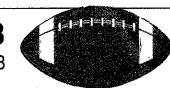
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# The good, the bad and the ugly in Canton

Roads will be fixed in 2006, but construction could be a nightmare

STAFF WRITER

The good news is that some of Canton's roads, badly in need of improvement, will finally be fixed. The bad news is that Canton's roads will be fixed.

"We've asked for these (road improvement) dollars, and we got these dollars. Ultimately this will be a good thing," said Municipal Services

But the improvements will mean that many of Canton's roads will be hard to traverse during the 2006 construction season.

One of the more difficult projects, even though it's considered a small project by the Michigan Department of Transportation, is a bridge replacement over Fellows Creek, on Ford Road near Canton Center. The \$1.3 million state-funded project is expected to at least partially - and possibly completely - shut down a section of Ford next year for yet undetermined periods of time, according Tom Casari, township engineer.

Another major project will be the widening of Canton Center between Cherry Hill and Palmer. The two-lane road will be widened to five lanes, and signals at Palmer and Heritage Drive

will be upgraded. The township's share of the \$4.1 million project is

Lilley Road will also be widened to five lanes between Warren and Ford, as will Cherry Hill between Canton

Center and Morton Taylor.

The township will also be doing extensive work on the intersections

PLEASE SEE ROADS, A8

# Girl follows big sister's lead in sharing her locks

BY DAVE VARGA STAFF WRITER

When it comes to then hair, the Phillips girls are sure willing to give to others.

In January 2004, Abby, now 13, decided it was a really good thing to do, so she had 14 inches of her hair trimmed and donated to Locks of Love, a Florida-based charity that provides hairpieces for needy children who suffer from medical conditions that have led to baldness.

Since that time, her sister, Paige,

10, decided she'd grow her hair for a donation, a decision made more poignant in light of an aunt and a second cousin who were diagnosed with cancer last summer. "All of a sudden, cancer was very real to Paige," according to Carol Phillips, the girls' mother. Their father is Dr. Nick Phillips and the family lives in Canton.

Paige, a fifth-grader at Tonda Elementary, got 11 inches of her golden brown locks cut Sept. 2 at Cardinal Barber Shop on Five Mile in Redford.

Paige's cousin, David Godwin, died of leukemia less than a month before she got her hair cut. He was just 19. Her Aunt Judy is doing well after surgery, radiation and chemotherapy were used to combat her breast can-

Paige donated her hair in memory of her cousin and for the continued health of her aunt.

"David's death was very real to Paige," Carol Phillips said. "Not because they were extremely close, as David lived on the East Coast and we never have, but because she prayed for him daily and she hurt for the family left behind to grieve."

As for her new hairdo: "I like it," Paige said. "All my friends said they like it."

Both Phillips girls' clippings were done by Siham Jasmund of Cardinal Barber Shop, who Carol Phillips said they know through church and who is a strong promoter of Locks of Love.



TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton resident Paige Phillips, 10, holds up the hair that she is donating to Locks of Love.

'All of a sudden, cancer was very real to Paige.'

- Carol Phillips, Paige's mother

# Blanket program gets students involved with hurricane relief efforts

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Anna Chamberlain has a stuffed puppy she calls "Puppy," that she's slept with since she was a baby.

As the 16-year-old Plymouth girl watched coverage of Hurricane Katrina on television with her 13-year-old sister Casey, it suddenly occurred to her that all the displaced children victimized by the hurricanes might be losing such comforting possessions.

"We were watching the coverage and talking about how sad they were, and she said, 'Mom, they left with nothing?" recalled the girls' mother, Marti Chamberlain. "They were telling me how awful it would be not to have anything

Realizing how sad they'd be had they lost their favorite blankets, stuffed animals and books, the girls and their mother decided to do something about it. They organized

"Kids Comforting Kids, a
Katrina Aid Project" to benefit
primarily the children stung by
Hurricane Katrina.
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They are collecting "no-sew" fleece blankets to send to the United Way in Houston, Texas, to be distributed to children. The children sent out blanket instructions and a material list for fleece, and coordinated with staff at both West Middle School, where Casey is a student, and New Morning School, which both girls attended earlier.

After the girls' call went out, a New Morning School teacher bought enough material to make 20 blankets. The material was brought back to the school, where parents volunteered to get it ready for students to make the blankets.

With blanket patterns laid out on the gym floor Friday, older students helped younger students put the blankets together.

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# Teens charged in destruction of historic grave markers

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

Three 18-year-old males, including two Canton teens, were arraigned Thursday in 35th District Court after being charged with destroying more than 20 tombstones at a township-owned historic cemetery located on Old Michigan Avenue. The teens are also accused of stealing a grave marker and a tombstone.

Adam Russell Miller and Daniel Lee Bighead, both of Canton, and Patrick Curtis Clevinger of Monroe, were arraigned in front of Judge Ronald Lowe. All three teens were charged with malicious destruction of tombstones and monuments over \$1,000, which is a felony. They were



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each given \$5,000 personal bond and released. All three will have preliminary examinations on Sept. 16 in 35th District



According to Canton Detective Sgt. Rick Pomorski,

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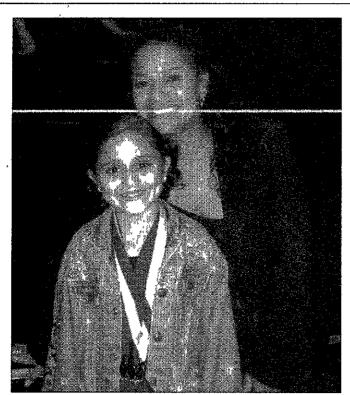
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Polysics: Japan's synth punk rockers are selling out shows



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# Motown girl

Canton resident Kelsey Rose Young, 9, stands with actress Debbie Allen after competing in the Debbie Allen 'FAMEUS' vocal and dance competition in Los Angeles last month. A fourth-grader at Canton Charter Academy, Kelsey has been dancing at Canton's The Dance Connection for seven years, and has won a number of awards for her dancing, including 'Dancer of the Year' at the American Dance Awards, the 'Strawberry Idoi' at the Belleville Strawberry Festival and the 'Livonia Idol' at the Livonia Spree. She will be performing at the Plymouth Fall Festival and Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade with the Camp Broadway group.

## CORRECTION

A letter to the editor ("Should have done homework") that ran in the Aug. 18 Canton Observer was misrepresented as being written by Canton resident Peg Fenwick. Ms. Fenwick denies writing the letter.



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## Hurricane relief

The Retail Jewelers Organization is teaming up with Showroom of Elegance and its other independent jewelers across the nation to help the Red Cross in its Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. As part of the effort, Showroom of Elegance, located at 6018 Canton Center Road, will be collecting monetary donations until Sept. 24.

For more information, call Rick Denman at (734) 2077-

## Homeowners' council changes

Canton's Homeowners' Advisory Council meetings will have a new location and format. The group will meet 7 p.m., Sept. 12 in the lower level of the Canton Township Administration Building. The evening's topic will be "Effective Leadership."

The council is an organization of homeowners and homeowners associations with a goal of maintaining and improving the quality of life in the Canton community. The council acts as an advisory body to the community and to the township. The council disseminates information and advice to homeowners on topics and concerns.

All homeowners are wel-

# Japanese program at library

The Canton Public Library will feature a KoNami Japanese music program at 7 p.m., Sept. 15. KoNami is a combination performance and lecture that will provide information on Japanese instruments, music styles and costumes, including the shinobue, matsuri bayashi and ka-ne. Call the library at (734)397-0999 to register.

# Harvest celebration

With autumn around the corner, Canton Leisure Services is preparing to host its annual Harvest Celebration. The celebration will be held in Heritage Park on Saturday, September 24 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visitors can enjoy family

entertainment at the amphitheater, take a fall foliage hay-ride around the park, get the kids together to make some crafts (\$2 fee). Face painting and inflatables will also be available for the kids. Admission to the event is free, and the majority of the activities are free. The day's activities will include: Two shows "Side by Side"; family hay rides; pony rides; a petting far, Ben Spitzer strolling magic and children's entertainment, and the Kid's Harvest Craft

## Dinner show at CHV Theater

Enjoy a buffet dinner and a show at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 7 p.m. on Sept. 24 and again at 1 p.m. on Sept. 25. After the buffet lunch/dinner in the theater's Biltmore Studio, the Spotlight Players will perform their production of The Sound of Music. Tickets are \$35.

For more information call (734) 394-5460.

# Tails and Trails walk

The Plymouth/Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club will be hosting the 3rd Annual Tails and Trails Charity Dog Walk on Saturday, Sept. 17. Grab your four-legged friend and walk with other participants through Canton's Heritage Park.

This fund-raiser, sponsored by Pet Supplies Plus of Canton and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, will benefit the Plymouth/Canton Kiwanis Club and the Michigan **Technical Rescue Operations** Search and Rescue Team. This is a pledge event with 100 percent of the pledge dollars going to MTROT. Funds raised by this event will be used to purchase props for MTROT training facility located in Belleville.

Activities for the day will include entertainment by the search and rescue dog team, a pet care seminar, vendor booths and food concessions. A number of contests will be held and prizes will be awarded.

Registration/check-in begins at 9:15 a.m. The walk will be held rain or shine. Registration is \$20. Walk-ups are welcome. Current vaccination record

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must be presented at time of registration. For more information or to request a registration form, visit www.pckiwanis.org or call Janet at (734) 981-0460 or e-mail to info@pckiwanis.org.

# 'Spectacular' auditions

Be a part of Canton's first Broadway-style Christmas show, The Central City Christmas Spectacular, scheduled for Dec. 20-23 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

Open auditions for male and female dancers, gymnasts, and singers, ages 6-adult (experience only) is Sept. 17 at Central City Dance, 8004 Sheldon Center Road in Canton. Auditions for dancers ages 6-8 are 1-1:45 p.m.; ages 9-12 are 2-2:45 p.m.; and ages 13-adult are 3-3:45 p.m. Dancers should bring appropriate footwear: Tap, jazz and/or ballet shoes, and be prepared to learn a dance combination. Dancers will audition as a group.

Auditions for singers of all ages are 4-4:45 p.m. Singers must bring a prepared piece of holiday music, of their choice, in CD format, not longer that 11/2 minutes. Auditions for gymnasts of all ages are 5-5:45

Arrive a half hour before scheduled audition time to register and warm-up. Performers arriving late will not be allowed to audition. A nonrefundable audition fee of \$10 is due at registration.

For more information please visit the Web site, www.centralcitydance.com, or call (734) 459-0400.

# Spotlight auditions

Spotlight Players is holding auditions for "It's a Wonderful Life" on Monday, Sept. 19 and Tuesday, Sept. 20 at the Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill Road (corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge).

Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. Bring a non-returnable photo and resume. For more information about the auditions, visit www.spotlightplayers.net or call (734) 480-4945.

# Young Marines registration

The Canton Young Marines

will be accepting new registrations during September. The group meets every Monday from 5-7:30 p.m. at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, in Canton. The Young Marines is a national not-for-profit 501(c)(3)youth education program sponsored by the Marine Corps League in Washington,

Open to children ages 8, through completion of high school, the program focuses on character building. through a combination of self-discipline, teamwork, and leadership and promotes

a healthy, drug-free lifestyle. The group is holding an open house on Sept. 19, from 5-7:30 p.m. at the Summit. For advance registration or more information, call the Unit Commander Charles Volker at (734) 981-5059. Visit www.youngmarines.com for more information on this pro-

## Eagle project. fund-raiser

Local Boy Scout John Palgut, a member of Troop 1539, will raise money for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Clothing Bank for his Eagle Project. On Sept. 17 and 18, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., he will be hosting a returnable bottle and new clothing drive. The drop-off area will be located outside of the clothing bank, at Salem High School. Enter the Salem north-west parking lot (off of McClumpha and Joy roads) and follow the signs to the drop off area.

Donated pop bottles will be returned for money that the Clothing Bank can use to purchase new clothes and materials needed to run the clothing bank. Only new clothing in original package will be accepted. Tax receipts are available for clothing donations.

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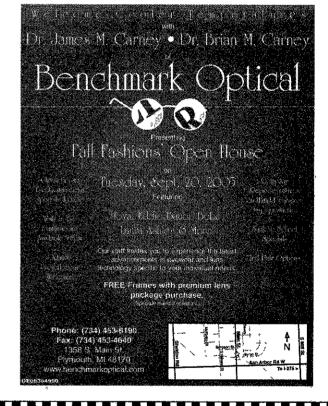
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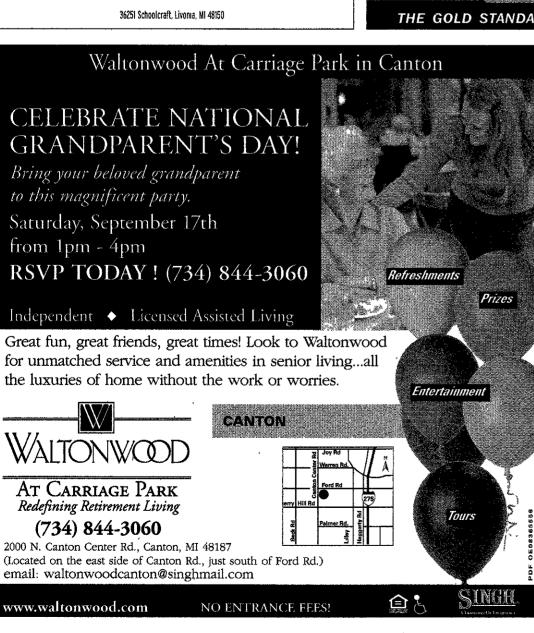


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# From one Canton to another Canton man charged after standoff

Locals providing assistance to hurricane victims in Canton, Miss.

Canton Township, the Canton Community Foundation and the Canton Chamber of Commerce are joining forces to provide assistance to hurricane victims in Canton, Miss. While the town was not directly hit by the storm, it has become a refuge for many victims, as well as a dispatch hub for supplies that are distributed to nearby shelters and smaller communities.

The "Canton to Canton" efforts are being coordinated with the Canton, Mississippi Convention and Visitors

Canton's DPW facility, located at 4847 Sheldon Road, just south of Michigan Ave., will serve as a collection location. Donations will be accepted at the facility from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Monday, Sept. 12 through Friday, Sept. 16, and 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 17-18. The donations will then be loaded on to

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a truck provided by MSA Delivery Service of Canton, and taken to Mississippi to be

delivered the week of Sept. 19. Canton is located approximately 20 miles north of the Mississippi capitol city of Jackson. It has been the site of five feature films including ATime To Kill, My Dog Skip, and O Brother Where Art Thou.

According to Pat Van Dusen, Canton's volunteer coordinator, Canton officials met last week to brainstorm on ways to help victims of Hurricane Katrina.

"Our executive team got together and said, 'Let's see if we can find a town named Canton in Mississippi Louisiana or Alabama? And we found Canton, Miss.," she said. "They're just on the outskirts of the area affected by the hurricane, but they are getting a lot of the people who were impacted, and having to house and feed them. So they're in need of a lot of food and daily

Items needed for the shelters include: First-aid kits, bottled water, baby supplies, diapers, toilet paper, paper towels, hygiene needs, non-perishable (canned or boxed) food, new blankets and pillows, and other comfort supplies. Monetary donations will also be accepted on site and will go towards gas, food and lodging for the truck drivers. Checks should be made payable to the Canton Community Foundation, with "hurricane relief" on the memo line.

Volunteers will be needed at the collection site for the week to assist with greeting, unloading, sorting, and taking inventory. Those wishing to volunteer should call Van Dusen, at (734) 394-5193.

For more information on the "Canton to Canton" hurricane relief project, please call the Canton Supervisor's office at (734)394-5188.

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

A 22-year-old Canton man is facing up to 15 years in prison following a police chase and five-hour standoff early Wednesday morning.

Brian Matthew Anthony was arraigned Thursday by 35th District Court

Judge Ronald

charges of felo-

possession of a

loaded firearm

in a vehicle,

two counts of

felony firearms

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possession and one count of fleeing and eluding police. Police said he barricaded himself in his home on Bryn Mawr early Wednesday morning until he was arrested just after 6 a.m.

Though police said at the time of Anthony's arrest that

victed of misdemeanor crimes, he has no criminal record,

according to Canton Police. Friday, Anthony returned to court to discuss the issue of bond, and at that time he waived his right to a preliminary examination. He's being held on \$500,000 cash bond until he appears at Wayne County Circuit Court in Detroit for arraignment Sept.

"He was back in court today so that attorneys could discuss if there is a mental health facility where he could stay under lockdown and get treatment for 20 days or until he goes back to court, but there was nothing close by, so his bond remains the same," Canton Police Sgt. Rick Pomorski said.

According to police, Anthony's mother said he had been suffering with depression prior to his arrest.

Police said during the hours that led up to his arrest, Anthony had pointed a loaded rifle at an officer when police pulled him over for a simple traffic stop. Police said he then led them on a brief car chase, before his car smashed into a tree near his home on Bryn Mawr. He ran to the house and wouldn't come out, according to police. Officers believed at the time that Anthony had firearms in the house.

Just after 6 a.m., the Western Wayne Special Operations Team got into Anthony's house, where he lived with his mother, and found him there with selfinflicted injuries - non-life threatening cuts on his arms. He was arrested without further incident, Deputy Chief Alex Wilson said.

A Canton Fire Department rescue unit transported him to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor for medical treatment.

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Robert Gillman

### Gillman, 70, formerly of Ypsilanti, died Aug. 21.

**Barbara Glass** Glass, 61, of Plymouth, died Sept. 8.

# Vera Kompoltowicz

Kompoltowicz, of Westland, died Sept.

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Miller, 35, of Monroe, died Aug. 31

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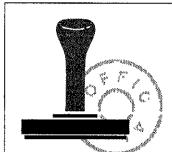
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Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's Community Life section in Passages on page C4.

Edward Allen "Eddie" Sawicki Sawicki, 23, of Albion, died Aug. 16. Philip V. Sheffield

Sheffield, 46, of Clarkston, died Aug.

# Study to look for future road problems

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

As Canton, Van Buren and Plymouth townships continue to build out, one thing looks certain: Traffic isn't going to get any lighter.

In order to determine how traffic patterns will emerge, and where Canton's roadways will be - or are already – deficient, Canton, Van Buren Township and the Michigan Department of Transportation are working on a regional transportation

"The goal is to assess the existing transportation network in western Wayne County, determine what kinds of demands will be placed on it during the next 25-30 years, and the computer will ultimately spit out the problems we'll have and create a list of all the necessary projects to correct those deficiencies," Canton Municipal Services

Director Tim Faas said. The study will examine driving patterns, traffic volumes and the condition of roadways

in Canton, Van Buren, Plymouth Township and some of Romulus and Westland. The \$450,000 project is

largely being funded by Canton and Van Buren, which will pay \$150,000 and \$120,000 respectively, with MDOT picking up the bal-ance, Faas said. The agreement to pay for the study was approved by the Canton Township Board of Trustees last month.

"We've recognized for a long time there are problems with the state and county roads systems in Canton, and since we don't have the responsibility for those we need to have something like this study done," Faas said.

By having the empirical data on hand, the townships stands a better chance of lobbying the state and county to get roads projects completed, and to get them completed faster.

Normally, this kind of study

In order to determine how traffic patterns will emerge. and where Canton's roadways will be - or are already deficient, Canton, Van Buren **Township and the Michigan Department of Transportation** are working on a regional transportation study.

would be funded more heavily by MDOT, with the state paying 80 percent and the local match being 20 percent.

"We're paying a much bigger share, but it's definitely worth

the money," Faas said. Though Plymouth Township is not contributing financially, the township will provide information, according to Jim

Anulewicz, Plymouth Township director of public service. He said the township has no funding for the project, but the state of Michigan agreed that Plymouth

Township should be included in the study so that the area is large enough to get a clearer picture of traffic patterns in

"We will definitely benefit from this study, even though it was originally designed to look at congestion on the major roads like Ford and the I-275 expressway," Anulewicz said. "But it doesn't make any sense if you're looking at a circulation problem in your arm to only look at your arm. You have to look at the key ancillary arteries to your arm to understand it."

He suspects that the study will recommend that Beck Road should - or will become a key artery, possibly every bit as busy as Sheldon Road is now.

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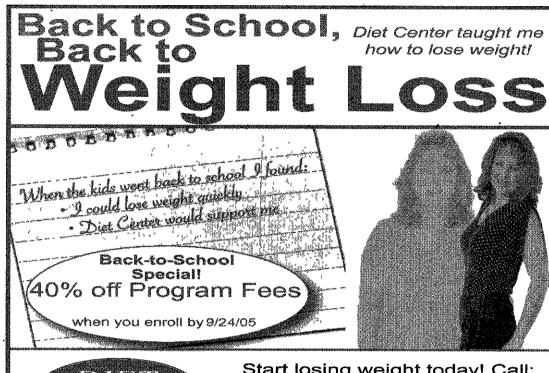
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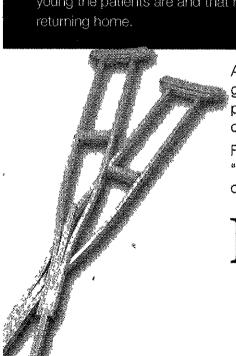
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# NorthRidge steps up in size, stature

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Brad Powell is adamant that the mission at NorthRidge Church is to lead people to a life of faith and, with some 14,000 active worshipers, there's significant evidence it's working.

And now, the church is drawing raves from outside the Plymouth Township communi-

In two separate lists, Outreach Magazine has called NorthRidge one of the 100 fastest-growing churches in America, while The Church



Report has listed it as one of the 50 mostinfluential churches.

Powell, nearing his 15th anniversary as the church's pastor, is much

happier about the growth - both numerically and, more importantly to him, spiritually - than he is about the recognition.

"We've never been in this to make anyone's 'list,'" Powell said. "We just want to be a center for Christian development and experience. You have to lead people to a life of faith, and you have to lead them to full devotion to that faith."

The Church Report surveyed some 2,000 churches and accepted 127 nominations for its top-50 list. Churches nominated for the 50 Most Influential Churches survey were located in 32 states and represented 27 affiliation groups and/or denominations.

Outreach Magazine has NorthRidge ranked as the 14thfastest growing church, with a 2004 membership gain of some 1,900 people. With an average in-season attendance of some 9,000 worshipers, NorthRidge is ranked as the 39th-largest in

Not bad for a church that, 15 years ago when it was still named Temple Baptist, appeared to be on life support, with numbers that weren't so much dwindling as they were spiraling. The average age of a Temple Baptist worshiper was 60, and the church was among

hundreds of thousands that were "dead or dying," according to Powell.

The church lost its pastor and went more than two years without one while searching. The church's search committee put together a profile - they wanted a man about 55 years old who had led large churches - but couldn't find one.

They interviewed three candidates; they rejected one, the other two declined the position. That's when Powell submitted a resumé. He didn't fit the profile - he was 32, and his biggest congregation to that point was a 500-member church in Allegan.

What his candidacy did was convince church elders to think in unconventional terms.

We prayed strongly, and the Holy Spirit told us we at least should think outside the box," said Rick Harris, a member of that search committee and now the church's director of communications. "We thought, "This is the way it is,' but we soon realized Christ was relevant to the current culture, and we were stuck in the 1950s and 1960s. We were the third generation, and we knew if we didn't think outside the box, we would die."

The church is far from dying now. There are nearly 15,000 active attenders, and weekend attendance averaged some 9,000 in 2004. Powell said the church has grown by embracing the culture, especially music and drama, and using it to spread God's word

"We're communicating it in a language people can under-stand," Powell said. "We're trying to replicate the ministry of Christ. You have to understand the philosophical underpinnings of our culture to get to the

Powell said the church uses video and visual aids, drama and storytelling to communicate with people in today's culture and society. He's heard the criticism that such things are mere entertainment, and he vehemently disagrees.

"You have to appeal to all the senses," Powell said. "The 'traditional' church says, 'They're just entertaining,' but we're not. We're teaching."

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# Advisory committee gives suburbs a voice with DWSD

BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

There was a time, not too long ago, when some administrators in the 126 communities served by the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department felt like they weren't valued customers.

We were checks," Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock said. But the relationship between the suburbs and the city's water department have improved since 2003, when the DWSD formed its Technical Advisory Committee.

"There was tremendous pressure from some suburban communities to regionalize DWSD, and at the same time DWSD was going through a master plan update," Canton Municipal Services Director Tim Faas said.

So strong was the pressure that some communities were threatening to pull out of the DWSD system, just as the department was preparing to invest hundreds of millions of dollars on improvements.

"Those two things collided, and forced Detroit and the suburban communities to come together,"

TAC will meet in Canton at 9 a.m. Sept. 29 at the Summit on the Park for one of its quarterly meetings. On the agenda is a discussion of the water department's emergency preparedness.

TAC has been tasked with guiding the DWSD on developing emergency preparedness strategies, establishing an elected officials task force, improving customer service management and, most importantly, examining the water rate structure and working on a comprehensive contract for all of the 126 communities served by the depart-

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tracts right now, and they all have different expiring dates, and the possibility is there that some have even expired," Faas said. "They need to be redone. They're over 40 years old."

Faas said a new contract between the DWSD and its customer communities could happen in about a year.

"The true value of TAC will come with the hopefully unanimous agreement on a new model contract. We can figure out the emergency response stuff and we can understand how the rates get calculated, but to agree on the contract is the big challenge," he said. "I'm optimistic that's going to work out."

The formula for rates is complex, according to Don Rohraff, Westland water and sewer superintendent. Based on water usage during regular and peak hours, distance from the water source and inclines between the city and the suburb, negotiating with each community is something that the DWSD doesn't - and shouldn't necessarily - have time to do, he said.

"TAC has definitely helped with that," Rohraff said. Unification of the suburban customers has "made us feel like we have a voice and that somebody is listening."

But so far, TAC hasn't had much impact on the rates themselves.

"We've actually had a slight rate decrease from Detroit," Livonia Public Utility Manager Kevin Roney said. "But it's not because of TAC. The rates are based on usage and cost. But what TAC does do is help us understand the rates, and will help us with a contract to establish new rates."

TAC has worked well enough that Faas anticipates there will be

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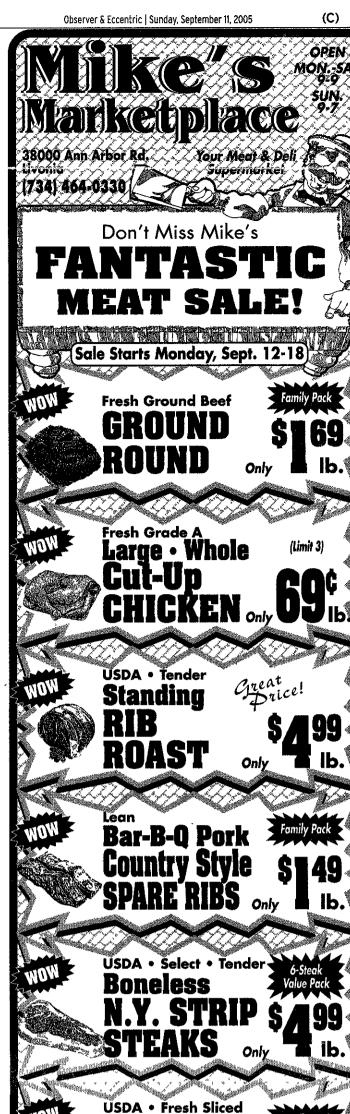
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# Big model airplanes on the way

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BY CAROL MARSHALL STAFF WRITER

More than 4,000 people will look to the skies over western Canton and what they'll see is 100 giant scale model airplanes at the 22nd annual Flying Pilgrims Model

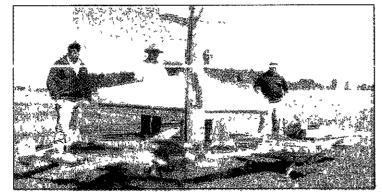
Airplane Show. The planes are not your average radio controlled model planes. They're supersized. With wingspans of more than 100 inches, they reach speeds up to 200 miles per hour, according to Jim Repp of Canton, president of the Flying Pilgrims model plane club.

"Giant scale means the model must be at least a quarter the size of the real aircraft,' he said.

Most of them weigh between 15 and 50 pounds, and engine power ranges from 3-12 horsepower. They've got features which imitate their full-sized counterparts, including retractable landing gear, flaps and smoke systems.

While the event was developed to generate newcomers into the model plane hobby, it has become an entertaining weekend for visitors of the club's 25-acre air field at the northwest corner of Geddes and Ridge, which features a

paved 400-foot runway. "Our intention is to generate



Two members of the Flying Pilgrims model airplane club hold up a YAK aircraft, which has a 120-inch wingspan. Members of the club include Canton residents Jack Kezlian (on left) and Jim Repp (on right).

new interest in the hobby, as well as provide entertainment to the casual visitor. This is definitely a family oriented event," Repp said.

The Flying Pilgrims started out in Plymouth more than 40 years ago. It's now 200 strong, and is part of the Academy of Model Aeronautics, a 150,000member national organization.

The reason for the hobby's success, Repp said, is the fact it has broad appeal.

"We have 6- and 7-year-old kids that are learning to fly, and we have members who are 85 and still flying," he said. But the giant model planes are not the kind you start out

with when you learn to fly, he said. "These are not the models

you usually think of. These are big airplanes. We open the show to the public because these are expert level pilots," he Most cost between \$3,000

and \$8,000. "It's pretty impressive stuff,"

Repp said. The show, at the northwest

corner of Geddes and Ridge, will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 17-18. There is a \$5-per-vehicle parking donation, but the event is free to attend. There will be light concessions on site. For more information visit online at www.flyingpilgrims.com, or call Jim Repp at (248) 941-

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Randy Rechonie, 11, of Canton, and Rachel Garfield, 8, of Livonia line up the pieces before making "no-sew" blankets for the "Kids Comforting Kids" relief effort.

# HELP

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At West Middle School, instructions were sent home with families. Those blankets will be packaged with one stuffed animal or a children's book.

Strategic Partners, Inc., of Canton paid for several kits and shipping supplies, while GMS Communications of Plymouth will pay for shipping the blankets to Houston.

Not only did staffers at New Morning School embrace the human aspect of the project, they also turned it into a math problem, having students calculate how many feet of material was going to be needed.

"We thought it would be a great opportunity for the kids," said Joan Barrett, admissions director at New Morning School. "There's this need of wanting to do something. This is for people their age, so it gives more relevance to them. Īt's kids helping kids."

In other Hurricane Katrina efforts:

■ Girl Scout and Brownie troops at Bird Elementary School are collecting school supplies for students in a Texas school district displaced by Hurricane Katrina.

The idea came when the sister of Troop 1005 leader Gail Grieger, a principal at a school in the Lamar Consolidated



New Morning School students Marisa Kenyon, 6 (left), Jack Lark, 6, and 12year-old Austin Triplett work on putting together a "no-sew" fleece blanket to send to school children in Texas.

Independent School District'in Lamar, Texas, pointed out the area was getting an influx of refugees, many of them children.

Grieger said her sister suggested the school supply drive, and Scouts at Bird took the idea and ran with it. Scouts will collect supplies Monday-Friday next week to be sent to

"The girls think it's a great idea," Grieger said. "They all want to help, and they really like the idea they're helping other school children."

■ When Wayne County Commissioner Laura Cox meets Tuesday with constituents in Plymouth, she'll also be helping

hurricane victims.

Cox, who holds office hours 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Plymouth District Library, will be collecting new and used children's books that will be donated to victims of last week's hurricane and flood in the Gulf states.

Cox represents Livonia, Plymouth, Northville, Plymouth Township and Northville Township. The Plymouth District Library is located at 223 S. Main in downtown Plymouth. For more information, please contact Carrie Ryckman, (313) 224-0946.

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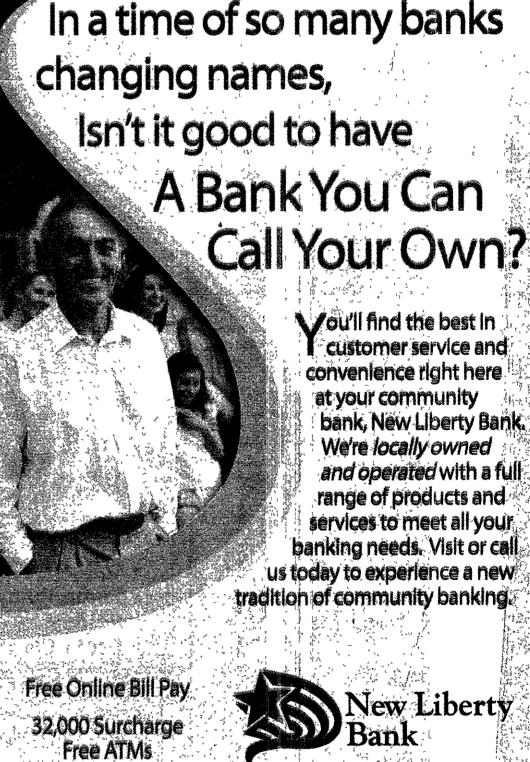
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# \$1 million for Katrina evacuees

The Wayne County Commission Thursday passed an ordinance that will commit \$1 million in funding to provide housing, food, clothing, crisis counseling and employment assistance for victims of Katrina who choose to relocate to Wayne County.

"As a government agency, we have an obligation and responsibility to respond to this natural disaster and support our fellow Americans whose lives have been turned upside down," said Commissioner Bernard Parker, who chairs the Commission's Ways & Means Committee.

The \$1 million will be taken from appropriations within the 04-05 budget, and will be held for use by various county agencies to assist the victims. It is anticipated that the county will be reimbursed when the various agencies receive appropriations from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Commissioner Parker also sponsored a resolution that supports the Wayne County Executive and Wayne County Sheriff in providing all means to help restore New Orleans and provide aid to displaced persons who come to Wayne County.

The resolution requests that President George Bush and Congress provide adequate resources to house, feed and educate Katrina victims, and also provide a federal jobs pro-

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gram for these victims.

FEMA.

"The County of Wayne can not in good conscience follow the federal example in its response the worst national disaster tragedy in American history," Commissioner Parker said.

Commissioner Parker said the federal government's response to Katrina, in which most of the victims were poor and black, was in stark contrast to how it responded in 2004 when Hurricanes Charley,

Frances and Ivan struck "Florida is where President Bush's brother is governor and is where most of the victims were rich, retired and white. Cheer for the hometeam, read today's

# County commits Sporting Lands Alliance hosts fund-raiser

The Sporting Lands Alliance will hold a fund-raiser on Monday, Sept. 19, at the Royal Park Hotel in Rochester to raise money to help educate the public about preserving land for recreation in fastgrowing southeastern Michigan.

"Every day we loose lands to development that could be used for bicycling, hunting, fishing or hiking," said Bill Vandercook, executive director of the Sporting Lands Alliance.

"We're not anti-development, we're just for smart growth," he said. "Our mission is to work with developers and property owners to set aside lands that can benefit all

The money raised at the benefit dinner and auction will go to support educational

'We're trying to educate kids about outdoor activities. Our focus is on the family," he

Access to recreational lands has taken on an added importance in the light of new studies that show many young people have weight problems. Outdoors activities are one way that parents can teach their children how to get away from the television set and computer and get some exercise outdoors.

The cost of the fund-raiser is \$80 for adults, \$150 a couple, and \$50 for children under 18. To purchase a ticket ahead of time, contact the Sporting Lands Alliance at (248) 601-1241. Information is also available at the group's Web site, www.sportinglandsalliance.org

The fund-raiser will feature an auction, with items such as a hunting trip to South Africa and a week at a North Carolina

ocean front home. The main mission of the The money raised at the benefit dinner and auction will go to support educational programs.

Rochester-based alliance is to educate landowners about the importance of open space preservation and to encourage them to take steps to preserve their property.

While the alliance home ground is Oakland and Lapeer counties, it is also working with other land conservation groups in the state to help preserve open lands. It also works with local, state and federal agencies.

"We're trying to focus on the fragmentation of open space by promoting alternative development methods," Vandercook said. "We want to find alternatives for landowners."

The alliance monitors local ordinances, policies and legislation that affect open space preservation.

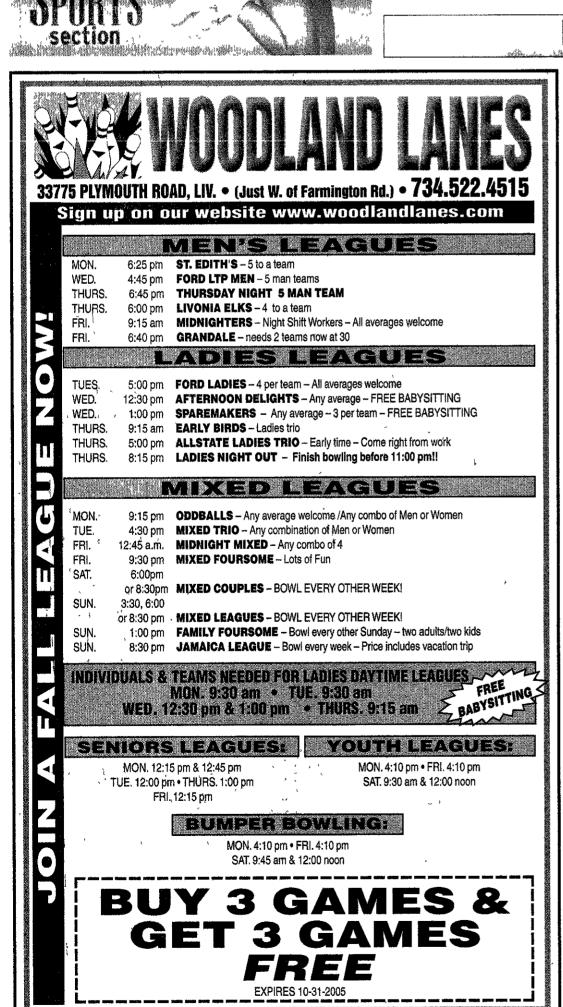
As part of its mission, the alliance hosts horse backriding, fishing events, cross-county ski outings and clay, skeet and trap shooting events for families.

"Our theory is to get families outdoors engaging infun events," Vandercook said.

The alliance draws its board from a cross section of communities. They are: Frank Rewold, Keith McCormick, Tom McNulty, Chuck Buzzy, Jerry Carvey, Jim Smithers, Henry Gleisner, Charlie Mann, Nikki Reynolds, Kim Bosetti, John Fleming, Ken Matheis Sr. and Jeff Counts. For more information, contact Bill Vandercook, executive director, at (248) 601-1241. His e-mail address is bill@sportinglandsalliance.org.



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# **ROADS**

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on Warren Road at Beck, Canton Center, Morton Taylor and Sheldon roads, Casari said. The improvements are part of the township-funded intersection improvement plan. At the same time those improvements are going on, MDOT will be widening Warren to five lanes between Canton Center and Morton Taylor.

"We thought it would be prudent to take all of the Warren Road (intersection) projects up now," Casari said. "They would coincide with the county projects so we get in there, get it

done and be done with it." Even though the pain for drivers will be sharper, it will be over much faster than if the township had spread out the intersection improvements over several years, said Tim Faas, municipal services direc-

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"The reality is Warren Road is going to be torn up from Canton Center to Morton Taylor," Faas said, adding that the project on Canton Center will essentially interfere with drivers trying to make it to the township offices and the

The construction will also mean that emergency staff including the township's police and fire departments as well as Canton's two major medical centers (St. Joseph Mercy on Canton Center and Oakwood's emergency clinic on Warren) must contend with multiple projects at once.

"Special consideration is given to make sure that construction doesn't interfere with their operations at the health care facilities," Faas said, but ultimately road construction must be done, even around hospitals.

"Ŷou can't delay it forever, eventually it has to be done,' Faas said.

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# **Browe fosters volunteerism**

STAFF WRITER

It's safe to say that Mary Browe has a voice for radio. She has the credentials to prove it.

She's a former member of WJR's house vocal group, the Don Larch Singers, performing when J.P. McCarthy and Jimmy Launce were just getting started and in USO tours with comedian Bob Hope.

She even went on the road with a small group until she retired in 2001 ... from singing. But if she has her way she'll keep her day job "40 years, if they let me."

"I've never had a bad boss ... I'm so lucky," said Browe, a 31year employee of the Wayne-Westland Community Schools.

In her 15 years as director of the Dyer Senior Adult Center, Browe has succeeded in creating a popular program for seniors that, by and large, is planned by them and run by

Seniors work the front desk, they answer telephones, they do fund-raising, and register members for different trips. They turnout in large numbers for the monthly meeting where they decide the menu for the monthly dinner - a good show of hands put city chicken over the top for next Tuesday's dinner - and pick movies for the twice-a-month Movie Day.

Browe started with the district, teaching parent education with the SPARKEY preschool program and was the parent coordinator for the Head Start program when she was approached by then superintendent Dennis O'Neill about taking on the sen-

She didn't want to, she loved her work with Head Start, but



Looking on is Dorothy TOM HAWLEY STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Krzystan.

did and has never looked back. "I've always been able to make the best of things," said Browe. "And I'm good at putting together a volunteer system. Basically, except for myself, it's all done by

volunteers." But she's also good at something else, according to club member Stella Hagen.

"We laugh all the time because she tells us jokes," she

"I do crazy things so people laugh," Browe said. "I know

that when people laugh, they stay happy." With more than 25,000 seniors living in Westland which has its own senior Friendship

Center, Browe has created a

program that offers activities and volunteerism. Club membership now totals 470 seniors. Eighty percent are from within the Wayne-

Westland school district. Not only do seniors help out at the center, located on the east end of the district's administrative office building on Marquette, they also help

the district.

Three times a year volunteers gather to address the district's Connections newsletter for mailing. They also form an assembly line to fill backpacks given to incoming youngsters during the Kindergarten Roundup.

Monthly spaghetti dinner fund-raisers provide an opportunity for high school seniors to meet their community service requirements. Members of the JROTC and drama programs helped out at the dinners last year.

"Spaghetti dinner night, they're in the kitchen yelling at me to get out, but I'm part of the team said Browe with a laugh.

What she doesn't point out is that most dinners end with her singing Blue Bayou, according to Ed Turner, club member and a school board trustee.

"She's done so much for us here." Turner added. "Look at what we have and the dues are only \$12 a year."

"We go on a lot of nice trips, we have a ball with her," added Genevieve Sorrell.

For more information about the Wayne-Westland senior adult program, call the Dyer Senior Center at (734) 419-2020. The center also will have its. first spagnetti dinner of the fall season Friday, Sept. 23.

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# **VANDALS**

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vandals destroyed the tombstones sometime after midnight on July 17.

They went around kicking the tombstones over. Some of them were cracked in half, and some fell over. Those will just have to be raised back up, but . the others will have to be repaired," Pomorski said.

Pomorski said the township owns the historic cemetery, where most of the graves date

back to the 1800s. The township maintains the cemetery, and will have to pay the costs to fix the markers though Pomorski said they will seek restitution.

He estimated the damage at more than \$15,000.

Initially police had no leads on the case, but Pomorski said one officer was able to obtain some information from nearby residents, which ultimately led the detective bureau to the three teens. He said police believe a fourth suspect was

also involved in the incident, but there has been no luck in apprehending the teen male. Police are not releasing his name, but do have a warrant out for his arrest. We were able to get his

name, but he has not been cooperative. He has refused to come in and talk with us. From what we know of him, he kind of moves around from house to house," Pomorski said.

Pomorski said Miller and Bigham live near the cemetery.

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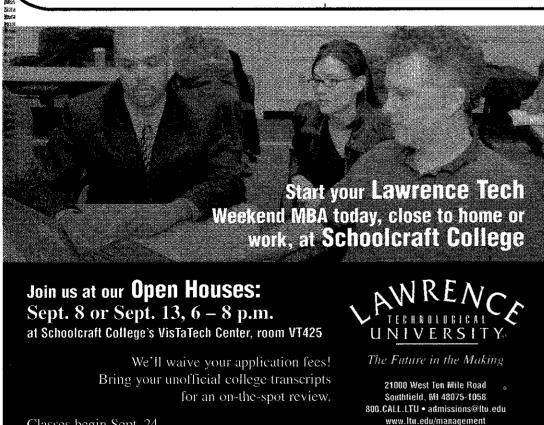


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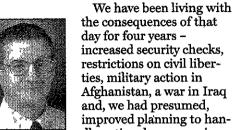
# All levels of government need to learn from Katrina

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We gathered around the small editorial department TV and watched the image of smoke billowing from the giant north building, wondering how any airline pilot could get so off course in New York City.

Then before our eyes, another plane sailed into the WTC's south tower erupting into a burst of fire. This was no accident.



dle national emergencies. Now on the anniversary Gallagher of that tragic event, we are experiencing another national tragedy, more far

reaching and devastating. But Hurricane Katrina is not the act of terrorists but a terrifying act of nature.

Hurricanes are recurring tragedies along our Atlantic and Gulf shores. Last year, Florida was hit by three major storms in succession. Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas are often battered by storms. Yet, Katrina has beat them all. It has taken down and totally evacuated a large American city, a city known far and wide for its music, food and Big Easy attitude. While New Orleans fought the storm's backlash that broke three levees, the major force of the storm also bullied through coastal Mississippi and Alabama, literally destroying whole towns.

A natural disaster gave way to a human calamity. While thousands were stranded by flood waters without food, water, medicine or transportation out, the city of New Orleans descended into anarchy with looters, snipers and rampaging gangs doing their worst. A city already known for poverty and violence

became immensely poorer and more violent. Government response was extremely slow and inadequate. At every level, government failed to do what it is supposed to do.

It is important for us to really learn from this disaster what government is supposed to do and who needs to take responsibility. We don't get hurricanes but we do get tornados, floods, extensive forest fires and blizzards. We need to know that the federal government will respond quickly and adequately. We need to know

that our security will be protected.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has taken the brunt of criticism in Katrina's tragic aftermath. Though clearly New Orleans and Louisiana relied too much on the federal response and needed to have an evacuation and police protection plan in place, the federal government is primarily responsible for coordination in these kind of emergencies.

Rapper Kanye West in a burst of unthinking outrage said on national television that New Orleans didn't get help because, "President Bush doesn't care about black people." That's an unfair charge and not supported by what happened.

The Bush Administration has concerns about the role of the federal government.

FEMA didn't act quickly enough for a variety of reasons, including its reorganization and subordination to the Homeland Security Department. No one seemed to know who was supposed to coordinate response. Bush's error was in not following through on his declaration of a disaster, despite warnings that even as the brunt of the wind bypassed New Orleans, the chance of a major flood existed.

Now we have a round of media-fueled finger pointing. While most attention is on the failure of FEMA, Republican congressional leaders and GOP-friendly media have been making a case against New Orleans and Louisiana officials (Democrats). But the president's initial reaction that the federal government had failed was the correct response, and everything after has been politics. Ironically arguments about a state failure reinforces the need for federal authority.

U.S. Rep. John Dingell has wisely proposed separating FEMA from the Homeland Security Department and giving it the authority it needs to coordinate all local, state and national resources in these kind of major natural disasters.

If this is the "improved" response to disasters, natural or manmade, we've got a lot more improving to do.

(On a positive note, the American people, including many from our area, have responded with generosity. Local police, fire and emergency workers, medical technicians, builders and ordinary people have volunteered their time and expertise. Area homes, schools and colleges have opened their doors to evacuees. This is a great country with a big heart and we prove it time and again.)

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# **Emergency preparedness 101:** Prepare for the worst scenario

uring my tenure at the Wayne County Executive Office, I served as a liaison to Wayne County Emergency Management Unit. This unit serves as the first respondent in any emergency to most of Wayne County's cities

and townships.

In the 13 years I served in this capacity, we had to respond to all kinds of emergencies including such natural disasters as flooding, tornados and airline disasters. During 9/11, Wayne County Emergency Management was activated in anticipation of further attacks and to deal with stranded travelers who found Metro Detroit home until the signal was clear for them to reach their destination.

The Wayne County Emergency Management team consists of all local fire

and police Departments; representatives from local mayors, Wayne County health and human services, public service agencies, and many other agencies including mental health and assessment and equalizations. The Emergency management team also consists of The Michigan State Police, the Department of Defense and federal government representa-

tives. From the private sectors, we have representation from the utility companies, major industries, community organization, schools, hospitals, religious institutions, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army and the media.

Our team was in constant training regarding all kind of scenarios. The simulation programs included the worst anticipated disasters ever imagined such as nuclear disasters, flooding and terror attacks simultaneously. The scenarios set for training were in anticipation of horrific circumstances. Regardless whether the disaster was real or set for practice everyone involved was to abide by three principals.

1. Prepare and prevent 2. Anticipate and respond as quickly as effi-

ciently possible

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3. Make sure that we recover from any disaster In order for these rules to be carried out without a hitch it requires strong and decisive leaders who exuded confidence even in the most-dire circumstances. As I watched the horrific disaster unfolding in New Orleans, I could not help but reflect on the apparent failure from all levels

Although, I do not have enough evidence to render a judgment on where the failure occurred in our nation's latest disaster, from my limited experience, I believe we failed. Anyone who is involved in emergency management can tell you that an assessment of a disaster does not take three to four days as was the case in this disaster.

It is astonishing to know that our public officials were not prepared for the magnitude of this disaster even though it had been predicted for years. Emergency preparedness 101

As of today, I don't know if we can recover as a nation from this disaster. We have not recovered from the terrorist attack of Sept. 11, 2001. We are still responding defensively and aimlessly at the people who perpetrated the evil act of terror and still have not yet begun to prepare ourselves for the next disaster as demonstrated in New Orleans.

teaches respondents and public officials to prepare for the worst of disasters. Local, state and federal government cannot hide behind the significant size of a disaster. Our training for disasters gives us several options and alternatives to respond appropriately for each disaster.

For example, if communications are cut offbecause of power, participants are able to communicate via alternative mechanism. As ' for evacuation, agencies are prepared for several mass evacuations plans at the same time, when one fails; other options are set in place automatically. Consideration for our most vulnerable citizens, such as the senior citizens, school children and the poor people are in the forefront of our concern. During the year, and in non-emergency situations, the agencies involved are always gathering and updating vital information to help first respondents be more efficient during the actual emergency.

Granted that Wayne County disasters were not as significant as hurricane Katrina, but if one follows the principals set forth for Emergency Management, the response will be more efficient, the cost of human lives will be minimal and recovery will be imminent.

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Regardless of who is to blame, we really need to examine ourselves and remove emotion and replace it with leadership and start working on a blue print to assist in averting, preparing responding and recovering from our next tragedy ... If we don't do that, we will engulf ourselves with continuing disasters.

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# Disaster brings out the best in Michigan Youth ChalleNGe cadets

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

By Wednesday afternoon, Amber Saleh and David McGuigan were ready to sit down for a much deserved rest after making 500 beds, unloading several semi-trucks and sorting through donations at Ft. Custer in Battle Creek.

Saleh, 18, of Westland and McGuigan, 17, of Plymouth Township were among the 101 Michigan Youth ChalleNGe Academy cadets preparing for the arrival of 280 evacuees from New Orleans on Monday.

Hurricane Katrina, as devastating as it was, is bringing out the best in people and that's what the academy for at-risk teens is all about. Cadets spend 22 weeks in the National Guard's residential military program turning their lives around

"We were there to midnight helping them, pushing wheelchairs, helping carry packages," said McGuigan. "There were all different ages, families as large as 13 coming in."

All of the weary survivors had stories to tell as the young cadets passed out linens, clothing, food, and water after checking in everyone from babies to people with dogs. One survivor was especially grateful for a cold drink of water. Most couldn't wait "to get to their beds," said Saleh.

"One man was sitting on his roof three days without food and water," said Saleh. "They said they can't believe what happened."

Another fellow was on his deck for about a week watching the water rise.

"There were people with guns going around, a lot of danger, looting," said McGuigan. "They saw the bodies floating in the water."

In spite of the tragedy the survivors were "happy for everything" they'd been given on their arrival at Ft. Custer. Some called it first class treatment.

"One fellow was shouting and happy," said McGuigan. "He'd never been treated as good."

The expressions of appreciation left the cadets feeling good about themselves and enthusiastic about helping. It's estimated that between Friday, Sept. 2, and Wednesday, Sept. 7, cadets had given 5,000 hours of community service.

Evacuees are expected to remain at Ft. Custer for about a week before being sent to Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Lansing, Detroit or destinations around the country if they are able to locate family members. They initially arrive at the Air National Guard Base in Battle Creek then are sent to Ft. Custer for in-processing through the Army National Guard at the governor's

direction. Gov. Granholm is Commander in Chief of the Michigan National Guard.

"It just feels really good to be helping them," said Saleh who'd volunteered at an orphanage before but never seen such tragedy. "Half don't know where their family members are or if they're even alive."

The experience taught Saleh to appreciate "what you have."

Until the arrival of the evacuees, McGuigan had been counting the days since he entered the Michigan Youth ChalleNGe Academy. He'd already endured two weeks of marching and push-ups during boot camp and was now focusing his attention on computer assisted drawing and other classes offered in the program.

McGuigan and Saleh agree that along with learning discipline they developed "a better attitude." McGuigan was expelled from Plymouth Salem High School, Amber dropped out of Cambridge alternative high school in Garden City before being accepted into the academy. Today both sets of their parents are proud of their accomplishments. McGuigan hopes eventually to enroll at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, Saleh to study cosmetology.

"They've probably touched more lives than they thought they would. They've done a great job," said ISG Michael McNees, program recruiter. "I'm hoping the kids think things aren't as bad as they thought they were."

McNees believes the cadets will be inspired by the evacuees to overcome any obstacles they encounter.

Many of the Michigan Youth ChalleNGe Academy cadets dropped out of school or were at risk of getting into serious trouble with the law before coming to the academy which is currently conducting orientations for applicants interested in entering the January 2006 class. The next two take place Saturday, Sept. 24, and Oct. 22, at the Taylor Armory, 12450 Beech Daly. For more information, call (800) 372-0523 or visit the Web site at www.ngycp.org/mi.

There is no charge for the National Guard ChalleNGe program which is funded by federal and state partnerships and open to all Michigan residents, 16- to 18-years old. The boot camp weeds out teens uncommitted to the program consisting of 400 hours of classroom instruction, 160 hours of vocational/technical training, and 40 hours of community service and conservation activities to graduate. The academy helps cadets obtain a high school diploma or GED so they can go on to lead successful lives.

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A Michigan Youth Challenge
Academy instructor briefs cadets before assigning them to help process Hurricane Katrina survivors at Ft. Custer. David McGuigan of Plymouth Township is pictured second from the left.

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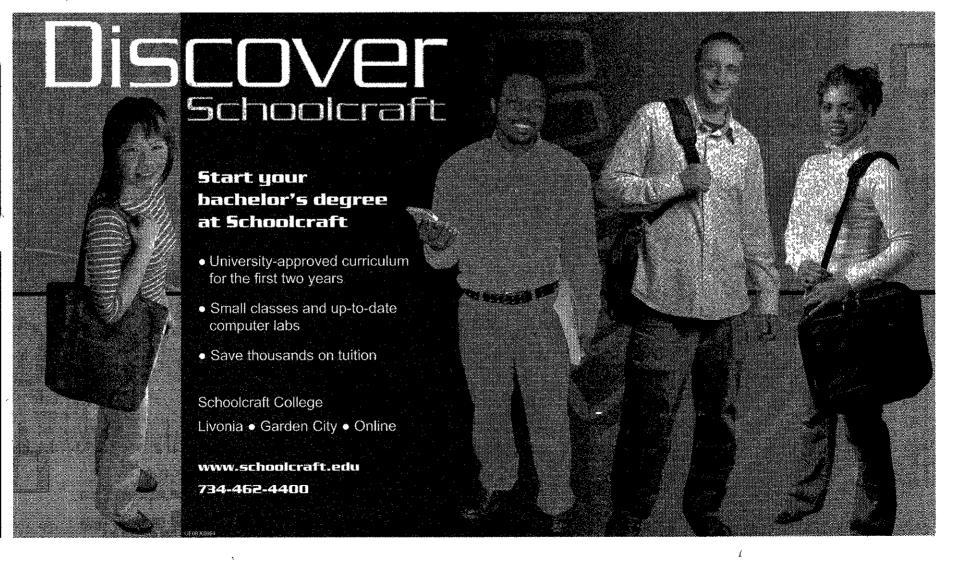
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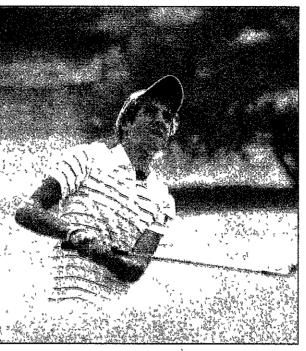


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Canton senior Brandon Egglesfield displays a soft touch around the second green during Wednesday's match against Salem at Hilltop Golf Course. Egglesfield's three-over 39 helped the Chiefs claim a 160-170 victory over their cross-campus rivals.



**Adam Grady** watches his chip shot roll onto the first green during Wednesday's match against Canton. Grady carded a solid round of 40 on the par-36 layout.

Salem senior

# **Senior-itis**

# Upperclassmen lead Canton to triumph over cross-campus rivals

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Wednesday afternoon turned into "Senior Day" for the Canton boys golf team.

Led by three upperclassmen, the Chiefs knocked off cross-campus rival Salem, 160-170, at Hilltop Golf Course in Plymouth Township.

"Before the match, we talked about everybody just shooting their average," said Canton coach Tom Alles. "And I think everybody went out and did that. The Salem kids were off a little bit. I don't think all of them shot their aver-

The victory was the Western Lakes Activities Association season opener for the Chiefs. Salem fell to 0-3 in the WLAA.

The Chiefs were paced by senior Ben Underwood, who fired a career-best one-over-par 37 Fellow seniors Brandon Egglesfield and Pat Gallagher chipped in with 39's. The Chiefs'

scoring was rounded out by junior Derek Trosper and sophomore Joey Underwood, who carded

Canton's sixth golfer, senior Justin Pierce, fired a 48.

"I thought Ben played really well," Alles said. "He knows this course well and I was pleased with his effort.

"If we continue to shoot like this we're going to win some matches this year."

Sophomore Tyler Jeleniewski stepped up for the Rocks, firing a two-over 38. Also scoring for Salem were seniors Adam Grady (40), Jeremy Henderson (45) and Matt Smith (47). Sophomore Brian Fifield and freshmen Eddie Mazorowicz shot 52 and 55, respectively, for Salem.

Led by Joel Cheesman's 36, the Rocks were victorious in the junior-varsity match, 174-186. Člark Albers' 41 was the low round for the Chiefs.

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# Belleville gridders fall again

STAFF WRITER

Belleville's close-but-no-cigar season continued Friday night with a 32-27 loss at Monroe.

The Tigers' third consecutive singledigit setback dropped them to 0-3 overall and 0-2 in the Mega Red. Monroe improved to 3-0 and 2-0.

Trojan quarterback Audie Coles proved to be a thorn in the Tigers' side all night, recording touchdown runs from 33, five and one yard out.

Running back Jessie Johnson also had a break-out night for the winners,

scoring on runs of 40 and 13 yards. Monroe led 6-0 after the first quarter and 24-7 at the half.

The lone first-half score for the Tigers came on a 62-yard pass from Josh Lemons to Carlos Clark with five minutes remaining in the first half.

Believille cut into its deficit three minutes into the third quarter when Carlos Clark raced 20 yards to the end zone to make it 24-13. The Tigers' comeback aspirations were dented, however, when Johnson tacked on a TD and a two-point conversion to pad his team's lead to 32-13.

The Tigers scored late in the third on a 30-yard run by Clark and late in the fourth on Dwight Alexander's 19-yard sprint. Clark finished with 85 yards rushing on 16 attempts. He also sparkled on defense, recording an interception and a blocked extra point.

Lemons completed 5-of-12 passes for 145 yards. Anthony Wafer pulled in three Lemons aerials for 72 yards, including a 48-yarder that set up the Tigers' first TD.

# Chiefs' WLAA streak snapped in OT

STAFF WRITER

The 20-foot-high, inflated blue gorilla that was propped up behind the east end zone for Friday night's Canton-Walled Lake Western football game was small compared to the proverbial monkey the Warriors wrenched from their backs after their 21-14 overtime victory over the Chiefs.

It marked the first time Western had defeated Canton in a regular-season game since the 2000 season.

The setback was the Chiefs' first regular-season Western Lakes Activities Association loss since Sept. 3, 2002, when PREP FOOTBALL

they fell 46-21 at Westland John Glenn. It's still early, but the 3-0 Warriors now sit atop the WLAA's Western Division along with Northville and Livonia Franklin, Canton's next opponent. The Chiefs slipped to 2-1 overall and 0-1 in the

Canton dominated time of possession with its between-the-tackles ground game, but that advantage was offset by a combination of turnovers and the inability to convert key plays in the red zone.

"I told one of my coaches that my wrists were getting sore from signaling in all the

defensive plays tonight," said Western head coach Mike Zdebski, who doubles as the team's defensive coordinator. "It seems like Canton ran off eight, 10 or 12 plays

every time they had the ball. "Our kids worked hard and made plays when they had to. Our conditioning program paid off because the kids didn't get

tired." Canton crossed Western's 20-yard line

five times, but still managed just 14 points. "We had a lot of missed opportunities, especially in the first half," Canton coach Tim Baechler said. "There is a lot of parity in our league this year, and we saw that

PLEASE SEE SNAPPED, B6

# Tale of 2 halves

# Plymouth overcomes slow start

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Layups weren't easy and free throws proved costly for Plymouth's basketball team during the first half of Thursday night's game against Farmington Hills Mercy.

But during crunch-time, the Wildcats' shots met the net with regularity.

Plymouth shook off a woeful 11-point first half and escaped with a hard-fought 37-31 victory over the Marlins in their first home game of the season. The victory boosted the 'Cats record to 2-1 while Mercy slipped to 2-2.

During the high-tension final quarter, the Wildcats buried 11-of-14 free throws. Senior Colleen Flaherty drained all four of her attempts from the line in the final two minutes and Kim Olech swished 3-

"In the first half, we were getting good shots, but we couldn't finish," said Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly, whose

team connected on just 2-of-12 shots from inside the paint and 5-of-11 free throws during the opening 16 minutes. "We were missing everything: layups, short jump shots and free throws. Even though we struggled offensively, the girls kept battling right down to the end.

"This was a very good *team* win for us. Everybody contributed and everybody gave us good minutes.'

The Wildcats were led by senior lowpost players Olech (10 points, 11 rebounds) and Jeanine Moise (11 points, 10 rebounds).

Milan Allen registered a team-high 10 points for the Marlins. Kristin Porubsky netted seven and Kristina Bell had six.

"I thought we played good defense, but we couldn't shoot the ball tonight," said Mercy coach Gary Morris. "We knew they had two good post players in Olech and Moise, and they played an inside-out game like we thought they

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Plymouth freshman point guard Jalesa Moise maneuvers through the Farmington Hills Mercy defense during Thursday night's 37-31 Wildcat

# **GCYBSA** election

The Greater Canton Youth Baseball and Softball Association (GCYBSA) is currently seeking nominees for the

2006 Board of Directors. The six positions are general positions available for one-, two- or three-year terms.

Anyone interested in being on the fall ballot should e-mail Ann-Marie Carravallah at acarravallah@canton-mi.org nolater than Monday, Sept. 12. Visit the Web site at csc.canton-mi.org to view the current organizations al chart. The open election will be held Saturday, Sept. 24, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Canton Sports Center. Current GCYBSA members are encouraged to stop in with their identification card and cast their vote. Contact Carravallah

# at (734) 483-5600. **Coaches: Please** call in results

The area's prep athletic coaches are encouraged to call the results of their team's competitions into **Observer Sports Editor** Ed Wright so that the high school athletes receive the recognition

they deserve. Results can be phoned in to Wright at (734) 953-2108; they can be faxed to (734) 591-7279; or they can be e-mailed to

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# **Bow practice**

**Canton Leisure** Services will be offering free, drop-in practice for bow hunters at the Canton Police Dept. gun range on Saturday, Sept. 17, and Saturday, Sept. 24, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The range is located on Lilley Rd. just north of Van Born.

Participants must bring his or her equipment and targets (hay bails will be available). No firearms or crossbows will be allowed. There are no restrooms on location. Registration is not required. Contact the Canton Sports Center at: (734) 483-5600.

# **Hoop clinic**

**High Velocity Sports** Canton will host a sixweek basketball clinic on Tuesdays from Oct. 4 through Nov. 8. The clinics will run from 5:30 🚉 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for 6-9 year olds and 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for 10-14 year olds.

The camp will focus on the basics of basketball dribbling, passing, shooting and fundamentals. Each class will end with a scrimmage. The cost of the camp is \$60 and theregistration deadline is Sept. 27. Call (734) HV-SPORT or visit online at www.hvsports.com.

# **Baseball tryouts**

The 9U Canton Yellow Jackets will be having tryouts for their 2006 season on Sunday, Sept. 18 at 2 p.m. at Heritage Park's field #1. Players are encouraged to arrive 15 minutes early. For more information contact Bill Flohr at (248) 761-

# THE WEEK AHEAD

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PREP FOOTBALL Friday, Sept. 16

Canton at Livonia Franklin, 7 p.m. Northville of Plymouth, 7:30 p.m W.L. Northern at Salem, 4:30 p.m. Allen Park at Belleville, 7 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, Sept. 13 Canton at Birmingham Marian, 7 p.m. Taylor Truman at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Belleville at Salem, 7 p.m. Calvary Christian at Canton Agape at United Christian, 7 p.m. Baptist Park at PCA, 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 Canton at Flint Northern, 7 p.m. Southgate Anderson at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Salem at Howell, 7 p.m. Detroit Urban at Canton Agape at United Christian, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16 PCA at Macomb, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17 Farmington Mercy at Salem, 7 p.m.

**BOYS SOCCER** Monday, Sept. 12 Canton at W.L. Central, 7 p.m. Westland John Glenn at Plymouth at PCEP turf field, 7 p.m. Livonia Churchill at Salem, 7 p.m. Garden City at Belleville, 4 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 13 Canton Agape at Franklin Road, 4:30 p.m. Inter-City Baptist at PCA, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 14 Livonia Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m. Plymouth at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m. Salem at Westland John Glenn, 4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15 Calvary Christian at PCA, 4:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16

Agape at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m.

PCA at Birmingham Roeper, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept.17 Adrian at Plymouth at PCEP turf field, 11:30 a.m. Salem at Troy Athens, 2 p.m. **BOYS CROSS COUNTRY** Saturday, Sept. 17 Canton at Ludington Invite, 9:45 a.m. Plymouth at Holly Invite, 11 a.m.

Salem at New Boston Huron Invite, TBA **GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY** Thursday, Sept. 15 Canton, Salem and Plymouth at City Meet at Cass Benton, 4:35 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17 Canton at Ludington Invite, 10:30 a.m. Plymouth at Autumn Classic, TBA GIRLS SWIMMING Tuesday, Sept. 13

Allen Park at Belleville, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 15

**BOYS GOLF** Monday, Sept. 12 Plymouth at Westland John Glenn at Fellows Creek GC, 3 p.m. Salem at Livonia Churchill at Whispering Willows GC, 3 p.m. Belleville at Gibraltar Carlson, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 13 PCA at University Liggett

at Lockmore CC, 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14 W.L. Northern at Plymouth at Hickory Creek, 3 p.m. Westland John Glenn at Salem at St. John's GC, 3 p.m. Redford Union at Belleville, 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15

Plymouth Christian at Belleville, 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16 Plymouth at Livonia Stevenson, 3 p.m. Salem at W.L. Northern at Brentwood GC, 3 p.m. Oakland at PCA at Hickory Creek, 3:30 p.m.

**GIRLS TENNIS** Monday, Sept. 12 Canton at Livonia Churchill, 4 p.m. Livonia Stevenson at Plymouth, 4 p.m. Belleville at Taylor Kennedy, 4 p.m. W.L. Northern at Salem, 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14 Wayne Memorial at Canton, 4 p.m.

Plymouth at W.L. Western, 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16 Canton at Westland John Glenn, 4 p.m.

Livonia Franklin at Plymouth, 4 p.m. Belleville at Taylor Truman, 4 p.m. W.L. Western at Salem, 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17 Belleville at Dearborn Fordson, TBA Salem at Saline Invite, 8 a.m

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL** Tuesday, Sept. 20 Madonna at Siena Heights, 7 p.m. Schoolcraft at Macomb CC, 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22 St. Clair CC at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23 Alpena at Schoolcraft, 6 & 7:30 p.m. MU at Palm Beach Atlantic (Fla.), TBA.

Saturday, Sept. 24 Schoolcraft at Owens (Ohio) Quad, 11 a.m. MU at Palm Beach Atlantic (Fla.), TBA. MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Wednesday, Sept. 21 Kellogg at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23 Madonna at Davenport Univ., 4 p.m Saturday, Sept. 24 WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Wednesday, Sept. 21 Albion JV at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m.

Madonna vs. Aquinas College at Livonia's Greenmead Field, 4 p.m Saturday, Sept. 24 Madonna vs. Concordia Univ. at Livonia's Greenmead Field, noon Schoolcraft vs. Darton (Ga.) at Georgia Perimeter, noon Sunday, Sept. 25 Schoolcraft at Georgia Perimeter, noon.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Wednesday, Sept. 21 Whalers at Saginaw Spirit, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 Whalers vs. Sarnia Stino at Compuware Arena, 7:30 p.m. TBA – to be announced.

# Chief cagers thump Howell, 53-31

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

When Canton point guard Becci Houdek wasn't filling Howell's passing lanes on defense Wednesday night, she was filling the Chiefs' net with jump shots on offense.

The junior finished with a game-high 18 points and seven steals to propel Canton to a 53-31 victory over the visiting Highlanders. Houdek's night included two three-pointers and six rebounds.

The win lifted the Chiefs to 3-0 while Howell dropped to 1-

"We're pretty good defensively," said Canton coach Brian Samulski, when asked what he's learned about his squad during the early going. "We've held all three teams we've played to around 30 points, which is good. Howell has a good team with several good players, but we did a good job



Ja'nee Morton

of limiting their number of open shots."

Samulski said Houdek's offensive production can be attributed to post-practice hours she spent lofting shots at the rim.

"Becci is a very, very good ·

point guard," Samulski saíd. She moves the ball well and is a great outside shooter. She worked hard this summer shooting the ball."

The Chiefs got a serious spark off the bench from junior Ja'nee Morton, who tallied 13 points and six rebounds. Morton, who started for Detroit Southwestern her sophomore year, said her first season at Canton couldn't have gone any smoother so far.

"Every day I'm feeling more and more comfortable," said Morton, who has served as the Chiefs' first reserve off the bench in the opening three contests. "My teammates have been very nice and they accepted me from the first day." Speaking of acceptance,

Morton has taken to her nonstarting role nicely after a productive 2004 season at Southwestern.

"The style of play and the defense is a lot different here

than it was at Southwestern, so coming off the bench has given me a chance to learn more," Morton said. "It will help me

for next year." After trailing 7-5 after one quarter, Canton seized a 21-15 halftime advantage. The Chiefs blew the game open in the third quarter when they

outscored their guests 18-7. Lisa Ealy turned in her typical solid game, posting eight points and six rebounds. Marie Martin, Lauren Delapaz and Leslie Olech all chipped in with four points a piece. Olech added seven boards.

Lindsay Davis led Howell with seven points. The Highlanders hurt their cause by committing 19 turnovers.

Both teams shot 39 percent from field. The only difference was Canton fired 56 shots compared to the Highlanders'

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# Forecast bright for Wildcat harriers

**GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY PREVIEW** 

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Times have changed over the past three years for the Plymouth girls cross country The Wildcats' times over five

kilometers have decreased, which has caused coach Mary Kerwin's optimism to increase. "I think we'll do well this

year," said Kerwin, set to begin her fourth year at the helm. "That's something I couldn't really say the first three years of the program. We have four full classes of runners now so there are no excuses. We've gotten better and better each

year, so we should be in the fight this year.

"My number one goal is to get at least one girl to qualify for the state meet. After that, I'd like to see four or five girls break 21 minutes."

Plymouth's fastest runner during the pre-season was freshman Beth Heldmeyer, who already holds the 5K

school record of 21:09. "Beth is a naturally gifted athlete," Kerwin said. "She's

tough as nails. She's really

pushing the seniors, too." Senior Sarah Sherwood was the owner of the school record (21:17) until Heldmeyer broke

"Sarah hit the ground running her freshman year and has always been one of our top five runners," Kerwin noted.

Filling out the team's top five slots are seniors Amy Ostrowski and Jackie Beeler, and sophomore Pam Bhullar. Ostrowski has overcome stress fractures to set the school's

two-mile record in track-andfield.

"When Amy's healthy, she can really run," Kerwin said. "Jackie has been our anchor the past four years. She's really a solid figure on our team and is a good leader, which is why she's a captain."

Other contributors this season include seniors Tiffany Burns, Nichole McLaughlin, Morgan Benson and Kat Harrison.

One of the team's top newcomers is freshman Molly Slavens.

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# **PLYMOUTH**

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would. We defended them well, but we struggled scoring."

Despite playing their second game in two nights, the Marlins rode an aggressive defensive effort to a 15-11 firsthalf lead. Buoyed by the inside play of Olech and Moise, Plymouth bounced back to grab a 22-19 advantage after three quarters.

A free throw by freshman point guard Jalesa Moise with 2:45 to go gave Plymouth its

biggest lead of the night, 30-23, but the Marlins stormed back to get to within 31-29 with 1:20 left on an Allen free Flaherty sank a pan from the

line with 1:05 remaining and Olech added two free throws with 33.2 ticks left to put the hosts ahead 35-29. "To Mercy's credit, they

played very hard, especially considering they played last night against Country Day," Reilly said. They put a lot of pressure on us at the end."

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# **TENNIS RESULTS**

SALEM 7 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 1 Friday at Salem

No. 1 singles: Alex Ware (S) def. Sara Layton, 6-1, 6-2; No. 2: Mo Bohr (S) def Nicole Whitney 6 0 6 1 No 3, Kiln ( ... PCT 1 1 IAP. 6-1 t No 4: 10 10 10 5 def. Mary Bruce, 6-0, 6-3

No. 1 doubles: Tiffany Underwood/Sara Schroeder (WJG) def. Laura Burton/Shobha Narsimhan, 6-1, 6-3; No. 2; Anderson/Claire Madill (S) def. Kasheena Martin/Sara Collins, 6-0, 6-1; No. 3: Shailee Patel/Stephanie Simowski (S) dei. Samantha Giles/Chelsea Moyer, 6-2, 6-1; No. 4: Tazneem Mohammed/Raluca Bugescu (S) def. Jas Pasley/Amy Neville, 6-0, 6-2.

Records: Salem — 2-0-1 in

SALEM 7 LIVONIA CHURCHILL 1 Wednesday at Salem

No. 1 singles: Alex Ware (S) def. Megan Stachura, 6-0, 6-1; No. 2: Mo Bohr (S) def. Julie Foresta, 6-4, 6-2; No. 3: Katie Girskis (S) def. Karvn Tomasic, 6-0, 6-1; No. 4: Luci Klinko (LC) def. Tracy Lytle, 6-2, 6-3.

No. 1 doubles: Laura Burton/Shobha Narasimhan (S) def.

Lindsay Paszko/Ashley Keenmon, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Dana Anderson/Claire Madill (S) def. Ashley McDermott/Ruchi Shah, 1-6, 6-4, 6-4 or a Stude Patel, Stephanic torriski Societ Lauren Vella, Kelay lemer, 6-1, 7-5, No. 4: Kart McKınley/Liz McKinley def. Alicia Kozakowshi/Jenna Zuccarini, 6-3, 6-

> PLYMOUTH 6 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 2

Sept. 7 at Plymouth No. 1 singles: Sarah Hillegonds (P) defeated Sarah Layton, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Nicole Whitney (WJG) def. Stephanie Hagen, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3; No. 3: Amanda Hastings (P) def. Jenny Lyp, 7-5, 4-0 (retired); No. 4: Natalie Maurer (P) def. Mary Bruce, 6-4, 6-1.

No. 1 doubles: Tiffany Underwood-Sara Schroeder (WJG) def. Kelly Armbruster-Kinnari Patel, 6-1, 6-4; No. 2: Chelsea Woodruff-Whitney Askew (P) def. Samantha Giles-Jennifer Bone, 6-0, 6-1; No. 3: Kirsten Schroeder-Katie Hughes (P) def. Chelsea Moyer-Sara Collins, 6-7 (4-7), 6-4, 6-4; No. 4: Lauren Strahm-Filen Mitchell (P) def. Jasmine Pastey-Amy Neville, 6-1, 6-0.

Glenn's dual meet record: 0-5 overall, 0-2

# Plymouth's Scaparo 1st at Early Bird event

Led by Anthony Scaparo, Plymouth's boys cross-country team excelled at Thursday's Early Bird Invitational at Ypsilanti High School. Scaparo finished first in the 15-team event with a time of 17:30, edging the second-place runner by two-tenths of a second. Also running for the Wildcats were Patrick Slavens (10th in

18:17), Christian Chagas (18th in 18:58), Nate Kostegian (29th in 19:19), Alex Noble (33rd in 19:29), Jeff Movsesian (52nd in 20:20) and David Maycock (66th in 21:11).

The Wildcats' Derek Lax, Justin Huey and Lucas Seibel filled the top three spots in the junior-varsity two-mile run.

# **GOLF RESULTS**

PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 184 FRANKLIN ROAD 215

Thursday at Hickory Creek GC PCA scores: Ross Gerulis, 42 (medalist); Mitch Geracz, 44; Keith Boruta. 46; Derek Ellenbaas, 52; Jacob Hubbard, 52; Scott Hampson, 57.

Franklin Rd. scores: Alex Young, 51; Phil Moser, 54; Anthony Bacyinski, 55; Jon Crawford, 55; Bryan Clark, 61. **CANTON 160** 

SALEM 170 Wednesday at Hilltop GC

Canton scores: Ben Underwood, 37 (medalist); Brandon Egglesfield, 39; Pat Gallagher, 39; Derek Trosper, 45; Joey Underwood, 45; Justin Pierce, 48. Salem scores: Tyler Jeleniewski, 38; Adam Grady, 40; Jeremy Henderson, 45; Matt Smith, 47; Brian Fifield, 52; Eddie Mazorowicz, 55.

PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 184 MACOMB CHRISTIAN, 255 Sept. 6 at Hickory Creek GC

PCA scores: Keith Baruta, 43; Ross Gerulis, 45; Mitch Geracz, 45; Derek Elenbaas, 51; Scott Hampson, 54; Kevin Bottorff, 58. Macomb scores: David Herlein, 57; John Murphy, 58; Pete Nieman, 68.



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# Plymouth wins numbers game, falls to Pats Central celebrates win over Salem

BY BRAD EMONS

The numbers certainly didn't add up in Livonia Franklin's favor Friday night - except on the scoreboard.

But the Patriots walked away with a 14-7 win over visiting Plymouth in a battle of unbeatens thanks to senior quarterback Matt McCullough's 63yard bomb to Davon Brown with only 2:18 remaining.

Franklin, off to its best football start since 1982, is now 3-0 after winning its Western Division opener in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

For Plymouth, it was probably the toughest loss the Wildcats have endured in their short history after dominating the stat sheet in several key

The numbers were staggering to say the least in favor of Plymouth when it came to time of possession (37:10 to 11:08), first downs (21-8), total yards (400-219) and total plays (80-

To say Franklin's defense was on the field most of the night would be a huge understatement. But Plymouth turned the ball over four times and cashed in for only one touchdown out of six opportunities inside the Franklin 25.

Franklin came into the game averaging 50 points, while the Wildcats had been averaging

"We did not play well tonight and the only way we felt we could lose is to beat ourselves, and we almost did that," Franklin coach Chris Kelbert said. "But I'll take it anyway I'll get it. For us to be 3-0 is huge. We felt this was a pivotal game in our season because if we lose, we could go downhill from here, but if we won it, we're on a roll and ready to go."

Franklin's game-winning TD came after the Patriots' bendbut-don't-break defense stymied Plymouth on a fourthand-1 play at the Franklin 2 with only 4:36 remaining.

Senior linebacker D.J. Tracy, who led the Patriots' offense with 88 yards on eight carries and one TD, slipped through the Wildcat line to tackle Jeff

Harrison on a 1-yard loss. The Patriots, still backed in their own end with just over four minutes left, moved out of trouble on a pair of first-down runs by Tracy along with 10yard scramble to the sidelines



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth running back Anthony Green stiff-arms Livonia Franklin's Dan Kozlowski in the second half of Friday night's WLAA Western Division showdown won by the Patriots, 14-7.

by McCullough.

On second-and-10, lightning struck in a Franklin bottle when McCullough took two steps to his left and found the speedy Brown just beyond a Plymouth defender.

Brown caught perfectly thrown strike in stride and outran the Wildcat secondary into the end zone to break the 7-all deadlock.

"I just dropped back and let it go," McCullough said. "They (Plymouth) dropped in their corners, and with his speed, we had to put him (Brown) to use. Coach (Kelbert) told me to look for the bomb. We ran the same play to our tight end Peer (Jeremy) last week for two touchdowns."

Brown, a 5-foot-10, 163pound senior standout on special teams, was ready for his name to be called.

"I knew it was coming, I looked up and it was right there," said Brown said of McCullough's sideline pass. "I saw how they were playing me and I just took off."

Plymouth threatened to tie it on their last drive when quarterback Brent Jones completed

a 28-yard pass to Josh LeDuc and followed by a 9-yard toss to Kulraj Sandu. He added 3-yard run for a first down to the Franklin 32 with just over a minute left, but Patriot linebacker Phil Reske picked off a pass with 52 seconds to play to

Plymouth had all the momentum during the second half, scoring game-tying TD on the first play of the fourth quarter on 10-yard burst up the middle by Anthony Green, who led the Wildcats with 174 yards rushing in 19 carries.

seal the victory.

But even after Kevin Minor's extra point sailed through the uprights and knotted the count at 7-all, Plymouth coach Jay Blaylock was reluctant to try a short field goal when the Wildcats got down to the Franklin 2 on their next series.

"Our field goal kicker missed it earlier (a 35-yard attempt at the end of the first half) and he's had a bad hip, plus we on the wrong hash mark," the Plymouth coach said. "And we also figured we only needed to get a yard, so let's go for it."

The Wildcats had their way for most of the game as Jones

finished with 144 yards on 12 carries and hit 7-of-16 passes for 58 yards.

'We couldn't get it in and then we made some mistakes," Blaylock said. "We did everything we wanted to do which was control the ball and keep their offense off the field. We felt we could dominate up front and I thought our offensive line took over the game in the second half."

Yet, the Franklin defense, didn't buckle, especially on four different key fourth-down situ-

"Going into this game we put it all on our defense," Kelbert said. "And they came through. That last stop on the goal line was remarkable."

Franklin led 7-0 on Tracy's 59-yard TD run with 10:40 to play in the second quarter, but the Patriots ran only nine firsthalf plays to Plymouth's 44.

And when the Patriots did have the ball, they fumbled it away twice.

"It was very frustrating, especially in the first half because we never got into the flow," Kelbert said. "It was tough to

BY RYAN DOHERTY CORRESPONDENT

Walled Lake Central football head coach Bob Meyer had three reasons to celebrate on Friday night.

First it was his birthday, and second, his Vikings earned their first victory of the season with a 48-8 run away victory over Salem on the Rocks' home field.

The win was also Meyer's first since he was awarded the varsity job at Central.

Meyer's team was hitting every open hole, and making every smart play, as they improved to 1-2 overall, (1-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association). The Vikings dominated what would be a long first-half for Salem. The loss dropped Salem's record to 1-2 and 0-1.

One touchdown in the first quarter and five in the second by Central crushed the Rocks in the first half. All six Viking scores came on the ground, as they rushed for a total of 202 yards in the opening half.

"The kids just started out playing real sluggish and lowkey, and normally they're more excited and into the game," said Salem head coach **Bob Cummings.** 

Viking running back Bryan Stolla found the end zone with touchdowns runs of two, three, and 26 yards. Stolla, a 5-foot-11 offensive lineman converted to running back, has been a welcomed addition to the Vikings' offense.

"He had never played running back before, and tonight was really the first game he was reading blocks well and spinning off of tackles," said Meyer. Stolla finished with, seven carries for 105 yards.

Tim Cross scored twice, while Don Thursby added Central's final first-half touchdown. Meanwhile, the Rocks

struggled offensively on their first possession, and that seemed to set the tempo for the rest of the game.

Tyler Root's punt from his own 11-yard line was blocked by Central's Ryan Tisdale. The Vikings' Kameron Bonner crossed the goal line on the ensuing play, but fumbled the ball and gave it back to Salem via a touchback.

Bonner would make up for that later in the half with an interception return of 60 yards to help set up a Viking score.

Salem was forced to punt on its next possession. After it moved the ball across midfield and into Viking territory. a series later, senior quarterback Kevin Bradley was hit in the backfield on a fourthdown play.

Turnovers led to more misery for the Rocks as Bradley threw three interceptions in the second quarter. The senior finished the half 3-for-14 for 41 yards. The Salem ground attack was held in check by a solid Central defense that only allowed it to rush for 90 yards.

As the second half got underway the Rocks seemed to gain some confidence as they put together a 10-play, 40-yard drive at the end of the third quarter that was capped off by Mo Saaidi's one-yard touchdown run. Matt Kenison ran in the two-point conversion to make the score 42-8. Central's Steve Robinson answered the Rocks' score with a 41-yard touchdown sprint moments later, making it 48-8.

"We told the kids they had to come out tonight and show us why they want to be division champs, and I think they did that," said Meyer.

Ryan Tisdale and Cross also had interceptions for Central. Bradley led the Salem rushing attack with 74 yards, but it was the Rocks' porous defense

night. They allowed 335 total yards to the Vikings, which included six runs of more than 20 yards. 'We had great practices this past week and this was a total

that told the story on Friday

surprise to me and my entire staff," said Cummings. Cummings was impressed with the play of his senior fullback Kyle Boling and halfback Chris Sorenson. Sorenson moved over from tight-end

according to the Salem coach. Up next for Central will be its home opener against Westland John Glenn, while Salem will square off against Walled Lake Northern.

and played a solid game,

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# Bennett gets offensive for Salem soccer team

Salem's Tom Bennett had a career night Wednesday in the Rocks' 5-0 white-washing of

Walled Lake Central. Bennett racked up two goals and two assists to lead the team's offensive explosion. Bennett's first tally, which came late in the second half, was assisted by his older broth-

Junior Brian Field recorded four saves and notched his second shutout of the season in net for the Rocks.

er. Jake.

Salem went ahead for good

on Joe Halewicz's first-half goal, which was assisted by Ryan Rowe. Bennett's first goal gave the Rocks a 2-0 advantage at the intermission.

Chris Lidster, Adam Brown and Tom Bennett netted second-half goals for the winners. Alex Lumley was credited with an assist on Bennett's final

Salem returns to action Monday when it hosts Livonia Churchill at 7 p.m.

CANTON 3, W.L. WEST-

ERN 0: The Chiefs opened their Western Lakes Activities Association schedule with a convincing victory over the Warriors. The win improved Canton's overall mark to 4-1.

Goal-keepers Parker Laabs and Matt Revers each played a half in the shutout.

Paul Newall opened the scoring at the 11:07 mark of the first half when he found the back of the net after receiving a pass from Matt Epelman. The goal was Newall's first of the year.

Garrett Fishaw scored on a free kick less than two minutes into the second half to put the Chiefs up, 2-0. Less than seven minutes later, Joshua Shifferd added an insurance marker. The assist on Shifferd's goal went to Scott Zech.

CHURCHILL 4, PLY-**MOUTH 2:** Junior Matthew Winters notched a hat trick Wednesday night to lead host Livonia Churchill (2-2) past the visiting Wildcats (2-2-2) in a WLAA crossover.

"Matthew was rewarded against a decent team," Churchill coach Lee Friedrichs said. "He had some great finishes. He did a great job and I'm proud of him because last year he was a substitute forward and took a lot of bumps and bruise. He did not play a

lot, but he learned a lot." Junior Andy Esshaki continued his strong play with Churchill's other goal.

Assists went to Bryon

Niemczak and Brad Evgans. Churchill led 2-1 at halftime, but Plymouth tied it up in the second half on Jim Wilbur's

goal. (Jeff Lucco had the other goal for the Wildcats.) "We did not play well, but we played hard and the effort was there," Friedrichs said. "Our goalkeeper Jason Corey let up\_ a bad goal, but he came back and made a couple of great saves. It shows more what you

can do after you give up a goal.

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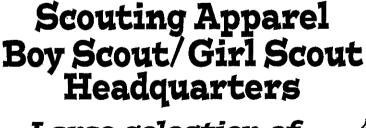
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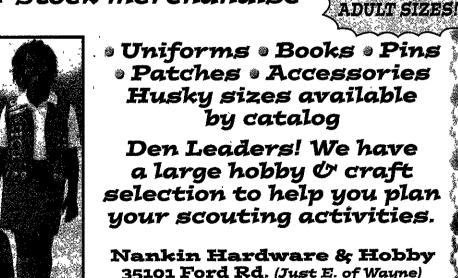


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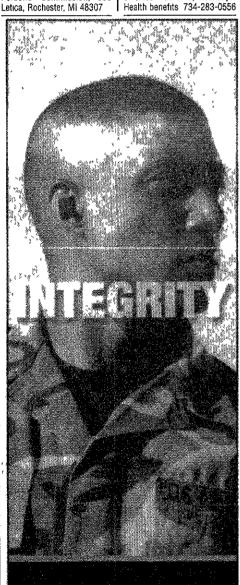
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As a few individuals, there is little we can do, perhaps give some money to the Red  ${f Cross}.$ As bowlers,

we have a very special power. We are organized locally and

nationally in great num-There are about 80,000 US Bowling Congress league members in the Detroit area alone, making up nearly 1,700 bowl-

ing leagues. These are huge numbers and most all of us would like to help these people who have desperate needs for food, water and medical supplies among all

else, just to sustain life. It will take money, lots of money, to bring meaningful help to them and we can do it collectively as a group.

My proposal is simply for all area bowling leagues to hold a special 50-50 drawing during league play during the month

of September or beyond. Rolls of numbered double tickets are readily available for this purpose, and many leagues do this all the time anyhow.

Tickets are usually sold for \$1 apiece, two for \$3 or ten for

One ticket is drawn during the bowling session and the winning ticket holder receives 50 percent of the cash while the rest goes to hurricane relief.

It could be administered by

any one of several organizations, Bowling Proprietors of Michigan or local associations.

We can show the entire world how much bowlers care and how willing we are to donate our money to such a cause. I also suggest that any proprietors, Lane managers, bowling association officers, league presidents take heed to this call for action.

We can make a difference, but we must do so immediately while there is the greatest need in those Gulf states.

We Americans have always given generously to disaster victims in other parts of the world. Now it is time to help our own people.

If any non-bowlers wish to participate, they can come in and buy more tickets.

Once all the funds are in, they can be either directly sent to the International Red Cross for Katrina relief, or designated to pay for the most urgent needs at the time.

This is a simple, easy and legitimate way to raise money. The men's senior leagues at Mayflower Lanes in Redford used this exact method to raise

over \$6,000 each year for

youth scholarship funds. If you read this article and agree to the idea, please talk to other bowlers, your league officers and start your own Katrina Disaster Relief 50-50 right away.

Other people may just want to contribute money to the fund, the more we get, the more we can raise. And fellow bowlers, believe me, we can do it, we must do it and we will do

If it works in Detroit,'it may catch on nationally, and just imagine how much money 3 million bowlers could raise.

Any interested parties who wish to start a 50-50 can contact me on my voice mail at tenpinalley@sbcglobal.net.

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

tonight. There are no weak teams and no easy games.

'We're still a good football team, but we didn't get it done today. People joke about how we re-load every year, but we only have two returning starters on offense and two on defense. It's not fair to these kids to expect them to win every game 42-0."

The potential for a one-sided rout existed following the Chiefs' opening drive, a twoplay sequence that was capped by junior running back Deshon McClendon's 69-yard touchdown sprint. Colin O'Shaunessy's extra point made it 7-0 less than two minutes into

Prior to the Warriors' final possession of the first half, Canton ran 26 plays from scrimmage compared to Western's six (not including punts). Canton's third drive was stymied at the Western 18 when the Chiefs couldn't convert a fourth-and-three play.

After Canton's defense forced a three-andout, the offense again pushed the ball deep into Western territory until Warrior cornerback Tommy Bell picked off a deflected pass

Seemingly energized by Bell's diving pick, the Warriors marched 87 yards in 10 plays and scored when Bell lunged over from one yard out. Andy Omiatek's extra point knotted the score at 7-7 with less than a minute left in the half.

Canton regained the lead, 14-7, six seconds into the fourth quarter when McClendon bolted 18 yards up the middle. The run capped a 10-play, 70-yard drive.

McClendon preserved the lead — at least temporarily — with 7:54 left when he picked off a Travis Maxey pass at the Canton 15. However, after the Chiefs were forced to punt, Western drove 58 yards on its next possession and eventually found the end zone on Maxey's nine-yard keeper. The TD was set up on the previous play, a 22-yard

The Warriors nearly won the game in regulation, but Omiatek's 33-yard field goal attempt hooked wide left with 18 seconds to

Western scored on its second snap in overtime when Maxey found --who else?-Bell alone in the end zone. It was the 5-foot-9 senior's eighth catch of the game.

"We were going to keep throwing Tommy the ball until Canton stopped it," Zdebski



**BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER** 

Canton junior running back Derek Perino picked up 62 yards on 13 carries Friday night against Walled Lake Western. The Chiefs fell, 21-14, in overtime.

said. "This was a typical Tommy Bell game. We've come to expect games like this out of

Canton dug a fast and deep hole on its first two overtime plays: a six-yard loss followed by a five-yard illegal procedure penalty. On second-and-21, Chief quarterback Corey Nicoloff completed an eight-yard pass to Andy Rossow. Following a third-down incomplete pass, Nicoloff barely over-shot. Chris Woudstra with a pass at the goal line, setting off a wild celebration on the Western side of the field.

Bell finished with 96 yards in total offense (93 receiving and three rushing).

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Madonna

# Father and son walkabout

he best thing to do during a Michigan winter is to plan a summer vaca-

Del Templeton spent last winter researching places that "would be of great interest." His plans for the summer of 2005 became more of a "walkabout" than a vacation. (According to Wilkipedia, in Australia, a walkabout is when a person "stops doing a job and wanders ... for weeks at a time.")

When Del, 58, began his journey in June, his goal was to photograph as many of Michigan's 200 waterfalls as possible, backpack across the Upper Peninsula and "to see if a 58-year-old still has the stamina for this type of trip."

He left home with camping gear, cell phone and portable Global Positioning System.

Del interrupted his threeweek trek only once, to come home and pick up his 16year-old son, Jonathon, a Canton High School junior (wife, Mary, and daughters Jessica, 20, and Chelsea, 18, opted out of this expedition).

Father and son returned north, traveling from Big Bay to Houghton, Porcupine Mountains and Isle Royale.

"Some trails to waterfalls were well-marked, others had no trails at all," Del said. "Some falls were disappointing, but others were spectacular, like Miner's Falls with a steep 80-foot drop into a deep gorge.

"It was great father-andson time. You forget how large the state is. It takes 12 hours to drive from Michigan to North Carolina and it takes 12 hours to drive from Plymouth to Houghton, Michigan. I'm amazed at all of Michigan's sites and national resources, sand dunes, sandy beaches. forests. We spotted a mink and an American bald eagle. It was a dry, warm summer, but the wildflowers were phenomenal. I was surprised at the logging operations taking place within the national

Said Jonathon: "The trip with my dad was a fantastic experience and a great chance to bond with my father. The drive to the Upper Peninsula was well worth it. I was able to see and do many different things that

I have never done before." For Jonathon, highlights of the trip included cliff-diving at Canyon Falls on the Sturgeon River and "geocaching with my father and especially checking out Michigan Tech's beautiful campus. I did miss not being able to take a hot shower whenever I needed one, oh

Did Del achieve his goals? Jonathon: "The trip gave us a great chance to take lots of photographs" — 100 of the

200 waterfalls and a moose. Summer vacation is now over and it's back-to-school time.

But soon it will be winter and time to plan next summer's vacation. Jonathon and Del have already started plans for next year's fatherson summer walkabout.

"While we were in Houghton and Hancock, we got to explore some old ghost towns and abandoned factories," Jonathon said. "We loved the ghost towns so much that we decided that next year we will go on a trip through the Upper Peninsula, photographing

many different ghost towns." And did 58-year-old Del have the stamina to backpack across Michigan's Upper Peninsula? Traveling with his son, Jonathon, made Del's journey a great adventure.

Deb Madonna is a Plymouth Township resident and regular contributor to the Observer. She can be reached via e-mail at clarion@storytellerdesign.com.



# Talk to prevent teen pregnancy.

**HEALTH C8** 

Ready to learn. PARENTS GET HELP WITH FIRST YEARS C3

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Section C

Sunday, September 11, 2005

**WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS C2-3** 

The works will go on the auction block 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23, at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer. For more information, call (734) 416-4278.



Jeremy Rheault paints a seascape reminiscent of the work of Edward



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jeremy Rheault's bench sits out at Hilltop Golf Course in Plymouth Township. An art teacher at Livonia Franklin High School, Rheault used the separate planes of the seat and back to reflect an image of a lighthouse in a puddle of water.

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN

eremy Rheault received more than he gave by volunteering to paint a bench for an auc tion to raise funds

for Plymouth Community Arts Council programs and beautification of Plymouth Township and the city of Plymouth.

Not only was the Westland resident able to show his art for the first time, but some of his students at Livonia's Franklin High School took note of his giving spirit by presenting him with framed photographs of them laying on the bench at Hilltop Golf Course. All three siblings

were former art students. Rheault's BenchART is one of 31 creations by local artists and craftsmen that were displayed in locations around the city and township throughout the summer. The works will go on the auction block 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23, at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer. Tickets are \$10 and must be purchased in advance. For more information, call (734) 416-4278.

Auction to raise funds for communities



Jeremy Rheault paints a bench that will be displayed on the streets of downtown Plymouth and then auctioned off on Sept. 23.

"What a great gift," said Rheault, a graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. "I just feel great that they would do this.

"It was a big opportunity for me and it's great for the city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township, and half the proceeds go to the arts council."

In return, Rheault's work was seen by hundreds of

people as part of the public art project conceived by chairperson Sheila Paton, a former president of Plymouth Newcomers & Neighbors. The arts council joined with Newcomers to present BenchART.plymouth after learning about a similar project in the

previously lived. A Bench Walk Map is

Cleveland area where Paton

available at the arts council for anyone wishing to see the adult- and child-size benches before the Sept. 23 auction. Plymouth Mayor Stella Greene says the walking map is a way for people to explore the community.

"We've been fascinated with the concept for years," said Greene, who is also arts council executive director. "We had looked for an outdoor art project. Other communities have done cows, pigs and whatever.

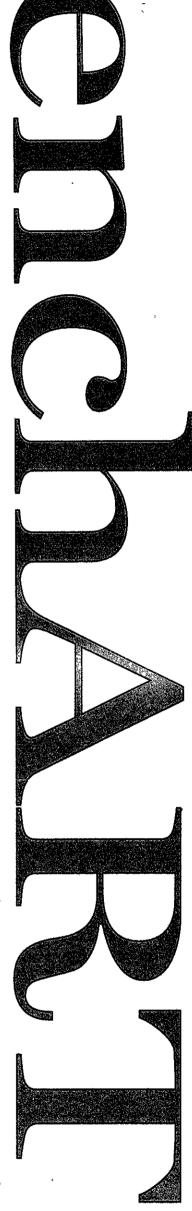
The BenchART is funky. It's fun and yet it's practical and everything we think of

when we think of Plymouth." When Newcomers board member Jennifer Arapoff moved from the East Coast four years ago, she chose the Plymouth area because they are "park friendly communi-

ties. "We wanted people to sit down on the bench. The art was very hands on," Arapoff said. "It's a very good sign that this is a cutting edge community to live in. The styles are so different, the different media."

"They really run the gambit," Greene added. "We have a group of sign

PLEASE SEE BENCHART, C5



# The violent years

# Lecture series opener spotlights Detroit underworld

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Paul Kavieff grew up on Collingwood near Dexter in Detroit's Jewish community hearing stories about the Purple Gang.

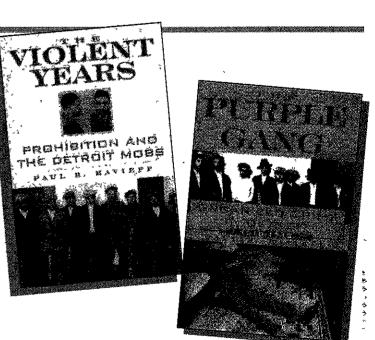
Kavieff's grandmother had forbidden his aunt from going near a cleaners that was blown up by the Purple Gang.

School chums told him bits and pieces about the gangsters, but it wasn't until the organized crime historian decided to write a book about the violent years that he learned of not only the predominately Jewish gang, but the Polish Jaworski and Carson/Kozak gangs who robbed banks; the Irish "Legs" Laman gang, which

specialized in kidnapping gangsters; and the River Gang, an Italian mob that controlled rum running on the Detroit River. The late 1920s and early '30s were bloody years.

On Friday, Sept. 30, Kavieff opens the Women's Resource Center luncheon series in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia with a lecture on the unruly East Side street kids who evolved into a powerful mob. Kavieff recounts their story in his book The Purple Gang: A History of the Detroit Underworld, 1910-1945, published by Barricade Books. His second book, The Violent Years: Prohibition and the Detroit Mobs, focus-

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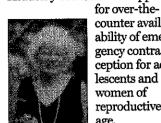


Paul Kavieff's first two books, The Purple Gang, and The Violent Years, dealt with the Detroit underworld.

# Pediatrics group supports abstinence, information

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thoughtful new policy was released this September in Pediatrics and in American Academy of Pediatrics News (AAP News). The new policy reiterates the American Academy of Pediatrics' support



Teens

in 2005

Alice McCarthy counter availability of emergency contraception for adolescents and women of reproductive Emergency contraception

refers to the use of hormonal medications within 72 to 120 hours after unprotected sex

for the prevention of unintended pregnancy. Using the same hormones found in some oral contraceptives, emergency contraception primarily inhibits the ovulatory process.

The American Academy of Pediatrics encourages abstinence plus comprehensive sexuality education as the best way to help prevent unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. Ensuring access to contraception - including emergency contraception — and educating sexually active adolescents on proper use and indications of the various methods are essential components to comprehensive sexuality education.

The focus of this new policy statement is to provide pediatricians with information about emergency contraception so that they can better inform patients

about use of these products. It recommends that physicians address emergency contraception when sexuality issues are discussed during annual preventive health care visits with all teen and young adult patients. Studies show that an increase in availability of emergency contraception does not change rates of sexual activity or increase the frequency of unprotected sex

among adolescents.

Dr. Margaret J. Blythe, lead author of the new policy, says, "Ideally, pediatricians should initiate discussions on sexuality and puberty with patients and their parents between ages 10 and 12.

These discussions could very easily include questions and concerns about future needs for contraception. While young teens may not appear to be listening to the discussion, moms key into this information and often have questions. We tell them: 'Young people really need to hear from their parents or guardians that delaying sexual activity is important and that it is the best way of avoiding a pregnancy or sexually acquired infection. But it is also important for both young people and families to know about emergency contraception, its availability, and how it works."

Although adolescent birth rates have declined in the past 10 years, unintended teen pregnancy and the associated negative consequences of adolescent pregnancy remain important public health concerns. Adolescent birth rates in the United States are much higher than rates in other developed countries. Emergency contraception has the potential to significantly reduce teen pregnancy rates and this will similarly reduce the abortion rate, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics. If you missed previous columns, you can access them at

www.hometownlife.com/Livonia/News.as p. 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. All of her columns for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers are on www.bridge-comm.com.

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# WEDDING



Cross of Canton and Michael Wesley Duke of Allen Park were married on Aug. 13, 2005, at St.

Amanda Victoria La

**Duke-La Cross** 

John Neumann Catholic Church with a reception following at The Summit on the Park, both in Canton.

Amanda is the daughter of Gerard and Betty La Cross of Canton. She is a 1999 graduate of Canton High School and a 2003 graduate of Michigan State University. She is employed as a color and technical specialist at E.I. duPont de Numerous automotive refinishes division in Plymouth.

Michael is the son of Harley and Janis Duke of Allen Park. He is a 1997 graduate of Allen Park High School and a 2001 graduate of Michigan State University. He is employed as a ware-

house manager at Saint Gobain in Jackson. Attending the bride was her sister, Holly La Cross of Canton as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Andrea Vinco, friend of the bride from Rochester; Lisa Larson, cousin of the bride from Clinton Township; Emily Duke, sister of the groom from Allen Park; Lesley

Mason, sister of the groom from Taylor; and Lori Burleson, friend of the bride from Canton. Attending the groom was friend, Mark Farrell, of Allen Park as best man. Groomsmen were JP Zurek, friend of the groom from Jacksonville, Fla.; Mike Dusel, friend of the groom from Atlanta, Ga.;

Evan La Cross, brother of the bride from Canton; John Lochner, friend of the groom from Novi; Chris Fry, friend of the groom from Birmingham; and Colin Mason, nephew of the groom from Taylor as ring bearer. The new Mr. and Mrs. Michael Duke spent their honeymoon on

the east coast and are making their new home in Dexter.

# 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 at (734) 453-0750 or on-line at www.plymouthlibrary.org

## **FICTION**

- 1. "Point Blank," Catherine Coulter
- 2. "Chill Factor," Sandra Brown 3. "The Historian," Elizabeth
- Kostova 4. "Lifeguard," James Patterson
- 5. "Vanish," Tess Gerritsen

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- 1. "New Rules," Bill Maher
- 2. "1776," David McCullough 3. "100 People Who Are Screwing Up America," Bernard Goldberg
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- Fraser
- 3. "In the Leaves," Huy Voun Lee 4. "What We Do," Reg
- Cartwright 5. "The Fairytale Cake," Mark Spenning

# **CLASS REUNIONS**

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

Class of 1965 Avondale High School will have its 40year reunion on Sept. 10, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. 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 TreshiCoscarelly: 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

Class of 1946 A 60-year reunion is planned for June 4, 2006, at Glen Oaks Country Club. Both January and June classmates will celebrate over dinner and dancing. January grads contact Al Weiss (248) 737-9313 or Esther Bornstein (248) 851-6625. June grads contact Barbara Keidan 9248) 646-7199 or Saul Saulson (248) 932-5177.

### Clarenceville Classes 1944-1957

The Clarenceville Gala Reunion No. 4 will be 6 p.m. 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@abl.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; or Barb Resetar (Hiji) (248) 478-2004, babs357@sbcglobal.net. Class of 1985 . 14

A 20-year reunion is planned for Sept. 10. 2005. Contact Carrie Summers! (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.

## 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 barydancing and memory Book, 1965 graduates contact Ed Kempisty, (810) 629-1542, Tom Mellos, (313) 884-5469, or www.geocities.comcodycomets65/lf you are a 1966 graduate, contact Greg Dobson, (248) 437~, 4649 or imackie95@vahoo.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 Right at (734) \$21-3150. Class of 1955

A 50-year reunion is planned for Sept. 17, 2005. For more information contact Penny Mertz Howley at (248) 553-2195.

# Dearborn High School

Class of 1965 A 40-year reunion is planned for Oct. 1, 2005, at Dearborn Country Club For more information confact Judy at (313) 563-0714.

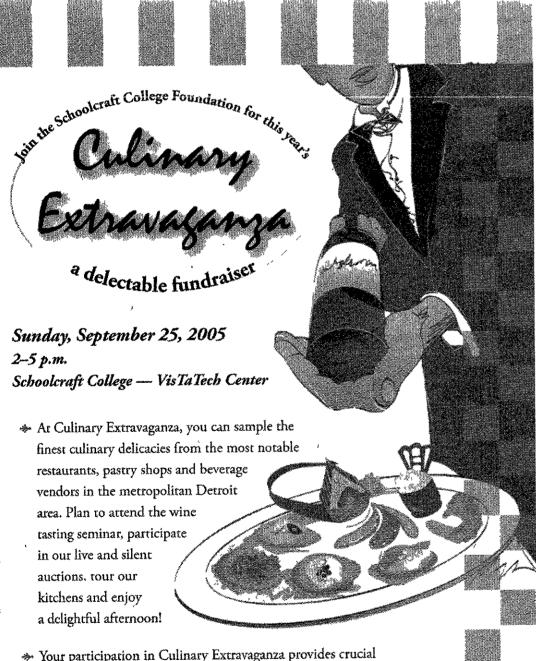
### **Denby High School** Class of 1975

Class of 1965

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, a MI 48236. For information calf (313) 881-0920.

A 40-year reunion is planned for Oct. 22, 2005. For more information, call Nancy (Horn) Catalogna at (248) 332-7438 or email: toBbytheC@msn.com. Class of 1955

An early fall reunion is planned for graduates of Denby High School-Detroit. ASAP (248) 349-6354.



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# **ENGAGEMENTS**



Schaefer-Grove

Robert Schaefer of Westland and Denise Kittle and step-father David Kittle announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Celeste Schaefer of Canton to David Clarence Grove of Canton.

Nicole is a graduate of John Glenn High School in Westland. She is employed at Pepper, Hamilton LLP in Detroit.

Her fiancé, David, is the son of Clarence Grove of Flat Rock and Sherri Grove. He is

a graduate of Michigan Automotive Academy. He is employed at Valley Forge-SPX Corp.

David and Nicole are planning an October wedding at First Congregational Church of Wayne with a reception at Waynetree Manor. They plan a honeymoon trip to the Poconos, Pa, and will be making their new home in metropolitan Detroit.



Powers-Thompson

Steve and Debi Johnson of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Carol Powers, to Robert Thompson of Walled Lake.

Carol received her degree in culinary arts from Johnson and Wales University in Charleston, S.C. She is a restaurant manager at Bennigan's in Mount Pleasant.

Her fiancé, Robert, is the son of Gregory Thompson of Walled Lake. He is attending Central Michigan University

pursuing a degree in accounting. He is in the United States Army. Robert and Carol are planning a May 2006 wedding.



Deborah J. Adams and step-father Kurt Alan Adams, announce the engagement of Mrs. Adams' son, Bradley Douglas Paul Fritz, of Plymouth, to Anna Jeannette Berry of Rochester Hills. Bradley is also the son of Douglas Paul Fritz and stepmother, Amy Fritz, of Tucson,

in Tucson, Ariz.

and Mrs. Timothy Berry of Rochester Hills. She is attending the University of Arizona and will graduate Dec. 17, 2005.

Berry-Fritz

Bradley is currently working for Fritz Enterprises West

Anna is the daughter of Mr.

Bradley and Anna are planning a December wedding. They will make their new home in Tucson, Ariz.

First 5 years

# Teachers help parents get children ready to learn

BY HUGH GALLAGHER STAFF WRITER

By the time many children reach kindergarten, they're already way behind their classmates.

Educators now say that mental stimulation during the first years of life is critical to future success.

The years before a child starts formal school are the years when a child's brain is most receptive, but many parents aren't providing the kind of verbal, visual and physical support their children need.

Teachers Karen Houghton and Carol Ohanesian have written a new book, The First Five Years, that gives parents a simple guide to the various stages in a young child's development.

'We noticed that throughout our years of teaching that students were not coming to school prepared," said Ohanesian. "And we felt if we could put a book out there that would help parents begin to help their children, that they would be better off starting school. It would be easier for them being more aware of literature and oral language."

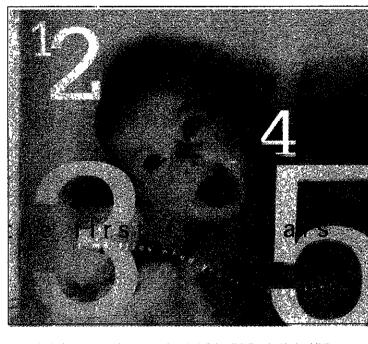
Ohanesian of Commerce is a retired early elementary teacher who worked 25 years in the Royal Oak Public Schools system. Houghton of Bloomfield Hills tutors firstgraders in reading at the Royal Oak schools and has taught 30 years in the system, 25 as a kindergarten teacher.

The teachers wanted a book that any parent could read and

"The message is anyone can do this," Houghton said. "It's not hard to do but you have to understand that it's important to do."

The teachers self-published the book through Xlibris, with design help from a friend.

The slim, attractive book is divided into one-page sections covering the stages of develop-



"The First Five Years" gives parents a helpful guildeline to their child's development.

ment - 0-3 months, 3-6 months, 6-9 months up to 5 years old. The authors describe what mental and physical changes to expect in a child at each stage and offer suggestions on the best ways to stimulate the child's natural curios-

For example, in the section for 6-9 months, the authors write: "This is a good time to grasp the meaning of words. Recite nursery rhymes to your baby. Name objects in the environment (light, table, book, bed, etc.) Continue reading to him. Point out familiar objects in books that have large, clear illustrations. For example: Say, 'Look at the baby with the rattle. Can you see the rattle?"

The authors also provide a list of books to read to children that reinforce other activities, everything from Cat in the Hat to Curious George to Lyle, Lyle Crocodile.

Each summary is followed by blank pages for "journal entries" so parents can record their child's progress.

"With all the mandates now, parents understand the importance of reading, but oral language, giving children time to learn their language is important," Houghton said. "If they don't have that background in oral language it's very hard for them to learn to read."

After the first year, children begin to attach a word to everything they see and every action they take. At this time,

it's important for parents to be constantly communicating

with their children. Ohanesian said talking and singing help reinforce lan-

guage to a baby. "Talking to them, crooning to them, singing," she said. "We always had music. I don't think parents realize how aware a newborn is. The minute they hear your voice they immediately turn to your voice."

Houghton said children love to listen to nursery rhymes because they immediately notice the difference between regular spoken language and rhythmic speech.

The authors want to get their book into the hands of young parents.

"We thought maybe our orig-" inal idea was to go to parenting programs at the hospitals, get this book out to brand new . parents so the minute they take their little boy or girl home they have an idea where to begin," Houghton said.

They would also like to make the books available to child care givers, as many children spend hours in child care cen-

Ohanesian said they have talked to pediatricians about distributing the book but haven't been able to find fund-, ing. The national Reach Out and Read program provides children's books to pediatricians but is not able to fund a book for parents.

The authors are investigating the possibility of marketing the book to hospital gift shops and prenatal classes. The book is available on Amazon.

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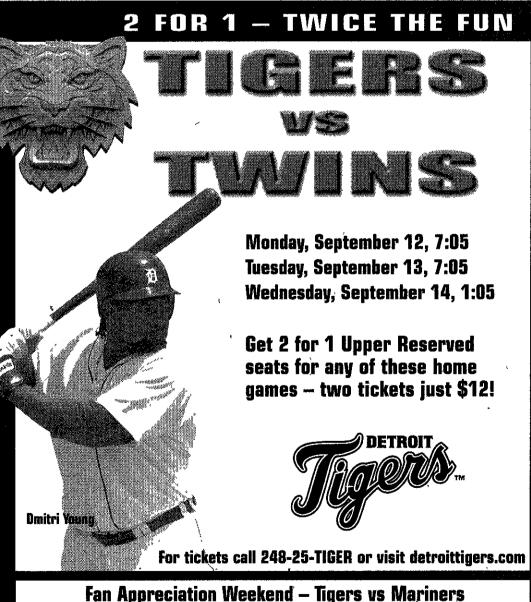
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Friday, September 23, 7:05 Post-Game Fireworks! (weather permitting)

Saturday, September 24, 7:05 Post-Game Fireworks! (weather permitting)

Sunday, September 25, 1:05 Shirt Off Our Back Day - Lucky fans will win the game-worn jerseys of the Tigers players and coaches compliments of Comerica Bank. Kids Day featuring Post-Game Kids Run the Bases, FREE rides and the Meijer Kids Mini-Hummer® Giveaways!

# **AROUND TOWN**

## 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 Livonia Youth Philharmonic

The Livonia Youth Philharmonic of Michigan is looking for student musicians ages 5-18 to join one of its five concert groups. Rehearsals are held Saturday mornings at Churchill High School in Livonia. Wind ensemble, string orchestras, flute choir and full Philharmonic orchestra spots are available. For more information, email auditions@lypm.org or call (248) 476-6341 or (734) 464-8704.

Western Wayne genealogy

The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center Building on Farmington Road just south of 5 Mile. Dianne Oslund will speak on "Mistakes in Vital Records." There's a 6:30 p.m. session on "Family Tree Maker video." Meetings and classes are open to the public free of charge. For details, call (734) 425-3079.

Diabetes support

The Diabetes Support Group at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia hosts a presentation called "All About Diabetes" from 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14 in the hospital's auditorium. Speaker is endocrinologist Luma Ghalib. The hospital is located at 36475 Five Mile at Levan. For more information visit the Web site at www.stmarymercy.org or call (734) 655-8961.

Wiz auditions

Auditions for Henry Ford Community College's production of "The Wiz" take place at 7 p.m. Sept. 26 and Sept. 28 in the Adray Auditorium of the Mackenzie Fine Arts Center. Student actors from high school freshmen upward are eligible. Performances are April 21-30. Call (313) 845-9817 for more information.

Genealogical society

The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets at 7 p.m. Oct. 6 to discuss "Using familysearch.org, It's the second of two presentations relating to family history library research. There's a help session at 6 p.m. The

meeting takes place at the Brighton District Library, 100 Library Drive in Brighton. For more information, call (810) 227-7745.

Lawrence Tech open house

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Lawrence Technological University launches its popular Weekend Master of Business Administration (MBA) program Sept. 21 on the Schoolcraft College campus. Classes will meet in the VisTaTech Center, a new awardwinning \$27 million building on the north side of Schoolcraft's campus. To learn more about Lawrence Tech's program, interested students are encouraged to attend a special open houses from 6-8 p.m. Sept. 13 in the Strategic Bay Room (VT425), Schoolcraft College VistaTaTech Center. To RSVP for the open house call 1-800-CALL-LTU and press 1 for the Office of Admissions.

Ann Arbor women

The Ann Arbor Women's City Club hosts its 22nd-annual Holiday Art & Craft festival 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29 at the ASWCC, 1830 Washtenaw between Devonshire and Hill. There will be 50 juried exhibitors from Michigan in attendance. Admission is \$3, children 12 and younger admitted free (no strollers). For information, email Sylvia Stetz at stetzpinckney@aol.com or call (734) 878-9044.

**Farmington Players** 

The Farmington Players invite the public to come to an open house 6-7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17. The open house will feature tours of the theater and information on upcoming shows, acting, directing, set building, technical support, costumes and membership. New improvements have been made to the lobby, including the installation of a new Donors Wall recognizing those who contributed to the building of the new theater in 2002. Refreshments will be provided. The Farmington Players Community Theater is located at 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48334, between Orchard Lake Road and Farmington Road. The Web site address is www.farmingtonplayers.org and the box office phone number is (248) 553-2955. For more information, please contact Mary Winkler at (248) 478-5239.

Sally Ride Festival

Join hundreds of girls in grades 5-8 for a day of science and socializing at the Sally Ride Science Festival on



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# **Shot takers**

Players from the Plymouth Soccer Club line up to take some shots on professional goalie Jonny Walker of the Columbus Crew during a clinic put on by Walker this week at Lake Pointe Soccer Park. The club earned the clinic by being the state's top fund-raiser in the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Soccer Kicks for Cancer program last fall.

Saturday, Sept. 24 at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. The festival features a street fair with experiments, food, music, and fun; a chance to meet and listen to world famous ocean explorer, Sylvia Earle; and exciting workshops given by women ranging from veterinarians to aerospace

engineers. The festival will take place in the Pierpont Commons Building (North Campus). The day begins at 11:00 a.m. with check-in and the street fair, and ends at 4:15 p.m. The cost is \$18 in advance and includes lunch, and all festival activities and materials. Advance registration is required. Teachers, parents and students can register, and learn more about the festival by visiting

www.SallyRideFestivals.com or by calling (800) 561-5161.

Solo exhibition Lawrence Street Gallery in Ferndale hosts a solo-exhibition, "Linda Sterns Journeys," through Oct 1 Included in the mixed-media solo show will be watercolor paintings and collages. For more information, call the gallery, (248) 544-0394 during gallery hours, noon-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Lawrence Street Gallery is located at 22620 Woodward, Suite A in Ferndale.

**Outstanding women** The YWCA of Western Wayne County is looking for nominations for its 14thannual YWCA Women of Achievement luncheon, scheduled for Oct. 27 at the Dearborn Inn. The luncheon recognizes outstanding women throughout western Wayne County. Keynote speaker is 2005 Woman of the Year Kathleen Ligocki, president and CEO of Tower Automotive. Women will be honored in the following categories: 'arts/communications, business/industry, government/law, professions, senior woman, volunteer service and young woman. Nominations are accepted by calling the YWCA Women of Achievement Department, (313) 561-4110. Deadline for nominations is Sept. 30. Tickets for the luncheon are \$40

per person.

Wine event The wine event "Taste Michigan" takes place 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16 to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation-Metro Detroit. The Royal Park Hotel at 600 E. University Drive, Rochester, will host the Annual "Taste Michigan" - A Wine Event with hors de' oeuvres, musical entertainment and silent auction. The cost is \$125 per person, which includes tasting of several different wines from Michigan wineries. Tasteful and creative hors d'oeuvres will be provided by The Royal Park Hotel, along with musical entertainment by Dr. Dave Bauer. This event also features an impressive silent auction, which will feature items from the tasting and other items. Sponsorships are still available at several levels from \$500 to \$5,000. Anyone interested in purchasing tickets or sponsorships should call Jill Katynski at the CF Foundation (248) 269-8759.

Hospice volunteers

Arbor Hospice & Home Care announces volunteer training for any one interested in providing care and companionship to patients and families facing the end-of-life. Volunteer classes will be held on five consecutive Tuesday evenings from 6-9 p.m. at the Ann Arbor office. Through this training course, volunteers are educated in providing comfort and support to families facing end-of-life issues. Attendees gain valuable knowledge and expertise including a basic understanding of hospice and palliative care, improved communica-

tion skills, active listening, identifying and respecting cultural differences, spirituality, as well as understanding the grief and healing process. Training takes place Sept. 13-Oct. 11 (five weeks). The Ann Arbor office is located at 2366 Oak Valley Drive. To volunteer or for further information, contact Kappy Pennington, Director of Volunteer Services, at (734) 662-5999, Ext. 143 or via e-mail at kpennington@arborhospice.org.

**Stars Guitars** 

Tickets are on sale for Stars Guitars, a rock-and-roll evening to benefit the Pediatric Cancer Survivor Scholarship Program at William Beaumont Hospital. The event takes place at 7 p.m. Saturday/Sept. 24 at the Shriners Auditorium and Conference Center, 24350 Southfield Road in Southfield. Admission is \$75 per person. Dress is business casual and the public is invited. For tickets and general and sponsorship information, visit the Stars Guitars Web site at www.starsguitars.org of call Melissa Downey. (248) 541-4388

Ferndale art show

The Ferndale Fine Art Show and Food Festival is set for Sept. 17-18 at 9 Mile and Woodward in Ferndale. The show runs 10 a.m.-8 b.m. Sept. 17 and noon-7 p.m. Sept. 18. The juried show features 100 artists from around the country. For more information, call (734) 216-

'Pooh' on stage The Marquis Theatre in Northville presents "Pooh and Friends" five on stage through Sept. 25. Performances are scheduled Tuesdays through Fridays at 10:30 a.m.; Saturdays at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; and Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Tickets for all performances are \$7.50 each; the theatre requests no children under 3 years old attend. For school reservations, birthday parties and group rates, call (248) 349-8110. The Marquis Theatre is located at 135 E. Main in downtown Northville.

Grief support series

Coping with the death of a loved one can be very difficult for many of us. Heartland Hospice offers a six-week series, "Living with Grief," from 4-5:30 p.m. beginning Thursday, Sept. 22 through Oct. 27. The series will be held at Heartland Healthcare Center in Ann Arbor and is open to anyone in the community. For more information or to register, contact bereavement coordinator Ann Christensen, (734) 973-1145.

Holiday craft show

The 19th-annual Holiday Magic Craft Show at Leonard Elementary, 4401 Tallman in Troy (north of Wattles, west of Rochester Road) is set for Saturday, Nov. 5. Admission is \$2. The family oriented, juried show is seeking crafters and artists, but doesn't need jewelers. Cost is \$50 per space, food is available. Contact Pat Larson via e-mail at patlarson@sbcglobal.net or call (248) 689-6944.

The Circle of Hope Gala benefitting cardiac services at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livenia takes place Friday, Oct. 14 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. The gala includes dinner, a fashion show and dancing to the music of Rare Blend. Doors open at 6 p.m. for cocktails, dinner is at 7 p.m. The fashion show, dancing and entertainment run 8:30 p.m.-midnight. Guest tickets are \$75 per person until Sept. 15, after which they cost \$100 per person. VIP tickets are \$150, and tables of 10 are available. For more information, call (734) 655-2907

Tai chi classes Tai Chi beginner classes for health improvement are offered by the

Taoist Tai Chi Society of Michigan, a non-profit charitable organization, starting the week of Sept. 5. Classes are held at 7 plm. Monday through Thursday in Livonia at 38121 Ann Arbor Road (1 mile East of 1-275). Classes are also available in Detroit, Garden City and Bloomfield Hills. Morning and afternoon classes are also available. Registration is \$20 and monthly dues are \$40. Pre-registration is not required. For further information, please call (248) 332-1281, or visit our Web site at

www.taotaichi.org. Senior screening

Everyone is at risk for falling, but for more than one older adult every hour, the results are deadly. In 2001, more than 11,600 people age 65 and older died from fall-related injuries. To help seniors stay healthy at home, the Visiting Nurse Association Home Support Services is offering "FALLS FREE," a complimentary in-home falls prevention program to individuals age 65 and older who are residents of Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. "FALLS FREE" examines the key areas that put individuals at risk for falls. The program includes an hourlong visit by a registered nurse who will examine factors that may put you at risk for falls including home environment, vision, muscle strength and medications. A sedentary lifestyle, multiple medications, visual impairment or an unsafe home environment can increase the likelihood of falling by 78 percent. To reduce your risk for falling, call Visiting Nurse Association Home Support Services today for your appointment at (800) 882-5720, Ext. 8755.

**Walk for Diabetes** 

Help the ADA take an important step in beating diabetes as part of America's Walk for Diabetes. America's Walk is the premier event of the American Diabetes Association and will be held Saturday, Sept. 24 at Belie Isle and Stony Creek Metropark, and Sunday, Sept. 25 at Kensington and Lake Erie metroparks. Funds raised are used toward diabetes research, advocacy, programs and events. For information or to register, call (888) DIABETES or visit www.diabetes.org.

Host families needed

Learn about a foreign culture without leaving home. Host families are needed for high school students arriving in Michigan from all parts of the world. Your family can be the key to giving an American experience to an outstanding young person who is very excited about coming to the United States. If you would like more information or have any questions, call Linda Leedy at (248) 349-5599.

Madonna golf Madonna University hosts its 10th-

annual 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 sevenday 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

**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.

MOPS meet

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meets twice monthly from September-May, for moms and their children. newborn-kindergarten, at Lakepointe

Bible Church in Plymouth. For more

information, call Crystal Johnson, (734) 459-1861.

Mosaic MOSAIC is a group where Moms come together to be refreshed and equipped for the important task of mothering. We present speakers on child & family issues, have smallgroup discussion time, crafts and brunch. Childcare is provided. We meet at Plymouth Baptist Church (42021 Ann Arbor Trail) on the first and third Tuesday mornings of each month, September to May. Contact Resha at 734-207-0658 or resha@juno.com

**Moms Club** 

Moms Club of Livonia-S/Plymouth offers a variety of activities. For more details,call Birthe (734)458-8143 or Martina (734)464-0481

DAR

The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter-Daughters of the American Revolution meets the third Monday of each month except January, July and August. A group with ancesters who fought in American Revolution. Members participate in community work involving veteran's hospitals. schools and community service. Call 734-420-2775 for further information.

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# BLANCHE WARD BELL

At age 80, died August 17, 2005 in Charleston, SC of ALS. Born in Santa Fe, NM March 12, 1925, she moved to attend U of M at age 17 and met her husband of 56 years, Albert (deceased). Resident of Birmingham for 47 years, she was involved in the Birmingham Public Schools Board of Education, American Heart Association, the Christ Church Cranbrook community. The Bells retired to South Carolina in 1994 Mrs. Bell is remembered for her gracious ways, her quick and informed mind, and her willingness to speak her thoughts with charm and conviction. Survived by 4 sons Albert H. Bell IV (Kay) of Birmingham, MI, Stephen W. Bell of Belmont MA, Clark D. Bell (Lynn) of Troy MI, and Brian D. Bell (Karen) of Walpole, MA, and 8 grandchildren, Karen (Jesse Gwidt). Albert H., V (Katheryn), Stephen Jr., Christopher, Margaret, Douglas Matthew, and Jeanine Bell. Memorial Service planned at Christ Church Cranbrook on Saturday, October 29 at p.m. Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to the Health Sciences Foundation of the Medical University of South Carolina, P.O. Box 250450, Charleston, SC 29425; or the ALS Association, 1425-113 Rock Quarry Road, Raleigh, NC 27610.



### **MARY** DANNEMILLER DITZ

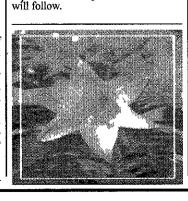
formerly of Saginaw and Bloomfield Township, Michigan, passed away at her home in Sarasota, Florida, on August 26, 2005. She was born May 29, 1926, in Saginaw. A graduate of Arthur Hill High, she attended the University of Michigan, was an avid gardener and art lover, and greatly loved the splendors of Michigan and its seasons. She is survived by Donald, her loving husband of 54 years; three adult children, Jeffrey of Detroit, Kimberly (and husband David Willis) of Thief River Falls, MN, and Michael (and wife Jennifer Chalsma) of Los Angeles; and six grandchildren Chelsea, Justin, Caelvn and Joel Ditz; Sarah and Ben Willis. Her brother, Bill Dannemiller of Ann Arbor, predeceased her. Contributions in Mary's name may be made to Hospice of Southwest Florida, 5955 Rand Blvd, Sarasota FL 34238.

# BARBARA GLASS

Age 61, died September 8, 2005. She was born January 28, 1944, in Plymouth. She was a lifelong resident of the Plymouth area. She worked as a Librarian's Assistant and Media Specialist for the Plymouth-Canton Schools for 16 years. She is survived by her husband, G. Wayne Glass; her sons, William, James, Robert, and Ronald Schacht; her step-children, Darwin (Linda) Glass and Donna (Ray) Dix; her grandchildren, Kirk Glass, and Aaron and Katelyn Schacht; her mother, Annabelle Christine Adams; and her sister, Janice (William) McDonald. Funeral services were held Saturday September 10, at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. Memorials may be made to Angela Hospice.

# ROBERT GILLMAN

Mr. Robert J. Gillman, (Bob), died August 21, 2005 at age 70. He was born on December 3, 1934 in Auburn, Michigan. After residing in Ypsilanti for forty years, he retired to Lakeland. He was married to Joan for 46 years. They had seven children. He was a Self-employed Licensed Builder for 40 years. He served in the Marine Corp. during the Korean Conflict. He was a lifetime member of the Knights of Columbus. He was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. He was a Foster Parent for Catholic Social Services for 15 years. He was preceded in death by his parents, Mildred & Bernard, son Fredrick, daughter Kimberly, and granddaughter Kristina Mato. He is survived by wife Joan (Byrne) Gillman, sons Gregory Gillman of Belleville & Anthony Vanessa) Gillman of Shepherdsville y, daughters Deborah (Steven) Mato of Livonia, Mi, Denise Gillman of Louisville Ky, & Michelle (James) Cox of Glendora Ca, 8 grandchildren, sisters, Judiene Philipotts of Saginaw Mi, & Sally Caldwell of Bossier La. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to: The Kristina Mato Scholarship Fund 35993 Meadowbrook St. Livonia, MI 48154 A Memorial Mass will be held on Friday September 16, at 10:30 a.m.,at St. John The Baptist Catholic Church, on Cross St. in Ypsilanti. A luncheon

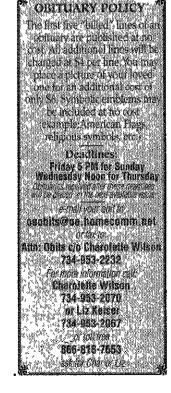


# In Memory Of

## **GLENN ROBERT ETHERTON**

Age 62 of Dexter, MI., for-

merly of Westland. Died Monday, September 5, 2005 hustand Beloved Christine M. (Zajewski) Etherton Dear Father of Chrystal (Jon) Reid of Westland, Candi (Bob) Betzer of Longmont, Colorado. Step-father o Aike (Caroline) VanStrien of Garden City, MI and Stephen Vanstrien o Dexter, MI. Born November 15, 1942 in Detroit, MI. Dear son of the late John Wayne Etherton and Lillian (Hoard) Reaume of Redford. Brothe of Patsy Adams of Melvindale, Mary (Larry) Dillion of Chicago, IL, Cathy Mickey) Stepchuck of Dearbor Heights and Toni (Russ) Gagnon o Midland, MI, two step-sisters Janic Jim) Welch and Dorothy (Tony Simon both of Higgins Lake, a step brother John Etherton of Texas Preceded in death by his father, John Wayne Etherton, Step-Father Vince Reaume, also a brother John Etherton. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 10, 2005 a 2:00 PM at David C. Brown Funera Home. Interment Fort Custer Nationa Cemetery in Augusta, MI. Memoria contribution to Alzheimer's Assoc iation would be appreciated. Arrange ments by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville, MI 734-697-4500



PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its REGULAR

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September meeting Tuesday, September 20, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community

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Machines. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, September 16, 2005 at the EJ McClendon Educational Center

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Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. For technical information, please contact Jim Casteel, Director of Integrated

Technology Systems at (734) 416-2708. Sealed bids are due on or

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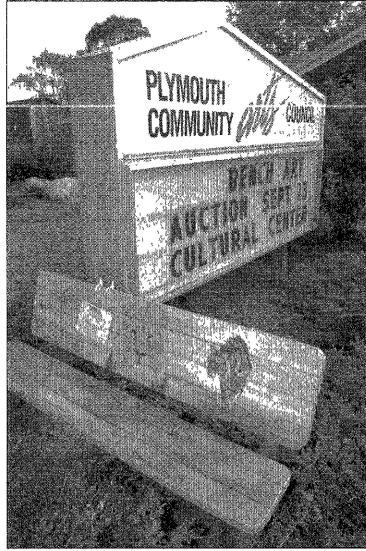
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## PLYMOUTH TWP. PD 734-453-3869 NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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### LEGAL NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH 2005 SUMMER TAXES

Summer taxes are due July 1, 2005 and payable through September 14, 2005 without penalty. Additional information appears on the reverse side of your tax statement. MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH. Payments can be made at the Township Hall during regular working hours, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Treasurer's Office. After hours payments can be placed in 24 hr DROP BOX located in parking lot adjacent to Building #1 or DROP BOX adjacent to entry way. Standard Federal Bank, Plymouth Offices, will also accept payment for your convenience through September 14, 2005

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# PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for Cafeteria Tables for Bird Elementary School. A pre-bid meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 13, 2005 at Bird Elementary School located at 220 Sheldon Road, Plymouth, 48170. Specifications and bid forms are available by contacting Dan Phillips in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. Sealed bids along with a completed Familial Disclosure Form are due on or before 9:00 a.m., Monday, September 26, 2005 to the E.J McClendon Educational Center (re: Cafeteria Table Bid), 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

> **Board of Education** Plymouth-Canton Community Schools JOANNE LAMAR, Secretary

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## CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 2005-07

ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 78, ZONING ORDINANCE, SECTION 27, IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVISING THE ZONING MAP:

# Section 1. The City of Plymouth ordains:

Section 78, "Zoning" in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plymouth is hereby amended by changing the Zoning Map as

## described in Section 2. Section 2. Legal Description.

Lots 11, 12, 13 and 14, "May Subdivision" (on Elizabeth Street), as recorded in Liber 31, Page 6, of Plats, City of Plymouth, WCR is changed from P.U.D. to RM-1 Multiple Family Residential and lots 231,238, 239 and 240, and 1/2 vacated Penniman Avenue adjacent to lots 239 and 240, (Union Street). "Assessor's Plymouth Plat No. 9", as recorded in Liber 65, Page 7, of plats, City of Plymouth, WCR, is changed from P.U.D., Planned Unit Development, to B-2 Central Business.

# Section 3. Zoning Map Insert - (Modify as Required)

Section 4. Rights and Duties.

Rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this ordinance are not affected or abated by this ordinance.

# Section 5. Validity.

Should any section, clause or paragraph of this ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same will not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or part thereof, other than the part declared invalid.

# Section 6. Ordinance Repealed.

All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed.

# Section 7. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective one day after publication.

STELLA GREENE, Mayor LINDA LANGMESSER, City Clerk

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# BENCHART

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painters who did pin striping and detailing. The Plymouth Woodcarvers, a group of seniors who meet weekly at the cultural center, each carved a different section of the bench. Another is a rendering of the Penn Theatre. There are landscape, nature. Every one has a story."

Artist Debbi Malek decided to paint the Penn Theatre on her bench. She has wonderful memories of going to the show there. Sponsored by the Hug Center for Hearing, it is titled "Summer Nite ... Penn and the Park."

Local businesses each paid \$180 for the benches and painting supplies. Comerica Bank sponsored Rheault's art.

"The Penniman Theatre seemed to be a topic of conservation and I love painting.

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I think the Penn and Kellogg Park are so beautiful at night," said Debbi Malek, who's been painting furniture for nearly 20 years. Previously she exhibited annually in Plymouth's Art in the Park, but presently only does commission work at her 175-year-old farmhouse in Plymouth Township.

Greene assures supporters that Kellogg Park will be one of the locations beautified with the money raised at the auction.

"These days, with limited

resources, it was wonderful for an organization like Newcomers to step forward. We have 17 parks in the city alone," Greene said: "We haven't designated a specific program for the arts council, but we do have a very strong exhibit schedule and will present two cultural diversity programs. One coincides with a photo exhibit of Cuba and

Haiti and ArtReach dinner (Oct. 13). Ongoing classes in art and pottery allow people to come who might not be able to commit to eight weeks.

"And this fall we will open the Plymouth Media Arts Center to teach students screening. We've revamped our first Friday concert series, reducing the prices from \$25 a ticket to \$10 per person or \$20 for a family, We're making live performances more affordable. And we're still looking for people for our art volunteer program to take into the classrooms at both public schools and private in the Plymouth-Canton district."

A children's theater programs rounds out the offerings. For more information about Sept. 12 and Sept. 14 auditions for Plymouth Uptown Players, call (734) 416-4278.

"The arts council provides opportunities for adults and children in the community," board president Cynthia Kabza Vercruysse said.

The arts council is one of the reasons Arapoff moved into the area, although her children are not yet old enough to take part in classes and activities. In the meantime, she participates in Newcomers programs such as play groups. Founded in 1963, Plymouth Newcomers & Neighbors is a resource for people new to the community offering social activities like a ladies night out and poker for men. Prospective members can learn more at a mixer event 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, at Station 885 in Plymouth. Call (734) 257-5127 or (734) 451-1402 for more information.

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## CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 2005-09

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 78, ZONING ORDINANCE, SECTION 27, IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVISING THE ZONING MAP:

## Section 1. The City of Plymouth ordains:

Section 78, "Zoning" in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plymouth is hereby amended by changing the Zoning Map as described in Section 2.

Business to R-1 Single Family Residential.

Section 2. Legal Description. Lot 731 Assessors Plymouth Plat No. 20 as recorded in Liber 68, Page 42, City of Plymouth, WCR is changed from B-3 General

Section 3. Zoning Map Insert - (Modify as Required) Section 4. Rights and Duties.

Rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have

incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this ordinance are not affected or abated by this ordinance. Section 5. Validity.

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# Section 6. Ordinance Repealed.

All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed.

Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective one day after

> STELLA GREENE, Mayor LINDA LANGMESSER, City Clerk

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# CHANGE OF LOCATION OF THIS MEETING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

# VACATING OF ALLEY CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on Monday, September 19, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at WILCOX PARK at the corner of Dewey and Byron Streets, concerning the question of whether or not the following alley is to be vacated. DESCRIPTION:

That part of a 20 foot wide Public Alley adjacent to lot 12, (305 Arthur) William A. Blunk Addition, Plymouth Village, (now City of Plymouth), Liber 27, Page 59, Wayne County Records.

Described Alley is also adjacent to parts of lots 31, (292 Pacific) and 32, (312 Pacific) Plymouth Assessors Sub No. 3, Liber 63, page 86, Wayne County Records and lot 11, (325 Arthur) William A. Blunk Addition, Plymouth Village, (now City of Plymouth), Liber 27, Page 59, Wayne County Records.

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All interested parties will be given ample opportunity to participate in the hearing and, at the close of said hearing, comments and suggestions of these citizens participating will be considered by the City Commission prior to rendering its decision.

For questions concerning this Public Hearing contact the Building Department at (734) 453-1234 ext. 232.

LINDA LANGMESSER, CMC, City Clerk

All interested persons are invited to attend.

# ADA Notice

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following: Maureen Brodie, ADA Coordinator

201 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 203

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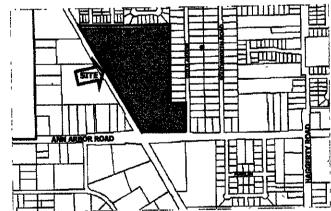
## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: Request to Consider a Revisioin to the Previously Presented General Development Plan to Lower the Height of the Buildings and Decrease the Number of Dwelling Units. Wednesday, September 21, 2005

DATE OF HEARING: TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M. Plymouth Township Hall, PLACE OF HEARING: 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Plymouth Charter Township has received an application to consider a revision to the previously presented General Development Plan pursuant to Zoning Ordinance 99. The applicant proposes to reduce the number of dwelling units and change the building type to decrease their height. The subject property is located north of Ann Arbor Road, east of CSX Railroad, south of Firwood, and west of Gold Arbor. Tax ID Nos. R-78-060-02-0078-002, R-78-060-99-0002-701, R-78-060-99-0002-702, R-78-060-99-0003-000, R-78-060-99-0008-000, R-78-060-99-0009-000, and R-78-060-02-0081-000.

Application 1891. Applicant, Phoenix Acquisitions, LLC.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel descriptions, see tax records based on Tax ID Nos. R-78-060-02-0078-002, R-78-060-99-0002-701, R-78-060-99-0002-702, R-78-060-99-0003-000, R-78-060-99-0008-000, R-78-060-99-0009-000, and R-78-060-02-0081-

The application may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services Building, Community Development Department, during regular business hours from 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 46555 Port Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, or call 734-453-8131, ext. 37. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall which is located at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth Township, MI 48170. PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will

provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township meetings to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone (734) 453-3840. TDD users: 1-800-849-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

KENDRA BARBERENA, Secretary Planning Commission

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**GIVE ME ATRY** 

SBF, 43, 5'3", 175lbs, N/S, works in a with. \$757592 group home for adults with disabilities, loves swimming, fishing, exercising, and camping. Seeking man, 35-60, N/S, fun-loving. \$\overline{\alpha}\$764052

**WOMEN SEEKING MEN** 

ISO GENTLEMAN DWF, 49, Taurus, N/S, seeks serious relationship with man, 48-55, N/S, N/Drugs, who values time away from

work and has sense of humor. **雷**766084 TRY ME!

Sweet, sexy, stunning SBF, 47, fun-loving and light-hearted enjoys travel, shopping, running, biking, fitness, the arts. Seeking healthy, happy, active man, 50+, to share/explore lifes adventures with. Possible LTR. \$\oldsymbol{27}784505

LET'S ENJOY LIFE SWF, 57, N/S, seeks intelligent, kind-hearted, young-at-heart WM, 57-68, N/S, who enjoys traveling, camping. boating (Great Lakes or ocean), music book stores, and laughter. 2759907 SPIRITED BLONDE

SWPF, 53, fun-loving, secure, 5'3", young-looking, brown eyes, attractive, fit, no children, seeks fit, handsome, secure professional male, 35-55, N/S, who seeks a serious, caring relationship, possibly marriage. Children ok, \$\pi783724\$

TRY ME SF, 18, w/adventurous streak, musi-

cian/singer, auburn hair, Comic book animator/creator, loves Japanimation, graphic novels, writing, most music, fitness. Seeking creative, unique like-minded guy, 18-22, skater/musician A+, for friendship, good times. \$2785152 THE BEST OF TIMES

Optimistic, healthy WIWF, 68, brown/ brown, 5'6", 150lbs, N/S, N/D, looking for that special man to share friendship first. I love fitness, the outdoors, long walks walks, holding hands, romance.

SELECTIVELY SEEKING Easygoing WiWF, 63 years young, 5'3", 135lbs, great SOH, looking for a sincere SWM, 65-80 years young, that enjoys animals, the water, and drives in country. Serious replies only. **2729081** ZEST FOR LIFE

SJF, 60, 5'2", attractive, intelligent, sincere, outgoing, easygoing, down-to-earth, romantic, spontaneous, sensitive, with great SOH, loves to laugh/smile, enjoys music, plays, concerts. Seeking compassionate, communicative, caring, quality SWJM, 50-70. 2444319

EBONY SEEKS IVORY DBF, 42, 5'3", 140lbs, full-figured, seeks to date SWM, 40-50, in the Mount Clemens area. ☎455323

CAN U MAKE ME LAUGH? Spontaneous SWF, 61, 5'4", average build, happy, independent, humorous, enjoys boating, cards, music, dining. walks, travel, golf. Seeking good-humored SM, w/similar interests, for companionship. \$7962703

I LISTEN WITH MY HEART Attractive DWF, late 40s, Cancer, N/S, seeks special, no games WM, 45+, N/S, for caring, quality committed relationship. Let's create sparks and watch them fly. 2639272

**VERY CARING** AF, 45, 5'3", 110lbs, attractive, active, very independent, loving, down-toearth, health-conscious, vegetarian, enjoys movies, fine dining, and traveling. Seeking W/AM, 40-50, H/W pro-

portionate. 2609537 SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP \_oving, attractive SWCF, 74, trim, fun. N/D, N/S, homebody type, seeks lasting friendship and happiness with a quality gentleman in his 70s. Let's talk!

MAKE IT HAPPEN N/S, for friendship, possible romance.

SBF, 39, Libra, N/S, seeks man, 30-50,

I WON'T GO BREAKING... your heart. SWF, 19, 5'7", long blonde hair, N/S, loves baseball. Seeking WM,

MOTHER OF TWO SWF, early 40s, easy to get along with, looking for a man, 43-50, N/S, who likes playing cards, bowling, animals, biking, going to movies. \$\frac{1}{2}782843\$

19-22, N/S, also into sports, to hang out

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU SWF, 50, 5'7", auburn/blue, 195lbs, nurses assistant, likes mystery and action films, dancing, concerts, bowling, romance Looking for an easygoing, understanding man to share friend-ship and possibly more \$785414

INTERESTED? WIJF, 72, looking for someone to share all the good things in life, music, dining out, romance, talks. Will it be you?

HOPE YOU CALL SWF, 49, marriage-minded, N/S, works in the mortgage business, has 3 dogs, seeks nice SWM, 45-61, N/S, to be a good companion and friend. ☎788722 RECENTLY DIVORCED MOM

SWF, 43, N/S, would like to meet an outgoing, friendly, non-smoking man, 35-53, who likes outdoors, bicycling, walking, family. 2115795 ADAM LOOKING FOR YOUR RIB

Financially secure, independent SBCF, 31, 5'7", 160lbs, enjoys concerts, movies, dining, quiet times and more. Seeking SCM, 30-45, with similar interests, for possible LTR. \$217475

RESCUE ME! SBF, 41, 5'5", average build, enjoys church, family, shopping, much more. Looking for SBM, 43-47, professionally employed, N/S, who knows how to treat a woman. 27408635

WHERE ARE YOU? Looking for a emotionally and financially stable man, who is kind, generous, honest, communicative, for friendship first, possible marriage. Me: SWCF, 5'5", brown/blue, good person, gentle lady. 2779434

LIFE IS BEST SHARED Compassionate, honest family-oriented SF, 42, dark blonde/blue, full-figured, mother of 2, w/autistic son, enjoys picnics, weekend getaways, simple times. Seeking understanding, child-friendly man who loves life and having fun.

OUTGOING BF, 30-something, career woman, serious yet has a sense of humor, lots of interests, seeks a man, 35-50, for dat-

ing, possible LTR. 2769270 A KIND HEART SBF, 56, mother, enjoys dining in/out, swimming, horseback riding, camping, picnics. Seeking sociable, honest, fun, employed man, N/S, to share happifriendship and possible LTR.

**7**780769 ARE U OUT THERE Native American female, 50s, animal lover, enjoys reading, swimming, travel, more. Seeking romantic, active, childfriendly man who appreciates the

same. 2779060 **TALL BRUNETTE** SWF, 51, marriage-minded, N/S, has a great smile, likes romantic comedies, music, plays, outdoors, seeks SWM, 49-60, N/S, for LTR. 2790785

**QUALITY TIME** SWF, 48, 5', 115lbs, petite, dark/dark, N/S, seeks easygoing WPM, 45-50, N/S, who enjoys dining in/out, movies, concerts, plays, and ball games. **2**670169

WITTY IN WAYNE Italian SWF, 41, 5'3", 150lbs, dark/dark, N/S, seeks WM, 45-70, N/S, for friendship, maybe more. 2734502

**ENERGETIC, ATTRACTIVE** SWF, 72, blonde/blue, educated, financially and emotionally secure, cultured, N/S, vouthful and adventurous. Travel is passion. Diverse interests include bridge, oil painting, movies, theater, museums, cooking, finance, the internet. **5**768599

DCF, 68, 52", long dark brown/brown, N/S, N/D, with positive attitude, enjoys leisurely drives, movies and dining out

Seeking man, 58-75, for LTR. 2669606 SINGLE FEMALE IN...

search of her first and last. Single, attractive African-American female, 39, in search of a marriage-minded man who is ready to take that next level. Race is definitely unimportant. ☎742971

YOU MIGHT BE THE ONE SBF, 44, N/S, looking for an honest guy SWM, 35-44, N/S, 6'-6'2", HPTW, who walks, movies, simple things. **27**742085

LIFE'S AN ADVENTURE Active, sociable SWF, 44, 5'4", size 10, auburn/green, mother, home/business owner, enjoys horror, foreign films, Middle-Eastern cuisine, the beach, reading, dancing, cycling. Seeking romantic, sociable, happy man open to life/love. 2746704

LET'S RV!! SWF, 37ish, romance lover, Gemini, seeks a Latin lover man, 37-55, with good morals and the highest standards. **2**766454

ALL OF THE ABOVE Attractive, intelligent SBF, 27, mature, looking for educated, honest, attractive male who is financially and emotionally secure. 2775005

WHAT DOES IT MATTER? Very caring, loving, very good-looking DBF. 54, would love to meet a very sincere male, 45-65, to spend time with.

**GIVE IT A SHOT** Sociable, down-to-earth SF, 56, former model, petite, likes hockey, boating, children. Seeking loving, fun gentleman, N/S, 50-60, with an up beat personality. 2797352 LONESOME

Senior WF, retired, 5'4", active, honest, healthy. Need the attention of a WM, 65-75, enjoys everything, easy to please. So hurry up and call me! 22449585 **GOOD MAN WANTED** 

Attractive SBF, marriage-minded, 5' 6", average build, 40, Capricorn, N/S, seeks BM, 40-51, N/S, to enjoy life and more. 27692032

MR. RIGHT Are you a tall, big, handsome man, that could be my Mr. Right, for a SWF, 5'8", attractive, loving and fun, let's share life together. 2443339

**BEAUTIFUL MIND WANTED** Beautiful, full-figured SBF, 35, enjoys comedy and romance, bowling, walks in the park. Seeking tall, dark, hand-some SBM, 33-50. 2481293

SF, 47 years young, 5'5", very outgoing, loves family, fun, life. Would like to spend time with someone, 40-60, who loves jazz, concerts, movies, dinners, weekend getaways. 2208051 SOCIABLE SENIOR

**BROWN SUGAR AND SPICE** 

SWPF, 84, Leo, N/S, enjoys dining out, casinos. Seeking a fun-loving elder, a WM, 60+, N/S, who can lead the walker. \$755240 **GORGEOUS** 

SBF, 31, 5'1", petite, athletic build, big brown eyes, N/S, enjoys music, art, and good conversation. Seeking kind-hearted, intelligent, down-to-earth WM, 29-39, N/S. 2757791 LOVING LEO Widowed WPF, 53, 5'9", brown/brown,

N/S, nursing home activities coordinator, enjoys boating, swimming, and Michigan State football games. Seeking WM, 50-62, with similar interests.

jogging, walks, concerts, quiet evenings. 2574342 SEMI-RETIRED

SBF, 61, 5'8", 165lbs, very care-free, loyal, honest, enjoys reading, flea markets, antiques, long walks and travel. Seeking BM, 58-61, with similar interests. 2649333 WHY NOT CALL?

Employed SAF, 49, 5'3", 110lbs, mother, likes outdoor sports, park walks, movies and more. Seeking easygoing, child-friendly fun-loving man to share life and it's simple pleasures. \$\overline{\pi}\$690621 SOULMATE SEARCH

Slim, attractive, 57-yr-old JF looking for her soulmate, any sincere, successful JM, between the ages of 54-64, please respond. 25589875 **GOOD LOOKER** 

Positive, caring, easygoing SBPF, 53 (looks younger), N/S, not into bars, enjoys jazz, old-school music, and fun times. Seeking special, secure man, 48-60, N/S, for laughter, good times and LTR. 2725001

**GREAT CATCH** Widowed WF, 67, 5'3", 135lbs, brunette/brown, shapely, N/S, seeks WM, 55-69, N/S, in Livingston County area. **☎**768347

DANCE PARTNER SWF, 57, Capricorn, N/S, seeks WM, 50-62, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. 7773846

59 YEARS OLD ENTREPRENEUR Pretty, charming SWF, successful, kind, compassionate, lots of fun, looking for her knight in shining armor. Any sin-cere, caucasian gentlemen, 55-80, please respond. Hopefully we'll be each others soul mates. \$\pi\$592074

# \* WILDFLOWER

SWF, 63, 5'6", average build, Aries, N/S, enjoys dancing, dining out, seeks WM, 58-75, N/S, with a sense of hufor friendship, possible romance. **27**720594

## VERY ATTRACTIVE BLONDE Refined, full of life, easygoing, well-dre-

ssed, professionally employed, affectionate, romantic, kind, early very youthful 60s, 5'3", feminine, shapely, fit, enjoys dining, travel, music, theatre, dancing, family and friends. Seeking a handsome, educated, college graduate gentleman, over 50s, N/S, with a youthful passion for life. Serious replies only. **☎**652360

**MUST LOVE ANIMALS** WF, 53, 5'4", blonde/blue, full-figured, likes travel, fine dining, shows, plays, animals, children, picnics, boating, swimming, cooking, reading, fishing, slow dancing. Seeking good, kind-hearted man, 50-62, with integrity and morals.

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HAS ZEST FOR LIFE Youthful blonde, 60, 5'2", with family values, shapely, medium build, professional, N/S, light drinker, enjoys travel, theater, dining out and much more. Seeking well-groomed, financially secure gentleman, 55-68, similar characteristics. 2697194

# Ready to meet great new people?

GREAT COMPANION SF, 65, looks 55, 5'2", unique, bright, w/many talents and interests. I'm well-

traveled, very attractive, health-conscious. How about you? Seeking non-smoking counterpart, 62-70. \$\oldsymbol{\pi}\$633527 FORMER MODEL SWF, 50, 5'6", slender, intelligence, cre-

ativity, passion for music and dancing. Seeks partner 38-50, who is attractive and fit, to share this interests and more. SEXY REDHEAD/GREAT LEGS

DWF, 54, 142lbs, 5'6", enjoys blues, animals, gardening, homeowner, no kids. Seeking SM, 5"10"+, N/S, social drinker for LTR. 2548938 MOTHER OF TWO

Separated WF, 34, would like to meet a man, 32-43, to spend time with. Friendship first. \$\frac{1}{12}\$779775 **ENJOYS THE SIMPLE THINGS** 

Attractive DBF, early 60s, feels much younger, N/S, loves music and dancing, stays physically active, would like to hear from friendly, honest man, 56-68, N/S mer friendly, honest man, hones N/S. 25672174

CALL ME Attractive, charming ex-business wo-man, 60, loves movies, plays, concerts, dining, dancing, traveling, financially comfortable, gourmet. \$\mathbf{x}\)743556

KIND HEART Full-figured SF, 55, enjoys dancing and all types of music, likes working with animals, seeks good-natured single man, 44-60. \$\frac{1}{257}\$742466 HAPPY WITH LIFE!

SWF, 70, attractive, recently widowed, who likes fun enjoys life. Seeking to meet like-minded male 65-75, to share movies, travel, music, laughter and quiet sunsets. Prefer N/S. 2777271 SLIM AND PETITE

Easygoing, active DWF, retired, ISO fun male, 60+, who likes bridge, tennis, reading, hiking, animals, kids, popcorn, willing to don a tuxedo now and then. **7271793** THICK AND HEALTHY

SBF, 30, 5'5", 240lbs, N/S, N/D, no kids, employed. Seeking nice-looking SM, 20-35, w/no kids, N/S, for friendship, possibly more. \$\frac{1}{125}534802 HOMEBODY SBF, 63, 5'8", 155lbs, retired (but does work part-time), very honest and caring, Scorpio, N/S, seeks BM, 58-65, ho-

nest and caring. 2553674 LOOKING!!! SWF, smart, fun, easy to be with, success, attractive, petite, looking for a soulmate; SWM, N/S, 55-67, S.Oak-

# MEN SEEKING WOMEN

TALL

land area. 2738822

DWM, 47, 6'5", 215lbs, likes music, camping, jazz, cooking, sports, brown/ brown, seeking a woman with SOH, compassion, honesty. 2765375

**OPEN TO ALMOST ANYTHING** Optimistic, outgoing SWM, 46, enjoys most activities, yet open to new ideas and adventures, seeks spirited, sponta-neous SWF, age open. ☎547524

PATIENTLY WAITING SBM, 37, 185lbs, 5'8", no kids, never married. Seeking caring, attractive SF, no kids, never married, for great relationship. \$710917 TRY ME

SBM, 41, looking for a woman, 18-30, 5'5"-5'7", 120-130lbs, who stays in Detroit, on the east side if you feel that this is you, get in touch. \$\alpha\$774240 SEEKING MUSIC LOVER

Good-looking SM, 47, 5'8", 146lbs, col-CUTE AND CLASSY

SBF, mid-50s, seeks attractive gentleman, 50+, with similar interests. I love cyder mills, concerts, movies, dining out, art, theater, symphony, long walks, and romance. 2331159 I REALLY BELIEVE.

Do you believe in love at first sight? Interesting SWM, easy to talk to, active, adventurous, seeks pleasant, playful SWF, 35-50. 2686509

ROMANCE AND YOU... over due? If you are a SWF, 40-55, decent-looking, and somewhat romantic, then we might connect. This gentle, optimistic SWM could make you really happy. 2799032 **CUTE & CUDDLY** 

Nice SWM, 50s, with wisdom, wit and warmth, can be fun, charming, helpful and who knows what else, would like to meet a nice lady and see what develops. 27478746 WELL, HELLO

SM, very young-looking 50, 5'7", 180lbs, medium build, employed, self-reliant, D/D-free, easygoing and easy to get along with, enjoys biking and cooking. Seeking S/DWF, 40-55, 200-350lbs. \$\alpha\$597126

Spend some time with this bright, enthusiastic, optimistic, yet realistic SWM, who is looking for a nice gal 40s or 50s. **25**550046 I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I'M... looking for. SWM, 62, smoker, seeks

**NEW DREAMTEAM?** 

a respectful and respectable WF, 58-62, close to 300lbs, who loves Jesus Christ, God, and the Holy Spirit. **27**734503 LOOKING FOR A GIRL

SWM, 25, smoker, black/brown, likes hip-hop, R&B, and rock music, wants to meet single woman, 20-32. Possible KIND & EASYGOING.. gentleman. SWM, 42, 6', 195lbs, auburn hair/beard, affectionate and con-

siderate, enjoys cooking, gardening, music, fishing, nature, cats. Seeking honest, good-natured woman, 35-65, race open, who loves romance and affection. 22693485 A LOT TO OFFER

Handsome SBM, 45, 6', enjoys movies, dinner, travel, seeking attractive SF, age & race open. ☎450960 LOOKING FOR ROMANCE

ISO attractive, sexy, fit, caring woman, 30-40. Must love beaches, Harleys, romance, laughter, hanging at the pool. Me: 43, original nice guy, attractive, very handsome, fit, single father. 7774183 LOOKING FOR A BEST FRIEND

SWPM, 44, 5'7", dark hair, moustache, father of one, loves children, outdoors. Seeking SWF, 35-46, to enjoy life ogether. I want to know your inner soul. l'Il treat you right. 2266345 **FLEXIBLE FELLOW** 

SBM, 5'6", 150lbs, beard, piercings, Sagittarius, smoker, seeks woman, 22-40, 4'11"-5'7", race unimportant. **27**769056 **TEDDY BEAR TYPE** 

Self-employed, easygoing DWM, 40, 5'7", brown/blue, East Side, N/S, loves sailing and car shows. Seeking S/DWF, 28-45, N/S, no kids. 2763755 SEEKS SPECIAL LADY

SWPM, 49, tall, dark/dark, N/Drugs, N/S, seeks attractive, sensitive, kindhearted, good-natured SF, 42-52. N/S. N/Drugs, who enjoys home-cooked meals, nights on the town or home, for dating, possible LTR. ☎765893

**NEED 2 BE TREATED LIKE...** lady? I'm your man. DWM, 49, 6', 190lbs, easygoing, fun-loving, seeks romance with 30-50-year-old woman. Don't miss your opportunity to be treated the way you deserve. \$781311

**NICE GUY** SWM, 66, 5'6", 150lbs, manufacturers' representative, Libra, N/S, works out, enjoys movies, restaurants, and summer festivals. Seeking SWF, 50-65, N/S. 2708126

EASY ON THE EYES
Well-maintained SWM, 56, who enjoys keeping in touch with current events, heart-to-heart talks and silly conversations. Let's meet over coffee and see what develops. 2259844

LET'S HAVE FUN TOGETHER Life's too short to be lonely. Honest, sincere, nice-looking WM, 47, 5'10", 180lbs, seeks slim, pretty female, 30-53, N/S, for one relationship. Must like animais. \$773705

**HITHERE** SM, 47, likes sports, fishing, working around the home. Looking for a goodhearted woman, 47-53, to share life's simple pleasures with. Let's talk. \$\frac{1}{2780932}\$

SWM, 39, 5'8", 170lbs, smoker, not into bars, seeks nice SWF, 30-45, to become friends with, possibly more. IS IT YOU? SM, 30, 5'11", 215lbs, carpenter, enjoys action films, fitness, playing sports,

NICE TO THE BONE

time with friends. Seeking open-minded, honest, loving, fun SF into the same. \$\mathbb{T}\$790701 COUNTRY BOY AT HEART
Nice-looking SM, young 66, healthy, 6', 190lbs, N/S, N/D, trustworthy, spiritual, ISQ attractive SWF, 50-60, slim-medium build for quality LTR. Let's

LET'S TALK SM, 56, hard-working, 5'5", 150lbs, looking to meet a nice woman who likes going out and just having simple fun anything from sports to theater. Fri-

endship first, maybe more. \$797443 **COULD WE MEET?** and have fun while getting acquainted? Good-natured, good-looking SWM wants to meet interesting SWF, 30s-40s. 2764071

Sincere, affectionate SWM, 40s, clear mind, fit body, enjoys artsy, cultural events, outdoor activities, seeking witty, pretty SWF, 35-55, for friendship and possible relationship. 2517123 **WEST SIDE GUY** 

MAN WITH PIZZAZ...

Fasygoing SWPM, 46, brown/brown, tall, slim, enjoys arts, museums, out-doors, more. Seeking slim WF, 35-47, for summertime fun and LTR. ROMANTIC BIKER

SWM, 40, 6'1", 155lbs, brown/hazel, N/S, loves the beach, shooting guns, and dining out. Seeking woman, 18-45, for friendship, possibly leading to more. HAPPY DAD Single father of three, 37, loves family, outdoors, biking, barbecues, cooking and more Looking for a lovely WF, 30to share happiness and life with.

**5**715711

MUSCULAR AND ATHLETIC SWM, 46, 6'2", 209lbs, brown/blue, degreed, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, workout, new activities, seeks friendly SF, age/location open. **☎**531308 SERIOUS WOMAN WANTED

SBM, 46, looking for that special persona for LTR, someone who enjoys walks, movies, sporting events, cud-dling at home. Please be shapely, independent and know what you want in life. **2**692418 **ATHLETIC & OUTGOING** SWM, 41, 5'9", N/S, steak lover, into

weight training and body building, loves comedy and mystery movies. Seeking woman, 25-50, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. 2719915 ROMANTIC BUT REALISTIC Youthful, easygoing SWM, 46, likes movies, concerts, boating. Seeking attractive SWF, 40s-50s, with a lively spirit, good sense of humor, friendly, positive outlook. \$642092

GENTLE AND SENTIMENTAL Easygoing, agreeable, cute SWM, 40s, eager to please, willing to try new things, seeks fairly attractive and friendly SWF, for dating and relating.

THE QUIET STORM SBM, 33, 5'9", 175lbs, N/S, works out on a regular basis, seeks single woman, 22-35, N/S. \$740487 ARE YOU OUTDOORSY?

SM, 35, 6', 180lbs, athletic build, enjoys biking, rollerblading and more outdoor activities. Looking for a female, 30-40, H/W proportionate, for dating. HI'YA DOIN'?! Very nice SWM, 41, 5'11", 200lbs,

music, life. Seeking SF, 25-45, similar interests, for some fun, maybe more. I'll keep you amused. \$\overline{15}595394 **WORTH A SHOT** Employed, commitment-minded DWM, 45, 6'4", 260lbs, brown/brown, Scorpio, affectionate, loving enjoys country music, bowling, fishing, travel. Seeking

brown/brown. Loves friends, family, fun,

loving, fun, easygoing, honest woman to share the good things in life. **2**695811 LOOKING FOR LOVE IN... any place. SWM, 34, homeowner, financially secure, N/S, seeks SWF, 18-35, N/S, for marriage and family in the

future. 2765482 MAKE IT HAPPEN SBM, 26, Aries, N/S, seeks woman, 20for friendship, possible romance. **27**793113

SEEKS BROWN-EYED GIRL Good-looking, friendly SWM, 41, 5'11", 180lbs, no children, N/S, easygoing, enjoys movles, music, travel, dining. Seeking very attractive, pretty SH/ AWF, 28-39, friendship, possible relationship. \$760359

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Willing to go anywhere in the tri-county area. SWM, 44, articulate, friendly and gentle. Enjoys art, nature, dancing and romancing. Seeks sincere lady companion. 25604683 STARTING ANEW WITH..

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Handsome, fit, fun, honest, secure SWM, 40, 6'1", 190lbs, w/daughter age 11, enjoys reading, blking, running, family activities! Seeking positive, fit SWF for great relationship! 2711245 I PREFER KINDHEARTED... with a lady's touch. SWM, 45, seeks good friend and true partner. Looks and

age not that important. I just want someone real! 2783752 LOOKING FOR SOULMATE SBPM, 36, 5'6", Leo, N/S, seeks, attractive SW/HF,age and height open , who is outgoing, honest, and seeking friendship leading to LTR. \$2837750

JUMP START YOUR LOVE Realistic, respectful SWM, 45, believes in destiny and chemistry. Seeks a special SWF sweetheart. 25878507

**BORED AND RESTLESS** This blind date can be very interesting. Call me. A good guyl SWM, 40s, seeks SWF. \$2891601

**LETS TRY THIS OUT** Nice SWM, 40s, energetic, accommodating, easy to talk to, seeks a great lady for friendship and love. \$258398 HAPPY GO LUCKY

Dance, flirt and have fun with mel SWM, 40s, seeks friendship with a good-natured, fun-to-be-with SWF, 35-50. 2283848 **ROMANCE AND REALITY** Handsome gent, SWM, 40s, one-of-a-kind, lots of great interests, willing to share them. Seeking special lady in my life to adore. \$\infty\$283228

MORE THAN A DATE! Your heart's desire, SWM, 45, positive outlook, neat, clean, seeks SWF, friend, lover, companion, for dating and possible LTR. 2355547

**VERY FIT** 

WM, 29, 6', 170lbs, light brown/hazel, athletic build, looking for a SF, 18-35, for dating. Race unimportant. 2769924 LOOKING FOR SOUL MATE SWM, 54, 6'2", shoulder-length brown hair, enjoys outdoors, camping, fishing. Seeking SWF, happy, good sense of humor, with similar interests, for possible LTR. \$2619803

JOIN ME SM, 59, 6'3", 260lbs, engineer, likes the outdoors, square dancing, camping, nature walks. Seeking easygoing, active, spontaneous, fun-loving lady, 56"+, proportionate, N/S, to enjoy travel, talks, dates, friendship, fun, LTR? \$\overline{\pi}\$634440 PICK A WINNER

youthful, light-hearted, enjoys doing fun things and going to interesting places Seeking lady to spend time with \$\frac{1}{2730508}\$ **GREET AND MEET** SWM, 50, looks young, fit, active, enjoys fishing, picnics, water sports. See-

king easygoing, friendly, light-hearted SWF, age open. \$\frac{\text{TC}}{241526}\$

50, attractive, healthy-looking

RETIRED BOATER WM, 60s, enjoys the summer, dining out, live shows, music, more. Looking for a lady, 59-58, N/S, who enjoys the same, for companionship. \$7772215 **GENTLE AND CUTE** Active and attractive SWM, 58, good-

king sincere, romantic, friendly lady. **23**341899 LIFE'S A CABARET Classy, romantic, intelligent SWM, 50, well-traveled, with good taste, seeks a special, caring, friendly lady, 36-55. Let's share life, romance, and laughter.

natured, friendly gent enlovs outdoors.

dancing, casinos, estate sales, etc. See-

A SPECIAL GUY DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest S/DWF, w/sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boatand movies. Friendship, possible LTR. 2269646

**ANTIQUES LOVER** BM, 57, 6'1", H/W proportionate, brown eyes, beautiful smile, communicative, engineer, loves vegetable and flower gardening. Seeking woman, 40-63. \$2628249 **ONE-WOMAN MAN** 

SWM, 50ish, 5'10", 165ibs,

brown, employed, homeowner, no children, looking for attractive woman, 35-50, to build life-long relationship. **22**663251 STRAIGHT UP, LOW-KEY Easygoing, cute SWM, 40s, not into loud noise and big crowds, enjoys art, wine tastings, charity, seeks similar-minded lady for friendship, maybe more. \$\mathbf{25}\$548455

MIDDLE-AGED MELLOW

Open-minded, fairly articulate, some-what intelligent SWM, 51, enjoys talks and walks, pets, reading, et SWF companion. 2114862 ALL ABOUT ME SWM, 70, 5'8", 145lbs, employed, N/S, social drinker, seeks SW/AF, 61-68, N/S. I like to work outside, travel inside

the country. 2739963 SEEKING NORMAL WOMAN Charming, blue-eyed gentleman, 54, slim build, likes music, antiques, good conversation and laughter, seeks woman, 45-54, who is still chasing her dreams, for LTR. 27620599

**WORTH THE WAIT** SWM, 53, Sagittarius, N/S, enjoys sports, car racing, seeks WF, 45-55, N/S, for LTR. \$\frac{1}{2726641}\$ NOW'S THE TIME

SWM, 58, Leo, N/S, seeks WF, 35-55, for friendship, possible romance. WANT TO BE MY SWEETHEART?

SWM, 49, fit, healthy, nice-looking, with good attitude, seeks charming, cheerful SWF, 39-59, for dating and relating. **2**956021 **POSITIVE PERSONALITY** 

Attractive, romantic engineer, Asian American male, light complexion, 54, 5'8", 148lbs, fit, financially secure, caring, fun-loving. Seeks W/H/A/F, 40-55, for friendship maybe more. 2514300

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# **VIOLENT**

FROM PAGE C1

es on the wars and gangs including The Purples. Tickets are \$14 and available

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"Detroit was full of gangs in the 1920s," said Kavieff, a 58-year-old Royal Oak resident.

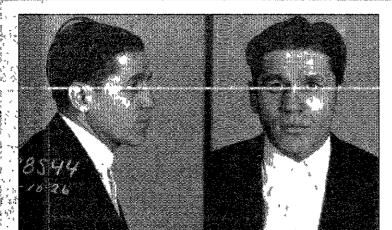
"Everyone had a specialty in Detroit underworld so there was little rivalry between ethnic groups. The bottom line was making money.

"Talk about evolution and self-destruction. By 1935 they were in jail or murdered their 🐇 own people. By the time it ended, there were 500 unsolved murders including two massacres - the Milaflores Apartment in 1927 and the Collingwood Manor in 1931. Detroit was the fourth largest city in the late '20s and a wide-open place. It was the wild west then with shootings in broad daylight, in crowded restaurants and no one would testify because the Purple

Nearly 70 years later, it was still difficult to find anyone who would talk.

Gang's reputation was so fero-

In 1989, Kavieff began pourding over newspaper clippings from *The Detroit Times* at *The Detroit News* Reference
Library, and archive materials of the Michigan State Police who were investigating the gambling, bootlegging, drugs, extortion, racketeering and corruption. He had earned a political science degree from Oakland University in Rochester and was studying



FROM THE AUTHOR'S COLLECTION

Liddle Fletcher, a former prizefighter, was a Purple lieutenant and a hit man who was eventually murdered by his own gang. At first police wondered why he was killed in Oakland County. At one time the gang was reported to have cottage hideouts on Cass Lake and near Walled Lake. Fletcher had spent most of the Saturday night before the murder drinking in a Pontiac beer garden.

for a master's in late 19th century and early 20th century social history at Wayne State University when he went to the library for information on crime organizations and prohibition and could find little.

Kavieff set out to uncover the facts about the bootlegging that occurred after the state went dry in 1918.

Before prohibition, there
were approximately 1,500
licensed saloons and 800 unlicensed establishments in
Detroit. By 1925, the numbers
of blind pigs jumped to
between 15,000 and 25,000.
The illegal liquor was smuggled across the river from
Canadian distilleries, and run
to Detroit from Toledo and
other areas along the road
known as the Dixie Highway.

Max Silk, a small-time gangster in the 1920s and '30s, did spend many hours talking about the era with Kavieff. Silk served time with the gangsters in Marquette prison in the 1930s. Kavieff tried to interview other gangsters, but they refused to talk for the book, which is available in hard cover and paperback at Borders, Barnes & Nobles and at Amazon.com.

Kavieff releases his third book for Barricade in November, The Life and Times of Lepke Buchalter: America's Most Notorious Labor Racketeer. Buchalter controlled the garment industry in New York. Kavieff is trying to market a screenplay called The Purples and is currently working on a documentary about them.

"Everyday newspapers were filled with this. There were opium dens all over the place that had political and police protection," said Kavieff, an engineer at Wayne State University. "There was a Wholesale Cleaners and Dryers Association. If you didn't join the association, you'd get a brick through the window. If you still didn't join, the violence would escalate.

"I wanted to give people some idea of what it was like. It was a 24-hour city then, a glamorous era before Detroit took on the image of a bluecollar town."

In addition to Kavieff, the Women's Resource Center fall luncheon series features environmentalist Elizabeth Ellis speaking about British author and illustrator Beatrix Potter on Oct. 28, and Lyn Bankes



FROM THE AUTHOR'S COLLECTION

Meyer Cohen was killed after trying to double cross the Purple Gang in a 1932 whiskey deal.

talking about women in the early automotive industry and the Phoenix Mill Women's Museum project to preserve the history on Dec. 2.

The series resumes for winter on Jan. 20 with members of the Garden City historical group, the Petticoat Ladies, dressing in replicas of Victorian gowns worn by First Ladies at their husbands' inaugural festivities. On Feb. 17, Detroit Institute of Arts volunteer Dorothy Walker explores the life and times of African American artists from the 19th century to the present. Pamela Withrow, 2003 Michigan Women's Hall of Fame Contemporary Honoree, closes the series April 7 with a talk on how she paved the way for women in law enforcement by becoming the first woman warden of the Michigan Dunes

All luncheons begin at 11:45 a.m. in the DiPonio Room at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads. Prepaid registration is required. Call (734) 462-4443.

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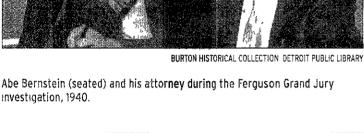
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# Binging increases stroke risk

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Vince, you should know that along with a laundry list of other serious health problems, you could be putting yourself at risk for metabolic syndrome. Metabolic syndrome refers to a number of heart disease risk factors that include: high blood pressure, elevated triglycerides, too much abdominal fat and impaired body glucose levels. If you have three or more of these conditions, you suffer from metabolic syndrome and it can dramatically increase your chances of a stroke. Scientists looking for drinking patterns leading to a metabolic syndrome examined three factors: volume of alcohol consumed, frequency (the number of days spent drinking) and intensity (the number of drinks consumed). Women drinking four or more drinks, and men drinking six or more, per day boosted their metabolic syndrome chances by 60 percent. Overall, researchers find that it's healthier to just have a couple of drinks in any given day than to teetotal for a week or two and then go on a bender.

If you have a health or fitness question, you can e-mail Peter at www.peternielsen.com.

Remember, too many toasts

and you could wind up as toast.

# Observer & Eccentric

# Talk early, talk often

# Governor's pilot program to prevent unintended pregnancies

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Dr. Kimberlydawn Wisdom was talking to her children about abstaining from sex long before they turned 10 years old. During her 20 years in the emergency room of Henry Ford Health System, the Southfield resident saw the consequences — unintended pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases such as HIV/AIDS and infant mortality.

So when Gov. Jennifer Granholm appointed Wisdom as Michigan surgeon general in February 2003, one of her first jobs was to address the problem. After a year of meeting with representatives from the governor's office, Department of Community Health, Michigan Department of Education, Department of Labor & Economic Growth, the Michigan Women's Commission and Department of Human Services, the interagency team developed a strategy to help parents talk with their children.

Beginning Sept. 15 and continuing through Dec. 15, schools, churches, synagogues and communities can apply to host one of 60 Talk Early, Talk Often workshops to teach parents the skills needed to communicate with their middle school children. The Michigan Parent Teacher Student Association was instrumental in creating the program that will take place in school district-sponsored meetings.

For more information, visit www.michigan.gov/miparentresources or send e-mail to coordinator Barbara Flis at



Farmington Hills resident Barbara Flis works on the 2,400 folders she is preparing for upcoming workshops on talking to middle school students about sexual activity.

teto@michigan.gov. The program is part of Granholm's Blueprint for Preventing Unintended Pregnancies by making contraception available for men and women and expanding access to family planning services for low-income women.

"Even when they were younger and asked questions, I made sure I was clear on what they were asking," Wisdom said. "I answered honestly what they were asking. There are books written for as young as elementary age on where did I come from, who made me, how boys are different from girls. Then I relayed the values that my husband and I have that absti-



Michigan Surgeon General Kimberlydawn Wisdom (left), Barbara Flis and Gov. Jennifer Granholm answered questions after unveiling the Talk Early, Talk Often phot program to prevent unintended pregnancies.

nence is preferable. Eventually they will get to an age to make their own decisions and need to be knowledgeable when they do."

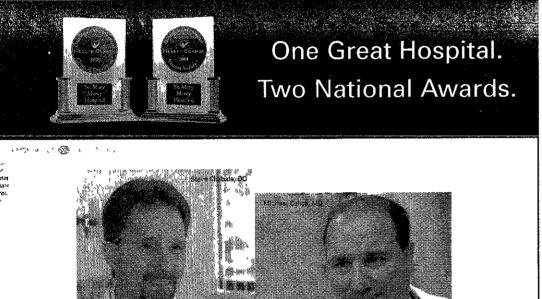
Wisdom admits pressure from peers to have sex is great, but "abstinence is still a very viable option and should be considered" due to the dangers of unintended pregnancy. When mothers don't receive prenatal care and expose the fetus to tobacco, alcohol and other substances, it can lead to premature birth or the death of an infant.

There are the psychological ramifications as well with a child having a child," Wisdom said. "There are the financial implications on family or state government, the implications on the community in terms of families that are less stable."

Unintended pregnancy takes more than a human toll. It costs the state money. The total cost to Medicaid for the delivery of a baby and first year of life services is \$11,528. In 2000, the state's Medicaid program paid for prenatal, delivery and postnatal care for about 26,000 unintended births. That cost

Michigan \$286 million. "Unintended pregnancy is a significant problem in the state, but not just teenagers," Wisdom said. "We want to catch them early before they reach the age of 20 to 29, the group that sees the most unintended pregnancy. More and more research is showing brain development and decision making is not well developed in adolescent and young adults. We need to talk early to them when they know they can trust us and know it's the truth. And talk often so it keeps in the forefront of their

PLEASE SEE TALK, C9





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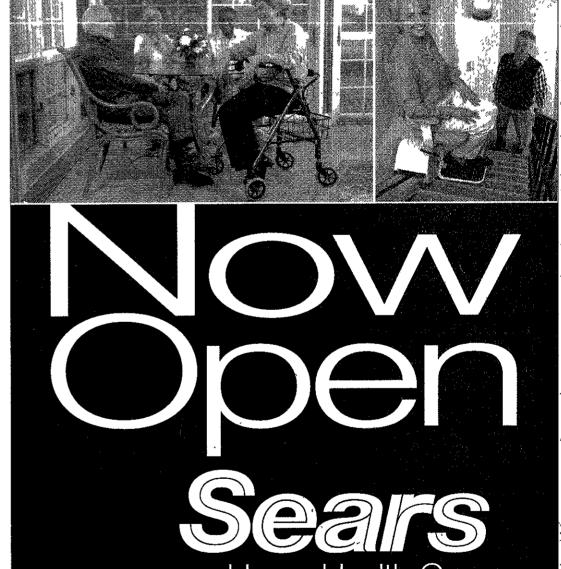
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# Protect eyes to prevent skin cancer

When it comes to skin cancer, the eyelids are not the first place that comes to mind. However, skin cancer on the upper and lower eyelid is one of the most common areas on the face where skin cancer can occur. In fact, eyelid cancers account for about 10 percent of all skin cancer deaths.

In addition, ninety percent of eyelid malignancies are basal cell carcinomas with the majority of them appearing on the lower eyelid. While they rarely metastasize, they can be locally aggressive and cause disfigurement and vision impairment.

It may begin as a small red lump, looking like a pimple, or it can be a tiny sore that doesn't heal, or the only indication may be loss of eyelashes. No matter how the skin cancer begins

these warning signs should not be ignored. As with any form of skin cancer, early diagnosis and appropriate treatment ensures the best results.

Before any type of eyelid cancer treatment is contemplated, a full ophthalmologic examination should be obtained to provide a baseline evaluation of the health of the eyes. Treating skin cancers of the eyelids poses special challenges. Eyelids are composed of extremely specialized mobile skin. To remove the cancer, Mohs microsurgery is highly effective. The cancer is removed layer by layer, with each one studied under the microscope until a cancer-free layer is reached. The surgeon must attain adequate margins of normal tissue around the malignancy to determine if the cancer has been removed. If reconstruction of the evelid is needed it best performed by an ophthalmic plastic surgeon.

Ultraviolet radiation from the sun is directly responsible for more than 90 percent of all skin cancers. Damage to the eyes is cumulative and builds from years of chronic and prolonged UV exposure. The single best way to prevent this damage is by protecting the eyes with UV-blocking sunglasses at an early age. Children should be encouraged and get used to wearing UV-blocking sunglasses as soon as they are old enough to wear them safely.

Sunglasses should be wraparound, fit comfortably and especially important for children, be impact resistant. Neutral gray and amber brown lens tints give true color rendition. Polarizing lenses can cut glare from reflective surfaces, but make sure they are UV blocking. Sunglasses can now block more than 99 percent of UVA and UVB rays. In order to be sure you are getting safe and effective sunglasses, look for ones that carry The Skin Cancer Foundation's Seal of Recommendation.

In addition to sunglasses apply sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or greater to the skin around and under the eyes. Some companies make sunscreens designed especially for the delicate eye area. Also wear a hat with a brim 3-4 inches in width and seek shade during the sun's peak hours.

For more information, visit www.skincancer.org or call The Skin Cancer Foundation at 1-800-SKIN-490.

# Palace, Red Cross hold 4th annual blood drive

The American Red Cross of Southeastern Michigan and Palace Sports and Entertainment are holding the 4th Annual Community Blood Drive at The Palace of Auburn Hills 10 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12.

Each year, The Palace sponsors an all-day community blood drive to provide individuals the opportunity to commemorate the events of September 2001 and participate in a community blood drive drill.

"This blood drive has become an annual event which we look forward to supporting and hosting to help the community," said Palace Sports and **Entertainment President** and CEO Tom Wilson. In the event of a large-scale disaster in our community, The Palace is the designated emergency blood drive site for Oakland County.

"It's crucial for citizens to become familiar with the importance of donating blood on a regular basis and where to go in an emer-

gency," states Diane Ward. Southeastern Michigan Blood Region of the Red

To donate blood you must be in general good health, weigh at least 110 pounds and be 17 years of age or older. Call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE today make a blood donation appointment.

How to Help Hurricane Katrina Victims: The best way to help hurricane victims through the American Red Cross is to make a financial contribution to the National Disaster Relief Fund. Visit www.semredcross.org <a href="http://www.sem-">http://www.sem-</a> redcross.org> to make a secure monetary donation online or send a check to the American Red Cross-Southeastern Michigan Chapter, P.O. Box 441280, Detroit, MI 48244-1280 (be sure to write "NDRF" on the memo line). Financial contribution envelopes will be available at The Palace community blood drive for those who would choose to make a monetary contribution.

# SEPTEMBER

Childbirth classes Learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery and make the entire experience more rewarding during six-week Childbirth Education sessions: "Let's Get Ready to Have a Baby," 7-9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12 to Oct. 17, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Please use south entrance off of Levan Road. For additional information visit www.stmarymercy.org. There is a fee. Registration required. Call (734) 655-

These classes are based on the "Lamaze Method" and include exercise, relaxation, breathing techniques and comfort measures to assist expectant moms through the different stages of labor. Classes also include information on anesthesia options, medication, nutrition, family adjustment and the importance of the sup-

### port person's role. **Boosting your memory**

Learn a variety of methods to help you remember better in a presentation by Marian Schulte, LPN, BA-Gerontology 1:30-2:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, at American House-West Bloomfield located at 5859 West Maple Road, No charge, Register at the door. Call (248) 538-5283.

## Divorce support

Group discussion facilitated by Cynthia Koppin 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept 13, attorney Patricia Kasody-Coyle will

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also be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first come. first served basis, at the Women's Resource Center in Room 225 of the McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads, Livonia. Call (734) 462-4443.

Diabetes support group Luma M. Ghalib, MD, endocrinologist talks All About Diabetes 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Use Main Entrance on Five Mile. For more information, call (734) 655-8961.

**AARP driving course** AARP Safe Driving 5:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, Sept.14-15, in Classroom 2 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Please use the South Entrance off Levan Road. Attendance at both sessions is required. The AARP Safe Driving Program is an eight-hour classroom refresher course for experienced motorists age 50 and older. Participants will learn how to sharpen their driving skills, and develop strategies for adjusting to age-related changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time. They will also learn about the effects of medications on driving performance, learn car safety, maintenance of the vehicle, and ways to prevent acci-

There is a \$10 fee payable to AARP. Pre-registration required. Registration deadline is September 7. For more information or to register, call (734)

## 655-8950.

Sharing & Caring Joint event at Gilda's Club 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15. Topic is decreasing treatment symptoms through compli-

mentary medicine and nutritional approaches. To learn more, call (248) 557-0800. Women's weight management Women who want to learn about

weight management can attend a two-week session with Monica Pagels, an exercise physiologist; registered dietitian Denise Holmes and Dr. Marsha Billes, a family practice physician. The workshop is presented by the center and city of Farmington Hills 5:30-7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19 and 26, at the Costick Activities Center, 28600 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. The cost for the Women's Health Workshop on Weight Management is \$10 residents, \$12 nonresidents. For more information, call (248) 473-1830. Deadline for registra-

# tion is Sept. 16.

Now is the time to enroll in one of two First Place classes beginning in September. You can five a healthier, more balanced life and lose weight before the holidays. The 10-week classes begin 8:30-10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 10, and 6:30-8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, at Gateway of Auburn Hills Church, 255 South Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills. For more information, call Rhonda Martin at (248) 852-1388.

Beginning cooking series Learn to cook whole grains beans, tofu, tempeh, vegetables and sugarfree desserts, Tuesday, Sept. 13, 20 and 27, and Oct. 4, in Garden City. Recipes include miso soup, sushi, vegetable stew and more. Classes are \$30 each. Call (734) 261-2856.

## Tour of hone

James Geiger, a pediatric cancer surgeon at the University of Michigan Health System, is cycling across the country to raise awareness for cancer research as part of Tour of Hope, a nine-day bike ride organized by Lance Armstrong. To send him on his way U-M holds a rally 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, at the University Hospital Courtyard, 1500 East Medical Center Drive, Ann Arbor. The afternoon begins with a 1-mile bike ride from the U-M Comprehensive Cancer Center to C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and into the courtyard. The public is invited to join Geiger on the bike ride or to follow him to the

courtyard where information about biking and cancer research will be available as well as entertainment, food and giveaways. The event is free. Tour of Hope begins Sept. 29 in San Diego and ends Oct. 8 in Washington, D.C. For information, call (800) 742-2300 and enter category 6518.

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# Help grandparents quit smoking on National Grandparents Day

Nearly 4 million senior citizens smoke cigarettes on a daily basis.

Sunday, Sept. 11, is National Grandparents Day and the Smoke Free Society urgently reminds grandparents that they are important role models in their children's and grandchildren's lives.

As part of its "Save Your Loved One's Life" campaign, Smoke Free Society brings loved ones together to help them quit smoking. Its Buddy System allows families to work with their grandparents through the entire quitting process - from preparation to quitting, to support. Support is key to helping a smoker quit and remain smoke free.

If families help their grandparents quit smoking, they will see and feel immediate changes in their bodies. The Surgeon General reports smoking harms nearly every organ in the body, causing many dreadful diseases and reducing the person's health in general. This National Grandparents'

Day save your grandparents by helping them quit smoking before it's too late. Children and grandchildren of all ages are encouraged to visit Smoke Free Society's website, www.smokefreesociety.org to take the first step in helping their grandparents to quit smoking today for a longer, better and healthier tomorrow because you care.

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thinking so they don't make decisions they'll regret later."

Barbara Flis is working to make sure unintended pregnancies don't happen. As coordinator of the pilot program, she's assembled 2,400 folders for facilitators of the 90-minute workshops in the living room of her Farmington Hills condominium. Pre- and postevaluation surveys will be taken to determine effectiveness.

"It's about having the conversation, not as much about content," said Flis, a consultant and founder of Parent Action for Healthy Kids. "We want parents to develop skills to be comfortable to have the conversation. Our parents didn't do a great job of talking about sexuality. By the end of the workshop, we hope they have more of a comfort level in talking with their kids. How we respond to our kids is important if we want them to keep coming back to us for information."

Flis had the talk early with her two children, who are now

"Sex ed came at about 8 years when the oldest was in middle school," Flis said. "I focused on what it takes to have them make healthy decisions, then I started doing more studies and research and found communication with parents is a key piece in the sex education and abstinence arena. Did I do a good job when my kids were really little? No, but I did in middle school when most kids are in puberty. That's when we still have their attention. We're their chauffeur. It's a good time to have a lot of conversation. When they go off to high school, they're spending more time with peers. That's why it's important to talk to them early and often."

There's no cost to host the workshop or to the parents. "Because it's a skills-based

workshop, we are limiting it to 30 parent participants per workshops and they have to participate, do the role playing," Flis said. "It makes a big difference practicing it."

# Arthritis Today

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# **ARTHRITIS OF THE WRIST**

For physicians it is not enough to say that you have a diagnosis of arthritis of the wrist. The wrist consists of eight small bones and a large joint space created when the end of the forearm bones meet the first row of the wrist bones.

Arthritis of the wrist can strike at the large wrist joint, can occur between the 8 small bones that make up the wrist itself, or at the interface where the wrist bones, called the carpal bones, connect to the bones in the paim, known as the metacarpal bones.

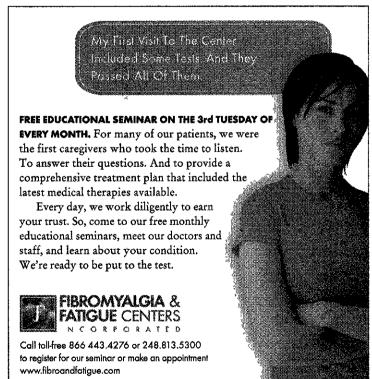
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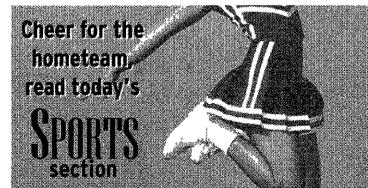
lining inflammation that causes this arthritis.

In contrast, arthritis at the base of the thumb, where the thumb and wrist connect, results from wear, that is, from osteoarthritis. In this case, loss of cartilage is the reason you feel pain. Pain medication and joint injection are the main therapies. If these interventions fail, then joint replacement becomes the treatment of choice.

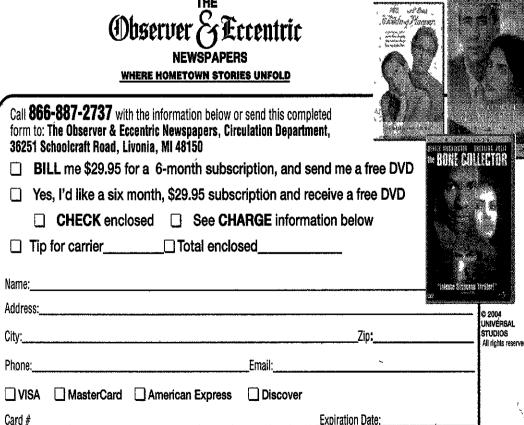
Because of old injury or a break in the blood supply, you can have arthritis occurring in any one of the small bones of the wrist. Treatment depends on the extent of the arthritis. In any single case pain medication, use of a brace, or cortisone injection may When you say you have arthritis of the wrist, you have opened a dialogue, not

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# Ladies Launch with Miss Kate

By Anna Foard Whidden

Kate Richard is known for her fabulous boutiques and savvy fashion advice. Now, the owner of miss kate and Shoe La La in Birmingham has set- out to inspire other women as the chapter leader for Ladies Who Launch, a nationwide networking Web site and organization for entrepreneurs and

Richard heads the Detroit/Greater Detroit "Incubator" for LWL. Though still in its infancy, the Detroit chapter is growing -PINK's own fashion and beauty editor, "k," recently joined the group! PINK recently asked Richard about her involvement with

How would you describe Ladies Who Launch?

The camaraderie, support and female intuitive quality has been cited by hundreds of happy, successful women as the secret weapon in their rich and rewarding lives. The Ladies Who Launch Incubator Model is a new feminine approach to executing ideas through relationship networking, community non-linear thinking, fun and a dash of style.

Incubators provide a nurturing environment where you can start growing your business ideas, creative projects and dreams, and where you can actually propel your ideas into action. You automatically are



Kate Richard, local Incubator leader

## **LADIES WHO LAUNCH**

www.ladieswholaunch.com Kate Richard. **Detroit** Incubator Leader misskatebham@aol.com

part of a larger online network as well, bringing women together in multiple forums.

What are some of the group's activities and events?

Basically there is the Incubator Intensive, which is a four-week-long course (meeting weekly), an Ongoing Incubator (meeting eight times a year) and then various national events. The next one is in New York City their Web site has all sorts of details on it. Why should Detroit-area ladies join? Detroit area ladies should join to be

inspired, motivated and networked! It's just a wonderful group of women who are connected by the LWL network. It will help you to move forward in whatever endeavor you choose to bring to the Incubator. How has it had an impact on you? Oh my gosh — has it ever! I love it! I think

working with women who hold the same beliefs of the LWL model is incredible. Plus, I love to be part of the process to inspire women to accomplish their dreams and goals. Entrepreneurship, creativity and motivation are contagious - you cannot do it alone. By announcing your dream, business and desires to the world and putting yourself in a supportive environment that is working toward your goal, you will begin to move forward like

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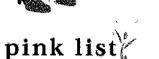
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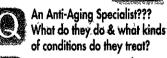
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# Office communication: tips to stay connected

(NUI) — Want your office to run as smoothly as possible? The first step involves improving communication.

There's nothing more stressful than lack of communication in an office setting. When co-workers don't work together as a team, problems and misunderstandings - big and small - can arise, causing unnecessary dilemmas and even rifts.

The following tips will help managers improve office communication:

■ Hold regular meetings. Whether they're held weekly or daily, meetings are a great way to find out what's going on around the office and learn about what assignments or events are to come. This also is a good time to talk about what goals need to be set for the office.

Utilize technology. Though e-mailing, interoffice calling and paging are effective ways of keeping in touch with co-workers, new technology is taking communication to a new level.

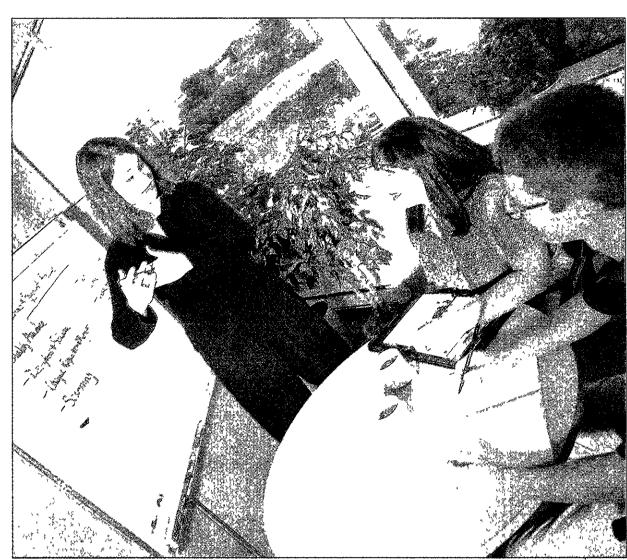
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■ Use your listening skills. Pay attention so that you do not miss out on important information that you may need to know or discuss with a co-worker or client in the future.

Spread the word. When you have sensitive or important matters to discuss, don't hide behind emails because the message can be misconstrued. To make sure you get your point across, meet with each party that's involved or contact them by phone.

For more information on better office communication using IRIS, visit www.useiris.com or call (866) 270-0120.



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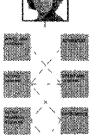
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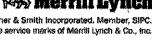
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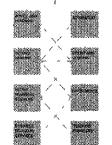
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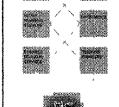
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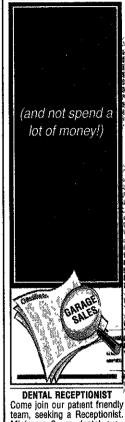
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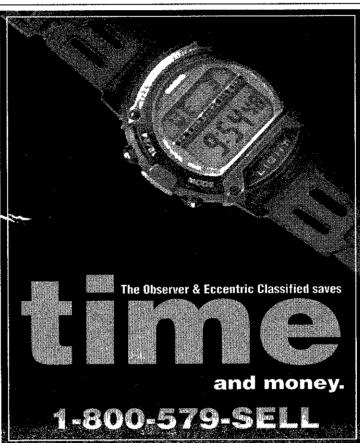
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# New homes take closets to another level

(NAPSI) — A growing number of new homes, even modest ones, now have custom closets with storage and style. These impressive storage spaces offer homeowners a way to organize their homes, simplify their lives and save a precious commodity: time.

"The more we live, the more stuff we accumulate," said Anthony Vidergauz, CEO of California Closets. "Our systems organize the objects we save from life's journeys.'

After helping to organize customers' treasures —and lives —for more than 20 years, the company has grown into an estimated \$175 million industry leader with more than 150 locations in 11 countries.

Its product line has extended well beyond bedroom closets to include home office systems, pantries, garages and general utility areas.

The backbone of these utility systems is particleboard. Each year, the company purchases about 175 million square feet of composite panels that are fabricated into partitions, shelves, drawers and other components.

Less expensive than other panel products, particleboard provides excellent holding properties. Hardware screws, for example, can be firmly secured into it. Panels with a smooth surface help ensure consistent lamination and machinability for the company's fabricators. Recent improvements in particleboard have made it stronger and dimensionally stable.

"You can't even compare it to what was being produced 10 to 15 years ago," said Luiz Panchihak, director of design. To make sure the composite panels surpass structural expectations, the company has an engineer right in the design department and it regularly consults a materials specialist.

While particleboard provides the structure of the closet products, thermo-fused melamine and high-pressure laminates help create the clean look that has become the company's trademark.

The company recently introduced a color called "quiet," which infuses light gray and silver flecks into an off-white background. It has become a favorite alongside classic white, the company's most popular color option.

A palette of about seven color choices is in the works.

With increased strength and a growing palette of fashionable colors, particleboard is helping California Closets stay ahead of the

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# Options if you can't afford to sell

With the market the way it is, what happens if I owe more on my house than I can get back when I sell it?

I have a run into many of these situations lately. People bought their houses several years ago, now the market value has dropped significantly, so they owe more than they can get for their house. They are stuck.

In fact, I met one lady who had a house that she couldn't sell. She had already bought another house. The problem is that she bought her old house for \$130,000, she owes about \$124,000, and her house is worth about \$109,000 on the market today. I also gave her a net sheet that gives her the bottom line number after all the expenses involved. She was paying two mortgage payments, and she couldn't afford to sell her old house. The lady wasn't a happy camper.

What do you do if you are in a similar situation where you owe too much to sell? There are still several options:

You can bring money to close. This isn't a prospect that many sellers like to hear. If you owe \$200,000 and your bottom line number for the sale of your house is \$180,000, you would have to bring \$20,000 to close to complete the transaction. If you already bought another house, you may be able to get an equity loan on that house to bring to closing.



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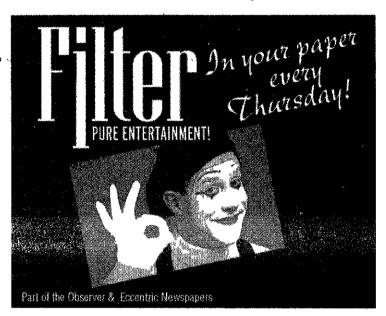
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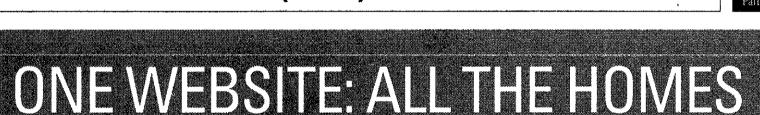
If you now have two houses another possibility is to lease the old house for a period of time. That way you will have a tenant who will hopefully help you make your mortgage payment, allowing you to pay down your mortgage to the point where you can afford to sell.

One thing that won't work is to make the asking price what you need to get to sell your house, rather than what the market value is of your home. There is now a tremendous amount of homes for sale on the market. It is now more important than ever to price your house competitively. Otherwise it won't sell.

Also, the market value will keep going down, because when houses are on the market too long, buyers wonder if there is something wrong with it.

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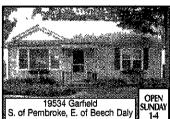


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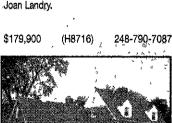
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To the immediate right of the entry, are a handy guest closet, and the stairway to the top floor. The living room is substantial, and a generous multipaned window admits plenty of sunlight while providing a nice view. The dining room opens to the living room, establishing an expanse that seems larger than the blueprint suggests.

The walk-through kitchen is another example of the ease of movement throughout the Webfoot. With a convenient eating bar at the hub, this area could well become the favorite gathering place for the whole clan. On one side of the kitchen, are double ovens, and a walk-in pantry that extends to a storage site beneath the stairs. On the other side, the well-lit breakfast nook is a great place to begin the day.

A cozy gas fireplace will warm the family room as everyone awaits the start of a television favorite. When the weather seems inviting, take the fun out onto the large back deck. Completing the first floor design is a half-bath, and roomy utility room that includes a sink and closet. There is access to the garage.

Let's begin with the master suite on the second level. A big feature here is the private bathroom, featuring a shower, skylight, twin basins and a relaxing spa. The master suite also includes two windows and a walk-in closet.

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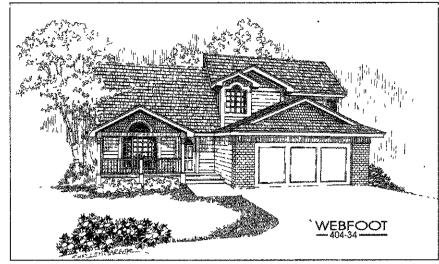
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welcome view of the frontal landscape. The shared full bathroom, graced with a skylight, abuts a modest back bedroom. A good-sized loft has been appointed as bedroom number four. Linen storage is available off the hallway, and all three secondary bedrooms have sufficient closet space.

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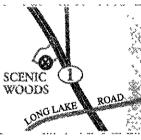


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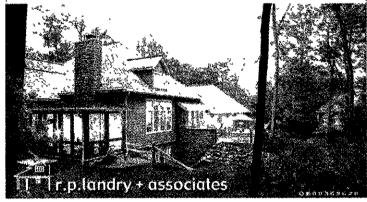
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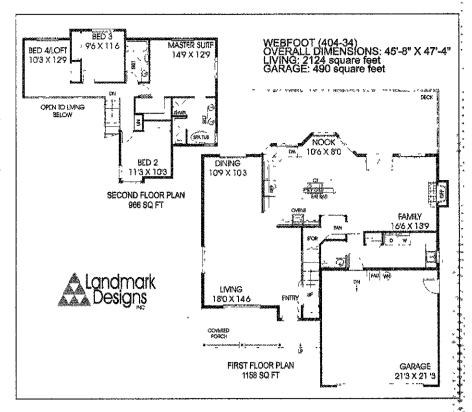
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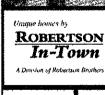


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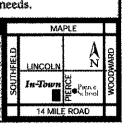


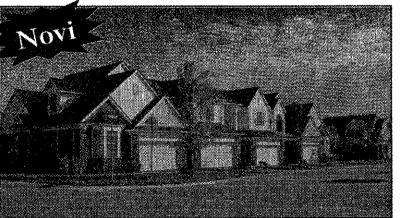
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A free homebuyer seminar will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, at 1st Michigan Title, Six Mile and I-275, put on by Rosemary Firestone from RE/MAX 100 and Michael Firestone of Golden Mortgage, All aspects of homebuying will be covered. Reservations are required at least 24 hours in advance. (734) 420-9600.

# Career Seminars at Keller Williams

Keller Williams Plymouth will hold Career Seminars at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 27 and 10 a.m. Sept. 17, at 40600 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, 48170.

There is no cost to attend and everyone is welcome. (734) 459-4700.

## **How To Classes**

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Oakland Builders Institute will offer the following classes during the month of September.

■ How To Build Your Own Home - 6-10 p.m. Sept. 20, 22, 27, 29 at Berkshire Middle School, 21707 W. 14 Mile, Beverly Hills, (248) 203-3800. The course covers home financing, the building process, builder's terms and contracts as well as building codes, insurance requirements and more. (The cost is \$190 plus \$30 for two textbooks.

There will also be a class held from 6-10 p.m. Tuesdays/Thursdays, Sept. 13, 15, 20, and 22, at Henry Ford Community College-Dearborn Heights Campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights. Pre-registration no later than Friday, Sept. 9. The cost is \$189 plus \$30 for textbooks for residents and \$208 plus \$30 for non-residents, (313) 317-1500.

■ Basement Remodeling - 6-10 p.m. Monday/Wednesday, Sept. 19 & 21, at Andover High School, 4200 Andover Road, Bloomfield Hills; and 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday, Sept. 27

& 29, at Tinkham Center, 450 S. Venoy, Westland. The instructor will explain the facets of basement remodeling including space planning, meeting building codes, insurances, permits, estimating materials as well as the basics of construction. The cost is \$95 plus a textbook fee of \$10. Pre-registration is required by Thursday, Sept. 15. (248) 433-0885. Koehler named president

The International Builders Exchange Executives (IBEE) has elected Kevin Koehler to serve as president for 2005-06. Koehler is president of

the Construction Association of Michigan (CAM), a 3,700-member organization headquartered in Bloomfield Hills that provides services to construction-related businesses including bidding information, online project news and safety and educational programs. Muscillo joins RE/MAX

Kathy Muscillo, CRP, has joined the real estate office, RE/MAX In The Hills, 36700 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Muscillo has been in real estate for 15 years and specializes in relocation. She comes to RE/MAX from Century 21.

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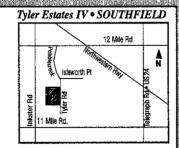
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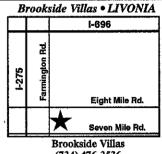
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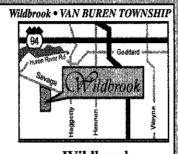
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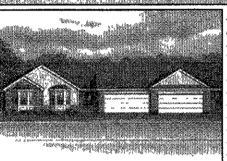
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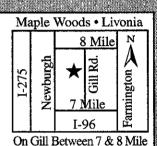
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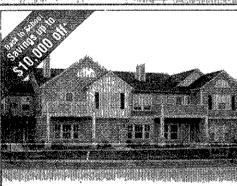
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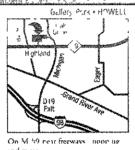
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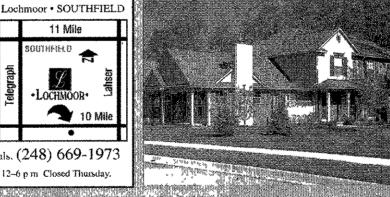
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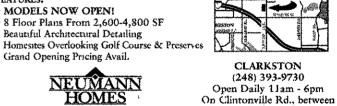


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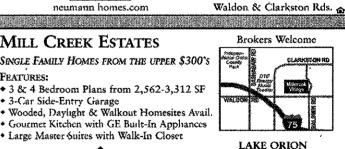


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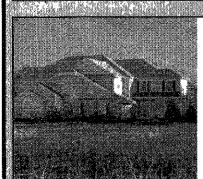






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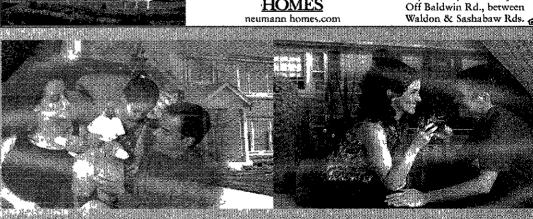
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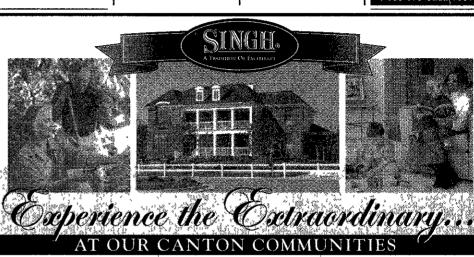
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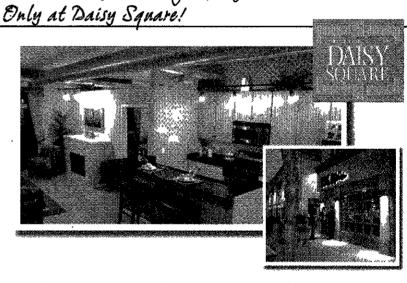
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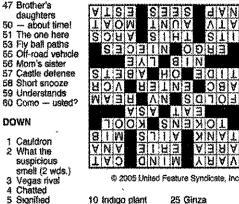
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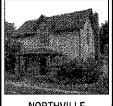
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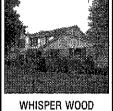
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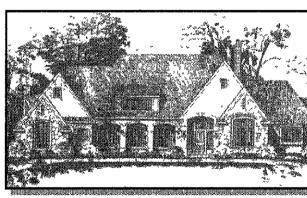
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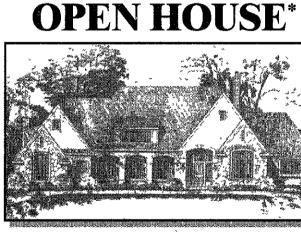
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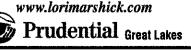
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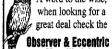


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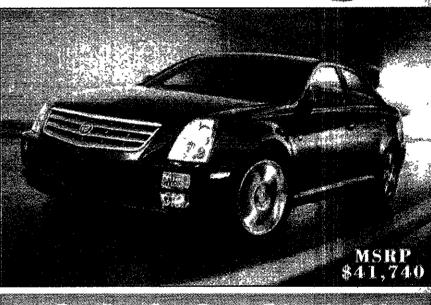
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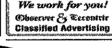
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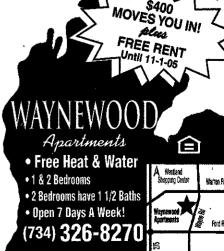
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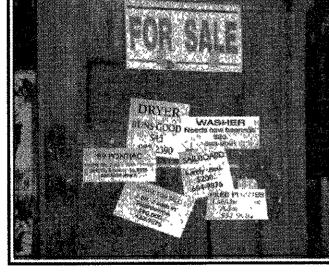
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Advertising Feature 

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By Anne Fracassa **Avanti News Features** 

Observer & Eccentric Sunday auto columnist Anne Fracassa is home from the hospital now, recuperating from surgery. She thanks readers who have taken the time to email her with get-well wishes. She hopes to be back writing soon. In the meantime, get-well cards can be mailed to Anne at 29106 Palomino, Warren, MI 48093-3505. This week's column is written by her colleague at Avanti News Features, motorhomes editor Marty J. Majchrzak.

The Adventurer is Class A motor home that took on a whole new look for me since the last time I drove one. Kelli Harms, the nice lady at Winnebago who hooked us up with our tester, told me that we would be driving a 37-foot gasoline Coach. At first glance I though they made a mistake,

"It's huge," I thought, and at 12 feet high I figured, "it can only be one thing -- a diesel." But I was wrong. It's a gas Coach with an 8.1 liter GM motor on a Workhorse Chassis. At that height it has to give you more headroom on the inside.

The outside of this \$172,000 wonder was painted the color Salsa, which is a combination of three different colors and an optional color for this Coach. The closest way I can describe these colors are burgundy, pewter and a gold that turned a lot of heads as we drove down the road. My wife Donna and I loved not only the colors but as you will see everything about this motor home.

There is a lot of basement storage that is almost standard on all Winnebagos, The Adventurer will store anything from barbeques to as many folding chairs you can pack. One of the first things I like to do is check out the basement storage because I like to bring everything we can think of.

Our trip to Walt Disney World in Florida from suburban Detroit was in first class as we drove in 37 feet of pure luxury. The inside took on the same color scheme as the Salsa color on the exterior. As you look at the back of the motor home from the entry door you can see the bedroom door that caught both mine and Donna's eye.

The bedroom door was not the usual sliding door but a hinged door with a French door look (very nice). The ceiling has changed since I had seen it last. Not only does it have more headroom but it has gone from cloth to padded vinyl. It makes it easier to keep clean. The layout of the



Mileage: 7.5 mpg over 3.000 miles of mixed driving. Where built: Forest City, Iowa. Base price: \$149,241. As tested: \$172,492.

Coach is something that we could not stop talking about. We both agree that this is the motor home for us.

This chassis is built like a diesel and rides like one, too. Right out of the gate I cranked this Coach up to 70 miles per hour, turned on the GPS navigation system,

great. When we missed our exit off the Florida turnpike, the unit recalculated our route, then told me what I needed to do. It comes with a two-disc set for east and west U.S. that also covers north and south.

Now we have checked in to Fort Wilderness Walt Disney World. It is 97 degrees and humid. Pulling up to our campsite, my son Jason said, "Boy, Dad, how are you going to get this thing in there?'

After stopping and looking it over, I have to admit I had my doubts I could get it done. Each campsite is cut into a field of trees, so some of these sites can be pretty tight for a 37-footer.

Jason and his older brother, Matthew, who is finishing up college, got out of the motor home and guided me as I took a shot at getting this baby in there. Standing at the back of the Coach I could see them in the rear camera, with the volume turned all the way up. I could hear every word they said.

Bottom line: The Adventurer handles like a dream. First try and I'm in.

Next I plugged the 50-amp service, hit the automatic leveling jacks and got that air conditioning on. Then I went to the bedroom and slid out both the bed and the wardrobe area that makes one big bedroom. After that I moved back to the front and slid out the living room and it's almost like I never left home. Whew!

At night when it is time to get ready for bed, you can

close the shade on the French door so everyone could take their turn in the shower. While that was going on, I could watch the 24-inch Sony Trinitron. For a change of pace, I

move on. The ride back to Michigan was just as good as the ride down as we averaged 7.5 miles per gallon at an average speed of 70 miles per hour.

After a one-night stay back at home, it was off to Lake Leelanau RV Park just outside of Traverse City, Mich.,

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As I drove though the park I noticed people just staring at our test Adventurer. It was cool to see one man's jaw hit the ground. I told Donna: "Look, that guy is drooling all over himself!"

also has a wind sensor, so if it gets windy and you're not there, it automatically rolls up and saves your awning for

on a 1998 Sea Ray with 30 hours on it and on the way home I bought it for my next trip to a lake. What a great everything was first class.

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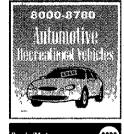
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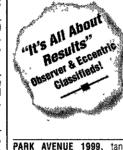
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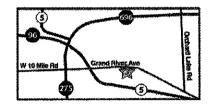
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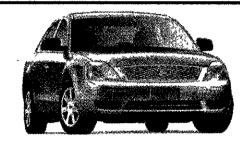
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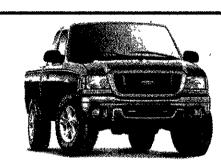


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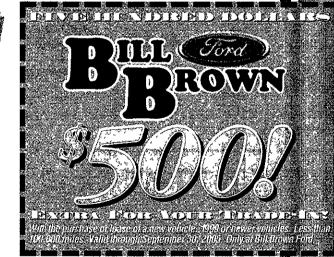
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