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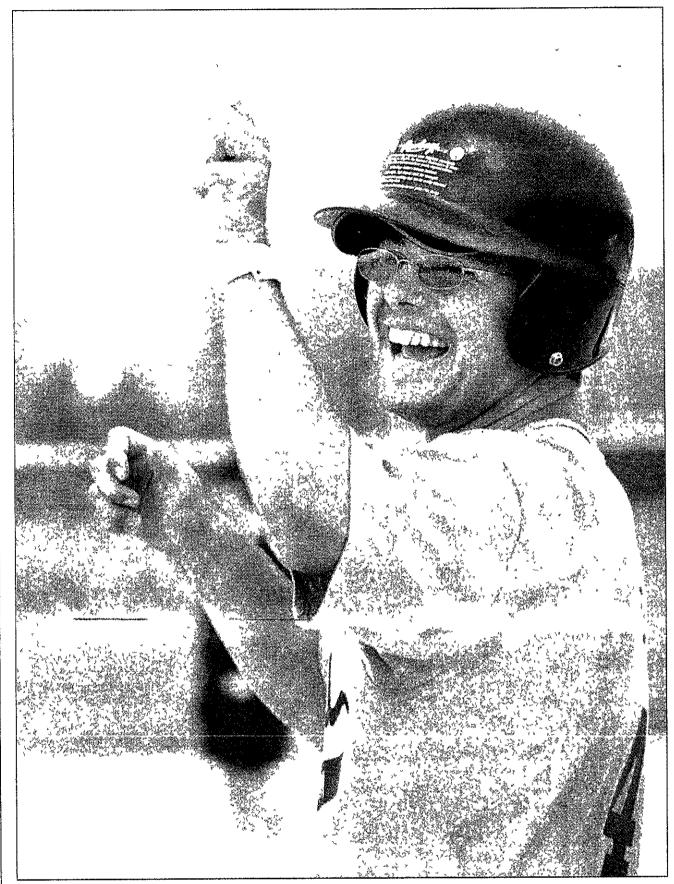
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#### Satisfying single

Billy Ardt of the Plymouth/Canton Rising Stars celebrates after ripping a single during the team's opening-round game in Friday's Special Olympics Michigan softball tournament at the Canton Sports Center. Ardt was one of over 1,000 athletes from across the state who participated in this weekend's Summer Sports Classic. To read more about the event, please see page B1.

# MEAPs fall but still top state averages

BY TONY BRUSCATO

The percentage of Plymouth-Canton high students who met or exceeded state standards on the MEAP science and social studies portion of the standardized tests fell for the Class of 2005, compared to scores from a year ago.

However, Plymouth-Canton students still continue to outpace the statewide average in all subjects, including math, reading and writing.

This year's scores, which are derived from tests taken during a student's junior year, show 75 percent of students met or exceeded state standards in science, compared to 81 percent last year. Statewide, the average was 58

Social studies fell this year to 44 percent, compared to 49 percent a year ago, but still above the

statewide average of 34 percent.

"It could be a number of factors," said Mike Bender, director of secondary education for Plymouth-Canton Schools. "It could be different questions on the test; or it could just be that students across the state, including in Plymouth-Canton, responded in a different way.

We'll look at individual categories to see how our kids performed and make a comparison to the previous couple of years to look at trends," he said. "One year of results is not a trend."

Reading scores remained level at 90 percent of students meeting or exceeding state standards, compared to the statewide average of 78 percent.

Math and writing scores showed little fluctuation. The Class of 2005 had 77 percent who met or exceeded state

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# Parking lots along Ford Road to host 'fun' entertainment

BY DEBRA PASCOE CORRESPONDENT

Who would have thought Ford Road, with its large expanses of asphalt and painted white lines, could be an entertainment venue? That's exactly what Kathleen Salla has envisioned, however.

Later this summer, residents and visitors will see the parking lots along Ford Road turned into "Lots of Fun" where anything and everything from bands to artistic performances will take place.

Salla, director of the township's Downtown Development Authority, said DDA members have been brainstorming to come up with

ways to bring more cultural components to the community, and they identified the aesthetically-challenged lots along Ford Road as a good place to start.

"Ford Road is a major retail commercial corridor that runs through the community and since it's a state highway, it's not a traditional downtown," Salla said. "We want to make it very vibrant and booming with a lot of exciting things happening there."

Canton Leisure Services quickly agreed to handle the scheduling of special events, many of which will utilize the department's recent pur-

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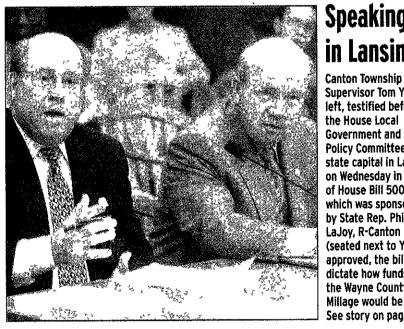
## Man accused in robberies awaits trial

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER



A Westland man, who faces armed robbery charges in several Wayne County communities including Canton, tried to escape from authorities Wednesday. In addition to the armed robbery

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#### Speaking up in Lansing

Supervisor Tom Yack, left, testified before the House Local Government and Urban Policy Committee at the state capital in Lansing on Wednesday in favor of House Bill 5004. which was sponsored by State Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton (seated next to Yack). If approved, the bill would dictate how funds from the Wayne County Parks Millage would be sent. See story on page A6.

# Trial set for man accused of murdering infant son

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

A 20-year-old Canton man accused of murdering his infant son

mandated life sentence, for the

beating death of six-month-old



in early March will go on trial July 25 in Wayne County Circuit Court to determine if he will spend the rest of his life in prison. Ryan Kierzak has

been charged with felony murder, which carries a

Tyler Bates, who died March 2. According to the Wayne County Medical Examiner's report, the cause of death was a blunt force trauma to the head, and sustained trauma to the abdomen, which caused bruising and tearing to the baby's liver.

Kierzak is also charged with child abuse first degree, which carries a penalty of imprisonment of any number of years up to life, according to Wayne County prosecutors. Kierzak has plead not guilty to all charges. His defense attorney has ques-

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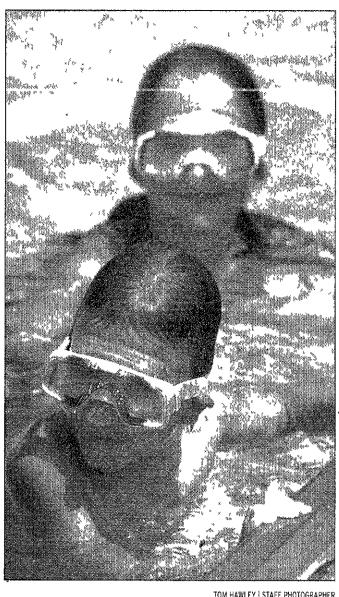
#### **Coming Thursday** in Filter

Summer outing White rhinos, a polar bear cub, concerts and more – there's a

host of activity at

the Detroit Zoo.





TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

#### **Cooling off**

Alex White, 6, and his sister Emily, 9, of Canton beat the heat in the swimming pool at Westland's Bailey Recreation Center last week. Their mother. Theresa, who once was a lifeguard at the pool, is a teacher at Edison and P.D. Graham elementary schools in Wayne-Westland.

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#### Rummage sale

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 is having its annual rummage and bake sale from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., July 28-30 at its hall, located at 344 Elizabeth (at Ann Arbor Trail) in Plymouth.

Anyone who would like to donate items can deliver them to the hall from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., July 26-27. Donations are taxdeductible. All proceeds will be used to benefit veterans. For more information, contact Eunice Taylor at (734) 254-9617.

#### License to read

Get on the road to reading this summer at the Teen Place at the Canton Public Library. Sign up for the License to Read Summer Reading Program for a chance to earn Borders gift certificates and enter drawings for Twelve Oaks Mall gift certificates. For every four books you read, earn an entry to win the \$50 mid-summer drawing or the \$100 grand prize drawing. Read eight books and earn a \$5 Borders gift card.

As part of Summer Reading activities, special programs will be offered each week. Registered teens can make Caribbean hand and foot jewelry, learn to apply temporary henna tattoos, create scrapbook borders and make a macramé key chain.

The library's regular programming will continue throughout the summer with the Book and Pizza club meeting monthly to discuss a book and enjoy pizza. On Teen Tuesdays from 3-5 p.m. take part in games, crafts and snacks; Thursdays from 4-6 p.m. come in and play chess. On 2/4 Saturdays Open Mic see featured performers and get a chance to share your talents every second and fourth Saturday from 2-6

The License to Read program runs through Aug. 6. Teens can register in person at the library or online at

www.cantonpl.org/ya/srpform.ht ml. So far, more than 400 teens have signed up for this summer's program, setting a new Summer Reading Program record.

For more information on the License to Read program please contact the Teen Place at (734) 397-0999.

#### WIC program

Find out how to use today's upcoming technology at a

#### **AROUND CANTON**

Women In Communications of Detroit program on Wednesday, July 27. The event will take place at Cellular & More, 44011 Ford Road in Canton Township, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The seminar is intended for the tech-challenged when it comes to stuff like BlackBerry, Palm Pilot, voice recognition or text messaging. Ebony Dooley, senior account manager for John Bailey & Associates, and Rob Emery, owner of Cellular & More will be the speakers for the night.

The cost is \$10 for Women In Communications members and students, \$15 for non-members. Enjoy lemonade and an array of lemon desserts courtesy of Cellular & More. For more information or to make reservations, call (248) 652-1460.

Set design workshop

There will be a one-day set design and construction workshop from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., July 23 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Fred Florkowski, technical director and set design instructor for the Bonstelle Theater at Wayne State University, will cover both realistic and minimalistic set design and construction methods, with special attention to ease of striking the set.

Since there are many user groups at the Village Theater, it is desirable that sets can be easily removed from the stage between weekend runs of a show. Florkowski will talk about modular design, rolling sets, and flyable backdrops, among other techniques.

Spotlight Players and the Village Theater are picking up the costs of the workshop, but a donation jar will be available to help offset the cost of the pizza and pop lunch that will be served. For more information, call Mike Cuba at (734) 522-7638 or Spotlight Players at (734) 480-4945.

#### Softball registration

The Canton Sports Center is now accepting registration for its Session II season of adult softball, with leagues beginning the week of July 25. Leagues are offered Sunday through Friday, and include both men's (competitive and recreation) and co-ed divisions. The season will consist of an 18 game, double header schedule as well as a single game elimination playoff schedule.

After the games, participants can stop in at Diamonds Bar & Grill for great food and drinks. Diamonds is conveniently

located within the Canton

Sports Center. Team registration is \$785, plus umpire fees. For more information or to register a team, players should visit the Canton Sports Center's Web site at csc.canton-mi.org or call (734) 483-5600.

#### Plymouth High class reunion

Plymouth High School Class of 1965 will celebrate the 40th class reunion Sept. 10 at Fox Hills Country Club, which is located at 8768 North Territorial Road. Casual Business attire is requested. Tickets are \$55 per person. Registration is required by Aug 1. There will be a dinner buffet and open bar.

Organizers are looking for classmates. Send registration and checks to: Jeff Hoffman, c/o Chatham, Seland & Lashley, P.A, 940 Centre Circle, Suite: 2005, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 or e-mail Jeff Hoffman at JLF940@earthlink.net

For more information, contact Dick Berry at (281) 350-6212.

#### Flea market help

The Canton Historical Society is looking for volunteers to help set up for its 6th annual flea market, which will be held Aug. 6. On July 19 and 20, volunteers are needed to sort and price items from 6-8 p.m. at the Bartlett Travis barn, which is located at 525 N. Ridge Road.

The group is also accepting donations at this time for the flea market. They accept anything except clothes.

For more information, contact Kay Hartman-Kuck at (734) 453-9266.

#### **Business summit**

Canton Township Trustee Todd Caccamo is hosting a summit for local business owners at 7 p.m. on July 25 at Bailey's Pub, located in the Centre Village Mall at the southwest corner of Ford and Canton Center.

Caccamo is looking for input from business owners so he can help government work better for small businesses. Some of the issues he plans to discuss are: Signage ordinances; outdoor displays; property rights; special treatment for big business; and decriminalizing harmless ordinance violations.

Space is limited. To reserve a spot, e-mail Caccamo at tcaccamo@aol.com or leave a message at (734) 981-6303.

#### Stress reduction workshop

The Doctor's Speakers Bureau will be presenting "A Stress Reduction Workshop" on July 19 at 6:15 p.m. and again at 6:15 p.m. on Aug. 2 at 8524 Canton Center Road in Canton. Learn the seven danger signs that indicate when your body is under too much stress, and the three kinds of stress and how to decrease emotional stress, chemical stress, and physical stress. The workshop will also teach "Trigger Point Therapy," which is a natural way to relieve tight and sore mus-

The guest lecturer will be Dr. Michael Brackney.

This is a free educational event. To sign up or for more information, call (734) 455-4444. Light refreshments will be served. Seating is limited, so call to reserve a spot.

#### **School openings**

St. Michael Christian School still has openings available for 4year olds (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) in the afternoon session (12:40-3:10 p.m.) and for 3year olds (Tuesday and Thursday) in the morning (9:00 - 11:30 a.m.) and afternoon (12:40-3:10 p.m.) sessions. The school also has openings in

Summer office hours are 9 a.m. to noon, Tuesday through Thursday. St. Michael Christian School is located inside of St. Michael Lutheran Church at 7000 Sheldon Rd in Canton, For more information please call (734) 459-9720.

kindergarten through fifth grade.

#### Scholarship golf outing

The 3rd Annual Jamie Katschor Scholarship Fund Golf Outing, which benefits the Michigan Autism Partnership and Sophia's Friends, Inc., will be held July 25 at the University of Michigan Golf Course. There is a shotgun start at 10 a.m.

Cost for the event is \$150 per person, which is tax deductible, and includes:

■ 18 holes of golf with cart (4-person scramble)

Prizes for top three scores There are two hole-in-one prizes: a 2005 Cadillac courtesy of Don Massey Cadillac, and a 2005 Ford Mustang courtesy of Varsity Ford.

Hole sponsors are still needed (\$300). If interested, please call Mick or Jill Katschor at (734) 954-0046.

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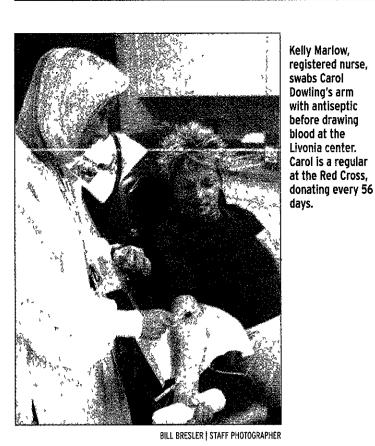
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# Red Cross: Summer blood shortage imperils lives

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

Summer's particularly slow for blood donations – and lives hang in the balance.

"It is a very slow time," said
Marie Mangus, director of
communications and marketing for the American Red Cross
in this region. More than
12,000 blood products are
used daily in southeast
Michigan, and yet the need'
remains great.

"Blood has a shelf life," she said, adding that hospitals are now canceling elective surgeries. In one recent case, a local organ transplant had to be put off because of insufficient blood, which makes Mangus angry. The organ went elsewhere.

She noted that less than 5 percent of the eligible population gives blood. "And yet 80 percent will use blood in their life."

Therese Gall of Plymouth Township began giving blood in the late 1950s when working at the VA Hospital in Albany, N.Y. "It's just such a wonderful thing to do," she said. "It makes you feel good."

Gall goes to the Livonia Red Cross facility or to drives at local churches. She gives "because there's a need" and wouldn't want blood not to be available if she should need it. Few medications rule out giving blood, Mangus said, and those with questions about medication can call the Red Cross at (800) GIVE-LIFE to check.
Blood donors need to weigh 110 pounds or more, be 17 or older (there's no upper age limit) and be in general good health.

Types O and B are particularly scarce. A three- to five-day blood supply is needed to meet patient needs; a seven-day supply is needed in preparation for natural or man-made disasters.

The blood donor center on Five Mile between Levan and Newburgh in Livonia has been open about a year and a half. "It does extremely well," Mangus said. "That Livonia center is always busy. The community is responsive and we're appreciative."

Livonia had another blood donor site before the current one, she added.

Gall's quick to reassure people that donating shouldn't bring on fear. "It's the most painless thing in the world," she said, adding the process is also very safe. She's seen considerable improvement in the process since she started donating.

Information on blood donation is available online at www.semredcross.org, or call (800) GIVE-LIFE for times and locations or to make an appointment.

# Local dancers strut their stuff on 'Good Morning America'

BY KURT KUBAN Staff Writer

Two Canton teens experienced what it's like to perform in front of a national audience Tuesday morning, as they danced a routine on the popular ABC television program "Good Morning America."

Sarah Zuccaro, 17, and Craig Fuchs, 15, were on the show competing in its 'Greatest Dancer in America Challenge." The two, who are longtime members of the Dance Academy in Garden City, performed a routine called "Jump and Shout," in which they mixed partner and tap dancing. It is a routine they have been doing for about a year. They sent a video tape of the routine to "Good Morning America" officials, and were selected to participate in the show's contest.

Both teens said the experience was a dream come true.

Fuchs, who will be a junior at Canton High School in the fall, said the teens were flown to New York Monday, and put up in a posh hotel on Broadway called On the Ave. After getting about an hour of sleep, they were whisked away to ABC studios early Tuesday to perform on the morning program. They competed against two other entrants in the 'tap' category.

"We didn't win. I'm not sure why. We performed pretty well," Fuchs said. "A kid



from Myrtle Beach (S.C.) won. He danced really well, too."

Fuchs, who also plays percussion in the band at Canton High School, said he has been dancing for seven years and is thinking about pursuing dance professionally.

Zuccaro said it had been months since she and Fuchs had sent in their audition tape to the show, so they had pretty much forgotten about the contest. Then came the call from New York, when producers contacted her father's cell phone. Zuccaro was in the shower when her dad told her.

"I was jumping around and screaming for 15 minutes when my dad told me. It was amazing. I couldn't believe it," she said.

Zuccaro, who has been

dancing for 14 years, graduated from Salem High School in June, and plans to study interior design or teaching, beginning this fall at Schoolcraft College. But, like Fuchs, she plans to pursue dance professionally. In fact, she already has a couple jobs – one with an advertising agency and another performing in shows.

Instructor Jon Ross, who has taught dance at the Dance Academy for five years, said Zuccaro and Fuchs are some of his best students, and have been dancing at the studio together for so long, they have become like brother and sister. He said "Jump and Shout" is unusual, mixing elements of tap and swing into a partner routine.

"Their performance takes you back to the days of Fred

Astaire and Ginger Rogers.
They partnered while they tapped, which is unusual," said Ross. "They weren't afraid to be different, and I think judges with the show

Ross and a fellow instructor, Katie Inman, helped the teens develop the routine. Ross said it was a real thrill to see his pupils perform on such a grand stage.

recognized and appreciated

that. It's good to be differ-

"When your students go on to achieve something like this, to dance professionally, or just have fun while dancing, it's very rewarding. Isn't that why you teach in the first place? To see your students succeed," he said.

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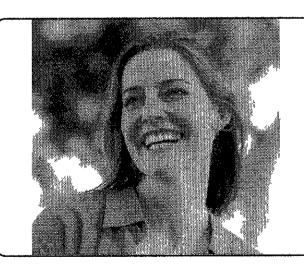
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# Concert band set to 'run' through summer program

BY DEBRA PASCOE CORRESPONDENT

The judicial system has no interest in capturing this "Band on the Run," but concert band lovers may want to see at least one of its performances.

The Canton Township Concert Band, under the direction of James Blough, is performing at several venues this summer in a new program titled "Band on the Run" created by the township's leisure services department.

Blough said he was asked if the band would be interested during a meeting with leisure services to discuss increasing its music-oriented events offered during the summer.

"I said, 'Sure we'd love to do some concerts,' and the Band on the Run name came up," Blough said. "It kind of fit. We'll be moving around through the community playing six times and we will be on the run.

"Hopefully there's no trade issues here," he joked about the connection between the name and the song and album released in 1973 by Paul McCartney and

the Wings. Blough said each performance will last about one hour and include traditional concert and community band music, such as marches and patriotic themes interlaced with some contempo-

rary compositions. "The Star Wars and Superman themes are more popular and can be identified by all people," he said. "There will be nothing

heavy." Formed in 2004 and currently comprised of about 60 members, this is the first summer concert series for The Canton Township Concert band.

We're very excited," Blough said. "We wanted to do more things outdoors and this works perfectly for us. We can have more fun and get more exposure. It's a good fit between us and

leisure services." Jennifer Eubanks, recreation specialist for leisure services, sees the band as a natural choice to boost the township's musical

offerings. We try to have more live music every summer and we thought it would be really fun to add the concert band," she said. "While they do play the typical classical concert music, they tend

**Each performance will last** about one hour and include traditional concert and community band music, such as marches and patriotic themes interlaced with some contemporary compositions.

to spice it up with tunes that all ages recognize."

Leisure services wanted to utilize its recently purchased mobile stage for the band's performances, but delays in the delivery forced them come up with a back-up plan.

"They don't need a whole lot to perform - just chairs and music stands and they're good to go," Eubanks said.

Because he gives the band much-deserved time off during the summer months, Blough expects between 45 and 50 members will perform at each of the scheduled concerts.

We try to make it relaxed and as fun as possible," he said. "We're not rehearsing, just playing concerts."

Blough is very proud of his volunteer band and its members, who must be a minimum of 16 years old.

'They are all young at heart and have so much enthusiasm," he said. "They're putting their hearts into this. They are good people having a good time."

The band will be performing

at the following events:

■ July 20 at 7 p.m.: Backyard Beats Neighborhood Outreach at the Sunflower Community clubhouse, 45800 Hanford.

■ July 29 and Aug. 12 at 7 p.m.: Cool Nights Splash Park Amphitheater in Heritage Park, on Heritage Park Drive, west of Canton Center, south of

■ Aug. 20 at noon: Chalk it Up Festival at Heritage Park, on Heritage Park Drive, west of Canton Center and south of Cherry Hill.

■ Aug. 28 at 12:30 p.m.: Village Faire at the Bartlett-Travis House, 500 North Ridge



A dangerous building hearing is scheduled for next week to discuss the potential fate of the abandoned Sheldon Place senior housing on Sheldon, just south of

## Local rental company set to purchase Sheldon Place

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WR(TER

The vacant six-story Sheldon Place building could have new owners soon.

At a June 28 HUD auction, Ali Saad and Sam Beydoun of Dearborn-based Canton Rentals LLC, made the winning bid of \$955,000 for the former senior citizen apartment complex.

"The proceeds (of the sale) are all cash paid to HUD," said HUD spokeswoman Hattie Mayers. The purchaser is responsible for obtaining financing if need be, and will take possession of the

building after closing the sale." The buyer must also demolish

the 56-unit apartment building or repair it to meet state and local codes within 12 months from the date of closing, Mayers said.

The building has been vacant since August, 2001, when it was evacuated due to structural defi-

The building was owned by National Church Residences of Ohio, but after 2001, HUD foreclosed on it. Sheldon Place was constructed in 1996 through the office of Housing and Urban Development at a cost of \$3.4 million.

There have been no estimates on what it will cost to repair the deficiencies, including the absence of steel reinforcement rods in one of the walls, and the incorrect placement of heating and cooling air intake vents. Demolition cost has been estimated at \$400,000.

Late in March, a buyer from Wyandotte, Stan Miciura, won the bid to purchase the building, but never finalized the financing. So it was put up for sale again this summer. Miciura had bid \$770,000.

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Neither Saad or Beydoun could be reached for comment about their winning bid.

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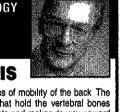
cause is the development of calcification of the ligaments that hold the vertebral bones together. The pain begins in the low back at the sacro-iliac joints and makes its way upward even to the vertebrae of the neck.

Ankylosing Spondylitis begins in the teenage years, becoming prominent when you are in your twenties or thirties. At one time physicians thought the condition occurred only in men but over time the medical community learned that the disease also happens in women Ankylosing Spondylitis can cause arthritis of the shoulders, hands and knees in addition. there can be extra-skeletal effects such as inflammation of the eyes as iritis, and involvemen of heart valves particularly the aortic valve.

Until recently the treatment physicians could offer was unsatisfactory Doctors prescribed non-steroidal, anti inflammatory drugs but these medications, at best, relieved the pain, but did not stop the progression of the spondylitis. Other medications such as methotrexate, which treats rheumatoid arthritis, were tried in Ankylosing Spondylitis, but had minimal

However, the introduction of the biological drugs-Enbrel, Remicade, and Humira-gives physicians a therapy that treats Ankylosing Spondylitis effectively Therefore if you are young and experience prolonged back pain, you should see a physician to evaluate this diagnosis

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# County proposes new procedure for funding park projects

STAFF WRITER

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano's administration is proposing a new procedure for county funding of community recreation projects in an effort to win support from suburban leaders for the renewal of the county's 0.25-mill parks tax on the Aug. 2 ballot.

The millage renewal has been criticized by several suburban leaders who have complained about unfair distribution of funding for local projects and the timing of the election to coincide with Detroit's mayoral primary.

On Wednesday, the state House Local Government and **Urban Policy Committee** approved a bill introduced by state Rep. Phil LaJoy (R-Canton) which would require money collected to support the operation of the Wayne County parks system be divided 50/50 between the county parks system and the local community from which the money was

approximately \$11 million a year for parks improvements and maintenance. County parks also receive funding from the county general fund.

On Tuesday, Ficano and Assistant Wayne County Executive Alan Helmkamp joined Canton Supervisor Tom Yack to discuss the millage with *Observer* editors.

Yack has been a vocal critic of the millage and how funds are returned to local commu-On Tuesday, he said he sup-

ports a millage for the county parks system, but he wants a better process for distributing funds. Currently, he said, the distri-

bution of funds depends on the aggressiveness of a district's county commissioner and political maneuvering.

"The whole thing is political, obviously, it's just lacking a concrete process to review projects by communities," Yack

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Yack said a disproportionate

percent, was going to projects in the city of Detroit.

"They get a return of 156 percent on what they have contributed. Dearborn, Livonia and others, their return is less than 1 percent. Livonia's is .5, Dearborn's is .3. Canton is 1.6 and these are big contributors to the millage," he said.

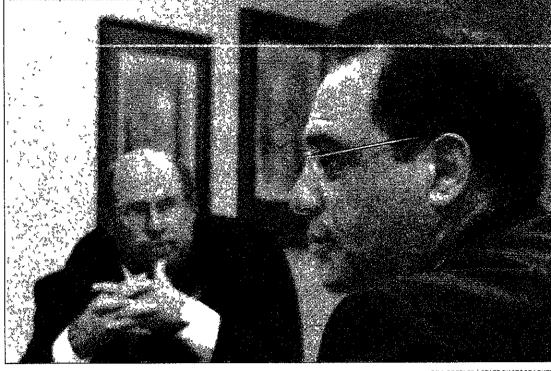
#### **A NEW PROCESS**

Yack said he has been working with Helmkamp on developing a better process.

'We have created a proposal," Helmkamp said. "If you have a leader who has an idea, he can come and pitch a project to us and there will be a five-person review committee . and we'll make recommendations to the executive and the commission, who ultimately has the power to make the final call."

The committee would consist of the director of parks or a designee, a representative of the county executive's office, a representative of the Wayne

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Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, right, and Canton Supervisor Tom Yack discussed their differences about the proposed parks millage renewal on the Aug. 2 ballot.

County commission, the director of public services or a designee and the a representative of the Friends of Wayne County Parks. The process would go into effect Aug. 3, pending commission approval.

Proposals will be limited to existing park or related facilities "owned or operated by a governmental unit." Helmkamp said the funds could not be used to create new parks. The proposal sets a maximum of 25 percent of millage funds raised for these community projects.

Ficano said he understood Yack's concerns, but that as county executive he had to look "at the broader picture." He said western Wayne County communities benefit from the maintenance and programs held in county parks, particularly in the Hines Park system which runs through western Wayne County.

"All our parks are free. Constituents of Tom and all of western Wayne use Hines Park," he said. "It's hard to gauge how many of them have boats and launch at Elizabeth Park (in Trenton on the Detroit River).

He ticked off numerous programs available in the county park system, including the annual Marshmallow Drop, Mud Day, Jazz in the Park and the programs at the Nankin Mills nature center.

"Everybody is concerned about what is fair about money coming back to the community," Ficano said. "Nothing guarantees that money will come back in X percentage, because what if we did all our taxes and millages that way? I don't think road funds, you'd want to see proportional."

Local projects supported by the millage include \$400,000 for the Cherry Hill Village Theatre in Canton, \$100,000 for a swimming pool in Garden City and \$500,000 for improvements to city of Wayne

Ficano said if government leaders were serious about regional approaches to government, they couldn't restrict funding.

Ficano said LaJoy's bill for a 50-percent return to local communities would destroy "the formula we have now in terms of Hines Park and Elizabeth Park." He said the millage was to support the county park system and it was hard to gauge how much use each community made of the county parks.

Yack testified Wednesday in favor of LaJoy's proposal.

In a press release, LaJoy said, "The motivation behind this bill to ensure the parks millage is distributed efficiently and effectively. At this time many communities within Wayne County are contributing sizable figures to the parks millage and receiving little or no money in return for their own communities."

#### CHANDLER PARK A CONCERN

Yack was especially critical Tuesday of funding dedicated to the Chandler Park water park in Detroit. Chandler is specifically mentioned in the ballot language for support along with Hines Park, Elizabeth Park and Fort Wayne.

"The city of Detroit has disavowed ownership of that park and they (the county) inherited the operating of that park," he said. "Police don't even like to He said the park registers

only 20,000 visits a year, but has \$1.2 million a year set aside for its operation. He said the park should be closed. He said funding for Chandler

led to requests for funding of projects in other communities. Objections have also been raised about the timing and

expense of the millage. Ficano said he thought the criticism about the timing was unfair. He said if the county had waited until the November general election, it would have missed a chance to come back to voters if the millage loses and it

would still face a disproportionate Detroit vote because of the

city's high-profile mayoral race. Helmkamp said the county is prepared to fully reimburse communities which don't have a scheduled primary for the cost of election. He said the county estimates it will cost about \$460,000 to reimburse local communities for election costs.

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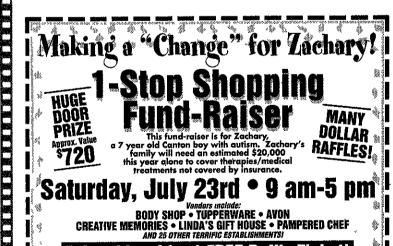
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ents called 9-1-1 on March 2, requesting medical attention for the infant. When police arrived at the grandparents' home near Haggerty and Cherry Hill, they found the baby had bruises on his face, and he was having a hard time breathing. He was taken to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, where he died shortly after arrival.

Kierzak had left the house before the arrival of emergency workers, and police reported he walked to a friend's home near Van Born and Haggerty. Police arrested him there later that day.

Kierzak did not live with his son and his girlfriend, and has been described by police as a drifter with no permanent residence. He is now being held without bail at the Wayne County Jail.

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# Deed may not save woods

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

A resolution by the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education in 1991 that would maintain the 10adre Miller Woods parcel in Plymouth Township a nature preserve for eternity doesn't have any legal binding.

The news, which came in the form of a legal opinion by a lawyer representing groups trying to preserve Miller Woods, is causing concern about how to keep the total 40-acre woods, wetlands, meadows and wildlife sanctuary from being developed, even as the property is set to be put up for sale by the Plymouth-Canton school district.

"We felt the deed restriction would at least protect the Miller Woods portion from development, but it may not be the case." saïd Marcia Fowler, one of about 40 people interested in saving the Miller Woods property who met Wednesday at Plymouth Township hall. "It specifically names the 10-acre Miller Woods property a nature preserve in perpetuity. However, the document was never filed with the county, so we're trying to determine if it's a legal document or

The school board is considering selling the 40-acre Miller

Woods site — located on Powell Road between North Territorial and Ridge roads — and which was purchased in 1968, to raise money for the cash-starved dis-

While the land is not officially for sale, yet, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services Ken Jacobs said the Great Northern Land Company in Ann Arbor is developing a plan for the property before the district puts up any "For Sale" signs sometime this

"Great Northern will determine what it will take to mitigate the wetlands, determine zoning and see how many home sites could be ascertained from that," Jacobs said. "We hope to achieve a favorable zoning from Plymouth Township that would enable us to achieve our density for a 40-acre site on 30 acres, which would enable us to main-

for the nature preserve. "There are no formal deed restrictions on that 40-acre piece, but there's a board resolution," he

tain the 10 acres that is set aside

Jacobs said after Great Northern completes its preliminary work, the school board will determine how it wants to proceed with the sale. An original appraisal put the value of the 40acre site at \$2.5 million.

Even if the 10-acre woods is saved. John Huber of Friends of Miller Woods said development around the forest could eventually result in a change in the woods.

"The rest of the property is meadow and wetlands, which support the woods, and vice versa," said Huber. "If you take some part of it away, it would do a lot of damage to the woods as it is right now.

"The beech-maple climax forest is hundreds of years old," he

said. "It's one of the very few left." Fowler, who looks out her back window in the adjoining Fox Pointe subdivision to see several species of frogs and toads in the wetland, can see the tops of the trees in the distance, and views bird life in the meadow, said if an environmental group can't come up with grant money to purchase the land to keep it pure, she's hopeful developers will at least save the woods.

"Clearly, it was the board's intent, at the time, to protect the property," she said. "It the whole property can't be preserved, we would at least like to have the Miller Woods portion remain intact."

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charges, Jonathan David Pentz, 28, also will be tried on a new charge of escaping from Wayne County Sheriff's deputies when they brought him to Westland for a preliminary hearing.

Still handcuffed, Pentz bolted on Wednesday from Westland's district court, but was quickly captured near Newburgh and Ford roads, Westland police Sgt. James Dexter said.

On Thursday, Pentz was ordered to stand trial after he waived his right to a preliminary hearing in Westland's 18th District Court.

He could face penalties rang-

ing up to life in prison if convicted in Wayne County Circuit Court of two counts of armed robbery, two counts of felony firearms, two counts of being a felon with a gun, and one count of escaping while awaiting trial for a felony. And those are just the charges stemming from robberies in Westland.

Pentz is accused of a total of nine armed robberies in several communities, including Canton Township. Canton authorities have charged him with three counts of armed robbery, and believe he is responsible for robberies at two local gas stations and a Radio Shack store, between June 2 and June 18. Police allege that Pentz used a chrome-plated, 9-millimeter

handgun in all the robberies.

Pentz's preliminary examination in 35th District Court, which was scheduled for Friday, was waived. He is set to make his first appearance in Wayne County District Court on July 29, when he is expected to be arraigned on all charges.

A not-guilty plea has been entered for Pentz for all charges against him. He has been denied bond as he awaits trial.

Before his arrest on multiple armed robbery charges, Pentz had been on parole after serving about two years for thirddegree criminal sexual conduct.

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#### ROAD

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chase of a mobile stage due to arrive later this month. The plan is to schedule an event at each of the parking lots along the thoroughfare.

"Leisure services is a very creative group and I know they will come up with some creative ideas," Salla said.

Jennifer Eubanks, recreation specialist for Canton Leisure Services, said her

department is working with several performers interested in participating in Lots of Fun. A list of participants is not being made public at this

Salla said Lots of Fun will also bring more attention to the stores along Ford Road that are tucked away from the view of passersby due to

the expanse of parking lots. "Since the stores are set back, residents may not know all of the wonderful shopping opportunities

available," she said. "They may find the new discovery ... of a new bakery or a jewelry store that they didn't know was there before."

Salla said the events will not . negatively impact parking space availability to businesses and along Ford Road. In fact, many su have expressed great enthusiasm for the plan.

"Hopefully they will become 📑 a part of our partnership and they can coordinate their own sales or special promotions to tie in with the events," she said.

#### **SCORES**

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standards, compared to 57 percent statewide. Writing scores were at 79 percent, compared to 58 percent for students across the state.

"We continue to be proud of our reading and writing

scores," said Bender. Bender noted the reading score from two years ago was 72 percent, improving to this year's

90 percent. We needed to take steps in reading and writing, identified a goal and began to work with strategies to help us improve in those areas," he said.

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# Hurry up please, it's time to consolidate government

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Soon, consolidating services among

cities and towns – especially in Michigan will be a necessity.

Michigan's economy is trailing the nation, with scant hope for a quick turn around. And our communities - not just our schools - are feeling the pinch. They just aren't crying "ouch" quite as loudly.

So Beverly Hills' recent dismissal of Birmingham's overture to share emergency



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dispatch services will probably have to be revisited.

The move would have saved Beverly Hills \$50,000 a year, and Birmingham, after an initial expenditure to enlarge its dispatch facility, long-term cost savings.

It's happening all around us in a variety of shapes and

Plymouth Township and the city of Plymouth have

shared fire services for 10 years, reportedly saving the two governments around \$6 million.

West Bloomfield folded the volunteer Tri-City Fire Department into its operation a few years back, and now covers fire and EMS services for Orchard Lake, Sylvan Lake and Keego Harbor from the old Tri-City building. It saved West Bloomfield from having to construct a new fire station in the northeast part of the township and provided the three cities with a. professional force.

And West Bloomfield has handled emergency dispatch operations for the three smaller communities for years.

An Older Persons Commission provides senior services to residents of Rochester, Rochester Hills and Oakland Township. The three communities share the costs of the program that includes a state of the art senior cen-

Effective July 1, Mount Clemens dissolved its 113-year-old police force to contract with the Macomb County Sheriff's Department, saving around \$1.5 million a year.

Neighboring Troy and Clawson are considering consolidating jails and dispatch services, to save an initial \$40,000 and about \$4,000 in

each succeeding year. The list goes on - and will continue to build with support from both the state of Michigan and SEMCOG (Southeast Michigan Council of

Governments). For those communities, who still haven't gotten the message, I say look to Farmington and Farmington Hills.

Both communities jointly fund a long list of programs, that are operated by the larger Farmington Hills.

These include: The Farmington Community Library (two branches, one in Farmington, one in Farmington Hills), the Farmington Area

Arts Commission and Farmington Youth

Farmington Hills Special Services Division operates parks and recreation programs and facilities that are open to both communities' residents as well as an array of programs for seniors and young people at the Costick Activities Center.

Communitywide events such as the recent Farmington Area Founders Festival and the annual Heritage Festival are also jointly funded and operated.

The two cities even put on a musical production each fall, open to residents of all ages.

"I'm always struck by the lack of cooperation in other communities," says Farmington Hills Mayor Vicki Barnett.

As a leading proponent of community collaboration, she still cautions that the citizenry has to be ready.

"When a council makes a decision to remain status quo, it may be a politically smart move for them to step back right now," she says, in reference to Beverly Hills.

"The political leaders are trying to do the right thing, but there needs to be a lot of community education first. They need time to educate their citizens so everyone is part of the process."

In fact, Farmington/Farmington Hills, for all their cooperation, couldn't agree on combining public safety operations a year or two back, she told me. Now, they are heavily into talks about combining dispatch operations.

"Dispatch is a countywide discussion," Barnett says. "How many dispatch centers do we need? Fewer could improve service delivery and save money at the same time."

"Successful cooperation depends on all parties recognizing the advantages of collaboration," says Naheed Huq, SEMCOG senior planner. They include: cost considerations, public response and the priority placed on the service by the political leadership.

"It's the wave of the future," says West Bloomfield Treasurer Denise Hammond.

Birmingham City Manager Tom Markus comes from Minnesota, a state where there is a long history of community collaborations. And so, with encouragement from the Birmingham City Commission, "We're going to pursue other partners," he told me.

To make it happen, Markus says, both communities must show constituents that they aren't ceding governance to another municipality; that each is paying and receiving an equitable share; and that service will be better than what was previously provided.

It's obviously a delicate maneuver. But once the first connection is made, it can create a template for the further sharing of services. Hurry up please; it's time.

Judith Doner Berne, a West Bloomfield resident, is a former managing editor of the Eccentric Newspapers. You are welcome to comment by e-mail to jberne@att.net or to the editor of this newspaper.

# Muslims shouldn't be targeted for fanatical acts of terrorists

he identity of the London attackers remains unknown, yet speculation points to someone or a group of Muslims connected to Al-Qaida. This assumption points the finger at the entire Middle Eastern population for these hor-

These accusations demand that we "Arabs" or "Muslims" must cooperate, condemn and pledge to bring the evil perpetrators to justice or stop them before they carry out the next act. More than a billion of us are indict-

ed for the act of a few whom happen to share our ethnic identity. Can you imagine if all Christians were linked to Jim Jones or the Branch Davidians, who subjected their followers to abuse and subsequently killed hundreds of them? There would be outrage at such an accu-

sation! That is not the case

Ahwal-Morris with the Middle Eastern community. We are all guilty until proven innocent.

For people of Middle Eastern descent, the news of a terrorist attack takes on an extra dimension. Unlike the rest of the world, the act of a few demented fanatical individuals reflects directly on us. We are as repulsed as the rest of the world when such attacks as the one that was perpetrated on innocent people in London. These attacks continue to haunt us when others have moved on with their lives.

The majority of Muslims and Arabs cannot comprehend these evil acts. They speculate as to whether the individuals who prepare these attacks hate themselves, their ethnicity and religion because with every attack, hate toward their people is intensified.

Supposedly, the attackers want to weaken and destroy the West, yet the people who are most hurt (other than the actual victims) are Arabs, specifically Muslims. That is why sometimes Middle Eastern people resort to the conspiracy theory because they fail to comprehend how someone can truly believe in their cause or religion yet work so hard to destroy it.

With every attack, the Middle Eastern community must take extra measures to refute, explain and speak up against these attacks for silence condones these horrific acts. Most people who are not physically harmed by these acts can escape by shutting off the news, we cannot.

We have to maintain a heightened alert to defend ourselves and clear our names. We live in fear that someone is going to avenge the killings by going after the first Middle Easterner they encounter. Several attacks against Arabs and Muslims have been reported in London this week. Vigilantes are not our only threat! We now have to worry about actions by an irresponsible government, media and religious groups

who add fuel to the fire by their erroneous com-

They misrepresent, misinterpret and mislead by promoting the ugly myth of Muslim and Arab cultures as inherently violent. On Fox and PBS, the Rev. Franklin Graham said that "Islam was " an evil and violent religion, and that the Qur'an calls for violence against non-Muslims." The Rev. Jerry Farwell called the Prophet Mohamed \* "a terrorist."

On several occasions, Fox Network's Sean Hannity talked about how Islam is a bigger threat than most people are willing to say publicly. In government, as the president talks about tolerance, the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs has Steven Emerson' testifying about "money laundering and terror financing issues in the Middle East."

As predicted after the London attack, several newspapers' headlines stated "Arab American promises support" or "If it's a Muslim problem, it needs a Muslim solution." Reports such as these implicated us inthese acts. These reports give validation to render us guilty based on birth and ethnicity. With every attack we feel the ramifications from these barbaric acts of terror:

■ The Oklahoma City act of terror saw more than 42 violent incidents against Arab and Muslims in the first few days after the attack.

■ After 9/11, Afghanistan and Iraq were attacked killing or injuring thousands. Those that were not physically attacked lost their homes, which are now occupied by foreign forces. Here in the United States, hundreds of innocent people lost their civil rights.

■ Since the terrorists use the Palestinian cause (no Palestinians are involved) as one of their motives for their attacks, the Palestinian people's human rights grievances are dismissed by the rest of the world.

■ A large number of young Arab/Muslim men are profiled and some are under surveillance by police, federal agents and other law enforcement agencies just because of their ethnic back-

■ The main targets of the Patriot Act are men<sup>3</sup> from Middle Eastern countries.

■ Several attacks are reported in London against Middle Eastern people.

■ Men of Middle Eastern background are currently held in jail without charges under "the secret evidence law" without due

Violating my civil and human rights because of my heritage will not stop the terrorists from continuing their path of destruction, nor will it give the people the security they need. It just creates alienation of billions of people. Let us not hand the terrorists a victory by turning on

Terry Ahwal-Morris is on the Executive Committee of the Ramallah Federation. She lives in Canton.

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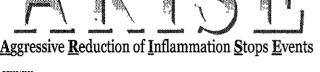
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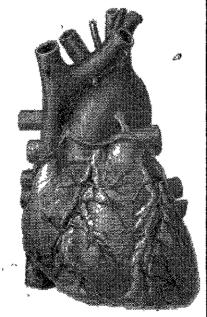
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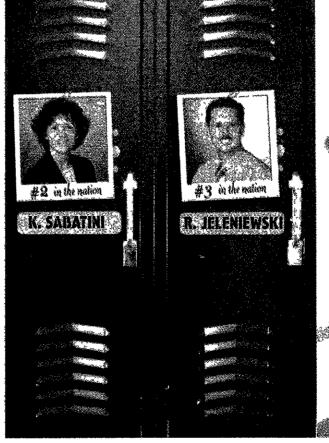
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# Library collections help diverse patrons

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. Local libraries serving a diverse culture of patrons used to be able to depend upon borrowing the Detroit Public Library's extensive collection of non-English books and other materials.

The city's financial woes have struck everywhere, including the DPL's budget, and that collection isn't nearly as readily available to suburban libraries as it used to be. However, the diversity of patrons at both the Plymouth and Canton libraries continues to grow.

That's why both libraries have devoted a substantial amount of resources to improving their own collection of English as a Second Language materials.

"The need is still there, and growing," said Susan Stoney, director of public relations and marketing for the Plymouth District Library.

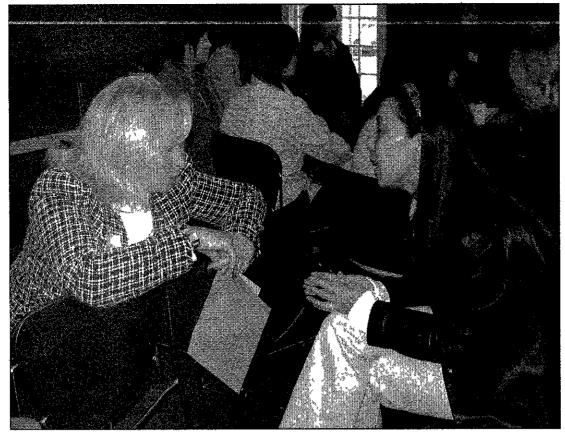
The Plymouth library's collection is an evolving one, designed to help people studying English, prepare for Test of English as a Foreign Language exams and citizenship tests, improve reading skills and, perhaps most importantly, to find information for careers and the needs of daily life.

The Plymouth-Canton area is diverse — for instance, nearly 700 students represent some 35 different languages in Plymouth-Canton schools. That makes the libraries' ESL collections an important asset.

In fact, the need is such that Plymouth-Canton school officials recently approached the Plymouth District Library to conduct an afternoon seminar for

"We introduced them to the library, helped them get a library card, gave them a tour," Stoney said. "Our ESL collection is growing all the time, and events like this help us tailor it to best suit the needs of the community."

In Canton, the collection consists of both adult and children's international language titles. In 2004, the



Teacher Cathy Tyler (left) meets with Min Feng, whose niece is a student at Dodson Elementary School. Tyler teaches English to students at Dodson, Tonda, Smith and Bird schools.

library had some 1,000 books in 17 languages. Library officials plan to add languages this year at the request of patrons.

Librarians use an on-line survey and quarterly internal discussions to determine the needs of the collection.

"It's a fairly good collection, considering we just started it," adult librarian Lisa Craig-Davis said. "We started our adult collection in 2003. Once the (Detroit Public Library) was in a position where they couldn't afford their collection, everyone had to scramble to figure out how to fill that need.

While Chinese is the most popular language for materials at the Canton library, the collection is used for a variety of reasons, according to Craig-Davis. Tapes, videos, DVD and CD-rom programs are all attractive to people studying other languages, or to members of a diverse culture trying to adapt to life

'Obviously, it's a popular collection," said Canton adult librarian Joyce Simowski. "The TOEFL test determines proficiency in the English language (but) it's also needed for advance study programs, and employers use it, too."

There are oodles of materials available on-line, and Internet and word-processing computers are available for use at the library.

Children find the collection useful primarily for fiction materials, while adults zero in primarily on "how-to" subjects such as getting a driver's license or making medical appointments, "how you do 'every-day' things," said Darlene Ursel, who manages the collection for the Plymouth District Library.

What kinds of materials users find is driven by the users themselves.

"The more data we get in actual numbers moves us to shape the collection," Ursel said. "We'd like to reach out more (to the community), but our materials are being utilized. It's going well."

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#### **DEATHS**

Dan Acosta, 53, died. Vernon Lee Bellant, of Plymouth

Township, died July 12. Joseph Cuschieri, of Canton

Richard A. Duby, 72, of Dearborn Heights, died July 12.

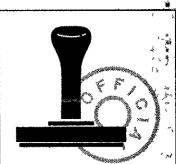
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Jean Frances Gerou (Rogan), 73, died July 13. Brice Walker Gross (Boop) 69, of Fort Myers, Fla., formerly of Beverly Hills, died July 6.

Craig F. Herbst, 58, of Livonia, died July 8.

Dierdre C. Lacina, died July 12.

Randall Miller, 90, of Rochester Hills, died July 12.



For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Complete paid obituaries can be,

found inside today's Community Life

section in Passages on page C4.

Debra Lynn Progar, 51, died July 7.

Heather K. (Ross) Reickert, 57, of Bloomfield Hills, died July 12.

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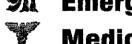
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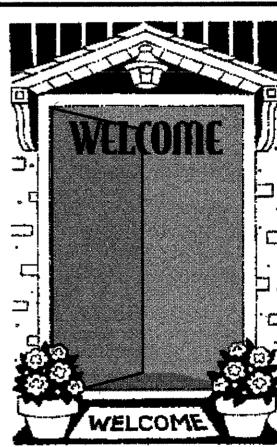
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Plymouth-Canton Rising Stars Brittney Jerden (left) and Holly Ranta exchange high fives during a between-innings break at Friday afternoon's Special Olympics Michigan Summer Sports Classic softball game at the Canton Sports Center. The members of the Rising Stars were among over 1,000 Special Olympics athletes from throughout Michigan who participated in the annual two-day event.

# Special Olympics athletes find fun on softball fields

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The Wayne County Wolverines' maize-and blue, pin-striped softball uniforms are patterned after the University of Michigan baseball team's jerseys.

The Wolverines' swings, however, more closely resembled those of the 2005 World Series champions Boston Red Sox Friday afternoon in their opening game of the Special Olympics Michigan Summer Sports Classic softball tournament at the Canton Sports Center.

The Wolverines — who consist of Special Olympics athletes from Livonia, Garden City, Redford, Northville and Westland — lit up the scoreboard with seven runs in the first inning of their opening

Volunteers vital to event's success. Sports, Page B2.

game against a team from Jackson.

"Hitting is my favorite part of the game," said Livonia resident Jayme Horner, who knocked home a pair of runs for the Wolverines when he sliced a stand-up triple over the head of the Jackson right-center

fielder.

When he reached third base,
Horner acknowledged his teammates' applause and cheers by holding up a fist and flashing an ear-to-

ear smile.
"I like Special Olympics because it has helped me meet a lot of my good friends," said Horner, who also competes in soccer, hockey, basketball

and handball. "Even if we don't win, I like this because I like hanging out with my teammates and having fun."

#### EFFORT THAT COUNTS

Wayne County coach Greg Nowicki, a resident of Redford and a special education para-professional for the Livonia Public Schools, said working with the Wolverines brings him "total enjoyment."

"A friend of mine got me involved in coaching for Special Olympics in 1985 and I've been hooked ever since," Nowicki said. "A lot of the players on this team play sports together year-round, so we have a lot of fun. This team follows the Special Olympics motto: They win if they can, but if they don't win, they

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Wesley Pringle delivers a pitch Friday afternoon for the Plymouth-Canton Rising Stars softball team.

# RU grid camp gets kids thinking football

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

Don't let the calendar fool you. It's never too early in the year for foot-

So, despite high heat and drenching humidity at last week's Redford Union's Panthers Football Camp, youngsters such as 10-year-old Collin Rankin were having a blast.

Collin, entering fifth grade and an offensive lineman on the Redford Rangers Little League team, worked on his stance Thursday and drove hard into tackling dummies.

"I just like hitting the dummies," said Collin, who attended the camp for the third year in a row. "And I've learned how to stand - on the balls of your feet instead of flat-footed."

The seventh annual camp, directed by RU head varsity football coach Miles Tomaisaitis, is designed to help players in grades 3-12 start thinking football while honing skills and even having a little fun.

Tomaisaitis said 55 campers – including 35



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Lucas Mendoza, 8, of Redford watches the ball as he and other participants work on their defensive stance during the Panthers Football Camp at Redford Union.

in grades 3-6 – came out on Wednesday, from all over Redford Township as well as Livonia, to work on the fundamentals of ball-handling,

nsive stance during the Panthers
.
passing, receiving, tack-

On the second day, 49 turned out for less-glamorous work on the offen-

ling and defensive cover-

sive and defensive line.
They got down into their stance and, on the whistle, ran in 10-yard bursts.
Some were a bit anx-

ious to go to work.

"Hey you young guys,
watch the guys in front of
you," shouted one of the
camp assistants.

Elsewhere, RU quarterbacks Jon Macek and Eric Mullen worked with camp assistant Aaron Moran on the finer points of taking snaps from behind center and dropping back to pass.

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Tomaisaitis, high school
players come out to get
back into football mode
as well as help instruct
the youngsters, many
who attend Redford
Union elementary
schools or Hilbert Middle
School.

Even though the camp is open to the public and intended to be a learning experience, the campers do get to have some fun.

At the end of each session, they compete in an agility contest "to see how kids move,"

Tomaisaitis explained.
"I keep all that information in my computer,"

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# Canton to host 13U World Series

Many of the most gifted 13-year-old baseball players in the country will be displaying their skills this week at the Canton Sports Center, which will serve as the host of the USSSA 13U Boys World Series.

The 60-team tournament kicks off today and runs through July 24. Included in the field are three area squads: the Canton Panthers, Milan Big Reds and

NFWB Cobras.

Over 3,000 players, their families and other visitors will converge on the CSC this week to check out the teams that will represent 16 states and Canada.

Today's opening ceremonies are set to kick off at 6 p.m. on diamond #9. Detroit Tigers starting pitcher Nate Robertson is scheduled to throw out the ceremonial first pitch. The ceremony also includes a parade of teams, an honor guard and the national anthem.

Following the opening ceremonies, a welcome party will be held for the players and their family members.

There is no admission fee for the opening ceremonies. Adults can purchase a week-long pass to the tournament for \$20; the daily admission fee is for adults is \$5.

Senior citizens and children between the ages of 6 and 12 can purchase a week-long pass for \$12 and daily passes for \$3. Spectators under the age of 6 are free throughout the week.

The tournament champion will be crowned on the afternoon of Sunday, July 24.

Games are scheduled to run daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

To receive updated tournament results, visit the Canton Sports Center Web site at csc.canton-mi.org; or call the CSC at (734) 483-5600.

The Canton Sports Center is the largest facility of its kind in Michigan and one of the largest in the Midwestern United States.

#### Soccer sign-ups

The Redford Soccer
Club is accepting late registrations for the Fall
2005 season on
Thursday, July 21, from 6
p.m. to 8 p.m. in room 5 of
the Redford Community
Center. All boys and girls
who will be between the
ages of 5 and 7 before
Aug. 1, are welcome to

play in the league.
There is limited space remaining on teams for kids between the ages of 8 and 18 who have not already registered.

already registered.
Registration forms are
available at the
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in the Redford Community
Center, and at the Redford
Public Library. For more
information, contact
Nancy Jackett at (313)
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#### **Salem boosters**

The Salem High School Football Booster Club will meet on Wednesday, July 20, at 7:30 p.m. in room 2703 of Salem High School. All parents of current and incoming players are invited to attend. The upcoming season and team activities will be discussed at the meeting. For more information, contact Bob Kilgore at (734) 459-6393.

#### LJAL tryouts

The Livonia Junior -Athletic League will be holding tryouts for its boys travel baseball program at Bicentennial Park's diamond No. 8 on the following dates:

13U - Aug.6, 8 a.m.

■ 12U - Aug. 6, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.;

■ 11U - Aug. 6, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.; and

■ 10U - Aug. 7, noon to 3 p.m. The ages of players are as of April 30, 2006.

For more information, e-mail dennis.russ@ LJAL.com; or visit www.ljal.com.

#### Sports physicals

All students participating in Livonia Clarenceville athletic programs at the middle school and high school levels are required by state law to have an updated physical examination form on file each year in order to participate.

Examinations will be conducted by doctors at Livonia Family Physicians, 28275 Five Mile Rd., Livonia, on Thursday, Aug. 4 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. The cost for physicals is \$10.

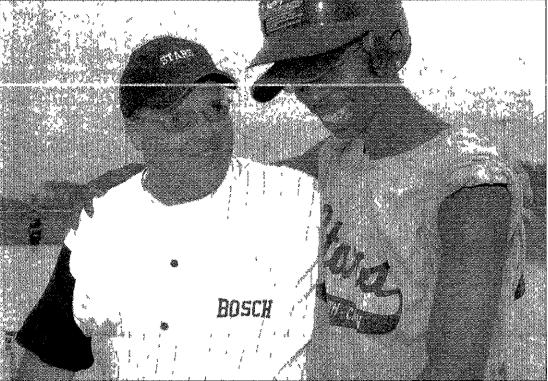
Physical forms are available in the main office at both the middle school and high school.

if they prefer, parents can schedule a physical with their own family physician.

For more information, call (248) 473-8926, ext. 208.

#### Cezat is All-Star

Recent Canton graduate Katie Cezat, who will be a freshman in the fall at Hillsdale College, was invited to play in the Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan "Ali-Star". game Aug. 6 at Brighton High School. Cezat will play in the Class A/B game, which will be followed by a Class C/D contest.



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Spècial Olympics Michigan volunteer Eric Cope congratulates Jonathan Whitlock after Whitlock delivered a solid hit for the Plymouth-Canton Rising Stars.

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are brave in the attempt." The Wolverines were one of over 50 teams that competed in the two-day event that annually attracts the top Special Olympics softball squads from throughout Michigan. All of the teams invited to play in this weekend's tournament were required to play in at least five games prior to the Summer Sports Classic.

"Our daughter absolutely loves this tournament," said Cindi Trublowski, whose daughter, Julie, plays for the Plymouth-Canton Rising Stars. "A couple of years ago she didn't get to play because we were on vacation. But this year, she made sure we scheduled our vacation around it."

#### LOVIN' IT

A few moments after Cindi Trublowski described her daughter's affection for softball. Julie Trublowski connected on a line-drive double that finally stopped rolling 20 yards past the outer-fringe of the infield.

Everything about the Special Olympics is great," said Dan Trublowski, Julie's father. "The coaching, the social part



of it. It lets the athletes compete against other athletes that are at their level."

The Special Olympics programs have benefited Plymouth athlete Kyle Siarto both on and off the playing fields, according to his mom,

"Kyle has grown and

developed socially thanks to his involvement with the Special Olympics," Kathy Siarto said. "It's something he can do with other people who are like him. He really looks forward to coming out here and being with his friends."

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# Volunteers play vital role

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Kristine Ostrosky's responsibilities rose along with the steamy temperatures Friday afternoon during the Special Olympics Michigan softball tournament at the Canton Sports Center.

Ostrosky, a student at Livonia Franklin High School, was in charge of delivering icecold drinking water to athletes and spectators at four fields of the sprawling complex. Earlier in the day, she offered assistance at the home-run derby.

"It's been a lot of fun," said Ostrosky, one of the close to 400 behind-the-scenes volunteers who made sure the event ran smoothly. "It's neat seeing how excited the athletes get playing softball."

Tournament Director Terry Jobbitt said it's the unpaid workers like Ostrosky who are vital to the tournament's success each year.

"The bottom line is that this tournament wouldn't be possible without the volunteers," said Jobbitt, who has been offering his free time to the Special Olympics since 1977. "We get a lot of high school students who come out to help, and a lot of businesses send employees over.



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Volunteer Meghan Horgan, a student at Livonia Franklin, helped deliver water to the players and spectators.

"A lot of the credit for the success we had this year goes to Sue Thompson, our volunteer director. She did a great job lining people up for this weekend."

Thompson said the volunteers' responsibilities at the tournament are numerous.

"They do everything from keeping score to serving as back-up catchers," Thompson

Plymouth resident Kathy Siarto has donated her time to the Special Olympics for the

past 12 years, ever since her son, Kyle, started competing in the program. Siarto, an ele, mentary school teacher in Novi, was honored for her countless hours of service by being named the Area 23 Special Olympics Volunteer of the Year in June. Area 23 encompasses all of Wayne County except for Detroit.

The effort she puts into the Special Olympics is a labor of love, Siarto said.

"Some of my friends think I'm crazy because I'm a single

mom with a fulltime job and I put hundreds of hours into this every year, but I get so much out of it," Siarto said.

"I started out as a chaperone and a coach, then I started to help organize events, now I'm on the tournament committee. I've met a lot of great friends through Special Olympics. We call ourselves S.O.S. — sisters of Special Olympics."

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Three members of the Special Olympics Michigan softball tournament's organizing committee are Mike Beals (left), Terry Jobbitt (center) and Sue Thompson. Beals and Jobbitt were codirectors of the tournament while Thompson served as the volunteer director.

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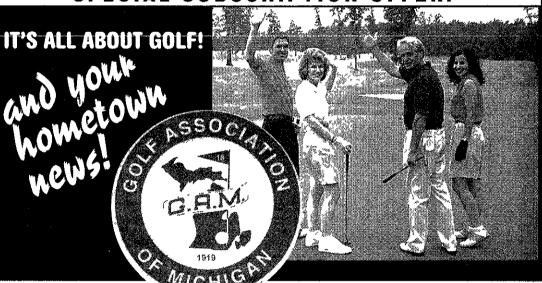
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The Garden City Gators 14-Under girls softball travel team is heading to the USSSA Fast Pitch World Series July 24-31 in Florida. Pictured in the back row (from left) are Kelsey Desjarlais, coach Jack Sheehan, Kristina Susalla, Stacey Brickan, Ashlyn Childs, Christina Seward, Coach Gary Ryan and Katelyn Shattleroe. In the front row (from left) are Emily McGraw, Hallie Minch, Shelby Sheehan, Rebecca Ryan and Jamie McKenna.

# GC Gators are World Series-bound

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

The fast track suits the Garden City Gators just fine.

That's because the 14-Under girls softball travel squad is off to Orlando, Fla. for the 2005 USSSA Fast Pitch World Series. The Gators are among 25 teams from around the country to participate in the tourney, which runs from July 24-31 at Disney's Wide World of Sports complex.

"They're totally excited about this," said parent Jennifer Shattleroe, whose daughter Katelyn is on the Gators. "It's a big honor. They've definitely been a heads-up team all year. There's not a weak spot on the team."

According to Shattleroe, the Gators needed to win a USSSA tournament to earn a berth for the World Series and they wound up winning three: the Inter Lakes Tournament in Commerce Twp., the Queen City Challenge in Cincinnati, Ohio and the state tournament in Canton.

Whether or not the 25-2 Gators emerge from Florida with a trophy, Shattleroe said the experience will be something the young players can draw from long after their playing days are over.

"Most of the girls who get into softball are competitive," she said. "(With that trait) they can do well in business, too. This will definitely help them in the future."

Meanwhile, taking such a trip isn't uncharted territory for some of the players. In 2004, when playing in the 12-Under division, the Gators competed at the World USSSA Tournament in Colorado.
Members of the team
include Garden City High
School varsity standouts Hallie
Minch and Christina Seward.
Other players who attend
GCHS include Katelyn

Shattleroe, Stacey Brickan and

Kristina Susalla.

Garden City-based St.
Raphael Middle School also is represented by Jamie
McKenna, Shelby Sheehan and rounding out the squad are four players from Dearborn
Divine Child – Rebecca Ryan,
Emily McGraw, Kelsey
Desjarlais and Ashlyn Childs.

The head coach is Gary Ryan with Jack Sheehan as his assistant coach. Dawn Seward is handling trip details in her important role as team manager.

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#### SUMMER CAMPS

host a youth football camp (ages 8-14) from 6-8 p.m., Monday through Thursday, Aug. 1-4, at Marshall Middle School. The cost is \$25 (includes camp T-shirt and pizza party). For more information, call the WYAA Lange Building at (734) 421-0640 (leave a message by July 19).

#### **ROLLER HOCKEY**

High Velocity Sports has added several roller-hockey camps to its summer schedule:

■ A "Shoot-to-Score" camp will be from 9 a.m. to noon July 18-22; and from noon to 3 p.m. Aug. 8-12;

■ A power-skating/stick-handling camp will be from noon to 3 p.m. July 25-29; and

A passing/positioning camp will be from 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 1-5.

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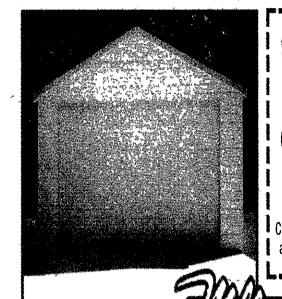
Churchill will also hold a shooting camp from for girls entering grades 5-8 in the fall from 8-11 a.m., Monday through Wednesday, July 18-20, at the high school fieldhouse. The fee is \$50. Coach Keith McDonald and staff will conduct the camps.

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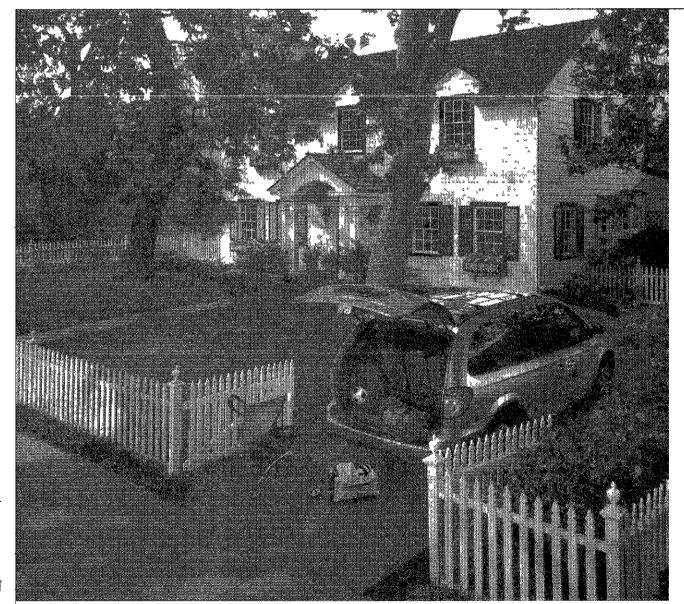
# Twinbill sweep for Post 32

On July 10, Livonia Post 32 swept a doubleheader from Rochester, 13-5 and 11-1 (six innings). Joel Hall tossed a complete-game four-hitter in the opener, striking out seven while walking just four. Hall also sparkled at the plate, ripping three hits, including a triple, while scoring two runs. Sean Hostetter (three hits, three RBI) and Matt Tuttle (three-run double) also paced the winners' offensive output.

John Rodeman hurled a complete-game three-hitter in the nightcap, striking out three while issuing just one walk. Offensively, Post 32 was sparked by Hostetter (three hits, two runs), Tony Pounders (two hits, three runs), Jason Proctor (two hits three RBI) and Matt Luneack, who recorded his first hit of the season after returning from an injury he suffered during the high school baseball season.

#### **WHALERS GOLF**

Individuals are invited to participate in the Plymouth Whalers' eighth annual golf outing, which is scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 30, at Northville Hills Golf Course in Northville. Proceeds from the outing will go directly into the Whalers' Player Education Fund. All participants will receive: 18 holes of golf with cart; a continental breakfast; full use of the golf range, putting green and locker-room facilities; an invitation to the post-outing buffet; and hole-in-one prize opportunities. Interested golfers or corporate partners can contact Whalers' Director of Marketing and Corporate Sales Rob Murphy or Whalers' Educational Consultant Andy Madden at (734) 453-8400.



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#### CAMP

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he added.

Campers make their way through the ropes course and navigate around orange cones

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Tomaisaitis also soaks it all in, keeping his eyes open for

"You see some kids that show some great attitude and great hustle," he said. "... We

one of the participants was Corey Reed, who became an All-State player at Redford

north and south part of the township," Tomaisaitis said. "We have a couple kids from north end - I'd like to keep them here at RU.



"The other kids hopefully will stay interested in football

see them down the road."

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#### set up on the field. potential future Panthers. do see kids with some ability." In the first year of the camp, Thurston. More success stories such as that make coming out in unbearable heat to instruct and participate in the Panther Football Camp worth it. "We've got kids from the Hitting the tackling dummy during the football camp at Redford Union is 10-year-old Marcos Mendoza, of Redford. Livonia. Obviously, kids in the and go on to Thurston. We'll



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# Youth league coaches help youngsters grow

ere's to the unsung heroes of summer — the men and women who volunteer their precious time to coach youngsters on a neighborhood diamond or field near you.

After all, there's a bit of the "Bad News Bears" on every squad.

In the case of baseball or softball, youngsters try diligently to catch, throw, hit and even run from base to base. Often, their efforts are futile.

Nuances of the game are still being learned, and that includes running to and from positions, standing in the ready stance" with gloves on knees or knowing where to throw the ball after it is hit to

Yet through all the trials and tribulations, these coaches are out there week after week with a smile and a pat on the back for their players.

The job they do is very important because many of their players are just being introduced to the world of team sports. If a boy or girl has an unpleasant first experience on a team, he or she may get turned off to athletics and perhaps not even try for middle school or high school teams later on.

A good introduction to sports, on the other hand, might keep kids coming back year after year.

Of course, everybody wants to win. But youth league coaches must successfully do a balancing act. They get everybody into the game, both in the field and at the plate. Players might spend an inning playing in the outfield and later move to an infield spot, getting a sampling of the different elements of the game itself.

There is gentle instruction and no heavy duty yelling. Coaches - at least good ones realize progress doesn't come overnight.

They maintain an even keel even during the ugliest innings when nobody can catch the ball. They tune out any parental chirping on the sidelines (it's usually minimal) and stick to the blueprint of helping kids get their spikes wet.

I don't know how they do it, but moms and dads everywhere are glad they do.

Consider Mike Kelly, who coaches the 13-Under Brewers girls softball team in a Livonia Parks and Rec league. Kelly keeps everybody positive and into the game. including players on the bench.

He teaches, too. "Keep your elbow up," he'll

remind a batter. Fielders are instructed to

"Stay low to the ground,"



Smith

The job they do is very important because many of their players are just being introduced to the world of team sports.

staying focused and prepared for whatever happens.

However, at the top of his agenda is that kids are safe. One 10-year-old player new to the sport recently expressed a desire to pitch but Kelly nixed the idea, concerned that she might not react quickly enough if the ball was smacked right back at her.

"Keep working at it and next year we'll give you a chance," he said to the young-

Another item high on the checklist for Kelly and other coaches is that kids participate and not get hung up over wins and losses.

Just in case, the league makes it difficult, if not impossible, for an ultra-competitive attitude to emerge.

For example, only 10 batters can swing the bat in any particular inning, to keep games from becoming too lopsided. Uniform numbers dictate the batting order, with a player who wears No. 5 following one wearing No. 4 and so on. Official standings are not monitored and every player will receive a trophy after the season ends this week.

That's not the way all teams and leagues do it. But many operate in similar fash-

Cynics can scoff if they want to about the "let's have fun" approach. Some would rather that youth league players toughen up and quickly learn the adage that nice guys nnish tast.

Hey, lighten up. They'll be bombarded with all that later

But it's admirable the way these men and women carve time out of their crazy schedules and do what they can to make kids happy they signed up in the first place.

It's a breath of fresh air on oh-so-humid July evenings.

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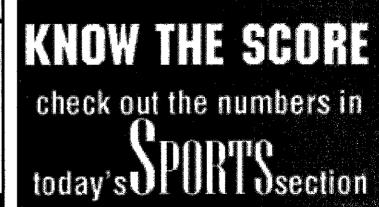


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# Bowling writer strikes OHL Whalers draft blueliner

'gold' in Las Vegas

as Vegas was the place as the 2005 American Bowling Congress Senior Masters Tournament commenced at the Suncoast Bowling Center.

By coincidence, I was there to attend a friend's wedding the very next day at the Eiffel Tower.

This is the highest level of seniors competition and our local area was well represented by Gene Stus and Fred McClain of Allen Park, Lee Snow of Wixom, Larry Franz of Redford and Mike Lucente of Warren - all of whom were among 385 senior bowlers competing for \$180,000 in prize money.

The local heroes did fairly well except for Stus, who had to drop out in the first game due to an injured hand.

The top gunner turned out to be Vince Mazzanti of Levittown, Pa., who defeated Bob Glass of Lawrence, Kan. for the title.

I won \$676 myself with one turn at a slot machine, which is more than I ever won in bowling.

Every car needs a tuneup now and then, so how

about your bowling game? Women's touring pros Aleta Sill and Michelle Mullen are offering a Summer Bowling Camp for youth, high schoolers and adults to take the game to the next level, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, July 11-13, at Country Lanes in Farmington

You will receive digital video analysis on a DVD of "before and after" shots, along with one-on-one coach-

You can also learn about better timing, swing and rélease for consistency, spare shooting, grip analysis, learn basic lane play (and how to adjust properly), along with special discounts on equipment purchases.

Hurry, class size is limited. For more information, call (248) 615-9060.

There will be a second camp the following week for more advanced bowlers who want to gain the competitive edge. This one is also three days, same format with space limited to 16 bowlers in each



Harrison

In addition, Sill and Mullen will also stage a separate an eight-week training camp for aspiring varsity high school bowlers. Bowlers meet one

hour per week. ■ The big moving day has been put on hold for now.

The planned sale of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association/Detroit Women's Bowling Association headquarters building has been canceled due to some St. Clair Shores municipal restrictions.

There will be no move to Lathrup Village as planned for the first week in July. The location on Greater Mack will continue to be the headquarters offices for now with the move to Lathrup a viable option in the future.

■ The U.S. Bowling Congress has earned National Governing Body status by the U.S. Olympic Committee as a Pan American Sport Organization member.

The USBC is the newest national governing body in the U.S. Olympic Committee family. The approval ended a year-long process that began with USBC's submission last June for this recognition.

It is a major step in the right direction to eventually attain the rightful status for 10-pin bowling as a future Olympic medal event.

The USBC joins five other Pan American and 39 Olympic sport organizations as respective governing bodies for their sports.

National governing bodies are the determining bodies and arbiters for the rules and regulations for each of its respective sports. The governing bodies also determine who represents the U.S. in international competitions and are eligible for various funding from or through USOC.

Al Harrison is a Livonia resident and a director with the Greater Detroit Bowling Association, He can be reached at (248) 477-1839.

The Plymouth Whalers selected 15-year-old defenseman Nick Petrecki with their first pick (ninth overall) in the May 7 Ontario Hockey League Priority Draft.

The 6-foot-2, 190-pound Petrecki tallied seven goals and 12 assists in 45 games for the Capital District Selects College Development Juniors last sea-

Whalers' Director of Scouting Jim Debenham said Petrecki compared favorably to Ed Jovanovski, a one-time firstround draft pick of the Windsor Spitfires in 1993.

"He might be better," Debenham said. "He's not as tough as Jovanovski was, but he'll definitely lay the body on people and he's very, very strong offensively."

The big question is: Will



McGinnis



Neal

Petrecki play in the OHL, or go the U.S. college route?

"It's a big gamble on our part," said Plymouth president, general manager and coach Mike Vellucci. "He has said he's not going to report in the first year and will consider reporting the second year. He's the best player in the draft, no doubt about it."

The Whalers went for offense and grit with their secondround selection, picking (29th overall) Chris Terry from the



Collins

games.

With its next pick, Plymouth selected left wing Joe Gaynor from Stratford Jr. B in the second round, 37th overall. Gaynor scored three goals with 10 assists for 13 points and 49 penalty minutes in 44

Markham

Islanders minor

midgets. Terry

scored 47 goals

with 57 assists

in 68 games for

the Islanders in

2004-05.

The Whalers took center Chad Beal with their thirdround pick (49th overall) from the Wexford Raiders minor midgets. Beal scored 23 goals with 35 assists, and 172 penalty minutes in 49 games last sea-

Plymouth selected local goaltender Jeremy Smith with its fourth-round pick (64th overall). Smith posted a 2.44 goals against average and three shutouts in 39 games last season for the Belle Tire minor midgets.

Late in the draft, the Whalers took center Trevor Nill (14th round, 269th overall) from the Detroit Compuware 89's. Nill is the son of Detroit Red Wings assistant general manager Jim

Plymouth fans will get a chance to see many of the newest Whalers at the team's 2005 Rookie Camp, which is set for May 21-22 at the Compuware Sports Arena. The public is invited to attend scrimmages at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 21, and 9 a.m., Sunday, May 22.

# Rams sweep Blackwolf with 3-0 victory

Dan Dobberowsky limited Blackwolf to just two hits over six innings Wednesday night while leading the Michigan Rams to a 3-0 victory in a Livonia Collegiate Baseball league contest played at Ford

The victory improved the

Rams' record to 17-8 while Blackwolf slipped to 6-17.

Dobberowsky faced just 23 batters, striking out eight while walking just one. Ben Darga earned the save by pitching a nearly perfect ninth (he walked one batter).

The Rams scored one run in

the first before tacking on a pair of insurance markers in the fifth.

Scott Cain and Nate Recknagel both contributed a pair of hits and one RBI a piece for the winners. Matt Nickels, Max Miller, Sam Palace and Kyle Fedorka also

played key roles in the Rams' eight-hit attack. Evan Rodriguez didn't get a hit, but he walked twice and scored a

Brant West suffered the loss for Blackwolf, despite striking out eight while yielding just seven hits.

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#### JOHN GLENN GOLF OUTING

This much is the same: Westland John Glenn High's football program will stage a benefit golf outing and pig roast on Saturday, July 23.

But Rockets varsity football coach Todd DeLuca said there is a new location for the pig roast. It will be 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at John Glenn, located at 36105 Marquette (between Newburgh-Wayne roads). Cost for the pig roast is \$10 (adults), \$5 (children under-12) or \$25 (family of four).

The roast originally was slated for the Wayne-Ford Civic League.

As for the golf, it will begin with an 8 a.m. shotgun start at Fellows Creek Golf Course, located at 2936 Lotz Road, Canton.

There is an \$85 fee for those competing in the golf outing, which includes 18 holes, cart and the pig roast.

For more information, call DeLuca at (734) 419-2329 or JV coach Dan Massey at (734) 674-8242.

#### **OPEN SOCCER AT RU**

High school-age youngsters who reside in Redford Township are invited to attend an Open Soccer camp at Redford Union High School.

The camp, which is free of charge, runs 5-6:30 p.m. from Tuesday, July 19 through Friday, July 29. Boys and girls going into grades 9-12 are welcome to attend, said camp director Ed Mullins.

RU is located at 17711 Kinloch, west of Beech Daly between Six-Seven Mile roads. Call (313) 594-6771 for more information.

#### **ALUMNI HOOPS AT GC**

The Garden City High School Girls Basketball Alumni is planning a game for 7 p.m. Thursday, July 28, at the high school.

Lady Cougar alumni who are interested in participating should call (734) 635-2388 or (734)306-8763.

#### **SALEM TENNIS**

The Salem girls tennis team will be holding conditioning/practice Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. throughout the summer. The workouts will be held at the Salem High School tennis courts, located just west of the high school.

Interested players are encouraged to bring their own water to the courts.

The team's regular-season tennis camp begins Monday, Aug. 15 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Huron Valley Tennis Club. To register, call (734) 662-5514. The cost of the fiveday session is \$125.

#### **JEFF SUSPECK**

#### **BASKETBALL CAMP**

The 11th Annual Jeff Suspeck Memorial Basketball Camp will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 23, at Schoolcraft College, at 18600 Haggerty in Livonia.

All children between the ages of 9 and 14 years old are invited to attend this one-day camp for free. The camp is sponsored by the Jeff Suspeck Foundation, which was founded in memory of Jeff Suspeck, who passed away in 1994. Suspeck's family formed the foundation to provide opportunities for underprivileged youth, but all children are welcome to attend.

Glen Donahue and Joe Charnley run the camp along with other volunteer players and coaches who knew Suspeck.

To obtain registration material, call (248) 478-0662 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.; or e-mail jsuspeckcamp@hotmail.com.

Lunch will be provided courtesy of White Castle Systems

#### **GOLF OUTING**

The Plymouth Wildcat Football Boosters will be holding a golf outing beginning at 1 p.m. on July 30 at Hickory Creek Golf Course. The fee for the outing is \$100, which pays for 18 holes of golf with a cart, a gift and a steak dinner.

If you would like to participate, but do not golf, the price for dinner alone is \$25.

If you are interested in playing golf, sponsoring a hole or donating a gift to the raffle, contact James or Karel Fox at jktfox@comcast.net.

#### **CHARITY SCRAMBLE**

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training golf scramble will be held Saturday, Aug. 6, at Hickory Creek Golf

Course, which is located on 3625 Napier Rd. in Superior Township.

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Proceeds from the event. which will begin with an 8 a.m. shotgun start, will go toward the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and to improve the quality of life of the patients and their

families. For the \$100 entry fee, golfers will receive 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch at the turn, dinner following the round, awards and opportuni-

ties to win prizes in a silent auction and raffle.

Companies that would like to sponsor a hole for \$100 will receive a sign at one of the holes that includes their logo and company name. For additional information, contact Janell S.

Feiler at (734) 748-3893. The entry deadline is Wednesday, July 20.

#### **HVS DAY LEAGUES**

Canton's High Velocity Sports will be offering daytime sports leagues for third- and afternoon-shift workers beginning Sept. 6. Among the sports available will be flag football, hockey (roller and floor) and dodge ball. The team fee is \$500 for an eight-game schedule.

Individuals without a team will be placed on house teams. The fee for individuals is \$65.

The leagues will run from Sept. 6-Oct. 31. Teams may make scheduling requests, including days of the week and times, but requests are not guaranteed. The deadline for registration is Aug. 31.

"We've been toying with the idea of daytime leagues for some time now," said Bryan "Goose" Finnerty, leading

owner of HVS. "It just makes sense since the building isn't being used to capacity during the day and so many people work third and afternoon shifts. We are excited to see the leagues take off."

To register a team or for more information, call (734) HV-SPORT or visit www.hvsports.com.

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Compuware Sports Arena and the Plymouth Whalers will be offering a series of hockey schools this summer.

Among the offerings will be a

power-skating school July 18-22; a checking school July 18-22; a mite school July 25-29; an all-day hockey school Aug. 1-5 and a beginner hockey

skills/mini-mitc school Aug. 8-Each session is limited to 32 players and the instructor-to-

player ratio for each one is 8:1. Instructors include Whalers Assistant General Manager and Associate Coach Todd Watson, along with various players and

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# New housing concept gaining in popularity

There is a new kind of neighborhood in the process of being built in the Ann Arbor area. Actually, it's a new oldfashioned kind of neighborhood.

A place where folks of all ages do know each other, help each other out, and work together to keep it a place where seniors can give their best, children thrive, and adults in between are able to get the relief from social isolation and scheduling each social appointment well in advance.

Cohousing is on the edge of a "movement" to help people live happier, more connected lives.

Lora Rosenbaum-Lovill and Joe Lovill, like many couples raising young children, felt pulled in all directions, frequently strapped for time and resources. While Lora was busy running the Bikram Yoga Center in Ann Arbor, Joe was working as a manager out in Sterling Heights. Their two children, twins Margot and Julius, were growing up fast, and their parents wondered out loud if there was a way they could slow it all down, or at least make things more manageable.

The couple had the desire to live in a community that was reminiscent of an old-fashioned neighborhood. Then they heard about Touchstone cohousing in Ann Arbor. They are now part of a nationally recognized trio of such communities. Each of them chose to become part of this new community for all of the opportunities offered not only by Touchstone, but also those of the interactions with the neighbors in the adjacent cohousing communities.

Touchstone owners are offered many options and creative choices. Maintaining common property in more creative ways than a typical condo development, finding ways to keep the environment safe for everyone through the use of non-toxic pesticides and herbicides, each homeowner can landscape their own front and back yard- so the results are beautiful, varied landscapes which add to the visual appeal of Touchstone.

A new offering at Touchstone is the "Healthier House Program". Options which make the homes much healthier are: using non-toxic paints and adhesives, certain types of plywood, using sealers to block the normal out-



The Great Oaks Common House shares a similar style to the one being developed at the adjacent Touchstone cohousing community near Ann Arbor.

gassing of building materials, using bamboo and other non toxic flooring materials, along with higher tech heating and air conditioning systems.

The homes are also energy star rated. Sunward, opened in 1998, was the first established of the three phases that make up the cohousing community on Little Lake Road in Scio Township. Walking through this cozy enclave of townhouse-style condominiums, you will be struck with the natural setting — there's a wildflower prairie and a nature preserve, which includes two ponds.

One of the most unique features of

cohousing is the Common House — a large building that offers a huge kitchen and dining space, where residents have the option of sharing a dinner meal up to four or five times per week. There are also guest rooms for overnight visitors, exercise equipment, children's play areas, a game room for recreation, and a sitting room to read and relax, offices for rent by the co-owners, a media room, and meeting rooms.

Nick Meima is a resident of Sunward and also part of the Cohousing Development Company (CDC). He helped create both Sunward and Great

Oak cohousing communities. Meima is an active supporter of the cohousing lifestyle and embraces it with a passion. His enthusiasm is apparent as he reflects on the cohousing phenomenon that he says speaks to the fundamental need for community connection that is being recognized by a growing number of people.

"Touchstone is a place where everyone knows your name," say Meima. "It may be the senior who wants to relate to kids and not just other seniors. A place where children who can play safely without concern for the traffic.

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call on a neighbor to baby-sit. Or the single adult who doesn't have to schedule her social calendar weeks in advance.

And the cohousing phenomenon in the United States is increasing in momentum, attracting more people who are seeking this same sense of community. In the United States there are now roughly 100 cohousing communities, with more than double that in the planning and construction phases. Currently in Michigan, there are cohousing projects in Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, and Detroit in various stages of planning and design.

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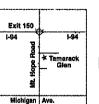


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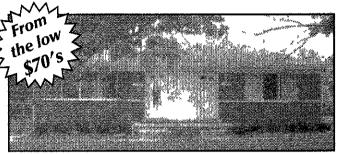
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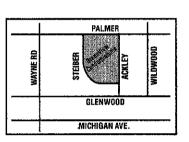
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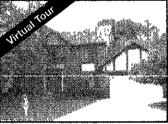
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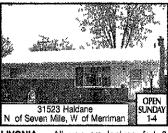
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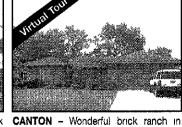


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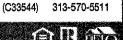
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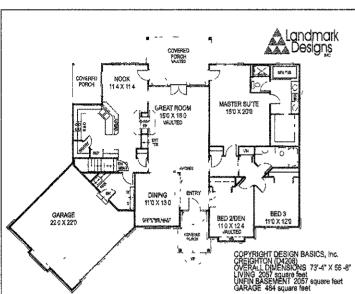
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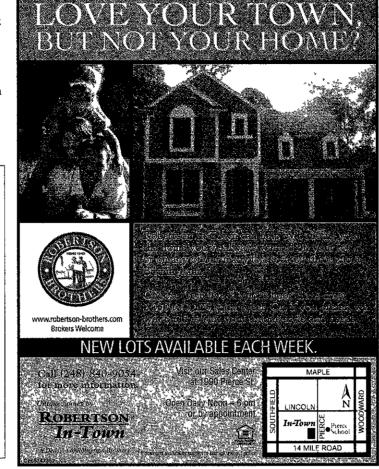
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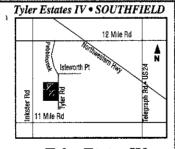
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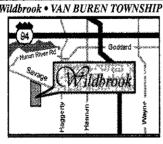
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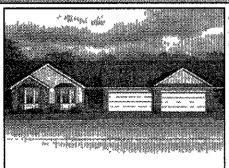
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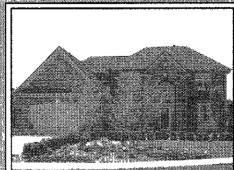


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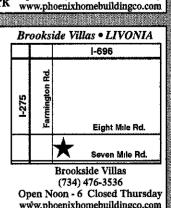
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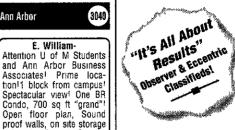
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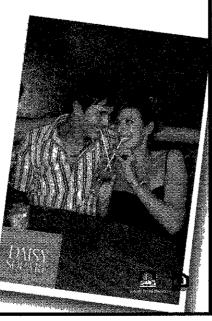
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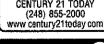
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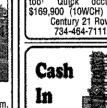
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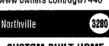
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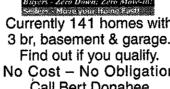
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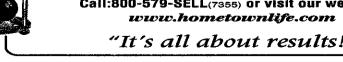
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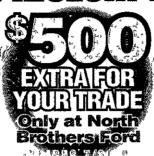
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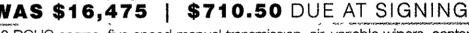






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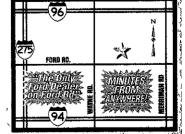
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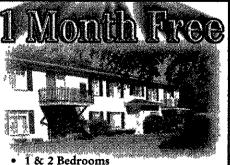


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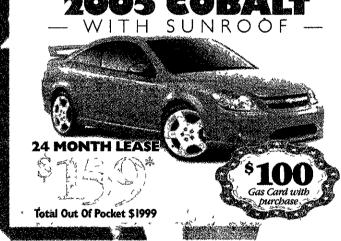
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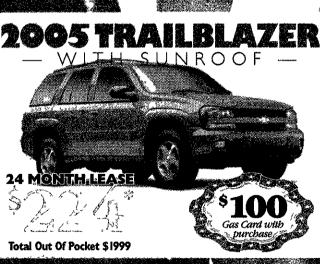
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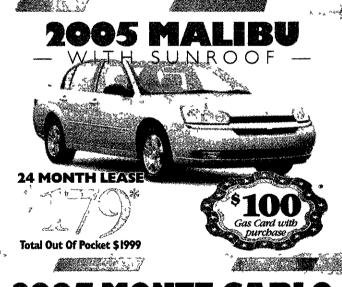
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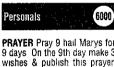
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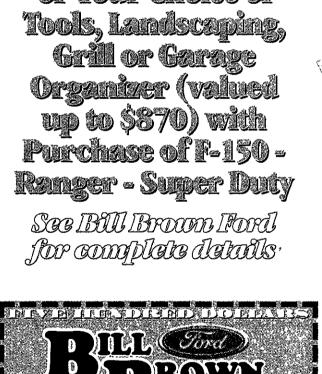
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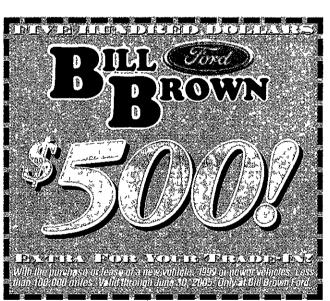
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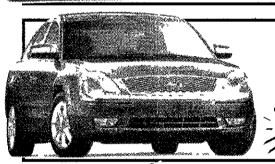
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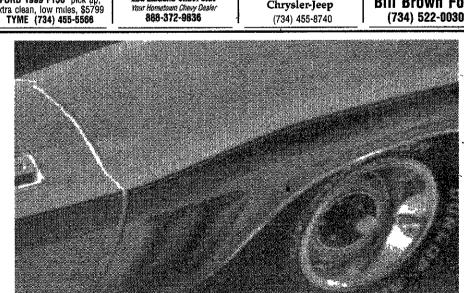
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The most striking feature on the 2005 Toyota Tundra is its wonderfully smooth ride and handling characteristics. I'd beg to say that it doesn't even feel like a truck if your eyes were closed.

No bumpiness, no harshness, no bouncing, nothing. Nothing.

It feels more like a high-end luxury passenger vehicle than a truck.

Driven this week was the Double Cab Limited with four-wheel-drive. It was also in the most stunning shade of blue you could imagine -called spectra blue mica quartz. It's a breathtaking color.

Built at the Toyota plant in Princeton, Ind., the Tundra is loaded with features that you generally only find in the high-end trucks. Let's start with the safety features first.

There's a four-wheel anti-lock brake system, driver and front passenger dual stage airbags that can sense when someone is in the front passenger seat or not (that means it won't deploy if someone's not there), three point seat belts in all seating positions, tire pressure monitoring system, side-impact door beams, top tether anchors in all rear seat positions and rear doors that swing open very wide to get your passengers out without a hassle. That would come in extremely handy when transporting small

This year, Toyota has increased power and performance of the Tundra. The initial offering gives you a 4.0-liter V6 engine, but I would opt for the powerful 4.7-liter V8. The V6 will produce 245 horsepower, which isn't by any means

shabby, but the V8 gives you 282 horses to play with.

In all, the V6 replaces the 3.4liter from last year's model, and the new V\* replaces a V8 that got only 240 horsepower. That extra power means better ride, handling and towing characteristics than last year's model. And that's important in the full-size truck market.

Also both engines will run on regular-grade gasoline and the V8 is ULEV-certified. Mileage on the Tundra driven, with all its extras, was a respectable 15 mpg in the city and 18 mpg on the highway. For a full-size truck of this size, that's great mileage. The V8 is also treated to a new five-speed automatic transmission this year, which

replaces the four-speed automatic of last year. On the V6, a new six-speed manual replaces the five-speed manual and a five-speed automatic is optional.

Toyota listens to market trends and acts on it. Someone wanting a V8 work truck might choose the new 4x2 regular cab model that features a bench seat, color-keyed grille, chrome bumpers and an AM/FM/CD system. Also available is a V8 4x4 model, SR5, Access Cab and the Double Cab driven this week.

On the outside, beautiful styling and its rugged look is enhanced by new headlights and taillights. That rugged look is a more solid stance on the road. At 230.1 inches long, the Double Cab is four inches longer than Ford's F150 Super Crew. It also has three moré inches of height and four more inches of width when compared to other Tundra models. It is a substantial truck.

The Tundra can tow 7,100 pounds with the V8and the towing package added. The package comes complete with a Class IV tow hitch, seven-pin connector with converter, a 130-amp alternator and a supplemental transmission oil cooler. Ground clearance ranges from 10.4 inches to 12.3 inches depending on the model cho-

Also on the outside, you'll notice color-keyed grill, bumpers, mirrors, door handles and over fenders. It completes the clean look. Fog lamps



Vehicle: 2005 Toyota Tundra Vehicle Type: Full-size truck. Power: 4.7 liter V8. Mileage: 15-18 mpg city, 18-21 mpg highway. Where built: Princeton, Ind. Price as tested: \$38,181.

enhance the front and there are front and rear  $\frac{\text{hdden}}{\text{nso}}$ mudguards. The truck bed is outfitted with a double wall cargo bed with tie-down hooks, rail caps and a locking tailgate.

On the inside the instrumentation has been completely revised, lending itself to a clean, easy-to-use and understand inside. Optional leather seating and trim makes the Tundra luxurious and the front captain's chairs are comfy, next comfy, comfy. The center console has two cupholders and the rear seats split 80/40 and have headrests. There's a power vertical sliding M rear window with a defroster, power windows, fiscal door locks and mirrors, cruise control, tilt steering wheel and anti-theft system with keyless entry.

Options are many and you can trick out your Tundra with a host of aftermarket products from your local Toyota dealer.

The options on the Tundra Double Cab driven include heavy duty battery, starter and heater, heated outside mirrors, limited slip differential. leather package, AM/FM/CD/Cassette with eight speakers, heated seats, overhead console with compass and HomeLink, color-keyed running boards, power tilt and slide moon roof, car487 peted floor mats and the bedliner.

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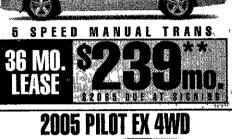
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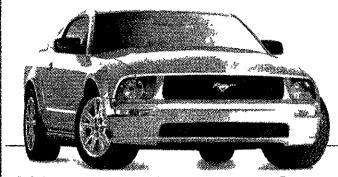
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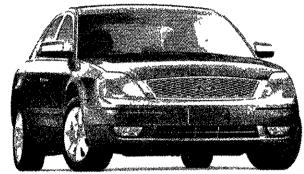
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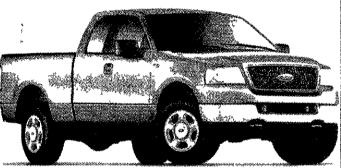
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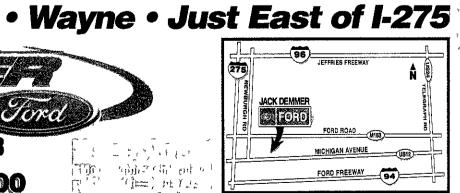


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Poverty is everywhere in Haiti.

# Haiti mission teaches lessons

ast month, I described the difficulties we encountered when our medical mission team, Haiti Outreach Mission, spent a week in Haiti. If you have followed the news, you know that in the last month, visitors have been asked to leave the island because of political unrest. We considered it fortunate to be able to get into the country when we did, but it wasn't without caution as we circumscribed our way to the town of Mirebalais. But as I described last month, this isn't a trip for comfort-seekers.

Our caravan of vans took perilous roads to get there, and we never quite knew who might be friend or foe. Though Mirebalais had no visible store fronts or sidewalks, there appeared to be a once-lovely city park directly across from the rectory, our final destination. It was evident that there had been better times in Haiti, when cruise ships used to dock there for the day and stores were booming with tourists. But now everything was rundown and in disrepair. Many in our entourage would spend the week at one of two rectories while others would be in a small hotel nearby. The lush tropical foliage was candy to the eye, while the everpresent fumes from plastic burning in the garbage pits were nauseating. No more complaints from me about automobile exhaust on Michigan highways.

Our week was spent working in a medical clinic, refurbished by past mission construc-tion teams and Haitians. For safety the clinic was surrounded by a tall cement wall with large metal gates at the front. Our fearless leader served as unofficial bouncer and guard as the townspeople stormed the compound trying to get first in line to see one of our seven doctors (both Haitian and American) and dentist.

Our ophthalmologist spent the week in nother town at the Paul Farmer Hospital performing cataract procedures. Driving into the clinic each day while the hoards of people surrounded the vans was on the one hand heartwarming, but disquieting. But as I reflected on the fact that we serviced over 950 people that week, there was great pride and admiration for our team's altruism.

Other team members were summoned to the schools to provide fluoride treatments, administer pills for parasites as well as give a lesson in tooth brushing to over 1,600 children. The students, decked out in colorcoded uniforms were enthusiastic participants, anxious for a new toothbrush, toothpaste, pencil and homemade bracelet - the little things in life.

Their shoes spoke volumes about the eco-

nomic status of their family. Some had the latest sneakers, while others had on non-fitting, non-matching shoes. All the kids stared curiously at us (especially those of us with white skin) and looked for cues in our demeanor that would suggest we were friendly. Teachers and principals dealt out discipline with sharp words and occasional tugs on the arm ... much discomfort for those who disobeyed.

Scores of school children and town leaders helped us dedicate a beautiful orphanage and bakery during the week, built with the financial support of our very own St. Blase Catholic Church in Sterling Heights, St. Gerard's in Detroit, St. David's of Southfield, Holy Cross in Novi, Our Lady of Victory in Northville and New Prospect Baptist Church of Detroit. It's projected that when the orphanage opens, all 100 beds will be filled immediately.

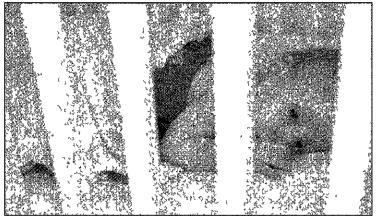
Well, enough of this saga - I admit that my comfort level was challenged but the trip provided me with an opportunity to step outside my comfort zone long enough to realize two important facts: First, people can be reasonably happy without a lot of "things." Second, when we leave the cocoon of the United States, it's blatantly clear that we have more than enough and as Americans, it is our obligation to help the needier countries in the world. It's too bad we can't expect our teenagers to take a year off between high school and college to do community service work in our inner cities or abroad. It would help them to appreciate the many comforts they too, take for grant-

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Jacque Martin-Downs counsels children, adolescents, adults and families. She can be reached at (800) 940-3808.

# Happy birthday,

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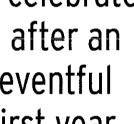
Emma takes a peek outside her crib as she finds her thumb and snuggles in for



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Jennifer Buatti spends a little face time with her daughter Emma, while Connor, left, and Drew, middle, play.





BY M.B. DILLON CORRESPONDENT

ig Bird, Bert, Elmo and even Oscar the Grouch would have to agree that the Sesame Street first birthday party set for July 23 at the Livonia home of Emma, Connor and Drew Buatti will be a huge deal.

The triplets - born 12 weeks prematurely on July 25, 2004, to Jennifer and Darren Buatti — had a rough start in life. At birth, Emma Grace and Connor Edward both weighed 2 pounds, 1 ounce. Drew Robert weighed 1 pound, 14 ounces. "At the beginning, we were praying every night they would make it through to the next night," Darren said.

For the 50 family members and friends on Saturday's guest list, there'll be plenty



Jennifer Buatti rocks Drew while Emma and Connor lie in their cribs.

Drew Buatti smiles as he and

his siblings get some play time at home.

to reminisce about and celebrate. Because of health problems Jennifer experienced, the Buattis thought they might never have children. Jennifer underwent successful fertility treatments. But early in her pregnancy, the couple was told Drew wasn't thriving and probably wouldn't make it.

Jennifer lost so much blood in childbirth she needed a transfusion.

"I was so sick I only saw the babies briefly when they wheeled them past me, and I didn't see them that night," she said. Shortly after birth, Emma's lungs began bleeding, and she was given a 50percent chance of survival. The Buattis say their Catholic faith helped them through the incredibly difficult times.

"For the first weeks and months, it was touch and go," Darren said. "As long as we got to the next day, we were happy.

The big push was to make it to three pounds. As soon as they got to three, we'd say, 'Let's get to four pounds.' The

next hurdle was getting them off oxygen." Jennifer's mother, Livonia's Christine Meloche, remembers "the babies' hands were as big as the tip of your finger." It gladdens her heart to see her grandchildren growing, sleeping through the night and eating their softened sweet potatoes and, reluctantly, green beans.

Jennifer's grandmother, Grace Hannon of Westland — fondly known as "G3" for great-grandma Grace — said, "It's just great. I'm so proud, I want to tell every-

After 111/2 weeks, all three babies had been released from Providence Hospital's intensive care unit. By Christmas, all

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# Walk is a chance to 'do something important'

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Stephanie Leiting of Plymouth saw the statistics, did the math and decided pretty quickly she'd take part in the Michigan Breast Cancer 3-Day benefiting the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund.

Leiting, recently graduated from Canton High School, saw the research that she said show one in seven women will have breast cancer at some point in their lives. Then came the math: Leiting, her sister, and her five closest friends make seven.

"The thought that one of us could get it really stuck with me," said Leiting, who joined one of her closest friends, and the friend's mother, in the three-day walk this weekend.

Leiting walked in honor of her grandmother, Mary Griffin, a breast cancer survivor. She joined thousands of others who walked 60 miles during three days to raise breast cancer awareness and to raise money for critical research and community outreach programs.

Leiting remembers a couple of years ago, when the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park campus was used as a campground one night for walkers. That's when the idea of walking first came about, and her grandmother's survival was also a key ingredient.

"My grandma liked the idea I was doing it," Leiting said. "I think she was touched." Leiting, the daughter of Dale and Rebecca Leiting of Plymouth, isn't the only member of Team Pechanga - the team is named after a dance performed in Leiting's favorite

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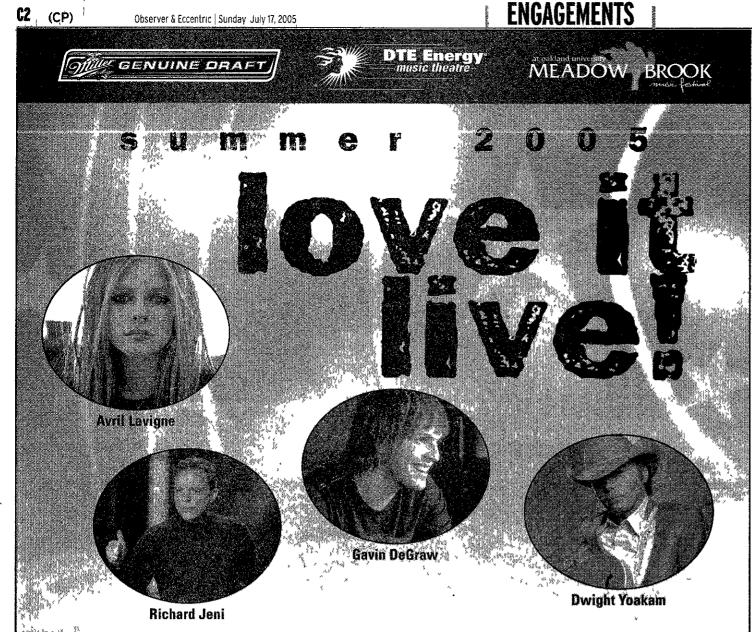


Stephanie Leiting (left), Phyllis Holmes and Katherine Wood made up Team Pechanga and walked some 60 miles in the Michigan Breast Cancer 3-Day benefitting the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund.

Adams-Brace Jim and Connie

Amy is a graduate of Parkway South High School in Manchester, Mo. and Central Michigan University with a BAA degree. She is employed at The Diederich Agency in Novi. Amy's grandparents are

Adams of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Beth, to Michael Douglas



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Michael and Amy are planning an August wedding in Kellogg Park, Plymouth.



**Hughes-Mitchell** Timothy

Hughes and Sharon Bommarito of Lansing announce the engagement of their daughter, **Emily Erin** Hughes, to Gregory Allan Mitchell of Plymouth.

Emily is a graduate of Lansing Eastern High School, The University of Michigan and University of Illinois College of Law in May 2005. Her fiancé.

Gregory, is the son of Stephen and Barbara Mitchell of Plymouth. He is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, The University of Michigan and University of Illinois College in May 2005.

Gregory and Emily are planning an August wedding at Portage Point Inn in Onekama, Mich.

#### Kaufman-Copenhaver

Gary and Becky Copenhaver of Canton announce the engagement of their son, Andrew, to Kristin Kaufman of Marysville, Michigan.

Kristin is the daughter of Brian and Lou Anne Kaufman of Marysville. She is a graduate of Western Michigan University and is employed at Owens Community



College in Ohio as a communications coordinator. Her fiancé, Andrew, is a 1999 graduate of Canton High School and a 2003 graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed as a media coordinator for Fruchtman Marketing in Maumee.

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My data came from the Centers for Disease Control. The latest government data indicate that 48 percent of high school boys have had sexual intercourse while 45 percent of high school girls have had intercourse. The rate of pregnancy has decreased in recent years, but 900,000 teens get pregnant each year.

Now the American Academy of Pediatrics indicates that teens need access to birth control and emergency contraception, not the abstinence-only approach to sex education such as we have in Michigan.

Teaching abstinence but not birth control makes it more likely that once teenagers initiate sexual activity they will have unsafe sex and contract sexually transmitted diseases, said Dr. S. Paige Hertweck, a pediatric obstetrician-gynecologist at the University of Louisville who provided advice for the report.

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weeks at the Gem Theatre in

"Escanaba." His current project is "Take Me Out" at the Performance Network in Ann

Michelle Held has been acting professionally for eight years and teaching for five. She has worked with Jeff Daniels' Purple Rose Theatre, Planet Ant, JET,

Matrix, Performance Network,

and the Gem Theatre. Her most

recent projects include playing

Eva in "And Then They Came

For Me..." at Meadow Brook

Theatre and Louise in Steve

Martin's "The Underpants" at

CATCO in Columbus, Ohio. One

of her favorite roles was Puck in

"A Midsummer Night's Dream"

Company. Film credits include

with Water Works Theatre

Super Sucker and Chasing

Arbor which runs July 21 to

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Teens in 2005

Alice McCarthy

statement that "abstinence counseling is an important role for all pediatricians." The new policy says that while doctors should encourage adolescents to postpone sexual activity, they also should help ensure that all teens - not just those who are sexually active - have access to birth control, including emergency contraception.

Wade Horn, assistant secretary for children and families at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, said counseling only abstinence, preferably until marriage, is the best approach because it sends a clear, consistent message.

Teenagers who are sexually active should have access to contraception, but making birth control available to teens who aren't sends a contradictory message, he said.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends emergency contraception, sometimes called the morning-after pill, which blocks ovulation or fertilization and can prevent

pregnancy for up to three days after sex. Opponents consider it a form of abortion because it is thought to also help prevent fertilized eggs from implanting in the womb, and some phar-

macists have refused to sell it. I said the following in **Healthy Teens:** 

"Obviously, your stance on abstinence is a personal one. No one wants to put his or her child at risk to life-threatening situations. Most people, however, still struggle with finding appropriate behaviors that allow teens to express intimacy, caring, and love. It is this gray area that adults and teens need to explore together - on one hand, saying absolutely 'no' to certain behaviors while, on the other had, having normal feelings of caring and sharing.

"Your teen wants to hear from you on how to grow and develop into an adult. Abstinence is an adult issue, and like many adult issues, it takes strength, caring, compassion, and discipline often in equal measure and at nearly the same time. Working with your teen on abstinence and other adult issues is a powerful gift to give your teen.'

I believe a series of frank discussions about family values and mutual goals for your teen is smart and compassionate.

Right now, I know of two unplanned pregnancies in unmarried teens. I believe all teens should have knowledge of birth control.

This information comes from InteliHealth, which features Harvard Medical Schools Consumer Health Information. The full report appears in the July 2005 issue of Pediatrics.

If you missed previous columns, you can access them

www.hometownlife.com/Livon ia/News.asp. Type "Alice R. McCarthy" under "Keyword Search" for a list of her most recent columns. Columns, written weekly, remain only a short time on this site. Last week's column was "Help Your Adolescent Lose Weight By Setting a Good Example." All of her columns for the Observer Eccentric Newspapers are on www.bridge-comm.com.

Alice R. McCarthy, Ph D, the mother of five professionals, is a national consultant in the areas of parent involvement in schools, curriculum writing in health, and health publications. She is the author of a widely used text and parenting book Healthy Teens. Facing the Challenges of Young Lives. Write to her in care of the Observer/Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, Ml, 48150.

# **LIBRARY PICKS**

Every week, the Plymouth District Library staff provides the Observer with their list of Best Sellers based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons. The books are available by placing a request with the library at (734) 453-0750 or on-line at www.plymouthlibrary org

#### **FICTION**

1. "Eleven on Top," Janet

Evanovich 2. "The Historian," Elizabeth

3. "Miracle," Danielle Steel 4. "Mermaid Chair," Sue Monk Kidd

5. "True Believer," Nicholas Sparks

## NON-FICTION

1. "1776," David McCullough

2. "The World is Flat," Thomas L. Friedman

3. "Freakonomics," Steven D. Levitt

4. "Blink," Michael Gladwell 5. "The Truth About Hillary," Edward Klein

# **PARENTS' CHOICE**

**NEW CHILDREN'S PICTURE** BOOKS

1. "Good Night Alfie Atkins," Gunilla Bergstrom

2. "McDuff's Wild Romp," Rosemary Wells

3. "The Three Silly Billies," Margie Palatini 4. "I See a Kookaburral," Steve

5. "Hula Lullaby," Erin Kono

# **NEW VOICES**

Jim and Lori Petersen of Canton announce the birth of their son, **Zachary Nathaniel** Petersen, on May 19, 2005, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. Zachary joins big sis-

ter, Allison, 20 months. His grandparents are Dan and Paula Petersen of Livonia, and Ken Pograch of Commerce.

Zachary's great-grandparents are Hartley and Marie Trygg of Inkster, Mary Pograch of Commerce, and Dorothy Hamilton of Washington Township.



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- 6 p.m., July 26 Providence Hospital 16001 W. 9 Mile Rd. Southfield
- Noon, July 30 Plymouth District Library 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth

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# Zonta Club holds annual picnic and membership drive

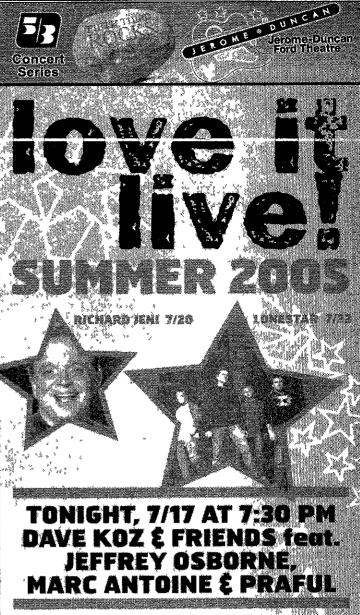
Zonta Club of Northwest Wayne County, a chapter of Zonta International, holds their annual picnic combined with a membership drive 6-7:30 p.m. Monday, July 27, at Greenmead Historical Village on Newburgh, south of Eight Mile, Livonia.

Zonta supports several organizations including Greenmead, the Wayne County Shelter, Focus on Women at Henry Ford Community College, and the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College. To find out more, call Pat Harris at (734) 429-2923.

A picnic lunch will be served.

Additional information sessions are scheduled in July and August. To learn more about the American Stroke Association's Train To End Stroke Program, visit strokeassociation.org, call 248-827-4214 or e-mail ryan.davis@heart.org





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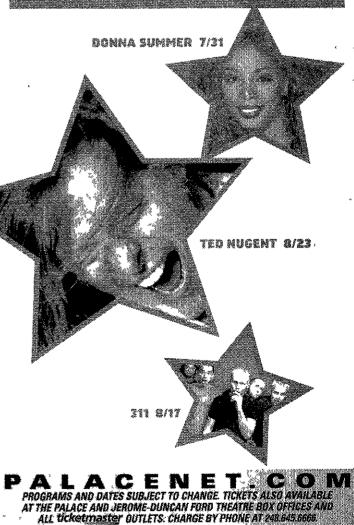
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#### Crafters needed

Crafters needed for the 19th-annual Delta Kappa Gamma-West Middle School juried show Saturday, Oct. 15. The show will run from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at West Middle School, 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. Call Jan at 734-844-1707 or e-mail to theways@comcast net

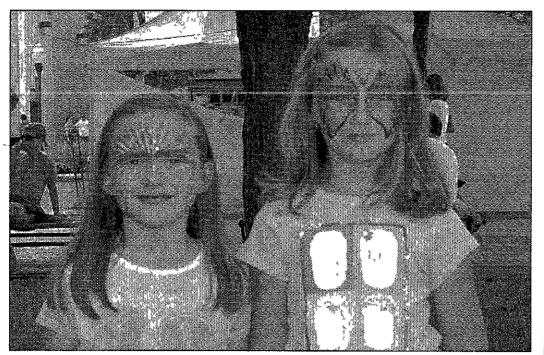
Hospice training Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and western Wayne counties. Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running, grief support and clerical services. Volunteer training begins Aug. 16. Contact Ann Christensen, volunteer coordinator, for more information on winter training classes at (888) 973-1145.

#### Yacht cruise

Set sail aboard the 138-foot Ovation yacht for a private afternoon cruise and help support Madonna University students. The Presidential Ovation Yacht Cruise is on Sunday, Aug. 7, from 4-7 p.m. and features "Illusions" by magician Steve Douglas and wine tasting. The event is sponsored by Joseph Primo, a long-time benefactor and a member of the Madonna University DeSales Lifetime Giving Society. Boarding time is 3:30 p.m. at the Jefferson Beach Marina on the Nautical Mile located in St. Clair Shores. Cost per person is \$150. Proceeds benefit the Madonna University scholarship fund and educational projects. Tickets must be purchased by Friday, July 15. Online registration is available at www.madonna.edu or by calling Rose Kachnowski at (734) 432-5421.

#### Jerusalem Marketplace

Come and experience Biblical times at St. Michael Lutheran Church in



# **Artsy facials**

Danielle Ernest, 6, of Livonia (left) and Alexandra Barry, 7, of Plymouth were among those who got their faces painted during last week's Plymouth Art in the Park festival. The work was done by Donna Nowak of Airbrush Tatoo. Nowak began producing commercial art back in 1979 when she was contracted to draw and paint murals in the hallways of southeastern Michigan middle schools. She makes appearances at arts and crafts fairs such as the Ann Arbor Art Fair, Pontiac Arts, Eats, & Beats, the Plymouth Art Show, Milford Memories, and Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

Canton, Jerusalem Marketplace offers a part of history with shops, Biblical games, becoming a student at the synagogue school, participate in family rituals in one of twelve tribes of Israel and more. This event is for children entering kindergarten through sixth grade. Jerusalem Marketplace runs from August 1-5. Meet at St. Michael Lutheran Church, which is located at 7000 Sheldon Road, each day from 6-8:30 p.m Suggested dona-

tion is \$10 per family and \$5 per person. There is a July 15 deadline to sign up. For more information call (734) 459-3333.

#### Pressure points

A local authority will appear at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia for a free workshop at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 20. The workshop will focus on teaching how to find and treat pressure points for headaches, back pain, sinuses, neck pain, carpal tunnel, PMS, low energy

and joint pain. To register, call (248) 426-0201 Seating is limited.

#### Madonna golf

Madonna University hosts its 10thannual Golden Classic Scholarship Golf Outing Friday, Sept 16 at the Links of Novi, 50395 Ten Mile Rd. The outing's schedule of events: 10 a m., a free Golf Clinic (featuring PGA Pros Bob Percey, Nick Kouba and Gary Whitener); 11:30 a m., Lunch; 12:15 p.m., Shotgun Start (best ball, scramble format); 5 p.m., Cocktail Hour with a Live Auction (featuring a vacation to the Providenciales Island in the Turks and Caicos Islands, British West Indies; fine jewelry; dinners; and more), 6:15 p.m., Dinner with Awards and a Silent Auction. The event offers a variety of prizes including three hole-in-one cars; trips; a Rolex watch, premium gift giveaways; and other awards Also, a scholarship raffle

drawing will have a cash prize of \$3,000, a seven-day Charlevoix vacation, a sapphire and diamond ring and an overnight stay in the Presidential Suite at Embassy Suites in Livonia. "Early Birdie" registration received before Aug 1 enters players into a drawing for golf for four at the Tournament Players Club (TPC) and golf at Wabeek Country Club. A foursome is \$700 and individual players are \$175. After Aug. 1, the cost for golf and dinner for a foursome is \$800; for individual players, golf and dinner is \$200. Dinner alone is \$50 per person. Sponsorship opportunities are available, ranging from \$150 to \$15,000. For more information, call Rose Kachnowski at (734) 432-5421. Claude Pepper awards The Senior Advisory Council for Blue

Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network has extended the nomination deadline for its 15th annual Claude Pepper Awards honoring outstanding senior citizen advocates to Saturday, July 30. The awards will be presented Sept. 9 to two individuals whose professional or volunteer efforts have made significant contributions to improving the lives of Michigan seniors, particularly those whose access to health care services may be hindered by physical, mental, financial or geographical limitations. Winners will receive a check for \$1,000 to be given to their respective nonprofit organizations. The Claude Pepper Award is named for the late U.S. senator from Florida, a lifelong activist for the nation's elderly. Nomination forms are available online at http://www.bcbsm.com/home/social\_mi ssion/community\_recognition\_awards.s html. Completed forms should be sent to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Claude Pepper Awards, Mail Code 0250, 600 E. Lafayette Bivd., Detroit, MI 48226. Envelopes must be postmarked by July

#### Golf outing

Project Compassion Ministries, Inc., a not-for-profit organization enriching the quality of life for Nursing Home Residents, holds its 18th-annual golf benefit Monday, Aug. 8, with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start at Fox Hills, 8768 N. Territorial in Plymouth. Registration fee for golf, cart & hot luncheon is \$125, with an early bird rate of \$115 for registrations received by July 8. Students may register for \$75 and luncheon only registration is \$30. There will be a putting contest and a silent auction of theater passes, golf packages, etc. PCM is also seeking hole sponsors (\$200), donations of gifts, funds and additional auction items for this event. For a brochure or for more information, call the Project Compassion Ministries' office at (313) 897-7470 or (800) 626-9622.

#### **Braveheart Center**

BraveHeart Grief Center announced its summer grief support groups for the Northville area. All support groups are open to all members in the community who have suffered the loss of someone close to them. Advance registration is encouraged although not required. The Adults Loss Support Group meets 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays through July 26 at the Braveheart Grief Center, 126 Main Centre in Northville. Call Jeri Craig or Sandy Van Koevering, (248) 449-8232 to register.

#### Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian-based bereavement outreach and resource center located in Northville. Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a parent, pet loss, and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year. All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is, please call our office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support, or visit www.newhopecenter.net.

#### CLUBS

#### Rotary A.M.

The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. New members are always welcome. Contact Tim Phillips, president, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., via e-mail at tim@phillipshq.com or call (734) 451-8267.

# RSQUESES Obituaries, Memorials, Remembrances

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#### **DAN ACOSTA**

Age 53, called home to the good Lord's loving arms. Loving son of Augie and Margie, brother of Michael (Mary Beth) of Cadillac, Joe (Nancy) of Farmington Hills, Marsha of Westland. Dear uncle of Tyson and Alex of Cadillac and Maria of Novi. Family and friends gathering to celebrate Dan's life Sunday, July 17, 2005; 2-8pm at Joe and Nancy's (734-261-7229 for information/ lirections) Funeral mass Monday, July, 18, 2005; 11 am at Christ the King Church, 20800 Grand River, Detroit (2 blocks east of Six Mile). n lieu of flowers, dona made to Gleaners Community Food Bank, 2131 Beaufait, Detroit, 48207; or charity of choice.

# ROWENA R. BASFORD

July 13, 2005 peacefully at home in Bloomfield Hills. Beloved wife of the late Frank C. for 62 years. Dear mother of Michael J. Basford (Janet), Kathleen Basford and the late Joseph A. Basford. Also survived by 15 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and great great granddaughter Emma Liegh. Funeral Mass was held Saturday at Holy Name Church, Birmingham. Memorial tributes to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207.

Arrangements by: A.J. Desmond & Sons 248-549-0500 View obituary and share memories at www.DesomndFuneralHome.com

# **BERNICE BRIDGES**

Age 84, died July 14th, 2005. Precious mother of Craig Bridges and Denise Henderson-Bills. Loving grandmother of Jennifer Henderson, Kim (Jason) Lee, Amanda Bills and proud great grandmother of Rylan Lee. Visitation Sunday 4-8pm and Monday 1-8pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia Instate uesday 10am until the services at 11am at St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, Burial Grandlawn Cemetery

# MARY J. DUNNING (NEE BOLICHOWSKI)

69 years. Passed away on July 14, 2005 at University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor. Predeceased by her husband Joe Dunning (1997) Loving mother of Mark and wife Catherine Dunning of Brighton, MI, John and wife Marla Dunning of Geneva, Il and dear grandmother to Stephen Lawrence. Survived by her neice Sharon Tiberia of Windsor, her nephews David Bolichowski of London and Philip Bolichowski of Windsor and her sister-in-law Shirley Wilton-Bolichowski. Mary was a Ray Technician who served at several hospitals in the Detroit area before retiring. Visitation will be held at the Anderson Funeral Home and Cremation Centre, 895 Ouellette Avenue, Windsor, Ontario(1-519-254-3223) on Sunday from 6-8 p.m. and Monday from 1-8 p.m. Visitation will resume on Tuesday, July 19, 2005 from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 11:00 a.m. in the Anderson Memorial Chapel, Rev. Murray McLeod officiating. Interment at Victoria Memorial Gardens. Memorial tributes to the American Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family. Condolences can be forwarded to



andersonflhome@alderwoods.com

#### RANDALL MILLER FOX

90, Retired Chrysler executive, passed away July 12 at his home in Rochester Hills, Michigan. He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years Marguerite, sons Randall G. (Barbara) of Oxford, Timothy A. (Patricia) of Grosse Pointe, daughters Kathryn Springs (Edward) of Troy, Carol Roche David) of Grand Blanc, brother Kenneth of Tawas City He also leaves a legacy of 13 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. He was a car guy having spent most of his working career in the automotive industry Among his many achievements in life ding member of two new Lutheran Churches and President of the Board of Education following the consolidation of two school districts wherein he oversaw the construction of a new high school which is still in use today. He was an avid and excellent golfer. His greatest pride, however, was his family to which he was totally devoted A memorial service will be held at 11:00 A.M., Tuesday, July 19, 2005 at Our Shepard Lutheran Church, 2225 E. 14 Mile Road, Birmingham, Michigan where he had been a member. The family will receive friends at 10.00 A M memorials may be sent to Lutheran Child & Family Services, P.O. Box 48, Bay City, Michigan 48707

# In Memory Of



IN LOVING MEMORY OF FRED H. FRIEDLI Oct. 31, 1924-July 20, 2004 Ever near in mind and heart. Maxine Friedli and Family

# BRUCE WALKER GROSS

Bruce W. Gross ("Boop"), 69, of Fort Myers, FL, longtime resident of Beverly Hills, MI, passed away on July 6, 2005 in Fort Myers. Bruce is survived by wife Carol Jane Gross of Fort Myers and sons James Kevin Gross and Daniel Bruce Gross of Oak Park. Born June 16, 1936 in Everett, Massachusetts; son of James Edward Gross (deceased) and Jean Zilpha Shattuck Gross (deceased); eldest brother of Sandra Jean Loeding Traverse City), Brenda Lee Lemieux deceased), and Peter James Gross (Fort Myers). He attended Horace Mann Elementary School in Everett, MA; he later moved to Birmingham and graduated from Birmingham Seaholm High School in 1954. After high school, Bruce served 4 proud years in the United States Navy. Upon returning, he attended Walsh College in Troy, MI. Hobbies includ-ed golf and fishing, and he was an active member of Northbrook Presbyterian Church in Beverly Hills for several years. Donations in Bruce's name can be made to the American Heart Association or the American Lung Association. A memorial service in celebration of Bruce's life will be held on August 27 2005 at 11am at Northbrook Presbyterian Church, 22055 West 14 Mile Road, Beverly Hills, MI 48025.

# JEAN FRANCES GEROU (ROGAN)

July 13, 2005, age 73. Beloved wife of the late Miles F. Gerou. Loving mother of Michael (Jane) Peggy, Thomas (Patty) and Laura (Gary) Carmickle. Dear sister of Joan Petersen and the late Peggy Brielmaier and Mary Jane Brown Proud grandmother of grandchildren. Memorial mass Saturday, July 23, 2005, 10 a.m., St Kenneth Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth, MI 48170. In lieu of flowers, it was Jean's wish that you share your blessings with someone less fortunate. Arrangements Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734

# DIERDRE C. LACINA

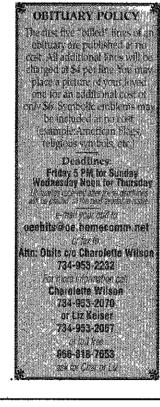
Died July 12, 2005. Beloved wife of Charles Loving mother of David and Linda. Visitation Sunday 5-9pm and Monday 2-4 & 6-9pm, with a rosary at 7pm on Sunday at McCabe Funeral Home, 31590 W. Twelve Mile Rd. in Farmington Hills. Funeral service Tuesday, Instate 9:30am, mass 10am from St. Clare of Assisi, 29200 W ten Mile Rd. in Farmington Hills.

For more information, please visit: www.lifestory.com

# HEATHER K. (ROSS) REICKERT

Age 57 of Bloomfield Hills, July 12 2005, at home after a long and brave fight against cancer. Adored wife and soulmate of Erick. Loving step-moth er of Craig (Eileen) Reickert and Laura (Lance) Lehmann, Beloved Nana to five grandchildren. Loved sister of Wendi (Shannon) Sellers. Also survived by many English family and friends worldwide. Memorial Service will be held at Kirl in the Hills church, Bloomfield Hills MI at 10:00 a.m. on July 28, 2005. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Josephine Ford Cancer Center at the Henry Ford Health System, Office of Philanthropy.





#### As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48170. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person, and a telephone number

# REUNIONS

# **Avondale**

CIBSS OF 1965 Avondale High School will have its 40year reunion on Sept. 10, 2005, at 6:30 pm aboard the Clinton Friendship Boat in Mt. Clemens. Cost is \$55/person. Dinner, dancing and a 4-hour cruise. For more information contact (248) 334-7021 or email mikeardelean@msn.com.

#### **Bentley High School** Class of 1955

A 50-year reunion is planned for 6 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 8, 2005, at the Italian American Banquet Center, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia, Contact Susan (Wilson) Gibson (727) 480-5561, George Calder: georgecalder@comcast.net, Barbara Tresh Coscarelly: coscarb@mailresa.net, Gay (Schaffer) Swallow (248) 349-2985, or Kathleen (Whyatt) Lawson (248) 344-9570.

#### **Berkley High School** Class of 1965

A 40-year reunion will be Sept. 17, 2005. at the Berkley American Legion Hall For more information, contact Sharon (Reemsnyder) Reich (248) 557-3182 or sayreich@aol.com

#### **Birmingham High School** Class of 1955

A 50-year reunion will be Sept 22-23, 2005, at the Radisson Kingsley Inn. Bloomfield Hills Contact Nancy Yarnell Schutte at (248) 646-0235 or nys1937@comcast.net.

#### **Bishop Borgess** Class of 1985

A 20-year reunion is planned for Friday, Nov. 25, 2005, at the Novi Sheraton. For details contact Dean Lundberg at (734) 718-2720 or dlundberg@comcast.net

# **Central High School**

Class of 1946 A 60-year reunion will be June 4, 2006, at Glen Oaks Country Club, Both January and June classmates will celebrate over dinner, dancing and shared memories. January grads contact Al Weiss (248) 737-9313 or Esther Bornstein (248) 851-5525. June grads contact Barbara Keidan (248) 646-7199 of Saul Saulson (248) 932-5177.

# **Crestwood High School**

Class of 1975 A 30-year reunion is planned for July 9. 2005. Contact Sandychs75@aol.com or call (248) 551-6978.

# Cherry Hill High School

All Classes July 30-31 at Cherry Hill High School, at the football field behind the school. Pre-registration \$15/person. At the gate \$20/person. Mail pre-registration (checks payable to CHHS Alumni Association) with your name, year of

#### **CLASS REUNIONS** graduation and a self-addressed,

stamped envelope to: Debbie Trover-Stone, 1412 W River Park Dr., Inkster, MI 48141. dball824@aol.com.

#### Clarenceville Classes 1944-1957

The Clarenceville Gala Reunion No. 4 will be 6 ptm on Oct 1, 2005, at the Holiday Inn. 17123 N Laurel Park Dr. Livonia For more information call Russ Robitaille at (517) 655-3183 or email. robiee@aol.com. Class of 1975

A 30-year reunion is in the planning stages Contact Bob Sheets (248) 437-9131, BKS1957@aol.com; Cori Cann (Barach) (248) 960-8910, canlady441@comcast.net; Tim Preville (248) 478-0212, ltpreville@hotmail.com;

babs357@sbcglobal.net. Class of 1985 A 20-year reunion is planned for Sept. 10, 2005. Contact Carrie Summers

or Barb Resetar (Hill) (248) 478-2004,

#### (Tripsansky) at (248) 478-5261. Clawson High School Class of 1955

A 50-year reunion is being planned. For more information, call Barbara or Warner at (248) 435-4351 or e-mail wiseppi@wideopenwest.com. Class of 1975

A 30-year reunion is planned for July 9, 2005, at San Marino Club in Troy. A family picnic will be Sunday, July 10, at the Clawson City park Pavillion at 1 p.m. Bring your own picnic. For more information, visit www.clawson1975.com or contact Bev Serre-Raine at (248) 689-3381 or e-mail bevraine@comcast.net.

#### Cody High School Class of 1965-1966

A reunion is planned for Sept. 17, 2005, at the Italian-American Banquet Hall in Livonia. Cost is \$75/person, which includes dinner, open bar, dancing and memory Book. 1965 graduates contact Ed Kempisty, (810) 629-1542, Tom Mellos, (313) 884-5469, or www.geocities.comcodycomets65. If you are a 1966 graduate, contact Greg Dobson, (248) 437-4649 or jmackie95@yahoo.com. **Cooley High School** 

# Class of 1950/1951

A 55-year reunion is planned on the weekend of Sept. 23-25, 2005. For information call Don Riehl at (734) 421-3150. Class of 1955 A 50-year reunion is planned for Sept.

17, 2005. For more information, contact Penny Mertz Howley at (248) 553-2195. **Denby High School** 

# Class of 1975

A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Nov. 5, 2005, at Zuccaro's Holiday House, 20400 South Nunneley (S.W. corner of Metro Parkway and Groesbeck), Clinton Township. (586) 791-7760. Cocktails at 6:30, strolling dinner from 7:30-9:30, DJ. Attire: after five - no jeans. Send check to Linda Bahr. 632 Lochmoor Blvd., Grosse pointe Woods, MI 48236. For information call (313) 881-0920.

Class of 1965

A 40-year reunion is planned for Oct. 22, 2005. For more information, call

Nancy (Horn) Catalogna at (248) 332-7438 or e-mail: toBbytheC@msn.com. Class of 1955 An early fall reunion is planned for graduates of Denby High School-Detroit. ASAP (248) 349-6354.

Class of 1956 Jan., June & Summer School 1956 is seeking graduates for 50th year Golden Jubilee Reunion, in the fall of 2006. Contact Doreen (McClennan) Weber at dajweb@juno.com or Jerry Love at

#### (586) 739-3840. Detroit Mackenzie

Classes January/June 1945 A 60-year reunion is planned for June 18, 2005. Other 40's also welcome. Contact Richard Saxby at (313) 837-0641.

# **Detroit Redford**

Class of 1955 A 50-year reunion is planned for the January and June classes for Sept. 22-23, 2005, at the Double Tree Hotel in Novi. For more information, contact Carolyn Roberts Hartwig, 27851 Cranleigh, Farmington Hills 48336 or RHS1955Reunion@aol.com.

# **Detroit Southwestern**

Class of 1955 A 50-year reunion will be Oct. 15, 2005, at the Greektown Casino in Detroit. Tickets are \$50. For more information call (810) 227-7167.

#### Edsel Ford Class of 1970

Dearborn Edsel Ford High School is planning a 35-year reunion Saturday, July 16, 2005, at Park Place in Dearborn. Contact Patti Taylor at (313) 268-5877 after 5 p.m. or e-mail msredhead1952@comcast.net.

#### **Farmington High School** Class of 1975

A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, July 16, 2005, at Courtyard by Marriott, 31525 West 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. This will be a dinner banquet. Class of 1975 Planner weblink: http://www.aspenreunion.com/fhs.html or FHS Alumni: hrrp://www.fhsfalconalumni.us/

#### Fordson Class of 1952

Dearborn Fordson High School is planning a 53-year reunion at Park Place in Dearborn on Saturday, Aug. 6, 2005. Other weekend activities also planned. Contact (313) 562-4378 of orloffai@aol.com or mmsmyth@juno.com. Class of 1960

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dmurrayworley@yahoo.com. And 1976 graduates should call (734) 844-3860 or karenagrace@yahoo.com.



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ARIES (March 21-April 20) I know it's summer, Ram, but you mustn't allow yourself to be rushed or talked into things that don't feel right. That applies doubly if others try to persuade you with excuses or sob-stories of one kind or the other. They are almost certainly being lazy, or just plain stupid! Delegate more.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

I know yours is a slow-and-steady sign, Bull. But if your money situation isn't as strong as you'd like it to be, now's the time to plot and do something about it! However, a lot will depend on your willingness to take risks (not your strength). That doesn't mean you must gamble, but don't play it safe either.

GEMINI ( May 22-June 21) Do you want to break out of a rut, but are too scared to do so because of insecurity? You can't go on like this forever, Twin. This week, you must decide whether or not to stay with what you trust or risk everything on something new. Think carefully and believe in yourself!

CANCER (June 22-July 23) The cosmically correct interpretation of planetary activity for the rest of July is that any changes taking place at home are for the best. Emotions are too close to the surface at the moment, but you are about to find your way ahead clearly sign-posted in August and experience a sigh of relief, MoonKid.

**LEO** (July 24-Aug 23)

Whatever you feel to be your due is about to be handed to you, Lion. However, you appear to be physically under par and changing to such a degree that no one really knows how to treat you. Therefore, ensure that you do not sell yourself short as Mercury goes retrograde over the next few weeks.

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

You must clear the air, kiddo, because the last thing you want or need are fingering resentments getting in the way of your efforts to move up the world. Leave your ego at home for a couple of weeks if there's a parting of the ways, it'll be an effort worth makıng.

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23) No matter how much you rant and rave against the By Dennis Fairchild injustices of the world,

you won't change them, and the sooner you accept that fact, the better off you'll be, Balancer. If you really want to make the world a better place, change your own life

**SCORPIO** (Oct 24-Nov 22)

You like things to remain the same right, Scorp? Well, no matter how much you rant and rave against injustices, you won't change them now, and the sooner you accept that fact, the better off you'll be. If you really want to make the world a better place, change your own life first.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21) Uh-huh: temps now are as hot as your element, Sadge. Friendships and group activities will get a boost this forecast. Suddenly, you're in demand again, Archer. The only danger with the approaching retro Mercury-trend is that you may allow yourself to be talked into too many things, teaving you worn out by month's

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21) Make the most of planetary activity til mid-August, Cap, to rebuild bridges and reassure partners. Above all, flatly refuse to get involved in any further power struggles on the home or work front- no matter who says what or how much appears to be at stake.

AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19) There's no point in being too cautious now, because the rewards will go to those who aren't afraid to take risks, WaterBearer. Forget about the losses or being your own boss and treat those you live or work with (or, want to) as equals as teamwork is your key to success now.

PISCES (Feb 20-March 20) If you let your fears get the best of you this week, you'll find yourself paralyzed. Fish. Whatever your suspicions and worries, there's no great conspiracy with you as the target. On the contrary, you've never been more loved and respected- no matter how you currently feel.

Dennis Fairchild is a local astrologer and author of several books on divination For information about personal consultations, phone 1-248-546-6912 or e-mail DenFairchild@aol.com.

LEGAL NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PUBLIC TEST OF THE UNILECT PATRIOT ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM FOR THE AUGUST 2, 2005 ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: A public accuracy test of the Patriot Electronic Voting System will take place at 9:00 a m, on Thursday, July 21, 2005, in the Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building No. 3, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, for the Election scheduled for August 2, 2005. For further information contact the Clerk's Office. Phone #354-3224. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

> Marilyn Massengill, Clerk Charter Township of Plymouth

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# Opportunity Center has spaghetti fund-raiser

**Community Opportunity** Center (COC) is hosting an Italian Night Monday, July 18, 2005 at East Side Mario's in Livonia.

Anyone who comes in 4-8 p.m. July 18 and informs the hostess they are a guest of COC, will be treated to East Side Mario's celebrated spaghetti, salad and bread for just \$10 (drink, tip and tax

the entire \$10 to Community Opportunity Center, a nonprofit housing corporation supporting adults with developmental disabilities in Wayne County. East Side Mario's is at 31360 Plymouth Road, on the north side just west of Merriman. The restaurant is known for its great Italian food

The restaurant will donate

The restaurant, East Side Mario's will donate the entire \$10 (per meal) to **Community Opportunity** Center.

and eclectic interior.

Community Opportunity Center hopes to share the evening with 200 guests as part of its effort to raise \$2,000 as its share for a matching grant.

"This is a one-time fund-raiser to generate matching funds for a grant from Minoti Rajput

of Secure-Planning Strategies of Southfield," said Denise King, executive director of COC. "Money from the grant and spaghetti dinner will be used to offset the high costs associated with providing transportation to our residents to work, medical appointments, and social activities."

Rajput is offering a total of \$25,000 to non-profit groups as a way of celebrating the 25th anniversary of Secure-Planning Strategies. Rajput specializes in offering financial advice to parents and guardians to better provide a secure future for persons with developmental disabilities.

**Community Opportunity** Center, based in Livonia, is a non-profit management corporation that provides leadership

and oversight to nearly 100 people with developmental disabilities who live among 11 homes and nine apartment settings in western Wayne County. Homes and apartments are in Plymouth, Livonia, Garden City, Westland and Redford.

"We are pleased to that East Side Mario's has so generously agreed to partner with us for this event," said King, Executive **Director of Community** Opportunity Center. "This is a great chance, for only \$10, to get together with friends and family, enjoy good food and a wonderful night out while helping meet the transportation needs of our residents. Your support much appreciat-

Call Pat Schoenberg at 734-422-1020.

# International student exchange program seeks host families

The Council on International Educational Exchange, a worldwide leader of international education and student exchanges, is looking for families to open their hearts and homes and welcome an international exchange student into their community.

Students will be arriving in metro Detroit at the end of August to spend the academic year. These students hail from all over the globe and are eager to learn about the United States, become a member of an American family, community and school.

This program also provides an opportunity for families to form lifelong relationships and unforgettable memories. Over 1,000 CIEE high school students arrive in the USA each year. Students live with host families, attend high school, and become true members of their new families and communities.

Hosting a CIEE student is the perfect opportunity for communities to meet an "ambassador" of an overseas country, and to develop skills as an "ambassador" of the

High school students including, but not limited to Brazil, Thailand, Poland, Germany, France, Spain, China, Czech Republic, Russia, Italy and Australia arrive in the United States in August and spend from one semester to a full academic year.

Students participating in the exchange are between 15-18 years of age, have studied English for a minimum of three years, have their own medical insurance and have

undergone a thorough personal screening and interview process.

Many of these students arrive in the United States with dreams of participating in clubs, sports, arts, music and other activities. They return to their native land with improved English skills, a sense of independence and self-confidence, more maturity and a better global understanding. Most importantly they will have made relationships that will last forever.

To participate or to request more information on this rewarding intercultural experience, contact Ana Lisa Ross-Chynoweth, 19631 Cherry Hill Southfield, MI 48076, via email at AnaLis@comcast.net, or by calling 1-866-

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# **TRIPLETS**

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three were off oxygen. In January, both boys had successful hernia surgery. That same month, the triplets were baptized by the late Rev. John West of Our Lady of Sorrows in a private ceremony.

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"I've been looking at pictures of when they were in the hospital and on oxygen," Jennifer said, "and it's just incredible. I can't wait to tell the babies these stories, how special they are and how far they've come."

#### **DOING GREAT**

"They are doing great. Everything is progressing," she said. "They are still pretty small, but so far they are doing what they need to be doing."

Emma and Drew weigh about 15 pounds. Connor has the most hair, but weighs less, close to 12 pounds.

"From the doctors at the developmental clinic, we understand it takes premature babies a couple years to catch up in weight and height, but they have all the motor skills," said Darren, who grew up in Farmington Hills. "Their eyes are moving, and when you call their names, they turn their

"Our prayers have been answered. Considering what could have been, we are very

Emma is giving the term "women's movement" a whole new meaning. "All three babies

Jennifer Buatti

gives Connor a

reassurance as

everyone lays down for nap

smallest of the

three, born at just over a

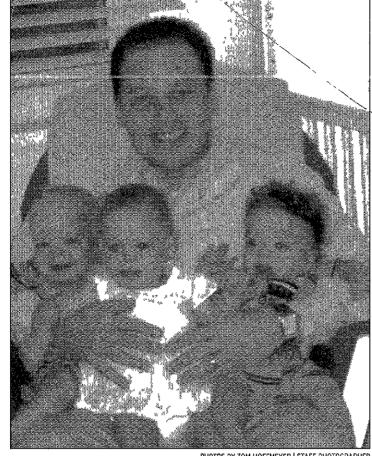
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Proud Daddy Darren Buatti and his triplets.

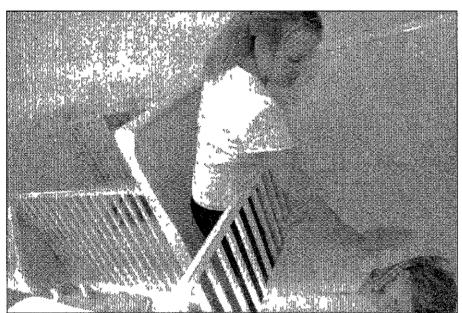
are crawling, but Emma is crawling around on the furniture and has two teeth," Jennifer said. "She's ready to take off. She crawls past the boys, grabs a toy and keeps going.

"I think the boys are finally crawling to keep up with her. They're realizing that otherwise, their toys are going to be

"Drew is doing the 'army

crawl," Jennifer added. "He's all arms. He uses his elbows, and his legs drag. Connor is crawling, too."

"My father-in-law nominated Connor as the class clown," Darren said. "When you say 'patty cake,' he's the only one that will try to sing it. He'll smack your hand away, start clapping, smile and start jumping up and down in his bouncy seat."



**JOB HELPS** 

Darren, who works in sales for Iron Mountain, a records and information management firm in Canton, is relieved to be employed. Last November, he lost his job when his former company downsized. For four months he job-hunted, while Jennifer worked full time as a social worker. "I wanted to be home in the worst way, but I

had to work," she said.
"It's been a learning experience, to say the least," said Darren, whose parents, like Jennifer's, often help out. "I went from realizing my main job was to take care of the kids, to getting up and off bright and early before the kids get up."

The Buattis are grateful that unlike Darren's last job, this one requires minimal travel.

"I'm not gone for a week at a time. And I really enjoy what I do," he said. "Iron Mountain is a family-first organization. They're very understanding of my situation, and are always asking about the family.

"I can be home with the kids before they go to bed, help feed them and get ready for the next day. So this is a breath of fresh air.

"My wife is a blessing," Darren added. "I'm very lucky to have someone like her."

Jennifer said Bailey, the family's golden retriever, is a bit confused when it comes to figuring out which toys belong to her. But other than that, she's adjusting very well to having three young playmates. "She gives them a kiss," Jennifer said. "Emma gets a big smile. She just loves dogs.

"It's all amazing," said Jennifer, who's found that keeping the babies on a schedule is the key to making it through the day - and night. "I don't know how I fit work in before," she said. "I feel more tired now than when I was working. This is an absolute full-time job. It's great — I wouldn't trade it for anything - but it really wears you out, to tell you the truth. They keep you going every second."

"Darren is a big support," she added. "He is so much happier now that he has his job. It's made a world of difference in his life. He comes home happy; it's an answer to prayer."

Northville display is at Hills' city hall

A display of memories of Northville by Farmington Hills Historical Commissioner Pam Correll will be on display in the Farmington Hills City Hall showcase until July 31. The theme, "Our neighbor Northville," has books, pic-

tures, articles and mementos from Correll's collection. "The Switzerland of Wayne County" and "The Hamlet of the Hills" are both names given to Northville, according to

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movie, Dirty Dancing - who walked in honor of a grandparent.

Team member Katherine Wood, Leiting's friend since elementary school, also remembered her grandmother, Nancy Flemming, whose life breast cancer claimed in November 1979. Like Leiting, she had the idea to walk in years past, but was too young.

"We wanted to do it last year, but I wasn't old enough," Wood said. "My grandmother died from breast cancer, so I walked in memory of her. I think this was a positive thing to do, and I think she'd be proud of me."

Once the decision was made to take part, the team started training. Team members said they basically took to taking long walks. Leiting, a member of Canton's track team in high school, said she got up to "nine or 10 miles" a day during training.

While she worries she should have done more to prepare, Leiting said before the walk she was set.

"I think I'm ready," she said before departing. "I worry about blisters, but I think I'll

To get ready, Wood walked with her mother and fellow Pechanga member Phyllis Holmes. "I've been taking long walks,

going with mom," said Wood, the daughter of Holmes and Paul Wood of Plymouth. "We probably should have walked more, but I think I'm in good shape to do it.

This year, in Michigan alone, approximately 6,800 women and men will be diagnosed with breast cancer. Breast Cancer 3-Day participants have an opportunity to celebrate breast cancer survivorship, honor those who lost their lives to the disease, and collectively, have an enormous impact on funding for breast

cancer programs. Walkers covered about 20 miles a day, traveling at their own pace, supported by hundreds of volunteer crew members who will provide meals, water and snack stops, gear transport, hot showers, portable restrooms, safety on the streets and comprehensive medical services.

The Komen Foundation and the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund estimate that the Breast Cancer 3-Day events raised more than \$20 million in 2003 and 2004 alone to fund critical breast cancer research, education and community outreach programs.

Team members recognized the value of the commitment they'd made.

"My grandmother fought this disease, and the idea that one of my friends might get it, or that I might get it, is terrifying," Leiting said. "I wanted to do something to prevent that. I'm proud I'm doing something that's so important."

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# Overcoming painful memories of tragedy requires certain skills

n 1959, a psychiatrist named Viktor Frankl wrote a book based on his experiences as a prisoner in the Auschwitz Concentration Camp.

The book, Man's Search for Meaning, is timeless and can readily be found in bookstores and libraries to this day. Dr. Frankl experienced horror and saw his family systematically murdered and wondered why he and so many of the other camp survivors didn't commit suicide.

He discovered that, even in the cruelest of traumas, one can find meaning which is essential for survival. He concluded that the concentration camp victims were stripped of everything except one last human freedom: The ability to choose one's attitude in a given set of circumstances.

Frankl coined the term "tragic optimism," which he defined as the ability to transform suffering into a meaningful experience and to acquire a positive outlook even about life's traumatic events. He gave the advice: search for meaning,



McCulloch

not happiness, and happiness may follow as a byproduct.

A good example is the organization, Mothers Against Drunk Driving. It was started by Candy Lightner whose daughter was killed by a drunk driver. Another example are the lines to a beautiful song by singer/songwriter Beth Neilsen Chapman. In the aftermath of losing her 35-year-old husband to death from cancer, Beth wrote many healing songs about her recovery.

Her "tragic optimism" is summed up in the lines: "In the tears you gave to me I found a river to an ocean." This is like the old bromide "If live gives you lemons, make lemonade." I can add, from my experiences, that the "lemonade" always turns out better if you

share it with someone or, better yet, give it away to someone who is more thirsty than you.

People who have experienced trauma (and research says 70 percent of us will do so at some point in our lives) experience "anniversary reactions." These reactions are a revisiting a loss, a trauma, or a tragedy, which involves the reawakening of grief. It can range from temporarily feeling mildly upset to a more extreme reaction in which an individual may develop significant psychological or medical symp-

Grief reactions are often experienced intensely by individuals who suffer from the malady called Posttraumatic Stress Disorder. The passage of time alone doesn't seem to make much of a difference. Anniversary reactions at the 1year, 10-year or 30-year point can be experienced with equal weight. You see, many of the ingredients of trauma are buried in the unconscious part of the mind. And in the unconscious, linear time does not

exist. In my work, I recently asked some survivors of car crashes and other losses to write an answer to this question: "What is it like to have an anniversary of your trauma?"

Paraphrasing their responses, here is what I received back: "Let me say that life has not been the same. Sometimes it is a little strange and I get nervous." Another wrote, "I worry about changes but I can see that I am alive, in good health, and am a different person who is more faithful." Another wrote, "I remember it all over again and have to face the pain." Finally, an insightful survivor of loss wrote, "I may never forget but I need not always remember."

Triumphantly, these individuals, and several more like them, have gone through a process of "tragic optimism" by becoming members of a therapeutic choir that continues to give a message of hope, inspiration, and safety to tens of thousands of people through their "Tour of Hope."

They are a unique group of

survivors who struggle with their personal anniversary reactions and who have turned some of this energy into creativity. Recently, they performed for former President and Mrs. Carter and next month they will be performing for Cardinal Maida.

#### **HOW TO HELP**

For individuals experiencing painful anniversary reactions there are things they can do for themselves and things that friends and loved ones can do for them, to help the process. It can help to predict that an anniversary is coming and to prepare for it in whatever way that works for you.

Try not to isolate yourself during this time. Try planning distractions. Try creating a yearly ritual or memorial event that can bind up the pain and serve as a structure for its expression.

For people who know someone who is having a hard time it can be helpful to express your awareness of what they

are going through. People might say nothing. They might say nothing because it's not on rat their mind or because they don't know what to say. Simply stating your awareness and that you don't know what to say can be very helpful to someone. Inviting them to talk about their memories of their tragic times can be another help. Finally, commenting on the courage they have shown can go a long way.

In the end, tragic optimism and anniversary reactions can come together in a transforming, healthy way. Essentially the recovering person will get the message, "You are having an anniversary reaction, it's not having you."

L.J. McCulloch is a Diplomate of the American Psychotherapy Association, is board certified in trauma, and is a volunteer member of The Red Cross Mental Health Disaster Team. He is the Director of Psychological Services at Broe Rehabilitation Services, Inc. and Founder of The Broe Therapy Choir in Farmington Hills, Michigan. He can be reached at (248) 474-BROE.

# Botsford wins statewide award

Botsford General Hospital is this year's recipient of the Central Service Department of the Year award from the Michigan Society for Healthcare Central Service Professionals (MSHCSP). MSHCSP is an affil-1ate of the American Society for Healthcare Central Service Professionals and the Michigan Health and Hospital

Association. To be considered for the award, MSHCSP required Botsford to submit documentation about its central sterile processing department. Botsford was judged on achieving excellence in these categories: customer service, education and training, productivity, teamwork and strategic outlook.

This hospital department prepares instruments trays and

"case carts" for Botsford's operating rooms, in addition to labor and delivery, cardiac catheterization lab and all nursing units. It also cleans and sterilizes the medical instruments for the hospital, as well as for the 11 clinics owned and operated by the hospital's parent organization, the Botsford Health Care Continum.

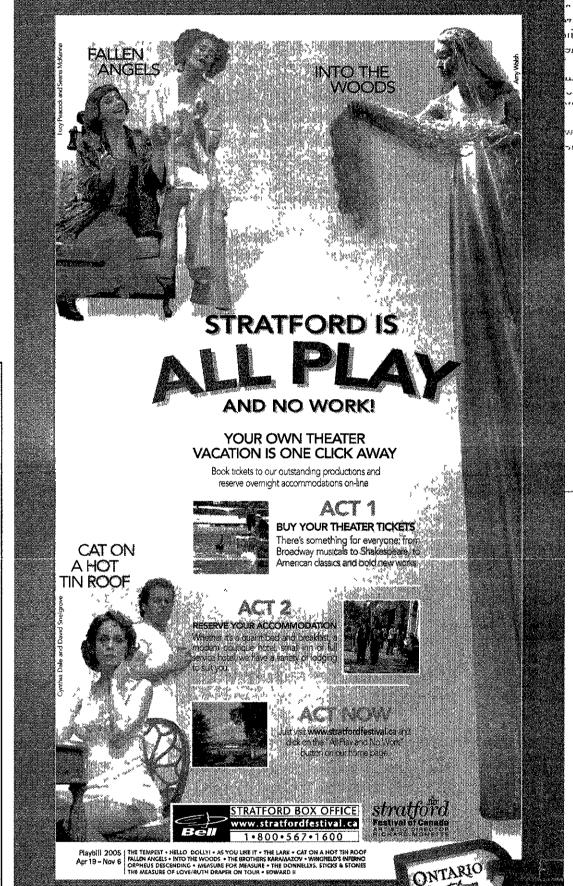
The department's manager, Denise Coatesworth, RN, asserts, "In the past three years, we have focused our energies on quality improvement. Our quality assurance monitors show significant accuracy improvements. Also, our technicians receive ongoing educational opportunities to ensure their continued competency. In fact, most of our techs have earned certification through the Certification Board

for Sterile Processing and Distribution.

"My team has taken on responsibilities that show they truly own their work. They work together on process improvements and cost-reduction initiatives and have reorganized the physical layout of the work space to eliminate unnecessary steps and reduce lifting injuries."

The Botsford Health Care Continuum is an integrated system of care that includes Botsford General Hospital, the Botsford Physician Network, Community Emergency Medical Service, the Botsford Continuing Care Corporation and the **Botsford Centers for Health** Improvement. Botsford's Web address is

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# **Exercise** will relieve your stress

Sandy from Northville has been feeling stressed lately. She wants to know the best natural way to deal with the stress.

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#### Janice from Warren has been feeling depressed lately. She wants to know if

mood, while helping you relax.

there is an all-natural pick me up? Janice, you might want to start looking for a good gym to join! Regular exercise is one of the best things you can do for depression. It can help to improve your mood and to decrease anxiety. Pick an activity that you enjoy and stick to it. No one seems to be sure how much exercise is exactly the right amount to boost mood. A good goal is 30 to 60 minutes three to four times a week. If at all possible, choose an activity that gets you out of the house. Remember, isolation will only add to your depression levels!

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BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Dr. Ronald Davis pulls down the 2004 Surgeon General's Report from the shelf of his office in East Lansing.

Kiwi, pomegranate, broccoli, tomatoes - nature's powerhouses of vitamin C might ease the stress from quitting smoking. Studies have shown that inhaling nicotine depletes the body's reserves of certain nutrients.

As director of the Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, including the quit smoking program, for Henry Ford, Health System, Davis tells patients to eat a healthy diet including five servings of fruits and vegetables a day...

The Henry Ford quit smoking program treats about 700 patients a year, but Davis has been trying to free the nation of the deadly habit linked to lung cancer since directing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Office on Smoking and Health from 1987 to 1991.

anne a day

# Healthy eating could ease stress when quitting smoking

fruits, kiwi, pomegranate, artichoke, lima beans, potatoes, dark green leafy vegetables, broccoli, tomatoes, and whole grains to the menu to boost nutrient levels - and yoga and meditation to manage stress and overcome the addictive behavior.

"Smoking can deplete many vitamin stores and especially vitamin C," said Price, who offers nutritional counseling and yoga therapy at her offices in Bingham Farms and Royal

metabolism experiences a

those nutrients in your body, your body might be more satisfied."

Dr. Arthur Weaver thinks color when it comes to selecting food for the vegetarian diet he's eaten for 81 years. Weaver includes yellow and orange fruits and vegetables such as carrots, squash, mangos, papaya, sweet potatoes, and muskmelon on the list he recommends to participants in the seven-day quit smoking clinics presented by Better Living Seminars in Plymouth. For informa-

tion, call (248) 349-5683. Weaver sawî 🗈 first hand the suffering and death caused by smoking during his 45 years as a

> cancer surgeon. **DEATH TOLL**

'We have about 1200 people dying daily from diseases related to smoking," said Weaver, who taught at Wayne State University School of Medicine for 35 years. "What they need to do is eat lightly. Heavy meals tend to make people groggy and reduce will power. The first day I tell them to stick to fruit and fruit juices. They'll be hungry but full of good potassium. It seems to

help them through the first

Oak. "Watch your calories as your temporary drop once you quit smoking. Try to eat as healthy He suggests smokers call the as possible. If you're getting said Davis, an adjunct profes-Vitamin Ć, carotenoids includ ing betacarotene (a precursor to vitamin A), tend to decline with increasing levels of smoking. We're

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# Smokers needed for Karmanos lung cancer prevention study

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Dr. Omer Kucuk isn't encouraging anyone to smoke but if they do they should take part in a study of Zileuton, a drug which can change precancerous tissue in the lungs back to normal.

Kucuk is hoping to screen 3,000 volunteers at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute by the end of the year to see if they could benefit from receiving the medication formerly used for asthma.

The lung cancer prevention research could be lifesaving. As primary investigator for

the study, the West Bloomfield resident is looking for current or former smokers, age 35 and older, and individuals, age 18 and older who have had head, neck, or lung cancer, regardless of smoking history. The study is funded in whole or part with federal money from the National Cancer Institute and National Institutes of Health.

"Zileuton is an anti-inflammatory agent that reduces inflammation," said Kucuk, an oncologist specializing in cancers of the head, neck and lung. "Since most cancers start as inflammation - lung, breast, colon, if you can prevent that stage it might help."

The results of previous animal studies have given Kucuk hope. Now all he has to do is convince smokers. The Karmanos research already has 31 of the 134 subjects who will take part in the 12-month randomized study. Half will receive the drug, the other half a placebo for six months, and then reverse until the study concludes. For more information, call (800) 527-6266 (KARMANOS), send email to

kucuko@karmanos.org, or visit the Web at www.karmanos.org and click on link to

If participants meet the criteria, they will be given an

appointment with respiratory therapist Terry Stevens for the first of two possible screenings. The first collects a sample of phlegm and takes about 30 minutes. 75 percent of people who are screened have negative results.

'If we don't find damaged cells in their phlegm that's the end of participation. They got a free screening of risk," said Stevens. "Damaged cells in phlegm make us suspicious of damaged tissue in the lungs so then they go through a second tier of screening, a bronchoscopy performed at Harper Hospital. It's roughly a four-hour outpatient process, but only 25-30 minutes is procedure. We use a short acting general anesthetic. They can expect coughing, generalized muscle soreness from sedation, a little pain from biopsy, and a sore throat for the day of and day after. That tells us whether or not they're suitable for study There are several grades of damaged tissue as you progress to lung cancer. We're looking for dysplasia, tissue as pre-cancerous."

With a 15 percent, five year survival rate associated with lung cancer, it's to the participants advantage to take the drug four times a day.

"Just like when you cut your finger, lung tissue heals itself,"

said Stevens. "It's thought that the drug speeds up heal-

ing." A mobile unit is available to groups and organizations

with 10 or more individuals. Stevens smoked for more than 20 years, but quit cold turkey. He says, "the research trial was a significant motiva-

"My advice is to quit smoking or don't start," said Kucuk. We encourage anyone screened to quit smoking but they don't have to. If they need help and want to quit, we provide help."

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## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

## JULY

Meningitis vaccination University of Michigan Health System's Michigan Visiting Nurses is teaming up with Kroger to offer meningitis vaccination clinics for high school and college students 2-6 p.m. Tuesday, July 19, 9968 East Grand River, Brighton, and appointments only 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 26, at the MVN office at 9380 Lilly Road, Plymouth. Call (734) 477-7229 to schedule the appointment. No appointment necessary at Kroger store clinics. If you can't make it to a Kroger location, MVN also is offering meningitis vaccinations by appointment at its Ann Arbor office. Appointments can be scheduled by calling (734) 677-0020. Meningitis (Menactra®) immunizations cost \$115, payable by cash, check or charge (Visa or MasterCard). A proof of vaccination record and receipt of payment are provided at time of immunization. Students younger than 18 must attend the clinic with a parent or guardian

information, visit www.umvn.org. Pressure points workshop Learn how to find and treat pressure points for headaches, back pain. Sînuses, neck pain, carpal tunnel, PMS, low energy, and joint paint at a free workshop 6 30 pm Wednesday July 20, at Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. To register, call (248) 426-

and all patients must be older than 12.

For more disease and vaccination

0201. Limited seating. Weight management minar noon Thursday, July 21, at the . Heritage of Southfield, an independent and assisted living community, 25800 West 11 Mile. Registered dietitian Muriel Wagner will off free nutritional advice and education to help assist with nutritional plans for healthy weight loss and body aware-

ness. Certified Tai Chi instructor follows complimentary lunch with a lecture on weight management. To RSVP or for more information, call Tracy Bishop at (248) 727-2006.

Art sale

The beautification committee at St. Joseph Mercy Livingston Hospital is sponsoring an art print sale 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, July 21, and 7 a.m. to \$2 p.m. and Friday, July 22, in the community rooms of the hospital. The sale features framed art prints, gifts and home décor and most of the prints will be offered at 30-70 percent off the retail price. All merchandise for sale is from The Gallery, but excludes student art. Proceeds are earmarked

to benefit the committee's Student Art Project For information about the Student Art Project or the beautification committee, call Linda Smith at (517) 545-6296.

#### **Golf classic**

To benefit the Myasthenia Gravis Association Friday, July 22, at the Links of Novi, 50395 10 Mile. Cost is \$185 per golfers and includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, dinner and prizes To register, call (248) 423-9700 or send email to mgadetroit1@sbcglobal.net. Golf hole sponsorships available.

Adults loss support group Open to any adult who has experienced the loss of a loved one 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays through July 26, at BraveHeart Grief Center, 126 Main Centre, Northville. No charge although donations are always appreciated To register, call Jeri Craig or Sandy Van Koevering at (248) 449-8232.

#### Meningitis shots

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan and the Kroger Company, are teaming up to administer the life-saying meningitis vaccination The \$115 shot is available noon to 2 pm. Tuesday, July 26, at 65 South Livernois, Rochester and 4-6 p.m at 37550 West 12 Mile, Farmington Hills, 4-6 p m Thursday, July 28, at 30935 Five Mile. Livonia; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 30, at 1905 Canton Center Road Canton, noon to 2 pm Tuesday Aug 2 44525 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth and noon to 2 p m Thursday August 4, at 4805 Haggerty, West Bloomfield The vaccinations are also available by appointment 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday, at VNA of Southeast Michigan at 25900 Greenfield Road, Ste. 600, Oak Park. To learn more about bacterial meningitis or schedule an appointment, visit www.vna.org or call (248) 967-8755.

Sharing & Caring Breast cancer education and support program presents the Effects of Breast Cancer on Relationships. Intimacy and Sexuality with Dr. David Decker, M D. 6p m. Thursday, July 28, in the first floor conference room in the William Beaumont Hospital Auditorium, on West 13 Mile, west of Woodward, Royal Oak, Reservations required, call (248) 633-7377. A \$10 registration donation and portion of the proceeds from the boutique sales benefit Sharing & Caring, To learn

#### more, call (248) 551-8585. Camp Midicha

Registration has started for the American Diabetes Association's Camp Midicha 2005. The camp is the only residential summer camp

designed for, and dedicated to, children and teenagers with diabetes. Campers attend one of three oneweek sessions: July 31 to Aug. 5; Aug. 7-12; and Aug. 14-19. Each session will be held at the YMCA's Camp Copneconic in Fenton. Along with swimming, archery, kayaking and sports, campers enjoy horseback riding, a ropes course, and arts and crafts. All costs for camp include lodging, meals, snacks, activities and medical supplies like insulin, syringes, lancets, meters and strips. The ADA also is seeking volunteers and youth counselors for Camp Midicha. For information, call (888) DIABETES or visit www.diabetes.org.

#### **UPCOMING**

**HCP Initial Certification** 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4, at Providence at Mission Health Medical Center - Livonia, 37595 Seven Mile. Cost is \$65, includes textbook. Call (248) 888-444-7325. Course includes information on adult and pediatric CPR rescuer scenarios, FBAQ, use of AED, special resuscitation and other cardiopulmonary emergencies.

# Childbirth Education

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6 and 13. at Providence at Mission Health Medical Center - Livonia, 37595 Seven Mile Cost is \$65. call (248) 888-444-7325 Weekend series designed to prepare the pregnant woman and her support person for the birth experience. A tour of the birthing area is included.

# Hospice volunteers

Saint Joseph Mercy Hospice is calling for volunteers to offer support with direct care, office assistance. bereavement services, special events and other services provided by hospice. If you're interested in sharing your time with others, please sign up to volunteer. 18 hours of training is required and the sessions are Aug. 8, 10, 11 and Aug. 15, 17, 18 from 6-9 p.m. To volunteer or inquire about additional

#### opportunities, call (734) 327-3409. Michigan Polio Network

Hosts an education conference Aug. 19-20, at the best Western Midway Hotel, 7711 Saginaw Highway, Lansing. Features internationally recognized authority on post-polio syndrome Dr. Fredrick Maynard as keynote speaker. Cost is \$30, \$10 for caregiver, and includes Friday-Saturday programs and lunch on Saturday. Pre-registration required, Call (313) 885-7855 or (989) 739-4065.

"Typically people eat a lot of junk food and coffee, a trigger for cigarettes. Smoking generally goes along with a poor diet."

When Weaver developed his 7-day program in the 1960s, medications such as Zyban didn't

exist to ease withdrawal symptoms. "Those that come to the clinic have been through all of it. It's one of the toughest addictions there is," said Weaver. "We change their diet, put them on an exercise program. We get them to believe they can quit. It's all won or

Holly Zimberg quit cold turkey when she became pregnant with her son Ryan, now 21. For 14 years she couldn't even get out of bed in the morning until lighting up.

Today, Zimberg still struggles to lose the 10 pounds she put on, but says quitting smoking was the only answer when she looked at the pros and cons. A walker, she watches what she eats and does yoga and pilates.

"I've learned I'm a stronger person than I thought I was," said Zimberg, a Southfield resident who manages offices for psychologists in Beverly Hills and Southfield. "After the baby came I never went back. I used to have bad nightmares about smoking and was in a panic."

#### **HEALTHY EATING**

lost in the head."

More than two decades later registered dietitian Gail Posner has come up with a healthy eating quit smoking plan to reduce the stress. When clients of Healthy Ways Nutrition Counseling in West Bloomfield feel shaky she counsels them by phone at (248) 855-4558 or through the Internet.

"Part of the habit is having something in your hand or mouth. To help with the oral fixation pick low calorie items - celery sticks, grapes, water bottles. Weight gain is frequently what my clients come to me for after they quit smoking. I tell them to plan ahead. Have. water bottles in the car, office, house. If you .; want to drink something other than water, pick a low calorie beverage. Fruitwater is made by the same company as vitaminwater but half the calories. There are plenty of sugar free sweetened products. One made by Glaceau, a 20 ounce bottle has only 50 calories. But water's best. A lot of smokers might, go to Sunny Delight, Snapple or regular soda and cause a weight problem."

Posner suggests eating a whole grain cereal to feel satisfied throughout the morning. Later in the day, snack on popcorn but choose the

94-percent fat free.

According to Dr. Omer Kucuk at Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, a healthy diet could save your life whether you smoke or not. He is currently looking for volunteers, current and former smokers age 35 or older, for a lung cancer prevention research study. Call (800) 527-6266 (Karmanos).

"I generally recommend my patients increase fruits and vegetables and reduce the amount of fat and sugar to prevent cancer," said Kucuk, a West Bloomfield resident. "I tell them to make lifestyle changes, increase physical activities. There is evidence it might help prevent lung cancer. I eat a lot of vegetables and fruits, especially tomatoes which have lycopene that is shown to prevent cancer."

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# Go natural at upcoming beauty expo

etroit's beauty community is gearing up for the hottest ticket in town July

29-31 the Happy to be Nappy All Natural Hair & Holistic **Business** Conference. Organized by master stylist Ewanda Wyndella, the conference promises a glamorous concoction of hair. makeup, dance, massage and



Ewanda Wyndella

music designed to educate and entertain industry insiders. A variety of instructors will offer master classes on achieving the latest looks, while booths display fashions, products and services. Entertainment includes comedian Dennis Clark, Jennifer Hudson of American Idol, rapper Twista, and Neo-Soul songstress Erykah Badu. PINK pressed Wyndella for more on the conference, as well as the unique philosophy she brings to hair care and her Detroit salon, Happy to be Nappy.

Ewanda, what is your background?

I am a Chicago native, and I have always had an interest in hair. I consider it to be my most significant God-given gift. I have been styling hair for over 25 years.

Your salon emphasizes keeping hair natural. Can you tell us what this means, and why you feel it's important?

Whether you are black, white, brown or purple: Natural hair means being close to the earth and wearing ones' tresses in their natural or chemically unaltered texture. This means no chemicals to alter the texture, but chemicals or natural products to add color. If you are going to do anything to your hair, use natural products to keep it balanced.

What are some of the challenges involved with African-American hair care?

The greatest challenge is societal pressures. Many African Americans choose the expensive route of perms and other texture changes because they are not aware of many of the natural hairstyle and weave techniques that are fashionable and do not require intense chemical treatment.

What are the hottest new hairstyles? Weaves, Straw Sets, Invisible Braids,

Locks, Color and more color.

Can you give us a heads up on some of the unique vendors we might see at the conference?

Lovely Creations, Mustafa's Jewelry, Cutting Edge Natural Hair and Braid magazines. Shrine of the Black Madonna will be showcasing their African inspired fashions, natural skin care products, and natural hair care books. There are going to be free massages, teeth cleaning, skin care classes and African dance classes.

What about the more unique instructors who will be teaching during this conference?

Dr. Oliver will be teaching a class on herbal remedies. Cool-C of Hype World will be teaching a workshop on strategies to win hair battles and hair show competitions. WISHBONE, several time awardwinning platform hair stylist will be teaching classes on weaves and other hair illusions. Danessa Myricks, Celebrity Makeup Artist to Alicia Keyes, Brittany Spears, and Mary J. Blige will be teaching two classes. One class on makeup artistry and the other on the business behind makeup artistry.

Happy to Be Nappy Salon is located at 18957 Livernois Avenue, Detroit. For more information on products, the salon or the conference, contact (313) 340-4247 or www.happy to be nappy hairs alon.com.

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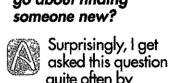


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# Youths need to be safe on the job

(NAPSI) - The construction industry continues to provide a growing number of job opportunities. Especially in the summer months, we see more teen workers employed in this field.

Summer job opportunities in construction may be the first job experience for some young people. The best way to make sure it is a rewarding experience is to be sure it's a safe and healthy

Under the Leadership of Secretary Elaine L. Chao, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) developed the YouthRules! campaign to promote positive, safe experiences for teen workers.

YouthRules! provides valuable information online so that every employer, teen and parent has the ability to access information on youth employment rules.

Because of the special needs and regulations of the construction industry, DOL is launching a new phase of the YouthRules! program dealing with youth working in construction.

The new YouthRules! Youth Working in Construction resource will provide valuable and easy to understand information so that:

employers can ensure that they are in compliance with the law and most importantly maintain a safe workplace; ■ and young workers also can

understand the protections that

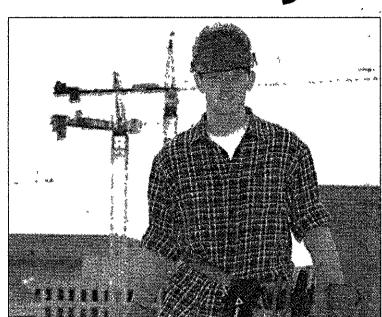
apply to them. This is important because, in December 2004, the department published new regulations to expand protections for young workers. These regulations made significant changes affecting the construction industry.

The interactive presentation the department created details the Fair Labor Standards Act's youth employment regulations and includes:

wideo clips depicting real life examples of violations; prohibited items and activi-

ties are clearly explained. While this year there is a greater emphasis on the changes in construction protections, the department remains committed to ensuring that young workers are legally employed, especially in industries such as restaurants and retail, which hire the greatest number of youth.

For information on youth employment laws, the new regulations and Youth Working in Construction, please visit our Web site, www.youthrules.dol.gov, or call toll free at (866) 4US-WAGE.



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# When it comes to career choices, kids say the darndest things

(NAPSI) — Young people report that family members wield a lot of influence when it comes to choosing a career. They also think super hero, whale trainer and princess are still some of the coolest jobs around.

These are just some of the key findings revealed in a survey conducted by Adecco, the world's largest staffing company. Thé survey asked 245 children ages 6-14 about their career expectations.

The coolest job in the universe? The more intriguing choices include Disney World employee, super hero, whale trainer, roller coaster designer and princess.

Many girls 13-14 are drawn to the health sciences (42 percent), especially physical therapy and veterinary medicine. Teenaged boys opted for such pursuits as psychiatry, herpetology and acting.

Girls 10-12 are interested in medicine (37 percent), teaching (33 percent) and

the performing arts (10 percent). The most popular choice for boys 10-12 is athlete (23 percent).

Boys 6-9 have varied goals, the largest block (17 percent) opting for police work. Sports and acting were popular choices, and possibly reflecting world events, several plan to join the Army.

For 42 percent of girls 6-9 years old, teaching was the winner. Medicine, the most popular choice in the previous survey, was runner-up in this survey.

Since president of the United States is perhaps the biggest job there is, the survey asked children the most important things they would do as president. Priorities included housing the homeless, ending world hunger and protecting the environment. Homeland Security issues such as "making sure that everyone in the country is safe" and "ending all wars' were mentioned.





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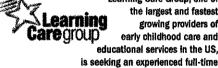
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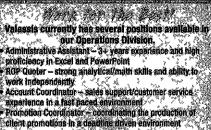
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