S GO FOR A SWIM! SWM, 45, 6', brown hair, in great shape, clean-cut, fun to be with.

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SEEKING SMART LADY 21, SBM, 6'4", mustache, beard, nice looking. Seeking a SF, 21-28, with a good head on her shoulders and no kids. Ad#:781413

GO SLOW AND BECOME FRIENDS SWM 47, 5' 9". red hair, average build, has children. Seeks SWF 35-SWM, 33, 6'5", athletic build, blue eyes, blonde hair. S/D, tired of

50, good looking, down to earth, and honest. Let's start off slow and being lonely. Loves children. Catholic; a true believer. Enjoys music, outdoors, camping, movies, become friends. Ad#:781115 **ENJOY LIFE** sports and loves to cook. Looking SWM 58, educated, 6'3", 195 lbs., for an open-minded, women, 18-

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YOU SWM 64, 200 lbs., 5'11", with grey hair. Likes to do everything. Seeks SWF 47-63, who likes to do new things, prefer a non smoker should have lots of energy and be a eral minded. Enjoys intellectual conversation, golf, movies and more. Seeks SWF of any age, if little religious. Ad#:780402

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CC overcomes injury,

Salem golfers have little to show for solid effort

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Salem carded decent scores in its conference-opening duel meet Tuesday, but Livonia Churchill walked away with a 153-163 victory.

The loss dropped the Rocks to 1-1. The meet was the Chargers' first of the season.

"We did okay, but Churchill has a very good team this year," Salem coach Rick Wilson said. Mike Housion was low man

Mike Houston was low man for Salem, firing a 39. He was followed by Mike Cassidy (40), Chris Treadwell (40) and Dave Porter (44). Non-counting scores for Salem were turned in by Jeremy Henderson (45) and Matt Smith (48).

Tommy Lucko's 36 paced the Chargers.

The Rocks will return to action Wednesday when they host Farmington Hills Harrison at Northville Hills Golf Course.

Canton falls

Canton opened its Western Lakes Activities Association schedule Monday with a 152-163 loss to Walled Lake Northern at the par 36 Brentwood Golf Course. The Knights improved to 2-0. Canton opened its Western
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Brentwood Golf Course. The
Knights improved to 2-0.

"The kids gave a good effort, but it's difficult opening on the road on a course very few of the kids have played against a good team," said Canton coach Tom Alles. "Our score should actually win some matches this season, but they had two kids shoot even par."

Brandon Egglesfield's 39 was the low round for the Chiefs. Also scoring for Canton were Patrick Gallagher (40), Dominic Gallo (41) and Dustin Trosper (43).

Non-scorers were Cameron Strabbing (44) and Matt Haar (48).

Eagles triumph

Plymouth Christian Academy edged Michigan Independent Athletic Conference rival Oakland Christian, 172-175, Monday afternoon at Bald Mountain Golf Course. The victory boosted the Eagles' record to 1-2.

Jesse Predhomme led PCA with a six-over 42. He was followed closely by Adam Catallo and Jordan Johnston (43's), and Ross Gerulis (44). Jordan Brown and Keith Boruta each fired a 45 for the winners.

Jeremy Deadman's 43 was the low round for Oakland Christian.

Belleville cruises

A brother combination helped the Tigers improve to 2-0 in the Mega White Conference with a 160-180 victory over Redford Union at Harbour Club Golf Course.

"One-sixty is a real good score for us," said Tiger coach John Gochis. "We play a lot of home matches early in the season so we need to get off to a strong start."

Sophomore Kevin VanDivier fired a one-over 37 to earn medalist honors. Senior Cory VanDivier — Kevin's brother —

posted a 38. Also scoring for the Tigers were sophomore Peter Raymond (41) and Ian Nesturek (44).

Non-scorers for Belleville were junior Jeff Price (45) and freshman Zach McCurley (46).

CC wins - barely

Catholic Central came very close to losing an unheard of second-straight dual meet in the Catholic League.

But the Shamrocks came through on the fifth-man tiebreaker, which broke the 154-all tie with Warren De La Salle at Cattails on Thursday.

"We didn't finish strong," said CC coach Bill Hayes as his team evened its record at 1-1 in the Catholic League. "In my opinion, we were lucky to win. Brian King and Adam Hogue played steady. But we just didn't finish. We have to learn to be mentally tough for a full nine holes and we haven't quite gotten there yet."

Hogue shot 34 and King had 37 to lead the Shamrocks.
Dave Denyer had a 41, Adam Grady shot 42 and Ron Bonatz had 43 – good enough to edge the Pilots' Kevin Gulock by a stroke on the tiebreaker. Evan Bartley led the Pilots (1-2) with a 35.

downs Toledo St. John

Catholic Central overcame a key injury and a late rally by Toledo St. John's on Thursday to stop the Titans, 2-1.

"We played pretty well overall," said CC coach Joe Nora as his team improved to 4-0-2 overall. "Our captain and sweeper, Josh Smith, went down with an injury and that was tough for us because he's probably our best player. St. John's had solid pressure in the last 10 minutes and our defense held strong."

Dade DiMaggio gave CC a lead 25 minutes into the game on a goal, with Chris Pruitt getting the assist. Midway through the second half, Skyler Dum got the game winner with Pruitt getting the assist. St. John's cut the lead to 2-1 with three minutes left but could get no closer.

CC goalkeeper Brian Walsh made nine saves in goal, while the Shamrocks took 10 shots.

PCA still unbeaten

Plymouth Christian Academy improved to 6-0-1 Thursday night with a convincing 5-1 home triumph over Division 3 New Boston

Huron.

Cody Pickren scored three times while Caleb James found the back of the net

twice for the winners.
James, Ben Welton, Dan
Monroe and Steve Sumner
were credited with assists for
the Eagles, who return to
action Tuesday at Livonia
Clarenceville.

PCA goalie Matt Saagman continued his brilliant play in front of the net.

The sophomore yielded his first goal of the year Thursday, but he did stop a penalty kick late in the contest.

Wildcats tumble

Plymouth suffered its first setback of the season Wednesday, falling 7-2 to Livonia Churchill. The Wildcats are now 4-1 (1-1 in the WLAA).

The Chargers built a 6-0 halftime lead before coasting to the win in the second half.

Sean Dillon and Ryan Pritz scored Plymouth's goals. They were assisted by Andrew Koet and Jim Wilbur.

Salem, Northern girls tennis teams tie, 4-4

Who could blame Salem's girls tennis team if it went into Thursday's match against Walled Lake Northern with a healthy supply of confidence?

After all, the Rocks bounced the Knights, 7-1, one year earlier.

Northern has apparently improved immensely judging by its 4-4 tie with Salem. The Knights are now 3-0-1; the Rocks fell to 0-1-1.

"I think we may have underestimated Northern a little bit," said Salem coach Lin Ware. "They have a couple of freshmen players who are very good, and their number-one girl is a rated player."

Salem returns to action Tuesday at Livonia Churchill. On Wednesday, the Rocks host Westland John Glenn. SALEM 4, WALLED LAKE NORTHERN 4 Sept. 2 at W.L. Northern H.S.

No. 1 singles: Elizabeth Mullane (WLN) d. Alex Ware, 6-2, 6-0; No. 2: Kate Mullane (WLN) d. Maranon Swasey, 6-1, 6-1; No. 3: Danielle Price (WLN) d. Sarah Jose, 6-4, 6-3; No. 4: Mo Bohr (S) d. Alfaina Riddel, 6-3, 6-0

No. 1 doubles: Kaţie Girskis and Tracy Lytle (S) d. Amy Woody and Rachel Pryde, 7-5, 6-2; No. 2: Michele Cilia and Erica Shy (S) d. Jordan Simpson and Kaitlin Stott, 6-4, 6-3; No. 3: Stacey Ward and Shobha Narasimham (S) d. Amanda Haas and Jamie Spohn, 6-2, 0-6, 6-4; No. 4: Allie Stoelzle and Britany Nelson (WLN) d. Shailee Patel and Teresa Purugganan, 6-0, 6-4

Tigers ousts RU

Considering that much of her team is basically just learning to play the game, Redford Union coach Pam Rizzo found a bright spot in a 6-2 loss to Belleville at Capital Park.

"It seems when we play a match, we're improving more and more," said Rizzo. "We do have a number of beginners and we're not losing (6-0, 6-0) in any matches any more. We also had a number of three-setters out there"

The Panthers dropped to 0-4
overall and 0-3 in the Mega White.
BELLEVILE 6, REDFORD UNION 2
Aug. 30 at Capitol Park

No. 1 singles: Misty Moser (RU) d. Marta Rajechez, 6-3, 6-2; No. 2: Jocelyn Sielski (B) d. Kristy Cano, 6-1, 6-1; No. 3: Holly Mayfield (B) d. Kailee Gritu, 6-2, 6-1; No. 4: Cecilia Sereno (B) d. Paige Archibald, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2.

No. 1 doubles: Erin King and Megan King (RU) d. Amelia Kozak and Holly Schultz, 6-4, 6-2; No. 2: Krin Paich and Kayla Glazier (B) d. Rachel Perrell and Nicole Gourlay, 6-2, 6-1; No. 3: Monique Bollinger and Tiffany Kelly (B) d. McKeznie Ely and Kiera Heard, 4-6, 6-4, 6-0; No. 4: Ashley Franklin and Becky Kenorick (B) won by default.

PCA starts season with momentum

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The momentum the Plymouth Christian Academy boys soccer team built during last season's 17-3-1 campaign has re-emerged early this season.

The Eagles are off to a sizzling 5-0-1 start despite losing three pivotal performers from the 2003 district championship squad.

onship squad.
"We lost some three key guys, so I was

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a little concerned heading into this season," coach Terry Bixler admitted. "But everyone else has stepped up and really played well so far. We have three returnees back who are kind of our anchors on the team, and we had a couple first-year players come out who have been pleasant surprises."

The Eagles' leaders are senior mid-

fielder Nathan Bixler, senior defender John Wendt and sophomore goal-keeper Matt Saagman, who has blanked four of his six opponents this year.

"Matt is an outstanding goalie," Bixler said. "He has a lot of poise, especially considering he's just a sophomore."

Two new-comers — Jacob Williams and Cody Pickren — have already made a positive impression, as have juniors Ben Welton and T.J. Miller.

Senior mid-fielders Nathan Bologa and Steve Sumner, a first-year player, and Caleb Jones have turned in strong efforts so far this season, Bixler said.

"We've played in a lot of close games this year already," Bixler said. "The one tie we have was 0-0 against Royal Oak Shrine. We had a couple of goals called back due to offsides, or we would have won that one, too.

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FALL SOFTBALL

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Rosco Sports will be hosting several fall softball tournament in the upcoming weeks, beginning with a men's, women's and co-ed event set for Saturday and Sunday at the Tags Sports Complex, located at M-59 and U.S. 23 in Hartland. The entry fee is \$195 per team and there will be a three-game minimum.

On the weekend of Sept. 18-19, separate men's, women's and co-ed tournaments will be held at Tags and the Canton Softball Center, located on Michigan Ave. in Canton.

There will be a third tournament Oct. 2-3 at the CSC.

For more information or to register, contact Bob Hope at (734) 667-2347.

ADULT HOCKEY

Several fall adult hockey leagues will be forming soon in Plymouth and Canton. Games will be played at the Plymouth Arena and Arctic Pond in Plymouth, and the Arctic Edge in Canton.

The league schedule will run from Sept. 19 through April 3 and games will be played Sunday evenings.

Three over-21 divisions for men and women will be offered as well as two over-50 leagues. There will also be a senior over-50 drop-in session offered Tuesday and Friday mornings at the Arctic Pond beginning Tuesday.

For more information and registration forms, visit www.rspi.net; call John Wilson at (734) 927-1267; e-mail john@rspi.net; or call the Arctic Pond Arena at (734) 207-7663.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' Community Education Department will be hosting a new youth basketball league beginning this fall.

The league will consist of leagues for boys and girls in grades 3-12. The season will include practices, games and a post-season tournament for grades 5 and up. Teams will consist of up to 10 players, all of whom will receive a jersey.

The CEBL will hold registration Tuesday, Sept. 14, at Hulsing Elementary; and Thursday, Sept. 16, at Field Elementary.

Registration fees are \$85 for rades 3-4 and \$95 for grades 5-12. There is an additional \$10 fee for non-residents.

Teams will be selected at an evaluation day, except for players in grades 3-4, who will be randomly assigned to teams.

Seasons for different age groups will vary. Starting dates will be distributed at registration. For more information, call (734) 641-7459.

NORTHVILLE REC OFFERINGS

The Northville Parks & Recreation department will be offering the following programs beginning in September:

🗖 Adult volleyball leagues – both women's and co-ed - will start Monday, Sept. 13 and run 12 weeks. The entry fee is \$220 per team.

■ Drop-in co-ed adults 50+ volleyball will be held from 10 a.m. to noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The fee is \$1.

■ A women's fall basketball league will run from Sept. 27 to Dec. 6. Teams will play 10 games each. The fee is \$395 per team.

Open competitive-style badminton will be offered Tuesday and Friday nights. The nightly fee is \$7.

Open table tennis will be offered Mondays from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. The fee is \$4 per day. For more information on these programs, call (248)449-9947.

WOLVES TRYOUTS

The Michigan Wolves 13and-under travel baseball team



will be holding tryouts for the 2005 season in late August and early September.

The Wolves will play 50-60 games, including league play and up to 10 tournaments both in and out of state. Players must turn 13 after Aug. 1, 2004.

For more information, call Tim Broughton at (734) 645-

WILDCAT GOLF OUTING

A golf outing to benefit the Plymouth High School athletic department will be held

Sunday, Sept. 19, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at the intersection of Ford and Napier roads. The event, a four-person scramble, will kick off with an 8 a.m. shotgun start.

For \$100, participants will receive 18 holes of golf with a cart, a T-shirt, snack at the turn and a steak dinner following golf.

There will be longest-drive, closest-to-the-pin and skins competitions available to the golfers. Contact Plymouth Athletic Director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582-5700.

PLAYERS WANTED

Waza FC is looking for players for an U10 and U13 girls soccer team. Call Colleen Debolski at (248) 477-1252 or

wazaclubmanager@hotmail.co

JOHN GLENN REUNION

Westland John Glenn will stage a football reunion for all former players and coaches, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 1-2.

A schedule of events includes meeting at half-time for the football homecoming game (Oct. 1), as well as an informal dinner (Oct. 2) at the Wavne-Ford Civic League Hall.

The cost for the weekend is \$20 per player (includes awards, hall rental, refreshments, and picture CD of the reunion). For more information, e-mail Mark Jennings at mjennings@twimi.rr.com.

GOLF: THE MUSICAL

Meadow Brook Theatre is offering a chance to watch golf and play golf. "Golf: The Musical," an off-Broadway play

will appear at the theatre through Sept. 19, in its only Michigan performance. The play features 18 songs and is perfect for the golfer or golf widow. The golfer will like the fact that by ordering tickets now, they will be entitled to golf Oakland University's private Katke-Cousins Golf Course. Call the Meadow Brook Theatre's box office at (248) 377-3300 or visit www.mbtheatre.com. Items for the Sports Roundup may be faxed to (734) 591-7279 or mailed to the Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.





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Time for youth to de-stress

Hi ... I e-mailed you a couple months ago and wanted to thank you. I also need some more advice. I feel like I am living with so many pressures and need to make so many decisions about my life. What is the best way to sort our feelings when you'rereally confused?

Dazed and Confused in Livonia, 15 Well, there are all kinds of ways to sort out feelings. First, you need to turn down the noise. Turn off the TV set and/or radio. Get out a notebook and start writing. Do a free write, then when you are finished writing go through with your marker and highlight all of the "feeling words." You can then take everything you have highlighted and figure out your true feelings about the situation. Another way to sort our feelings is by talking to someone you trust, an outside resource can almost always help for you to "see the light." Try to determine which decisions need to be made now and which can wait, until you have more information. Don't forget to de-stress. A great way to "blow off some steam" and figure out some issues is to exercise. This helps release the stress and clears the

Dear Jen. My older brother still lives at home. I went to find a CD in his room and found drugs instead. I know if I tell my parents then my brother will hate me. If I don't tell my parents, my brother could get worse. What do I do? To Tell or Not To Tell in Garden City, 15

head.

You should first confront your brother about what you found. If he starts to become irate and you feel threatened,

His whole future could depend on it.

you will need to go to a neighbor's house or call your parents. If he listens, then explain to him that you are worried about his health and safety and it scares you that he is using drugs. Be honest with him and let him know you want to help and to help you have to tell your parents. It will be worth it in the end to tell them, so they can get some help. His whole future could depend on it. He will thank you later on.

Dear Jen, I just moved to Michigan from out of state and will be starting a new school. I'm so scared and nervous. The people here seem so different than what I'm used to down South. I have been here for three months and haven't really made any friends. Do you have any advice for me starting a new school with no friends? New Girl in Westland, 16

Being different is cool. Play this up! My best advice for you is to be yourself and be open to new friendships. I also went to a different high school midway through and was terrified. But people are usually nice to the "new girl." People will help you find classes and the cafeteria. As long as you are open to it and give it some time. Remember to be active, join clubs and become involved in extracurricular activities outside of the classroom. So, throw away the fear and be ready for an amazing year in a new school with new

friends. (If for some reason things are not going well by second semester, remember that you can confide in a teacher or school counselor and ask their advice.)

Jennifer Sawalha of Livonia has a master's degree in psychology from the Center for Humanistic Studies. She can be reached by e-mail at -JGSKarma@aol.com.

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Hometown hero

Wounded officer hails support

CORRESPONDENT

Phoenix, Ariz., Police Officer Rob Sitek was always in top shape - eating the right foods, working out and running five miles every day.

But the 1986 Salem High School grad doesn't run anymore. Now he walks with difficulty using a cane and wearing a brace on his left leg. Still, to those who know Sitek and the incredible events over the past 16 months of his life, he is a hero and a walking miracle.

He recently shared his story while spending time with family and friends at his parents' home in Canton. It was his first trip since the fateful episode that took place April 12, 2003.

His mother, Kathy, who has spent most of the last yearand-a-half at her son's side, spoke to the Observer from Phoenix, where she was caring for Rob's home and dog in his

"Being a policeman was my dream since my early 20s," said Sitek, 36. He had worked for Northwest Airlines for 15 years, first in Detroit, then transferring to Phoenix in 1997. "When I turned 30, I realized if I didn't pursue this, I would probably regret it for the rest of my life.

Graduating at the top of his police academy class in March 2001, Sitek had his pick of positions and decided on south Phoenix — a high-crime

"That's what I wanted," he said. "I wanted to be where all the action was. In the short time I worked the streets, I saw more and did more and had more experiences than a lot of officers from smaller communities have in 15 or 20 years."

CRITICAL CONDITION

The night of April 12, 2003, was a Saturday and the last day of the week for Sitek and his partner, David, who worked the night shift from 9 in the evening until 7 in the morning. They had only been out for about an hour, answered an uneventful trespassing call and were back on the streets again before com-

ing to a stoplight. While they sat at the light, a red pickup truck pulled into the left-hand turn lane and a taxi pulled up to Sitek's passenger side and began waving to get his attention.

The taxi driver told Sitek the red pickup had been driving erratically for some time.

"I ran the license plate right away and it came back clean that everything was OK," Sitek said. What he didn't know was that just an hour and a half earlier, the 28-year-old driver had held up two girls at gunpoint, then carjacked the owner of the pickup — also at gunpoint.

He was a gang member and an illegal alien who had been deported to Mexico after spending seven years in an Arizona correctional institution, then illegally returned.

Although a report had been taken concerning the carjacking in west Phoenix, the information hadn't yet been

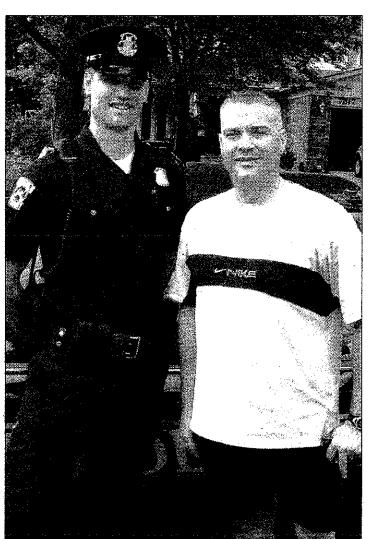
entered into police computers. "We had no idea this guy was armed and dangerous," Sitek said. "We thought it was just a typical Saturday night with someone in the vehicle who had been drinking. So as he turned left we got behind him and turned on our overheads. That's when he made a right turn into an apartment complex and started to speed up. We figured he was going to bail out of the vehicle and. sure enough, he got out, ran to the chain-link fence and went over.

Sitek was the first one out of the squad car, scaled the fence and, while in pursuit, grabbed his baton and hit the suspect hard in the right leg, dropping him to the ground in the middle of a field.

Before Sitek was able to apprehend him, "he pulled a .38-caliber semi-automatic handgun from his waist band and started firing off rounds," Sitek said. "It all happened so quick. I flinched and realized I had been struck in the abdomen, but I was still stand-

The bullets had been fired so rapidly that Sitek didn't realize he had actually been hit by four bullets: two entered his abdomen just two inches below his bulletproof vest; one pierced his left hand; and one went through his left thigh.

David arrived quickly and Sitek told him he had been



Phoenix Officer Rob Sitek (right) met Canton Officer Michael Kennedy for the first time at the Sitek home Aug. 25. Kennedy was one of the officers who had to break the news to Sitek's parents their son had been wounded.



Rick Sitek (left) and his son, Rob, share a special bond since Rob went through a life-and-death struggle and many months of rehabilitation following a shooting while Rob was on duty as a police officer in Phoenix, Ariz.

shot. Thinking Sitek was OK, David took off after the gunman - who had reloaded and was shooting again - eventually killing him. In the meantime, Sitek put the call on the radio that he had been shot.

He began feeling lightheaded and had difficulty breath-

"I knew that if I dropped in the field, I probably wouldn't be found, so I told myself I had to get back to my patrol car so they could find me. I made it as far as the fence line where the patrol car was before I collapsed. Within minutes the helicopter was overhead and I was able to strobe my flashlight so they could find me."

Sitek's call had gone out at 10:16 p.m. and by 10:28 p.m. he was in the ambulance and on his way to Maricopa County Hospital. The bullets to Sitek's abdomen had done serious damage to the large and small intestines, but the worst damage was to the inferior vena cava - the large vein that carries blood from the lower extremities back to the heart - which had been severed.

The hospital was only two blocks from the shooting scene. Had it been further, Sitek would not have made it

Open heart massage was performed when his heart stopped three times in the emergency room. The human body holds an average of 12 to 16 pints of blood; through the course of the night. Sitek received 140 pints. Doctors later told the Siteks they believed no one had ever received that many pints of blood and survived without

suffering brain damage. The doctor in the emergency room that night was not scheduled to be there, but Dr. Kevin Foster, an expert in trauma cases, was on duty. He and his team labored through the night to save Sitek, removing damaged intestines, suturing the vena cava and repairing other damaged organs. When Foster came out around 6 a.m., he told the waiting multitude of police officers that chances were that Sitek wouldn't make it to sunrise.

'Pray," the doctor said, "that he survives until his family can get here."

CANTON'S FINEST

When Sitek began his career as a Phoenix police officer, his mom would phone him every day, he recalled.

"She would forget about the time difference and the fact that I worked nights and would sometimes call as I was just drifting off to sleep," he said with a smile. "I knew she worried, but finally I said, 'Mom, I tell you what, if anything ever happens to me you'll know right away because there will be officers knocking at your door.'

In the early morning hours of Sunday, April 13, an urgent

call came through to the Canton Police Department from the Phoenix police. Sgt. Debra Newsome and Officer Michael Kennedy were asked to take on the difficult task.

'The Phoenix Police Department was wonderful," said Kennedy, who had been with the Canton department for just 18 months at the time. "They gave me a credit card number and told me to make the arrangements and do anything I could to get the family to Phoenix as soon as possi-

When the Canton officers arrived at the Sitek home about 3:30 that morning, it was Sitek's mom, Kathy, who opened the door.

"She was so upset to see us there that when I asked her, 'Ma'am, are you Mrs. Sitek?' she answered, No, no - what do you want?" Kennedy said. "I didn't know if she was an aunt or relative or what, so I said, 'Ma'am, I need to know if you're Mrs. Sitek, this is pretty important.' I think she kind of went into shock and started backing away from the door."

"That's when she let out a blood-curdling scream for me," said Rick Sitek, Rob's dad.

"There will never, ever be enough words for me to thank those officers for what they did for us that night," Kathy Sitek said. "To me, they are not just officers, they are truly family. How do you thank someone like that?"

Rick Sitek couldn't agree

"They were absolutely outstanding," he said. "(Kennedy) stayed with us the whole time and it was very comforting. You know, there were so many unsung heroes in this whole incident and, for our family, it started right here with the Canton police."

For Kennedy, it was all about how he would want his own parents cared for.

"I've worked for Canton for three years now and that is still the hardest thing I've ever had to do," he said. "The first thing I thought of was: What would my mom and dad do if a police officer came to their door at 3:30 in the morning? I couldn't even imagine the feelings they were going through and I just wanted to do as much as I could for them."

After an agonizing fourhour flight not knowing if their son was still alive, it was 9 a.m. Phoenix time when the Siteks, including daughter Nicole, Rob's only sibling, arrived at the hospital. They were greeted with the news that Rob was still alive, but that his chances of survival were not good.

"I had worked in a hospital for many years, but when we went in to see Rob, it was extremely difficult," said Rick Sitek. "It's hard to describe your emotions when you see your own son lying there with so many machines and tubes. They had him covered up to

his neck, but he literally looked like the Incredible Hulk - there was so much swelling."

Sitek spent seven weeks in the intensive care unit. He remained in a drug-induced coma for three weeks and underwent five additional surgeries. He developed infections and, at one point, his kidneys shut down.

Then it was five weeks for Sitek in a rehabilitation center.

"It was like being a newborn again," he said. "I thought I would never be able to even stand. June 7 was the first day they tried to get me up to walk. I made it three feet before collapsing. By the end

'To me, the real heroes are the people who did so much like donate blood.



organize fund-raisers, take the time to pray and comfort my family.

Rob Sitek wounded policeman

of five weeks, I was able to walk 600 feet with the aid of a walker."

He continues to go to rehab five days a week, two hours each day.

During his time in the rehab center, Sitek was surprised by a call. Ted Nugent was in town and heard about Sitek. Nugent told him the next time he was in town that Sitek and his buddies would be guests at his concert. Weeks later Nugent did call again, but Sitek was still too ill to attend.

"OK," Nugent told Sitek, "but the next time I'm in town you and I are going out for tacos!"

Sitek has since undergone three more surgeries, one that put him near death again. But his recuperation since the last surgery in February has been very productive, he said.

"And it's great because I can drive now," he added. "Not being able to drive really drove me nuts." He took advantage of his new freedom by driving himself the more than 2,000 miles to Canton.

EVERYDAY HEROES

Through all the events of the past 16 months, the Siteks have been surrounded by the support of the Phoenix police and the entire community. Fund-raisers were organized to help with expenses and blood drives were conducted.

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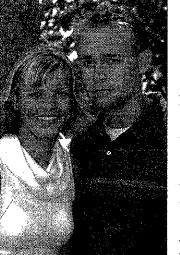
The bride-to-be is a graduate of South Lyon High School and earned a degree in early childhood education from Michigan State University. She is currently enrolled in a master's program in counseling at Eastern Michigan University.

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The groom is a 1995 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Michigan State University in 1999 and 2002, respectively. He is a fourth-grade teacher at Silver Springs Elementary School in Northville.

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ARIES (March 21-April 20th)

There's an old Latin proverb which says, "Learn Arst how to live and then philosophize." In other words, face the fact that what is really needed now is more humor and less drama when dealing with financial problems. Breathe deeply, Ram. Ahhhh... now, doesn't that feel better?

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

As of mid-week, no one and nothing will prevent you from doing what you know is right with the planet of communication is going direct. Do, however, try to remain flexible and open-minded. Modify and balance behavior, Bull-born; don't go ballistic or be bully-ish.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

There is something to be gleaned from the most emotionally or professionally upsetting situations. Therefore, give others an opportunity to air their grievances for a few more days and you will discover just how protected you are, and have been all along. Do "mellow."

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

The only thing that might hold you back with the Moon in your sign mid-week is an unreal fear that you're not good enough. Logically, you Know that this is irrational, but it will continue to flaunt you until you do something about it. Stop frettin! Be kinder to yourself.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

Hubba-hubba- the harmony planet Venus enters your sign on Monday and stays for weeks and weeks, so you won't be the slightest bit interested in everyday things nor affected by petty people. Don't tie yourself down with duties and trivia. Your soul needs to be free!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

As space permits, the Observer &

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LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

If you insist on burning the candle at both ends between now and your birthday, something is gonna snap! This week finds you buzzing and on the go, scrambling. Although this may be a difficult week, what happens as the month progress es will remind you that you're doing pretty well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

"Self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-control. These three alone lead life to sovereign power," according to Alfred Tennyson. However, current outer planet activity signifies that a touch of self-help and reaching out to others wouldn't go amiss now. Wake up, Scorp!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Pressure should ease up a bit and people who've been giving you a hard time won't be as sarcastic now. As far as your own attitude is concerned, you mustn't take anyone or anything for granted. It's not fair to deny others your opinions. And smile a true smile; don't act.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

Don't lose heart, Cap, because with Mercury entering your element soon will provide you more than it threatens to take away. Remember that individuals achieve a sense of self-respect by tackling difficult situations head-on, regardless of whether they expect to succeed or fail.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

Some close buds or kin seem to have taken leave of their senses and have you in an awkward position. However, if you simply study the facts of the matter, you'll realize that you can trust your own ability to shape your life without their approval- and all will smile.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

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CLEARY UNIVERSITY

Cleary University graduated Janet Kimberly Baker, Lori Patricia Barry and Laurie Kay Lazorka, all of Plymouth were among the 188 degrees handed out at the graduation ceremony for Cleary University. The school awarded 130 bachelor's degrees, 42 associate's degrees and 16 master's degrees.

OHIO NORTHERN

Kathleen Hammerschmidt, daughter of Thomas and Pamela Hammerschmidt of



and Sciences at Ohio Northern University for the 2004-05 school year. She will major Hammerschmidt in biology. At Salem High

Plymouth, has

enrolled in the

School, Hammerschmidt was

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NEW YORK UNIVERSITY Amber Lee Jbara of

Canton High School.

Plymouth, a graduate of Farmington Hills Mercy High School and the daughter of Anthony and Beverly Jbara of Plymouth, earned her bachelor of arts degree in political science from New York University May 13, 2004. Jbara has interned in the office of New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg and is currently interning for a New York councilman.

DENISON UNIVERSITY

Michael Ware, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ware of Plymouth, is among those named as winners of Denison University's Dean's Award.

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Ware is a 2004 graduate of Salem High School.

Jennifer Keehner, daughter of Bill Keehner and Pam Paxton-Keehner of Plymouth, is among those named as winners of the Heritage Scholarship. Among Denison's most prestigious awards, the Heritage Scholarship is a halftuition award and is renewable for four years if the student achieves and maintains a stipulated grade-point average.

Keehner is a 2004 graduate of Salem High School.

LIBRARY PICKS

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The toll on the family has been tremendous physically, emotionally and financially. Kathy has spent the last 16 months in Phoenix and Rick had to resign from his job because of his need for extended absences.

"It's been hard, but I wouldn't have done anything differently. And each of us has so much to be thankful for," Rick

Sitek says he feels humbled by the tremendous response to his needs and has since done public service work for United Blood Services in Phoenix.

And the incredible show of support and prayer have impacted the faith of all the

"I just recently learned that Rob's nurse on duty that night prayed by his bedside most of the time," Kathy said. "She told me, 'I didn't know if he would make it through the night and I hoped he could hear my prayers, but if not, I knew God could. Right after we started praying, they drew blood and that's when his blood levels changed and were becoming more normal"

Kathy, a member of St. John Neumann in Canton, said that during a press conference, her son's doctors also acknowledged the intervention of a higher power.

"And I firmly believe the prayers that were going out to Rob are the reason he is alive today," she said. "There were so many things that happened. One of my cousins, a physician, taped a St. Jude medal to Rob's arm with instructions not to remove it. A police officer took a gold chain with a medal of St. Michael and a cross off his own neck and placed it around mine. He had felt protected with it and insisted that I keep it, that it was meant for me

And there were thousands of cards and e-mails that poured in from across the U.S. and other countries.

"One of the neatest things was this little Catholic school in Phoenix, St. Maximilian Kolbe Elementary School," Sitek said.

Sitek has done a lot of public service speaking since regaining his strength and is involved with a project in Washington, D.C., developing a police memorial. In order to raise funds for the memorial, a calendar will be sold with Sitek as one of the featured officers.

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"I found out the kids were all praying and saying the rosary every day for me. This past May my buddies and I put on our uniforms and went to visit them. They had this big mural they all had signed that said, 'Welcome Home Officer Sitek, Our Hero."

But that's not how Sitek sees himself.

"We have a job to do and that is just expected of us," he said. "That's what we are there to do. We know the risks.

"To me, the real heroes are the people who did so much like donate blood, organize fund-raisers, take the time to pray and comfort my family," he added. "Those are my heroes."

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He'll return to work in September as an instructor at the Phoenix Police Academy.

"I'm going to miss the streets, but I don't want to sit behind a desk and be a detective at this time," he said. "Besides, I'll get to see the guys on the force when they come in for monthly training. And I hope to make a difference."

Many believe he already has.

Firefighters team up with MDA to find cure

Firefighters from around the area are doing their part to help find a cure for more than 40 neuromuscular disorders.

Westland Fire Fighters IAFF Local 1279 teamed up with the Muscular Dystrophy Association to raise money in the annual Fill-the-Boot in late July and early August. As part of this year's statewide Fill-the-Boot campaign, 75 Locals including Westland collected money in their boots for MDA. Canton Township Fire Fighters IAFF Local 2289 hosted the softball tournament called "Swing for a Cure" to benefit

This year marks 50 years of partnership between the International Association of Fire Fighters and MDA. Without these years of support from firefighters, MDA would not be able to provide so many people with the many programs and aid that MDA offers. Fire fighters have helped by keeping the MDA clinics staffed with skilled doctors. They also help by purchasing equipment to aid weakened muscles, funding MDA's weeklong summer camps for children with neuromuscular disorders, and most importantly, funding research so that one day we may throw the leg braces and wheelchairs

The marriage between firefighters and MDA has emerged as one of the strongest examples of selflessness in the history of charity. The IAFF and MDA partnership began at the union's 1954 convention in Miami, Fla. - the union proclaimed it would support the voluntary health agency's mission "until a cure is found." Since 1954, the IAFF has

'The IAFF is by far MDA's largest sponsor, and the untiring efforts of firefighters and paramedics have powered our services and research programs for decades.'

Robert Ross MDA president and CEO

raised nearly \$200 million for

Firefighter and Westland Union Vice President Darrell Stamper said the Local was inspired to collect for MDA after a resolution was passed at the state convention of the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union.

I think with our international union supporting MDA, our Local wanted to be a part of that," Stamper said.

In appreciation of the IAFF's longtime support, MDA plans special thank-you observances at the 39th annual Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon on Labor Day weekend Sept. 5-6, on Telethon station WB20 Detroit.

"The IAFF is by far MDA's largest sponsor, and the untiring efforts of firefighters and paramedics have powered our services and research programs for decades," said MDA President and CEO Robert Ross. "This year we want to take every opportunity to show our profound gratitude."

The union's fund-raising for

MDA has grown dramatically under the leadership of General President Harold A. Schaitberger, who has held the office since 2000.

"It's important for communities to understand that firefighters are laying their lives on the line every day in their neighbors' behalf, but they still have the time and commitment to raise money for such a worthy charitable cause," said Schaitberger, who is also an MDA vice president.

"At its March 5 board meeting in Bal Harbor, Fla., IAFF board members paused to recognize the 50th anniversary of the inauguration of the two organizations' relationship. The firefighters help MDA year-round through activities such as Fill-the-Boot streetside campaigns, softball tournaments, bowl-a-thons and other special events. Many fire fighters serve at MDA summer camps."

Founded in 1950, the Muscular Dystrophy Association is a voluntary health organization dedicated to finding a cure for more than 40 neuromuscular disorders. MDA funds research worldwide and currently funds projects at the University of Michigan, Wayne State University and Michigan State University. MDA operates 230 hospital-affiliated clinics across the country.

Local clinics are located at Children's Hospital in Detroit and at the Michigan Institute for Neuromuscular Disorders in Farmington Hills.

Services include physical, occupational and respiratory therapy, genetic counseling and testing, social services consultations and year-round

To learn more about the MDA/IAFF partnership, visit

www.iaff.org. For more information on MDA, call Jessica Gdowski, Regional Public Affairs coordinator, at (586) 274-9000.

MDA and IAFF are striving for statewide participation among all the IAFF Locals in Michigan, and the general public.

Many adults fondly remember holding backyard carnivals for "Jerry's Kids" when they were children. The homemade games, booths and shows not only were a lot of fun, but raised money to help children with muscular dystrophy.

The Muscular Dystrophy Association is pleased to announce that, after a long hiatus, the MDA backyard carnival program is back. Once promoted on locally produced children's television shows, the new MDA Carnival program takes advantage of the modern route to children's hearts - the

"To this day, we still get calls asking us about putting on a carnival," said Ross. "Times may have changed, but parents still want to teach their children the valuable lesson of helping others."

Organized under the theme "It's Cool to Care," the new program offers MDA Carnival kits which can be found at www.mdacarnival.org. Free kits are also available in CD-ROM or print format by calling (800) 572-1717.

Kits include everything from instructions on how to build a booth or create a carnival game, to publicity materials, printable signs and other carnival paraphernalia.

Volunteer celebrates 10th year at MDA camp

Sally Sedlar marked her 10th year as camp volunteer at the Muscular Dystrophy Association's summer camp in June. Her first year as camp attendant was in 1995 at Camp Cavell in Lexington where the Muscular Dystrophy Association holds its summer camp each year for children

Muscular Dystrophy Every Father's Day for the last 10 years, Sedlar has packed her bags and headed for camp. She first became interested in volunteering as a teenager when one of her relatives suffered from the disease. This young boy, with his engaging ways, big smile and "can do" attitude had a real effect on Sedlar's decision to look into attending the camp with the kids and help give them a fun summer experience.

Sedlar's husband Terry joined her as a camp staff member in 1998. Both act as house parents in their cabins.

When it comes to MDA, meeting and getting to know personally the kids attending the camp (many of which come year after year), and becoming their trusted friend and confidant, has been the most important and rewarding thing to me" said Sedlar, a 1993 ate of Sedlar graduated from Livonia Stevenson High School. Sedlar is employed as an RN at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing. "In addition to having plenty of laughter and fun, lifelong relationships develop between the kids and camp volunteers alike. It's not about me or my needs at camp. It's totally the kids' week.

"Working with the other volunteers and MDA staff to make a dream come true for these kids has been both an honor and an amazing experience."



Jana Newton, 13, is one of the campers Sally Sediar had fun with at the Muscular Dystrophy Association camp in Lexington. This is the 10th year Sedlar has volunteered to work with kids at the camp.

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A public hearing on the proposed 2005 budget for the Canton Public Library will be held on Thursday, September 16, 2004, at 7:30 p.m. in the library conference room. The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. The library is located at 1200 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188-1600. Copies of the proposed budget will be available at the library.

> Jean Tabor Library Director

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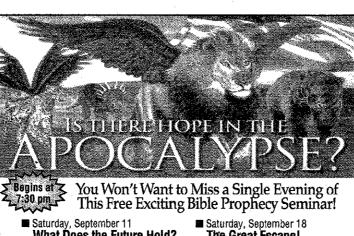
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AROUND TOWN

Plymouth Council on Aging The 19th annual Senior Fest will be held Monday, Sept. 13 at Waterford Bend Park, Six Mile and Northville roads from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for residents of City of Plymouth or Plymouth Township. Tickets have to be bought ahead of time by Sept. 8. Purchase tickets at Plymouth Council on Aging on the second floor of City Hall. Enjoy music, lunch, information booths, and a prize drawing. Call 453-

Historical Home Tour

The Northville-Novi Chapter, American Association of University Women, sponsors its Historical Home Tour from 10 a.m.to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18 in conjunction with Northville's Victorian Festival, Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased at Bellerose, 147 E. Main: Northville Chamber of Commerce, 195 s. Main; Gardenviews, 202 W. Main: Salutations, 115 E. Main. For more information, call Joyce Murdock, (734) 207-1942.

Northville Library The Friends of the Northville District Library urge all book lovers to come to the library's huge Fall Used Book Sale, Sept. 30-Oct. 3. The sale runs 7-9 p.m. Sept. 30; 2-5 p.m. Oct. 1; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 2; and 1-3 p.m. Oct. 3. The library is located at 212 W. Cady. Call (248) 349-6364.

Genealogical Society

The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 20 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center, on

Farmington Road just south of 5 Mile. Robert Zaetta speaks on the "24th Michigan and Brave Men of Company C, Iron Brigade." Meetings and classes are open to the public free of charge. Call (734) 425-3079.

STARS 11th Annual Golf Classic

Sponsored by White Star Movers and Wolverine Custom Builders Sunday, Sept. 12 at Devil's Ridge Golf Club, 3700 Metamora Road in Oxford, At \$125 per golfer, this day includes 18 holes with cart, lunch, beer and pop on the course, and a Barbeque Dinner following at the clubhouse. There are also prizes and competitions throughout the day. Dinner tickets are also available at \$50. Golfers check-in at 11 a.m.; shotgun start at noon; dinner starts at 6 p.m. Seeking Techniques Advancing Research in Shunts is a nonprofit 501(c)3 charitable organization working to eliminate the complications associated with hydrocephalus and shunts. While S.T.A.R.S.kids is committed to raising awareness and funds for shunt research, we also strive to ensure a brighter future for shunted children. For more information please visit www.starskids.org.

Wellness lifestyle seminar

The Mia Mahalo Workshop Series continues with "Conquering Pain with a Wellness Lifestyle" from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9. Admission is complimentary. Mia Mahalo is located at 407 S. Washington, Royal Oak. Call (248) 564-1900.

Home Medical Grand Opening Mitchell Home Medical celebrates the grand opening of its Ann Arbor Care Center, 3430 Washtenaw, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 15. Call Edna Walker, (800) 420-0202, Ext. 230.

Crafters needed

Crafters are needed for Delta Kappa



A golf team from Motor City Golf Warehouse snared a new 2004 Nissan Frontier 4x4 in the Hearts of Livonia Golf Outing last week. The vehicle was donated by Dick Scott Automotive Group in Canton. Shown is Jeff Scott of the Dick Scott Automotive Group handing the keys to Donny Rose of Motor City Golf Warehouse, which is in Novi.

Gamma-West Middle School's 18thannual juried show Saturday, Oct. 23. The show runs 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at West Middle School, 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. E-mail theways@comcast.net or call Jan, (734) 844-1707, for details.

Kiwanis dog walk

The Plymouth/Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club will be hosting the second-annual Tails and Trails charity dog walk Saturday, Sept. 18. Grab your favorite four-legged friend and join the club at Heritage Park in Canton (behind the Canton library). The fund-raiser is presented on behalf of the Michigan Technical Rescue Operations Team search and rescue

dogs. Registration is \$15 in advance or \$20 after Sept. 7. Check-in begins at 10 a.m.; vendors, contests and concessions will be offered as well as a pet safety seminar. The family event is for all types of dogs. Call Carol at (734)

Rummage sale

Newburg United Methodist Church

hosts a Fall Rummage Sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 1 and from 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 2. The church is located at 36500 Ann Arbor Trail in Livonia. between Wayne and Newburgh.

Symphony fund-raiser

The Plymouth Symphony is selling the 2005 Entertainment Book, offering 50-percent discount coupons at hundreds of restaurants and discounts for many other services and events. The 2005 Entertainment Book can be picked up at the Plymouth Symphony Office, next to the Cozy Cafe in downtown Plymouth, or by calling Mary Thomas, (734) 453-3016. Cost of the book is \$20, with proceeds benefitting symphony programs. For more information, call the symphony office, (734) 451-2112.

Art show

Roumen Boudev, professor of art at the College for Creative Studies and at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, is the juror for the 12th-annual "Sharing the Gift" art show at First Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main, Northville, Oct. 2-8. For more information, call the church at (248) 349-0911.

Tai Chi classes

The Taoist Tai Chi Society of Michigan, a nonprofit charitable foundation, offers Tai Chi classes for health improvement in Livonia at 38121 Ann Arbor Road (1 mile East of I-275) at 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday. New beginner classes start Sept. 13. Registration is \$20 and monthly dues are \$30. Pre-registration is not

required. For further information, visit the Web site at www.taotaichi.org

or call 248-332-1281. Crafters, artists wanted

Officials of the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters are looking for crafters and artists for "Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble." The event is scheduled for 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, March 19 at Canton High School, It's a juried show. For more information, email Diane VanDyke at djvandyke@peoplepc.com or call (734) 416-3354.

Holocaust course

Madonna University in Livonia will offer the course "Holocaust: Issues and Themes in the Genocide of European Jewry" 4-7 p.m. Thursdays beginning Sept. 9. The course will be team-taught by Dr. Leon Levitt, professor of management and business ethics, and Joanne Lumetta, library director, who will explore the developments in human thought and attitudes by both perpetrators and passive observers of the horrendous events during World War II. The course will also examine the acts of humanity and positive products, such as literature, art, music and film, which gave evidence of the spirit of the victims and their supporters. The course is available for both undergraduate and graduate credit, as well as for continuing education. Students may register by mail, fax, in person, or on the Webat www.madonna.edu. Call (734) 432-



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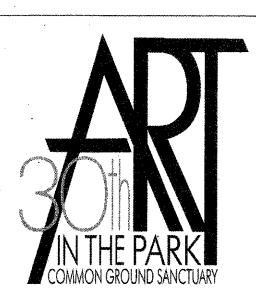
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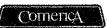






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ERNEST & SHIRLEY HODUS FUND Farmington Hills, formerly of Farmington, MI. Died in Westland, MI, September 2, 2004 at Age 83. Beloved wife of the late L. Bruce Bridges for 40 years. Loving mother of Karen (Steve) Limkemann of Westland MI., Bruce (Marilyn) Bridges of Lake City, MI, & Brian Bridges of Phoenix, AZ., survived by ten grandchildren and one great-grandson. Sister of Joseph (Ellen) Denes of Venice, FL and Sister-in-law of Doris Denes of Venice, Fl & Betty Oswald of Westland, MI. Member of Ward Presbyterian Church. Mrs Bridges enjoyed sewing, cooking painting and gardening. Memorial Service 4 PM Saturday September 11th at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Grand River Ave., Farmington MI., 48335. (1 block W. of Farmington Rd.) Visitation 3 p.m. Saturday September 11th until time of Memorial Service. Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice.

DOROTHY MARIE FENNER

of Waterford, Sept. 1, 2004; Age 87 Dear wife of Lee Earle Fenner, Beloved mother of Margaret Wilton Robert (Rhonda) Fenner, Linda (Michael) Shafer, Douglas (Carol) Fenner, Laura (James) Wilmes and the late Spuddy L. Fenner, Also survived by ten grandchildren. Mrs Fenner was a member of St. Hugo of the Hills Catholic Church for over 52 years and enjoyed playing Bridge with same ladies for over 60 years. A memorial Mass will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Fund or Mercy Cranbrook Hospice Care. Arrangements by the RIVERSIDE CHAPEL, Simpson-Modetz Funeral Home, Waterford. (248) 674-4181

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DOROTHEA "DORIE" SNAVELY READ

Of Bloomfield Hills August 21, 2004 Age 90, beloved wife of Franklin for 65 years. Dear Mother of Stephen (Renee) of Bloomfield Hills, and the ate Franklin Brockway II, and Russeli Snavely. Loving Grandmother of Christopher Polk Read, Jason Read, and Ryan Read. Great-Grandmother of Logan Hunter Read. Mrs. Read was born in Flint on April 18, 1914, and moved to Pontiac in 1920. She graduated in 1932 from Pontiac High School with honors, and Pontiac Business School. Mrs. Read was employed by Personal Finance Co. as assistant manager and head cashier. She married Franklin on June 3, 1939 at All Saints Episcopal Church. Mrs. Read was active in community affairs serving as Chairperson of the Oakland University Scholarship Committee in the early days of the founding of the school. She also served as Chairperson of Guild 6 as well as the General Guild of All Saints Church. She was active in the Pontiac Farm and Garden Club, and volunteered extensively at Pontiac General Hospital. Mrs. Read was an avid bridge player in both contact and duplicate bridge here and in Pinehurst, N.C., where she spent her winters. Memorial services will be held Friday September 10th at 11:00 am. from Áll Saints Episcopal Church in Pontiac. The Read family suggests memorials be made to the Dorothea S Read Memorial Fund at All Saints Episcopal Church 171 W. Pike St, Pontiac, MI 48341. Arrangements conducted by the Sparks-Griffin Funeral Home (248) 338-9288

RICHARD A. HILL

Age 71, of Plymouth, died August 29, 2004. He was born October 24, 1932, in Hillsdale, Michigan. He served in the United States Army for three years. He was a volunteer firefighter in Plymouth for 22 years, and he was a very active member of the Plymouth Amateur Radio Club. He was a loving father and grandfather. He is survived by his children, Linda (Albert) Gorski of Canton, and Sandra (fiancé Andrew Bortell) Purcell of Plymouth; his grandchildren, Jessica Purcell and Alexandria Bortell; two brothers and one sister. He is preceded in death by his wife, Frances Marie. A memorial gathering will take place Friday, September 10, 4-7pm, at Schrader Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main Plymouth. Prayers at 6pm. Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice.

ENDRE A. MAYER

Of Troy, died September 1, 2004. Beloved husband of Gloria and the late Jean Mayer. Father of Sandy DiNatale (Joseph), Shay Parsigian (Ken) and Warren Mayer (Shelley). Grandfather of 7. Stepfather of James Reese (Sally), Michael Reese (Clare) and Steven Reese (Darlene). Also survived by 10 step grandchildren. Brother of Aniko Mayer. Mr. Mayer retired as an Engineer with Pegasus Company. A Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, September 5 at 3 PM at A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road (between Maple and Big Beaver). Obituary at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



PAUL M. O ROURKE, A Manufacturers Representative work-

ing with and supplying the "Big 3" for over 40 years, died from lung cancer at Karmanos-Harper Hospital, August 22, 2004, at the age of 68. Paul was born in Detroit and graduated from St. Theresa High School and Wayne State University. He was a long-time Troy resident and contributed constructively to the community. Paul s love for the outdoors included; fishing, hiking and seeing nature s wonderful forms. Paul played baseball for 20 yrs. on a team his business sponsored. Paul owned his own Agency and distribution net-work-ECP Hardware, L.L.C. and loved his work. Paul helped to engineer and design many latches and hinges into our American/Canadian made vehicles. His challenges were many with the changing times, but he and his fellow work-mates remained in high standards with service and quality. Paul's integrity and morals to his principals and customers earned him a life-time achievement award in his industry. His sons, Sean and Ryan are proudly continuing the legacy he created. Paul was a wonderful man, devoted husband, father, papa, brother and friend to all who knew him. We will sorely miss him.....Mr. O Rourke is survived by his wife, Judie; daughter, Erin Joy (Dan) Daley sons, Sean Michael (Tiffany) and Ryan Patrick O Rourke; grandchildren, Chanell, Bryce, Conlan, Broghan, and Finn; brother, Jim (Mary Jane) O Rourke. Mr. O Rourke is preceded in death by his sister, Julia O Rourke Dunlop. The Funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday, August 25th at St. Thomas More Church, Troy. Interment followed at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy. Memorials appreciated to Karmanos Cancer Institute-Hospice, 24601 Northwestern Hwy, Southfield, MI 48075. Arrangements entrusted to Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors.

MELISSA ANNE ŘÍCHARDS

Age 39, of China Grove, NC, passed away on Tuesday, August 31, 2004. She was born on October 15, 1964 in Birmingham, MI. She is the daughter of Freda Ward Richards & Robert Stanley Richards. She graduated from Seaholm High School in Birmingham, MI; Oakland University in Rochester, MI with a degree in Psychology: Walsh Business College in Troy, MI with a degree in accounting. She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, an avid reader and a lover of animals. She is survived by her mother, Freda Ward Richards; brother, Robert Ward Richards of Salisbury; nephew, Robert Walter Richards of Salisbury; niece, Megan Sara Richards of Salisbury; aunt, Evelyn M. Pless of China Grove. Memorial Service will be held at 3:00 PM on Sunday at Linn-Honeycutt Funeral Home, China Grove, NC, with Rev. Gary Sheets, pastor of Metro Worship Center, Kannapolis, NC, officiating. There will be a private burial at a later date. Memorial tributes may be made to: South Rowan Public Library, 102 N. Central Avenue, Landis, NC 28088

MERLIN D. SPITSBURG

Born in Moddersville, MI on July 10,1927. Died in his Oakland Township home on August 31, 2004. Rochester area resident for 48 years, electrical engineer, outdoorsman, musician, golfer, historian, political activist and "a man for all seasons". Survived by his wife, Dottie; brothers, Leland and Dennis; sister Louise Wiese; son John; daughters Karen, Jan and Claire Cooper; grandchildren Jillian, Joshua, Jordan, Christine and Jake. He died from complications after surgery to remove a brain tumor. Memorial service is Sunday, September 12, 2004 at 2pm at the Paint Creek Methodist Church on Collins Road in Goodlson Memorials to Rochester Tuesday Musical Scholarship Fund, Cranbrook Hospice and the Sierra Club.



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f you ever need to get a different perspective on life or boost your spirits, talk to your children or grandchildren. I think being around children is helpful for everybody.

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So spend time with the youngsters, we can all learn from them. And maybe they can learn a little bit from the older people.

And remember, take care of your health before it's lonnggg

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years běhind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled Life After Baseball, is available at local bookstores or by calling (800) 245-5082.



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Prescription for prevention

New American plate reduces cancer risk

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN

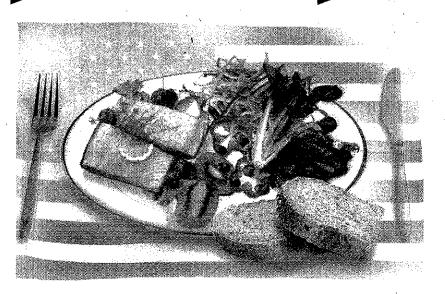
Dr. Michael Simon firmly believes "you are what you eat." Eat too much or the wrong food and you increase your risk of cancer. Study after study concludes he's right. In late April, Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute researchers discovered a relationship between obesity and increased breast cancer risk in African American women.

Simon recently took over as principal investigator for The Lifestyle Improvement with Food and Exercise (LIFE) Research Study and continues to evaluate the health benefits of weight loss in overweight women who have had breast cancer.

The Food, Nutrition and the Prevention of Cancer report, which analyzed 4,500 studies on nutrition and cancer, estimated that between 30 to 40 percent of all cancers could be avoided if we ate the right foods and maintained regular physical activity and a healthy weight.

At age 46, Simon isn't taking any chances. He's reducing his risk for cancer by following the American Institute for Cancer Research recommendations on filling the American plate with at least two-thirds vegetables, fruits and whole grains, one-third or less animal-sourced foods. Simon and his family eat meat only once or twice a week, don't buy soda and grow their own vegetables. He runs and swims several times a week and takes the stairs to his fourth-floor office.

"The controversy is whether it's the kind of diet, amount of fat or obesity increasing the risk of cancer," said



Simon, professor of medicine and oncology at Karmanos. "Population studies suggest obesity increases the risk of cancer and reoccurrence of breast cancer. Once they have breast cancer, if they're obese it's more likely to reoccur in another area of the body. You can reduce cancer occurrence by reducing weight."

Simon carries his lunch to work every day, ensuring a healthy meal. His lunch for the day was a peach and

"I like to cook," Simon said. "I make international dishes with fruits and

Susan Hill suggests eating five to nine servings of fruits and vegetables a day. A registered dietitian on the oncology floor at Henry Ford Hospital, Hill makes the salad bar at work a regular stop. If she doesn't see what she wants, she asks for it. Recently blackberries were available, along with staples like apples and bananas.

"They should eat a lot more fruits, vegetables, whole grains like barley, whole wheat bread, the least refined the better," Hill said. "Whole grains retain most of their vitamins and minerals, contain fiber. The American diet is lacking in fiber. Walking down the bread aisle, 90 percent you should not be eating. Bran and germ is stripped away. They should increase consumption of monounsaturated fats like olive oil. If they decrease consumption of alcohol, stop smoking, their food is going to taste better. They should drink plenty of water and decrease consumption of high-sugar foods. There are ways of making sweeter things out of berries. They can explore."

For new ideas, Hill visits the Web sites www.epicurious.com and www.foodnetwork.com, along with the Moosewood cookbooks by Mollie

"Frequent your local farm market," Hill said. "Fresh vegetables and fruits are higher in nutrients. You don't have to be a vegetarian to reduce your risk of cancer, but decrease the meat portion. At Rafal's Spice Company at Eastern Market, you can buy herbs and spices in small quantities. Add different seasoning blends for chicken and fish that are salt-free. I'm experimenting more lately with herbs. I know I have healthy rabbits in my back yard. They ate my dill and beans."

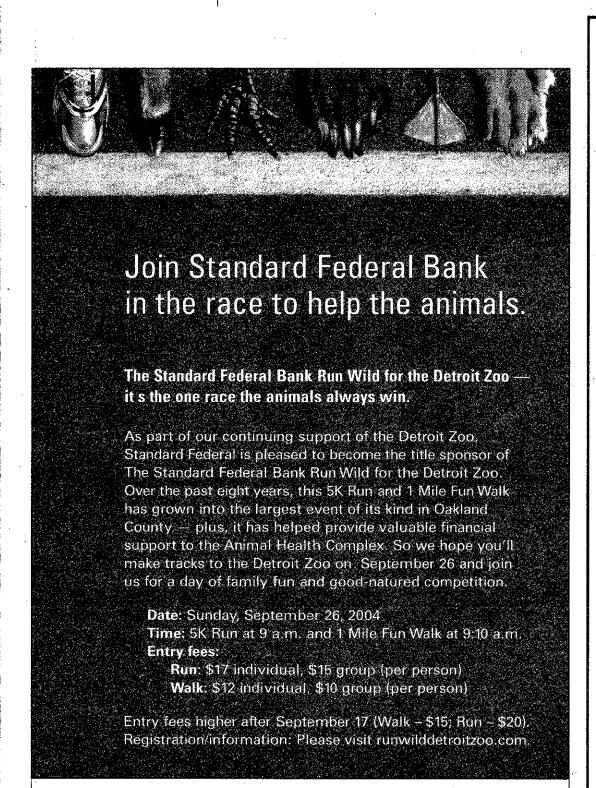
Like Hill, LaDonna Hinch recommends five or more servings of fruits and vegetables and seven or more of complex carbohydrates such as whole grains and cereals, plus limiting processed food and refined sugars. For reliable information on healthy foods to eat, visit the American Institute for Cancer Research Web site at www.aicr.org. AICR offers a series of brochures on the New American Plate, and cooking and eating to prevent cancer including prostate. This year alone, 220,900 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed, 28,900 men will die. For brochures. call (800) 843-8114 or go online.

"Don't eat the same fruits and vegetables everyday because variety is important," said Hinch, a registered dietitian at Karmanos. "We've always known broccoli was good. If you put that together with tomatoes, it's a double whammy with the glucosinolates in broccoli, lycopene in tomatoes. A combination of vegetables is thought to be better. If you eat a variety of fruits, vegetables and grains and rotate them in a week's time, you're probably doing more good than buying bottles of vitamin pills. Some people buy lycopene, thought to prevent cancer, but if you're buying the pill, you do not get the same activity because research leans toward whole fruits and vegetables to give you all of the phytochemicals.

The latest buzz word in cancer research seems to be phytochemicals. If you juice, purchase a machine that doesn't separate pulp, which contains phytochemicals thought to defend against cancer.

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Trick family into eating well-balanced meals

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Registered dietitian Beverly Price knows it's not always easy to get children to eat healthy. While she and husband, David, relish their vegetarian diet, sometimes 10-year old daughter Elana has to be tricked into eating vegetables.

Price offers a few suggestions for adding fruits, vegetables and whole grains to meals.

"Make it easy and convenient to fit your lifestyle," said Price, a registered dietitian in private practice in Bingham Farms and Royal Oak.

"Whole grains are important. So many people eat processed noodles, breads. Those carbs have no nutritional value. Instead try brown rice, buckwheat noodles such as udon or soba with stir fried vegetables. Look at fiber content on labels. Try to choose three to five grams or more of fiber per serving.

Try to have fun with different grains. Experiment with whole wheat couscous. Don't be afraid to try new things. We're so conditioned by what we've been raised on, what's eye level in the grocery stores, and to buy something just because we have a coupon. It might be better to bypass the coupon. You might save later on medical bills."

Price starts the morning right with a smoothie made with soy protein and strawberry or banana. She loves Thai and Asian food whether she's eating out or stir frying something up in her kitchen.

"I use a lot of raw nuts," said Price. "Stir fries have a

'So many people eat processed noodles. breads. Those carbs have no nutritional value."

Beverly Price registered dietitian

lot of phytochemicals. I use a lot of tofu, cube it and throw it in. Ground soy meat is

good for tacos and spaghetti." For breakfast, throw a few vegetables in omelets. Add bananas or fruit to yogurt or peanut butter on toast.

For lunch make a salad and stuff sandwiches with fruits and vegetables.

"Chiquita has fresh cut fruits and vegetables in individual servings to take with you in your car or put them on the counter," said Price. "If you have something cut up, ready to go, you're more likely to grab

Price always makes sure she has something healthy on hand when daughter Elana is looking for a snack.

"Tastes are conditioned." said Price. "If you eat fruits and vegetables every day your body will crave those nutrients. It's all about finding ways to incorporate them. Flax has a lot of phytochemicals. I use it on cereals and in smoothies.

"Incorporate vegetables in a lasagna or spaghetti. Top your cereal with fruit. For lunch instead of a bag of chips from the vending machine, bring a bag of vegetables."

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Eating tips for cancer patients under treatment

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

It's Susan Hill's job as a registered dietitian in the oncology unit at Henry Ford Hospital to make sure patients eat even if it's not always healthy food. She and the certified oncology nurses work as a team to ease patients' nausea and vomiting so they can receive proper nutrition while going through

chemotherapy and radiation. She offers some tips to help cancer patients through treat-

"For nausea they should avoid foods with strong odors, broccoli," said Hill. "Eat colder foods. If someone offers to cook something, say yes please but not in my house. Smells linger. Cook in a microwave instead of a stove. It decreases

"For vomiting, new medica-

tions help cancer patients. They should call their doctor and ask about these. The majority can get some relief. Another common problem is diarrhea during treatment. Avoid apple skins, high fiber foods, dairy products, eat apple sauce with pectin, and stay hydrated."

If a patient is constipated from pain medications, the advice changes. Patients should still drink plenty of fluid but also include fiber in the diet, avoid gas forming foods like cabbage and carbonated drinks, avoid chewing gum and use straws, and start the day out with warm juice (prune) or hot lemonade, and high fiber foods. Use laxatives only if you talk to your doctor.

"The goal is for them not to lose any weight," said Hill. "We want them to maintain

their weight during chemotherapy and radiation unless their doctor tells them to lose weight because they're not just losing fat but muscle and that's not good."

An educated patient is the best patient, says Hill. Don't be afraid to ask questions. Pharmacists and dietitians are always available on the oncology floor at Henry Ford Hospital to answer them.

"That C word is so scary," said Hill, "but we have come a long way. Do some research to make an informed decision."

To learn more visit the Web sites for the American Institute on Cancer Research at www.aicr.org; American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org; National Cancer Institute, www.www.nci.nih.gov, or

Web MD www.webmd.com for reputable information.

LaDonna Hinch has spent 30 years helping oncology patients on the road to wellness. Hinch's family had a garden while she was growing up in Oklahoma. Every night her mother served fresh vegetables.

"I tell patients who are already diagnosed with cancer to use functional foods," said Hinch, a registered dietitian ' ... at Karmanos Cancer Institute. "We have a lot of people who want to take high doses of antioxidants and herbs. In some cases it's detrimental. If they take more antioxidants than body can handle they actually create more free radiant cals. Instead, eat functional foods geared toward prevention. Anything is game when you're having trouble eating."

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said Beverly Price, a registered dietitian in private practice in Bingham Farms and Royal Oak. Price also teaches workshops at Centers for Yoga in West Bloomfield and Birmingham.

"Broccoli has a certain phytochemical, but vitamins in food like A and C can help reduce the risk as well as the phytochemicals," she said. "Look closely at what you're eating for each meal. Can they eat whole grain pasta, bread? Fibers in addition to the phytochemicals help detoxify."

For those interested in participating in the Karmanos study, call Joann Spirit at (313) 745-9357 or 1-800-Karmanos. The randomized 18-month study is seeking African American women ages 18-70 who are 60 to 100 pounds overweight to follow a weight loss

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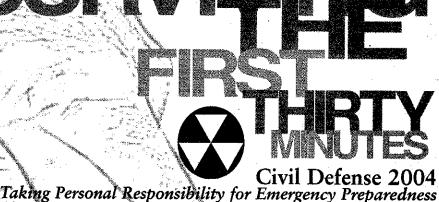
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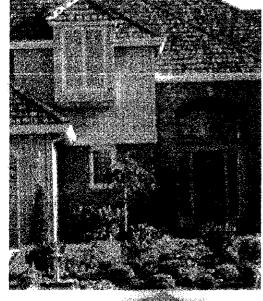
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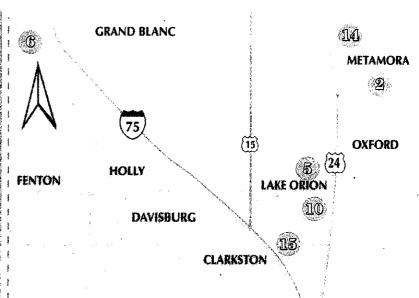
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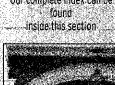
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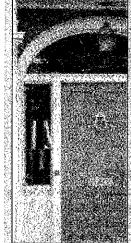
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"Homeowners who research the advantages and disadvantages of a product, the lifespan of the product, and the warranty offered by the manufacturer, are steps ahead in making the right choices for their home," said Don Zeman, host of the nationally syndicated home improvement radio show, Homefront with Don Zeman. "Consider it your 'job' to gain product information so that you can make smart choices. Review Web sites, read home improvement magazines, listen to radio shows, watch TV programs and carefully go through product literature from manu-

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According to Zeman, who was a contractor and builder for 25 years before starting his home improvement radio show, the next thing to do is consider the advice of your building professional. "Builders and remodelers live and breathe building products. They deal with products everyday and can give you great input on what products hold up well over time, which ones may not be suitable for your project and how you can save money by investing in 'alternative' products such as urethane millwork, fiber cement siding and acrylic block windows.

"When selecting your contractor, make sure you pick someone who is up-tospeed on building products and who you trust to give you solid advice regarding the investment you're making in your home."

As Zeman knows, products chosen for new construction and remodeling projects can end up saving substantial job site time, labor and actual product costs. When looking at large building product expenditures for the home, people often think about roofing, siding and windows. These "big ticket" items can eat up a huge chunk of a budget, so it's important for homeowners to get actively involved in the selection of these items.



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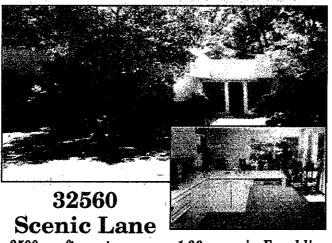








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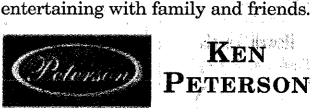
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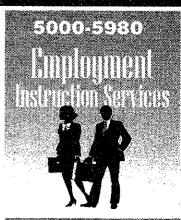




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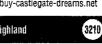
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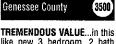
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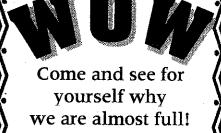
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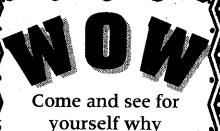
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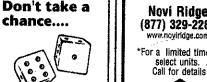
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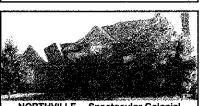
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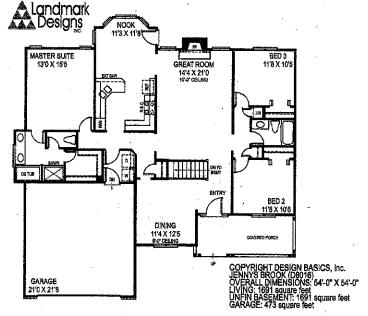
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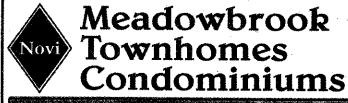
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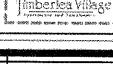
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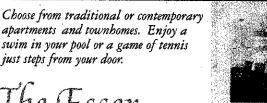
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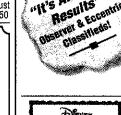
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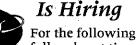
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Workplace: The New Normal . . . Thriving in the Age of the Individual" (Financial Times Prentice Hall, \$17.95)? John Putzier, who's written another book about the "weird," claims to know and understand "weirdos," because he is one (he says).

The book will draw you in with what seems to be a light and humorous style. It's actually almost deliberatively offensive. It makes some substantive points about top performers looking for "high-quality opportunities . . . (allowing) them to be themselves in their own unique way." They are workers in a "so weird" workplace. This type of workplace has been evolving much as Darwin's species did, but only more recently. Putzier correlates attitudes with decades: the Organization Man ('50s), more tolerant Age of Diversity ('60s and '70s) and Age of the New Economy ('80s into '90s). During the last, he maintains, women supposedly tried to be men and, subsequently, knowledge and expertise became power. In the end, "weirdness was becoming an accepted cost of doing business and making money."

Wow! Is this guy altogether? When did you last equate weirdness with diversity? When did you last think of an individual -- a high-performing one at that -- as "weird?" Eccentricity is one thing; individualism, quite another. If you stand out for productivity or another form of excellence, are you odd?

Putzier maintains that organizations became more accepting of individuals because of the dearth of knowledge workers, driving companies to hire just about any -- body. Do you remember when this happened? Yes, there was a high-tech gold rush in the '90s, when you could name your price (sometimes, even if you weren't a high performer, until the company found out). But has that happened to any other group of workers since then? Ah, yes. Signing bonuses for high-performing salespeople and CEOs, but what about the rest of the world? Even executives are finding that the job market has become democratized, making job hunting increasingly difficult for them,

Watch these generalizations: -- weirdness is caused by a deficit of "self-monitoring behavior," as evidenced by Elvis Presley or Michael Jackson, for example; -- "superstars" don't play on teams but, rather, become part of "a collection of individuals;"

-- "Asians are collective. Americans

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Then, a breath of fresh air: This is "the end of catering to the middle and wasting excessive time and resources trying to teach a rock to swim." He tells readers how to manage the unorthodox in themselves and others.

Is he predicting the decline of companies or of the government, whose very foundation is team-playing? In the spirit of tolerance and diversity, shall we hire Asians and Asian Americans only?

The author lacks the depth to differentiate between behavior caused by illegal drug use or mental illness, both of which can be behind a celebrity's genius, and an eccentricity that isn't weird or harmful to an individual or the people around him. Take the case of a professor he

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John Putzier author of "Weirdos: In The Workplace "The New Normal... Thriving in the Age Of The Individual," says he is one.



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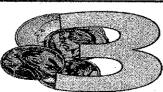
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Stubborn as all get out, we drove I-75 all the way north with the top down. The kids had the dogs to keep them warm in the back seat. I enjoyed the sunshine on my head and the top of my legs. When we arrived at our first destination, my girls had a pretty good laugh at their mother's expense -- the top of my legs we sunburned, but only half way. The other half was covered by my shorts. I looked mighty, mighty funny. At least they thought I did.

Didn't matter, the 2004 Volkswagen Beetle Convertible had been a blast to drive. In screaming burnt orange, it sure turned a lot of heads and created a lot of smiles -- both inside the car and out.

At first I suspected the Beetle would be way too uncomfortable and small for a trip up north, especially when dragging luggage and other essentials. Boy, was I surprised.

Opening up the rear cargo area, it looks so very deceivably small it's ridiculous. But you can keep loading, and loading and loading stuff in there and before you know it, all you had to load can be tucked

Translated into real numbers, you've got about 12 cubic feet of storage area back there -- 27 if you fold the rear seat down and get rid of the kids and the dogs.

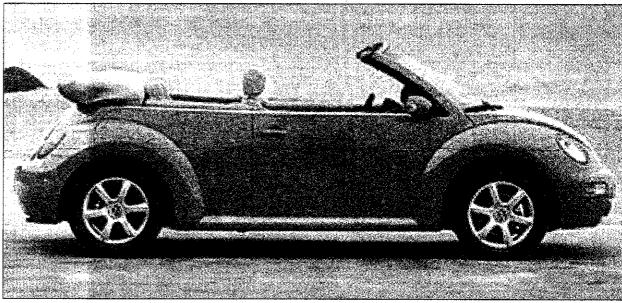
And there's plenty of room in the rear seat to accommodate a couple of children, at least. They didn't complain, but I could see you would be stretching it with a couple of larger adults in the back for a Up front, however, there's plenty of room for the driver and passen-

ger. I pushed the front seat almost all the way back to accommodate my long legs and my smaller child wasn't too inconvenienced. At least she didn't say she was. So that's a plus, to say the least. To have the room up front is the

Let's move on to the exterior of the Beetle Convertible. This little remake of the "bug car" is still as cute as a button, convertible or not.

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most important to many drivers. At least it is to me.



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It's radical design is really an eye-opener in the present market and refreshes the mind when thinking about new designs in car building.

Classic rounded lines are everywhere and every piece of sheet metal flows into the other without any effort. The doors are at the shoulder-height just about and while it looks awkward at first, it's really an appealing design feature.

For 2004, Volkswagen concentrated on improving safety features and upgrades to further impress those looking to make a statement with the vehicle they drive. For example, there are seat-mounted side-impact air bags that extend protection all the way to the head and thorax area of the body on both front seating positions. Also in front are active restraint headrests. There are two distinct model trims to choose from with the con-

vertible -- the GL and GLS. Both are available with Volkswagen's own 2.0-liter in-line four-cylinder engine that produces 115 horsepower. The GLS model also comes equipped with a 1.8 turbocharged in-line four-cylinder that generates 150 horsepower.

The GLS with the turbo is what was tested. It's performance was flawless in most any situation. Most impressive is a piece of roadway going up I-75 that's right around West Branch, Mich., and has a pretty steep hill. It's so steep that it's one of the few places on I-75 that has an additional truck lane on the right that allows vehicle to pass those trucks going slower on the incline.

Most vehicles I test in that area have a change in personality when climbing that hill. I'll see a decrease in speed and have to kind of rev the rpms a little to get the vehicle on track with the rest of the speed demons travailing to their cottages.

The Beetle convertible with its turbo never even took a breather. It went up that hill without a complaint, without a whimper, without a notice on my part until we were almost to the top. In city driving and

highway driving, no matter what I threw at the Beetle, it took it without complaint.

One thing that Volkswagen wanted to accomplish with this new offering was value and that's one thing you'll get with the convertible. Usually found in the more expensive convertible offerings out there, you'll find air conditioning, pollen and dust filter, rear-seat air and heat vents, power side mirrors with defrost, rear window that's glass and has a defroster, single operation switch to control all the windows at once, central remote locking system, height-adjustable steering column, cruise control and lighted vanity mirrors.

If you live in the northern half of the U.S., I would definitely opt for the Cold Weather package that features heated front seats and heated windshield washer nozzles. The Leather Package has a threespoke, leather-wrapped steering wheel, leather seating (no kidding) and leather shift knob.

One thing I just hate when getting a new offering is a quick tutorial on the operations of something new-fangled. I'm still a believer that everything in any vehicle out there should be self-explanatory, easy to operate and easier to understand. Manuals should be outlawed. So when it came to the top coming down, I had to listen to a quick

demo on how not to break the thing. Turns out it's all very logical. Press a button here, pull a latch there, press another button over there and it retracts all by itself without a

hitch. Yes, even some manual-hating person like me can work it all by my lonesome. Very efficient packaging, very effective workings. All in all, the week in the Beetle convertible was quite a bit of fun. I would suggest if you're considering a convertible, take a long, hard

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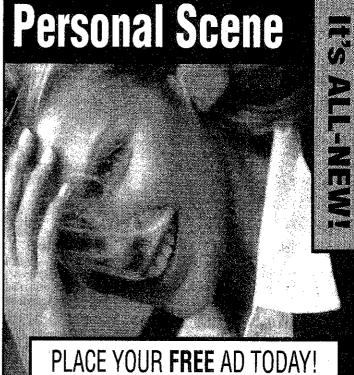
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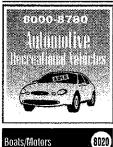
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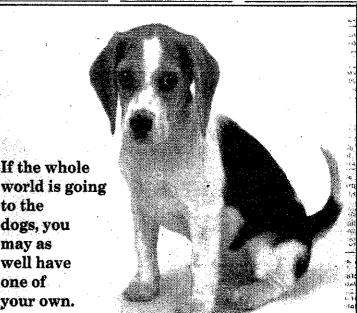
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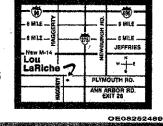




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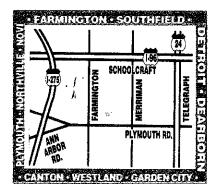
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