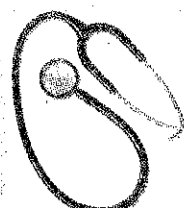




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Jerry Gawura, 87, who often practices at Freedom Park, will be competing in the horseshoes event at the Western Wayne Senior Olympics this week.

District braces for bond failure survey

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

When Plymouth-Canton Community Schools voters turned down a two-question \$120 million bond proposal in May for a number of district-wide improvements, was it the uncertain Michigan economy that sent the bond issues down in flames?

Was it just too much money to ask for? Or did voters think the proposals were fraught with wants instead of needs?

Trustees will get the long-awaited answers at Tuesday's school board meeting when pollster Ed Sarpolus of EPIC/MRA, a Lansing-based research firm, presents the findings of a survey conducted for the Board of Education as to why voters turned down both parts of the bond issue.

The findings are expected to guide trustees in their plans to put another bond proposal in front of voters, most likely in February.

"It will help us gauge what the community's vision is, what the perception is of what we really need and what issues they had with the latest campaign," Trustee Richard Ham-Kucharski said. "It will confirm for us why the community didn't pass the bond issues, and give us some positive feedback and guidance to move forward."

Voters in six communities defeated a request for \$95.4 million for building expansions, a new middle school in Canton and a Career and Technical Education center at the high school park and a second proposal for \$24.8 million to build a theater and swimming pool at Plymouth High School, a varsity soccer field at P-CER, an auxiliary gym at Salem High School and improvements to the baseball and softball fields at Canton High School.

Sarpolus said he surveyed 352 residents, which is a more comprehensive sample than the 600 questioned for statewide election polls.

"The survey is designed to talk to people who don't get to board meetings to express their opinions," Sarpolus said. "In most school districts, 70 percent-plus are voters who don't have kids in school. People who don't have kids in school are the ones who determine (in elections) what happens in the schools."

Before the May 2 vote, Ham-Kucharski predicted the economy wasn't

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Aiming for the gold

Competitors prepare for second annual Senior Olympics

BY DARRELL CLEM AND CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITERS

Jerry Gawura lifted the blue horseshoe and eyed the stake 30 feet in front of her. She swung her arm back and pitched the horseshoe, which clinked against the stake.

"Not bad for someone my age," said Gawura, ignoring the fact that it's not bad for someone of any age, let alone hers — 87. "I usually pitch from 24 feet."

But the rules at the Western Wayne Senior Olympics, Aug. 21-25, require her to pitch from 30 feet.

Still, Guwara is fairly likely to bring home a gold. After all, she brought home five from the Michigan Senior Olympics in June.

'Not bad for someone my age. I usually pitch from 24 feet.'

Jerry Gawura
Senior Olympian

In the Western Wayne games, she's going easy on herself, and will only compete in horseshoes.

"Usually I compete in discus, javelin, volleyball, horseshoes and shot put," Guwara said.

Northville and Northville Township will host this year's Western Wayne Senior Olympics, with numerous competitions planned in Northville Millennium Park. Other contests will be held in Canton, Livonia, Plymouth, Redford and Westland,

among other communities.

In all, about 360 seniors will compete in the second annual Western Wayne Senior Olympics, Westland senior resources Director Peggy Ellenwood said.

Seniors will compete in four age groups: 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, and 80 and over. Van Buren Township served as the primary host last year; Westland will have its turn in 2007.

Spectators are invited to watch all senior competitions except golf. Seniors will compete in activities ranging from a 3K run to a baking contest and from volleyball to bridge.

Ellenwood lauded seniors for participating in a Senior Olympics event that is rapid-

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Let the games begin

The Western Wayne Senior Olympics will kick off the morning of Monday, Aug. 21, during a breakfast with Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano at Northville Millennium Park. The event will end Friday, Aug. 25, with a senior banquet.

The following is a list of events, their times and locations. Spectators are welcome. For more information, call (734) 349-4140.

Monday, Aug. 21

The following events will be held opening day at Northville Millennium

Park: a baking contest, 8:45 a.m.; the opening ceremony, 10 a.m.; a fun walk, 11 a.m.; a 3K run, 11 a.m.; a softball throw, 11:15 a.m.; a ring toss, 11:30 a.m.; a Frisbee toss, 11:45 a.m.; a football toss, noon; and a soccer kick, 12:15 p.m. The euchre competition will be held at 1:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Tuesday, Aug. 22
Tennis, 9 a.m., Capital Park, Redford Township; horseshoes, 9 a.m., Freedom Park, Canton Township; volleyball, 10

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Seminar will focus on keeping kids safe from online predators

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

It's a big world out there in cyberspace. And it can be a tricky place for children to wander. To help arm teens and parents against online predators, the Canton Police Department is offering a free seminar designed to provide Internet safety awareness.

"Social networking Web sites like myspace.com and chat rooms are a big thing with teenagers," said Sgt. Scott Hilden, who will present the Aug. 26 seminar. "There is so much risk and danger in it, that if they're not cautious and

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Linda Sudduth and kids Samantha and Graham search for a book on a computer at the Canton Public Library.



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Scooping for the Dems

Michigan Lt. Governor John Cherry and Sharon Gire, director of the Michigan Office of Services to the Aging, scoop ice cream during Wednesday evening's gathering of local Democrats at UAW Local 735 in Canton. The event was the annual picnic for the Community Democratic Club, which serves the communities of Canton, both Plymouths and Northvilles, and Livonia. Behind them is Plymouth attorney Dennis Shrewsbury. U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow was supposed to visit, but canceled at the last minute.

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Coming Thursday in Filter



Preview this fall's movies in this week's Filter

Red Cross blood drive

The Red Cross is sponsoring a Battle of the Badge Blood Drive in Canton, on Tuesday, Aug. 22, from 1-7 p.m. The blood drive will be held in the Canton Administration Building's lower level meeting rooms D & E, located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

Battle of the Badge refers to police vs. fire. Donors will be able to select a blue or red chip to indicate which group they want their donation credited to. Battle of the Badge is a Wayne-Oakland-Macomb County event taking place this summer. The three counties have been divided up into groups by area. Canton's group includes Westland, Garden City and Inkster. Plaques will be awarded to the group attaining the most donated pints of blood.

The Canton Department of Public Safety is encouraging its residents to take part in the worthwhile cause. Red Cross blood donations are always lower during the summer months, so this would be a great way to come out, show your support, and make a difference in someone's life.

This year's blood drive is designed to get people through faster than in the past. Walk-ins are welcome, or you can make an appointment by calling (734) 394-5232.

Newcomers to start new season

The Canton Newcomers, the community's "social club for the entire family" is kicking off their 2006/2007 season at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at the Sunflower Clubhouse, at 45800 Hanford (west of Canton Center). Canton's own Lynn Jarrett, a motivational speaker, coach and author of *Why Bother Looking* will be discussing the challenges of balancing all life offers us.

The Newcomers will also have sign-ups for all of the group's interest group activities including Bunko, play-groups, euchre, couples social, men's poker, game night, scrapbooking and more.

For more information, including a complimentary Newcomer newsletter, please visit CantonNewcomers.org.

You can also call (734) 981-1715 with any questions. Remember, you don't have to be "new" to be a Newcomer.

LaJoy to meet residents

State Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton, will hold district office hours from 3:30-5 p.m. on Aug. 21 at Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road. Local residents can meet with LaJoy to discuss state government concerns or issues. No appointment is necessary.

Carwash for vets

The Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 Plymouth/Canton will host a car wash today from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Lighthouse Carwash on Ford Road, which is located on the south side of the road between Haggerty and Lilley roads.

The owner, Paul Berry, donates all the cash proceeds to the chapter that will wash and dry your car this day.

Free legal aid

Legal Aid and Defender Association, Inc. will conduct a free outreach clinic on civil legal services for senior residents of Wayne County, who are 60 years of age or older at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 14, at Summit On The Park in Canton.

Attendees are asked to register before 10:30 a.m., as a Legal Aid attorney will assist only those persons who have done so by that time.

For further information, contact Gina Polley, director of community relations and government affairs, by phone at (313) 964-4111, ext. 6440 or (877) 964-5310, or by e-mail at gpolley@ladetroit.org.

Nursery school registration

Creative Day Nursery School, located on Cherry Hill Road in Canton, is accepting registration for the fall. Creative Day is a developmental school that encourages children to learn at their own pace while promoting social skills through music, art, story time and hands-on activities.

Both morning and afternoon classes are available. For more information, please call (734) 981-3990.

School supplies

The Plymouth Salvation Army is conducting its annual "school supply drive." Included among the items they're looking for are notebook paper, pocket folders, pencils, erasers, colored pencils and back packs.

The Plymouth Salvation Army, which covers Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Belleville, is located on Main, just south of Ann Arbor Road. For more information, call (734) 453-5464.

Orchestra auditions

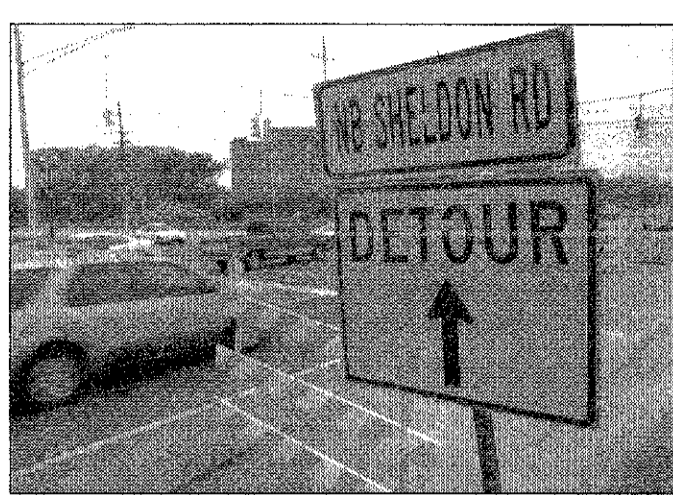
The Celebration Youth Orchestra holds auditions for the 2006-2007 school year Aug. 25-26 at Evola Music, 7170 North Haggerty in Canton.

Auditions are open to string students ages 9 and older with at least one year of instruction and wind, brass, and percussion students ages 12 and older with at least three years of instruction.

Students may live anywhere in southeastern Michigan. Auditions must be scheduled in advance. Students are asked to prepare one scale in any key and a piece of their choice. Percussionists will be provided with a snare drum, but will need to bring their own sticks.

The CYO is the youth orchestra supported by the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society. In fall 2006 the CYO will have two ensembles, the Celebration Sinfonia for string, wind, brass, and percussion students and the Celebration Strings. The CYO is dedicated to challenging and inspiring students through high level ensemble training and the performance of standard and new repertoire.

The Celebration Youth Orchestra is part of the Plymouth Symphony's Youth Outreach Education Program. Donations to the Symphony's No Kid without a Koncert Education Campaign help to fund the CYO as well as many other programs for students



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Road construction update

Motorists in Canton should continue to heed the numerous detour signs popping up in the community. The Sheldon Road project to resurface Sheldon from Ford Road to Westminister Way is nearing completion. The northbound lane on Sheldon will officially reopen Friday, Aug. 25. Elsewhere, the Warren Road project to widen Warren to five lanes from Canton Center to Morton Taylor roads is on schedule with stage two of the project scheduled to begin this weekend. The intersection of Sheldon and Warren was scheduled to reopen yesterday with traffic shifted onto the two newly paved lanes on the south side of the road. The north lanes will be closed to allow for the construction of new concrete pavement. Stage three of this project will consist of paving the center turn lane and is anticipated to be completed in October. Motorists are advised to follow all posted detour routes and to drive safely through construction. For more information on road projects going on in Canton visit www.canton-mi.org or call Public Works at (734) 394-5150.

throughout Southeastern Michigan.

To schedule an audition or for more information e-mail jane@plymouthsymphony.org or call the Plymouth Symphony office, (734) 451-2112.

Coping with grief

Heartland Hospice announces a new support group for widows and widowers. The Sharing & Caring Coffee Hour is held from 10-11 a.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Heartland Healthcare Center, 7025 N. Lilley Road in Canton. The focus of the group will be on the later stages of grief, with an emphasis on learning to live with the loss. The group is open to anyone grieving the loss of a spouse. There is no charge to attend. For additional information, contact Ann Christensen, Heartland Hospice Bereavement coordinator, toll free at (888) 973-1145.

Native wildflower seminar

As part of the Rouge River education initiative, the City of Westland will be offering a free seminar on Native Wildflowers for the Home Landscape: Planting and Maintaining an Earth-Friendly Fall Garden on Tuesday, Aug. 29 from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Bailey Recreation Center, located at 36651 Ford Road.

The program will review the origin of native wildflowers, identify easy care plants for the fall garden, and provide maintenance tips. Vern Stephens, a native plant specialist and educator, is the featured speaker and will teach home gardeners how to become Rouge River friendly by using native wildflowers found in prairies, wet meadows, wetlands, and woodlands to beautify their home landscapes. To register for the program, which is open to all area

residents, please call Westland Community Relations at (734) 467-3198 or E-mail Lillian Dean at lfdean@aol.com. This program is being sponsored by the city of Westland departments of public works, parks and recreation, and community relations.

Plymouth High reunion

Plymouth High School will hold a joint 40-year reunion class of '65 and '66 on Sept. 9, at the Plymouth Elks Lodge. The event will include live music. The contact for the class of 1965 is Jay Reynolds, who can be reached at jreynolds@comcast.net or (248) 645-9671. Lynn Keil is the class of 1966 contact. She can be reached at LynnKeil@sbcglobal.net or (734) 972-8104.

YMCA-movie day

Community members can enjoy a night of fun with their families and help send a kid to camp as the YMCA hosts a double feature of family friendly films at a special YMCA day at Compuware Sports Arena Drive-In Theatre in Plymouth.

The event is scheduled 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 21, when the theater opens with a moonwalk and games. The movies — "Barnyard: The Original Party Animals" and "Monster House" — begin at dusk (around 8:25 p.m.).

Tickets are \$25 per car. Proceeds from this event benefit the YMCA Strong Kids Campaign and YMCA Camp Nissokone, our overnight camp in Oscoda, Mich.

Compuware Arena is located at 14900 N. Beck in Plymouth.

Craft show

Delta Kappa Gamma's 20th annual scholarship craft and home show will be held 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21, at West Middle School, 44401 W. Ann Arbor Trail (southwest corner of Sheldon and Ann Arbor Trail) in Plymouth.

The show will feature more than 85 juried crafters and home vendors. Admission is \$2. For more information, call (734) 254-0849.

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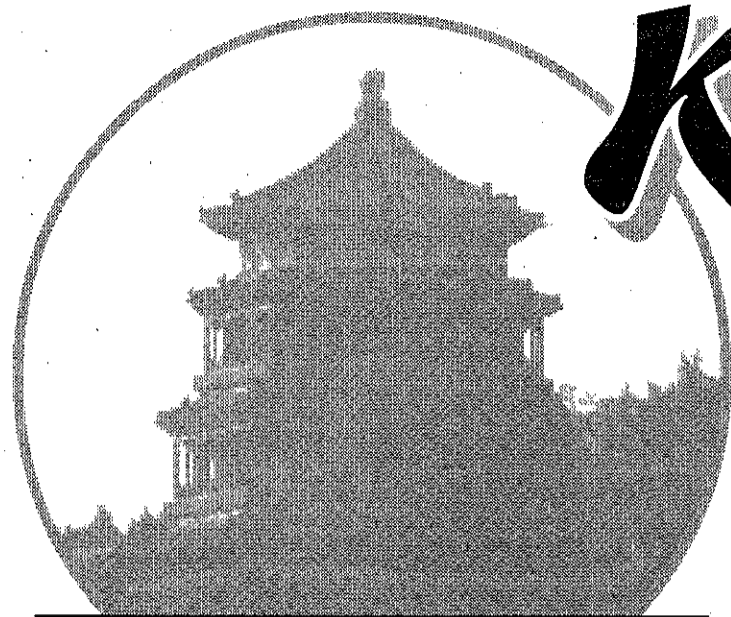
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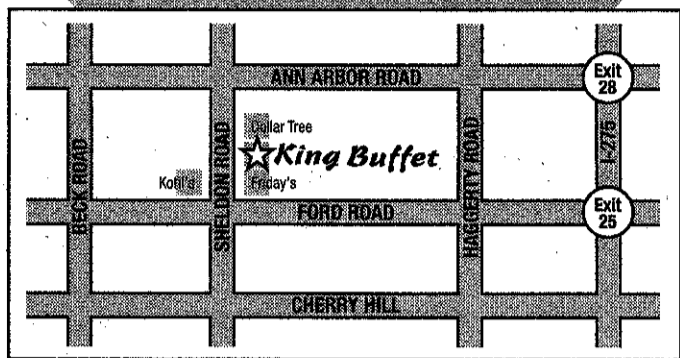
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17. Yu-Hsiang Pork*.....4.50
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21. Pork Chow Mein.....4.50
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40. Beef Fried Rice.....4.50
41. Pork Fried Rice.....4.50
42. Shrimp Fried Rice.....4.50
43. Combo Fried Rice.....4.50

Lo Mein

44. Chicken Lo Mein.....4.50
45. Vegetable Lo Mein.....4.50
46. Beef Lo Mein.....4.50
47. Pork Lo Mein.....4.50
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72. Szechuan Chicken*.....7.50
73. Hunan Chicken*.....7.50
74. Chicken with Snow Peas.....7.50
75. Curry Chicken*.....7.50
76. Empress Chicken*.....7.50
77. Chicken with Vegetables.....7.50

Beef

78. Mongolian Beef.....7.50
79. Beef with Broccoli.....7.50
80. Yu-Hsiang Beef*.....7.50
81. Szechuan Beef*.....7.50
82. Hunan Beef*.....7.50
83. Beef with Vegetables.....7.50
84. Kung Pao Beef*.....7.50
85. Moo Shu Beef.....7.50
86. Pepper Steak with Onion.....7.50
87. Beef with Snow Peas.....7.50
88. Sha Cha Beef*.....7.50

Seafood

89. Sweet & Sour Shrimp.....8.50
90. Shrimp with Snow Peas.....8.50
91. Cashew Shrimp.....8.50
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93. Shrimp with Broccoli.....8.50
94. Moo Shu Shrimp.....8.50
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99. Shrimp with Lobster Sauce.....8.50
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Pork

102. Sweet & Sour Pork.....7.50
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104. Yu-Hsiang Pork*.....7.50
105. Twice Cooked Pork*.....7.50
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Board may move Santomauro away from Public Safety

The Canton Township Board of Trustees will vote Tuesday on one part of a personnel restructuring plan. The plan included the township's entire workforce, and the elimination of 11.5 positions. The portion that will be determined Tuesday is the transitioning of Public Safety Director John Santomauro away from some of his duties in public safety and toward oversight of operations and systems for all the township's departments.

The staff reduction and reassignment of staff was the first

phase of the plan. The second phase was an early retirement incentive program, which 13 township employees took advantage of.

The final phase is the elimination of the Community Services Director position, as well as that of his administrative assistant's position. To enable that phase to occur the township established the position of Executive Director for Public Safety and Operations. Under the plan, Santomauro will take on some of the duties of the Community Services

Director, Dan Durack, who will retire later this year.

He will still act as public safety director, though over the next 18 months he will gradually focus more of his time and attention to operations, and less to public safety, according to Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack.

Santomauro will continue to fulfill police and fire administrative functions through the end of 2007, and will gradually work into a full-time deputy director position, and away from public safety.

At the end of 2007, the township will seek to identify a qualified person to serve as Canton's chief of police. Santomauro will prepare that person to assume the responsibilities of public safety director during 2008. At the end of that period, his title will change to Executive Director. The Canton Township Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. Aug. 22 at the township administrative building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

By Carol Marshall

GOLD

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ly growing in popularity.

"It's better than sitting on the couch," she said. "It's good for their mental health and their physical health."

Guwara agreed that more seniors should participate in sports.

"Of course I can't hit the home runs like I used to, but I'm out here. I'm doing it," she said.

Guwara credits her tomboy upbringing to her athletic abilities.

"I'm just so lucky my father let me be a tomboy," she said. "I think that's what has got me this far in life."

Not only has her athleticism helped keep her healthy and strong for 87 years, it helped her when she needed it most — during the last year of her husband's life.

They had been married for 60 years when she faced the decision to either admit him to a nursing home or to bring him home.

"I brought him home. Thank God I was strong enough to be able to take care of him," Guwara said. "I had him home for a year before he passed away last Christmas."

Through that experience of caring for her husband, she had her fellow senior athletes to help her.

Guwara plays volleyball three

GAMES

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a.m., Northville Recreation Center at Hillside; bridge, 12:30 p.m., Livonia Civic Park Senior Center; basketball shoot, 1 p.m., Summit on the Park, Canton Township; shuffleboard, 1:30 p.m., Quirk Park, Van Buren Township.

Wednesday, Aug. 23

Golf, 8 a.m., Inkster Valley Golf

times a week, and has been playing with some of the other players for nearly 20 years.

"The important thing is that

Course (not open to spectators); swimming, 9 a.m., Ford Community & Performing Arts Center Dearborn; billiards, 9 a.m. Wayne Bowl; pinocle, 9:30 a.m., Friendship Center, Westland; bocce ball, 1 p.m., Ford Field, Dearborn.

Thursday, Aug. 24

Bowling, 9 a.m., Wayne Bowl.

Friday, Aug. 25

Awards banquet, noon, Northville High School.

we all get out and have fun," she said.

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SEMINAR

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aware, they can get themselves in real trouble."

The numbers are staggering, according to Hilden, who said that according to the U.S.

Department of Justice, one in five children who went online last year received sexual solicitation or were approached by strangers looking for sex.

"Pedophiles and other child exploiters have direct access to children through the Internet. They will troll for kids on sites like myspace.com, in chat rooms and through the use of blogs. It is extremely important that parents understand the risks and educate their children," Hilden said.

The dangers received recent media attention, when a television news program set up a "sting" in which law enforcement officers posed online as underage girls. By the dozens,

men who were fully aware that the "girl" online was just a teenager showed up at the home where they thought she lived, in hopes of having sex with her.

"Online, in chats and the like, you can pretend to be whoever you want, and you can be anonymous," Hilden said.

The children don't even realize how much danger they're in, he said. Not long ago, a woman brought her teenage nieces to meet Hilden. She was concerned about the girls' myspace.com profile pages. And she was right to be worried, Hilden said.

"One of the girls had a lot of personal information on her site — her birthday, what school she goes to, what extracurricular activities she's involved in, and where she likes to hang out with her friends," Hilden said. "And on top of that, she had a pink sparkling Playboy bunny logo on the site, so that was provocative. Any predator out there could have easily found

her and followed her to her after school activities."

When Hilden explained to the teens how dangerous their profiles could be, they were surprised.

"They were very concerned," he said. "They just didn't know."

Most of the time, police are not called until a cyber predator has already become dangerous and known to his or her victims, Hilden said. Police aren't typically asked to get involved until the predator has become a stalker, or has already met with his or her underage target, or begins calling the child's home.

"I think it's a vastly under-reported problem. I think that children are frequently contacted by adults but it doesn't get reported for whatever reasons," Hilden said.

Stopping dangerous situations before they reach that point is the responsibility of the children and parents, Hilden

said.

"There is an avenue for predators to have more contact with children," Hilden said. "But I also think that our society kind of is creating more people who are dysfunctional and have problems. So you have this huge amount of the population that has a dysfunction and a problem and now they're using this method to have contact with children."

Awareness and being smart online can keep surfing safe for kids and teens, Hilden said. He hopes that parents will bring their teenagers with them to the online safety workshop.

The workshop will be held from 9-11 a.m. Aug. 26 at the Summit on the Park in Canton. The seminar is free, but space is limited, so reservations are required. To reserve a spot at the seminar, call the Canton Police Department at (734) 394-5325.

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SURVEY

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ripe for passage of the two proposals, and he believes that's what the survey will point out Tuesday.

"I think we'll see the economy as a factor, that's my opinion," Ham-Kucharski said. "I hope it comes back and proves me wrong. I talked to people who said there were too many things that weren't needs, especially the pool. People didn't understand the CTE center and the programs that would be there."

Ham-Kucharski, who was not in favor of either bond question, said he would sup-

port a February bond issue that called for the construction of a new middle school in Canton and the refurbishing of Central Middle School for repurposing.

"There's nothing else I would want added to a bond proposal at this time," he said. "If something comes out of Sarpolus' report that stands out as something the community is looking for, I might entertain that."

The school board needs to pass a bond issue before April in order to reimburse the general fund \$2.3 million, which was used to purchase land in Canton Township for a future middle school.

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Singh property rezoning on planning commission agenda

The Canton Planning Commission will meet on at 7 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 21 on the first floor of Canton's Administration Building. Items on the agenda include:

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Codray rezoning -- Consider request to rezone from R-2, Single-Family Residential to R-3, Single-Family Residential. Property is located on the northeast corner of Palmer and Lotz roads.
- Singh Executive Park rezoning -- Consider request to rezone from LI-R, Light Industrial Research to C-3, General Commercial. Property is located north of Michigan Avenue and west of Lilley Road.
- Wellington Willows preliminary PDD -- Consider request for preliminary planned development district. Property is located south of Ford Road and east of Lotz Road.

SITE PLANS

- McDonald's rebuild -- Consider request for site plan approval.

Property is located north of Ford Road and west of Sheldon Road.

■ Heartland Healthcare parking lot expansion -- Consider request for site plan approval. Property is located at the southwest corner of Lilley and Warren roads.

■ Super Liquor -- Consider request for site plan approval. Property is located south of Ford Road and east of Haggerty Road.

NEW BUSINESS

- Corner at Cherry Hill Village mixed use -- Refer review of proposed site plan to staff. Property is located on the southwest corner of Cherry Hill and Denton roads.
- Canton Corners shopping center -- Refer review of proposed site plan to staff. Property is located at the southwest corner of Ford and Lilley roads.
- Sheldon Estates Subdivision -- Refer review of proposed tentative preliminary plat and final preliminary plat to staff. Property is located east of Sheldon Road and south of Cherry Hill Road.

Bailey's the site of big car show

On Saturday, Aug., 26, from 2-8 p.m., the Canton Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with Canton Leisure Services and Bailey's Pub and Grille, will host its first annual car show. The event will take place in the Bailey's Pub and Grille parking lot, located at 1777 Canton Center Road, on the corner of Canton Center and Ford roads.

This event is open to the public. There is no charge for admittance. Attendees will enjoy music and food, along with drink specials all day.

"The Car Show provides a great opportunity to support our chamber businesses while doing something fun for the whole community," said Dianne Cojei, president of the Canton Chamber of Commerce. Registration will be 1-3 p.m. The first 50 cars will receive dash plaques. For more information regarding the 1st Annual "Cruise In" Car Show, call (734) 844-1137 or (734) 453-4040.

Powerpoint training seminar

On Wednesday, Sept. 13, from 6-

CHAMBER NEWS

9 p.m., the Canton Chamber of Commerce is offering a Powerpoint training course at Canton Computers, which is located at the southwest corner of Canton Center and Ford roads.

This is one of many computer training courses that have been scheduled throughout 2006 and 2007.

These classes are open to chamber members and the public.

"The Chamber is proud to offer educational programs to our Chamber Members, business owners, employees, and residents of Canton," said Dianne Cojei, President, Canton Chamber of Commerce.

"We have seen quite a turn out at these training sessions. The classes we offer are high-quality courses that we feel will help to enrich the Canton business community."

Learn how to create powerful and persuasive presentations that have more impact using Powerpoint software. Cost for the

seminar is \$25 for chamber members and \$40 for non-members. Class size is limited.

Registration will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

To register contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040.

Consumer Expo coming

The Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canton Downtown Development Authority will present the bi-annual Consumer Expo on Thursday, Oct. 19, at the Summit on the Park. The expo will be held 5-7:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom.

The Consumer Expo is held twice annually -- in February and October -- and includes more than 50 businesses from the community who display their products and services to the public.

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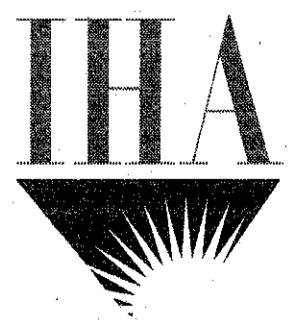
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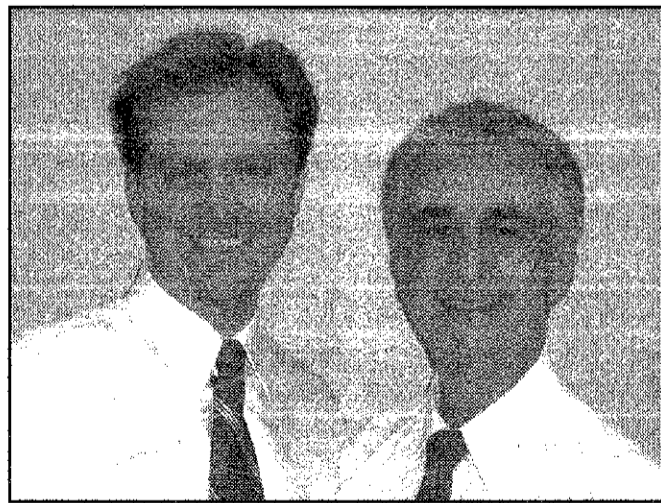
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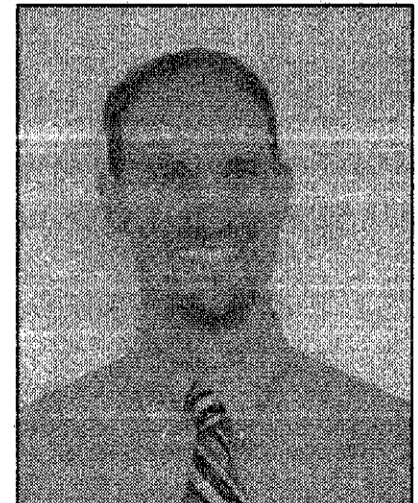
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Greenhouse owner leaves extended family

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Sylvia Graye had three children, seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and two sisters.

But when Graye, 90, for decades the owner of Graye's Greenhouse at Joy and Lilley in Plymouth, passed away Wednesday, she left behind a much larger family than that.

"This whole place was her life," her daughter, Alyce Humphrey, said. "Her customers were absolutely like family. We were open pretty much all the time, because somebody might need something."

Graye spent virtually her entire life at the greenhouse. Her father, Alex Wnuk, bought it as a truck-farming business in 1928. When Sylvia met and married Joe Graye, who at the time worked at a greenhouse in Detroit, the couple purchased the business from her parents, and Graye's Greenhouse was born.

The couple worked the greenhouse and, as their family grew, so did the staff at the greenhouse. "My mother's been doing



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Sylvia Graye, who worked at Graye's Greenhouse, which her father started at Joy and Lilley, all her life.

this from Day One, really," Alyce Humphrey said. "Mom and Dad met at a farmers market in Detroit, got married, bought this place, had a family and worked together side-by-side."

Joe Graye died in 1983, but that didn't stop Sylvia, who worked the greenhouse the rest of her life. She also continued to get help from daughters, sons-in-law, her son and grandchildren.

"Everybody pretty much pitches in," Humphrey said.

According to her daughter, Graye ran the greenhouse with "a homey" touch, doing her best to help solve anyone's needs. Humphrey recalls people coming in needing something, taking it "and you'd find the money on the bench in the morning."

Graye took seriously the needs of her customers. She taught her children not only

the importance of customer service, but the idea of taking care of people. If one way didn't work, Graye always found another way.

"So many times somebody would need 30 pots of something for a baby shower," Alyce Humphrey recalled with a laugh. "Mom would say, 'Oh my gosh, if something goes wrong, we have to have a Plan B.' She always told us, 'It's very important to this person, because they're counting on it.'"

"This business was her life," Humphrey added. "This was a self-contained world for her; it was her whole life. People would come and talk and visit, and she was very happy here. She was an integral part of these people's lives. It wasn't a show, it was for real."

Graye is survived by daughters Alyce (Richard) Humphrey and Mary Ann (Daniel) Vittore; son Joe (Connie) Graye; grandchildren Rebecca (Michael) Ohtonen, Amanda Humphrey (and husband Brian Cressman), and Emily, Andrew, Matthew, Charlie and Ben Vittore; great-grandchildren Alex and



Sylvia Graye, the longtime owner of Graye's Greenhouse, passed away Wednesday at the age of 91.

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BY DAN WEST
STAFF WRITER

A three-year state investigation yielded an 148-count criminal indictment charging the chief of a Livonia-based pharmacy services company with fraud from the state's Medicaid system.

Daniel Lohmeier, president of Specialized Pharmacy Services since 1998, is accused of leading a scheme that bilked \$5 million from the state health care system. Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox announced Wednesday the felony charges are the result of the largest criminal health care fraud investigation in state history.

The company supplies pharmaceutical products to three-quarters of Michigan's nursing homes and long-term care facilities. Specialized Pharmacy Services conducts about \$75 million in business each year with the state's Medicaid system.

The company is accused of double billing patients, charging for medication issued to deceased people and billing for drugs that were never used, said Rusty Hills, a spokesman for Cox.

"The maximum jail time he can serve for these charges is four years, but we will be pursuing restitution for all the money that was fraudulently

taken," Hills said. He added the attorney general's office is making arrangements to arraign Lohmeier, a South Lyon resident, in East Lansing's District Court. Hills said Lohmeier was not in custody Wednesday because he was not considered a flight risk.

Specialized Pharmacy Services has offices on the corner of Schoolcraft and Farmington in Livonia, plus offices in Grand Rapids and West Branch. The company is a subsidiary of Covington, Ky.-based Omnicare Inc., which bought Specialized Pharmacy Services in 1995.

The investigation was ignited by the Michigan Department of Community Health in 2003. The probe led to a raid of the company's Livonia office in January, where a team of investigators confiscated computers and files.

Hills said he could not comment on whether others will face criminal charges or if the state will pursue civil litigation against the company.

According to a published report in *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, Omnicare has set aside \$54 million to cover what it expects to spend to settle matters with the Michigan investigation. In addition, the company's stock value has plunged about 26 percent since December.

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Matthew J. Landes of Plymouth, a mortuary science program graduate, recently received the Mary L. Williams Science Award from the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences at Wayne State University.

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Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company will hold auditions for the 'Nutcracker Ballet' and other productions.

Dance companies audition 'Nutcracker'

The Metro Shores Ballet and the Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company announced open auditions for the 2006 dance season and are inviting all dancers, but especially boys, to audition for positions with the companies.

Selected dancers are expected to continue a course of study at their current dance school. Rehearsals are scheduled to minimize conflicts with fall dance programs, officials said.

Dancers will be cast for the 2006 *Nutcracker Ballet* performances. The Metro Shores Ballet performances are scheduled for Dec. 1-3. Metro Shores rehearsals will be held on Saturdays. The Plymouth-Canton Ballet performances will be Dec. 8-10 with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. Plymouth-Canton rehearsals are held on Sundays

beginning in September.

Dancers will be adjudicated in a Ballet Master Class. The classes will be taught by Dawnell Dryja and Alexey Kulpin, professional dancers with the Grand Rapids Ballet. The Metro Shores auditions will be held Saturday, Aug. 26 at the Grosse Ile Academy of Dance, 8205 Macomb Street, in Grosse Ile.

The Plymouth-Canton Ballet auditions will be held at Sunday, Aug. 27 at Joanne's Dance Extension, 42020 Koppernick, Suite 200 in Canton.

Each day dancers will be divided by age: ages 7-9, noon to 1 p.m.; ages 10-12, 1-2 p.m.; and ages 13-adult, 2-3:30 p.m.

Female dancers must wear ballet shoes, a solid color leotard, pink tights and have their hair in a bun. Older dancers should bring pointe shoes.

Boys should wear black tights, white T-shirt and ballet shoes. All dancers must bring a picture and a resume. There is a \$5 audition fee per dancer.

The Plymouth-Canton Ballet and the Metro Shores Ballet are affiliated 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations under the direction of Dawn Greene.

The PCBC was founded in 1989 and the MSB in 1996. The companies have been formed as an educational alternative for dance students in the Metro Detroit area who are interested in the performance of ballet.

Also, the Company offers local communities a high quality artistic experience for performers and audiences through dance productions.

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Michigan Historical Museum exhibits 1,200 historic photos

"Michigan's Family Album," a Special Historical Photography Exhibit, opened Aug. 5 at the Michigan Historical Museum.

Featuring more than 1,200 historical photographs from the collection of David Tinder, "Michigan's Family Album" runs through Jan. 14, 2007. These special photographs explore all aspects of Michigan life dating from the 1860s through the 1930s.

"His collection of 100,000 pictures of Michigan is far too big for a 'photo album' so the Michigan Historical Museum seized the opportunity to exhibit over 1,200 of them as an art form that reflects Michigan history and culture," said Maria Quinlin Leiby, curator of the exhibit.

When asked about the thousands of images he owns, Metro Detroit resident David Tinder gives a straightforward answer. "One word comes to mind," he says. "Michigan."

"Michigan's Family Album" is divided into several sections: people, home and family, community, work and play. A kaleidoscope of faces that reflects the history and culture of Michigan, this special collection includes images of public figures, businessmen, workers, mothers, school children, First Communions, barn raisings, weddings, graduations, small towns and much more. The exhibit showcases a diverse and breathtaking presentation of daguerreotypes, tintypes, stereo views, cabinet cards and large-format photos. There will be a special display of postcards honoring every county in the state.

"The exhibit will give people a sense of how enormous the collection is, and a sense of what it's like to look at so many photographs at once," Leiby explained. "Visitors will have the opportunity to compare and contrast photographs carefully, but even more importantly to compare and contrast life in the past and present. They can ask a lot of questions and draw a lot of conclusions - What were people doing more than one hundred years ago? What's going on outside the photograph? Some things change, but some things are the same."

"Education is the key to bringing the photographs to life in a meaningful way," said Leiby. "Museum educators will use these historical photographs to help students learn about Michigan's past and also to establish a foundation for under-

standing the present and envisioning the future."

"Careers through the Eye of the Camera" is an activity in which students will photograph their parents or other adults at work and will be encouraged to focus on the work place, tools and equipment, goods or services produced and how various school subjects relate to the job. They will then work with adults to write captions and narration.

An interactive computer program will allow visitors to look up additional text to learn more in-depth information about the photographs.

"Michigan's Family Album" is presented in partnership with Dave Tinder and the University of Michigan's Clements Library. The exhibit is sponsored, in part, by the Friends of Michigan History, the Michigan Photographic Historical Society, Mr. and Mrs. David B. Walters, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Walle, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Motzenbecker, photographer Allen Charles, Engineering Graphics, Inc., and the Michigan Historical Center Foundation.

The Michigan Historical Museum is located inside the Michigan Library and Historical Center, 702 W. Kalamazoo St., two blocks west of the State Capitol in downtown Lansing. The main entrance and visitor parking are located north of Kalamazoo Street, just east of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Museum hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m. Admission and weekend parking are free.

The Michigan Historical Museum, the flagship of the Michigan Historical Museum System, is fully accredited by the American Association of Museums. For more information, visit www.michigan.gov/museum or call (517) 373-3559, TDD (517) 373-1592.

The Michigan Historical Museum System is a division of the Michigan Historical Center, an agency of the Michigan Department of History, Arts and Libraries (HAL). Dedicated to enriching quality of life and strengthening the economy by providing access to information, preserving and promoting Michigan's heritage and fostering cultural creativity, HAL also includes the Mackinac Island State Park Commission, the Library of Michigan, the Michigan Film Office and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs. For more information about HAL, visit www.michigan.gov/hal.

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James Carville and Mary Matalin will discuss their opposing political views at an Inforum program Sept. 13

Matalin & Carville offer up political views at Inforum Sept. 13

Political pundits Mary Matalin and James Carville, joined in marriage but with careers on opposite sides of the political aisle, will speak at an Inforum (formerly the Women's Economic Club) program at Detroit's Cobo Hall on Sept. 13.

"All's Fair in Love, War and Politics" is the Washington power couple's theme.

Tickets for the event, sponsored by Comerica Bank, are \$35 for Inforum members, \$40 for guests who register with a member, \$55 for others and \$350 for a table of 10. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with adjournment at 1:30 p.m.

Registration can be made on line via the Inforum web site www.inforummichigan.org or by calling Inforum 877-633-3500.

One of the nation's hardest-hitting conservative political commentators, Matalin has slugged it out in the political trenches as an election-time political strategist and as a trusted advisor to the corridors of power. One of the country's foremost Republican political strategists, she is known for her astute insights, intellectual integrity and her straight-talking, no-nonsense take on the hot-button issues and political headlines of the day.

She appears frequently as a political commentator, served as co-host of CNN's Crossfire and has written for *Newsweek* and the *Los Angeles Times*.

Most recently, Matalin was hired to run Threshold, a conservative publishing division of Simon & Schuster.

Carville is known for his razor-sharp wit and penetrating analysis of the political world. Offering bombastic, enthusiastic, shoot-from-the-hip, no-holds barred, liberal political commentary, combined with a quick wit and a Southern drawl, the "Ragin' Cajun" is instantly recognizable in his frequent appearances on CNN's political news programming and other venues.

Carville has managed more campaigns than any political consultant in American and around the world.

Inforum, formerly the Women's Economic Club, is a professional women's alliance established to strengthen the business environment in Michigan by creating opportunities for women to lead and succeed. It is one of the largest and most prestigious business forums in the nation. It has more than 2,000 members in its Southeast Michigan (Detroit), Mid-Michigan (Lansing) and West Michigan (Grand Rapids) affiliates, who benefit from presentations by national figures and local experts, attend seminars and networking events and receive training through the Inforum Center for Leadership.

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As suburbs grow in diversity, we need to address tensions

On Sunday, Aug. 13, the *Canton Observer* ran a story on apprehension in the township's Muslim community following the reports from London about an alleged plot to bomb several transatlantic airliners.

The story was pretty straightforward. Our reporter spoke with Dawud Walid, executive director of the Michigan Council on American-Islamic Relations. His comments focused on misunderstandings about Muslims and Arabs (not always the same thing as there are many non-Arab Muslims and many Arabs who are not Muslims).



Hugh Gallagher

He spoke frankly about how Islam is viewed by many in the majority as a "foreign ideology." He urged people to get beyond stereotypes.

Walid's only political comment was in reference to a phrase used by President George W. Bush, "Islamic fascism."

"To dehumanize a faith and religion of 1.6 billion people is wrong," Walid said.

A reader sent an email to complain that CAIR was an organization sympathetic to terrorists and pointed to an anti-CAIR Web site to bolster his concerns. Some former CAIR officials have been under investigation for links with suspected terrorist groups. But, on the other hand, CAIR also sponsors sensitivity seminars with the FBI, has condemned terrorism on its Web site and presents itself as a civil rights group representing the interest of Muslim Americans.

On Tuesday, the U.S. Census Bureau released a mid-decade, short-form census for cities with more than

65,000 residents. Across the country, the census found a growing immigrant population, an enlarging cultural, social and ethnic diversity. As has been the trend for decades, the U.S. Hispanic or Latino population has been growing and now represents 14.5 percent of the nation's population.

Our suburbs have also been changing. The rigid racial and ethnic separation that has been a subject of national discussion and local anguish is beginning to develop some openings. Livonia and Dearborn, two communities that have been singled out for the racial attitudes of some residents, have shown increases in the percentage of African-Americans in their communities. Dearborn is the center of metro Detroit's Arab community and has been for decades. Troy has an Asian population of 11,092 representing 13.2 percent of the city's population. In Farmington Hills 12.2 percent of the population is African-American, 10.3 percent is Asian.

In Canton, the Asian population is 13,162, representing 14.5 percent of the township's population.

On Thursday, the *Canton Observer* headline read: "Census figures show Canton is growing larger, more diverse."

Canton grew faster than any community in the state with a 19-percent population spurt. The census estimates the population at 90,501.

This is a community that has attracted a diverse population — racially, ethnically, religiously and economically diverse. People come for the jobs and others follow.

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack said, "It's not uncommon for people of other cultures to seek out and gravitate toward communities where there are others who share their culture. We have a mosque and two Hindu temples, so there is a strong

eastern community here."

The two stories in the Canton paper reflect the hopes and fears of our changing communities. Change is always hard. Religious, ethnic and racial differences always create tension, suspicion and some animosity.

Two separate pairs of Arab-American young men were arrested last week on "suspicion" of possible terrorist activity. The men were released and statements were made assuring everyone these men were not terrorists.

For police it is certainly a damned if you do and damned if you don't situation at a time when terrorist threats and actions are all too common. The continuing — and, some would say, worsening — situation in Iraq and the Israeli-Hezbollah conflict have tightened our anxiety. Police can't ignore suspicious activities, yet they can't create a situation where a large segment of our population always feels harassed. Not an easy tightrope to walk.

But, in the end, we have to live together. Arabs have been in southeast Michigan since the teens of the last century, but a great new wave came with the oil boom of the 1970s.

Immigration has always been a key part of America's story and its glory. Most of our ancestors came as immigrants from harsh places with internal conflicts and oppressions. They came for freedom, economic opportunity and for peace.

We need that peace. We need to ease tensions with understanding.

Angry blogs and mindless rants don't serve the cause of peace or security or the ongoing American story.

Hugh Gallagher is the managing editor of the *Observer Newspapers*. He can be reached by phone at (734)953-2149 or by email at hgallagher@hometownlife.com.

Venerable Belle Isle is still jewel worth visiting

We all have lamented the closing of the Belle Isle aquarium (old news now), but it occurred to me that the aquarium is gone because all of us who said we treasured it actually hadn't been visiting it.

So Sunday afternoon, I took my own cruise down Grand Boulevard to Belle Isle, which I hadn't been to in over a year. Stopping by the aquarium, of course, was pointless, but I wanted to see what else the grand old island still has to offer the occasional visitor.



Greg Kowalski

The island is a little frayed, but still entirely acceptable as a nice place to pass a sunny Sunday afternoon. Some people were barbecuing, some were fishing and some were even swimming. And it was a nice mix of people, black and white, young and old. There was a very relaxed atmosphere over the whole place. People were laid back and enjoying the wonderful weather.

Slowly circling the island, I decided to pull over and visit the Dossin Great Lakes Museum, another spot I hadn't been to in years.

What a fabulous place it is. Since I was there last, it has added a new feature. Now you can view a short history film about the Detroit River, which shows scenes of the great old ships that used to ply the waters many years ago. I've always had a fascination for the big boats and years ago I used to take photos of them as they passed.

The Great Lakes have their own version of the romance of the sea, which is perfectly captured in the museum. The fabulous collection of wooden model ships is still on display. And you can go onto a genuine bridge of a lakes freighter, which extends over the waterfront and gives you an exact view of what the operating ships' crews see.

Framing the entrance of the museum is the Gothic Room from the City of Detroit, one of the finest ships to ever travel on the lakes.

Once a great passenger ship, it dripped with elegance and luxury until it tragically was dismantled for scrap in the 1940s.

(Don't confuse this with the City of Detroit ship that made the news this week when it was learned its bell was stolen from its underwater resting place. That City of Detroit sank in 1873.)

What a tragic loss, but not expected in our society, which tends to discard everything old, regardless of how beautiful or important it was.

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acterize the artifacts on display, ranging from wooden ships' wheels to the jewel-like lenses from old lighthouses.

Much of what is in the museum represents a world that no longer exists. Elegant passenger steamers no longer ride the waves.

Even the beloved Bob-Lo boats are gone. Not that river travel is dead. Looking out over the water, giant ships still rumble by regularly.

There were only a handful of people in the museum Sunday. And these days, it is only open on weekends, and on a limited schedule.

The Detroit Historical Museum, which operates the Dossin museum, is in its own battle for survival.

After an hour or so, I continued my drive around the island. The nature center, I noticed, was also open, but I saved that for another day.

Belle Isle likely will never be what it once was, but nothing is as it once was. A century ago, the island was jewel of the Detroit River and a place where everyone went to relax and play.

But there weren't many other places to go then. Detroit only extended to Grand Boulevard and there was little but farms beyond that.

Still, Belle Isle remains a jewel. It may not sparkle as brightly as it used to, but it's still pretty impressive.

If you haven't been south of Eight Mile since the ice age, you might want to take a ride there. Just take I-75 south to East Jefferson. Or if you are adventurous, take I-75 to the East Grand Boulevard exit and follow that great old roadway. It leads directly to the Belle Isle bridge.

And into history.

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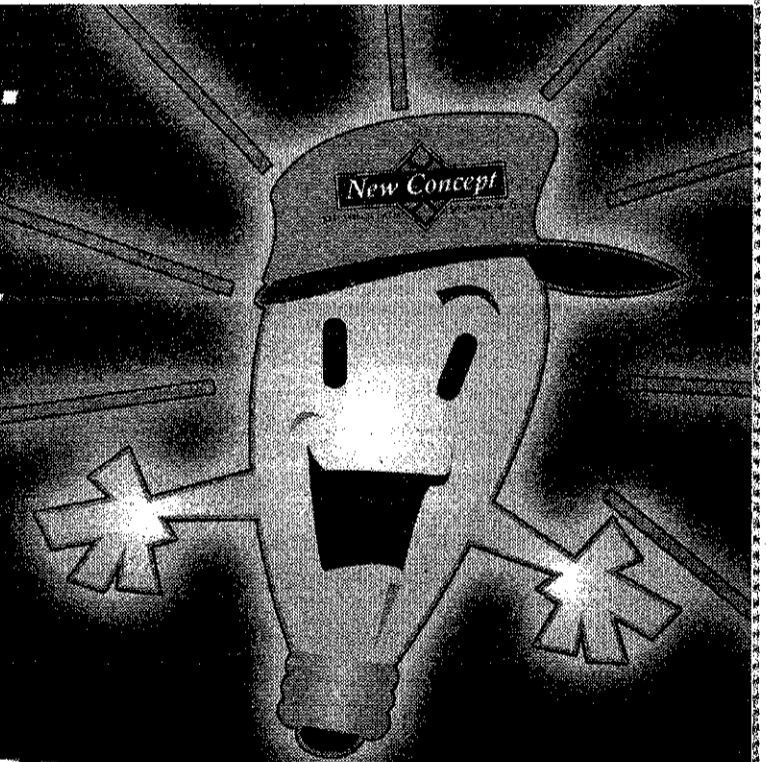
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The 'Tint' effect

Local woman's magazine is for women of all colors

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Margarita Barry wants to celebrate women of every color.

She has used her writing talent to do just that by creating a new magazine called *Tint*.

"People want a magazine that they can really relate to," she said. "Our target audience is any woman 18-35." Barry features a lot of women of color in her magazine because, "they have been the ones who haven't been included in the mainstream media," said Barry, 21.

She describes herself as multiethnic because she is Native American, Mexican and African American.

The magazine is divided into sections on entertainment, real life, mind, body and spirit and culture and style.

Contributing writers and artists determine the content. "It's up to the contributors and whatever is on their

minds and whatever they want to voice out about," Barry said. "It might be their personal story or thoughts on how black women are portrayed in the media. It's my job to mentor and help them along their paths. There's tons of creative people there."

Tint is Detroit-based but "internationally received," Barry said.

She wants the magazine to be intellectual, to dig deeper into local issues and issues abroad.

"These are issues women care about," she said.

Barry, a Farmington resident, grew up in Detroit and graduated from Southfield High School in 2003.

The first issue of *Tint* debuted as an online magazine. She has 4,000 people on her e-mail list.

Now a print magazine, it is published quarterly and is available at select book stores, including Book & Beat in Oak Park.

The next issue will be published this fall.

Barry started the magazine when she was a freshman in college at Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

Now a student at Wayne State University, Barry is studying graphic design and journalism. She expects to graduate in 2008.

Fund-raising is one of the biggest business hurdles, Barry said.

She is seeking advertisers, trying to raise money from subscriptions and working to get grants.

She recently received a grant from dosomething.org, a group that recognizes young people who are making contributions in their community.

Barry will use the \$500 grant to further develop the magazine which dosomething.org called "smart, edgy and progressive."

Having readers is Barry's proudest accomplishment. "The most important thing is to have an audience who looks forward to each issue," Barry said.

For more information visit www.tintmag.com.

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Margarita Barry of Farmington is the editor of *Tint*, a magazine geared toward women of all ethnicities.

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Schoolcraft's Culinary Extravaganza is Sept. 24

Outstanding dishes from more than 50 of southeastern Michigan's finest eateries and beverage suppliers await adventuresome diners at Schoolcraft College's annual Culinary Extravaganza. The event is 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 24, in the VisTaTech Center on the Livonia campus.

All proceeds support student scholarships. In its 15-year history, Culinary Extravaganza has raised more than \$1.3 million and funded thousands of scholarships.

A sample of 2006 participants include Detroit's Asian Village, Rattlesnake, Seldom Blues and Traffic Jam restaurants; Milford's Five Lakes Grill and Gravity Bar & Grill; Dearborn's The Henry Ford, and The Ritz Carleton; and Novi's Shiro and Steve & Rocky's.

Plymouth will be represented by Fiamma Grille & Compagni's on the Park, Inn at St John's "Five," the Hilton Garden Inn, Jeff Zak Catering and LaBisteca Italian Grille. Schoolcraft's own American Harvest, the Cold Stone Creamery and the Cantoro Italian Market are from Livonia.

Farther afield are The Farm Restaurant from Port Austin and L. Mawby Vineyards from Suttons Bay.

Patrons can tour the Schoolcraft culinary arts instructional kitchens, stop in at a free wine tasting seminar and check the items in the silent auction, including a train trip and overnight stay in Toronto or a weekend stay on Bois-Blanc Island.

The winning ticket in a raffle drawing will sent its owner to Rome, Italy for a week, while the second and third prize winners receive a diamond bracelet and dinner for six at the American Harvest Restaurant.

Culinary Extravaganza tickets are \$50 per person. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the Schoolcraft Development Office at (734) 462-4400, Ext. 5008. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and checks are accepted.

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SPORTS

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Lumley beats odds, makes U-M soccer team

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Most teenagers receive iPods, CDs or gift certificates on their 18th birthdays.

Alex Lumley received an opportunity to play big-time college soccer.

And the opportunity was wrapped in maize and blue.

On Aug. 10, the former Salem soccer standout and soon-to-be freshman at the University of Michigan was notified that he had earned a coveted spot on the Wolverines' varsity soccer roster.

Lumley earned the against-the-odds distinction of being one of just two walk-ons to make U of M's highly ranked



Lumley

team by outperforming seven other talented candidates at a two-day, invite-only tryout held Aug. 9-10.

"During the final practice at tryouts, I noticed that coach (Steve) Burns was going up to and talking to the other players who were trying out," Lumley recalled. "After he talked to each one, they looked kind of upset."

When Burns eventually made his way over to Lumley following the tryout, it wasn't to wish him happy birthday.

"He didn't talk to me during the practice, so I was wonder-

ing if he forgot about me," Lumley said. "As soon as the practice was over, he came over and said he liked the way I played and that I had made the team."

"I called my parents and my dad was like, 'I can't believe it! He's a big soccer fan, so he was pretty excited.'"

Earlier this year, Lumley's intentions were to attend school at Kalamazoo College, which had recruited him to play soccer.

"At the very last minute — on May 1 — I decided to go to Michigan," Lumley said. "I decided I wanted to be closer to home, I'd always liked Michigan, and I knew I could play for the club team there."

Lumley's big break came when Burns attended one of his club team's games and was impressed by the 5-foot-7, 128-pound mid-fielder's skills.

"Even though he invited me to the tryout, I wasn't real confident about making the team because there were so many really good players trying out," Lumley said. "In fact, I knew they practiced in the mornings, but I made out my class schedule with mostly morning classes any way."

Lumley is listed as a mid-fielder on the Wolverines' team Web site. He said he could also play defense.

"Wherever they want me, I'm ready," he said.

Lumley said he's accepted the

fact that, as a freshman walk-on, his playing time will be minimal.

"The chances of me seeing the field during games are slim," he said. "The main thing the coaches want from us is to improve and play as hard as we can during practices so that we push the starters."

Lumley joins fellow Salem graduates Kevin Savitskie and Brian Popeney on the Wolverines' roster. Savitskie and Popeney, both seniors, were recently selected as two of the team's three captains, which must be reassuring to Lumley, considering Savitskie was also a walk-on.

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Sidelines

Baseball tryouts

■ The Canton Cannons 11U travel baseball team will be holding tryouts for the 2007 season from 2:5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 27, on Field 1 at Plymouth Township (McClumpha) Park. Players who are 11 or under as of April 30, 2007, are eligible to play for the USSSA/Triple-A level team.

The Cannons will play approximately 40 games, including four or five tournaments.

Contact head coach Chris Tidwell at (734) 891-6116.

■ The Plymouth/Canton Cardinals U14 travel baseball team, a member of the Kensington Valley League, will be holding tryouts for its 2007 squad on Saturday, Aug. 26, and Sunday, Aug. 27, at Heritage Park in Canton.

The Saturday tryouts will run from 2-4 p.m. while the Sunday tryouts will run from 10 a.m. to noon. Players are encouraged to arrive up to 15 minutes early to register.

Contact head coach Doug Heuer at (248) 763-2850.

■ The Plymouth Grizzlies 12U travel baseball team will be holding tryouts from 10 a.m. to noon Sunday, Sept. 10, at Plymouth Township (McClumpha) Park, which is located on Ann Arbor Trail, east of Beck.

All players must be 12 or under on April 30, 2007, and reside in or attend school in Plymouth, Plymouth Township or Canton. Send an e-mail to sudzy190@aol.com; or call Rob Sudz at (734) 637-1638.

Hole-in-one

On Aug. 9, Canton resident Colleen Jones aced the 143-yard ninth hole on the Schuss Mountain Golf Club at Shanty Creek Resort & Club. It was the first hole-in-one Jones has recorded since she started playing 15 years ago.

Canton boys

x-country practice

Practice for the Canton High School boys cross country team will be held beginning at 5 p.m. Aug. 21-25 in front of Canton's Phase III.

2006 Prep Football Preview



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Junior running back Dalton Walsler, pictured above during the 2005 Division 1 championship game against Rockford, is one of several speedy running backs that will be carrying the ball for Canton this fall.

Ready to rumble

Chiefs look to take 2005 success one step further

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Canton's football team will be decked out in slick new Nike jerseys when it hits the field Friday night for its season opener against Ann Arbor Pioneer.

However, many of the players wearing the new threads will look hauntingly familiar to the Chiefs' 2006 opponents.

Canton returns 12 players — eight on defense and four on offense — who either started or saw significant playing time during last season's surge to the Division 1 state final game against Rockford.

Leading the returners is two-way starter Deshon McClendon, a 5-foot-6, 185-pound senior running back/free safety.

McClendon, who set the school's single-season rushing record last season, will be joined in the full-house offensive backfield by first-year starting quarterback Ben Vaughn, a 6-1, 205-pound junior, and a combination of any two of the following runners: seniors Chris Woudstra (5-10, 170), Chris Bogdanski (5-9, 165), Derek Perino (5-9, 160), Nick Moores (5-11, 215), Antwan Hawkins; and junior Dalton Walsler (5-10, 175).

Vaughn, who was unbeaten as a junior-varsity starter the past two seasons, has all the tools you'd want in a signal-caller, Baechler said.

"He can run, he has great vision and he has a strong arm," Baechler said. "He's a great athlete."

Vaughn will be backed up by first-year senior Steve Paye (6-4, 220), who will also serve as a starting linebacker.

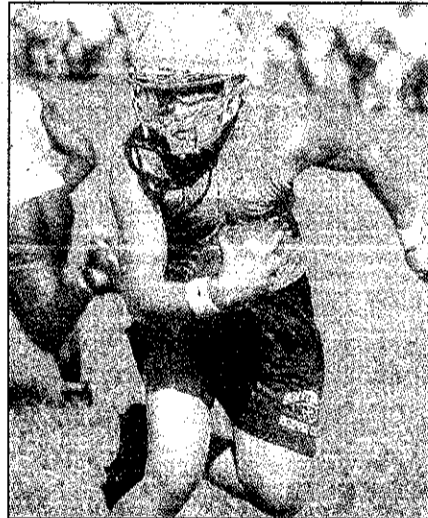
Vaughn's two primary receiving targets will be returning starting tight ends Brandon Fender (6-0, 210) and Billy Turner (6-1, 215). The duo's experience will be as valuable as their blocking and pass-catching abilities, Baechler said.

"The fact that they have a year of experience under their belts is huge," Baechler stressed. "There is a lot of stuff our tight ends need to know, so having them both back will be great for our offense."

Baechler said Turner will see considerable time at linebacker as well, which means he will be spelled quite often on the offensive side of the ball by senior Okemdi Oparaeke.

As usual, the Chiefs' offensive

PLEASE SEE CHIEFS, B3



Ben Vaughn

ALL ABOUT THE CHIEFS

- Head coach — Tim Baechler (9th season);
- Number of varsity players — 62;
- Returning starters — 12 (4 offense; 8 defense);
- 2005 record — 11-3 (advanced to Division 1 state championship game against Rockford);
- 2006 opener — Friday, Aug. 25, at Ann Arbor Pioneer;
- Primary offense — "Tough" (full-house backfield, two tight ends);
- Players to watch — senior RB/FS Deshon McClendon; senior C Jeff Phillips; senior RB/CB Chris Bogdanski; senior RB/CB Chris Woudstra; junior QB Ben Vaughn; senior LB Colin O'Shaunessy; senior DT Donnie Laramie.

Young Wildcats look for growth in '06

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Mix in a small dose of experience with a large helping of youth and what do you get?

Plymouth girls basketball coach Richelle Reilly is about to find out.

The Wildcats experienced a wildly successful 2005 campaign, racking up a 16-5 record and a share of the Western Lakes Activities Association

regular-season title. But the nucleus of that success — potent low-post players Jeanine Moise and Kim Olech — has graduated, leaving Reilly with some huge holes to fill in the paint.

"Our two biggest strengths this season are probably our depth and athleticism," said Reilly, the only coach the five-year-old Plymouth program has had. "The key to how well we do this year will be how we grow as a team as the year goes on."

Orchestrating the Wildcats' offense will be sophomore point guard Jalesa Moise (5-foot-3), the younger sister of Jeanine. Moise showed no signs of being intimidated last season despite her freshman status.

"Jalesa is very aggressive with the ball and she has great court vision," Reilly said. "She's strong defensively, too."

PLEASE SEE WILDCATS, B3



Sophomore center Shaakira Heywood will give the Wildcats a strong inside presence this season.

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Salem graduate Smith among top GAM finishers

BY JIM TOTH
STAFF WRITER

GOLF

The Golf Association of Michigan Women's Championship had it all - ideal playing conditions, clutch shot-making and a second-round rally.

Held Tuesday and Wednesday on the pristine layout of Pine Lake County Club in West Bloomfield, a field of 72 talented and devoted amateur golfers competed in the 36-hole tournament that awards the Betty Richart Trophy to the overall low gross scorer.

Mary Vajrt of Kalamazoo took home that honor this year, courtesy of a sterling 1-under par 71 Wednesday that erased a seven-shot deficit following her opening-round 78.

Vajrt's two-day total of 149 bettered that of Andrea Ratigan of Troy and Laura Bavard of Kalamazoo, both finishing two strokes back at 151.

"We didn't have a playoff this year (Shasta Averyhardt defeated Mandi McConnell in a playoff in the 2005 event), but we did have somebody come from behind on the second day to win it, and that is just as exciting," said GAM Executive Director David Graham. "We just had a superb tournament on a superb golf course under tremendous conditions. The ladies really enjoyed it and the

credit goes to everyone involved at Pine Lake for making it happen."

After day one, it appeared it would be a two-player race with Louisa Shu, who has starred for her Birmingham Seaholm girls golf team the past three seasons, and Kathryn Strawser of Flushing sharing a two-stroke lead after carding rounds of 1-under 71.

However, neither managed to have the same magic in their bags on Wednesday. Playing side-by-side in the day's final grouping, both Shu and Strawser finished 10 strokes higher, coming in with 81 apiece. The field was divided into three flights - 'A', 'B' and 'C' - based on handicaps. Vajrt and Ratigan were both in the 'A' flight, while Bavard competed in 'B'.

Darby Peters, a product of Lake Orion High School, finished second overall in the 'B' flight with a two-day score of 156. Megan Petzko, of Coldwater, was first among 'C' flight competitors, recording rounds of 79 and 78 for a 157 score.

Several other O&E-area participants competed and registered solid outings. Included on that list was Kristen Polanski of Livonia, who followed up a first-day 80 with a sterling 74.

"I shot 74 today and played well," Polanski said. "I made some good chips and putts."

"This tournament is really cool," she went on. "They do a really good job because you're playing with players of all ages and it makes it a lot of fun."

A similar feeling was recorded by Sarah Nirenberg of West Bloomfield, who shot 86 and 95 consecutive days.

"I hit the ball better yesterday and putted better today," said Nirenberg, a 2006 Cranbrook Kingswood High School graduate. "I played last year and had a great time. It's a nice opportunity to play with amateurs in your area. I played in the Michigan Open, but I know people here because it is a little more local."

The remaining area players included: Shannon Warner (79-78 - 157), Livonia; Ashley Smith (81-81 - 162) Plymouth; Claudia Cenko (84-81 - 165), Beverly Hills; Ashley Hamilton (83-83 - 166), Lake Orion; Alexandra Lipa (84-83 - 167), Birmingham; Stacey Goins (86-81 - 167), Rochester Hills; Lauri Ponikiewski (85-87 - 172), Livonia; Jennifer Kubert (90-90 - 180), Livonia; Katherine Solomon (89-94 - 183), Franklin; Pamela Jeremias (95-91 - 186), Redford; Michele Weiss (90-98 - 188), Southfield; Linda Truxell (95-96 - 191), Bloomfield Hills; and Michelle Sroka (95-107 - 202), Livonia.



Golden Oaks

The U10 Canton Oaks Red soccer team finished 3-0-1 and won the 1st Division at the Northwest Soccer Festival in Maumee, Ohio on Aug. 12 and 13. In the spring, the Oaks finished first in Division One in the WSSL. They also were crowned champions in the Canton Cup and the Hudson SC Invitational Tournament, finishing a combined 8-0. The team consists of: Kyle Mettlich, Nick Wendel, Jack Zemanski, Carter Schenk, Andrew Murphy, Hunter Olson, Noah Lindbauer, Champ Kozlowski, Nicholas Gonzalez Danny McEachen. The team is coached by Mark Zemanski and Jim Mettlich.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday, Aug. 25
Pinckney at Salem, 7 p.m.
Canton at Ann Arbor Pioneer, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 26
Plymouth vs. Hudsonville at EMU, 2:30 p.m.
BOYS SOCCER
Wednesday, Aug. 23
W.L. Northern at Canton, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 24
Plymouth at W.L. Central, 7 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 25
W.L. Northern at Salem, 7 p.m.
PCA at Macomb Christian Crusader Cup, 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 26
Salem, Canton and Plymouth at Gary Balconi Invitational, 10 a.m.
PCA at Macomb Christian Crusader Cup, TBA
GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday, Aug. 24
Inaugural Salem Blue/White Meet at Cass-Benton, 4:15 p.m.
BOYS CROSS COUNTRY
Saturday, Aug. 26

Canton at South Lyon, 9:30 a.m.
BOYS GOLF
Monday, Aug. 21
Salem at East Lansing Invitational at Forest Akers G.C., 7 a.m.
PCA at Oakland Christian, 1 p.m.
Canton at Northville at Tanglewood G.C., 9 a.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 22
Plymouth at Brighton Invite, 9:30 a.m.
Franklin Rd. at PCA at Hickory Creek G.C., 3:15 p.m.
Canton at Brighton at Oak Pointe G.C., 8:30 a.m.
Thursday, Aug. 24
Macomb Christian at PCA at Hickory Creek G.C., 3 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 25
Canton at Saline Invitational at Brookside G.C., 8:30 a.m.
GIRLS TENNIS
Saturday, Aug. 26
Salem at Troy Invitational at Willow Metro Park, 8 a.m.
GIRLS SWIMMING
Saturday, Aug. 26
Wildcat Invitational

at Canton H.S. pool, 3 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Aug. 24
Wayne State at Madonna Univ., 7 p.m.
Friday-Saturday, Aug. 25-26
MI at UM-Dearborn Early Bird Classic, TBA.
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday, Aug. 26
Schoolcraft at Great Lakes Christian, 1 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Monday, Aug. 21
Madonna at Houghton College (N.Y.), 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 22
Madonna at Roberts Wesleyan (N.Y.), 4 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 26
Madonna at Lindsey Wilson (Ky.), 6 p.m.
(Univ. of Windsor Tournament)
Schoolcraft vs. U-M Club, noon.
Sunday, Aug. 27
(Univ. of Windsor Tournament)
Schoolcraft vs. James Madison Club, 2 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE GOLF
Saturday, Aug. 26
Madonna at Tri-State (Ind.) Invitational, 11 a.m.
TBA - time to be announced.

GOLF RESULTS

FARMINGTON INVITATIONAL BOYS GOLF TOURNAMENT
Aug. 18 at Huron Meadows
Team standings: 1. Detroit Country Day, 287; 2. Novi, 298; 3. Livonia Churchill, 307; 4. Walled Lake Central, 309; 5. Walled Lake Northern, 310; 6. Rochester Stoney Creek, 310; 7. Plymouth, 311; 8. DeWitt, 312; 9. West Bloomfield, 313; 10. South Lyon, 315; 11. Bloomfield Hills Andover, 321; 12. Troy, 322; 13. Birmingham Seaholm, 322; 14. Plymouth Salem, 322; 15. Temperance Bedford, 340; 16. Farmington, 347; 17. North Farmington, 348; 18. Farmington Harrison, 376.
Tourney medalist: Alex Lyall, Novi, 70.

76: Josh Brist, 79; Steve Suzio, 80; Kevin Robinson, 81; Brian Bint, 90.
W.L. Central: Brad Nedrow, 76; Casey Johnson, 77; Nick Green, 78; Shawn Catto, 78; Joel Catto, 80; Joe Starrs, 87.
W.L. Northern: Jon Murphy, 75; Greg Smith, 77; Joe Lemanski, 78; John McMahon, 80; Adam Schmalz, 80; Tyler Storm, 85.
Stoney Creek: Brent Yurik, 73; Dave Seaton, 77; Chris Couchie, 79; Kyle Ziolkowski, 81; Chris Benner, 83; Eric Blake, 84.
Plymouth: Mike Gerisch, 73; Jimmy Vicek, 78; Matt Talbot, 79; Jeff Selasky, 81; Kyle Eisinger, 84; Kyle Sanders, 87.
West Bloomfield: Mike Lewis, 73; Alex Simmons, 79; Ben VanSwearingen, 80; Kevin Gill, 81; Kevin Casey, 82; Dan Malach, 85.
Andover: Joel Kestenberg, 76; Jeremy Werner, 81; Peter DeFrain, 82; Brent Hertz,

82: Jonah Mandel, 85; Jake Barnett 88.
Troy: Mike Fichter, 78; Joel Zastrow, 81; John Noonan, 81; Mike Rayfield, 82; Ryan Spence, 83; Jon Shin, 88.
Seaholm: Brad Berger, 75; John Maddox, 79; Sean Grant, 82; Brian Cash, 86; Ben Bailey, 88; Mike Schloop, 89.
Salem: Tyler Jeleniewski, 73; Quentin Higginson, 77; 3. Jeff Szroka, 84; Adam Powers, 88; Brian Fifield, 88; Eddie Mazorowicz, 89.
Farmington: Ian Ellis, 80; Ryan Diehl, 82; Shane Kesthely, 92; Derek Kessler, 93; Tom Bence, 97; Joey Zonini, 109.
North Farmington: Patrick King, 85; Todd Kaplan, 87; J.J. Lawley, 88; Brian Noble, 88; Court Murland, 97; Yovaan Totharam, 98.
Harrison: Jalen Farmer, 88; Zach Ficht, 95; Zack Durham, 96; Phil McKeelvey, 97; Jay Ronan, 97; Mike Roberts, 98.

AREA TEAM RESULTS
Country Day: Grant Mills, 71; Matt Felsenfield, 71; Chris Haboian, 71; John Whiting, 74; Chris Ellinghausen, 77.
Churchill: Tommy Lucko, 72; Josh Proben,

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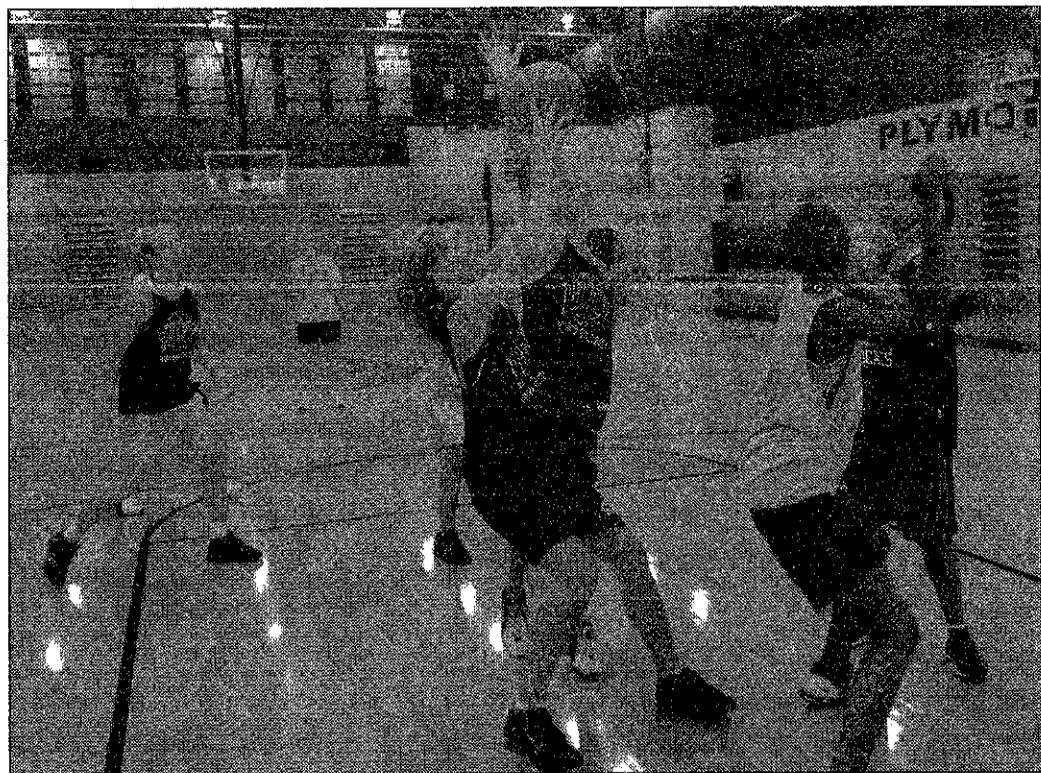
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Plymouth basketball players battle for a rebound during a practice last week. The Wildcats will be trying to duplicate or improve on last season's 16-5 mark.

WILDCATS

FROM PAGE B1

Moise's backcourt mate will be senior shooting guard Val Klemmer (5-6), who also logged big-time minutes last season.

"Val's biggest strength is her knowledge of the game," Reilly said. "She offers a lot of stability for the younger players."

"Offensively, she's a good perimeter player — she can shoot the three — and she can take the ball to the basket."

Plymouth's most-effective inside player may be Chrystien Guyton, who plays much bigger than her listed height of 5-8, Reilly said.

"Chrystien is strong, athletic and a very good rebounder," Reilly said.

"She'll get physical around the basket and is not afraid to get the ball."

Guyton will line up alongside sophomore center Shaakira Haywood, a 6-footer who possesses advanced defensive skills.

"Shaakira has great shot-blocking ability," Reilly said. "She's especially effective when she is helping on defense."

Another sophomore, Kelsi Robinson (5-9), may be the team's leading scorer before the season ends in



Sophomore point guard Jalesa Moise is the Wildcats' lone returning starter.

November or December, in Reilly's estimation.

"Kelsi is one of the players we're going to be looking to score for us," Reilly said. "She's a good shooter and a slasher. She knows how to get to the basket."

Reilly said as many as nine of her players will be receiving ample playing time, including the sister tandem of 5-9 guards Chelsey Quinlan, a senior, and Megan Quinlan, a sophomore.

"Chelsey will provide a steady influence to the team," Reilly said. "She's also a very strong defender."

"Megan is an aggressive offensive player and a strong defender."

Another set of sisters — senior Amber Davis (5-3) and junior Megan Davis (5-5) — will also provide the Wildcats with all-important depth and offensive firepower. Among the team's key reserves are senior guard Jennifer Beaudoin (5-7), senior forward Trisha Watkins (5-10) and junior guard Megan Mihelick (5-8).

The Wildcats open their 2006 schedule Tuesday, Aug. 29, at home against Adrian. ewright@hometownlife.com (734) 953-2108

Winds of change blow through the Ontario Hockey League

With the Plymouth Whalers Training Camp right around the corner (Aug. 30), there are plenty of changes of note around the Ontario Hockey League.

The Sault Greyhounds have a new home — the sparkling Steelback Centre. The Greyhounds will play their first eight games on the road before hosting the Sudbury Wolves on Wednesday, Oct. 11.

In spite of great ice and an old-school atmosphere at the Memorial Gardens, a new rink was needed in Sault Ste. Marie.

"We have a core of fans that would sit outside to watch a Greyhounds game, and thank God for those loyal fans," Sault Ste. Marie general manager Dave Torrie told the Sault Star. "That core we have to count on, but we also have to attract a younger crowd. When you go out with your wife, family or friends, we want it to be a night out and the game to be part of it."

The Whalers are one of the last teams to play at Steelback Centre, not visiting Sault Ste. Marie until Friday, Jan. 19. But if you want to travel to see the Whalers play — and don't mind traveling a way to do it — the Soo is a straight five-hour shot north up I-75, weather permitting.

Although they aren't moving into a new building, the Oshawa Generals will spend the first two weeks of the season on the road while renovations are being completed at the Oshawa Civic Centre.

The Civic Centre has the lowest ceiling in the OHL — maybe no more than 12 feet off the ice surface — and like the Memorial Gardens, it's time for some changes in Oshawa. The Generals will go with general manager Brad Selwood as head coach, taking over for Randy Ladouceur.

Whaler fans looking to soak up some OHL tradition should consider a trip to Oshawa when Plymouth plays there on Friday,

Dec. 15. Oshawa is just east of Toronto, roughly four-and-a-half to five hours east of Plymouth.

Barring a playoff matchup, the Whalers will play for the last time at the Kingston Memorial Centre this season on Sunday, Nov. 5. A new facility will be built in Downtown Kingston in time for the 2007-08. The Frontenacs have also change head coaches, with Bruce Cassidy taking over for Jim Hulton.

Like Kingston, the Mississauga IceDogs and Toronto St. Michael's Majors will be playing in new buildings, but not this season.

In case you missed it this summer, Majors owner Eugene Melnyk — who also owns the NHL's Ottawa Senators — purchased the IceDogs, with the intent of selling Mississauga and then moving the Majors from tiny St. Michael's College Arena to the Hershey Centre in Mississauga.

The listed capacity of St. Michael's Arena is 1,617, but that's with at least 500 people standing.

The Majors have done the best they can with their rink — and there's an excellent, old-school flavor there — but it's just too small by OHL standards. So the Majors will move to the Hershey Centre in 2007-08.

Depending on the rumor of the day, the IceDogs will eventually end up in Buffalo, Niagara Falls or North Bay, but stay tuned.

Also, former head coach Greg Gilbert left Mississauga to take the Toronto Marlies' head coaching job in the American Hockey League. The IceDogs haven't named a head coach yet.

The Windsor Spitfires will continue to play out of Windsor Arena, but with new ownership taking over for the departed Steve Riolo, there's hope for a new rink eventually.

New Windsor owners Bob Boughner, Warren Rychel and

Peter Dobrich are pumping new life into the Spitfires, with Boughner retiring as an NHL player to take over as head coach of the Spits and Rychel as the team's general manager.

Assistants D.J. Smith and Bill Bowler were rehired and former Spitfire Mark Turner brought in as Video Game Analyst. Former Whaler and Spitfire Mark Ridout was hired as strength-and-conditioning coach. Ridout played 16 games in Plymouth in 1997-98, adding one assist and 74 PIM's before getting traded to Windsor, where he played the bulk of his OHL career.

The Spitfires aren't the only team in the West Division to make a coaching change. The Sarnia Sting have hired former Erie head coach Dave MacQueen with the hope of jump-starting a young Sarnia team that has finished last in the West Division over the last two years.

MacQueen's long-time assistant — Peter Sidorkiewicz — takes over as head coach of the Otters.

Peter DeBoer and Steve Spott return behind the bench in Kitchener and they'll be joined by former Whaler Troy Smith, who joins the Rangers as an Assistant Coach in charge of Player Development. Smith played defense and some right wing for the Whalers between 1995-99, scoring 11 goals and 47 assists for 58 points and 239 PIM's in 230 regular season games.

Another Eastern Conference team, Peterborough, hired former Ottawa assistant Vince Malette as its new head coach.

The Ontario Hockey League office has made some changes, promoting Ted Baker to Vice-President and creating an opening for a full-time referee in chief, to be named in the near future.

The Whalers also added to their coaching staff, hiring former intern Adam Mattson as Video Coach.

Court of Appeals deals MHSAA another setback

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The Michigan High School Athletic Association suffered a setback Wednesday when a three-judge panel of the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati upheld a lower court's ruling that the MHSAA's sports schedule discriminates against girls in some sports.

On May 2, 2005, the U.S. Supreme Court vacated the Sixth Circuit order of July 27, 2004, that would have exchanged boys and girls tennis and golf seasons, as well as the girls' basketball and volleyball seasons, returning the case to the same three-judge panel that

issued the July 2004 order with instructions to reconsider the case in light of the Supreme Court's decision early that year in a non-sports related case arising in California.

The federal lawsuit was originally filed in 1998 against the MHSAA by Diane Madsen and Jay Roberts-Eveland, two Grand Rapids-area mothers of female athletes, in conjunction with their group Communities for Equity, which argued that girls in Michigan were at a disadvantage for scholarship opportunities playing volleyball in the winter and basketball in the fall, opposite of the college calendar.

The MHSAA argued against

the change, citing that a majority of its member schools polled did not desire switching seasons.

In December 2001, U.S. District Judge Richard Enslen said the scheduling of seasons violated the equal-protection clause of the 14th Amendment, as well as the federal Title IX statute and Michigan civil rights law. In a brief statement, the MHSAA said it "will be studying its options following this decision, which will include a motion to the Sixth Circuit for a rehearing *en banc*, which must be filed within the next 14 days. The 2006-07 school year athletic calendar is not affected by this decision."

CHIEFS

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line will consist of mostly first-year senior starters. Jeff Phillips (5-11, 215), who missed the 2005 campaign due to injury, will anchor the unit from his center position. He'll be flanked by guards Nick Dunleavy (6-1, 220) and Kiel Price (5-10, 180). Will Khoury (6-4, 305) will man the right tackle spot while Kyle Brodzik (5-11, 240) is slated to begin the year as the starting left tackle.

Baechler noted that junior Justin Scott (5-11, 205) and senior Brandon Lasko (6-2, 235) will also be in the mix for playing time.

"Our offensive line is still jelling," Baechler said Friday morning, a few hours before the team's four-way scrimmage. "I've seen improvement day after day, but they need to see themselves playing on film against other teams before they

can start picking up the little things it takes to get better."

"Two things I know about our O-line is that they will be physical and they'll get off the ball."

The Chiefs' defensive line is big, athletic and mobile. Seniors Donnie Laramie (6-3, 295), Wardell Fuqua (5-10, 285) and Jay Bailey (6-2, 290) all played big minutes last season. Juniors Matt Barylski (5-10, 190) and Tevin Brooks (5-11, 185) will provide solid D-line depth.

Canton's starting line-backing corps will consist of seniors Colin O'Shaunessy (6-0, 215), a hard-hitting three-year letter-winner, Paye, Chris Hasse (6-0, 185) and junior Dan Wanshon (5-11, 195).

Judging by the way Paye has looked the first two weeks of practice, you'd never know he hasn't strapped on pads since the eighth grade, according to Canton's ninth-year coach.

"He's such a natural football player," he said. "It's unbelievable how fast he's grasped our

offense and defense."

Canton's secondary returns three starters, including free safety McClendon along with speedy cornerbacks Woudstra and Bogdanski. The lone newcomer in the starting secondary is junior Adam Powers (5-11, 180), who will man the strong-safety position. Perino and Hawkins will be key defensive-backfield reserves.

The place-kicking duties will be handled by O'Shaunessy, who was nearly perfect on extra points last season.

Baechler said his team's schedule will be anything but a cakewalk.

"I saw John Glenn's scrimmage (Thursday) night and their offense looked awfully good," he said. "And we beat Northville, 35-0, last year, but it was a sticky 35-0. They're extremely well-coached and they have a lot of guys back, so there's nobody on our schedule you can overlook."

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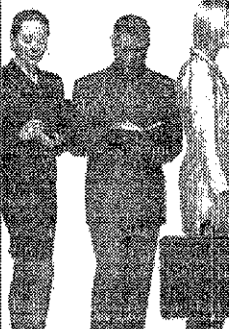
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YMCA PRESCHOOL SPORTS PROGRAMS

The Plymouth Family YMCA is offering a variety of preschool sports programs, which will focus on fun, exercise and social interaction through sports instruction.

The programs include sports sampler, Y-Hoops, Bumble Bee soccer, Y-Pucks and Pee Wee T-Ball. There will be morning and evening classes available for children between the ages of 3 and 5.

The programs will be offered from Sept. 18 through Oct. 27. The cost is \$57 for program members and \$74 for community members.

For more information, contact the YMCA at (734) 453-2904 or visit www.ymca-troit.org.

The Plymouth Family YMCA is also looking for preschool instructors for these programs. If you are interested, call the number listed above.

SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the 2007 PC Pride girls fastpitch softball program will be held Aug. 26-27 and Aug. 30. The Pride offers teams in 10U, 12U, 14U,

16U and 18U age brackets.

The Saturday, Aug. 26, tryout will run from 1-5 p.m. with registration starting at 12:30 p.m. The Sunday, Aug. 27, tryout will run from 1-6 p.m. with registration at 12:30 p.m. The Tuesday, Aug. 30, tryout will run from 6-8 p.m. with registration beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The Saturday and Sunday tryouts will be held on fields 1-4 at the Canton Sports Center, which is located on 46555 Michigan Ave. in Canton. The Tuesday tryout will be held at Heritage Park, on Heritage Park Drive in Canton.

For more information, visit the Pride Web site at www.eteamz.com/pcpride; or call Scott Ampe at (734) 495-0789.

Tryouts for the Thunderbirds girls fastpitch softball organization will be held on Saturday, Aug. 26, and Sunday, Aug. 27, at the Canton Softball Center on diamonds 5-8. Tryouts for 10U will be held from 10-11 a.m.; 12U will be from 10 a.m.-noon; 14U will be from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; and 16U will run from noon-2 p.m.

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

The Tigers, a U12

Plymouth/Canton travel baseball team, will be holding tryouts for the 2007 season on Monday, Aug. 28, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tryouts will be conducted by professional baseball coaches at Massey Field, which is located on Plymouth Road, just east of Haggerty.

Eligible players must be younger than 13 years old by April 30, 2007. For more information, contact Larry at (734) 812-3280.

Tryouts for the 2007 U13 Canton Alley Cats travel baseball team will be held at Heritage Park Sunday, Aug. 27, beginning at 4 p.m. Players should arrive 20 minutes early to register.

The Alley Cats compete in the Kensington Valley Travel League as well as in several USSSA tournaments each season.

To be eligible, players must be 13 years old (or younger) as of April 30, 2007. For more information, contact head coach Glen Potter at (734) 844-8941 between Aug. 20-27.

Tryouts for the 2007 Vipers, an 11-and-under Plymouth-Canton travel baseball team, will be from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 20, at Plymouth Township Park

(field No. 2), which is located off Ann Arbor Trail (between McClumpha and Beck roads).

Eligible players must be younger than 12 years old by April 30, 2007.

For more information, contact Tony Boucher at (734) 454-4992 or tboucher14@yahoo.com; or Don Clark at (734) 455-1224 or arg8@aol.com.

The Pirates 2007 14-and-under baseball team, which represents the communities of Plymouth and Canton, will be conducting tryouts on Wednesday, Aug. 23, at 6 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 27, at 2:30 p.m. at Heritage Park in Canton Township. Heritage is located behind the Canton Township offices on Canton Center Rd., just south of Cherry Hill.

Players must have a birth date on or after May 1, 1992, and enjoy playing at a competitive level.

The team is expected to participate in a total of approximately 40 games — both league and tournament — beginning in April of 2007. Players will also have the option of participating in a fall baseball league beginning in mid-September.

For more information, contact coach Bruce Price at (734) 635-7497.

The Plymouth Grizzlies travel baseball team is seeking an additional player for the fall 2006 season. Interested 11- and 12-year-olds should contact Rob Sudz at (734) 420-058. Players must be residents of or attend school in Plymouth, Plymouth Township or Canton.

LEARN TO SKATE

The Plymouth-Canton Hockey Association is accepting registration for its Mighty Mini-Mites learn-to-skate program designed for the beginning player (must be 4 years-old by Dec. 31, 2006).

The program, which costs \$350, runs Saturdays from September through March. Full equipment is required.

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FALL YOUTH LACROSSE

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department is offering a fall instructional lacrosse program for boys and girls in grades 3-8. Registration runs through the entire month of August.

The season runs from mid-September through the first week of November.

Practices will be mid-week nights only. The program will also help prepare players for the spring competitive season.

For more information, visit the City of Plymouth Web Site at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us; or contact the Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620, Ext. 302.

TOTAL BASEBALL CAMP

Total Baseball, 30990 Wixom Road, Wixom, will offer pitching, hitting, and fielding lessons for ages 6-18.

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THE TIGER EFFECT

Remember when Tiger Woods burst on to the scene some ten years ago? Remember how he was really supposed to get more minorities - especially African Americans - involved in the game? While the "Tiger Effect" certainly has impacted minority interest in the sport, it has been from more of a spectator level.

Following Tiger Woods at any event he plays in will usually be a good size contingent of minorities. This was certainly true at the recent Buick Open in Grand Blanc. But the sport needs more minority participation. It just has not happened on the scale we had hoped.

Golf has always been somewhat of a sport for the affluent. Tiger Woods has done much to attempt to change that. He has helped set up access to golf facilities in several inner city areas around the country. But it has not been enough. Tiger needs help.

The sport simply needs to become more affordable for the masses. Even if that means some public courses won't be as pristine green as they had been, it is something that has to happen.

Right now there are just not enough golfers period. Many tee times, even on weekends at prime courses, often go unfilled.

If green fees are lowered 20%, course conditioning may suffer. But it would bring an entire new set of golfers - something the sport definitely needs.

Jeff Lesson hosts "Lesson on Golf" weekend mornings on WWJ Newsradio 950 and Saturday mornings 7-8am on 1270 XYT. He also co-hosts "Michigan Golf Weekly Saturdays at 6pm on CBS Detroit TV.

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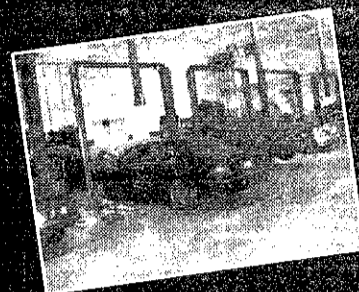
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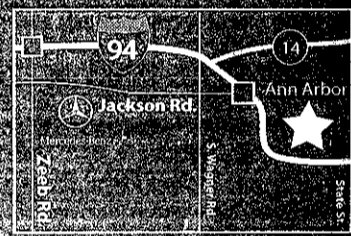
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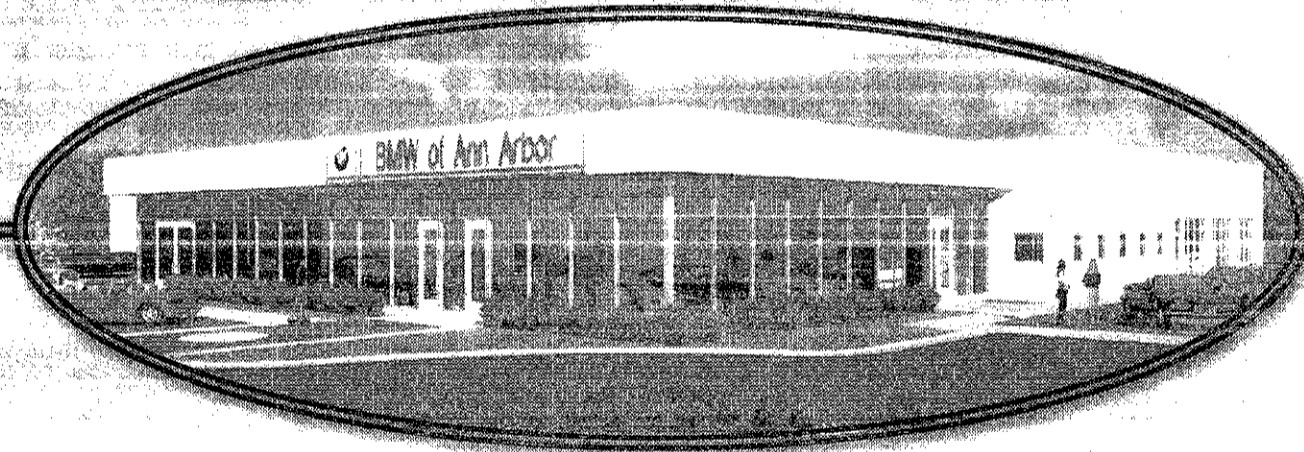
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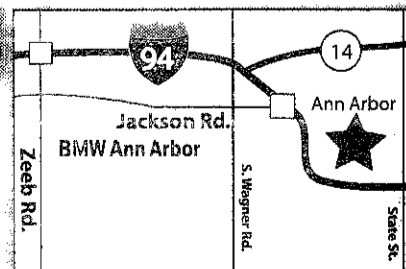
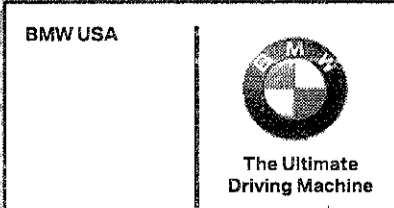
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Being on your own is big decision

Do you need a lawyer to be emancipated?

Still a Minor in Garden City

To become an emancipated minor, you don't necessarily need an attorney. However, an attorney is the best person to help you file all the necessary paperwork with the court. Becoming an emancipated minor is not an easy thing to do ... and for good reason! Once emancipated you are responsible for your own health care, for your own food and housing, and for your own clothes! The courts do not take this issue lightly. In order to become emancipated, you must prove that your parents are not doing what they should be doing as parents: Providing you with food, clothing, housing and health care. In addition, you must provide evidence that you have a job that will support all of your needs, you must be able to show proof that you have a place to live and a way to pay for it, and you must have two people that support your desire to be emancipated. These people must be a social worker, teacher, doctor, clergyman, or other professional who can testify that you are

mature, responsible and able to live on your own.

The last and most important requirement is that you are at least 16 years old!

Before deciding to apply for emancipation, think about whether or not it's worth it. At 18 years old, you are considered an adult. If the situation at home is really unsafe and you think you'd be able to do better on your own, by all means, find adults who can help you. But, if you can stick it out another two years after



Teen Talk

Monica Fulton

your 16th birthday, start saving your money now so you'll be in a good financial position to strike out on your own on your 18th birthday. Rent, food, clothes, gas, and car insurance can easily cost \$800 to \$1300 per month for the bare minimum! Life is hard enough on a good day — be careful not to set yourself up for failure before you even begin!

Is there a better way to relieve anger than to take it out on someone else? How can you control your anger?

Really Angry Garden City

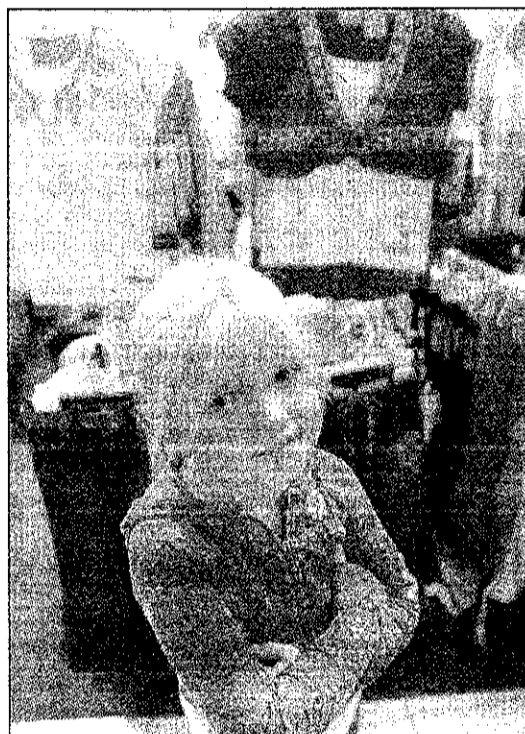
It sounds like you are already aware that it isn't right to take your anger out on someone else — that's a great first step in managing your anger! Anger is an emotion like any other emotion: Love, happy, sad, or frustrated. It's easy to know how to express ourselves when we're in love, when we're happy, when we're sad, or even when we're frustrated. For some reason, many people don't know how to express themselves when they're angry. Feeling angry is normal, what matters is how we express it.

If you're feeling too angry to talk to the other person calmly, take a walk, take a few deep breaths, sit quietly with your eyes closed, or listen to some music in order to clear your head and calm down. Some people release anger and frustration by hitting a punching bag, pounding a pillow, or throwing ice cubes down on the sidewalk or driveway (away from cars or other people, of course!). Other people release anger by writing poems, drawing, playing a musical instrument, writing songs, or writing in a journal.

These are all suggestions to help you cope with your angry feelings until you are able to talk to the person about why you're angry. If you don't take this last important step in managing your anger, the problem will keep happening. Here's the recipe for "discussing your feelings (it's called using "I" messages): "I feel angry when _____." Fill in the blank with whatever it is that you feel angry about. If a friend lied to you, then you could say, "I feel angry when I'm lied to. People shouldn't lie to each other." If your mom yelled at you, you could say, "I feel angry when I'm yelled at. People need to talk to each other instead of yelling." The key is to always express your emotions with respect for the other person and without blaming the other person for making you angry. You are responsible for the way you handle your emotions. Sometimes our emotions seem to overwhelm us ... that's when it's time to take a break before the situation spirals out of control!

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The great fashion debate



Samantha Chapa knows what she likes; hoodies and layered outfits.

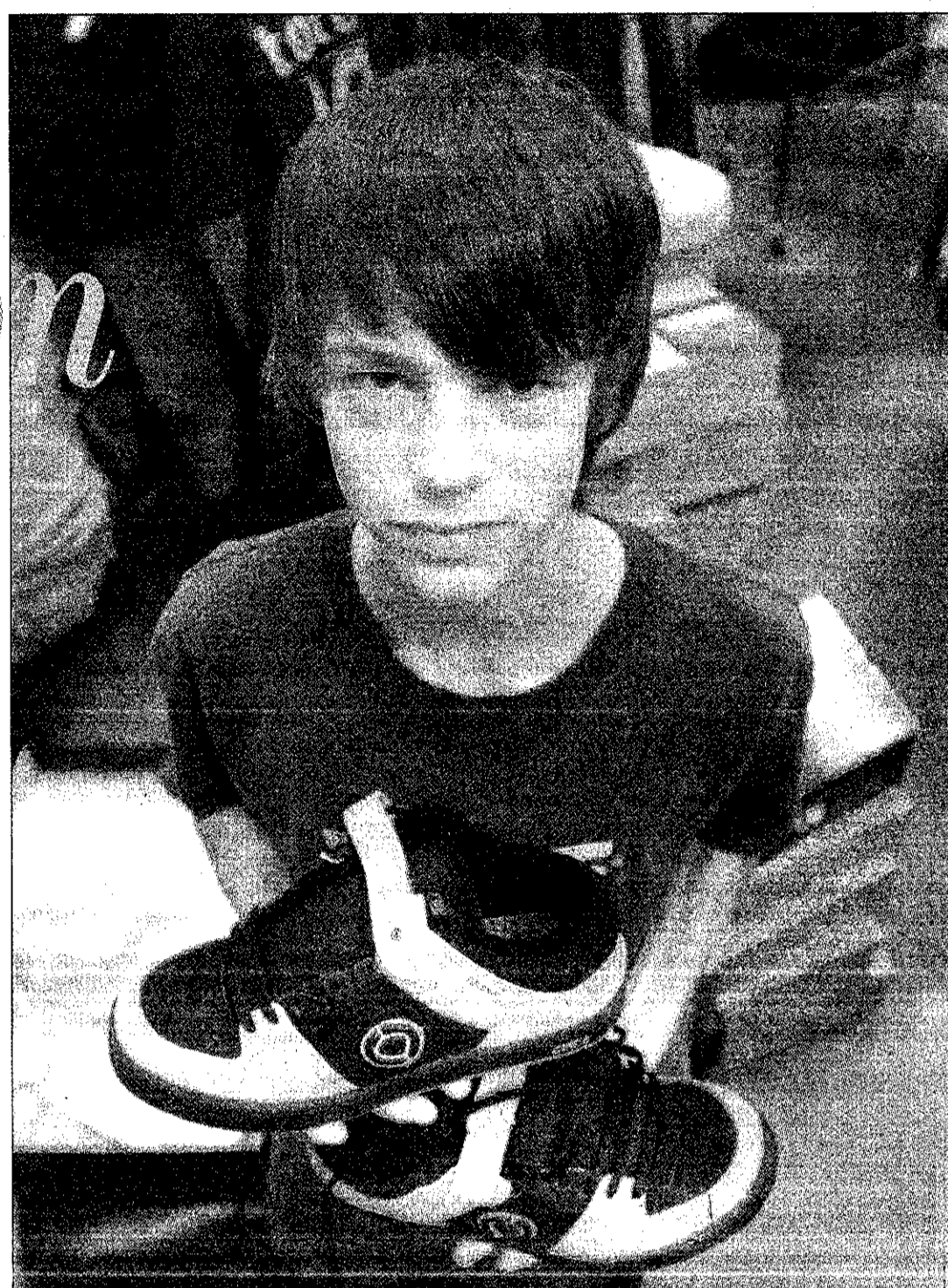
Moms and kids shop for back to school

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Denise Murch is happy to hear slimmer cuts of jeans are coming back, but she's more concerned about the price than the latest style. The Westland resident always looks for bargains. When son Tyler, 15, selects a \$70 pair of Circa shoes for skateboarding and school, Murch doesn't seem worried. Last week she bought Tyler and his brother Brad, 12, several shirts at Pac Sun and received a \$25 gift card she'll use to purchase the shoes which are buy one pair, get one free.

In the children's department at Parisian in Laurel Park Place, Katie Smith of Canton was selecting shorts and shirts for her grandson while granddaughters Hannah and Aubrey Lint, ages 6 and 12 of Ohio, were hunting for outfits.

It's back to school shopping time and mothers and kids are debating which fashions will be worn and at what cost. Mothers at Parisian in Laurel Park Place and Pac Sun at Westland Shopping Center are leaning toward conservative clothing on sale. Guy Taylor is expecting the last two weeks of



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These shoes by Circa will work for Tyler Murch whether he's at John Glenn High School or skateboarding.

August to be busy with back to school shoppers in search of the slimmer cuts.

"The fashion was baggy," said Taylor, manager of Pac Sun, a store founded for surfers in California about 20 years ago. The store caters to ages 12 to 30. "A lot of T-shirts have been made slim instead of big and boxy. The new denim dark black and indigo jeans are slimmer."

Denim is popular with the younger set as well. At Gymboree in Laurel Park Place, Nimoza Favazza is selling "a lot of denim with prints and flowers on them." "Our clothes are mix and match so one pair of pants goes with everything," said Favazza who manages the store for ages newborn to 9. "The colors) brown and pink are big and in the store. Before that it was plum. Every two to three weeks we get a new line in which is usually a different color. What's new that's in is the footless tights worn with skirts and skirts or dresses."

In the children's department at Parisian in Laurel Park Place, Katie Smith of Canton was



Eleven-year-old Julia Leake is headed to middle school with new clothes in the latest colors and styles.

selecting shorts and shirts for her grandson while granddaughters Hannah and Aubrey Lint, ages 6 and 12 of Ohio, were hunting for outfits. Aubrey liked a skirt from Ferocious Chick.

Julia Leake, an 11-year-old student at North Middle School in Belleville, chose a pink paisley top and brown striped gauchos from the racks. Her mom Carol says it's important to keep bare midriffs covered at school.

"We're seeing a lot of the gauchos which were popular for summer and transitioned into fall," said Carrie Tobias, manager of the Parisian department where parents are spending about \$300 per child for back to school clothes.

"We have a gaucho jogging suit they can wear with tennis shoes or sandals to be comfortable at school."

"For boys the Parisian brand polo T-shirts look dressy enough for school to pair with shorts, khaki pants or blue jeans. For older boys it's cargo khaki pants. Some look worn away at the seams or look

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Send kids to school with lots of love, enthusiasm

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Sending a child off to kindergarten or first grade this year? Teacher Cathie Williams has some common-sense advice for parents.

"We want them to be able to come to school and immediately fall in love with learning," said Williams, a kindergarten teacher who'll be among those opening Plymouth-Canton's new Workman Elementary in Canton this year. That love of learning comes from developmentally appropriate activities, teaching through play and children's interests, she

said. "A lot of times, the parents are more worried than the children," said Williams, a 12-year teaching veteran in Plymouth-Canton and a Canton resident. It's helpful to take children in to meet the teacher and see the school.

Seeing the playground or bus stop is a big help, she said. Kids can get excited about school through such activities as picking out a backpack and other supplies.

"It is important to get them involved in the excitement," Williams said.

She said it isn't necessarily good to start the school year, when days are often

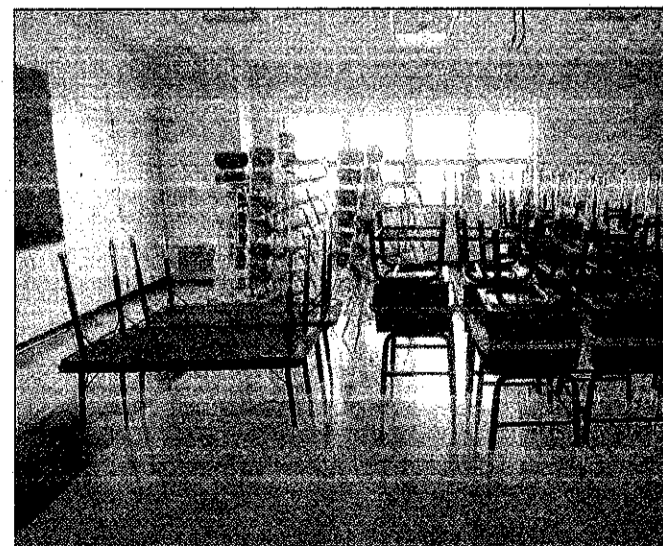
still warm, with a lot of new clothing for kids. "The children should wear the clothes they're comfortable in. Comfortable clothes, comfortable shoes," she said.

These days, most youngsters starting school already have experience with preschool or day care. Williams has found that helps them adjust to being in school.

"They find that they can be independent, confident and strong," she said. Williams encourages parents to set a firm bedtime before school begins.

Separation anxiety can show up in physical com-

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Classroom desks and chairs are ready to go at Workman Elementary as the school district gets set to open its newest building.

AROUND TOWN

Alzheimer's walk
The Alzheimer's Association's annual Memory Walk for Alzheimer's disease takes place Saturday, Aug. 26, at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak. It marks the 15th-annual Memory Walk to benefit the metro Detroit Region of the Greater Michigan chapter. Nearly 4,000 people are expected to participate in this year's 2k fun walk to raise funds and promote the progress surrounding Alzheimer's. To register for the walk or to make a donation, contact the Alzheimer's Association Greater Michigan Chapter at www.alzgm.org or call (248) 351-0280.

MADD 5K walk
Mothers Against Drunk Driving sponsors the Strides for Change 5K non-competitive walk Saturday, Sept. 30, at Olde World Canterbury Village in Lake Orion. The ceremony begins at 9 a.m., and the walk starts at 9:20 a.m. Registration forms and more information can be found on-line at www.stridesforchange.org

Baby Walk
The 2006 MCARE Michigan Baby Walk to benefit research into Sudden Infant Death Syndrome takes place Sunday, Sept. 17 at Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck in Northville. For more information, contact event manager Carol Facca, sidsnews@comcast.net

Genealogical society
The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets 7 p.m. Sept. 7 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1041 Grand River in Howell. Speaker Sharon Brevoort will talk about "Timelines and Chronologies: Placing Your Ancestor in Historical Context." A help session starts at 6 p.m., and the public is invited. For information, call Margaret, (810) 227-

7745.
Fibromyalgia workshop
The National Wellness Foundation sponsors a free fibromyalgia workshop 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 30, at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. To register for the free workshop, call (248) 426-0201. Seating is limited.

Flea market
The Livonia Historical Society hosts a Flea Market 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10, at Greenmead Historical Park and Newburgh and 8 Mile in Livonia. Food and refreshments will be available, and the village will be open for tours noon-3 p.m. For more information, call (248) 477-7375.

Farmington Players auditions
Auditions for "Moon Over Buffalo," which will run Nov. 17 to Dec. 2, are scheduled for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, (6:30 p.m. sign-in) at The Farmington Players Barn Theater (32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills). This is a door-slaming, mad-cap farce from the award-winning author of Lend Me a Tenor (Ken Ludwig), where everything that could go wrong does! For more information and script availability, please call the director, Brian Tupper at (248) 553-4506 and leave a message. Please visit www.farmingtonplayers.org for the complete audition notice with role descriptions and requirements.

Golf outing
The Division of Kinesiology at the University of Michigan holds its fourth-annual Movement for Life Golf Invitational Monday, Aug. 21, at the University of Michigan Golf Course. Registration starts at 9 a.m., with a shotgun start scheduled for 10:30 a.m. The day's festivities include 18 holes of golf, a continental breakfast and lunch, followed by dinner and a live auction and raffle. The cost for the

day is \$200 per golfer. Pre-registration is required by calling Jim McIntyre, (734) 615-4272.

Art/craft festival
The Ann Arbor Women's City Club hosts its 23rd annual Art & Craft Festival 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14, at the AAWCC, 1830 Washtenaw Avenue in Ann Arbor. There will be 50 juried exhibitors from Michigan in attendance. Admission is \$3, children 12 and under are admitted free (no strollers). For information, contact Penny O'Malley, (734) 429-8137 or e-mail pennynomalley@aol.com

Tournament of charities
The fourth-annual Michigan Tournament of Charities golf event to benefit children and families in southeastern Michigan takes place at the State Course of the Year, Fox Hills Golf and Country Club in Plymouth Aug. 28. Registration and breakfast begin at 9 a.m. with the 18-hole shotgun at 10:30 a.m. The cost of the tournament is \$1,200 and includes four rounds of golf for a four person team, four sets of thank you gifts, four pairs of Nike golf shoes and four seats at the banquet at the end of the day. Arbor Hospice & Home Care joins Open Door Ministry, Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries, For the Kids Foundation, Joy of Jesus, Band of Angels, Children's Therapy Fund and Promise Village: Home for Children in benefiting from the generosity of MTOC and participants of the golf tournament. To register for this event, please contact Arbor Hospice & Home Care at www.arborhospice.org, e-mail laren@arborhospice.org, or call 734-662-5999, Ext. 120. You can also register at www.mtcgolf.org and indicate your support of Arbor Hospice & Home Care.

Charity golf
A summer days worth of fun never helped so many, which is just what golfers at the fourth annual Michigan Tournament of Charities will do when they play at Fox Hills Golf and Country Club in Plymouth Aug. 28. Registration and breakfast begin at 9 a.m., with the 18-hole shotgun start at 10:30 a.m. Arbor Hospice & Home Care joins Open Door Ministry, Detroit Rescue

Mission Ministries, For the Kids Foundation, Joy of Jesus, Band of Angels, Children's Therapy Fund and Promise Village: Home for Children in benefiting from the generosity of MTOC and participants of the golf tournament. This distinguished golf tournament concludes with a banquet and live and silent auctions. Everyone is encouraged to join the evening festivities, which kicks off at 4 p.m. To register for this event, please contact Arbor Hospice & Home Care at www.arborhospice.org, email laren@arborhospice.org, or call (734) 662-5999, Ext. 120. Registration can also be done through the Michigan Tournament of Charities Web site, www.mtcgolf.org and indicate supporting Arbor Hospice & Home Care.

Hospice training
Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and western Wayne counties. Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running, grief support and clerical services. Spring volunteer training is approaching. For more information, contact volunteer coordinator Candice Jones at (888) 973-1145.

Literacy Council tutors
The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors in western Wayne County to help adults improve their reading, writing and communication skills. The CLC will provide training to interested volunteers. Previous experience or a bachelor's degree is not required. The council will provide free training and materials, and then match you with an adult student in your area. Call (734) 416-4906 for more information.

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 the office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support, or visit www.newhope-center.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 Mark Hammar, president, Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M., by calling (734) 455-6620.

Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue
The Great Lakes Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Association will meet 1-3 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month at Merriman Road Baptist Church on Merriman south of Ford. There will be a guest speaker at each meeting and a variety of topics will be covered. There is no membership fee but a small donation will be accepted. For information call Lucy Rowley, (734) 462-1768

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. It presents speakers on child and family issues, has small-group discussion time, crafts and brunch. Child care is provided. It meets 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, Canton and Westland offers a variety of activities for stay-at-home moms and their children. For more details, call Birthe at (734) 458-8143 or Kimberly at (248)231-6120.

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

German/American Club of Plymouth
Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road, Plymouth. Call Mary Ann at (734) 420-0857 for further information.

American Legion
Beasley-Zalesny Post 112 meets at the I.O.O.F. Hall on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All veterans that served during any of the wars are eligible. Contact (734) 459-7324 for further information.

Women's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth
Meets every second Monday of each month from September through June. Persons interested in joining may contact club president Linda Coughlin at (734) 459-7478.

Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club
Looking for energetic new members to participate in community service projects. This club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Salvation Army Building on Main Street. The third Thursday is a dinner meeting with a speaker. Call (734) 981-7259 for further information.

Mothers & More
The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth. Call (866) 841-9140, Ext. 4329, or visit Web site mothersand-more63@onebox.com.

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Republic, based in Farmington Hills. The outing will be held Wednesday, Sept. 13, at Tanglewood the Lion in South

Lyon, with tee off at 12 p.m. Costs are \$150 per person; \$500 per foursome and \$75 for a strolling buffet only. Hole sponsorships are \$750, which

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plaints, such as stomach aches, she said. "Listen to your child's concern." It's important to let a child express emotions, and to keep school day goodbyes brief, with "I'll pick you up at such and such time" and a hug or kiss.

Workman, in the Cherry Hill-Denton area, will be opening for the first time this year, and Williams is looking forward to a great school year. "It's going to be an incredible, awe-some experience," she said. "We're building a school with the community."

Over at Hulsing Elementary in Canton, Principal Carolyn Washington is also looking forward to a year full of learning. "The first day of school is an exciting day for kids," said Washington, a Canton resident who's been teaching since 1974. "Teachers are just as apprehensive as kids."

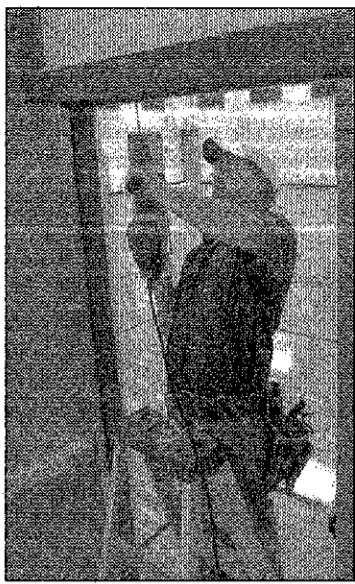
Washington, who called herself a "helicopter parent," recalled sending her daughter to school on the bus, and following in her car. Her daughter asked her to refrain from following the bus.

"Sometimes parents are apprehensive and kids sense that apprehension," Washington said. Being positive about school helps children: "Teachers are there to help you. They make learning a pleasurable experience. You're going to have a good school year."

She agreed with Williams that comfortable clothes are best, including tennis shoes, safer for girls than dress shoes on the playground. Washington also has thoughts on how to work well with school staff.

"It's very important to realize that this is a partnership," she said. Trust and respect are vital, as is regular communication including such things as a family divorce or a child's special needs.

"Communication and trust, trust is extremely important," Washington said. Her school has home school folders which parents should check nightly,



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Jamie Haas installs door hardware at one of the entrances to the gym at Workman Elementary. The gymnasium floor is freshly finished.

as teachers do daily.

Web sites, including that of the National Education Association (nea.org), the teachers' union, also have information on how parents can help kids get off to a good start. Parental involvement in your child's education can mean:

- Reading to your child
- Checking homework every night
- Discussing your children's progress with teachers
- Voting in school board elections
- Helping your school to set challenging academic standards
- Limiting TV viewing on school nights
- Becoming an advocate for better education in your community and state.

"Read to your child when your child is going to sleep," Washington recommended. "They've got to learn to appreciate reading." Asking questions about what you've read is helpful, she added, and reading time doesn't need to be lengthy. "Those conversations around the dinner table are so important," Washington said, in encouraging parents to ask kids about their school day.

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Supporters to shop until they drop

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Mona Brown is always trying to come up with ways to raise funds for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) so when Jill Engel suggested a private sale event on Aug. 27, at Parisian in Laurel Park Place in Livonia, Brown jumped at the chance to shop until she drops. As Building Captain for the Ford Global Walk Team at Ford Credit, Brown has worked on fund-raising efforts to find a cure for diabetes since 1999. Her father died from the disease in 1983.

"It's all about shopping. Being a female that's what it is all about," said Mona Brown of Canton. "It's a private shopping event only from the standpoint that it's a benefit but it's open to the public."

Ford Motor Co. and Parisian at Laurel Park Place team up for the benefit 6:30-9:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, after the store closes to the public. Tickets are only \$5 with the entire proceeds benefiting JDRF based in Southfield.

Guests that evening receive a 20-percent discount on almost all items in the store. To bolster their energy between purchases Max & Erma's, California Pizza Kitchen and Sweet Lorraine's provide

Local businesses outside of Laurel Park Place are pitching in to help as well. Blackwell Ford in Plymouth is not only displaying cars but has donated \$500 to JDRF.

refreshments. Local businesses outside of Laurel Park Place are pitching in to help as well. Blackwell Ford in Plymouth is not only displaying cars but has donated \$500 to JDRF.

In the past Parisian has supported a number of fund-raising activities for First Step, the American Heart Association, and Michigan Humane Society.

"Parisian gets involved because it's being part of your community," said Jill Engel, special events coordinator. "We do a lot of community events. That's what makes Parisian so different is that we are involved with community things. When Ford asked us just for a donation for their online auction for their Global Walkathon to raise money for juvenile diabetes, we were most excited about partnering."

"Laurel Park Place is donating prizes. And we have great fashion for the fall. Anyone doing back to school or fall fashion shopping they get to do it for JDRF. Based on how successful the event is we hope to turn this into an annual event

to help juvenile diabetes." While store manager Randy Dell is excited about raising funds for JDRF, he's also hoping to create an awareness about Parisian.

"Because Ford is so big in our community we've looked for a way the last couple of years to partner with Ford and increase exposure in the communities, but I'm probably most excited about having the opportunity to make a difference with the charity fund-raiser. We're hoping to raise a couple thousand dollars at least. I'm grateful that our company allows us the latitude to work within the community to assist where we can."

Brown hopes that people "just get out and buy a ticket" for the private shopping event.

Ford Motor Co. initially became involved with JDRF in 1983 when it hosted a walk fund-raiser that continued annually until 1990 at the Research & Engineering Center in Dearborn. It was then JDRF merged smaller walk sites into one at the

General Motors Tech Center in Warren. In 1998, Ford organized a formal walk team with Edsel Ford II as Corporate Team Chair and by 1999 founded the Global Walk Team. Since then the Ford family of employees around the world has raised \$19 million for diabetes research.

On Sunday, Sept. 17, two walks will be held at Gallup Park in Ann Arbor and the GM Tech Center in Warren. For more information, visit www.jdrf.org or www.jdrfdetroit.org, or call (248) 355-1133.

"It humbles me to see these events taking place because things are very difficult at Ford and GM and people still step up to the plate and volunteer and contribute dollars," said Brown.

"The nice thing about JDRF is that about 85- to 87-percent of the donations actually go to research."

Parisian is in Laurel Park Place, 17625 Newburgh at Six Mile, Livonia. Tickets for the Aug. 27, private shopping event are available from the customer service department at (734) 953-7500, or from Ford JDRF Walk Team Captains.

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more rugged.

"Most parents are buying new gym shoes, and more retro tennis shoes are popular."

Jay Young, director of community services for Livonia schools, says as long as fashions meet the standards of cleanliness and dress that are compatible with a good learning environment and do not disrupt the educational process or constitute a threat to health or safety, children can wear whatever they want into classrooms of Livonia Public

Schools.

Dress codes vary by the district. Plymouth-Canton Community Schools are very specific about what is and isn't permitted as far as dress - no low rider pants, halters and spaghetti strapped tank tops, short skirts or shorts, shirts or blouses that create revealing necklines, bare midriffs or shoulders. In high school especially, no clothing advertising or promoting alcohol, tobacco, drugs, or weapons is allowed.

In Livonia schools principals decide on policy.

"In the judgment of a principal if it's disruptive a student

will be made to make modifications," said Young.

"We leave it up to the culture of the building. Bare midriffs would be considered disruptive in most places, but it's really the call of the principal. Very short skirts would be considered disruptive."

Stacie Beyer and daughter Logan, 5, of Novi were looking for functional, fashionable shorts and dresses that were pretty and conservative.

"The school is now requiring a workout every day," said Stacie Beyer in the Parisian children's department. "They need shoes they can get on and

off themselves, and (clothes in which) they can move freely."

Samantha Chapa and her friends Emily and Sarah Gelinas, ages 12 and 10, and older sister Brittany Chapa, 12, were looking for shirts to layer and leggings to wear under skirts to South Lyon schools while mom Kathy Chapa was looking for bargains.

"I always get the sales," said Kathy Chapa who was toting Von Maur shopping bags in addition to Parisian.

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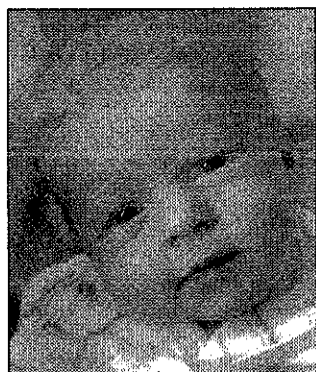
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 Carl and Justine Bolognino of Plymouth announce the birth of their first grandchild, Leah Marie Bolognino, born June 20, 2006.
 Leah Marie was born to former Plymouth residents Charlie and Rachel Bolognino of Plymouth, Minn.
 Leah weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 20.5 inches at birth. She is also the granddaughter to Jeff and Suzanne Johnson of Flint.



All-Chernenkoff
 Thomas and Judy All of Brownstown announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Marie All, to Steven Russell Chernenkoff, son of Russell and Celeste Chernenkoff of Livonia.
 Kristen and Steve are seniors at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. Kristen is studying elementary education and Steve is majoring in marketing and business management.
 They plan a November 2007 wedding.

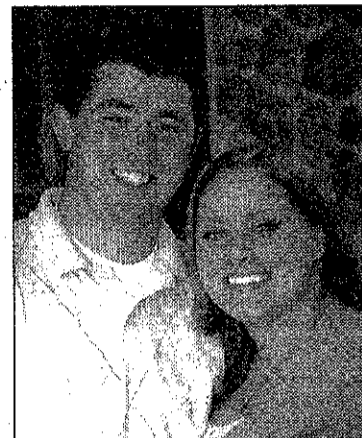
ENGAGEMENTS

Davis-Ott
 Robin and Mary Davis of Oakwood Village, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter, Robin Marie Davis, to Brian Andrew Ott.
 The bride-to-be is a 2001 graduate of Bedford High School in Ohio and a 2005 graduate of Ursuline College in Pepper Pike, Ohio. She is volunteer coordinator for Adoption Network in Cleveland.
 The prospective groom of Mayfield Heights, Ohio, is the son of Mark and Janet Ott of Canton. He is a 1999 graduate of Salem High School and a 2003 graduate of Case Western Reserve University. He is a senior developer for PsyMax



Solutions in Cleveland. A May 2007 wedding is planned for Holy Rosary Church in Cleveland.

Jaskolski-Steele
 Bob and Mary Jaskolski of Howell announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Jaskolski, to Brian Steele, son of Joe and Kathy Steele of Grosse Pointe.
 The bride-to-be earned a bachelor's degree in social studies (elementary education) from Grand Valley State University, and is working at Costco while seeking an elementary teaching position.
 The prospective groom earned a bachelor's degree in hospitality tourism management from Grand Valley State University and works as food



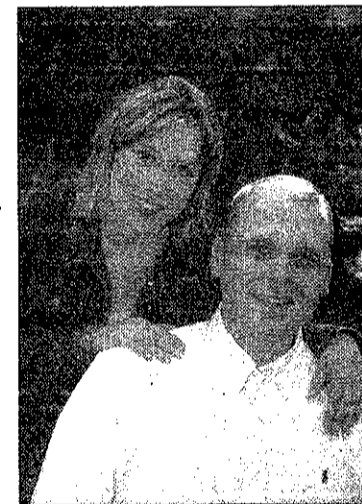
and beverage director at the Grosse Pointe Club. An April 2007 wedding is planned.

LaChance-Briggs
 Patricia and Scott LaChance of Portage announce the engagement of their daughter, Sara Beth LaChance, to Douglas Thorson Briggs, the son of Pamela and Loren Briggs of Plymouth.
 The bride-to-be earned a degree in human resource management from Western Michigan University and is the human resource manager at Stryker Instruments.
 The prospective groom earned a degree in mechanical engineering from Western Michigan University and is a quality engineer at Summit Polymer.
 A September 2006 wedding



is planned in Kalamazoo. The couple plans a honeymoon to Kauai, Hawaii, and will reside in Dallas.

Polaczyk-Slatton
 Merry-Jean Harshman, of Livonia, and stepfather Edward Harshman, of Lathrup Village, along with father Joseph Polaczyk, of Detroit, announce the engagement of their daughter, Christina Merry Polaczyk, of Westland, to Lance Aaron Slatton, of Westland, son of Jan Scicluna, of Trenton, and Marvin Slatton, of Carleton and step-father Paul Scicluna, of Malta.
 The couple will be married in late October at the Hartland Music Hall in Hartland with a wedding reception at the Waldenwoods Resort in Hartland. Pastor Tim Terhune, of Faith Bible Church in Livonia, will officiate.



Eastern Michigan University. The couple will be married in late August at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Farmington and a reception will be held at the Marriott in Livonia. They will spend their honeymoon in Aruba.

Lapham-Almodovar
 Trish Young and Farmington native Harry Lapham, Jr., announce the engagement of their daughter Colleen Marie Lapham, of Livonia, to Felix Ruben Almodovar, of Livonia, the son of Ruben and Carmen Almodovar, of Ponce, Puerto Rico.
 The bride-to-be was born and raised in Farmington and attended Our Lady of Sorrows School and graduated from Mercy High School in 1998. She has a bachelor's degree from Alma College and is working toward another degree in accounting and CPA certification.
 The groom-to-be was born and raised in Ponce, Puerto Rico and he came to Michigan to attend college. He will soon graduate with a degree in mechanical engineering from



The bride-to-be is a 2000 graduate of Portage Central High School and graduate of Western Michigan University. She is employed by Pulte Homes in Canton.
 The prospective groom is the son of Michael and Kathryn Kremer of Farmington Hills. He is a 2000 graduate of Farmington High School and a

Turkowski-Kremer
 Gerald Paul and Lois Turowski of Kalamazoo announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristin Marie Turowski of Canton, to Samuel Thomas Kremer of Farmington Hills.
 The bride-to-be is a 2000 graduate of Portage Central High School and graduate of Western Michigan University. She is employed by Pulte Homes in Canton.
 The prospective groom is the son of Michael and Kathryn Kremer of Farmington Hills. He is a 2000 graduate of Farmington High School and a



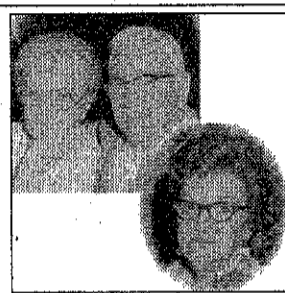
graduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed by C.H. Robinson of Ann Arbor.

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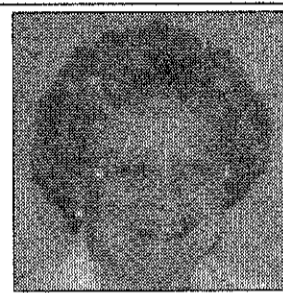
GEORGE APPLETON BALL, SR. PhD

age 85 of Rochester Hills, August 12, 2006. Loving husband of the late Mary Jane Ball. Dear father of George A. Jr. (Anne) Ball, Janet A. (James) Delaney, David L. (Jennifer) Ball and Cindy J. (Mark) Eby. Grandfather of David (Amy) Ball, Karen (Arthur) Doble, Jennifer (Dharmika Dharmapala) Delaney, Michael (Jessica) Delaney, Jeffrey Ball, Eric Eby and Nikki Eby. Great grandfather of Benjamin and Nathaniel. George obtained his PhD in engineering science and applied physics at Harvard University and worked in research for Chrysler for over 30 years. Along with his wife, George was a founding member of the Congregational Church of Birmingham, United Church of Christ. Memorial service Sunday, September 3, 2006, 2:00 p.m. at the Congregational Church of Birmingham, United Church of Christ, 1000 Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills. Memorials to the Church. Arrangements in the care of the Potere-Modetz Funeral Home, Rochester. Online guestbook at www.modetzfuneralhomes.com



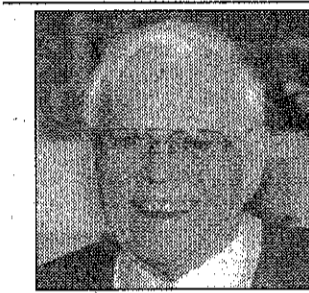
MILDRED PAULINE BEERS

age 87 began her new adventure and was reunited with husband Maury on Monday, August 14 after resting comfortably at her 30-year residence in Westland, Michigan. After putting up an extremely brave fight against Non Hodgkin's Lymphoma for the last eight years and losing Maurice last January, Mrs. Beers is now reunited with her beyond-life partner and the rest of her family which she missed so much. Born January 24, 1919 in Madison, Ohio to parents Lawrence and Waite Eller of Geneva, Ohio. Mrs. Beers entered life as part of a very large, rural farming family and was preceded in death by her parents, three brother: Clarence, Merrell and Lawrence Eller Jr and six sisters: Vesta White, Lula Beaber, Mabel Wolcott, Susie Maltby, Ethel Cosgrove, Lela Pethel, Verness (who died in infancy) and, of course, her husband and now eternal partner, Maurice C. Beers. Mr. Beers passed during January 2006. Mildred Beers was a Life Member of Nankin Chapter #238 and the Grand Chapter of Michigan in the Order of Eastern Star. She served in many capacities throughout the years but, most notably, 1972-73 and 1991-92 as Worthy Matron of Strathmore and Plymouth Chapters and was appointed to the Grand Committee of Michigan in 1977 (Meinhart-Malacos). She also was the Grand Representative of Indiana in Michigan in 1998. Through OES and many other charitable organizations such as the March of Dimes and countless others, Mrs Beers gave both of her time and resources to help others in need throughout her lifetime. If she has any regrets after her long and productive life, we're sure it's that she won't be here to celebrate the Detroit Tigers World Series win this year. (She'll be lending her support from "above".) She is survived by her sons, Richard Beers of Las Vegas, NV and James, Beers, currently of Westland, MI. As someone who always tried to supply guidance, love and tolerance to "her boys" she will be deeply missed but always appreciated. She is also survived by her two remaining sisters: Maxine King and Clouris Arden, both of Geneva, Ohio, sister-in-laws Verma Oehlenschlaeger of Wooster, Ohio and Viola Beers of Temecula, CA. She also leaves hundreds of friends, nieces, nephews and extended family. She was loved and admired by many. The world will miss Mildred Beers very much, but her generous nature and lifetime accomplishments will always be remembered and set examples for others. Visitation will be at LJ Griffin Funeral Home, 7707 Middlebelt Rd in Westland Michigan on Friday, August 25 from 6 - 9PM and Saturday, August 26 from Noon - 4PM. The funeral service will commence on Saturday at 2:30 PM, finishing with the Order of Eastern Star recognition at 3:30PM. For details, call RJ Griffin at 1-734-522-9400. An OES Luncheon will be held at Wayne Masonic Temple following these services. Mildred will be laid to rest along with husband Maury and his parents at Glenwood Cemetery in Conneaut, Ohio following a service at Marcy Funeral Home in Conneaut on Monday, August 28th. Graveside services will be held the following Tuesday, Marcy Funeral home: 1-440-593-4253. Donations will be made to: Michigan Masonic Home Charitable Foundation, 1200 Wright Avenue, Alma, MI 48801. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home.



HELEN B. ROBERTSON

Age 89, August 16, 2006. Loving wife of 12 years to the late Paul C. Robertson, Sr. Dear mother of Robert Brookman and Janet Brookman. Grandmother of Rob, Molly and Matt, as well as two great-grandchildren. Also survived by Paul's children: Paul C. Robertson, Jr. (Jan), Mary Jane Bower (John), Martha Giles (Greg), Julia Romaine (Jim), David W. Robertson (Nancy) and John B. Robertson (Kathy). She was preceded in death by her first husband Arthur Foster Brookman. Memorial Service Saturday, August 26, 2006, at 11 AM at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maple, Birmingham. For information call A. J. Desmond & Sons, 248-362-2500. Memorial Tributes to Canterbury on the Lake (Memo line: Good Samaritan Fund), 5601 Hatchery Road, Waterford, MI 48329. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



PAUL C. ROBERTSON, SR.,

formerly of Bloomfield Hills, died August 17, 2006, at age 89. Founder of Robertson Brothers Co. Husband of the late Ruth and the late Helen Brookman. Dear father of Paul C., Jr. (Jan), Mary Jane Bower (John), Martha Giles (Greg), Julia Romaine (Jim), David W. (Nancy) and John B. (Kathy). Stepfather of Robert and Janet Brookman. Grandfather of 21 and great-grandfather of nine. Family will receive friends at A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road, Troy (between Maple and Big Beaver) Sunday 2-5PM and Monday 4-8PM. Funeral Service Tuesday 10AM at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maple, Birmingham. Visitation at church begins Tuesday at 9 AM. Memorial Tributes to St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital or First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham Organ Fund. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

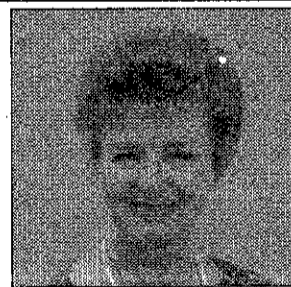
DEE McMULLEN

age 98, of Plymouth, passed away August 18, 2006, in Northville, MI. Beloved husband of Pauline, loving father of Thomas (June), Don (Norma), Ron (Delores), Larry, Harry (Linda), Jack (Linda), and the late Dale McMullen and Doris Sluder, grandfather of 20, great-grandfather of 43, and great great-grandfather of 22. Mr. McMullen was a wire cutter for 20 years with the Burroughs Corporation and he worked for the Lincoln Mercury dealership in Plymouth part time for 30 years. He came to the Plymouth community in 1941 from Tennessee. Visitation will be Saturday, Aug. 19, and Sunday, Aug. 20, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main, Plymouth, from 3-9 pm, funeral services will be held at the funeral home Monday, Aug. 21, at 11:00 am. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Plymouth. Memorials may be given to the American Heart Association or the American Cancer Society.

BARBARA K. SLOCUM

Age 75, August 17, 2006. Wife of William R. Slocum. Mother of Gail Logsdon and Scott Slocum. Sister of Bruce M. Kinney. Grandmother of Molly and Kelsey Logsdon. Memorial Service, Christ Church Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills, 11am Wednesday, August 23rd. In lieu of flowers, tributes may be made to charity of choice. Arrangements, Wm. R. Hamilton Company, 1-248-644-6000

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Your Loving Family and Friends



MARIAN A. BORDINE

FOUNDER, BORDINE NURSERY, PASSES AWAY AT 91. Marian A. Bordine was born in Detroit, Michigan on May 23, 1915. She graduated from Southwestern High School as an excellent scholar during the Depression. In Marian's younger years she worked at C & F Grocery Store and then for the Detroit Board of Education supervising 200 people in a WWII program. Marian met Darrell Bordine, her late husband, at the Greystone Ballroom in Detroit. The eloped to Ohio in 1936. Darrell was a truck farmer from Milan, Michigan and saw the current Rochester Hills Bordine Nursery location on June 17, 1939-the same day is first child, Bruce, was born. Darrell and Marian purchased the Rochester Hills site from a bankrupt greenhouse with trees growing through the roof. The original land purchased was 6 1/2 acres (now 36 acres) on a two-lane Rochester Road. Marian lived with her parents on 20th & Bagley (near the Ambassador Bridge) while Darrell stayed at the greenhouse to start the family business. In 1942, Marian quit her job with the Board of Education to work hand in hand with her husband. Over the years, Marian did everything from tending to the crops, taking care of the bookkeeping, doing the Christmas buying and putting together the Bordine Spring Catalogs. Marian was also a life member of the Rochester Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Marian's husband, Darrell, passed away in 1978. Marian did not enjoy living on her own, so a year later, she moved in with her best friend, Doris Fenner (who was Bordine's first CPA from Fenner, Melstrom & Dooling). Marian Bordine and Doris Fenner retired in 1980 and enjoyed traveling throughout North America in their motor home. They enjoyed their winters in Hobe Sound, Florida. Up until recent years, "Mrs B" (as the "Purple People" at Bordine Nursery affectionately refer to her) could still be found every Spring in the greenhouse tending to her beloved geraniums. Marian is survived by her best friend, Doris Fenner; son, Bruce Bordine; daughter, Carole Manning Whaley (David); late son, Earl Bordine, M.D.; and daughter-in-law, Jesslyn Bordine; daughter-in-law, Pauline Schafer; 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Memorials may be directed to "The Women's Fund" of the Community Foundation of Greater Rochester and to the Rochester Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Funeral Arrangements entrusted to Pixley Funeral Home of Rochester. Funeral Services have taken place. Share memories at www.mem.com.

JOHN R. "Jack" FITZGERALD

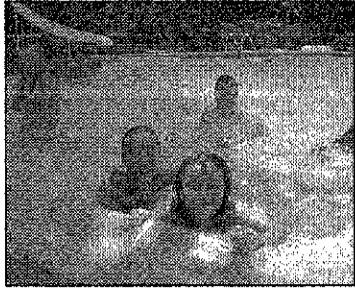
Age 77, passed away August 15, 2006 at his home in Higgins Lake, surrounded by his family, after a courageous 4-year battle with ALS. He never lost his trademark sense of humor or his love of life in Northern Michigan. He was born in Detroit, the only child of John A. and Ruby (DeKoning) Fitzgerald. He was employed for 30 years at Burroughs Corp. (Unisys) in Plymouth and was a resident of Livonia for 27 years. Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Gertrude "Trudy" (Janzen); children Jan and Kerry Kaplan of Westland, Bob and Patti Fitzgerald of Charlevoix, Dan and Susan Fitzgerald of Brighton, and John J. and Kimberly Fitzgerald of Beverly Hills; eleven grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at Higgins Lake Baptist Church at noon, Saturday, August 26.



Families host children they hope to adopt

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Anastasiia was afraid to go into Pontiac Lake the day after her flight from Ukraine last weekend. By Tuesday, the 7-year-old orphan was floating in a tube at a pool party in Clarkston and Sonja and Brian Glover couldn't be more excited about watching her grow. The Livonia couple is one of 11 Michigan families hosting a child for three weeks with the hope of adopting.



By Tuesday Anastasiia was having fun at a pool party in Clarkston with Sonja Glover, a Livonia woman who is hosting the Ukrainian orphan with her husband, Brian.

Anastasiia and the other children think they're coming to America to experience life in this country. They have no idea that one day these generous families could be their parents, brothers and sisters.

The Glovers have no children of their own that's why they decided to contact Adopt a Miracle, a nonprofit Colorado-based adoption agency specializing in international adoptions. Anastasiia comes from an orphanage in the city of Makiivka in the Doneck region. A total of 23 of the home's children, ages 7 to 12, are being hosted by families around the United States.

"We've been trying for about six years and haven't been able to have a child," said Sonja Glover. "We were nervous, but we just bonded with Anastasiia."

"I noticed she was very timid until we brought out the squirt guns," added Brian Glover. "She bonded with everybody during a good squirt gun fight. How rewarding it is even hosting them."

Although Anastasiia's brother Illya was too young at age 5 to make the trip, the couple would like to make him part of their family, too, but families do not necessarily have to be considering adoption to host a child. Currently families are being sought for the next group of orphans coming from Russia in December. The cost to host a child is \$2,500 and covers their plane ticket, visa

and medical care. For more information, visit www.hostachild.com.

Valerie and Robert Schendel adopted Marina, 12, two years ago from a Kazakhstan orphanage after hosting her in their Clarkston home. Adoptions cost around \$25,000. Today, Valerie is the area coordinator for the Host a Child program. On Tuesday the Schendels threw a pool party for the Michigan host families and children. She and Robert are hosting 10-year old Lakshmi whose father was born in India and mother in Ukraine.

"Once my husband, Robert, and I saw the children in the orphanage and how they got left behind, I decided I was going to find as many homes as I could. I believe all children need to be in a family environment and not in an institution," said Valerie Schendel.

"I'm a volunteer and a mom. Just because you host a child doesn't mean you have to adopt them. You can give the child a three week vacation and try to advocate for the child, to find the child a home."

The Glovers have a list of activities scheduled for Anastasiia's stay including the zoo, indoor rock climbing, and a trip to Kellogg's to see how cereal is made.

"We have a list of things to do," said Sonja. "We want to teach her to ride a bike. We bought books to teach her. My

family is Macedonian and the languages are similar but as far as the language barrier we're just going to wing it. We have a cheat sheet of things she points to when she wants something. When she wanted her hair cut she went to get the scissors."

Sonja isn't worried about communicating with Anastasiia at least for the four days that escort Viktoriia Bylybenko serves as a translator. Bylybenko says Ukrainian children don't learn English until second grade. Anastasiia just finished first grade. Bylybenko is one of two escorts who traveled with the children to Michigan.

"There are more and more orphans in Ukraine," said Bylybenko of Kiev. "They have a low life level. A lot of people don't have enough money to supply the kids with food and clothes."

Anastasiia Borsch doesn't think orphanages have changed much since she was adopted at 16 by a Massachusetts family. The 27-year-old Farmington Hills resident feels empathy for Anastasiia and hopes to spend time with her. Borsch lived in Russian Orphanage No. 46 from age 7. She came to the U.S. as an exchange student and was adopted by the host family.

"It seemed like a lifetime this morning waiting to see Anastasiia," said Borsch.

"Here, Anastasiia has this freedom she never had. We didn't play much. We wanted to go outdoors but had to do homework and cleaning. When I was little I remember seeing kids get adopted and asking 'why not me, am I bad?' In the orphanage we don't have family experience."

Valerie Schendel says the reason there are host programs is because "most people want (to adopt) an infant or toddler, but older children are every bit as lovable if given a chance."

The Glovers like the idea that Anastasiia and her brother are school age so Sonja can

continue working as a manager at Old Navy. Brian is a regional sales rep for Michigan and northern Ohio for Garden of Life nutritional supplements so part of the time can be spent with the children at home when he's not on the road. When either is unable to be there, Sonja's family can help since they live only four blocks away.

"By the time a child is 6 their chance of being adopted is declining," said Schendel who has four adult children of her own in addition to Marina. "By 16 orphanages let them go. Most often a girl's only hope is prostitution. Boys turn to drugs. Orphans are second class citizens around the world."

"I just think of myself as a mom and anyone who wants to be a mom will love these children."

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3. "The Messenger," Daniel Silva
4. "The Ruins," Scott Smith
5. "Phantom," Terry Goodkind

NON-FICTION

1. "Fiasco," Thomas E. Ricks

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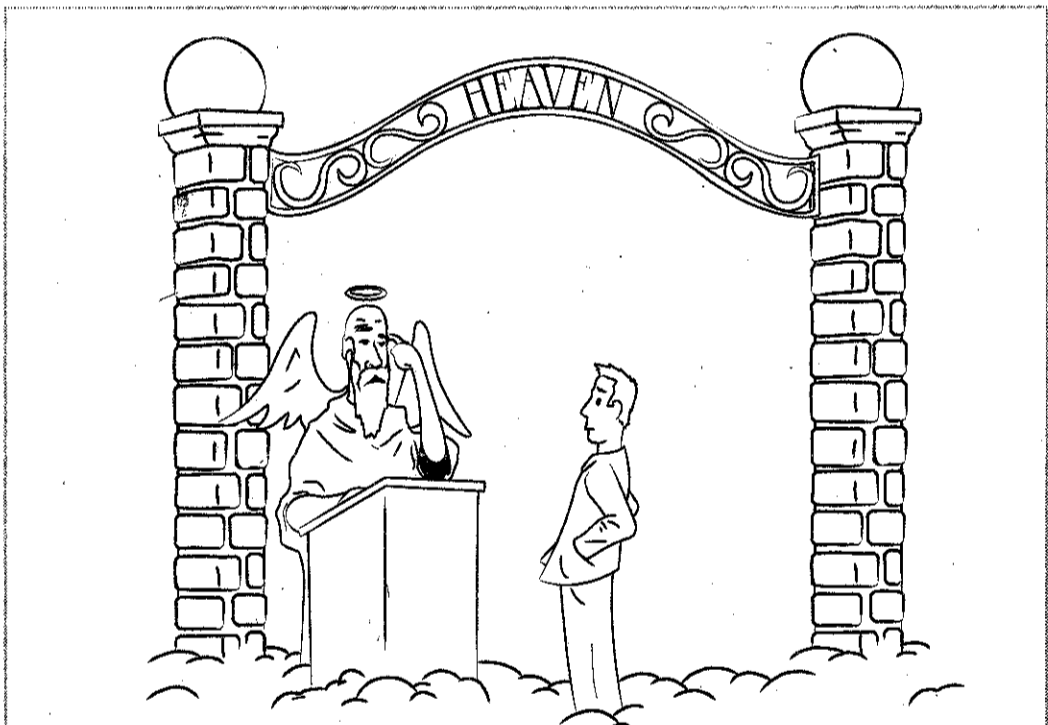
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WEDDING

Paskievitch-Meszaros

Julie Marie Paskievitch of Whitmore Lake and Mark Joseph Meszaros of Canton were married Aug. 12 at Old St. Patrick Catholic Church in Whitmore Lake. The Rev. Gerald Gawronski officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Gary and Nancy Paskievitch of Whitmore Lake. She is a 1996 graduate of Canton High School and a 2003 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is a preschool teacher at the Discovery Center in Ann Arbor.

She was attended by Janet Paskievitch, sister of the bride; Lisa Paskievitch, sister-in-law of the bride; Amanda Welton, friend of the bride; Tracy Meszaros, sister of the groom; and Diane Meszaros, sister-in-law of the groom.

The groom is the son of Alex and Carol Meszaros of Canton. He is a 1992 graduate of Canton High School and a 2002 graduate of Western Michigan University. He is employed by American Aqua Inc. in Saline.



He was attended by Greg Meszaros, brother of the groom; Bradley Paskievitch, brother of the bride; Tony Coshatt, friend of the groom; Gilbert Gonzales, friend of the groom; and Chris Brooks, friend of the groom.

A reception was held at the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland. The couple honeymooned in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. They will make their home in Canton.

Richardses celebrate

50th anniversary
Gordon and Glenda Richards will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 1. They were married Sept. 1, 1956, at the First Methodist Church in Ferndale and have lived in the same location in Westland for 46 years.

They have six children, Gordon, Geri, John, Jim, Craig and Jeannie. They have 16 grandchildren.

Glenda has been a past volunteer at the Cooper Elementary School for 20 plus years. She is a past officer of the Parent Teacher Association and a past member of the Parent Education Group at Whittier Junior High School. For the past 18 years she has been a volunteer member of the Garden City Hospital Guild Association.

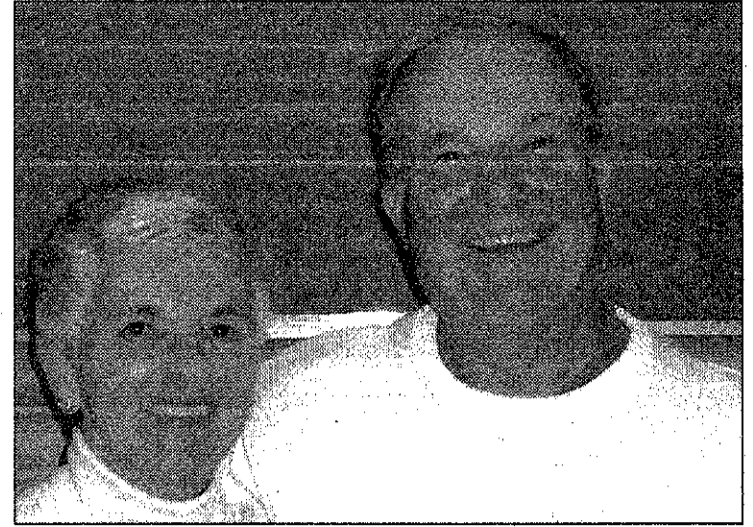
Gordon served 4 1/2 years in the U.S. military. He served as a paratrooper and was a veteran of the Korean War and is a member of VFW Post 3323 in



Westland. He is past member of the Westland Youth Athletic Association. He was a charter member of the Arbor Trail Estates Civic Association. He attended Lawrence Institute of Technology and Wayne State University/ He is retired from Sperry Corp. where he worked for 26 years.

They will celebrate their anniversary with a family gathering.

ANNIVERSARIES



Fritsch 50th anniversary

Glenn and Dianne Fritsch of Livonia are celebrating their 50th anniversary. They were married Sept. 8, 1956, in Detroit.

The couple has three children, Pat and Patty Fritsch of Livonia; Kathy and Kevin Summers of Livonia; and Susan and Evan Stitt of Peachtree City, Ga.

They have seven grandchildren.

They enjoy traveling, volunteering at St. Aidan's Church, and wintering in Florida.

Glenn is retired from AAA in Dearborn.

A party is planned at DeLuca's for family and friends



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Johnstons celebrate 50th anniversary

James R. (Bob) Johnston and Patricia (Melville) Johnston of Livonia celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 14. The couple was married July 14, 1956, in Detroit.

They have two children, Ronald (Laura) Johnston, and Linda (Bruce) Elenbogen, and two grandsons, Andrew and Josh.

Bob Johnston is a retired electrical engineer from Burroughs Corp. Pat is a retired secretary.



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WEDDINGS

Bax-Hibner

Mandy Hibner and Philip Bax, both of Redford, were married July 29 at an outdoor ceremony at Waterford Oaks County Park in Waterford. Pastor Mark Evans of St. John Lutheran Church, Romeo, officiated. A reception for 200 guests immediately followed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Timothy and Kathy Hibner of Romeo. Mandy is a 1998 graduate of Romeo High School. She is self-employed as a state licensed home appraiser. Her maid of honor was her sister, Alison Hibner. Bridesmaids included close friends, Erica Florence, Melanie Lapan and Melissa Drake. Lindsey Albone, Mandy's cousin, was the flower girl.

The groom is the son of Ed and Pat Bax of Livonia. Phil is a 1998 graduate of Franklin High School. He is employed by Sterling Millwork as a carpenter foreman. Phil's best man was a close friend, Greg Job.



Groomsmen were friends, Ben Marcums, Jacob Goedde and Craig Bax, the groom's brother. The bride's brothers Jeremy Hibner and Nathan Hibner served as ushers. Tyler Streeter, Mandy's cousin, was the ring bearer.

Powers-Thompson

Steve and Debi Johnson of Plymouth announce the wedding of their daughter, Carol Christina Powers, to Robert Michael Thompson, son of Greg and Debbie Thompson of Walled Lake. The couple was married May 12, 2006 at Mill Race Historical Village with Pastor John Shinn officiating.

The bride earned a degree in culinary arts from Johnson & Wales University and works as a chef. The groom is a Wayne State University graduate and is in the U.S. Army.

The bride was attended by matron of honor Beth Biddle, her sister, and by bridesmaids Christina Wight, Stephanie Kivell and Melissa Westfall.

The groom was attended by best man James Kirby and groomsmen Kyle Martin, Andy Brown and Dan Ramala.



After their reception at the Meeting House Grand Ballroom, the couple honeymooned by exploring Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Abrahamson-Vail

John and Karen Abrahamson of Livonia are pleased to announce the marriage of their son Adam Abrahamson to Amy Elizabeth Vail, daughter of Christina and Paul Vail, of Sarnia, Ontario.

Amy and Adam were married July 15, 2006, at St. Paul's Church in Sarnia, and the reception followed at the Guildwood Inn in Sarnia.

The maid of honor was Molly Vail, sister of the bride, and the best man was Matthew Abrahamson, brother of the groom. Anita Scott served as a bridesmaid, and Michael Abrahamson (Seminole, Fla.) served as a groomsman.

After their honeymoon in Port Stanley, Ontario, the couple will reside in Sarnia, and attend Lambton College, where Amy is studying nursing, and Adam is studying chemical production engineering.



Congregation honors pastor

The congregation of Christ Temple Apostolic Faith Church in Westland will celebrate the 10th anniversary of District Elder Luke A. McClendon's pastoring with a reception at 2:30 p.m. today at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Romulus. Elder McClendon is shown with his wife Mary Fran McClendon.

Tea Aug. 26 lauds women's voting rights

Women's Equality Day, the anniversary of women winning the right to vote in 1920, is being celebrated 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, with "Tea and ERA" at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road.

The Michigan Coalition for Equal Rights Studies, the education arm of Michigan ERAmerica, is the main sponsor of the program, which will feature an ERA: Legislative Update, a brief film entitled "Unfinished Business for the Constitution," and a live Suffrage Reenactment of Ernestine Rose, who spoke to the Michigan Legislature in 1846 and asked for the right of women to vote.

Donation for the afternoon tea and program is \$20. Checks should be made payable to Michigan Coalition for Equal Rights Studies and mailed to 21697 McClung, Southfield, MI 48075.

Also co-sponsoring the afternoon are the American Association of University Women (AAUW) of Michigan, the Business and Professional Women of Michigan, League of Women Voters of Michigan, and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom/Metro Detroit.

Additional informational is available by calling (248) 355-5233 or (734) 425-3572.

Sparks-Mitchell

Jerry Sparks of Alpena and Mary Simmons of Marysville announce the wedding of their daughter, Kimberly Jean Sparks, to Eric Bradley Mitchell, son of David and Deborah Mitchell of Canton. The couple was married April 29, 2006 at Sterling Heights United Methodist Church.

The bride is a graduate of Marysville High School, Western Michigan University, the Seton Hall School of Law and is an attorney in Northville.

The groom is a graduate of Canton High School and the University of Michigan-Dearborn and is an engineer at Albert Kahn Associates.

The bride was attended by Nicole Kwiatkowski, Cari Socia, Abigail Mitchell, Sarah Mitchell, Amanda



Reichenbach and Anna and Alex Reichenbach.

The groom was attended by Ryan McClain, Christopher Jones, Keith Provenzano, Jason Mautone, Gary Lewandowski, Jon Stevve and Jay Schultz.

After a reception at the Sterling Inn in Sterling Heights and a honeymoon trip to Sandals Grande, Ocho Rios in Jamaica, the couple established their home in Northville.

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.

1930s and on are arranging for alumni to return to their high school to reacquaint themselves with former classmates. Representatives are needed for several classes and addresses are being collected of alumni, so contact chair Mildred Baker if you can provide information.

Class of 1956

A 50-year reunion 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 23, at the Embassy Suites, 850 Tower Drive, Troy. Cost \$45. Send checks to Janice Broquet Pope, 8222 Coral Creek Loop, Hudson, Fla. Call (727) 868-8222 or email jpopel4.tampabay.rr.com.

Bishop Borgess High School

Class of 1976
A 30-year reunion 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, Fifth Avenue Ballroom and Billiards (second floor), 25750 Novi Road in Novi. You must reserve a spot in advance, contact reunion committee at bb76reunion@yahoo.com for ticket information and details.

REUNIONS

Belleville High School

All Class Reunion for Belleville High School, 3-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at the Belleville High School Cafeteria. For information, contact Mildred Baker, chair, 139 Clarence St., Belleville, MI 48111; (734) 699-5231. Plans are in the works for the 7th Annual Alumni Banquet for Belleville High School. Committee members are planning for a tour of the high school, social time, and a dinner. Representatives from classes in the

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Immunize

Vaccinations prevent infectious diseases

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Jackie Lanier-Ingram is cautioning parents that just because the recent outbreak of mumps cases in the Plymouth-Canton area has died down, children still need immunizations in order to be protected against infectious diseases. It's Lanier-Ingram's job to keep track of the diseases and oversee the school immunization program for the Wayne County Department of Public Health.

Children are required to have all of their records up to date with diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis; polio; measles, mumps and rubella; influenza type B; hepatitis B, and chickenpox (varicella) vaccinations before starting school or attending a child care center.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2007, children (2 months to 4 years old) will also be required to have a pneumococcal conjugate vaccination (PCV7) before attending preschool, Head Start or licensed child care programs.

Older children must provide the school with a record showing that a child has received all of the above immunizations, except for influenza and PCV7. Although not a requirement, Lanier-Ingram recommends the influenza vaccine to avoid complications and missed school days. Her 7-year-old and 14-year-old children have had all of their shots.

"Although we don't see the frequency of diseases as we saw years ago, it's because we've done a good job of getting our children immunized," said Jackie Lanier-Ingram, disease control manager for the Wayne County Health Department.

"It's important that they have all of their shots. Make sure they're protected."

Although the Oakland County Health Division hasn't recorded any cases of mumps, George Miller is concerned about a slight increase in whooping cough (pertussis), a disease which can lead to rib fractures, pneumonia and hospitalization. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), there were more than 25,000 cases of pertussis in the U.S. in 2004, and the numbers continue to rise. Although the annual average was more than 200,000 cases between 1934 to 1943, the routine recommendation for pertussis vaccination in the 1940s and 1950s eventually led to a historic low of 1,010 cases in 1976. Since the 1980s,



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Jennifer Sexton holds daughter Brianna Sexton, reacting to an immunization injection from Constance Joyner, a registered nurse from Canton. Brianna starts kindergarten in September at Schweitzer Elementary in the Wayne-Westland school district.

the number of reported pertussis cases has increased although the cause is unclear.

"It reminds us immunizations remain very important," said George Miller, health officer for the Oakland County Health Division. "It's been shown in the past, like with polio, that we can prevent some catastrophic diseases in children and adults. We're constantly stressing kids need to be up to date with immunizations. We'd like to see them come in before school starts, not after school starts when the lines are long."

Kay Renny, a registered nurse at the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan (VNA) said the CDC is so concerned about the increase in whooping cough nationally that in 2005 the governmental agency licensed Tdap vaccines for diphtheria and tetanus that includes pertussis (Adacel for ages 11-64 and Boostrix, ages 10-18) to help reduce the number of cases of pertussis among adolescents. For many years, adolescents and adults received Td (tetanus and diphtheria) boosters that did not contain pertussis vaccine. Immunity to pertussis wanes approximately 5-10 years after completion of childhood pertussis vaccination, leaving adolescents and adults susceptible to pertussis, according to the CDC.

"Babies get immunized and get their last DTaP (diphtheria,

tetanus and pertussis) shot around age 4, so if you have siblings and parents who contract pertussis they can give it to the smaller child who is at more risk," said Renny, a Rochester resident who manages VNA's community programs. "A study showed almost one-third of pertussis transmission at home was caused by a mother, 20 percent by a sibling.

"We can educate parents through their kids. I ask parents when was the last time you had a tetanus shot. You should get one every 10 years. The CDC is asking everyone to get a tetanus shot with pertussis one time."

Renny is equally worried about the spread of bacterial meningitis among college freshman living in dorms. The fast-acting disease produces inflammation in the lining of the brain and spinal cord, and can cause death if not treated immediately.

The VNA offers immunizations for bacterial meningitis (for ages 15 and individuals entering college this fall) and Tdap (ages 11-64) at its clinic in Oak Park.

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Walk-in immunization clinics

The Oakland and Wayne County health departments offer free immunizations for children without insurance.

■ Oakland County Health Division offers three clinic locations at 1200 N. Telegraph, north of Elizabeth Lake Road, south of Dixie Highway, Pontiac, call (248) 858-1280; 27725 Greenfield at 1 1/2 Mile (Catalpa), Southfield, call (248) 424-7000, and 1010 E.W. Maple, east of Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake, call (248) 926-3300. For more information, visit the Web site at www.co.oakland.mi.us/health.

■ Wayne County Department of Public Health, 33030 Van Born at Venoy, Wayne. Walk-ins 8-10:30 a.m. and 12:30-3:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday; and by appointment 8-10:30 a.m. and 12:30-3:30 p.m. Tuesday and Friday, and 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday. To schedule an appointment, call (734) 727-7100. For information on school immunizations, call (734) 727-7036. For general information, call 734 727-7000.

■ St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers an Infant and Child Immunization Clinic for children under age 18, 5:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 30, in the hospital's Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Use Five Mile entrance and bring all available immunization records to be updated; parent or guardian must be present. The fee is \$10 per child. Registration not required. For more information, call (734) 655-8950.

■ Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan offers meningitis (for age 15 and individuals entering college this fall) and Tdap (ages 11-64) immunizations at its Oak Park clinic, 25900 Greenfield, between 696 and 11 Mile, Suite 600 in the Crown Pointe Plaza. The clinic prefers appointments, but walk-ins are welcome from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call (248) 967-8755 or visit www.vna.org.

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Divorce support

Legal aspects of divorce with attorney Susan Elkouri discussing issue such as child support, custody, property settlement, pensions, spousal support, post-judgment issue, etc. 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, at the Women's Resource Center in Room 225 of McDowell Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 462-4443.

Food allergy walk

9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at Kensington Metropark, Milford. For more information, visit www.foodallergy.org.

Women's cancer walk

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute presents a one-mile non-competitive walk with all profits to benefit women's cancers research and awareness programs 9 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, at the Detroit Zoo, Woodward Ave. and I-696, Royal Oak. Gates open at 8 a.m. \$10 for adults age 13 and up, \$5 ages 2-12, free for children under age 2. For information, call (800) KARMANOS. Register online at www.cancerwalk.org. Form a team and win prizes or join the Red Shoe Club to donate only. Visit Web site for details.

Fibromyalgia workshop

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 30, at Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. To register for the free workshop, call (248) 896-0201.

Panic relief

Panic and anxiety program to help cope with panic, anxiety and agoraphobias, learn to control panic attacks and anticipatory anxiety, learn how attitudes and current thoughts affect panic and anxiety noon to 1 p.m. Mondays, and 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays in Livonia. If you are interested in attending the meetings, call (732) 940-9658.

UPCOMING

Tai chi classes

Open house the week of Sept. 4, classes start week of Sept. 11 and run 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday, at the Taoist Tai Chi Society of Michigan, a nonprofit, at 38121 Ann Arbor Road, east of I-275, Livonia. Call (248) 332-1281.

Common pediatric conditions

6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, in classroom 1 of the Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. Features Dr. Harvey Leo talking about asthma and how life threatening food allergies pose a significant issue for both adults and children. Dr. Scott Moore discusses ear infections and their causes and treatment options. Pediatric neurologist Dr. Brian Woodruff focuses on childhood headaches and seizures, symptoms and diagnosis, and treatment options. Pre-registration required. Visit www.stjosephmercyhealth.org or call (734) 712-5800.

Mini health fair

Livonia Parkinson's Support Group is hosting a Parkinson Mini-Health Fair 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. An Ask the Doctor sessions with Dr. N. Taylor, D.O., a neurologist, will be offered. Vendors with information about Parkinson's Disease will also be available. For information, call (734) 421-4208.

Benefit performance

The Rat Pack is Back goes smoke-free for a performance Sept. 12, at the Gem Theater in Detroit to benefit the American Lung Association of Michigan's research, education and advocacy initiatives. The show recreates one of the famous Las Vegas performances with Frank, Sammy, Joey and Dean. Tickets are \$50, \$110 for a special pre-show and VIP dinner at the Century Grille Restaurant. Call (248) 784-2030.

Educational program

Presented by The Alliance for The Mentally Ill of Oakland County, Families In Action Educational Program begins Wednesday Sept. 13, for people with a loved one that has been diagnosed with a form of mental illness. It is a series of 10, two-hour weekly sessions. The family members who conduct the program are people that have lived the hardships of mental illness and have been trained on how to share their experiences with others. Classes are held on the St. Regis Parish School Campus in West Bloomfield and open to all Metro-Detroit residents. Class size is limited. Pre-registration required. Call (248) 348-7196 for additional information or visit www.amioakland.org.

Empowered to care

A training series focusing on providing care and support 7-9 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 13, 20 and 27, and Oct. 4, 11, 18 and 25, in the 2 East A Conference Room at Botsford General Hospital, Farmington Hills. Weekly topics include teaching listening and communication skills to build empathy, helping children to deal with grief, how to talk to the dying, learning to be sensitive in our diverse world, the impact of religion on health care delivery, ministering to the mentally ill, and the cycle of substance abuse and treatment options. Cost is \$35 for all sessions or \$6 per session. For information or to register, call (248) 471-8850. This series is especially helpful for clergy and church/synagogue workers, health care providers, pastoral care volunteers, and family members.

Golf benefit

Putt Putt Charity Challenge presented by Heartland Health Care Centers 3-6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 14, at Oasis Putt Putt Golf Center on Five Mile, Plymouth. The fund-raiser benefits several different charities in the area including American Red Cross, St. Mary Mercy Cancer Center and the American Cancer Society. Sponsors choose the charity their donations go to. All donations are welcome. Any donations for goodie bags would also be appreciated. For more information, or sponsorship, call (734) 455-0510 or send e-mail to 4040admiss@hcr-manorcare.com.

Kidney disease walk

To find a cure for Polycystic Kidney Disease 10 a.m. (9 a.m. registration) Saturday, Sept. 16, at Rotary Park, 32184 Six Mile, Livonia. Pre-register online at www.pkdcure.org and follow walk links to Detroit Walk. Fee is \$15 adult, \$10 age 12 and under. For more information, call (248) 478-5159 or (248) 632-1328.

Liver Foundation walk

10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 16 (registration at 9 a.m.), at Lower Huron Metropark in Belleville, to raise money and awareness of liver diseases. The walk is wheelchair and stroller accessible. The American Liver Foundation is a nonprofit dedicated to preventing, treating and curing hepatitis and other liver diseases through research, education and advocacy. 100-percent of net proceeds go to fight liver disease in Michigan. For information or to register, call (888) MY-LIVER (888) 695-4837 or log onto www.liverfoundation.org/michigan.

Educational program

Presented by Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, a program to promote the use of complementary therapies for cancer patients and the metro-Detroit community 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 16, at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial, 32 Lake Shore Drive. Registration is \$15 for current Karmanos patients, \$25 for general public, \$50 for VIP tickets which includes special seating and gift. Call (313) 576-9281 to register for Experience Wellness program. Attendees will have the chance to experience and observe therapies such as massage, reflexology, Reiki, tai chi, yoga and more.

Passport to safety

A day dedicated to the safety of children, includes bike and water safety, 911 training, choking and poisoning, stranger danger, and computer, automobile, and fire safety 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at laurel Park Place, Livonia. For information, visit www.livoniapassporttosafety.com.

SIDS walks

Saturday, Sept. 16, 8:45 a.m. check-in, 10 a.m. start, at Dodge Park, 40620 Utica Road, Sterling Heights. Fund-raiser for Tomorrow's Child Michigan SIDS, a nonprofit to reduce the risk of death for infants. Sunday, Sept. 17, 12:45 p.m. check-in, 2 p.m. start, at Maybury State Park, 20145 Beck, Northville. For information, visit www.mibabywalks.org or send e-mail to jquring@msn.com, or call (800) 331-7437.

JDRF walk

To benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Sunday, Sept. 17, at two locations in Gallup Park in Ann Arbor and the GM Tech Center in Warren. For more information, visit www.jdrf.org or www.jdrfdetroit.org or call (248) 355-1133.

Bariatric seminar

Educational seminar on minimally invasive gastric bypass surgery 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 20, in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium, Five Mile, west of Levan. Speakers are Surgeon Tallal Zeji, M.D., medical director, Minimally Invasive and Bariatric Surgery; and Paula Magid, director, Bariatric Program. To register for the free seminar, call (734) 655-2692. For information, call (877) WHYWEIGHT.

ONGOING

Meningitis vaccinations

Parents, be sure your student is immunized for bacterial meningitis. The Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan is offering vaccinations at its Oak Park office Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The office is at 25900 Greenfield, Suite 600. Walk-ins welcome, advance registration is preferred. Call (248) 967-8755 for more information.

Water aerobics classes

For moms and senior citizens, sponsored by Health Alliance Plan (HAP), continues through August noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at Sheldon Pool, 3123 Van Court, Livonia, and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, at the Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen. No charge for registration information, call (313) 664-8420.

Hospice volunteers

Avalon Hospice, a nonprofit Medicare certified hospice program in Oakland County, needs volunteers, training in your area is available evening and daytime. Each of five training sessions lasts two-three hours and can be conducted one-on-one with our trainer to meet the demands of your schedule. For more information, call Brian at (248) 320-0106.

American Red Cross blood drive Aug. 24 to help stabilize supply

The American Red Cross Blood Services of Michigan continues to urge donors statewide to prepare for emergencies by rebuilding a blood supply ravaged by a summer shortage.

The annual Farmington Hills blood drive is being held 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24, at the Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile. Appointments can be made by calling (248) 473-1816.

There will be free bone marrow testing. This puts the donor into the National Bone Marrow Registry. You don't have to donate blood to be registered.

"Giving blood is a simple way you can help the ability of your community, state and nation to respond to crisis during these incredibly vulnerable times," said CEO Diane E. Ward of the American Red Cross Southeastern Michigan Blood Services. "Every day, we hear from people who say how good it feels to know they can make a difference by simply volunteering to give blood."

Donating blood, recruiting a friend or family member to give, or signing up to sponsor a blood drive will help strengthen a blood supply severely weakened by low donor turnout. Blood shortages frequently occur in the summer, but natural disasters, increased traffic accidents, a waning economy, and a scorching heat



wave have compounded this year's shortage.

The two Red Cross blood regions serving Michigan report an overall blood supply of two days, with critical blood types like O-positive and O-negative at emergency levels of a day or less. The Red Cross considers a three-day supply safe, with five- to seven-days optimal.

Building a strong and stable blood supply is key to helping the nation prepare, prevent and respond to emergencies—particularly during the upcoming National Preparedness Month in September.

"It's critical for blood to be available around-the-clock to meet ongoing and unexpected challenges," said Ward. "Together, we all have the power to make a difference simply by giving or encouraging others to donate blood."

Blood donors must be at least age 17, weigh 110 pounds, be in good general health, and provide a valid photo ID upon donation.

To make an appointment at a blood drive near you, call (800) GIVE-LIFE or visit www.givelife.org.

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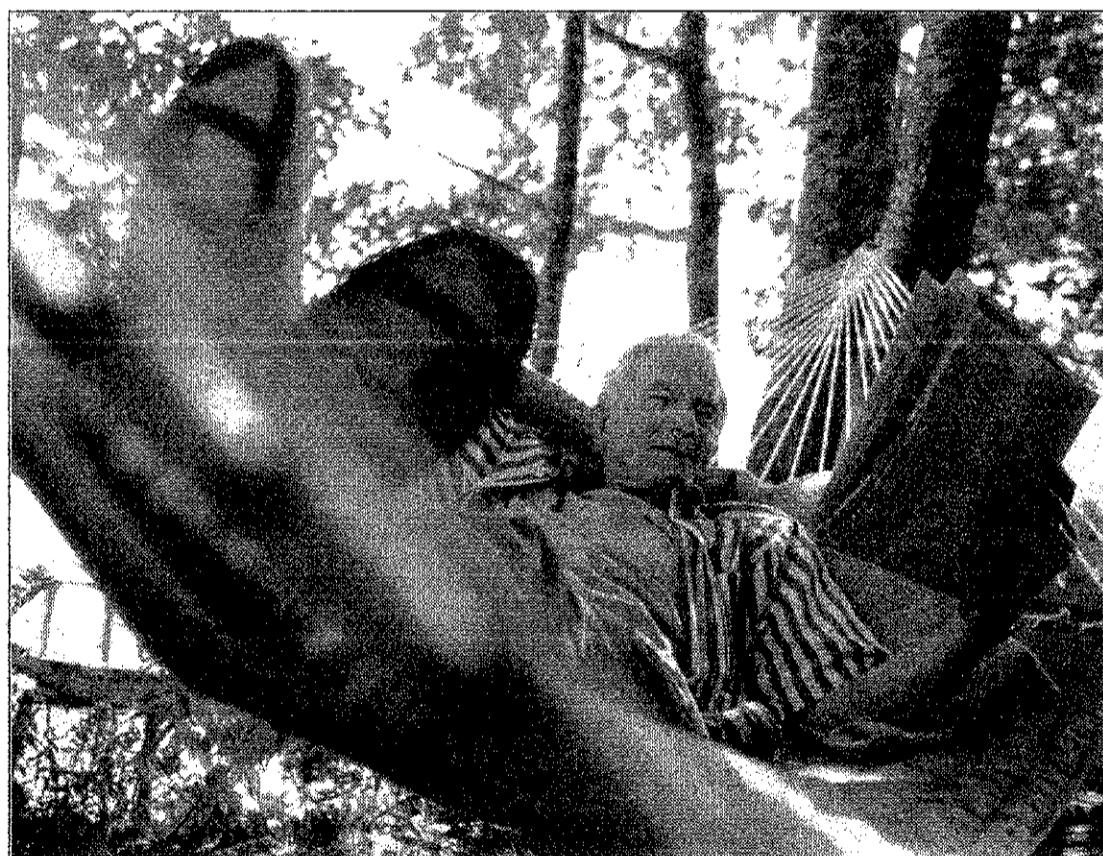
Joe from Royal Oak e-mails asking which is more beneficial, a hard run or a brisk walk.

Peter's Principles

Joe, the answer may be a combination of them both! For runners, walking breaks will add endurance as well as reduce stress on joints and muscles. Walkers, however, can enhance their workout and boost levels of good cholesterol by adding a

little running. Good cholesterol, HDL, helps you burn those extra calories. A good rule of thumb is one minute of jogging for every four minutes of walking. So, all in all, you can win the race for good health with a casual stroll.

If you have a health or fitness question you would like answered in the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, e-mail Peter at www.peternielsen.com. Catch Peter daily on WDIV-NBC 4 & WJW News Radio 950. Contact him at Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.



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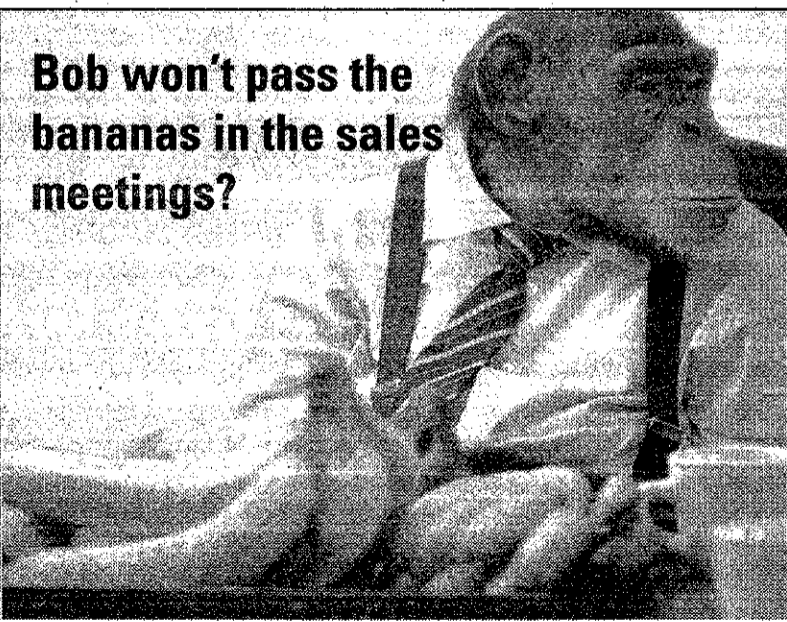
No medicine exists that can bring back cartilage once lost, just like nothing now manufactured can put tread back on your worn tire. However, treatments available will help you get more life out of the knee, just like you can put air in that tire and get more wear from it.

Your physician can prescribe a pain medication such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen. Physical therapy may strengthen the quadriceps and hamstring muscles to lessen pressure on the joint, and knee injections may decrease pain for weeks to months. Though I am skeptical, orthopedists use artificial hyaluronate such as Synvisc, Hyaigan, or Starzi to lubricate an osteoarthritic knee.

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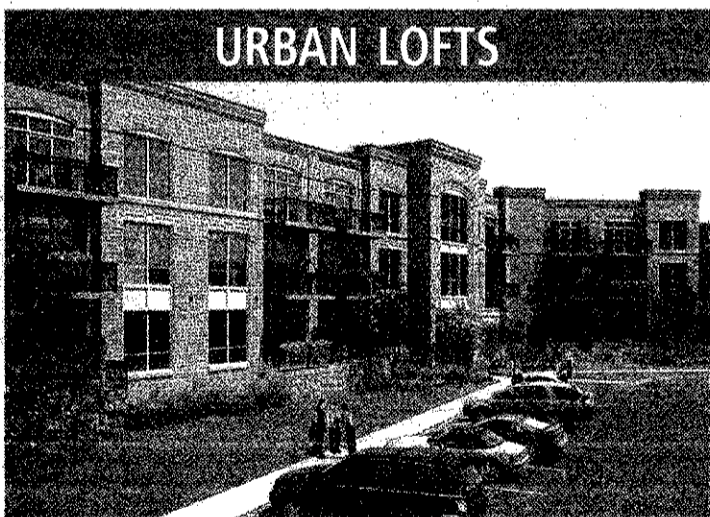
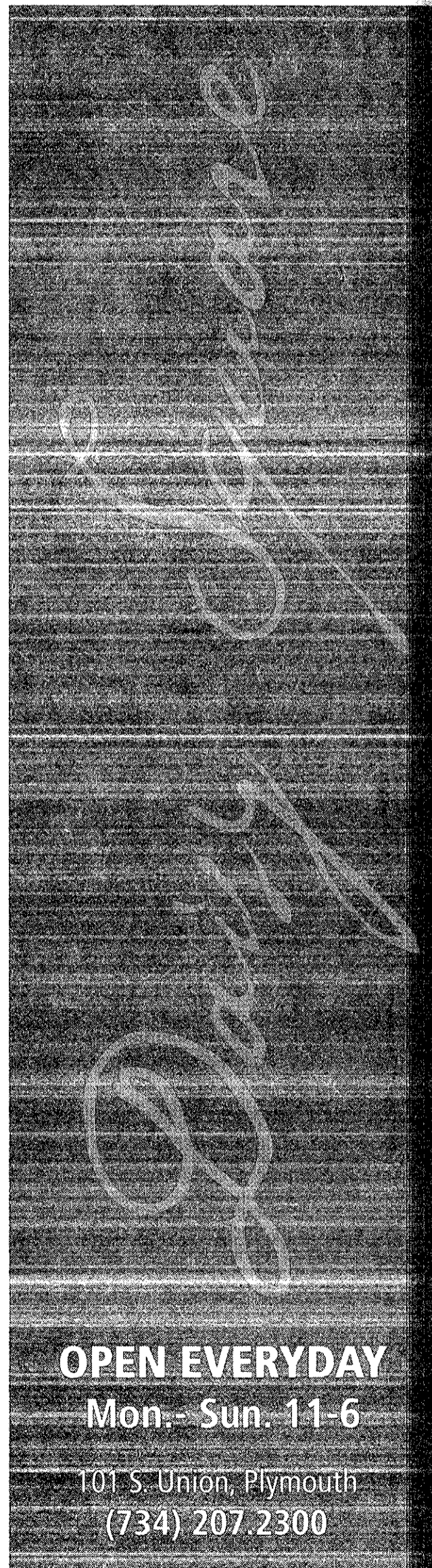
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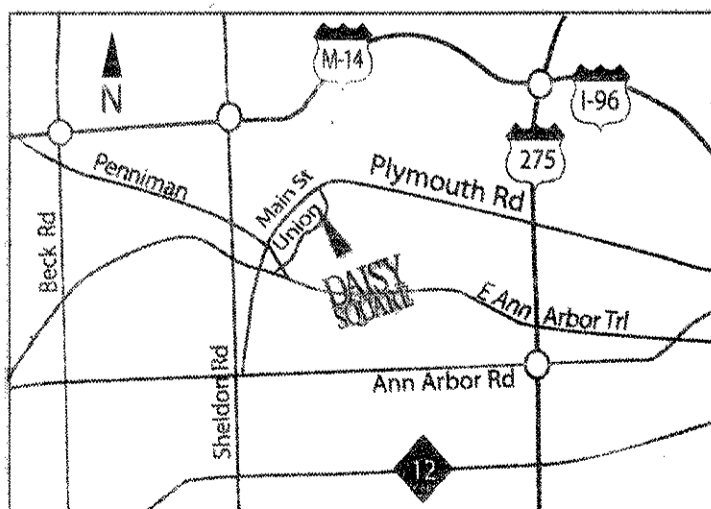
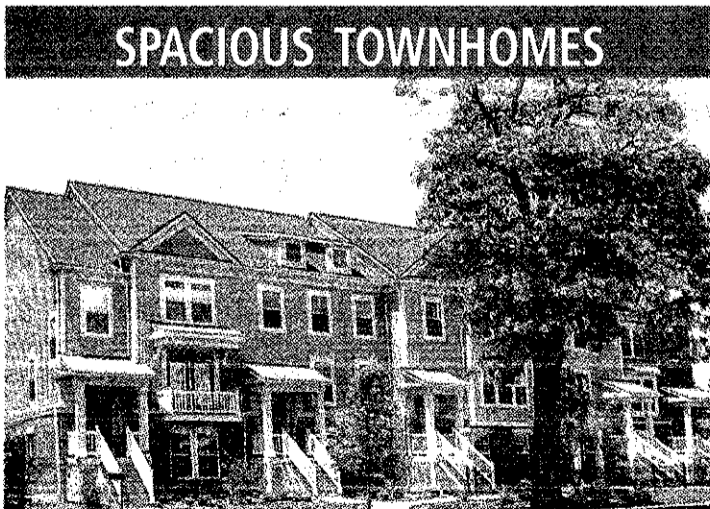
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Saturday, Sept. 2, at St. Robert Bellarmine, 27101 W. Chicago. Cost is \$10. Refreshments included. 8 p.m. to midnight. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Call Diane K. for information at (734) 261-5716.

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SINGLE POINT MINISTRIES

Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church is at 40000 Six Mile Road, the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty, in Northville.

Sunday Fellowship

Meet at 11:30 a.m. every Sunday in Knox Hall for fellowship and encouragement. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation and Christ are always present. For more information, call the SPM office at (248) 374-5920.

Bible Studies-Prayer Nights

■ Learner's Bible Study - 7 p.m. Mondays in Room A101.
■ Praying Together - 7 p.m. Tuesdays in the Sanctuary at Ward Church.
■ Men's Bible Study - 6:30 a.m. Wednesdays in the Single Adult Ministries office.

Tennis Anyone?

The nets are up at Rotary Park on 6 Mile Road between Merriman and Farmington in Livonia and you will find players there weekdays 4-7 p.m. anytime the weather is above 45 degrees. Saturday and Sunday play is 1-5 p.m. Just stop by and mention Single Point Ministries. For more information contact the SPM office at Ward Church at (248) 374-5920.

Young dancers wanted to perform

Local ballet companies are looking for dancers to audition for upcoming performances.

The Livonia Civic Ballet Company holds open auditions for all dancers from beginning to advanced, male and female for the 2006-2007 season Sunday, Aug. 27, at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, Livonia.

The season includes workshops, rehearsals and performances.

Audition fee is \$10. For more information, call (734) 427-9103 or (734) 464-7310.

The Livonia Civic Ballet Company presents The Nutcracker every year in December.

The Plymouth-Canton Ballet Company holds auditions for the 2006 dance season Sunday, Aug. 27, at Joanne's Dance Extension, 42020 Koppernick, Suite 200 Canton. Dancers will be divided by age - noon to 1 p.m. ages 7-9, 1-2 p.m. ages 10-12, and 2-3:30 p.m. ages 13 to adult.

All dancers, especially boys are invited to audition for positions. Selected dancers are expected to continue a course of study at their current dance school. Rehearsals are scheduled to minimize conflicts with fall dance programs.

Dancers will be cast for the 2006 Nutcracker performances Dec. 8-10. Rehearsals are held on Sundays beginning in September.

The dancers will be adjudicated in a Ballet Master Class. The classes will be taught by Dawnell Dryja and Alexey Kulpin. Both teachers are professional dancers with the Grand Rapids Ballet.

Female dancers must wear ballet shoes, a solid color leotard, pink tights and have their hair in a bun. Older dancers should bring pointe shoes. Boys should wear black tights, white T-shirt and ballet shoes. All dancers must bring a picture and a resume. There is a \$5 audition fee per dancer.

The Plymouth-Canton Ballet, a nonprofit organization under the direction of Dawn Greene, was founded in 1989. For more information, contact Greene at (734) 676-7233 or send e-mail to pcbbc@comcast.net.

Finch club to present annual bird show

The Great Lakes Zebra and Society Finch Club presents its Annual Bird Show 9 a.m. to completion Saturday, Aug. 26, at Quality Inn and Suites, 30375 Plymouth Road, Livonia.

Judges for the competition include Patrick Vance of Michigan and Alfred Mion, Canada.

Spectators are welcome to the show hosted by the not-for-profit organization.

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For engagement announcements, include:

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- Wedding location
- Daytime phone number and e-mail address in case we have any questions.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON
AMENDMENTS TO THE
DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND
TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN OF THE
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF
THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Commission of the City of Plymouth, Michigan, will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday**, the 5th day of September, 2006, at 7:00 o'clock, p.m., Eastern Daylight Savings at the City Commission Chamber, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan, to consider the adoption of an ordinance approving amendments to the Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Plymouth pursuant to Act 197 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1975 as amended.

The boundaries of the development area to which the amended Plan applies are as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the north line of Church St. & the east line of Union St; thence south along the east line of Union St. to the north line of Lot 19, Frailick's Addition; thence east along the north line of above said lot 19 to the east line of Lot 19; thence south along the east line of above said lot to the north line of Lot 11, May Subdivision; thence east along the north line of above said lot 11 to the west line of Elizabeth St.; thence south along the west line of Elizabeth St. to the south line of Lot 14, May Subdivision; thence west along the north line of George B. Shafer's Subdivision, a distance of 204.6 ft. to the east line of Lot 240, Assessor's Plat No. 9; thence south along said lot a distance of 165.00 ft. to the north line of Ann Arbor Trail; thence west along the north line of Ann Arbor Trail to the east line of Lot 710, Assessor's Plat No. 20; thence south along the east line of said lot to the north line of Lot 733, Assessor's Plat No. 20; thence west along the north line of said lot to the east line of Lot 734, Assessor's Plat No. 20; thence south along the east line of said lot to the south line of Maple Avenue; thence west along the south line of Maple Avenue to the east line of Deer St.; thence south along the east line of Deer St. to the southwest corner of Lot 763, Plymouth Plat No. 21; thence west along the south line of Lots 759 and 760, Assessor's Plymouth Plat No. 21, a distance of 130.94 ft.; thence north along the west line of said Lot 759 a distance of 132.65 ft. to the south line of Wing St.; thence west along the south line of Wing St. to the west line of Lot 131, Nash's Plymouth Subdivision; thence north along the west line of said lot to the south line of Maple Avenue; thence west to the west line of Lot 285a2b1, Plymouth Plat No. 12; thence north along the west line of said lot a distance of approximately 148 ft. to the south line of Lot 285a1, Plymouth Plat No. 12; thence west along the south line of said lot a distance of approximately 105 ft. to the west line of Lot 285a1, Plymouth Plat No. 12; thence north along the west line of said lot a distance of approximately 82 ft. to the north line of Lot 285a1, Plymouth Plat No. 12; thence east along the north line of said lot to the southwest corner of lot 288, Plymouth Plat No. 12; thence north along the west line of Lot 288 to the north line of Ann Arbor Trail; thence east along the north line of Ann Arbor Trail to the southeast corner of lot 347, Plymouth Plat No. 13; thence northerly along the west line of S. Harvey St. to the south line of Church St.; thence east along the south line of Church St. to the west line of Lot 191, Plymouth Plat No. 8; thence southeast along the west line of said lot; thence east along the south line of said lot; thence northeast along the east line of said lot to the north line of Church St.; thence southeasterly along the north line of Church St. to the point of beginning at Church and Union Streets.

Copies of the proposed Restated Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan, maps, plats, etc. are on file at the office of the City Clerk for inspection.

At the public hearing, all interested persons desiring to address the City Commission shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the approval of the Restated Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan for the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Plymouth.

FURTHER INFORMATION may be obtained from the City Manager

This notice is given by order of the City Commission of the City of Plymouth, Michigan.

This is a public meeting and any interested person is invited to attend. City Hall is in compliance with the American Disabilities Act and is handicapped accessible.

Linda Langmesser
Clerk, City of Plymouth

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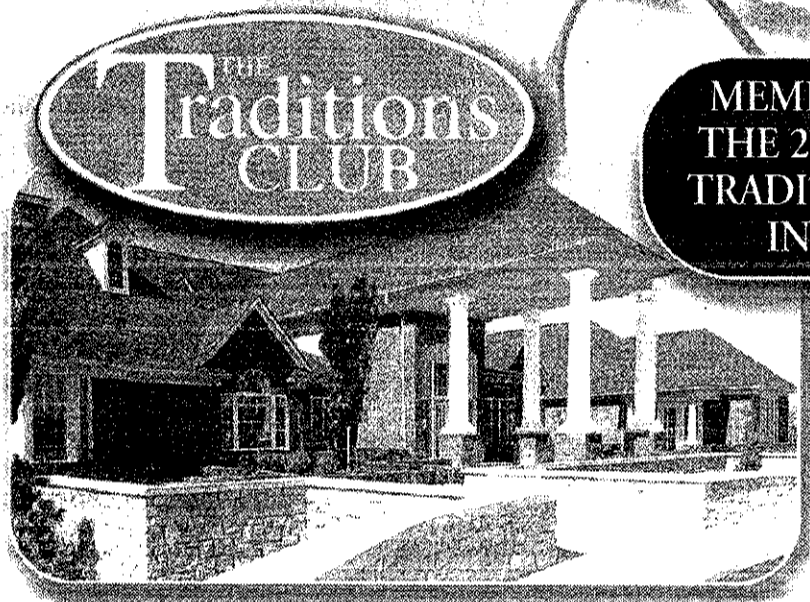
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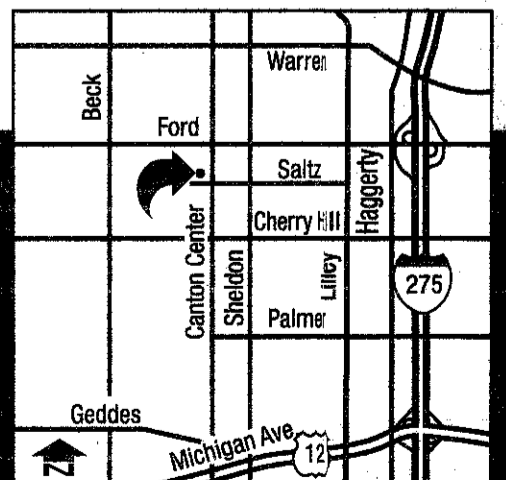
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Interviewing for a job calls for preparation, confidence

BY JULIE BROWN
 STAFF WRITER

When Chris Brant is conducting workshops for job-seekers, she holds up a mockup of a check for \$1,000 and asks why she should hand over the check.

"I want the best person who can do this job for me," said Brant, director of career services for Madonna University in Livonia. "You really need to show them how you are a good match for them."

Sometimes, job applicants focus too much on their own needs and wants, such as car payments, rather than what they can do for a prospective employer. "The bottom line in a job interview is why they should hire you," said Bob Thomas, director of career services at Oakland University in Rochester Hills.

Brant and Thomas encourage applicants to do research on prospective employers. "It shows that you're interested in the employer," she said.

A job applicant needs an idea of what the company is about, she added, and what he or she has done that applies to job needs. "Most companies do have a Web site that you can go to," Brant said, adding that



motivated applicants applying to a job at a public place often go to visit in advance of an interview to see how they'd fit in.

"There's no excuse not to know something about the company," Brant said. She works with Madonna students and graduates who aren't getting interviews on their resumes; if they're getting

interviews but not offers, the focus is on interviewing.

"The No. 1 suggestion for interviewers is to prepare," said Thomas. "Preparation about the employer is very important. You need to be familiar with the basic information about the company."

You should also be able to state concisely your experience, he said, using it to answer

behavioral questions such as what was your most successful situation selling an idea to someone in your field.

Madonna University does mock interviews which are videotaped and reviewed. "We always have a demand for that," said Brant, who checks the taped interviews to see if the applicant is overly nervous or not engaging with the inter-

viewer.

She encourages people looking for work to use college/university placement offices; Madonna's workshops are open to nonstudents for a small fee.

The state agency MichiganWorks is another source of help, and Brant notes that Madonna's Web site has links to a number of other sites at which applicants can post resumes online.

Brant encourages applicants to make a "dry run" before the interview to check out location and parking. Don't show up too early, she recommends, as you'll make the interviewer feel pressured, but do be a little early.

"They want to look like they can do the job they're applying for," Brant said, noting not all jobs require business attire. Again, a visit ahead of time can help you decide what to wear on interview day.

"It's always better to be overdressed rather than underdressed," said Thomas. OU also does workshops for students and alumni, including mock interviews generally done with human resources recruiters. Also, clinics are done in which six-eight people pair up for interviews which are critiqued. "It's very competitive," Brant

said of the local job market.

"Employers can ask for exactly what they want." She finds being informed and confident is helpful to job-seekers.

"The job market in Michigan is still sluggish," agreed Thomas. "Some areas are better than others." Health care is strong, he finds, as is accounting and finance. Marketing and management jobs vary according to the industry, Thomas said.

These days, most employers want resumes sent via e-mail or directly on the company Web site. A hard copy will still be needed for the interview, she said.

Applicants may need to expand their job search geographically, Brant said, or possibly into related fields. Talking to people working in the field you want to enter is helpful.

"I think you have to be realistic" about where you'll start, Brant said.

Thomas finds some college graduates face challenges in making the transition to full-time work, although most now have work experience from school days which often means they take longer to graduate. "It makes the transition a little easier," he said of student work experience.



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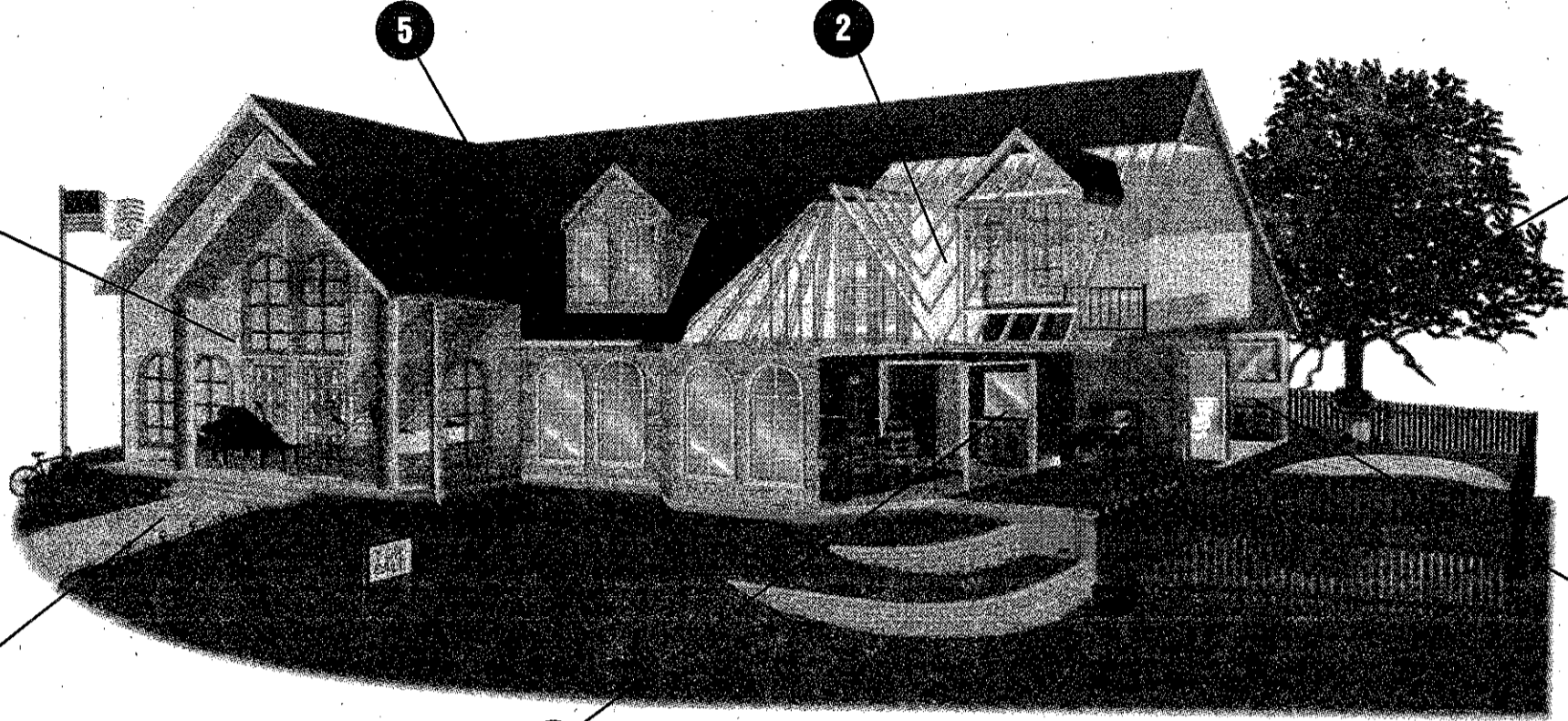
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Realtors join forces to showcase loft living

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Unusual times sometimes call for unusual actions.

A soft real estate market, for instance, may have prompted a handful of local real estate professionals to drop their competitive gloves and — at least for one day — join forces to market some unique residential properties in Royal Oak.

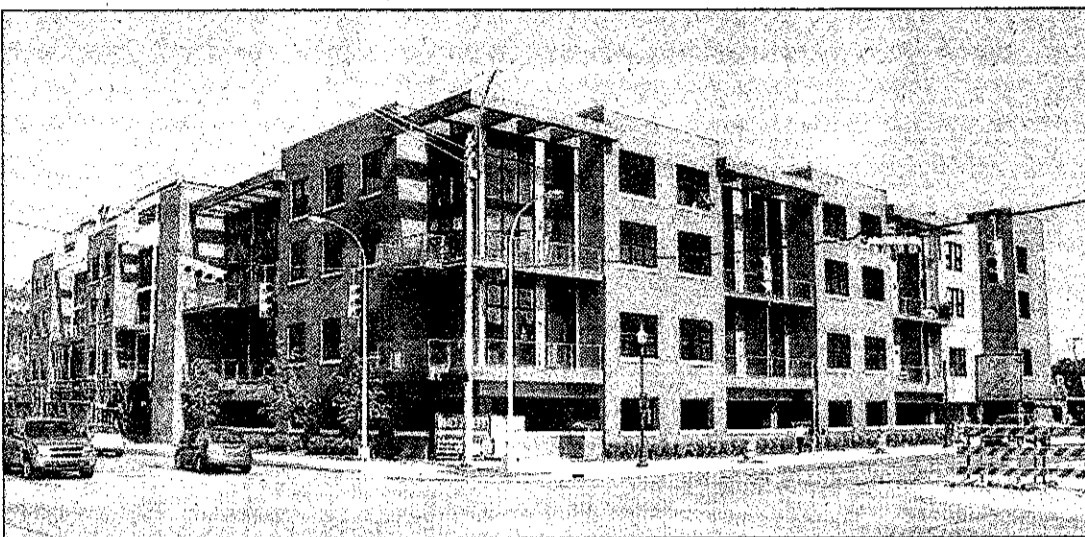
On Wednesday, Aug. 23, Realtors from five Oakland County firms will showcase seven unique, two-story condominium lofts located in five different Royal Oak developments.

Ruth Clevers of Weir Manuel Realtors in Birmingham said she helped organize the event to showcase a unique living opportunity in southeast Michigan, and it made more sense to work with other Realtors marketing similar properties to widen the potential buyer base.

"I organized this tour so anyone interested in upscale loft living could easily inspect several projects in one evening," Clevers said. "Each property is one of a kind, and an open house tour makes it easy for people to investigate living options, then stroll to downtown Royal Oak for dinner at one of the delightful outdoor cafes."

"Today's condo buyers want to be able to walk out their front door and be in a lively downtown shopping and dining district, and downtown Royal Oak is certainly not the quiet business district it used to be."

A quarter century ago, Clevers said, downtown Royal Oak had a five-and-dime store, two movie theaters and small retailers catering to area



A unique, two-story loft home inside the Main Street Lofts development is one of seven properties being showcased Wednesday in a special Royal Oak open house.

Each of the showcase units will be open for viewing from 4-7 p.m. Wednesday. Clevers said guests will be treated to food and beverages and entered into a drawing for door prizes.

residents who "came to town" on Saturdays to shop. The nature of retailing changed over the years and the central business district reinvented itself several times to capture new markets and new shoppers.

Two years ago, the pulse of the downtown changed again when the first high-rise loft-style condominium project was built on the site of a former bank building at 5th and Main Street. Clevers said the development, SKYLOFTS, was an instant success, selling out before construction was complete.

Since then, a number of other projects have come on board, and are in various

stages of completion. And unlike downtown Birmingham, where strict height restrictions are enforced for the downtown business district, the sky is the limit in Royal Oak.

"Royal Oak today is the loft condominium destination of choice in metro Detroit, with a dozen unique projects offering in town living in a wide style and price ranges from \$200,000 to \$1 million," Clevers said.

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A map showing the location of the loft homes can be picked up at any of the tour stops:

- Main Street Lofts, 111 N. Main
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Remember, that the more your home is exposed the more opportunity there is to find the buyer that will pay you what you want.

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Buyers get a tremendous amount of services from Realtors for free most of the time. This includes finding homes to look at, setting up appointments, finding out the market value, writing the purchase agreement, and bringing the transaction to a close.

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The real estate market in Michigan is pretty slow. That makes it even more critical to have access to all the resources that Realtors can provide to get your house sold for the most money.

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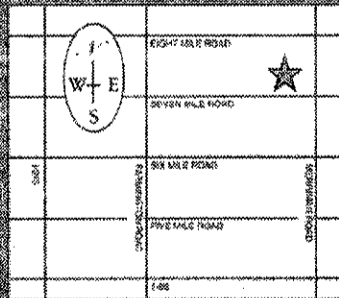
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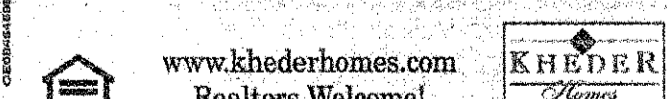
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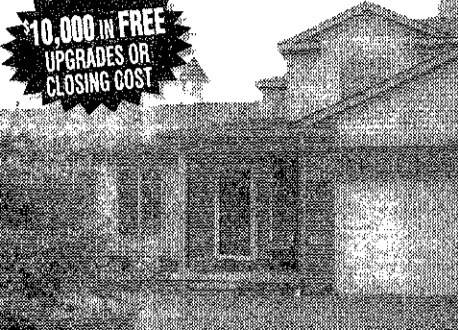
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Canton	
1624 Aberdeen St	\$230,000
1390 Aziz Dr	\$285,000
45553 Baldwin Ct	\$380,000
140 Cherry Stone Dr	\$264,000
252 Cherry Stone Dr	\$169,000
50523 Colchester Ct	\$308,000
1557 Copeland Cir	\$200,000
3957 Cornerstone Dr	\$46,000
4161 Cornerstone Dr	\$46,000
40675 Deer Creek Ct	\$365,000
3455 Empire State Dr	\$304,000
41808 Glade Rd	\$248,000
45377 Horseshoe Cir	\$172,000
48229 Inveraray Rd	\$465,000
1909 Jan Cir	\$141,000
50249 Jefferson St	\$80,000
47291 Labana Dr	\$390,000
43572 Lancelot Dr	\$268,000
42511 Lilley Pointe Dr	\$128,000
42779 Lilley Pointe Dr	\$113,000
49332 Lincolnshire Ct	\$495,000
1865 Maple Park Dr	\$246,000
41211 N Maplewood Dr	\$212,000
367 Patriot St	\$165,000
1843 Pinecroft Dr	\$206,000
2098 Preserve Cir E	\$204,000
47449 Raminder Ct	\$171,000

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47944 Royal Pointe Dr	\$378,000
41935 Saratoga Cir	\$180,000
4240 Sherwood Cir	\$103,000
482 Torrington Dr W	\$465,000
39891 Wales St	\$200,000
48667 Westbridge Dr	\$58,000
6040 Willow Creek Dr	\$258,000
Farmington	
34920 Bunker Hill Dr	\$250,000
30030 Kingsway Dr	\$375,000
35112 Meadow Ln	\$212,000
29329 Regents Pointe	\$195,000
22100 River Ridge Trl	\$258,000
29117 Shenandoah Dr	\$310,000
33246 Slocum St	\$269,000
23923 Susan Dr	\$281,000
37860 Wendy Lee St	\$179,000
25242 Witherspoon St	\$320,000
Farmington Hills	
27820 Berrywood Ln	\$115,000
27815 Kendallwood Dr	\$227,000
28056 Kendallwood Dr	\$240,000
27923 Quail Hollow Rd	\$243,000
28735 Salem Rd	\$357,000
Garden City	
32216 Balmoral St	\$127,000
32370 Brown St	\$236,000
2015 Cardwell St	\$110,000
1000 Deering St	\$132,000
5641 Deering St	\$128,000
32262 Elmwood St	\$209,000
30751 Florence St	\$122,000
33140 Florence St	\$93,000
33140 Florence St	\$135,000

250 Gilman St	\$140,000
1642 Gilman St	\$83,000
6417 Hawthorne St	\$180,000
6940 Helen St	\$136,000
31255 Hennepin St	\$240,000
6161 Inkster Rd	\$144,000
28428 Leona St	\$161,000
33604 Leona St	\$152,000
28945 Rush St	\$92,000
6507 Sharon St	\$148,000
28937 Warren Rd	\$400,000
Livonia	
34745 Eight Mile Rd	\$500,000
15845 Alexander St	\$184,000
36766 Angeline Cir	\$169,000
19353 Antago St	\$245,000
29145 Barkley St	\$205,000
29622 Barkley St	\$167,000
32550 Barkley St	\$248,000
11300 Blackburn St	\$209,000
28528 Cleveland St	\$159,000
15660 Doris St	\$169,000
36307 Fairway Dr	\$115,000
34447 Fargo St	\$100,000
18321 Glangarry Dr	\$355,000
30732 Grandon St	\$176,000
15455 Green Lane Ave	\$145,000
19485 Hardy St	\$166,000
9056 Hartel St	\$120,000
29108 Lyndon St	\$182,000
35695 Lyndon St	\$290,000
19019 Melvin St	\$142,000
31076 Munger St	\$175,000
33186 Myrna Ct	\$265,000
37828 N Laurel Park Dr	\$192,000

29536 Nottingham Ct	\$174,000
35847 Orangelanv St	\$183,000
35981 Perth St	\$194,000
36732 Pinetree St	\$172,000
35227 Richland St	\$185,000
20163 Riverside Dr	\$358,000
9912 Roseland St	\$114,000
38388 Ross St	\$208,000
16456 Surrey St	\$183,000
14642 Susanna St	\$186,000
31818 W Chicago St	\$220,000
15353 Williams St	\$218,000
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23121 Argyle St	\$581,000
24331 Fairway Hills Dr	\$215,000
40767 Lenox Park Dr	\$283,000
40781 Lenox Park Dr	\$315,000
40791 Lenox Park Dr	\$297,000
40550 Rock Hill St	\$210,000
43168 Sandstone Dr	\$300,000
44854 Stockton Dr	\$143,000
28800 Summit Dr	\$268,000
24287 Thatcher Ct	\$455,000
Plymouth	
1093 Ann Arbor Rd W	\$160,000
11696 Brownell Ave	\$257,000
600 Byron St	\$230,000
40785 Crabtree Ln	\$263,000
40579 Firwood Dr	\$197,000
750 Pacific St	\$210,000
11766 Parkview Dr	\$211,000
151 Pinewood Cir	\$124,000
50948 Richafd Dr	\$421,000
14968 Robinwood Dr	\$220,000
101 S Union St	\$312,000

774 Starkweather St	\$275,000
11043 Terry St	\$200,000
11106 Tremont Ln	\$331,000
801 W Ann Arbor Trl	\$697,000
9344 Westbury Ave	\$215,000
Redford	
8945 Arnold	\$114,000
9201 Berwyn	\$208,000
11421 Brady	\$183,000
18675 Brady	\$186,000
18258 Centralia	\$220,000
18492 Dalby	\$218,000
19310 Delaware Ave	\$172,000
9328 Dixie	\$120,000
13571 Farley	\$215,000
17405 Five Points St	\$283,000
14874 Fox	\$315,000
9630 Garfield	\$297,000
26250 Hope	\$210,000
19909 Indian	\$300,000
20491 Indian	\$143,000
15876 Kinloch	\$268,000
18411 Lennane	\$455,000
15898 Lexington	\$113,000
16688 Lola Dr	\$160,000
9598 Mercedes	\$257,000
12840 Royal Grand	\$230,000
8856 Salem	\$263,000
9120 Salem	\$197,000
9168 Salem	\$210,000
8953 Seminole	\$211,000
9119 Seminole	\$124,000
19786 Seminole	\$421,000
19781 Sumner	\$220,000
27176 W Six Mile Rd	\$312,000

14810 Woodworth	\$212,000
15153 Woodworth	\$240,000
Westland	
35743 Avondale St	\$131,000
7515 Bison St	\$145,000
35740 Booth St	\$103,000
35731 Castlewood Ct	\$124,000
30775 Cherry Hill Rd	\$125,000
6912 Chirrewa St	\$162,000
37743 Colonial Dr	\$122,000
2316 Deerfield Ct	\$51,000
38496 Emerald Ln N	\$215,000
8629 Hugh St	\$95,000
8680 Hugh St	\$157,000
35719 Hunter Ave	\$122,000
4911 Julius Blvd	\$124,000
33057 Mackenzie Dr	\$175,000
34285 Marquette St	\$115,000
28775 Marshall Dr	\$246,000
6190 N Newburgh Rd	\$182,000
400 Pattingill St	\$175,000
8529 Perrin Ave	\$162,000
238 S Christine	\$128,000
1553 S Hambleton St	\$183,000
1512 S Karle St	\$120,000
1684 Shoemaker Dr	\$109,000
30921 Somerset St	\$129,000
30510 Steinhauer St	\$146,000
2260 Stockmeyer Blvd	\$188,000
37155 Vista Dr	\$337,000
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1834 Wilshire St	\$181,000
33285 Winchester St	\$175,000

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Career Seminar

Keller Williams Realty will be hosting a Career Seminar 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13, at the Livonia office, 36642 Five Mile. Find out about costs, compensation, training, and prelicense requirements. RSVP: (734) 266-9000.

Builders Institute

The Oakland Builders Institute will offer:
 ■ A 16-hour seminar to help students pass the Michigan state builder's license examination, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday/Sunday, Aug. 26-27, at the Best Western ConCorde Inn of Rochester Hills, 1919 Star-Batt Drive. The course is for those who want to subcontract construction of their own homes, real estate investors and building tradespeople. Cost is \$205, including manual, sample questions and test application. A \$25 deposit is needed by Aug. 24 to Oakland Builders Institute, 1277 Dutton Road, Rochester Hills 48306. Call (800) 940-2014 or (248) 651-2771 to register during business hours, or register online at www.buildersinstitute.com.
 ■ In cooperation with Henry Ford Community College an eight-hour seminar, Basement Remodeling, 6-10 p.m. Monday/Wednesday, Aug. 28 and 30, at the Dearborn Heights campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail. The seminar is designed to help people make better use of basement space. The instructor will explain space planning, meeting building codes, insurances, permits, estimating materials and the basics of construction. He will also discuss structural aspects of adding a home theater as well as working with subcontractors and finishing techniques. Cost is \$95 for residents plus \$10 for textbook and materials, or \$104 for non-residents plus \$10 for textbook and materials. Pre-registration with payment by Aug. 24 to Henry Ford Community College, (313) 317-1500.
 ■ A 16-hour seminar, How To Build Your Own Home, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 9 and 16, at the Hilton Suites Hotel, 2300 Featherstone Road, Auburn Hills. Designed for those who want to contract their own home construction as well as those who want to work with a builder, the course details each stage of construction as well as rights and responsibilities. It covers home financing, the building process, builder's terms and contracts as well as building codes, insurance requirements and more. Cost is \$220 including textbook and a book covering home building information pertinent to southeast Michigan. Pre-registration with payment by Sept. 7 to Oakland Builders Institute, (800) 940-2014.
 ■ A 16-hour seminar to help you pass the Michigan state builder's examination offered in cooperation with Henry Ford Community College, 6-10 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday, Sept. 12, 14, 19 and 21, at Henry Ford

Community College, Dearborn Heights campus, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail. The course is for those who want to subcontract the construction of their own homes, real estate investors and developers and building tradespeople. Cost is \$189 for residents plus \$20 for textbook and sample questions, \$208 plus \$20 for textbook/sample questions for nonresidents. Pre-registration with payment by Sept. 8 to Henry Ford Community College, (313) 317-1500.

Building Industry Association

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan is offering:
 ■ Women's Council's "The Secrets of Succeeding in Business as a Female" 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 6, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Mary Ellen Sheets, CEO and founder of Two Men and a Truck, will be the speaker at the seminar, open to all BIA members and guests, including men. Fee, including lunch, is \$15 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and guests, with a portion to benefit the American Cancer Society. To register, call (248) 862-1017.
 ■ Two-day "Green Building" seminar 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Sept. 7-8, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. The seminar is part of the Certified Graduate Builder series. Chuck Breidenstein of Builder Professional Services Group Inc. will discuss strategies for incorporating environmentally friendly principles into homes. Fee is \$325 for Remodelers Council members, \$350 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$400 for nonmembers and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.
 ■ A series of builder's license preparation courses 6-9 p.m. Thursdays, Sept. 7, 14, 21 and 28, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. A daylong session will also be held 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Oct. 20, at BIA headquarters. Presented by NCI Associates, the course is designed to prepare students for the Michigan Residential Builder's License Examination. Fee is \$200 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, nonmembers and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.
 ■ Remodelers Council will sponsor a "Sales & Marketing for Remodelers" seminar 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Sept. 11, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills. Participants will learn how to analyze a market for promoting building products, primary sources of marketing information and how to interpret data. Fee is \$140 for Remodelers Council members, \$160 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.



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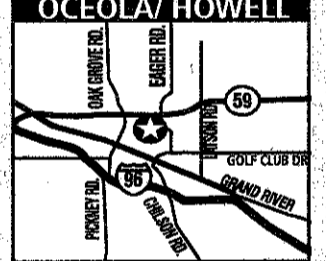
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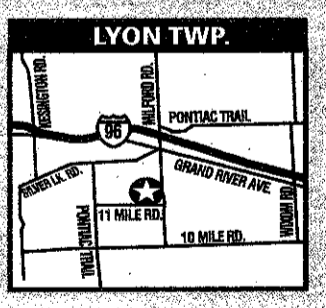
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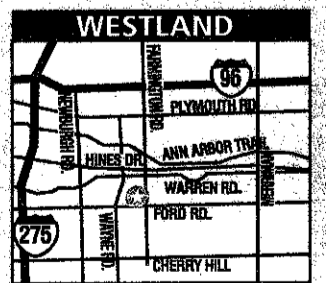
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- 4 Beth Daniel's org.
- 8 Smile broadly
- 12 Lisbon's loc.
- 13 Goddess's statue
- 14 Minute amount
- 15 Apply a Jimmy
- 16 Windshield cleaners
- 18 Fortune-telling card
- 20 Degree holder
- 21 Where Eng. is
- 22 Permit
- 23 Cartoon shrieks
- 27 Geol. formation
- 29 Whale school
- 30 Newswoman
- 31 Argon, in the lab
- 32 Blvd.
- 33 Diamond —
- 34 Border st.
- 35 Ivory source
- 37 Amazon millie
- 38 Lemon cooler
- 39 Garr or Hatcher

DOWN

- 40 Clown's getup
- 41 Twosome, briefly
- 42 Bearing
- 44 Pace
- 47 Rest
- 51 Come
- 52 To the rescue
- 53 Lecturer's spot
- 54 Ruby of Sandra
- 55 Pout
- 56 Masseuse employers
- 57 Billboards
- 1 Shed tears
- 2 Mystique
- 3 Rehearsal (2 wds.)
- 4 Memory jogger
- 5 A Bach
- 6 Used a chisel
- 7 On the lookout
- 8 Go what? (2 wds.)
- 9 Help-wanted abbr.
- 10 Tucked away

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Fun By The Numbers
Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

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| DIAMOND | RUBY | TOURMALINE |

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

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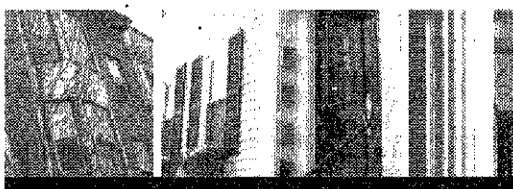
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2006 Hyundai Azera Limited is all about the luxury

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A luxury Hyundai? Seems like an oxymoron, doesn't it? Until now, Hyundai has been known not so much for the models it's built as for the warranty program it offers—five year bumper-to-bumper and 10 year powertrain coverage. That could change with the all-new Azera. With this model, Hyundai is attempting to break into the premium sedan market, taking on competitors that include the Toyota Avalon and entry level models from Lexus and Infiniti. And, surprisingly, at least to me, Hyundai seems to be on the right track with Azera.

We'll start with the way it's styled. The first thing I think of when I look at the Azera straight on is that it reminds me of a Saab, only a bit wider up front. The Azera has the same type of narrow wrap-around headlamps, but the resemblance stops there. The lines are smooth and well-designed (not that the Saab's aren't, by the way). The rear of the car is very nice; the taillamps form a bridge over the license plate frame with the Azera name spelled out. The Limited is the top-of-the-line (the base model is the SE) and comes with chrome insert trim bumpers, fog lights, heated outside mirrors, 17-inch, 10-spoke aluminum wheels and a full-size spare tire. A sunroof is available as an option.

Hyundai has done a nice job with the interior. The car has plenty of room, front and back, and the trim is nice to look at, with wood and chrome accents. The instrument panel is well laid out, although the driver information center's orange display is hard to read while wearing sunglasses (or maybe it's just my sunglasses). The steering wheel is wrapped in leather and features woodgrain trim. It also houses both audio controls and cruise control.

The standard leather seats (not available on the SE) are comfortable and provide good support. They are, as you would expect, power adjustable—eight ways for the driver and four ways for the front seat passenger and can be heated. The rear seating area has separate climate ducts but no separate control; everything is controlled up front, unlike most other premium sedans that have their own rear climate controls. The rear seats are 60/40 fold down seats, and the rear seating area features map pockets on the back of the front seats. The



2006 Hyundai Azera Limited Vehicle class: Large car. Power: 6-cylinder engine. Mileage: 19 city / 28 highway. Where built: Asan, Korea. Base price: \$26,835. Price as tested: \$29,335

center console opens for storage and contains two cupholders and a 12-volt power plug inside. There is a flip-down storage area under the audio system for things like cell phones.

The Azera Limited comes with automatic climate control, the above-mentioned cruise control, rear window defogger, integrated garage door opener, remote keyless entry, electric rear sunshade, compass, power windows, and tilt steering column. Power foot pedals, rain-sensing wipers and an integrated memory system are available as part of an option package.

The standard audio system is an AM/FM/CD system. You can upgrade to a system by Infinity that gives you 10 speakers, a sub-woofer and a six-disc CD changer, but RDS is not included. RDS is the system that allows FM stations to send text to your radio—song and artist information—and allows you to search for a station based on its format. The system sounds pretty good, but, unfortunately, has no direct way for you to connect an iPod or similar mp3 player and no satellite radio option, either.

Overall, the Azera Limited gives you a nice driving experience. The powertrain is very good. The standard engine is a DOHC 3.8-liter V6, rated at 263 horsepower and 255 lb.-ft. of torque. It's mated with a very smooth five-speed automatic transmission, which you can shift yourself, if you like. You get off the line fairly quickly and have enough power for passing and merging, and it's a fairly quiet powerplant. It's EPA rated at 19/28 mpg and it does use regular fuel.

The ride is a little disappointing, though. While not uncomfortable by any means, it's not as smooth as one might like in a premium sedan. The suspension is a

double-wishbone system with gas shocks and stabilizer bar, independent both front and rear. The bumps aren't smoothed out enough for me, but it handles freeway speeds very well.

Handling, on the other hand, is very good. The Azera comes with power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering and it's very precise. It handles tough cornering easily and is a breeze to park. The Azera comes with Electronic Stability Control and Traction Control.

The Azera Limited comes with power-assisted, four-wheel ABS brakes and they perform very well. You also get eight airbags, including dual front airbags, front and rear seat-mounted side-impact airbags, and roof-mounted side-curtain airbags, both front and rear. Active front head restraints are standard, as are individual head restraints for rear passengers.

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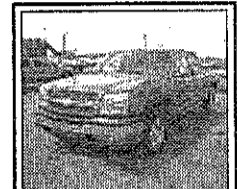
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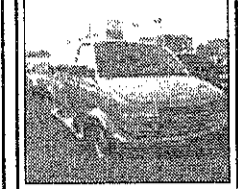
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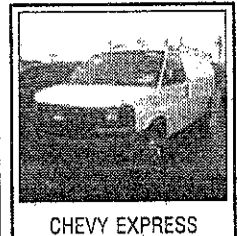
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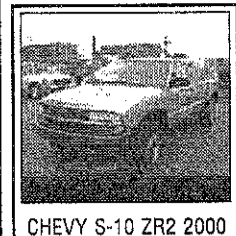
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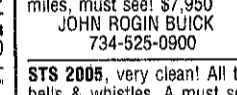
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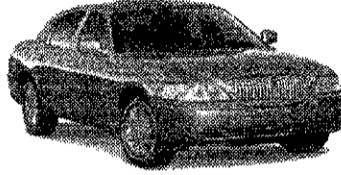


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