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America's music

Local man fights to keep the love of jazz alive

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS STAFF WRITER

Edwin Bugai remembers a time when Sarah Vaughan, Duke Ellington and Coleman Hawkins ruled the airways instead of Beyoncé, Justin Timberlake and Mary J. Blige.

"The era of jazz is dying but we can't let it," he said. "This is our music. This is America's music."

Bugai of Canton has formed the Michigan Jazz Society in efforts to preserve the rhythmic music within the state.

The society, slated to have its first meeting in January or February, will have monthly gatherings for members to share music, stories and attend concerts. "Jazz has always been my love," Bugai said. "And I

just want to get together with people who have the same interests. Easily rolling the names of dozens of jazz musicians off his tongue, Bugai grew up on Detroit's west side

and began playing the saxophone as a teenager. After creating the band, Buddy Bruce, he played gigs all over Detroit before becoming a record distributor for an independent music label. "There's so much history in Detroit," he said, hold-

ing a \$2 ticket from one of his 1946 performances. "I enjoy looking back at where we've been and so do other people."

More than 50 people have expressed an interest in joining the group.

"I wasn't expecting this many (so early) but I'm not that surprised because people love this music," he said.
"Detroit is a hub of musical talent and a lot of people (from jazz's heyday) are still here.'

With a poster of Frank Sinatra in his living room and a painting by Tony Bennett hanging in his kitchen, Bugai has stacks of jazz books in his home and refers to himself as a "student of jazz history." "Lawyers have their books on the law and I have

mine on jazz," he chuckled. Bugai said he wants the society, which is open to all

ages, to embrace young adults. 'Nobody hears about the great music of today," he said. "So I want to go to intimate concert settings and

work with youngsters." For more information on the society, contact Bugai

at (734) 394-0148 or ebugai@comcast.net.

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An eye-opening field trip

grassland and lake habitats.

Students Mayada Mallad (left) and Talah Abd-ur-Rahman of Canton's Crescent

EarthWorks in Taylor. The students visited the hands-on learning facility after

preparing through six weeks of lessons in their classroom. At EarthWorks, the

students explored four different ecosystem habitats. They took on the roles of

environments and coming up with solutions to save the ecosystem in cave, forest,

scientists to learn about the challenges inherent in creating sustainable

Academy participate in a science experiment during a recent all-day field trip to

Man arrested after infant son suffers nine broken bones

BY KURT KUBAN STAFF WRITER

Canton police officers arrested a 27-year-old Canton man Thursday in what they say is just the latest incident in rash of cases of adults physically injuring infants in the township.

According to Canton Detective Sgt. Rick Pomorski, police arrested the man, who lives in a mobile home in the 51000 block of Mott Road, after suspecting him of abusing his 5-week-old son. Pomorski said the department received a tip from an anonymous female caller who told detectives she heard a rumor that the man was abusing the child.

"She heard from a friend that this guy might be abusing the baby," Pomorski said.

After receiving the call, two Canton officers were dispatched to the home. Pomorski said the officers arrested the man on some minor outstanding warrants. When they checked the baby, they noticed minor injuries, according to Pomorski. As a matter of procedure, they called for a rescue unit to transport the newborn to the University of Michigan's Mott Children's Hospital, where he was examined by doctors.

"A doctor called us from the hospital and told us he had suffered nine individual broken bones," Pomorski said. "He has a broken tibia, a fibula, and several toes." As of Friday, the baby was still

at the hospital and additional testing was being done to determine if there were any other

Pomorski said the case has been turned over to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office. He was hoping the suspect would be arraigned on Saturday at the outcounty courthouse in Romulus.

As of Friday, police hadn't released the man's name, pending his arraignment. Pomorski said the man could be facing

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Foster mom, day care worker face hearings

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

The two women charged in the death of Canton toddler Allison Newman will be in 35th District Court on Monday, facing preliminary examinations to determine whether they should be bound over for trial.

Carol Poole, Allison Newman's foster mother, is scheduled to appear before Judge John

MacDonald

charged with

felony murder,

first-degree child

abuse and invol-







Hadwin

manslaughter in the case of Allison, who died in September.

untary

If convicted, Poole faces life in prison. Meanwhile. Jacqueline Hadwin of Westland, 36, director of

Childtime Learning Center, in Plymouth

Township, is scheduled to go before Judge Ron Lowe charged with failing to report signs of abuse on the toddler. She faces 93 days in jail or a fine of not more than \$500, or both, if convicted of misdemeanor failure to report suspected child abuse.

According to police, Poole called 9-1-1 at 2:11 a.m. Sept. 22, stating Allison had hit her head earlier in the day, and was unresponsive and not breathing. She was rushed to Annapolis Hospital in Wayne, then was flown to University of Michigan Mott Children's Hospital, where she died later that day. The Wayne County Medical Examiner's office said the cause of death was head trauma.

Allison had been in Poole's care since January. Poole, 40, was working with Lutheran Family Services in fostering the girl, and prosecutors said Poole and her husband were hoping to adopt Allison, as well as a 3-month-old baby boy for whom they had cared since June. The day Allison was rushed to the hospital, Lutheran Family Services removed the baby boy from the Poole home, pending completion of the investigation into Allison's death.

Charges were brought against Hadwin after the state investigated claims by a former teacher at Childtime that she reported signs of abuse on Allison to Hadwin, but nothing was ever done.

Officials for Childtime said they conducted an internal investigation and found no basis for the claim. The state closed the child care center in October.

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Ed Bugai of Canton holds his saxophone.

township menorah

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS

A seven-foot menorah was taken from the

after the township's annual tree lighting/holiday

"It's always shocking when this type of thing

happens during the holidays," Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack said. "You get disappointed

a seven-branched candelabrum that's closely

ship's steel menorah, Yack believes more than

a few years ago at the request of a resident.

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road cone in its place. Other seasonal items,

including lighted snowmen and reindeer, are

still in place in front of the recreation center.

one person is responsible for the theft.

One of the oldest Jewish symbols, a menorah is

Because of the height and weight of the town-

The township bought the item, valued at \$750,

"I think it's a shame someone has done this,

especially during this season," township resident

Nicole Styles said. "Canton provides a lot of serv-

After taking the menorah, the thieves put a

front lawn of Summit on the Park just hours

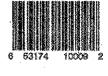
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Coming Thursday

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Township Board

The Canton Township Board of Trustees will have a regular meeting at 7 p.m. Dec. 12 at the Canton Administrative Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Agenda items include a proposal to increase the salaries of elected officials by 3 percent for 2007; remodeling costs for Fellows Creek Golf Club; emergency purchase of a new steam room generator for Summit on the Park; and budget amendments for the police, fire, and golf funds.

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For more information, visit the township's Web site at www.cantonmi.org.

Van Buren board

Van Buren Schools Board of Education will meet at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11 at the Belleville High School Food Service Center (555 W. Columbia Avenue in Belleville). Agenda items include a Belleville High School graduation requirements recommendation; an Education Foundation update; and Chamber of Commerce presentation.

Rotary Santa event

The Canton Rotary Club will host Pizza with Santa 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Dec. 16 at the Roman Forum Restaurant on Ford Road, just west of I-275. Santa will be arriving by helicopter. There will be all you can eat pizza, salad, and beverage. The cost of the event is \$8 for adults, \$6 for children (children 3 and younger are free). All children will receive a photo with Santa, and there will also be a craft table to make crafts.

Tri-City musical

The children of Tri-City Christian Center will present the musical drama "The Perfect Neighborhood" at 7 p.m. Dec. 22 at Tri-City Christian Center, 3855 Sheldon Road in



Distinguished students

All Saints Catholic School in Canton had 25 new students inducted into the National Junior Honor Society during a ceremony held at the school on Nov. 28. Each student met high standards of scholarship, service, leadership, citizenship, and character. The National Junior Honor Society ranks as one of the oldest and most prestigious national organizations for middle level students. Chapters exist in more than 60 percent of the nation's middle schools and millions of students have been selected for membership.

Canton. The children will perform carols, and take a musical journey through what appears to be a perfect neighborhood in this topsy-turvy modern production that explores the real meaning of Christmas.

Admission is free. For more information, contact Sandy Bazner at (734) 397-1777.

'Jesus in Islam'

The Muslim Community of Western Suburbs (MCWS) is hosting a lecture titled "Jesus in Islam" at 7 p.m. on Dec. 14 at the Canton Public Library (1200 S. Canton Center Road). The speaker, Harry Bassel, will discuss Jesus, and how he is viewed from an Islamic perspective. Our non-Muslim friends and neighbors are cordially invited. Admission is free and refreshment will be served. For more information call (734) 467-7704 or e-mail info@mcws.org.

Head Start openings

Plymouth Canton Head Start, which is a free preschool program, is now enrolling children that are 3 and 4 year olds. There are openings at all three locations, including on Sheldon Road at Michigan Avenue, the Full Gospel location on Palmer in Canton and one site in Plymouth. Children will be placed at the location that is closest to their home.

To enroll a child or for information, call (734) 326-6271.

Stage auditions

Local theater group Spotlight Players is holding auditions for Stepping Out Dec. 11-12 at the Village Theater, which is located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road (at corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads - use stage door at rear). Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. Bring a non-returnable photo and resume. For more information,

visit www.spotlightplayers.net on the Web or call (734) 480-4945.

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 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-

Meeting canceled

The Dec. 13 Council for Community Excellence meeting has been canceled. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 6:30 in the lower level of the Canton Township Administration Building.

Sounds of the Season

The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Choirs will present their annual holiday concert "Sounds of the Season" 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 19, in the Salem High School Auditorium located at 46181 Joy in

Tickets (\$4 presale and \$5 at the door) are currently on sale and may be purchased in the PCEP Choir Office (Room 1603 at Salem High School) during school hours. For more information visit www.pcepchoirs.org or call (734) 416-7800.

"Sounds of the Season" will feature more than 200 students who are members of the PCEP Choirs under

the direction of Jennifer L. Kopp. Students are in grades nine-12 and attend either Plymouth, Canton or Salem High Schools. The PCEP Choirs will be performing a wide variety of Christmas and Hanukkah favorites including music from the film The Polar Express.

Home Expo

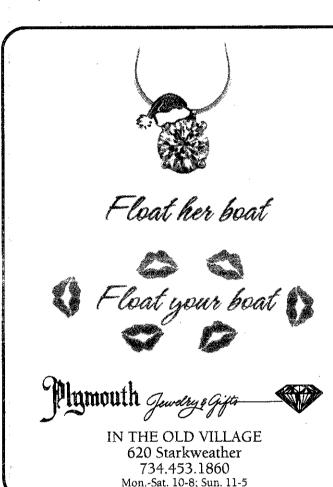
Applications to participate in Canton's 2007 Home Improvement Expo and Parade of Homes are now available on the township Web site at www.canton-mi.org. The Expo, scheduled to be held next year on March 3-4, is an opportunity for home improvement businesses and builders to promote their products. All vendor applications must be sent to 1150 Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188 by Jan. 15. Call (734) 394-5200.

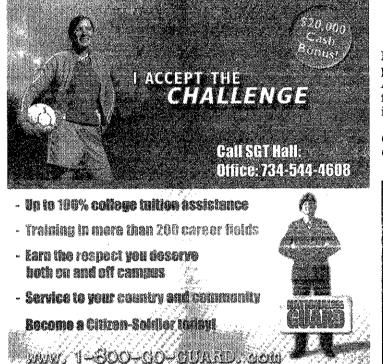
Artist applications

The application deadline for the Plymouth Canton Symphony Society's Youth Artist Competition is Monday, Jan. 22. The competition is scheduled to take place on Sunday, Feb. 4, at Evola Music, 7170 N. Haggerty in Canton.

The competition is composed of three divisions: Senior Instrumental (grades 10-12), Senior Piano (grades 10-12), and Junior Combined (grades 7-9). Applicants must be piano, band or orchestra students residing in one of the following school districts: Clarenceville, Livonia, Northville, Novi, Plymouth-Canton, Van Buren (Belleville) or Wayne-Westland. Members of the Celebration Youth Orchestra or students at Evola Music are also eligible.

Applications are due on or before Jan. 22. For an application and/or further information, contact Ellen Elliott at (734) 451-2112, or by e-mail at ellen@plymouthsymphony.org.







The Redford Civic Symphony joins the Friends of the Opera of Michigan and the St. Priscilla Catholic Church Chorus in concert 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17, at the church, 19120 Purlingbrook, Livonia. A Nov. 26 article incorrectly stated that the orchestra would perform on Dec. 16. There is no charge. Donations are welcome. For information, call (313) 582-0997.

The concert is one of a series and features Karin White, soprano; Quinto Milito, baritone; Steve Tompkins, tenor, and the Redford Civic Symphony under the director of Douglas MacQueen. Jeanne





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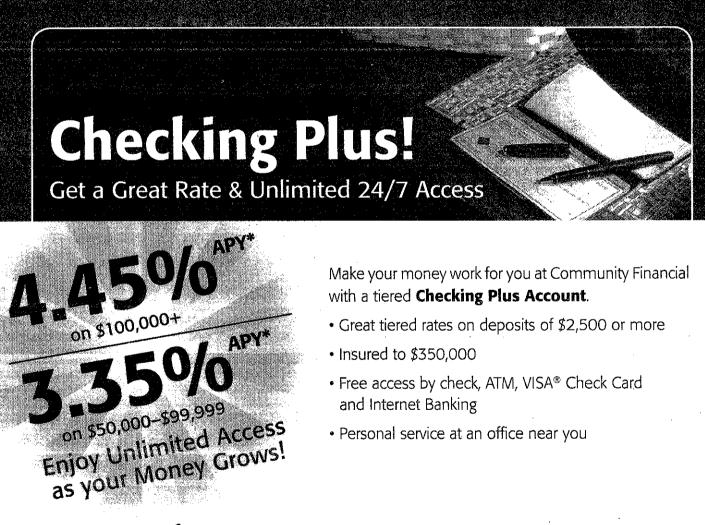
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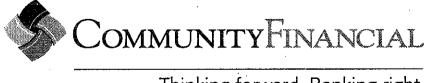
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Amy Weaver of Canton remembered son lan at last year's Compassionate Friends vigil.



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Marcia and Craig Rodeheffer, with daughters Rachel, Mallory and Morgan, braved frigid temperatures to join last year's Compassionate Friends candlelight vigil. The Commerce Township family came to honor their son, Grant.

Memorial Day is already offi-

"Hundreds of families will

cially sanctioned by the U.S.

gather near a tree specially

children who have died too

soon," Lafferty said.

decorated with the names of

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Congress.

Honoring their children

Friends gather for candlelight vigil

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Members of the Compassionate Friends know the holidays are tough times for people who've lost loved ones, especially children.

In an effort to help with the grief, The Compassionate Friends, Western Wayne County (Livonia) Chapter, sponsor a candle-lighting ceremony in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth tonight (Sunday) in conjunction with Children's Memorial Day.

"The holidays are especially difficult for parents who have lost children," said committee member Gail Lafferty. "This candle-lighting ceremony honoring them helps their memory live on."

The ceremony will include

For more information or to register a child, call or e-mail candle-lighting committee members Gail Lafferty, tcfcandlelite06@tds.net or (734) 981-4528 or Virginia Herrick, herrick@millercanfield.com or (248) 449-7598.

the dedication of a tree decorated with ornaments with the children's names, a candle-light vigil, a reading of the children's names, poetry and songs.

The local ceremony includes the candle-lighting at 7 p.m. in conjunction with the world-wide candle-lighting. The idea is that, as candles burn down in one time zone, they're lit in another, creating a 24-hour memorial.

Recognized in communities around the world, International Children's

register a child, call or e-mail candle-lighting committee members Gail Lafferty, tcfcandlelite06@tds.net or (734) 981-4528 or Virginia Herrick, herrick@millercanfield.com or (248) 449-7598.

The Compassionate Friends is an international, nonprofit, nondenominational, self-help organization offering friendship, understanding and hope to bereaved families with the loss of their children.

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Christmas decorations stolen from apartment

A Christmas junkie with a musical side stole several items from a Canton woman's apartment storage. Among the things taken were an acoustic guitar valued at \$300 and various Christmas decorations.

The woman, who reported the incident Dec. 1, said the theft happened between Nov. 25-30.

The holiday trinkets, valued at \$150, were inside a cardboard box. All of the items were locked in the woman's storage area.

Police have no suspects.

Employees scam dry cleaners

The owner of a Canton dry cleaning service wants to press charges against two former employees for taking her to the cleaners.

The woman told police the two were running a scam by creating two different receipts for customers bringing in multiple items. They'd report to her that the customer only brought in one garment but would charge them for everything and pocket the difference.

An officer escorted the fired employees from the location and one of the suspects admitted a role in the theft, according to police reports.

The business owner told police she wants to prosecute the two and believes they had been swindling her for months.

COP CALLS

Icy road does in

driver

Icy weather landed a drunk driver in jail Monday.

After a Canton police officer discovered a Ford pickup truck in a Warren Road ditch, he approached the driver and realized he was intoxicated.

The man, who failed a series of sobriety tests, told the officer he had consumed four beers before driving.

While his truck was removed from the ditch and towed away, the man was taken into police custody.

Man with Alzheimer's found safe

A Canton man suffering from Alzheimer's disease was returned to his family after they called police worried about his whereabouts.

The man's family put in a call to police hoping they could try to locate him in his vehicle. An officer spotted him driving on Michigan Avenue and pulled him over.

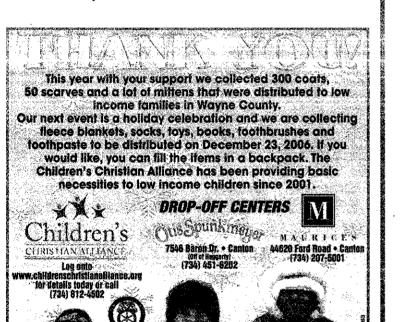
The man told the officer he was lost and wanted to go home.

His family, who had been looking for him too, arrived at the scene and escorted him home.

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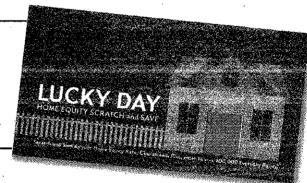
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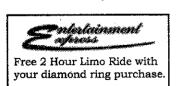
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Canton Fire Department promotes eight firefighters

Department recently promoted eight firefighters to leadership positions -- two to the rank of captain and six to the rank of lieutenant. All six officers began their career with the department as a cadet prior to becoming a firefighter/EMT.

Thomas Davison, 49, a 29year veteran of the department, and John Hunter, 46, a 26-year veteran of the department, were promoted to cap-

Davison has earned several licenses and certifications throughout his career including Fire Officer I, II & III and his Emergency Medical Technician license. He was promoted to the rank of lieutenant in 2005, and will graduate from Fire Staff and Command school at Eastern Michigan University in January. He is married, has two daughters and is expecting his first grandchild.

Hunter has earned several licenses and certifications throughout his career including his paramedic license and Fire Officer I, II and III. He was promoted to the rank of lieutenant in 2005, and will graduate from Fire Staff and Command school at Eastern Michigan University in January. He is married, has three children and one grand-

Firefighters that were promoted to lieutenant include Robert Glenn, Michael Caruso, Craig Poike, Thomas Kruger, Thomas Lutkenhoff, and Paul













Kruger

Lutkenhoff

Pavloff

Poike

Pavloff.

Glenn, 42, is a 21-year veteran of the department. He received his paramedic license in 1998, and has completed Fire Officer I, II & III. He is married and has five children.

Caruso, 43, is a 19-year veteran of the department. He received his paramedic license in 1998, and has completed Fire Officer I & II. He is married and has three daughters.

Poike, 44, who has been with the department 18 years, received his paramedic license in 1998, and has completed Fire Officer I & II. He is married and has two children.

Kruger, 43, is an 18-year veteran of the department. He received his paramedic license in 1998, and has completed Fire Officer I & II. He is married and has a 16-month old

daughter.

Lutkenhoff, 43, who has been with the department for 18 years, received his paramedic license in 1998, and has completed Fire Officer I & II. He is married and has three

Pavloff, 50, is a 17-year veteran of the department. He received his paramedic license in 1998, and has completed Fire Officer I, II & III. He is married and has two children.

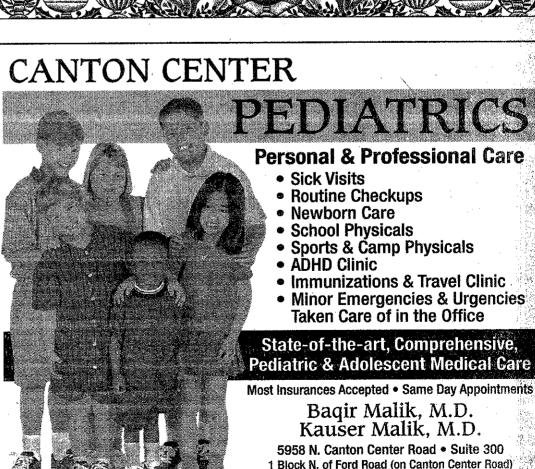
The promotions were made to fill vacancies created by recent retirements within the department. The fire department will continue to hire additional firefighters over the next several months until it is fully staffed.

School retirees meet for luncheon

All public school retirees are invited to attend the next luncheon of the Northwest Wayne County Chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (MARSP) on Wednesday, Dec. 13, at 11:30 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road in Livonia.

The Churchill High School choir will provide holiday music. Make your reservation for Dec. 13 by calling (248) 477-9764. The cost is \$10.





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Old pictures capture dump site that became Westland park

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

Mark LeSuer of Westland recalls vividly what a former dump site looked like before it became Central City Park.

He took pictures of it. With Westland City Hall in view, LeSuer's camera captured abandoned drums, old furnaces, empty cans and bottles, wood - even a battered boat on the land.

LeSuer, 52, took the pictures in late 1970 when he was an 11th-grader at John Glenn High School. He won \$25 for his shots of environmental pollution in a photography contest sponsored by the student council.

"Everybody in my generation knew what was there," he said.

Wayne County road crews used the site as a dump from the 1930s through the 1970s, officials have said, but they weren't alone.

"Everybody dumped there," LeSuer said.

LeSuer thought about his pictures after a controversv erupted in early November about park contamination. City, county and state officials kept quiet for years after soil tests revealed elevated levels of lead in the western ball dia-

Officials are now dealing with how to clean up the park, long considered one of Westland's gems.

LeSuer didn't bring his pictures to the Observer to make any political statement or to embarrass anyone. Rather, he just thought people who don't



Mark LeSuer took this picture in 1970 of what would become Central City Park. In the background is Westland City Hall.

remember the dump site might find his photos interesting.

When he took the shots, LeSuer was a student council class representative who was taking a course in photo darkroom techniques.

Now employed as a maintenance technician, LeSuer lost track of his pictures for more than 30 years after he graduated from high school in 1972 and started attending Northern Michigan University in Marquette.

During a family gathering for Thanksgiving, his sister told him that after he went off to college, she kept some of his belongings, including the pic-

LeSuer, who lives in the same Westland house where he lived back then, was surprised to see his old contest-winning pictures.

"My sister had them for 33 years," he said.

His pictures captured an era before Wayne County made the land into a park and started leasing it to the city of Westland in 1978. The area wasn't nearly as developed

"Back then, there wasn't as much fear about the environment," LeSuer said. "Environmental issues were just becoming pronounced."

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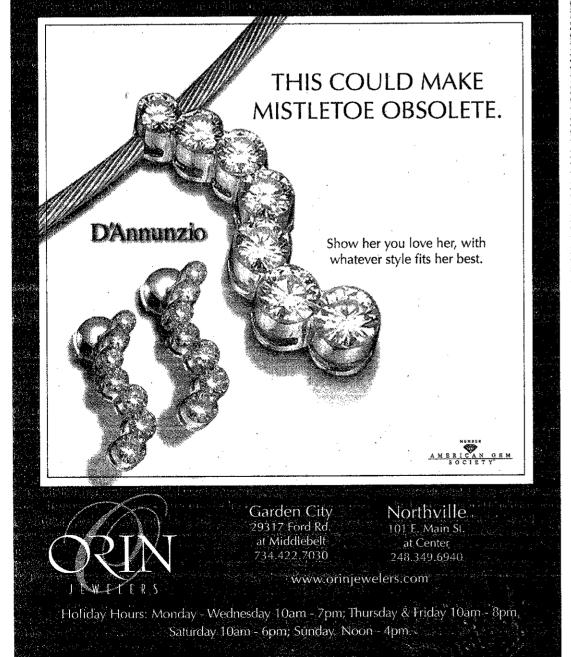
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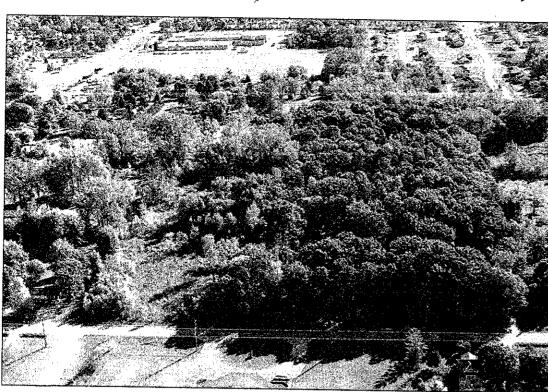
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Wetlands prompt developer to revise local site plan



Developers have scaled back their plans to build new homes near Hannan and Palmer roads (shown in this aerial view) in Westland after learning that the land contains state-regulated wetlands. Nearby residents are rallying to protect the heavily wooded area.

BY DARRELL CLEM Staff Writer

Developers have slightly scaled back their plans to build new homes on the city's southwest side after learning that the land contains state-regulated wetlands.

Still, critics contend that the proposed Maida Woods subdivision shouldn't be built on Palmer Road between John Hix and Hannan roads.

Residents rallying to protect the heavily wooded area believe the development could destroy a refuge for wildlife, threaten nearby wetlands and adversely affect the Rouge River.

"It's a watershed issue," said Jacqueline Rubasky, a California resident who has returned home to help her parents fight the development.

"It's like coming in and ripping out the heart of this community," Rubasky told the *Observer*. "We have this little Garden of Eden in our own back yards."

A new study by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality shows that the 14-acre site contains about 2.5 acres of regulated wetlands, said Andrew Hartz, district supervisor for the DEQ's land and water management division.

D.W. Krane, one of the developers for Royal Oak-based Kentmoor LLC, said the findings have led to a revised site plan for 35 single-lot homes rather than 41, as was originally proposed for the condominium development.

"We have revised the site plan to adhere to the MDEQ requirements," Krane said. "We have added some more green space and buffers. We are going to build around the wetlands area, and we have removed the building (plans) from those sites."

But the Rubaskys and others, who have formed the Westland Homeowners Committee for Environmental Conservation & Smart Growth, said the project will disrupt one of the city's last natural areas. They believe the city has a legal right — and a moral obligation — to protect the land.

"We're not anti-development.

We're smart growth," Jacqueline Rubasky said. "This is a highly sensitive environment. This is a wetlands area. We have to be sensitive to that

sensitive to that.
"We should do everything we can to value and protect our pris-

tine areas," she added.

Her father, Jim Rubasky, questioned the need for the Maida
Woods development when
Westland already has so many
homes for sale and in foreclo-

Krane, meanwhile, said developers will soon submit their revised site plan to city officials.

Westland City Council
President William Wild has said
he will schedule a study session
to discuss the issue before any
decisions are made.

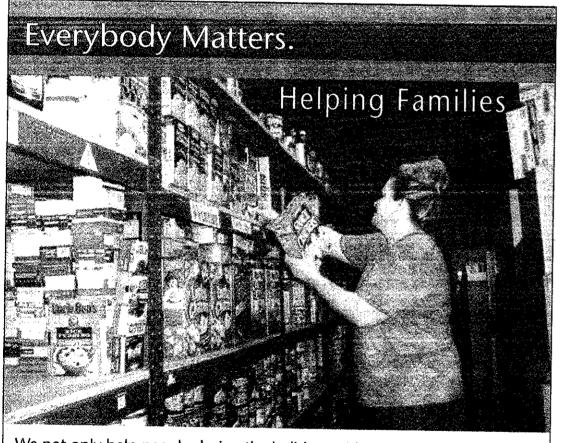
Hartz said DEQ involvement will be necessary only if developers encroach on the regulated wetlands area.

"In my mind," he said, "the developer is going through the proper channels and doing this the right way."

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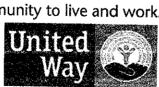
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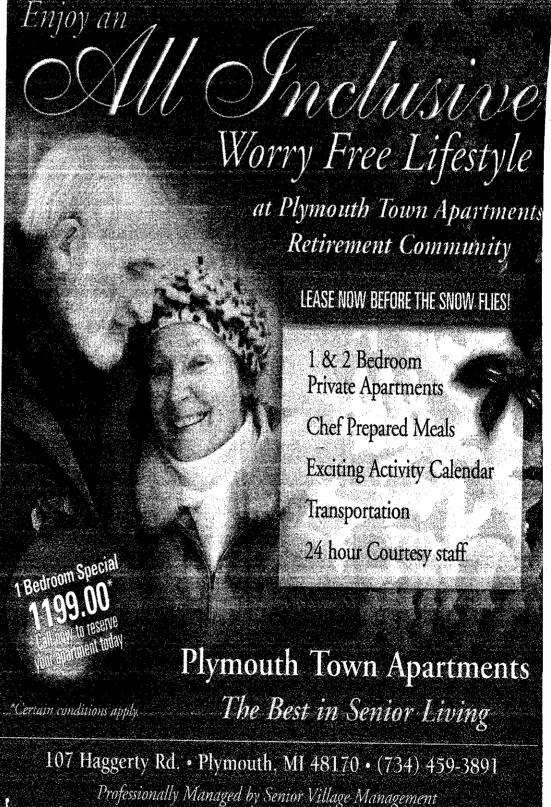


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first-degree child abuse charges, a felony which is punishable by up to 15 years in

Police investigators believe the suspect, who is unemployed, was home alone with the child when the injuries occurred. The baby's mother also lives in the home, but police don't believe she was involved in the injuries. However, Pomorski said he is unsure whether Child Protective Services will allow the woman to take the baby

the hospital. Pomorski said the department has dealt with too many of these kinds of cases in recent vears.

home after he is released from

"We've had five of these cases in the last two years, and unfortunately most have ended in

death for the infants," he said. Pomorski credited both the woman who called police and the dispatcher who took the call and followed up with it. He said the case should be a reminder to people who might suspect

someone of abusing a child. "The lady who called us deserves a lot of credit. If she hadn't called, we firmly believe we would have had another child death. It was a matter of time," Pomorski said. "A lot of people who have suspicions about cases like this might say they don't want to bother us or it won't do any good to call. I'm saying please give us a call."

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Scrap Busters: New spin on used parts

BY DARRELL CLEM STAFF WRITER

Crank up the karaoke music for Ghostbusters.

Now, if you're a do-it-yourself mechanic, change the lyrics:

So your car's broke down, and you need a part. Who you gonna call? Scrap Busters! That could be the theme song

for William Wild's business, where customers can find cheap, used parts for 500 cars and trucks.

Wild - yes, the Westland City Council president - has changed the way he's doing business at Scrap Busters Auto & Truck Parts in Wayne.

He still has an auto salvage yard where parts can be bought before the vehicles are crushed and sold to the steel industry for recycling purposes.

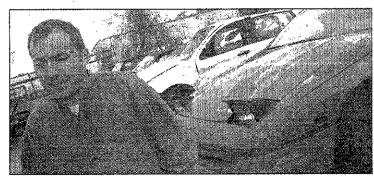
But now, rather than having a part brought to the front counter, customers can pay \$1, sign an insurance waiver and search the 10-acre salvage yard for what they need.

'It's perfect for the do-it-yourself mechanic," Wild said.

He buys vehicles from insurance auctions or from people who've wrecked them and want to make a little money. Then, his workers safely mount the cars and trucks so that shoppers, using their own tools, can peruse this used-vehicle gravevard, this mechanic's paradise.

"They don't even need a jack," Wild said.

Customers can rent a wheelbarrow for \$1 to collect parts. If



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

William Wild stands in the auto salvage yard of his business, Scrap Busters Auto & Truck Parts.

they want to pull an engine, they can lease a cherry-picker for \$5.

They can shop for parts ranging from a 25-cent lug nut to a \$225 eight-cylinder engine. They can even pay a little extra for an extended warranty.

Garden City resident Nate Lilo, 20, recently found some parts for his 1998 Chrysler Sebring. He had been to Scrap Busters four times in one week.

This is the best place to go because they have everything you need, and it's cheap," Lilo said. "I bring my friends here. You won't find a place like this anywhere

Scrap Busters is tucked away at 39165 Maple St., south of Michigan Avenue and east of Hannan in Wayne. The phone number is (734) 722-2250, or visit the company Web site at www.scrapbusters.com. The hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. every

Customers can find used transmissions, tires, batteries, alternators - if it's on a vehicle, it's there. Wild sells parts from Ford, General Motors, Chrysler and foreign vehicles. He admitted

that the demand may be a little higher for Ford parts in Wayne, with many company loyalists who work at Ford Motor Co. facilities on Michigan Avenue.

"This is Ford country, without a doubt," he said.

Wild has continued the business started in 1988 by his father, Bill Wild Sr. It allows the younger Wild to support his family - wife Sherri and children Luke 4, and Lily, 2. The couple has a third child due in February.

Scrap Busters has become more appealing to vehicle owners who are trying to weather economic problems by keeping their cars and trucks longer than they once did.

"It gives people a low-cost alternative to get car parts," Wild

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DEATHS

William "Bill" Cochrane Cochrane, 50, formerly of Farmington

Hills, died Dec. 3.

Edward J. Gulick Gulick, 85, died Dec. 6.

Marguerite M. "Peggy" Harris Harris, 89, of Farmington, died Dec. 7. Kathryn M. "Tass" Hartrick

Patricia K. McGlone McGlone, 85, of Plymouth, died Dec. 3.

Hartrick, 80, of Royal Oak, died Dec. 8.

Margaret L. Smith Smith, of Bloomfield Hills, died

Dec. 5. Theodore J. (Ted) Sura Sura, 90, formerly of

Birmingham, died. Thomas M. Vich Vich, 54, died Dec. 4.

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

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One Summit frequenter shrugged off the theft as territory that comes with today's society.

"We've got baddies everywhere," he said.

It's unknown whether the Summit's surveillance cameras caught the incident on tape.

"We're going to wait and see if it's recovered," Yack said. "It's a good size, so it's pretty hard to miss."

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Utility work puts Sheldon underpass back on hold

STAFF WRITER

When Wayne County officials announced last week the twoyear closure of Sheldon Road at the CSX railroad tracks in Plymouth would begin Tuesday for the long-awaited underpass, some were skeptical it would actually start "on time" as promised.

Those skeptics appear to be correct, as Assistant Wayne County Executive Alan Helmkamp said this week the eight-year project will be delayed - again - for an asyet-undetermined amount of time.

"There's an issue with Detroit Edison and the moving of some utilities," Helmkamp said Thursday. "So we're not going to close Sheldon Road on Tuesday.

"It could be a couple-week issue, so it may work out for the benefit of business owners," he added. "It's safe to say store owners will get an early Christmas present from Wayne County."

For Bob Jeannotte Sr., owner of Bob Jeannotte Buick and Pontiac on Sheldon in Plymouth Township, just north of the underpass project, the delay just means the project will end later than planned.

"I was geared for it, but now this is about the seventh delay," Jeannotte said. "I really think they should just scrap the project. When they started this, there were 25 trains a day going by, now there's five. It's no big deal."

Jeannotte isn't sure how much his business will be affected, but said he attributes the 17percent sales decline in November partially to the closing of the Sheldon Road ramps to and from M-14. Jeannotte said he, at one

time, attempted to rally business owners into filing a lawsuit to stop the project. "We needed about \$40,000

to hire an engineer to see about the feasibility of leaving one north lane and one south lane open, or to build a temporary road around it," Jeannotte said.



Guy Carpenter, a Team Fishel employee from Summerfield, Ohio, works on relocating AT&T lines for the Sheldon Road railroad underpass in Plymouth.

"I committed \$5,000 and we had about \$15,000 total, but unfortunately we didn't have enough business owners on board.

"There was an indication we would have had a good shot at it," he added. "Now we'll just have to suffer through it.

DTE Energy spokesman Scott Simons said the utility company has about 20 different jobs associated with the project, but one in particular became a new priority within the last week.

"It was determined an overhead line on the east side of Sheldon and north of the railroad tracks had to be removed," Simons said. "This particular line feeds a commercial customer, and involves moving a pole and transformer. It goes to an underground line, and we have to determine how to reconnect the commercial account."

Simons said DTE will work as quickly as possible to resolve the issue, but gave no timetable as to when the work will be completed.

Plymouth Mayor Dan Dwyer said he's not surprised by the delay.

"I have suspected from the beginning this will be a long and difficult two years, and this just affirms it," Dwyer said. "I'm still cautiously optimistic the county and contractor will pull

Dwyer said his biggest concern is the delay in the testing of a temporary water main soon after the project begins. If it is held up, that could push back work on the principal water main, which is scheduled for three weeks in April before peak water usage begins in the spring.

"If we come to spring and we have a water problem, I will raise hell to the county for the people I represent." Dwyer said.

The delay is good news to Teri Allen, manager at Dearborn Jewelers on Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth.

"The M-14 project made Beck and Sheldon roads difficult for people from spring to fall, and that just reopened," Allen said. "Now they're going to close Sheldon, so if they do postpone it, that's just fine with me."

Sharon Pugh, owner of sideways on Forest Avenue in Plymouth, said she believes customers will find Plymouth, even when Sheldon Road clos-

"It's been hard getting into Plymouth with the M-14 construction, so I think people are used to not coming that way," Pugh said. "If you have what people want, they'll find a way to get to you."

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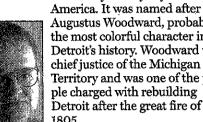
At 200, Woodward remains a remarkably vibrant byway

lans are being drawn now to celebrate the 200th anniversary of Woodward Avenue. That's right: 200th anniversary.

This nation isn't that much older than 200 years and to realize that the road many of us ride down each day has been there for 200 years is quite stunning when you think about it.

The Woodward Avenue Action Association, a broad coalition of leaders, businesses, churches and county organizations in the towns along and near Woodward, is planning a series of events to mark the anniversary. There will be more on that in the coming weeks.

They will have a lot to work with. Woodward is one of the most historically rich byways in



Greg Kowalski

Augustus Woodward, probably the most colorful character in Detroit's history. Woodward was chief justice of the Michigan Territory and was one of the people charged with rebuilding Detroit after the great fire of

He laid out downtown Detroit's confusing street system including the main thoroughfare, which he dubbed

Woodward. Of course, that had nothing to do with his name. He just meant that Woodward referred to the fact

that the road went toward the woods. No one believed him then. No one believes him now.

Woodward (the man) drifted into obscurity even in his own time as he eventually was appointed to a position in Florida. Woodward (the road) is still with us although it has undergone many changes through the years. The original Woodward was a dirt road that once was lined by long greenspaces called the park lots. It was a great concept: preserve land alongside the road to maintain a park-like atmosphere. But that idea didn't last long. In fact, by the 1820s it was realized that the roadside property was far too valuable for just growing grass, and the park lots were filled with buildings.

One of Detroit's first markets stood at the foot of Woodward. It was in use from 1817 to about 1835. Over the years, Woodward went from being a dirt road to a paved thoroughfare. Although you can't easily notice it, Woodward was widened on its east side in the 1930s. That caused some building owners to literally shear off the fronts of their structures and retreat from

Woodward is one of the most historically rich byways in America. It was named after Augustus Woodward, probably the most colorful character in Detroit's history. Woodward was chief justice of the Michigan Territory and was one of the people charged with rebuilding Detroit after the great fire of 1805.

buildings that suffered that indignity.

Woodward also passes one of the most historically significant - and most forlorn - buildings in Michigan.

Look closely and you can still see the state historical marker standing miraculously in front of Henry Ford's old factory in Highland Park. The once-sprawling factory has been greatly reduced in size, but is still pretty substantial.

If you want to get a real sense of history, go down the side street east of Woodward alongside the old plant. You can touch the weathered old bricks that have been there nearly half as long as Woodward has passed in front of the fac-

Dear old Henry abandoned the plant in favor of the River Rouge site, just as the Chrysler Corp. deserted Highland Park for Auburn Hills decades later. But neither company could take the past with them.

Just north of the Ford factory, where Woodward widens considerably, is Palmer Park. In 1897 Thomas Palmer – another great Detroit figure - donated 187 acres of land to Detroit to create the park, which bears his name. That section of town is loaded with history. And if you look closely you can still see the remnants of the once-famous Merrill Fountain, which was paid for by Palmer and adorned Campus Martius downtown until it was moved to the park in You could do a building-by-building, lot-by-

lot history of Woodward along its 28 mile length from the Detroit River to Pontiac, and every page would be fascinating. Think about that the next time you are stuck

in traffic. Greg Kowalski is editor of the Birmingham Eccentric. He

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Despite Times' assessment, Livonia is doing just fine

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does so with comments that would make any reporter's heart curdle.

The newspaper stood behind their reporter Judith Miller when she refused to reveal a confidential source. But after she was freed from jail, the newspaper was the Hugh Gallagher first to begin airing doubts

about her rather too upbeat assessment of the Bush administration's assertions about weapons of mass destruction in Iraq.

The discovery that a young reporter, Jayson Blair, was inventing stories led to the dismissal of Blair and the forced resignation of his superiors.

But it's all well and good for The New York Times to run stories about troubles in some distant foreign land, it's another thing when they come to Livonia and describe it in terms they usually reserve for Third World nations.

On Monday, the Times business section led with a story by Micheline Maynard and Nick Bunkley (who did the Livonia reporting) that contrasted and compared the decline of "stumbling" Livonia with the "booming" Georgetown, Ky. (the birthplace of bourbon).

It's no secret that the decline in the auto industry has had a devastating effect on southeast Michigan. A day doesn't pass without bad news from the Big Three and their local suppliers. Layoffs seem to come in rushes and they create a domino effect in other businesses in the area.

Perhaps Livonia seemed like a particularly good target. It has long been a model community - an attractive middle-class residential settlement supported by a healthy industrial corridor and serviced by dynamic commercial areas. Livonia had it all and in most ways it still does.

The New York Times made a classic error, one we all fall prey to at times. They began their article by setting out to prove a point. They had their storyline before, not after, doing their reporting.

The story, as they saw it, was that northern,

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industrial cities are in decline and southern cities, where successful companies like Toyota have taken root, are on the upswing. That's the story, now choose any two cities to prove it.

The only problem is, Livonia doesn't quite fit. Yes, western Wayne County is hurting from the slump in the American auto industry. Yes, Livonia has been hard hit by layoffs and announced layoffs at Ford.

But as Livonia Mayor Jack Engebretson pointed out in an Observer story on Thursday, automakers are not the only businesses in town. Ninety percent of the city's industrial space is occupied. Many successful businesses operate in Livonia.

This isn't a town of boarded up buildings, derelicts begging on the streets, muggers on every corner, children abandoned at doorsteps.

Livonia's unemployment rate is 3.3 percent, compared to 6.9 percent statewide.

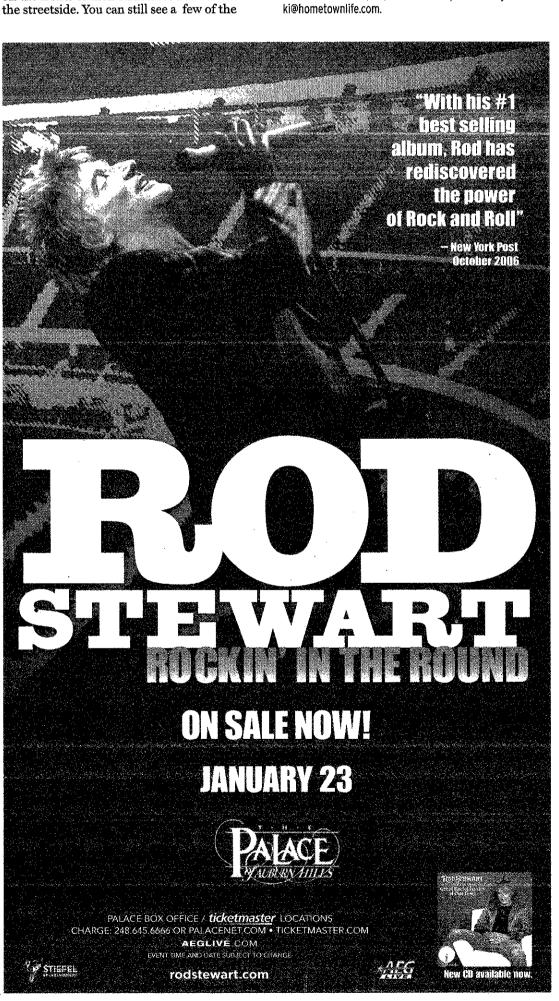
The article makes some stunning errors of omission. The writers note that Wonderland was torn down, but they don't say it was torn down to make way for a new and more contemporary shopping environment. They make a point to share the woes of Livonia Mall but don't mention the full parking lot at Laurel Park. Other developments are in the works because the community is still so

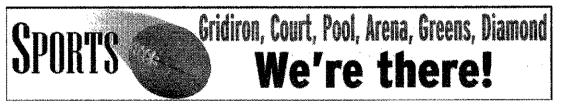
They write about how hard it is for residents of Rosedale Gardens to sell their homes, but don't say that home sales are down everywhere in the country.

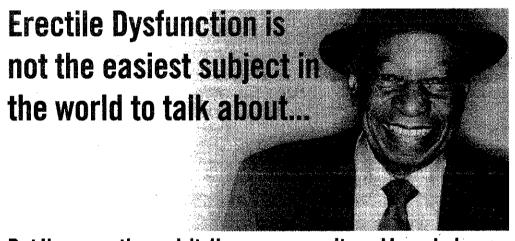
Rather than provide any statistical support, the reporters quote an 80-year-old resident-about the increase in crime. I've never met a person older than 70 who didn't think that crime was accelerating out of control and that their city was going to hell in a handbasket. From their perspective, maybe it is, but it's not valid reporting.

These are hard times but false contrasts and skewered perspectives aren't going to help get us through them or correctly put them into perspective for people who aren't lucky enough to live or work in Livonia.

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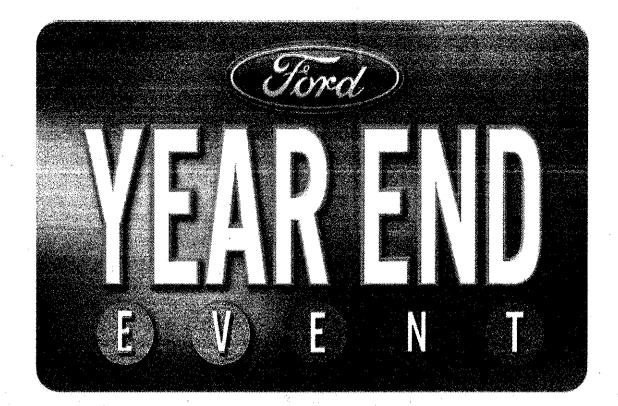
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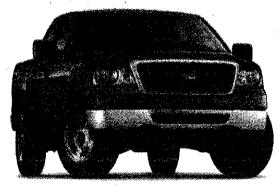
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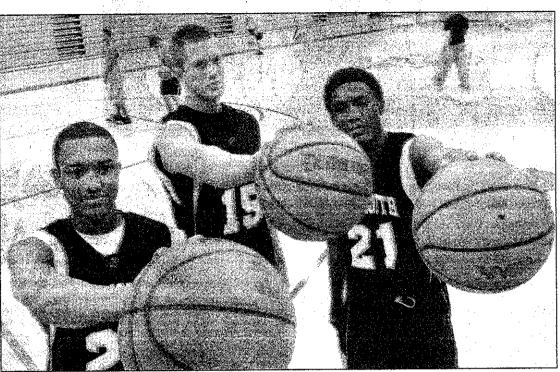
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Coach Van Wagoner's outlook

- "We're deep, but I'm looking for some kids to separate themselves and become leaders. I thought we played surprisingly well when we scrimmaged a very athletic Taylor Kennedy team last weekend. We definitely held our own."



Three key components for the Plymouth basketball team this season are (from left) junior guard Brandon Roberts, junior center Jake Hager and senior forward Austin Barnett. All three are entering their third year of varsity competition.

Triple threat

Talented trio set to lead deep, talented 'Cats

STAFF WRITER

Before Plymouth's boys basketball team hosts its Holiday Tournament Dec. 28-29, it will face an early season schedule that will be anything but a holiday.

Three straight road games against alwaystough Adrian, Walled Lake Central and Novi should tell third-year head coach Tom Van

Wagoner a lot about his deep, athletic team that lost four full-time starters off last year's squad to graduation.

We're deep, but I'm looking for some kids to separate themselves and become leaders," said Van Wagoner, whose squad finished 8-13 last season after going 11-10 the year before. "I thought we played surprisingly well when we

PLEASE SEE 'CATS, B3

New-look **PCA** routs FRC by 30

BY ED WRIGHT

The Franklin Road Christian boys basketball team took a two-hour trip

to "Turnover City" Friday night.
The Warriors' primary tour guide was Plymouth Christian Academy senior Matt Saagman, who had a hand in eight of Franklin Road's 31 turnovers in PCA's 75-45 victory in the Eagles' gymnasium.

PREP HOOP

The win — new head coach Dave Yost's first — evened the hosts' record at 1-1. The mistake-filled setback was the season opener for the Warriors.

"Our intensity was a lot better than it was in our first game," said Yost, referring to Tuesday night's 50-39 home loss to Lutheran Westland. "We got into our pressibetter tonight and we did a better job of getting into our offensive sets.

"It was nice to get a win, but we still have a long way to go. We need to get into our press like — boom! — like a well-oiled machine. And there still work to do with our man-to-man defense. Our help-side defense wasn't always there tonight like it should be, but the kids are working hard and getting better at learning the new system."

Five of Saagman's eight steals came

PLEASE SEE PCA, B3

Canton's Baechler named top prep grid coach

The only things more imposing than the Canton football team's three-player, 880pound defensive line this season were the lofty expectations placed on the Chiefs following their run to the Division 1 state final game in 2005.

While Canton missed making it back to Ford Field by one game in 2006, the Chiefs didn't disappoint their faithful fans as they chalked up a school-record 12 wins before falling to eventual state runner-up Rockford in the D1 semifinals.

The spectacular season earned Canton head coach Tim Baechler the "2006

Observerland Coach of the Year" honor from the Observer sports staff.

Since taking over a program that finished 1-8 the year before his arrival, Baechler has compiled a sterling 77-25 record in nine years as the Chiefs' mentor.

"We were banged up a little bit early on with some injuries to key players, but I was proud of the way the kids stepped up and played through it," said Baechler. "It's not easy living up to the expectations we had coming into the season, but we had an outstanding senior class who helped lead us to

Among the many highlight-caliber plays that the Chiefs pulled off in clutch situations this season, there were a few that



stood out in Baechler's

The first one was when Chris Bogdanski and Deshon McClendon forced the fumble late in the South Lyon game (a 14-10 Canton victory in the second round of the D1 playoffs)," he said. "It

happened on the exact same spot on the field that Novi fumbled against us in a similar situation in a playoff game a few years

"Another huge play was when Nick Moores returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown against Walled Lake Central in the Western Lakes championship game. That really got us going. And another one ran for a first down on fourth-and-2 to clinch the win over Livonia Franklin."

Under Baechler's guidance, Canton has captured four WLAA titles while advancing past the first round of the state playoffs seven consecutive seasons.

This year's senior class — eight of whom earned All-Observer First Team recognition - compiled a 41-4 record during their four seasons of high school football.

The complete All-Observer football squad will appear in a special All-Area fall sports section that will be included in the Sunday, Dec. 17, issue of the Observer.

'Chris is someone who stepped up and volunteered to help out in just about every aspect of our association.'

Coralee Ott GCYBSA program coordinator

Chris Angel has served in a long list of volunteer roles for the Greater Canton Youth Baseball & **Softball Association**



Departing Angel will be hard to replace

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The big question on the horizon for the Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association isn't, "Who will replace Chris Angel when she relocates to Milwaukee later this month?"

It's more like, "How many people will it take to replace Chris Angel when she relocates to Milwaukee later this month?'

The answer to the second question is easy: several.

If your son or daughter has participated in a GCYBSA program

during the past several years whether it was a 4-year-old teeball team or a top-of-the-line travel squad — their experience was undoubtedly enriched thanks to the tireless, behind-the-scenes work of Angel.

The list of titles she held — all volunteer roles - is about as long as one of the foul lines at the Canton Sports Center.

She's served as the founder and director of the association's teeball league, a member of the GCYBSA Board of Directors, a league operations commissioner and a vice president in charge of equipment.

Among her often thankless - but always vital — duties were distributing equipment and coordinating practice and playing fields for hundreds of teams and thousands of

They weren't always glamorous jobs, but they were ones that needed to be done efficiently in order for the 2,000-plus player association to run as smoothly as it has.

"Chris is someone who stepped up and volunteered to help out in just about every aspect of our association," said Coralee Ott, the

PLEASE SEE ANGEL, B5



Coaches: Please report results

Local high school coaches are encouraged to call in the results of their team's games to Observer Sports Editor: Ed Wright.

Wright can be reached? at (734) 953-2108 on weeknights after 5:30 p.m. Coaches can also email results to Wright at ewright@hometownlife.co m; or fax them to (734) 591-7279.

The deadline for Thursday editions of the Observer is 11 p.m. on Tuesday; the deadline for Sunday is Friday at 11

Ignition vs. Wave

The Detroit Ignition Major Indoor Soccer League team will host the Milwaukee Wave this afternoon at 4:35 p.m. at the Compuware Sports Arena. The Ignition were 3-3 heading into Saturday's game at Milwaukee.

Kamsey signs

University baseball player Ben Ramsey became. the latest Crusader to ink a professional contract ter signing with the **Washington Wild Things** (Pa.) of the independent Frontier League.

Ramsey became the first male athlete at Madonna to earn NAIA first-team All-American honors to go along with his WHAC and Region VIII Player of the Year awards following the 2006 season.

Ramsey led the Crusaders with a .379 batting average and 13 home runs during his senior campaign and was the offensive catalyst behind MU's first ever NAIA Super Regional appearance.

The Wild Things are entering their sixth sea son as an organization and have already been named organization of the year three times in their brief history. Washington finished

the 2006 season with a 59-37 overall record, 📳 while capturing the East Division crown for the fourth time and advance ing to post-season playfor a fifth consecutive



Late Churchill rally freezes the Wildcats

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BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

Livonia Churchill boys hockey coach Pete Mazzoni never envisioned his team getting into a shootout Friday night with Plymouth.

And for the first 23 minutes, it was the upstart Wildcats who did all the scoring, building a 3-0 lead before the host Chargers stormed back to pull out a 5-4 victory at Edgar Arena.

Keith Yackley's goal from Jason Proctor with 5:15 remaining in the final period provided the final margin of victory as the Chargers improved to 2-1 overall with the Western Lakes Activities Association crossover victory.

The game featured two of the area's top goaltenders in Scott Lewan (Churchill) and Justin Desilets (Plymouth).

"I thought it be a one-goal, 2-1 type of game," Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni said. "They (Plymouth) got some nice speed, they move the puck well and they're gritty."

Plymouth led 1-0 after one period on Anthony Fuciarelli's breakaway goal from defenseman Jason O'Guinn and Kyle Rockov at 8:15.

The Wildcats then added to their lead in the second period when defenseman Charles Webb ripped a slap shot from the point from Richard Cigile and Nicholas Rosochaki at 3:03; followed by Joe Perkovich's goal from Nicholas Cote and Noel-Charles Aspenwall at 7:52.

But things unraveled for the

PREP HOCKEY

Wildcats as Dustin Wischmeyer scored for Churchill on a tip-in off a shot from the point from defenseman Phil Wendecker at

The Chargers then capitalized on two power-play opportunities during the final 1:36 of the second period to knot the game at 3-all - Garrett Miencier whacking home a shot off a scramble in front of the Plymouth net followed by Yackley's second of the night on an assist from Miencier.

During the second period, Churchill outshot Plymouth 20-

"We had them on the run, it's just the penalties," Plymouth coach Chuck Dubois said. "That's what has hurt us this year and last year. And they know better." Churchill had eight penalties

to Plymouth's seven. "Other than taking the dumb penalties, we played a good game," Dubois said. "They put

traffic in front of the net and we couldn't withstand the pressure. That's what scores the goals." In the final period, Churchill's Josh Proben scored on a tip-in

from Wendecker at 3:06 to make it 4-3. "You've got to get in front of the net because if he (Desilets) sees the first shot, he makes the save," Mazzoni said. "We got one off the skate and a couple off

"I thought our power-play did a nice job. We got pucks to the net and created some traffic."

Churchill's eighth penalty of the night, however, proved costly as O'Guinn busted through the middle of the Chargers' defense and scored a power-play goal at 5:26 with Desilets drawing the assist to make it 4-all before Yackley notched his second of the night, the game-winner at 9:45.

Lewan, who had 14 saves, denied O'Guinn from pointblank range, along with the subsequent rebound, with just under two minutes to play.

Plymouth pulled Desilets for the extra attacker with 1:10 left and the Wildcats got a muchneed face-off in the Churchill zone with less than four seconds

The Wildcats won the draw and O'Guinn ripped another shot, only to be denied by Lewan as time expired.

"I thought Scott (Lewan) played a phenomenal game," Mazzoni said. "Two of the shots were screened that he never saw in front of the net."

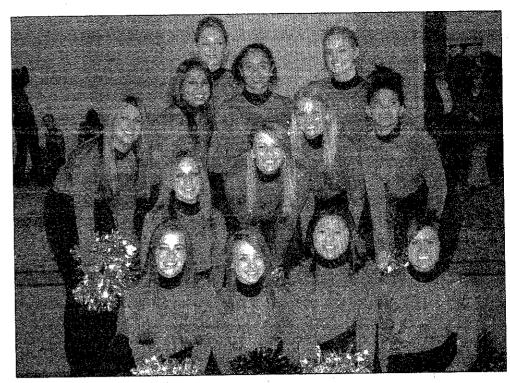
Meanwhile, the loss dropped Plymouth to 3-2-1 overall. "If somebody had said it

would have been a 5-4 game, I'd say we would have pulled it out, but the 39 shots...Churchill is a very good hockey team. They're very disciplined and they play hard."

Afterwards, Mazzoni had two

messages for his team. "I didn't not whether to pat them on the back or crack the whip," he said. "So I did a little of

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Deserving honor

Several members of the Plymouth High School varsity pom squad were chosen to perform with the Mid-American All-Star Team in America's Thanksgiving Day parade, which was held in Detroit on Nov. 30. Girls from 40 Michigan schools are selected at summer camp each year. Pictured (front row from left) are Elena Panagiotides, Kristen Drozdowski, Jill Mosher, Jenn Schinker, (second row from left) Lauren Rakowicz, Alyssa Kay, Brielle Zuzo, Kaseigh Zebari, (third row from left) Becca Garzaniti, Erica Caudillo, Briana Osorio, Jaclyn Heck and (back row) Monica Lee.

Whalers are hot, Sestito's hotter

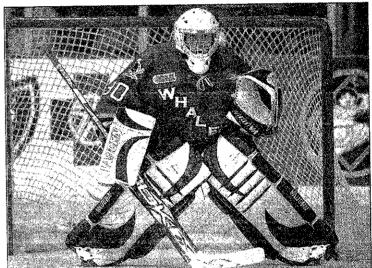
Long-term, the Plymouth Whalers have been on a roll. Short-term, Whalers left wing Tom Sestito may be hotter.

Sestito scored a hat trick in his second consecutive game as the Whalers won their sixth straight, 5-3, over the Sudbury Wolves in an Ontario Hockey League game played Friday night at the Compuware Sports Arena.

The Whalers are now 19-10-1-0 (39 points), which puts them just three points behind firstplace Saginaw (20-9-0-0). Sestito scored a hat trick Thursday night in London in a 7-1 victory over the Knights. The future Columbus Blue Jacket now has four hat tricks this season and leads the Whalers with 20 goals in 27 games.

Plymouth's leading scorer, Evan Brophey, scored what proved to be the game-winning goal at 4:34 of the third period when he deflected James Neal's shot from the right wing in the Sudbury zone past goaltender Kevin Beech, Brophey Chicago Blackhawks' draft choice - added an assist and leads the Whalers with 12 goals and 40 assists in 30 games.

Brophey's goal snapped a tie and gave Plymouth the lead



Plymouth Whalers goalie Jeremy Smith (Brownstown Township) came up big in Friday night's 5-3 victory over Sudbury. It was the Whalers' sixth consecutive

for good after Sudbury came back form deficits of 1-0, 2-1 and

Following a scoreless first period, Joe McCann gave the Whalers a 1-0 lead at 5:21 of the second period when he batted home a loose puck by Beech at 5:21. Sudbury's Kevin Baker scored his 15th of the season to tie the game at 1-1 at 12:22 of the

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second period when he tucked a low shot by Plymouth goaltender Jeremy Smith. Sestito scored his first goal at 13:40 of the period when he intercepted a Sudbury pass at the Wolves' blue line and beat Beech with a back-hand shot for a short-handed goal.

After Sudbury's Jesse Messier scored his 13th of the year to tie the game at 2-2 at 16:58, Sestito gave Plymouth a 3-2 lead with 23 seconds left in the period when he tucked a shot through traffic on the right side of the Sudbury goal.

Akim Aliu ripped a shot by Smith from the left wing door for his 11th of the year to knot the game at 3-3 at 3:07 of the third period. But Brophey retaliated 1:27 later.

Smith preserved the lead when he stopped Sudbury's Nick Foligno on a penalty shot at 14:08 of the period. Foligno moved up the middle to the harshmarks in the Plymouth zone and Smith slid to his right

to make the save. Sudbury head coach Mike Foligno pulled Beech with 1:15 remaining and a face-off in the Plymouth zone, but Sestito scored an empty-netter at 19:20 of the period when he outraced Sudbury defenders for the loose puck and jammed it home.

Stevenson upends Chief icers, 4-1

Marcus Voran scored twice and Mike Gibbons notched his first career goal as Livonia Stevenson skated to a 4-1 boys hockey victory Wednesday over visiting Canton at Edgar Arena.

Stevenson improved to 4-1 overall with the Western Lakes Activities Association crossover victory, while Canton falls to 0-

Voran scored 40 seconds into the opening period from John

Vella and Jacob Wilson. The Spartans added two more goals in the second period - Mike Jahn from Mark Bekkala and Sean Lerg at 5:56; and Gibbons from Joe Byrne at

Canton cut the deficit to 3-1 at 11:33 of the third when Ryan Lash scored from Andrew Juback.

But Voran put the game out of reach on an empty-netter with just 42 seconds left on assists fro R.J. Kierdorf and

"This was a good game for

our team," Stevenson coach Mike Humitz said. "Scoring in the first minute was a great boost for us. The boys are staring to do some of the little things well that will help us win hockey games.

"It was nice to see Mike Gibbons get on the board. He's a hard worker, so it's nice to see him rewarded."

Stevenson goaltender Mike Zynda made 14 saves, while Canton's Kevin Swanberg had







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PCA hoop team set to speed things up

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Opponents of the Plymouth Christian Academy boys basketball team better be wellrested before they take the court against the Eagles this season.

Under the guidance of firstyear coach Dave Yost, PCA will be switching to a faster-paced style than the school's fans are accustomed to seeing. They'll also be applying an unyielding man-to-man defense that shouldn't give foes much time for a breather.

"I like my teams to play manto-man defense and push the ball up the court on offense," said Yost, a veteran high school coach who has found success at several stops, including Arenac Eastern, West Branch and Novi Franklin Road Christian. "I know they're used to playing zone defenses and walking the ball up the court here, but I like a more up-tempo style. I tell my players I like to use all 94 feet of the court."

Eight seniors fill two-thirds of Yost's 12-player roster. Leading the returners is twovear captain Matt Saagman (6foot-2), a three-year varsity player who is comfortable playing guard and forward.

"Matt is a very smart player who can fill many different roles for us," said Yost. "He'll definitely be one of our leaders both on the court and off this season."

Senior brothers Devyn and Ryan Govan - both of whom are 6-3 — give the Eagles a

strong presence in the paint. "Devyn is a big strong kid," said Yost. "He has the ability to

in the first quarter, which

ended with the Eagles in com-

swingman nearly finished the

night with triple-double num-

bers: 13 points, nine rebounds

Junior guard Trevor Zinn

sparked the Eagles at the offen-

sive end of the court, throwing

in 26, including three triples.

Devyn Govan and Brent Zinn

— Trevor's younger brother —

PCA outrebounded the

to Justin Govan's 10 boards.

David Mansfield led Franklin

The Mansfield brothers senior guard Josh (12) and

sophomore forward David (10)

- combined for nearly half of the Warriors' offensive output.

Senior guard Blaine Martin

also played well for Franklin

Yost and his brother co-

years ago, making Friday

coached at Franklin Road three

for the winners.

Road with 13.

Road, netting 10.

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contributed eight points apiece

Warriors, 39-32, thanks largely

and the boat-load of thefts.

mand, 15-5. The multi-talented

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HOOP PREVIEW

be a dominant force inside. Rvan brings a lot to the table. including speed and quickness. He's very fast and a good rebounder."

The Eagles' other seniors are Ian Roberts (6-1 forward), Derek Elenbaas (6-1 forward), Dave Koscielny (5-11 guard), Jake Slocum (5-9 guard) and Bryant DeKruyter (5-11 guard).

Every one of these kids have a great attitude and they'll do anything you ask of them, praised Yost. "Ian is probably the best defensive player of the bunch and Dave shoots the ball well from the perimeter."

The Eagles only have two juniors, but they're both stellar. Trevor Zinn (5-10) started as a sophomore and averaged close to double-figures while Ross Gerulis (5-6) is a slick-dribbling guard who shined on the PCA junior varsity squad last season. "Trevor has the potential to

be a very good guard," said Yost. "He's probably our best three-point shooter. I'll be looking to him for leadership this year.

"Ross is a real good team player who can move the ball. He's always hustling."

Two sophomores fill out the roster — Justin Govan (6-4), the younger brother of Devyn and Ryan; and Brent Zinn (5-10), the younger brother of

"They're both very athletic," said Yost, "Once they get some varsity experience under their belts, they'll be regular contributors."

night's win extra-special. I had just about all the kids in class, so I know a lot of them," he said. "It was neat see-

The Eagles took control of the game late in the second quarter when they outscored the Warriors 12-4 to close out the first half. Trevor Zinn (seven points) and Devyn Govan (five points) did all the damage during the Eagles game-deciding run.

ing a lot of them again."

PCA led 38-17 at the half and 54-26 with eight minutes to

PCA hit 27-of-67 shots from the field (40.2 percent) and 15of-27 free throws (55.5). The Warriors hit 16-of-44 field goals (36.3) and 13-of-27 from the line (48.1).

"Other than winning, the best thing about tonight's game was that all the kids got a lot of playing time," Yost said. "The second group played just about the entire second half, which was nice."

The Eagles return to action Tuesday when they host Washtenaw Christian. The opening tip is set for 7 p.m.

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scrimmaged a very athletic Taylor Kennedy team last Saturday. We definitely held our own.

"I look at our schedule this year with the three road games to start and the tough conference schedule we'll be playing, and we won't get to take any nights off. If we don't play well every night, our schedule will eat us up.

"Our entire division should be strong this year, especially Northville, which has its best player - Alvin Storrs - back after going 20-1 last year. Canton is big and athletic, and Wayne should be much improved."

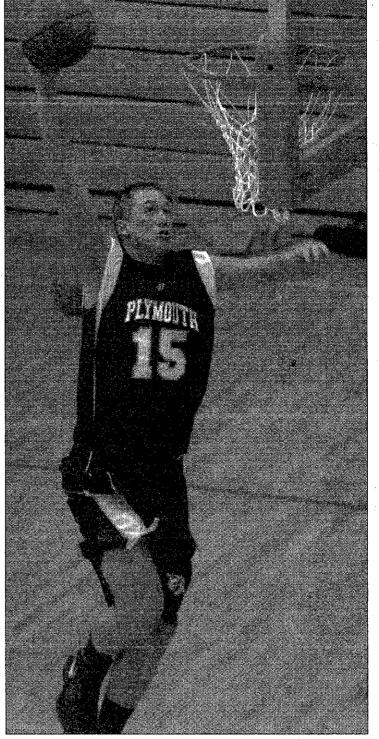
The Wildcats' 15-player roster includes four 6-foot-plus seniors who should give them a strong presence in the paint. Leading the quartet of upperclassmen are Kulrai Sandhu (6-foot-3), a sharp-shooting swingman, and Austin Barnett (6-0), one of the Western Lakes Activities Association's best leapers. They'll be joined down low by Nick Boyd (6-4), a key reserve last year, and 6-6 Wes Shelton, who sat out last season, but is a welcomed addition to Van Wagoner's squad.

The Wildcats have a strong iunior class, led by Brandon Roberts, a smooth 6-0 point guard who has already earned two varsity letters; Jake Hager (6-7), the team's best inside defensive force; and Navraj Sandhu, whose offensive skills have Van Wagoner smiling.

'This is the third year of varsity basketball for Brandon, Jake and Austin Barnett, so we'll really be looking to them for leadership," said Van Wagoner. "And Navraj was probably our best shooter this summer and during the preseason. He can really light it up from outside.

"Overall, we're a lot better outside-shooting team than we were last year. Teams won't be able to zone us with as much success like they did last year."

Providing valuable depth to the Wildcats' mix will be eight juniors, who offer a smooth blend of ball-handling, shooting and defending skills: Myron Puryear (5-10 guard),



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Junior center Jake Hager will provide an imposing presence in the paint for Plymouth's basketball team this season.

Dan Jeong (5-10 guard), David Harvey (6-0 guard), Chris Daniels (6-0 guard), Mike Hanchett (6-3 forward), Alex Hays (5-11 forward), Andy Price (6-0 guard) and Garrett Rebain (6-0 forward).

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at Compuware Sports Arena, 6 p.n Wednesday, Dec. 13 Canton at Crestwood at Canfield Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m Friday, Dec. 15 Canton at Salem at Plymouth Cultural Center, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16 Plymouth at W.L. Western at Lakeland Ice Arena, 3:20 p.m PREP WRESTLING Thursday, Dec. 14 Plymouth at N.B. Huron, 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16

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Whalers at Brampton Battalion, 2 p.m.

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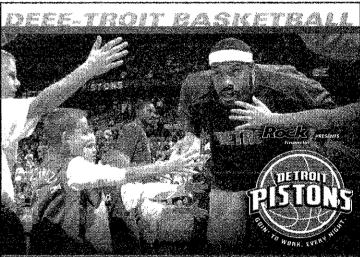


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Canton grapplers sweep 2 at Grosse Pointe North

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The lengthy bus ride from Canton to Grosse Pointe probably seemed like a cross-country journey for members of the Chiefs' wrestling team Wednesday afternoon.

However, the trek back home must have felt significantly shorter thanks to a pair of lopsided victories in the Grosse Pointe North Dual

Canton opened its 2006 season by pounding Southgate Anderson, 44-10. The Chiefs continued their winning ways in the nightcap with a 57-12 victory over the host Norsemen.

"We have a lot of young and inexperienced guys wrestling on varsity so it was nice to go

GCYBSA program coordinator.

"She touched thousands of lives

with the work she did for our

association. Chris was involved

with everything — from top to

would have done even more if we

The GCYBSA thanked Angel

they presented her with the inau-

for her efforts last month when

gural "Chris Angel Volunteer"

award at the association's ban-

quet. The award will be present-

ed annually to the volunteer who

exhibits the beyond-the-call-of-

duty spirit Angel possessed since

"I started to get involved in the

moving to Canton from

Summerville, S.C., in 1999.

surprised there wasn't one

Canton teeball league.

definitely a demand for it

500 kids every year since."

youth leagues in 1999 when I

started umpiring youth baseball

and softball games," she said. "I

helped the teeball league where I

lived in South Carolina and I was

offered in Canton. So I asked a

mer of 2000, I started the first

"As it turned out, there was

Angel said she'll never forget

because we've averaged about

lot of questions and, in the sum-

bottom — and she probably

would have asked her to.'

FROM PAGE B1

PREP WRESTLING

over there and come out with a couple of wins," said Canton coach Casey Randolph. "We still have a long way to go, but it was nice to do as well as we

After dropping its first two matches against Anderson, Canton stormed back to win 11 of the final 12 showdowns. Among the wins were pins from heavyweight Donnie Laramie (38 seconds) and 140pound Corey Phillips (3:14).

"It was a big win for us because Southgate has a good program with about 55 to 60 kids," said Randolph. "They've gotten the best of us the past couple of years, so it felt good to finally beat them."

The Chiefs won 11 of the 14

the feeling she got while discreet-

ly observing the league in action

fields set up behind Canton and

Plymouth was built," she remem-

bered. "I'd walk down the path-

way that went between the fields

and observe all the grandparents

watching the games and the par-

They didn't know who I was, but

Angel, who worked full-time

at a senior-care center in Howell

up until this week, said her vol-

unteer work with the GCYBSA

kept her busy, but she wouldn't

more jobs I took upon myself,

but I loved doing it," she said.

"One day I'd be getting bids on

a coaches' meeting. It was satis-

fying to see the programs grow."

Milwaukee youth baseball and

softball association's gain?

sabbatical, at least for a little

while," she said, smiling.

Will the GCYBSA's loss be a

"No, I think I'm going to take a

But judging by Angel's amaz-

ing volunteering background,

she won't be able to stay away

uniforms, the next I'd be running

The longer I was involved, the

have had it any other way.

ents with their camcorders out.

it made me feel good to know I

helped get it going."

Salem high schools, before

They used to have the teeball

during its early stages.

matches in the 45-point triumph over Grosse Pointe North. Those recording pins were 160-pound Kiel Price (2:31), 215-pound Dan Wanshon (52 seconds), Laramie (1:28), 103-pound Donnie Watkins (1:12), 119pound Jeremy Filippelli (5:28). 125-pound Adam Fleischmann (50 seconds) and 140-pound Josh Hurst (3:11).

"Grosse Pointe North has an up-and-coming team," said Randolph. "They were third at a decent tournament last week, so to beat them in that fashion was kind of surprising.'

SOUTHGATE ANDERSON 10 Wednesday at Grosse Pointe North 145 pounds: Sheer (SA) won major decision over Roger Kropp, 10-0; 152: Gniewick (SA) dec. Joe Sanders, 2-0; 160: Brian Brubaker (C) dec. Mellnar, 3-1; 171: 171: Kiel Price (C) won by technical fall, 18-3, over Goelna; 189: Adam Powers (C) dec. Castle, 3-1; 215: Dan

Laramie (C) pinned Travis Brown in 38 seconds; 103: Donnie Watkins (C) won by technical fall over Peer, 16-1; 112: Carl Lucke (C) dec. Bancroff, 4-0; 119: Jeremy Filippelli (C) dec. Boone, 6-5; 125: Steve Cox (C) won by major decision over Roberts, 8-0; 130: Overton (SA) dec. Phil Rollinger, 10-4; 135: Brent Winekoff (C) dec. Jarbo, 7-1; 140: Corey Phillips (C) pinned Hoskins in 3:14.

CANTON 57 GROSSE POINTE NORTH 12 Wednesday at Grosse Pointe North 152 pounds: Joe Sanders (C) dec. Salazar, 7-4; 160: Kiel Price (C) pinned Channel in 2:31; 171: Evola (GPN) pinned Nick McDiarmid in 3:14: 189: Strickland (GPN) dec. Adam Powers, 9-6; 215: Dan Wanshon (C) pinned Hammon in 52 seconds; 285: Donnie Laramie (C) pinned Franklin in 1:12; 103: Donnie Watkins (C) pinned Davatos in 1:12: 112: Carl Lucke (C) won by major decision over Chow, 11-3; 119: Jeremy Fillippelli (C) pinned Rosso in 5:28; 125: Adam Fleischmann (C) pinned Qubacki in 50 seconds; 130: Steve Cox (C) won by technical fall over Lee, 16-1; 135: Beeai (GPN) dec. Brent Winekoff, 5-3; 140: Josh Hurst (C)

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What's better? Free weights or machines

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Dennie Taft, a former strength-andconditioning coach for the Detroit Tigers, is an expert in



Dennie Taft

the fitness field. The Canton resi $dent \ has$ offered to answer questions from Observer readers regarding strength and conditioning and tech-

niques that will enhance their sports-performance skills.)

Question: Free weights or machines? Which is best for athletes?

Answer: When comparing free weights to machines, it has been my experience that a combination of the two can be an integral part of any strength-training program, though the bulk of the exercises should be free weight in nature.

Many free-weight exercises require movement around more than one joint. These "multi-joint" exercises demand the recruitment of stabilizing and assisting (synergistic) muscles to balance the body and/or load during the execution of the movement.

For example, during a freeweight squat, stabilizing and assisting muscles around the hip, knee and ankle joints are activated to control any unwanted lateral, forward, backward or rotational movement. In athletic competition, those same muscles are utilized to control, stabilize and balance the body as well.

In addition, movements of various free-weight exercises mimic those of athletic play more closely than exercises performed with machines. As a result of strengthening through free weights, these muscles are better prepared to endure the stresses of athMany free-weight exercises require movement around more than one joint. These "multi-joint" exercises demand the recruitment of stabilizing and assisting (synergistic) muscles to balance the body and/or load during the execution of the movement.

letic maneuvers.

Training with weight machines does not require this type of muscle activation. Single-joint exercises (example: leg extensions) are performed, and stabilizing muscles are not called upon to assist in the execution of the movement. The machine supports the user and eliminates demands for stabilization and balance of the load. In comparison to free weights, the body is not as well prepared for stresses placed upon them.

An advantage of weight machines is that they offer a way to isolate specific areas of the body that are difficult to strengthen through free weights (example: leg curls, abduction and adduction, neck and hip flexion).

For this reason, weight machines should be included in a well-rounded strengthtraining program.

In my opinion, the use of both free weights and machine exercises should be incorporated in a strengthtraining program with the emphasis being on multi-joint free weight movements.

If you have a question for Dennie Taft relating to sportsperformance training, please send an e-mail to Plymouth-Canton Observer Sports Editor Ed Wright at ewright@hometownlife.com.

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Canton Leisure Services will be offering several fun-filled sports programs during the winter

The annual Snowball Co-ed Classic Softball Tournament will be held at the Canton Sports Center on Jan.13. This event is played in the snow with an oversized, Chicago-style softball. The cost of the double-elimination tourney is \$125 per team. Prizes will be awarded to the top teams.

The bi-annual "Family Bowling Night" will be held at Friday, Jan. 26 from 6:30 p.m. to dent family and \$50 per non-resident family. The cost of the event includes two-and-a-half hours of lane; shoes; pop and pizza; and free give-aways.

A pair of cross-country ski days at Pheasant Run Golf Course will be offered on Jan. 28 and Feb. 17 from noon to 4 p.m. Participants may bring their own skis or rent them at the course. The cost is \$10 per person and includes access to the trail that winds through the golf course; refreshments; and a free raffle. Pre-registration is required.

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Talented returnees to make Rock spikers formidable again

STAFF WRITER

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There should be plenty of "high-fives" exchanged between the members of the Salem volleyball team this season thanks to the return of five starters who led the Rocks to high places during the 2005-06 cam-

While second-year head coach Amanda Suder will miss the immense skills of graduated players Lauren Price (University of California, Pa.), Shannon Rusin and Ashley Hayes, she can celebrate the return of fouryear varsity players Teresa Coppiellie and Lauren Kurtz, along with other key contributors including Jansan Falcusan, Courtney Sieler, Nicole Mersch and Katrina Cope.

"We have a new mix this year with a lot of veterans and a lot of younger players, but it's a good mix," said Suder, who led her team to a Western Lakes Activities Association title last year.

Leading the Rocks will be dynamic frontrow players Coppiellie, who has signed a letter-of-intent to play collegiate volleyball at the University of Albany, a Division 1 school located in upstate New York, and Kurtz, who is getting looks from several Michigan colleges. Both received All-League honors last season, their third as varsity starters.

"Teresa is a great leader and great player who gets better every day," said Suder. "She has good all-around skills, but she's an exceptional hitter and passer. She's also working on a jump serve that will really complete her

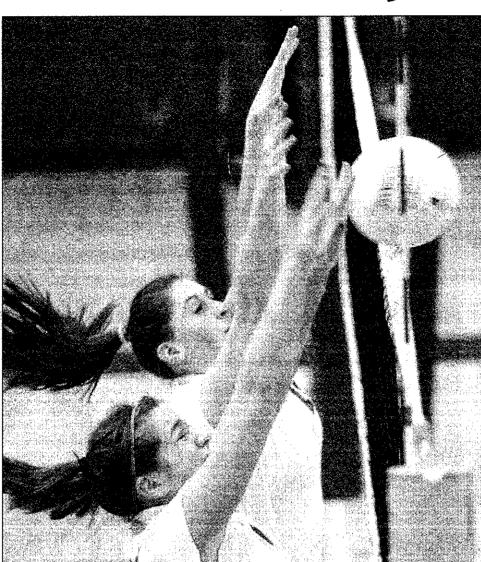
"Lauren is an outstanding middle-blocker who also offers great leadership to the team. Blocking is her No. 1 skill, but we'll be asking her to do more outside hitting this year as

Seiler enters the season as the Rocks' starting libero after a solid junior season in O5-

"Courtney is a great passer," Suder said. "And her serve-receive game is excellent. Liberos will get to serve for the first time this year, so that will help us because she has a very good serve."

Although just a sophomore, Falcusan already has a full season of varsity setting under her belt after shining for the Rocks

"In my opinion, Jansan is one of the top setters in our conference," asserted Suder. "She's our leader on the floor, our quarterback. We're expecting a lot out of her this year and I'm confident that she'll deliver."



Sophomore setter Jansan Falcusan (foreground) and senior middle blocker Lauren Kurtz return to help Salem defend its WLAA Lakes Division crown.

Mersch, a 5-foot-9 senior, will be counted on as a front-row mainstay as will Cope, a 5-11 middle hitter who, in the estimation of Suder, may be the team's most improved player since last year.

Another key contributor for the Rocks will be junior Alicia Goods, a transfer student from Class B volleyball power Marysville.

"Alicia is an outside hitter with all-around solid skills," said Suder. "She'll add a lot to our front line."

Other players who will play instrumental roles in the Rocks' quest to repeat as WLAA champs are juniors Jill Slabey, Alyssa Matchette and Taylor Abbey; sophomore

Kelly McDonald; and freshman Chelsea Goods, the younger sister of Alicia.

"Churchill will be good again and Northville will be tough, too, even though we don't play them," Suder said, assessing the WLAA balance of power for the upcoming season. "Both of our rival schools -Plymouth and Canton -- will play us tough, too. I know Plymouth graduated a lot of good seniors, but their coach — Kelly McCausland — always puts together good

Salem opens Dec. 16 at the Madonna University Invitational, which will be held at Plymouth.

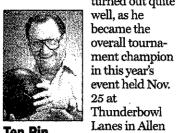
Windsor bowler doesn't mind exchanging bridge toll for title

illiam "Scotty" Laughland has to pay a toll at the bridge or tunnel and pass inspection at Customs when he comes to bowl in the Old Timers Tournament every year.

This was a year in which it turned out quite

well, as he

became the



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game, followed with 299 and finished with 212 for a 777 scratch series, the

with a 266

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highest among the 586 total At age 76, Laughland won the

76th annual Old Timers, for the second time in his fine career. Other winners and top finish-

ers in their respective age brackets included: Under 50: 1. Keith Pinchback, age 48, 725; 2. Tom Darichuk,

40. Lincoln Park, 707; 3. Ernie Segura, Jr., 48, Brownstown, 702. **50-59:** 1. Chuck Graddick, 59, Eastpointe, 720; 2. John Cisco,

56, Warren, 719; 3. Rick Eiermann, 53, Garden City, 705; 60-64: 1. Theo J. Tolbert, 60, Ecorse, 706; 2. Bill Schepke, 61, Shelby Twp., 701; 3. Eugene Szweda, 61, Southgate, 653;

65-69: 1. Bill Dewid, 66, Warren, 697; 2. Archie Fanville, 69, Ecorse, 696; 3. Lloyd Pruitt, 68, Detroit, 688.

70-74: 1. Rich Fisk, 72, Canton, 682: 2. Richard Pokriefka, 72, Clinton Township, 665; 3. Ron Barnes, 74, Dearborn Heights, 662; **75-79:** 1. Buddy Calloway, 75,

Allen Park, 712; 2. Nicolas Perez, 76, Detroit, 657; 3. Joe Patterson, 79, Detroit, 654;

80-and-over: 1. Ozzie Hovsepian, 82, Dearborn Heights, 630; 2. Jack Dahlstrom, 82, Redford, 610; 3. Ameen Solomon, 80, Bloomfield Hills,

The tournament was also high-

lighted by Warren's Thomas Churchill, who rolled a 300 game. The opening ceremonies prior to both squads featured a memorial to those old timers who had died during the past year. The corresponding number of lanes are turned on, and the sweeper takes down the pins as their name is called, it's the final strike.

One of the bowlers thought he heard his name called and said, "I'm still alive."

It turned out to be the same first name, Jack, and the last name was one letter different, but

sounded just like his. What a weird coincidence that was, and yes, his score counted.

Hey, Kids. You can bowl with Santa Claus beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16 at Merri Bowl Lanes, located at 30950 Five Mile Road, in Livonia.

Included in the \$7.50 per child cost is one game of bowling, one hot dog with pop, plus a special gift for each child. Pre-paid registration guarantees a spot, but space is limited. Call (734) 427-2900. You can also visit at www.bowldetroit.com.

Make a note on your calendar to watch the History Channel, which features an hourlong segment on how bowling balls are produced at 10 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17.

The Modern Marvels segment chronicles the evolution of several sports balls through the ages including Penn tennis balls, Wilson footballs, Rawlings baseballs and Callaway golf balls, in addition to Ebonite and Hammer bowling balls.

"Most people outside our industry cannot imagine how complicated the bowling ball manufacturing process actually is," said Bob Reid, Ebonite's vicepresident of marketing.

The bowling segment includes the manufacturing process as well as the actual demonstration of various ball cores and coverstocks on the lanes.

Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia, league secretary and a member of the Bowling Writers Association of America He can be reached at (248) 477-1839 or email: tenpinalley@sbcglobal.net.



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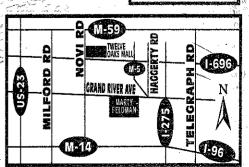
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Need greater than ever this holiday season

heresa Bizoe is uncertain about why there's a 25-percent increase in domestic violence victims and their children seeking shelter at First Step this past year, but she does know the food bill has increased.

The need is even greater for charities in 2006. Expenses continue to rise as funding and donations decrease due to the tenuous



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To raise money for First Step, IKEA in Canton is sponsoring a shopping event at its store on Ford Road at Haggerty 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 10. Supporters of the nonprofit are invited to shop till they drop for a fee of \$25, which includes a 15percent discount on in store purchases. Tickets are available at the door.

If you can't make the event, Bizoe is asking supporters to consider donating gift cards from Meijer that can be used for food, diapers and gas. First Step serves domestic violence and sexual assault victims in 36 communities through its offices in Plymouth, Redford and

"We always need diapers, the large size especially," said Bizoe, associate director. "We have 22 kids in the shelter. 10 are under age 2. Diapers are a very expensive item. Cash donations, because of the budget constraint, will help us to keep the doors

If you are a battered woman in need of help, call the hotline at (734) 459-5900 or (888) 453-5900 (toll free).

For information about giving, visit www.firststep-mi.org or call (734) 416-1111. JA'NOAH HOUSE

Andrey and Carl Mattson haven't slowed down since feeding 100 people Thanksgiving dinner on the streets of the Cass Corridor, Norwayne area of Westland Brightmoor, and Brewster Projects. The nonprofit's mission is to care for the poor and homeless year-round by loading their truck then distributing the food, used clothing and household goods. They can always count on the generosity of Entemann's and Panera for baked goods. Volunteers at St. John Lutheran Church in Redford make sandwiches once a month and Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church (Livonia) every three months. Now they're hoping readers donate goods to fill the building lent by the City of Livonia for the holidays.

Several weeks ago, the Mattsons dropped off letters for children to fill in sizes and wants. On average, they prepare 250 pillowcases full of clothing and toys for gift giving along with bags of hats, gloves and fruit for the homeless living on the streets.

"There's always been people walking the streets," said Audrey Mattson. "They're looking for food, looking for clothes. They're cold. Many have never been able to find a job. They're not trash. They have a soul, a heart."

To help, call (734) 522-5077.

CAPUCHIN SOUP KITCHENS

Brother Vincent Reyes isn't asking for toy donations this year for the Capuchin Soup Kitchens on Meldrum and Conner. Oh, there will be toys, but times are desperate and Reyes is looking for caps, coats and gloves for the kids.

"Donations of money are good. We can buy food a lot cheaper because it's in bulk,' said Reyes, pastoral director. "We need dry goods, rice, canned vegetables, cereal, anything with a long shelf life. I love what we do here, because it really makes a differ-

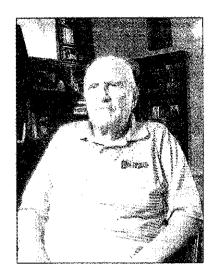
To help, call Reyes at (313) 579-2100,

Sister Nancyann Turner, a Dominican nun from Livonia, is in need of loose leaf paper, educational games, books with an African American theme, socks, hats and mittens for the after-school program at the Capuchin kitchen. In addition to tutoring, children and youth participate in art therapy and creativity classes, a summer garden learning experience, and a teen girls support group that recently helped bake bread for about 30 families.

"It's a hard season for the poor," said Sister Turner. "Most of our kids won't have a tree. That's a luxury they can't afford. We have quite a few new families. Many are working but get no benefits. We're situated in the neighborhood of the working poor.'

To help, call (313) 822-8606, Ext. 210. Contact Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953-2145 or send e-mail to Lchomin@hometownlife.com.

Our Italian story



Tony Filippis lost his legs after falling off of a train at age 12 in 1929. Undaunted, the Rochester Hills man learned the trade of crafting artificial limbs and went on to found Wright & Filippis, a leader in rehabilitative health care since 1944.

Documentary reflects on immigrants' struggles, success

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

The audience laughs along with Lina Del Signore as she tells of meeting John, her soon-to-be husband, in their hometown in Italy. It is one of the lighter moments in a documentary that premiered Dec. 3, at a gala at Rock Financial Showplace in Novi. The evening celebrated Our Italian Story, a film focusing on the struggles and successes of Italian immigrants who came to southeast Michigan in search of the American dream.

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man learned the trade of crafting artificial limbs and went on to found Wright & Filippis, a leader in rehabilitative health care since

Nino Salvaggio turned 500 cases of strawberries into a chain of fruit markets in Fermington Hills, Troy and St. Clair Shores.

According to Armando Delicato, the film's historian and author of Italians in Detroit, many immigrants went into food distribution. On the lower east side, vestiges of their gardens of grape leaves and fig trees can still be seen in some

Television audiences can view their stories commercial free 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, and 9 a.m. Monday, Dec. 25, on WXYZ-TV



John Zaretti (left), Giuseppe Delena and Dino Valle sing in 'Our Italian Story.'

Sergio De Guisti works on a relief in his Redford studio.

Foods. When Jim Lipari first came to this country, he was selling barbecue sauce out of his station wagon. Today, Lipari Foods is a \$250 million a year business.

CELEBRATE THE CULTURE

"I didn't just want to do a documentary. I wanted to celebrate the culture," said Keith Famie, the film's executive director and producer. Famie told the audience he started working on the film several

PLEASE SEE ITALIAN, C7

Keith Famie told the audience he started working on the film several years ago when his father was suffering from Alzheimer's and told 'these amazing stories' about his Italian heritage.



Keith Famie (center) and John and Lina Del Signore take a break from filming the documentary, 'Our Italian Story,'to pose for a photograph in Sulmona, Italy, near the couple's hometown of Fonte D'Amore (Fountain of Love).



Kazarosian of Novi (left) and Geraldine Owens of Hazel Park sing during a rehearsal.

Singers celebrate Christmas Finnish style

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Henry Naasko puts his heart and soul into conducting the choir rehearsal on Monday night at the Finnish Cultural Center in Farmington Hills. Naasko is not about to let his grandparents' Christmas music fade away.

He's programmed nearly an entire concert of traditional carols for the Finnish American Singers annual holiday performance 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17, at the center, 35200 W. Eight Mile, between Gill and Newburgh roads.

As always, the choir treats the audi-

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What's your favorite holiday tradition?

Everyone knows about leaving cookies and milk for Santa.

Or making latkes at Hanukkah. And lighting candles during Kwanzaa.

Even the festivus pole has become a seasonal icon thanks to Seinfeld.

But we'd like to know how you personalize the holidays. Maybe you've created a totally new tradition or you've put a unique spin on an old one. What makes the season

special for you and your family?

Tell us in 200 words or less about your favorite holiday tradition and we'll publish responses in an upcoming issue. Also, share your Christmas photos with our readers. Send replies by Friday, Dec. 15, to Hugh Gallagher, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI

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The Livonia Civic Chorus sings a holiday program 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17, at Churchill High School in Livonia.

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Livonia Civic Chorus offers annual holiday concert

The Livonia Civic Chorus presents its traditional winter holiday program "Spirit of the Season" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17, at Livonia's Churchill High School Auditorium, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy. The concert includes an eclectic mix of holiday-themed songs and a wide range of featured performers.

The choir is directed by Donna Gleason. In addition to the perennial favorites, this year's selections include several arrangements from the film The Polar Express, as well as a mosaic of musical pieces from around globe. The audience is sure to enjoy

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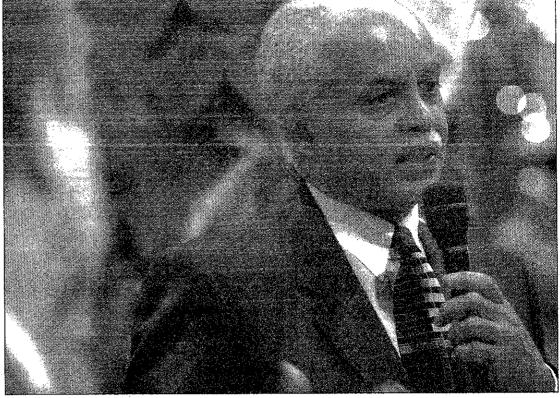
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Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans speaks during the 'Tie One on for Safety' kickoff event for MADD at the Westland Shopping Center Friday morning.

Message on drunken driving put front and center for season

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

The message was clear Friday at Westland Shopping Center: Don't drink and drive.

The holiday season brings special challenges for law enforcement in drunken driving, and Friday was the day to get the word out to local drivers. Wayne County Mothers Against Drunk Driving partnered with the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance to present the "Tie One on for Safety" program at Westland Shopping Center.

'We're getting the community involved," said Ne'chole McClendon, Wayne County MADD executive director. Westland Center had stations for nonalcoholic drinks, recipes for which people had submitted in advance. The top eight were chosen for shoppers to try, and the top three received gift certificates from the shopping center.

Celebrity servers included Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and Sheriff Warren Evans, along with other law enforcement officials and mayors. "We wanted to target Westland community," McClendon said. "We're trying to make it an entertaining community event."

Evans was glad to participate and to share the message on not drinking and driving. "We want people to have a good time, but not at the expense of someone else's life and limb," he said.

The press conference was followed by the Mocktail Mixer to which shoppers were invited. McClendon noted it's good for kids and adults to be able to drink mocktails during the hol-

MADD stopped offering rides home on New Year's last year. "We did them for 20 years," she said. "We're not doing them any longer." Last year, MADD distributed coupons for \$2 off rides for

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Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano talks about how much more fun it is to return home safely during the holidays as opposed to wearing handcuffs.

"Individuals were using it as a sense of entitlement," McClendon said of the rides, which were meant to be a last resort for revelers who had too much to drink.

The "Tie One On" campaign is national for MADD, although Friday's event focused on Wayne County. Victim Cheryl Morgan-Houston spoke about losing her son.

"People need to be more knowledgeable," McClendon said. "They don't have their loved ones. There's a seat empty and that individual will never sit there again."

The local MADD chaplain, another victim, was also present Friday.

Evans noted that enforcement efforts for his department and others will be stepped up during the holidays, particularly for New Year's. "We will have additional units on the entire period," he said, adding six additional officers will work at various times.

Evans is pleased with the fact there've been no alcoholrelated holiday deaths in Wavne County the past several years. All police departments and MADD have made the roads safer, he said.

"It's not our desire to arrest



Theresa Webster of SEMCA mixes a nonalcoholic 'Mocktail' of Christmas Sunshine Punch.

folks." He knows people will drink during the holidays and is concerned only with their moderation and not driving under the influence.

For the 2005 holidays, the task force (which also includes police from Redford, Livonia, Westland, Canton and others) made 1,300 traffic stops and 60 drunken driving arrests Evans said. There were five other alcohol citations, such as open intoxicants.

"We were fortunate enough to have no alcohol-related fatalities." The effort was repeated this past Thanksgiving and netted 19 drunken driving arrests and five related ones.

Evans praises MADD and media coverage for boosting awareness that there are consequences to drinking and driving. He urges people to use a designated driver.

"I think convictions are pretty consistent." His department's Last Call unit has been successful in following up on those with outstanding warrants for drunken driving, Evans said. "It's a built-in accountability, if you will," he said of the program started three years ago on a grant.

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Give your pet some TLC during busy holiday season

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

When planning your holiday celebrations, don't forget the four-footed members of the family. Pets too need some TLC during the season.

"Chocolate is very poisonous to dogs and can even be fatal," said Stephanie Baron, public and media relations coordinator for the Michigan Humane Society. She urges pet owners to keep chocolate out of reach of pets.

Gravy, poultry skin and other rich foods can cause gastrointestinal distress in pets, Baron noted, so feeding from the table isn't recommended. Pet owners should avoid food bones that could splinter and hurt a dog. Commercial bones get the MHS OK.

"Christmas decorations can

be dangerous," said Dr. Brad Davis, a veterinarian with VCA (Veterinary Centers of America) in Garden City. Tinsel eaten by an animal can even cause death, said Davis, who earned his doctor of veterinary medicine degree from Michigan State University.

"Christmas balls can be broken," he said. Davis and Baron also urge pet owners to keep things calm for four-legged friends.

"Try to keep some level of normal schedule with the animal," Davis said, adding that stress can lead to diarrhea in animals

Baron recommends keeping your pet's food and water away from busy areas in the home, "and having a place where they can go for peace and quiet." An area for sleep and if possible a litter box for cats and kittens Baron and Davis recommend against getting a new pet during the busy holiday season, noting after the holidays things are calmer and an animal can adjust more easily.

are good.

She said it's bad to leave pets unsupervised around the Christmas tree, as they may get into ornaments, tinsel, wrapping paper or bows which can harm them.

Baron and Davis recommend against getting a new pet during the busy holiday season, noting after the holidays things are calmer and an animal can adjust more easily.

"It's a bad time to get a new pet," he said of busy December, when people's time and patience are limited. You can get information on a new pet now, and buy an appropriate book or stuffed animal as a holiday gift.

"Everybody's household is going to be a little more stressful this month," Baron said. After New Year's, visitors will be gone and things will calm down as the whole family gets involved in adopting a pet. "And they won't have any surprises," she said.

Davis and Baron agree pet ownership benefits people and their pets. "It's a great opportunity for families to teach kids about life, to teach kids about responsibility," he said. "Children who are animal lovers tend to be better kids."

The Michigan Humane Society – which operates shelters in Westland, Rochester Hills and Detroit – will have plenty of pets to adopt in the early months of 2007. The MHS has other tips for pet owners this season, including:

Holiday plants can be harmful or toxic, including mistletoe, holly, poinsettias, Japanese yew, Jerusalem cherry, lilies and the bulb of the amaryllis plant. Contact your veterinarian right away if your pet is vomiting, lethargic or foaming at the mouth.

Ingested pine needles can puncture the intestines, so vacuum around the tree frequently. Preservatives, aspirin or sugar commonly used to prolong a Christmas tree's life may prove harmful if the water is

ingested. Aspirin is especially deadly for cats.

Make sure lights and electrical cords are out of reach.
Besides the risk of electrocution, the whole tree may topple

Make sure four-legged family members are secure while you are entertaining. More guests mean more chances for the cat, dog or other animal to slip out unnoticed; as always, be sure he is wearing a collar and ID tag in case of escape.

Lighted candles should never be left unattended, especially with animals around.

Alcohol and pets do not mix. Keep alcoholic drinks where animals can not reach them. If ingested, the animal could become very sick and weak, possibly resulting in respiratory failure.

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The lower level is moving along as the new home of our Youth collections and programs. Check out the latest developments on the Library's renovation project by going to plymouthlibrary.org and clicking on the Building Blog. Current project updates and photos will take you behind the scenes.

■ MEDICARE D PRE-SCRIPTION DRUG PRO-GRAM, Thursdays, Dec. 14, 21 and 28, 1:30-3 p.m. — CVS Pharmacy will join the Library staff in helping seniors gain a better understanding of the Medicare Prescription Drug Program. Attendees are invited to bring a list of their specific prescription needs and will have the opportunity to compare pricing in the different programs available. Register for this free program by calling the Reader's Advisory Desk, (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4 or online at plymouthlibrary.org

WYOUR POETRY GROUP, Sunday, Dec. 10, 1:30-3:30 p.m. — Round table readings of poems, your own or by others, are held on the second Sunday of the month. Reader's discretion of language is asked in the works read. For more information, contact Don Hewlett, (313) 272-3548, or

donhewlett@aol.com

■ STARS, MOONS & PLANETS - There will be no Stars, Moons and Planets discussion in December - plan now to join local stargazer Mike Best when this group reconvenes Jan. 15 at 7 p.m. For more information contact (734) 459-BEST or starmikebest@comcast.net

■ CONTEMPORARY
BOOKS DISCUSSION,
Wednesday, Dec. 20, 7:30 p.m.

— Members of this book discussion group are invited to read Snow Flower and the Secret Fan: a Novel by Lisa See. Copies of this book are available at the circulation desk. New members are welcome at any time. For further information, please call Sue Patterson at the library, (734) 453-0750, or e-mail spatter-

son@plymouthlibrary.org
LIBRARY GARDEN
GROUP - There will be no
Garden Group meeting in
December. Start thinking
about your 2007 garden at the
next meeting to be held on
Thursday, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m.

BOREAT BOOKS - Great
Books takes a holiday break there will be no meeting in
December. The next meeting
will be held? p.m. Monday,
Jan. 8. The discussion group is
open to anyone who is curious
and willing to work with others
in developing an understanding and appreciation of great
literature. For further infor-

mation, contact group facilitator Karen Berrie at (734) 453-2454. To learn more about The Great Books Foundation, see the Internet Web site: http://www.greatbooks.org/

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■ NEEDLECRAFTERS

MEETING - There will be no
Needlecrafters Meeting in
December. Kick off the new
year with a new project when
the group meets again Jan. 22
at 7 p.m. Knitters, quilters,
needlepointers are all invited
to attend this informal group
gathering. Lessons are not
provided, but ideas exchanged
among attendees. No registration required.

BROWN BAG BOOK DISCUSSION, Wednesday, Dec. 27, noon — This month's discussion invites members to read The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio by Terry Ryan. Copies of this book are available at the circulation desk. Bring a lunch; beverages are provided. For more information about Brown Bag Books, ask at the Reader's Advisory Desk, call Linda Pride at the Library, (734) 453-0750, or email lpride@plymouthlibrary.org

baseball really is funny.
Thursday, Dec. 28, 7 p.m.—
The library kicks off this special baseball series, "Hot Stove League: Professors of Baseball share their love of America's pastime" with Detroiter and former major league outfielder,

Tom Paciorek. An Emmy Award-winning broadcaster, Paciorek will share vivid stories of his forty-year baseball career with the Los Angeles Dodgers, the Atlanta Braves, the Seattle Mariners, the Chicago White Sox and the Texas Rangers. Register for this free program by calling the Reader's Advisory Desk at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4, or online at plymouthlibrary.org. This program is made possible with the support of the Friends of the Plymouth District Library.

HOMEBOUND BOOK
DELIVERY — Joining the
Plymouth Community Council
on Aging, the Plymouth
District Library will deliver
library books and audio books
to homebound residents of the
City of Plymouth and
Plymouth Township. Call
(734) 453-0750, Ext 240 to
enroll or go to plymouthlibrary.org and complete the
homebound delivery service
registration.

Youth Program

Monday, Dec. 11, 10 & 11 a.m.; Saturday, Dec. 16, 10 a.m. — This 15-minute program is designed for the very young — babies ages 6-24 months and their caregivers. No older siblings. Registration is required — call Reader's Advisory Desk at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4.

EVERY CHRISTMAS STORY EVER TOLD

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Chef bakes up Motor City memories

BY SANDRA ARMBRUSTER STAFF WRITER

Ever so gingerly, Dannielle

Heilman gathers up three dozen eggs and builds monuments.

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But instead of bricks and

mortar, Heilman uses 8 pounds of sugar, 20 pounds of flour, 12 cups of molasses, 10 tablespoons of cinnamon and 5 tablespoons of ginger. And a lot of love.

"Easily, it's taken more than 100 hours. Definitely," Heilman said of her project. "I could work on it for hours, and

it would go by like nothing." Her project, however, really is something. Heilman, who is pastry chef at Charley's Crab in Troy, has created a gingerbread tableau. The scene features major landmarks in southeastern Michigan. Besides the restaurant, depicted are the DaimlerChrysler building in Auburn Hills, the Guardian Building in Detroit and the Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak.

The scene is on display as visitors enter the restaurant. "Everything is edible, except

for the street lights," she said. This is the second and more expanded year for the tableau, with other versions built at the Gandy Dancer in Ann Arbor and Charley's Crab in Grand Rapids. The process for the year-round project begins in

"Most of it is just using our imagination," she said. She also uses magazines and books for reference.

The Shrine of the Little Flower was chosen because it's very popular with a lot of our clients," Heilman said. The church even has stained glass windows. "Charley's Crab was the most challenging because of all the" sections.

The Guardian Building has its historic orange brick, and the tall DaimlerChrysler building reflects the shiny blue exterior of the actual structure. Heilman begins by measur-

ing and remeasuring – not for the gingerbread contents, but for the key ingredient of struc-

Pastry Chef Dannielle Heilman spent 'easily' 100 hours creating this gingerbread tableau that is a salute to the Motor City.

Three restaurants are bringing their region's historic sites to life in gingerbread and other edible sweets in gingerbread villages on display through Dec. 31. The village at Charley's Crab Troy, designed by Pastry Chef Dannielle Heilman, highlights the DaimlerChrysler headquarters, the Guardian Building of Detroit, the National Shrine of the Little Flower and the Charley's Crab restaurant. At Charley's Crab Grand Rapids, Pastry Chef Starr TenEyck takes visitors on a tour of the area with landmarks like Calder Plaza, Rosa Parks Circle, the Gerald R. Fordi-Presidential Library & Museum, Heritage Hill, DeVos Place, Meijer Gardens, Van Andel Arena and Charley's Crab. Gandy Dancer's gingerbread village, created by Executive Pastry Chef Catherine

Ackerman, includes such notable sites as the University of Michigan's Burton Memorial Tower, the Kempf House Museum, Michigan Theater and St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Gandy Dancer is located at 401 Depot St. in Ann Arbor, for more information, contact (734) 769-0592. Charley's Crab Troy is located at 5498 Crooks Road; for information, contact (248) 879-2060. Charley's Crab Grand Rapids Is located at 63 Market Street S.W.; for more information, contact (616) 459-2500.

tural accuracy so important as she cuts patterns for the struc-

Then she moves on to mixing and rolling out the dough, and labeling all the pieces once they are cut.

Fondant is used to mold the holly and poinsettias on the buildings, and to mold the realistic snowmen.

A traditional wedding cake frosting, a mixture of powdered sugar and egg whites, is used to cement the pieces together and to decorate the buildings

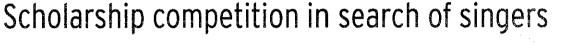
"The (icing for the) snow on top is looser. I use less egg white for that," she said. "I don't follow any recipe, I just keep adding powdered sugar"

At age 33, Heilman's career has taken her around the country, but she got an early start. She began baking when she was in the third grade.

Her mother was a cake baker, she said, and Heilman went from working behind the counter to decorating cakes. She later got hands-on experience, working for restaurants in Ft. Lauderdale and for Rocky's in Northville. She says "it's great to get paid to" follow her interest.

"You'd think I was cooking for a family of 10 (at home)," she said. "I'm always in the kitchen on my days off."

Heilman said, it will be up to others to dismantle the project. "I won't be able to do it,"



In May 1984, the Plymouth Community Chorus initiated its Vocal Music Scholarship Program. The BeckRidge Chorale, formerly known as the

Plymouth Community Chorus, continues to honor this commitment to vocal music by offering six \$500 scholarships to college and high school students, age 16 and over, interested in vocal performance. The scholarship winners must agree to participate as a memBeckRidge Chorale for the 2007 spring season, commencing in January 2007.

be chosen based on vocal audition. After fulfilling the requirements of the Chorale, the scholarship money will be sent to the educational institution attended by the scholarship winners to be applied toward their tuition. In the case of a high school student,

the money will be held in escrow to be applied to the tuition of the student's accredited college or educational institution of choice.

at First United Methodist Church, 45201 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon, Plymouth. For more information, call



Local engagement, wedding, anniversary and birth announcements run in the Sunday editions of the Observer. There is no charge to submit an announcement.

for engagements, weddings, anniversaries and births email Hugh Gallagher at hgallagher@hometownlife.com.

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are employed

Wedding date

Names and cities of all attendants

Reception location Honeymoon location

Please send photos in a vertical format. If you are e-mailing a photo, send it as a "jpeg."

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The scholarship winners will

Scholarship auditions will be held 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 17,

Sherrie Northway, BeckRidge

Chorale Scholarship chairperson, at (313) 533-4796.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To obtain a copy of our forms Or send the following infor-

mation to Hugh Gallagher, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150:

For engagement announcements, include:

cities for the bride, groom and

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■ Where bride and groom

Wedding location

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

For weddings, include: ■ All of the above, plus

Clergy's name

City where couple will

Photographs may be picked up after publication; or enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. For information, call (734)953-2149.

WEDDING

Bradley-Kelsey

Elizabeth Kelsey and William Royal Bradley were married July 20.

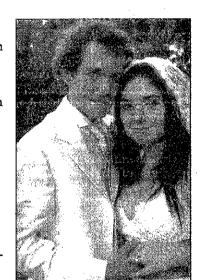
The wedding and reception were held at La Belle Epoque in Napa, Calif. The wedding ceremony was officiated by Dr. Cindy Clayton. Maids of honor were J.J.

Marinez and Fiona McNally. Kathryn Schwenlle and Deborah Wilson were bridesmaids.

Henry Martinez was best man. Jowa Safi and Jim Mihalet were the groom's attendants. The bride is the daughter of

Margaret Kelsey of Sturgeon Bay, Wis. and the late Martin C. Kelsey. She is a graduate of St. Mary's High School in Faribault, Minn., and attended Centre International De Valbonne, Antipolis, France. She is an actress in Los Angeles.

The groom is the son of



Sharon and Andrew Bradley of Beverly Hills, Mich. He earned a bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. He is an actor in Los Angeles.

The couple honeymooned in China, Thailand and Japan. They will make their home in Los Angeles.

NEW VOICES

Rorabacher babies Ron and Julie (Tripodi) Rorabacher of Northville announce the

birth of their triplets.

Carol Annabella weighed 3 pounds, 12 ounces and was 16.5 inches long. Riley Dean weighed 4 pounds, 9 ounces and was 17 inches long. Lucas Hamilton weighed 3 pounds, 10 ounces and was 16.5 inches. They were born Oct. 19 at Providence Hospital in

The triplets are the grandchildren of Greg and Ailene Tripodi of Livonia, Tony and Ruby Rorabacher of Northville and the late Carol Rorabacher.

Do you need advice? We're listening

Tired of arguing with your parents? Can't find the right words to a say to your crush? Having problems juggling school and after-school work? Students looking for advice from their peers on these and any other subject can submit questions for an upcoming advice column written by area teenagers, part of the $Observer\ \mathfrak S$ Eccentric's student journalists program. If you're looking for advice, please e-mail your questions to gmullin@hometownlife.com for use in an upcoming edition of hometownlife.com.





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MARGARET L. SMITH

Died December 5, 2006. Resident of Bloomfield Hills, wife of Lawrence

A. Smith. Mother of Marianne S

(Thomas) Ganiard of Bloomfield Hills and Douglas A. (Cheryl) Smith

of Chicago. Grandmother of: Meagan,

Tommy, Kelsey and Maggie.

Margaret was born in England, came

to the U.S. at an early age. She was a graduate of Redford High in 1938,

then graduated from Wayne State

University in 1942. Subsequently she received a Masters degree in Library Science. She was employed at the Detroit Public Library and later a librarian at Southfield Lathrup High School She was an active mamber of

School. She was an active member of

St. James Episcopal Church in

Birmingham. A member and chairper-

son of many organizations including St. Martha's Guild. She was proud of the fact "she was the first Woman

Senior Warden". She was an active

member of the American Association of University Women. An avid reader throughout her life and enjoyed giv-

ing book reviews. Memorial Service

at St. James Episcopal Church, 355 W. Maple, 10:30 A.M., Saturday, December 9. Memorial Tributes may

be made to: American Cancer Society

or The Michigan Heart Association. Arrangements by the Wm. R. Hamilton Co. 248-644-6000.

EDWARD J. GULICK

Age 85 passed away Dec. 6, 2006 at St. Mary Mercy Hospital. He was the beloved husband of Virginia and loving father to Gary (Tina), Brian (Lynne), Joyce (Andrew) Nadolny and Edward (Sandra). He was a devoted grandfather to his 7 grandchildren. He was an usher at St. Aidan Parish and was involved in the Men's Club. He was a past president of the Optimist Club and also a WWII veteran. He worked at Kowalski Sausage for 34 years and lived life to the fullest with a passion for golf. Visitation Sunday 2-9 (Rosary 7 pm) at the R.G. & G. R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia. Funeral Mass Monday, 11 am at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd. Livonia. Please sign the ordina Rd., Livonia. Please sign the online guestbook at rggrharris.com.



In Loving Memory **BRUCE "HB" RICHARD**

December 10, 1919 - March 18, 2006 You will live forever in our hearts. We miss you. Doris, Nancy, David, Midge and families



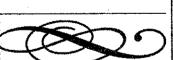
In Memory of LAWRENCE LONGWISH 11/23/28 -12/11/86



KATHRYN M. "TASS" HARTRICK

(nee. Dempsey) December 8, 2006. Age 80, of Royal Oak. Wife of the late James G. Hartrick. Dear mother of Bruce G. Barbara L. Shumer (Steven), Nancy E., D.D.S., Anne M. Cook (Douglas) Kathryn M. (Robert DeFer) and Joanne M. Szalai (Gregory). Joanne M. Szalai (Gregory). Grandmother of Daniel, Kathleen, Jeffrey, Brian, Gregory, James, Barbara, Jessica, Laura, Eleanor, Margaret and Amy. Family will receive friends Sunday 2:00-8:00pm at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (btwn 13-14 Mile). Memorial service Saturday, December 23rd, 4:00pm at First United Methodist Church, 320 W. Seventh St., Royal Oak, 48067. Visitation begins at church 3:00pm. Memorial tributes to the church

View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



RUTH L. PITTARD (nee Hingst)

Beloved wife of Mack W. Jr.; devoted mother of Penelope R. Maroldo of Oberlin, OH, Mack W. (wife Carol) of Michigan, R. Lee (wife Nancy), Jan E. Peart of Ontario (deceased) and John E. (wife Sherri); cherished grandmother of Dr. Anthony Maroldo, Danial Peart, Katherine Maroldo and great-grandmother of two; fond sister of Charles and Eric Hingst; dearest aunt of many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, contributions are suggested to the Salvation Army, 2507 E. 22nd St., Cleveland, OH 44115 or the Arthritis Foundation, 23811 Chagrin Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44122. Memorial Service Monday, December 11, 2006 at 2 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church, 5200 Mayfield Rd., Vandhuret Interment Private

Memorial Tributes to Holy Name Church or The Capuchins. A. J. Desmond & Sons, 248-362-2500 View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com THOMAS M. VICH Lyndhurst. Interment Private, ARRANGEMENTS BY SCHULTE & MAHON-MURPHY FUNERAL HOME (216)381-4000

councilman, township supervisor business associate, outdoorsman, fish-erman, hunter, skier, golfer, sailor, ice boater, Boy Scout leader, baseball coach, storyteller, philanthropist, Lions Club member & President, coin/stamp collector, ham radio opera-tor, dancer, world traveler, do-it-yourtor, dancer, world traveler, do-tt-your-selfer, naturalist, gardener, and Lover of Life. He will be truly missed! In lieu of flowers please send donations payable to: L.W. Lions Club, c/o Mr. Theron Bowers, Treasurer, 57 Leisure World, Mesa, AZ 85206. Memo line to read: In Honor of T. J. Sura

THEODORE J. (TED) SURA

Long-time Birmingham area resident passed away peacefully in his home in Mesa, AZ. His huge heart finally gave out after 90 years of kindness.

1916 - 2006. What matters most is the

hyphen between those years, and how Ted lived his life to its fullest. He was

a son, brother, friend, cousin, nephew

lover, husband, uncle, father, father-in-law, grandpa, high school/college cheerleader, Lieutenant-Colonel US

Army, WWII vet, lawyer, judge, city

RICHARD E. NORTHEY Age 83, of Livonia, died December 2

2006. Beloved husband of Margaret. Dear father of Thomas (Joanne) Northey, Janet (Ray) DeShano, and

Paul (Barbara) Northey. Loving grandfather of Laura (Jason) Schnob, Julie Cohen, Alaina and Elyssa Northey. Brother of David (Virginia)

Northey. He was preceded in death by his sister Lois Robertson. Memorial

January 2, 2007 at St. Matthews United Methodist Church, 30900 Six Mile Rd., Livonia. Visitation 10 am

until time of service. Memorial dona-

tions may be made to St. Joseph Mercy Home Care & Hospice, 806 Airport Blvd., Ann Arbor, MI 48108.

Arrangements by McConnell Funeral

Home, Fenton (810-629-2533)

WILLIAM "BILL"

COCHRANE

of Phoenix, AZ, formerly of Farmington Hills, died December 3, 2006 from injuries sustained in an

2006 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. He was born October 3, 1956 in Detroit, the son of Robert and Peggy (Bell) Cochrane. Life Story Services will take place Monday 1:00 PM at the LIFE STORY FUNERAL HOME, BETZLER & THOMPSON, M-40, Paw Paw, MI 49079 (800-822-7594), followed by food and fellowship at Gallacher's

food and fellowship at Gallagher's Eatery & Pub (715 S Kalamazoo St, Paw Paw). Bill was a warehouse man-

ager in Phoenix for the past 13 years

He was preceded in death by his moth

er Peggy Cicerello. Members of Bill's family include 3 siblings: Evelyn Quigley of Morrice, Dianna (Mitchell)

Butler of Richmond, KY; Clifford (Lori) Cochrane of Paw Paw, his father Robert Cochrane of Ellsworth

and by 8 nieces and nephews. Please visit Bill's memory page at www.lifestorynet.com where you can read his Life Story, archive a favorite

memory, order flowers, upload pic-

tures or make memorial contributions

to MADD or donor's choice.



Age 89, December 7, 2006. Fifty-five year resident of Farmington. Beloved wife of the late George. Loving mother of Rev. Suzanne Paul (Charles) and William Harris (Garneth). Cherished grandmother of Coreen Paul (Richard McElrov) Vincent Paul (Meg), Bowman (John), and great-grandchildren Charles Paul, Anthony Paul and Nate Bowman. Founding member of Servant Church of St. Alexander in Farmington Hills. Twice served as parish council president, Workers of Mary president, Christian Service Committee chair. Helped create food co-op, then Food Cupboard where she served as food coordinator for many years. Sat on board of South Oakland Shelter in Royal Oak, and was responsible for coordinating twice-yearly shelter at St. Alexander. Worked on numerous committees, including holiday food baskets and bingo. Twentyfive year employee at the Farmington Cleaners before retiring. Funeral Mass Monday, December 11, 11:00 a.m. (in state at 10:30 a.m.) at St. Alexander 27835 Shiawassee, Farmington Hills Visitation Saturday 5-8 p.m., Sunday 1-8 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. rosary at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Road, downtown Farmington. Memorial tributes suggested to the St. Alexander Food Shiawassee Farmington Hills MI 48336.



PAUL R. KUEBLER, SR.

December 4, 2006, age 89, of Westlake, Ohio, formerly of Westlake, Ohio, formerly of Birmingham, Michigan. Beloved husband of Catherine M. (nee: Pelletier) for 62 years. Dear father of Paul, Jr. (Maureen), Robin O'Callaghan (Liam) and Walter. Loving grandfather of 16 and great-grandfather of 13. Brother of Kathryn Kuebler. Preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Olivia Kuebler, his brother, John Kuebler, his sister Mary Byrnes (John) and his grandson, Padraic Kuebler. Memorial Mass Saturday, December 16, 2006 at 11 AM at Holy Name Church, 630 Harmon at Woodland, Birmingham. Visitation at church begins at 10:30

Age 54, December 4, 2006. Beloved husband of Carol. Stepfather of Ashley Haverkate. Son of Thomas and the late Joyce. Brother of Terry (Effaine), Larry (Anne) and Laurie (Chris) Daily Uncle of Rachel, Shane and Joskie. Functal Services were and Jackie. Funeral Services were held Saturday. Memorials suggested to the Scleroderma Foundation Arrangements by Santeiu & Son.



The first five "billed" lines of an obituary are published at no cost. All additional lines will be charged at \$4 per line. You may place a picture of your loved one for an additional cost of only \$6. Symbolic emblems may be included at no cost (example: American Flags, religious symbols, etc.)

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Mr. McFeely will bring the songs of Mr. Rogers to First Presbyterian Church of

Mr. McFeely coming to the neighborhood

Mr. McFeely (David Newell) will come to our neighborhood for an evening of beloved songs written by public television's Mister

Many Voices... One Song offers this concert as part of the Ovations! Concert Series at First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, 1669 W. Maple, at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 19 and 20.

Area vocalists Judie Cochill, Marc Meyers and Tom Trenney will join Mr. McFeely and the Neighborhood Jazz Combo for the evening of entertainment for children and grown-ups..

No tickets are required, and there is no admission fee. A free will offering will be collected. Proceeds will benefit Variety FAR Conservatory - a private nonprofit organization that provides creative arts therapy and recreation services for children with autism and other special needs. In addition, audience members are encouraged to bring new or gently used sweaters to contribute to the Mister Rogers' Sweater Drive.

Warm clothing will be collected and distributed to families who need extra warmth this winter. A meet-the-artists reception will follow the concert, and Mr. McFeely will be available for pictures

For more information on the concert or the Mister Rogers' Sweater Drive, call Hal Bay at (248) 540-9124.

LIBRARY PICKS

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

FICTION

- 1. "Cross," James Patterson
- 2. "For One More Day," Mitch Albom
- 3. "Dear John," Nicholas Sparks "Nature Girl." Carl Hiassen
- 5. "Wild Fire," Nelson DeMille

NON-FICTION

- 1. "The Audacity of Hope," Barack Obama
- 2. "The Innocent Man," John Grisham 3. "Culture Warrior," Bill O'Reilly
- 4. "The God Delusion," Richard Dawkins 5. "Marley & Me," John Grogan
- PARENTS' CHOICE

NEW CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS

- 1. "Tucker's Apple-Dandy Day," Susan Winget 2. "The Bad News Report Card," Nancy Poyder
- 3. "Little Elephant's Trunk," Hazel Lincoln 4. "Hungry for Numbers," Etienne Delessert

Now taking orders

Lipari

Turkeu Breast

5. "Big City Song," Debora Pearson

AROUND TOWN

Olivet scholarship

Olivet College is offering every high school in Michigan the ability to nominate two graduating seniors to receive the new Olivet College High School Guidance Counselor Scholarship. The scholarship is worth \$2,000 a year for four years equaling a total of \$8,000 for each qualified student. Enrollment availability is based on a first come, first served basis. The scholarship program empowers the guidance counselor or staff to chose two responsible seniors who have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA and 19 or higher on the ACT. One of the selected students must also demonstrate a greater need for financial assistance. For more information on the Olivet College High School Guidance Counselor Scholarship program, contact the Office of Enrollment Management at (800) 456-7189 or email admissions@olivetcollege.edu

New Year's Eve party Urban Singles presents "Ring in the New Year," with live entertainment from Jimmy Howard and Company Sunday, Dec. 31. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.; the party goes until 1 a.m. The party takes place at the Livonia Elks. 31117 Plymouth Road in Livonia (between Merriman and Middlebelt). Tickets are \$50 per person until Dec. 8; \$60 after Dec. 8, and cover dinner and beverage. Dinner is served at 7:30 p.m. Overnight accommodations will be available. Deadline for tickets is Friday, Dec. 22.

For more information, call Linda, (734) 507-9173, or Mary Ann, (734) 654-0115. Poetry contest

The Detroit Impact Community Center hosts a youth poetry contest with a \$100 prize 6:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22 at 9930 Greenfield in Detroit. The contest is open to poets 14-17 years old. Poems must be at least two minutes long. Any subject matter is permitted but no "excessive" profanity will be allowed. No props or music allowed. Poems must be recited and participants will be scored on originality, creativity and performance. Participants may be required to recite up to three poems (depending on attendance). Individuals should be at Detroit Impact no later than 6 p.m. Dec. 22 to register. The first 20 individuals will be allowed to register (based on a first come, first serve basis). For more information call (313) 272-0004 or (313) 598-8396.

MARSP meeting

Please read and recycle this newspaper

Picnic Basket

All public school retirees are invited to attend the next luncheon of the Northwest Wayne County Chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel Wednesday, Dec. 13. MARSP meets at 11:30 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 19801 Farmington Road in Livonia. The Churchill High School Choir will provide holiday music. Make reservations by Dec. 13 by calling (248) 477-9764. The cost is \$10.

Career development scholarship The Wayne Business and Professional Women's Club is now accepting applications for a "Career Development Scholarship" to recognize and support women entering or re-entering the work force or seeking to advance their careers. Candidates seeking application forms should send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

Hours: Open

Holiday Wine Sale

750 ml Bottles 10% off 3 Bottles

15% off Case • Mix & Match

Wayne Business and Professional Women's Club, Career Development Scholarship Committee, 34030 Fountain Blvd., Westland, MI 48185. Completed applications are due postmarked by Jan. 31. For more information, call Amy Allen, (734) 522-1603.

Card party/luncheon Victoria Chapter #290, OES, Livonia Masonic Temple hosts a card party/luncheon noon-3 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month. Admission is \$6; event features table prizes and door prizes. The temple is located at 27705 W. Seven Mile in Livonia. For more information, call (734) 459-6063.

Holiday nights

This December, step into a Christmas card of the past during Holiday Nights in Greenfield Village, Dec. 15-17 and 19-23. Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased by calling (313) 982-6001 or visiting The Henry Ford's Web site at www.thehenryford.org.

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, western Wayne, Monroe and Livingston counties. Volunteers provide a variety of services including companionship, light housekeeping, errand running, grief support and clerical services. For more information, contact volunteer coordinator Candice Jones (888) 973-1145. Literacy Council tútors

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.

Toastmasters meet

Do you have a fear of public speaking? Do you need to do presentations at work and don't know where to start? Or are you terrified of the thought of standing in front of a group of people to present that report? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then Toastmasters is for youl Canton Communicators Club meets every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Canton Coney Island on Lilley, just south of Joy, in the Golden Gate Plaza. For additional information, contact Bonnie at (734) 646-2237. 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.newhopecen-

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ter.net.

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

CLUBS

Plymouth Newcomers

Plymouth Newcomers & Neighbors playgroups for children ages 0-5 meet several times during the week at member homes and occasional special events. Come meet new parents while your kids meet their own new friends! For details, contact Janet Keller at (734) 451-1840 or robertplusjanet@aol.com 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 čhildren, 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 smallgroup 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 momsand their children. For more details, call Birthe at (734) 458-8143 or Kimberly at (248) 231-6120.

DAR

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

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 informa

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 Junea ! Persons interested in joining may con-

tact 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 mothersandmore63@onebox.com.

PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY PUBLIC NOTICE

The Plymouth District Library Board will hold its REGULAR December meeting Tuesday, December 19, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. at 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

The Plymouth District Library will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tape of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the Plymouth District Library. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Plymouth District Library by writing or calling. the following:

Barbara Kraft, Library Secretary Plymouth District Library 223 S. Main Street Plymouth, MI 48170 734-453-0750 X217

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed bids until 10:00 am, Tuesday December 19, 2006. The bid opening will take place at 10:00 am, Tuesday December 19, 2006 at Plymouth City Hall 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth Michigan

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Specifications and bid documents are available in the City Manager's Office, at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, 48170 during normal business hours. You may also download a copy of the documentation from the City's web site at: http://

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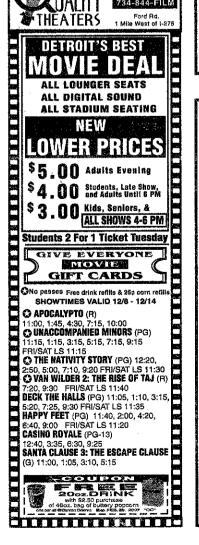
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST FOR A 12 YEAR INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION FOR MOELLER MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC. TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2006

Tuesday, December 19, 2006, during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider. a request from Karmann Manufacturing Company, Inc., for a 12year Industrial Facilities Exemptions for cost of new machinery. and equipment to be leased and installed within the existing facility located at 43938 Plymouth Oaks Blvd., Plymouth Oaks Business Park, Plymouth Township, Wayne County, Michigan. The request is on file in the Clerk's Office where it is available for

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: That a public hearing will be held on

public perusal during regular business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the date of the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may consider the request.

The public hearing, commencing at 7:00 p.m., will be held in the Town Hall Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, on Tuesday, December 19, 2006, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee Meeting. Telephone number (734) 354-3224.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk Charter Township of Plymouth

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Henry Naasko leads the Finnish American Singers through a song as the group rehearses at the Finnish Cultural Center in Farmington Hills.



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SINGERS

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ence to an authentic Finnish Christmas of sounds and tastes. Members of the Singers have been busy for weeks baking Finnish cookies and pulla, a cardamom bread to serve during the concert along with sandwiches. Food is a main ingredient in the Finnish celebration of the birth of Christ.

While choir president Ilene Yanke says she's nervous about singing Give Me No Grand and Golden Thing with her angelic voice, she's quite confident members of the audience will enjoy her Finnish gingerbread, teaspoon and nut cookies all made with butter.

Tickets for the concert are \$10, children age 12 and under are free. For more information, call (248) 478-6939.

"I try to get the audience familiar with carols sung in Finland," said Henry Naasko, who retired as teacher after 40 years in Livonia schools.

"The first part is a Finnish Christmas, the second is classical with Bach, Handel, Mendelssohn, and Sibelius, the national composer of Finland."

The Finnish carols speak of the true meaning of Christmas, about welcoming baby Jesus with distant bells ringing through the hills.

David Sharpe loves the music. His grandmother came from Finland.

"The choir is an attempt to continue the Finnish culture," said Sharpe of Farmington Hills.

Maire Vint left Finland for. Australia at age 7 but still treasures her heritage.

"A small part of the program is in Finnish and I understand the words," said Vint of Canton. Vint never sang with a choir until joining the Finnish American Singers at age 45. The choir welcomes vocalists of all abilities and nationalities.

"We have several new people, people from Poland and Germany. One is 87 years old, said Vickie Kimler, a Farmington Hills resident of German heritage.

Charlotte Lytikainen enjoys the diverse backgrounds of members as well as the wide range of reportoire. The Singers close the concert with Christmas songs from



llene Yanke of Highland rehearses with the Finnish American Singers. All of Yanke's grandparents were born in Finland.

Broadway musicals.

"It helps us stay young," said Lytikainen, 82, of Farmington Hills. Lytikainen's parents were born in Finland. "I like the versatility of the choir and the var-

ious nationalities represented. And the Finnish language is easy to pronounce because it's very phonetic."

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Audience members will also be treated to some traditional Finnish goodies such as Gingerbread, Teaspoon, and Nut cookies during the upcoming Finnish American Singers concert at the immobility Cultural Center.



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TAHAM

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years ago when his father was suffering from Alzheimer's and told "these amazing stories" about his Italian heritage

"My intention always was never to have a host," said Famie. "I wanted to have the Italian community tell their story.

"It's about respect. It's about celebration. It's about the family."

Famie and cinematographer Kevin Hewitt of Livonia followed the Del Signores in October to Forte D'Amore where they were married 49 years ago. The couple and film crew delight in an open-air market with its freshly made mozzarella. Then Lina reveals, much to her surprise, the events leading up to the day she finally said yes to John's proposal.

"When I go back I'm happy to see my family," said Lina, who came to the U.S. in 1962, four years after she married John. Back then it was common for Italian men to immigrate to the U.S. then send for their wives after becoming established.

"I love my family. It's a plain, simple life. When you're there you relax, unwind a little bit."

One touching scene shows the couple at a family burial site. Italians may visit the grave every day for a year after a death. Shortly before John's father died, he promised to take care of the St. Onofrio hermitage as his father had done. John and his sons annually held wild game dinners to raise money to repair the roof and restore the structure. It's the Del Signores' way of giving back to the community. For 38 years, the couple owned Font D'Amore in Livonia, the restaurant named after their hometown which in English means fountain of love. Although the Del Signores sold the restaurant in August, they still own Laurel Manor Banquet Center, operated by son Tino and his wife, Nanci, and Bacco, a Southfield restaurant co-owned with son Luciano. Until eight years ago, Lina owned and operated Lina's Bridal Salon in Plymouth and Birmingham.

"I was so impressed," said Lina Del Signore after viewing the documentary. "I was so emotional listening to the stories."

INSPIRATIONAL STORIES

Famie spent 70 hours producing footage of the heartwarming and inspirational stories of the immigrants who arrived in the U.S. unable to speak English.

Sergio De Guisti came to the U.S. at age 13 in 1954 and became an internationally known sculptor. In Michigan, the Redford artist is best known for the reliefs surrounding the Legacy of Labor sculpture he created with David Barr near Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit. De Guisti is well known as an instructor, having taught drawing for many years at Wayne State University and the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center.

Silvio Barile, an untrained artist, came to the U.S. in May 1956 unable to speak English but by 1960 had opened the Redford Italian Bakery behind which he's created naive sculptures related to Roman architecture and culture. Barile began to build objects during his days in a concentration camp during World War II.

"I was a war refugee," said Barile, who recently closed the bakery. "It was a terrible shock for me. I was not prepared to confront a different culture."

Along with the visual arts, the documentary reflects on the musicians and authors who made good in America. Pierette Domenica Simpson survived the sinking of the Andrea Doria and went on to write a book about the disaster after teaching in Farmington schools for 20 years. John Zaretti of Canton carries on the legacy of Italian opera composer Giuseppe Verdi by founding the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan.

Famie tells their stories.

"Keith is truly a storyteller," said
Thom Lipari, who spoke after dinner.
Thom, CEO and president of Lipari

Thom Lipari, who spoke after dinner Thom, CEO and president of Lipari Foods, is the son of immigrant Jim Lipari. "We can learn through their stories.

"The story these individuals tell is

"The story these individuals tell is so important. Storytelling helps us remember the past."

For more information about the documentary, visit www.ourstoryof.com.

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Jonathan Gill stuffs a pillow as Rosie Williams looks on at Community Work Opportunities in Canton.

Craft show spotlights talents of disabled

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Maureen McAuliffe is hoping anyone in need of a holiday gift will stop by the fourth annual craft show Friday, Dec. 15, at Community Work Opportunities in Canton.

The event not only allows customers to choose from a wide selection of needlepoint, Santas, wooden sleighs and decorative holiday items for the home, but feel good about supporting the disabled crafters who created the items. All of the profits go to the clients of Community Work Opportunities (CWO), a nonprofit agency providing support services to promote independence and improve quality of life.

Depending on their abilities, clients are able to select from programs that train them for jobs or offer them the opportunity to socialize. Five days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. they either deliver Meals on Wheels, volunteer at the Michigan Humane Society, work at Long John Silver's, McDonald's, Dunkin' Donuts, Pizza Hut, or Meijer, or enjoy bowling, petting Owen, McAuliffe's standard poodle, or making the crafts that include table runners, pillows, and theme mugs for children, teens and adults.

"It's a yearlong process," said McAuliffe, program developer. McAuliffe leads a CWO job club that teaches skills so clients are able to apply for employment.

"The crafts are selected according to an individual's abilities and interests. They receive a tremendous amount of support from the staff. And seeing a paycheck is extremely impressive. They feel like they're part of this production. We support them but they do all the work."

The goal is for clients to make an annual profit whether by holding bake sales, raffles, car washes, or the craft show which takes place 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday at Community Work Opportunities, 5900 Lilley, north of Ford Road on the east side of Lilley, Suite 101, Canton. For more information, call (734) 981-3709.

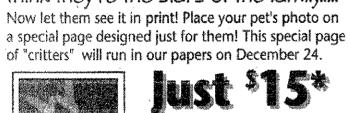
In addition to holiday items, red, white and pink poinsettias will be for sale.

"We have about 275 clients," said McAuliffe. "Many live in group homes and range from high functioning to medically fragile. They have a broad spectrum of disabilities. We offer services for those who want to continue learning vocational skills after age 26. It's a transitional program."

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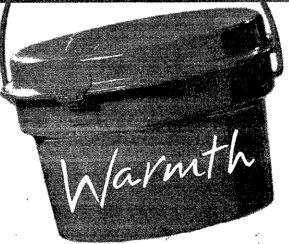
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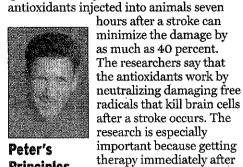
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Hugh Gallagher, editor . (734) 953-2149 . hgallagher@hometownlife.com

Antioxidants may reduce stroke harm

Ken from Redford is at high risk for a stroke and e-mails for nutritional tips on minimizing his risk.

Ken, you're sure to find this new research quite interesting. It shows that



Nielsen the study are synthetic and not yet available to the public. But they're also showing signs of helping with diabetes and more research is

a stroke is critical in

minimizing the damage.

The antioxidants used in

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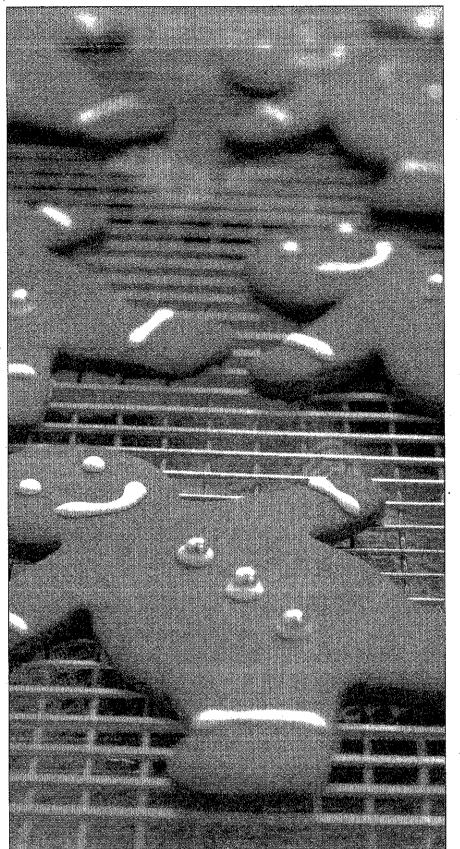
definitely on the way!

Peter

Pam from Rochester Hills just broke up with her boyfriend. She drowned her sorrows in ice cream and e-mails asking if that's normal.

Pam, there may be a psychological reason why you turn to your freezer for comfort. Research shows that people who feel rejected tend to adopt unhealthy or selfdefeating behaviors. This can result in eating poorly and even skipping out on work or school to have fun. Feelings of loneliness can make us think in the short term, choosing momentary pleasure despite the long-term effects. The same research can also apply to kids who are lonely and tend to watch TV or play instead of studying. It just goes to show that not all the reasons for weight gain can be found inside a carton of ice cream.

If you have a health or fitness question you would like answered in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, e-mail Peter through his Web site



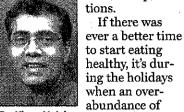
Controlling cravings

Avoid holiday weight gain by limiting portions

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Dr. Vinay Malviya isn't as concerned about the food his oncolo-

gy patients eat as the size of por-



Dr. Vinay Malviya

to start eating healthy, it's during the holidays when an overabundance of treats usually leads to weight gain. Research has shown that

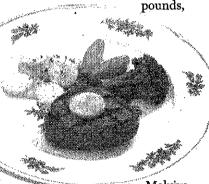
obesity increases the risk for certain cancers. Malviya has been warning his gynecologic oncology patients about the link for years. In fact, Malviya feels so strongly, he copied a New York Times article on a recent study about the connection between obesity and ovarian cancer survival rates and placed it in his waiting room at Providence Hospital Cancer Center in Southfield.

Published in the journal Cancer, the research revealed obesity not only shortened the lives of advanced ovarian cancer patients, but increased the rate of recurrence. Senior author Andrew J. Li, a faculty physician at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of California, Los Angeles, reported the discovery after reviewing medical records of 216 ovarian cancer patients at

SHARING MESSAGE

"I've been trying to tell them for a long, long time," said Malviya, chief of gynecology oncology at Providence Hospital's cancer center. "I wish people would pay attention. It's established in breast, ovarian and endometrial cancer that diet is considered to be one of the most important

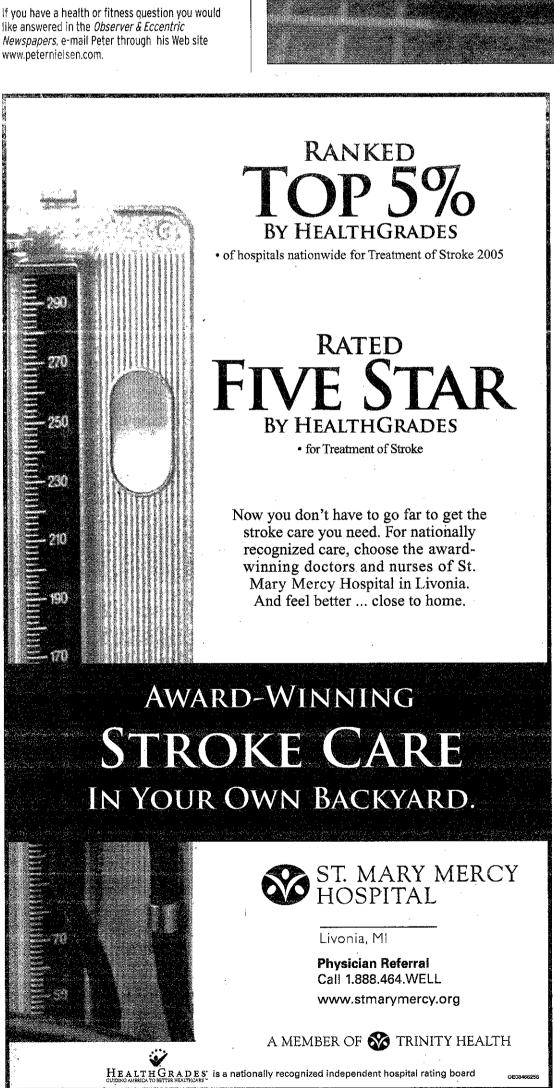
links." For many cancer patients in treatment, overeating is not a problem, but for those few who overindulge Malviya recommends reducing quantities. At 6 feet, 150

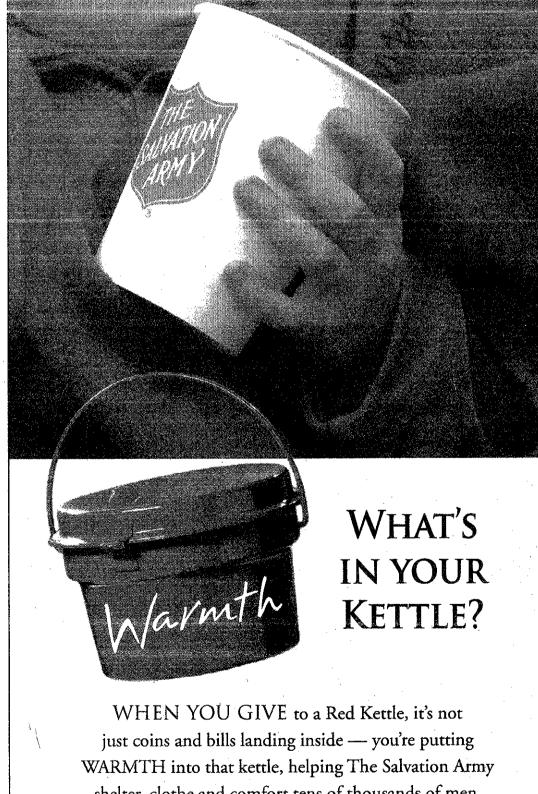


says sometimes patients think he's obsessed with their excess weight because he is so thin. Born in India, Malviya is a vegetarian, but says people on a Western diet can eat healthy by limiting por-

"The problem is patients receiving chemo it's very tough to have an appetite," said Malviya, a Bloomfield Hills resident. "They have altered tastes. I can't tell them just eat this. I never say don't eat this, don't eat that. I'm a chocoholic, but I know when to stop."

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Holidays a good time to look for symptoms of depression

Late-life depression is more common than once believed, especially among those who have heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, cancer or other major illnesses. If you notice that one of your elderly relatives isn't quite their old self they're more anxious, irritable, less joyful or quieter than they once were, seem focused on talking about people who have died, or have lost interest in things that they used to enjoy including holiday traditions and festivities - it's possible these changes add up to signs of latelife depression, which may affect as many as one in seven older people. It's especially common among those who have suffered a heart attack, cancer, lung disease, or problems with their hips and joints.

Helen Kales, M.D., hears this tale many times each year from patients who come to see her after their family members notice a serious change in their behavior at the holidays and encourage them to seek help. As a geriatric psychiatrist who specializes in helping older people cope with depression and other mental illness, Kales knows that it often takes the prompting of a family member to help an older person recognize their symptoms.

"One of the big things that happens at the holidays is that families who are coming in from out of town spot these symptoms and changes for the first time. For instance, their parent or relative isn't taking as good care of themselves or their home as they used to," said Kales, a member of the University of Michigan Depression Center. "It's a myth that depression is a normal part of aging, and that you just get old and tired and sad naturally. Normal aging is not associated with depression and late-life depression is just as treatable as any other

Kales, who treats patients with depression at the U-M Geriatrics Center and the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System, notes that older people who have experienced mental health problems in the past and those who have significant physical health problems that limit their lives, face the highest risk of developing late-life

depression. But even otherwise healthy elders can find themselves feeling depressed after a serious blow like the death of a spouse, sibling or close friend, or the loss of their social network when they move to an assisted living facility or to live with relatives.

All of these triggers can combine with the pressures and interrupted routines of the holiday season to create an even greater risk of depression during the holidays. Such feelings may pass as Christmas, Hanukkah and New Year's Day fade into memory or they can lead the person to develop more serious and prolonged depression lasting weeks or months. That's when it's important to get help.

People in their 70s, 80s and 90s may also be less likely to recognize their increased tiredness, loss of appetite and mood swings as signs of depression, Kales says, both because of other physical problems they have, or simply because of the era in which they grew up. The generations that witnessed the Great Depression may be less likely to recognize their own depression. Fortunately, younger people have grown up in an era when research has shown that depression is a physical illness rooted in brain chemistry and genetics and not in personal failings or weakness.

That's why it's so important for them to speak up to their relatives if they notice something wrong, says Kales, who is an assistant professor of psychiatry at the U-M Medical School and Director of the Geriatric Psychiatry Clinic at

Sometimes, it may even be worthwhile to mention those observations to the loved one's primary physician.

For those whose depression symptoms continue for weeks or months Kales emphasizes the possible need for counseling, also known as talk therapy, and medication. Talk therapy, which can be done with the help of a psychologist, mental health social worker or psychiatrist, involves developing new ways of thinking about one's situation and confronting negative thoughts and moods.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

DECEMBER

Blood drive Huron-Valley Sinai Hospital and the American Red Cross of Oakland County are recruiting donors for a Holiday Blood Drive 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 11. in the Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital Conference Center, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. Blood donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh more than 110 pounds and be in good general health. Donation process takes a little more than an hour. Walk-ins welcome but appointments encouraged. Call (248) 937-3314 or visit www.givelife.org and sponsor code "huronvsh."

Teen drug workshop

"Teens Using Drugs: What To Know and What To Do" series provides helpful information to families and others concerned about a young person who may be harmfully involved with alcohol or other drug use. The free workshops are presented by Ronald Harrison, SW, in the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Classroom EC4, 5305 Elliott Drive, Ypsilanti. Parents, other family members, teens, and people who work with teens are welcome. Free literature about alcohol/other drugs and teens is provided.

Part One: What To Know will be presented 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 2, and provides information on understanding and recognizing teen substance abuse problems. Part One and Two are repeated every first Tuesday of each month from October to

Part Two What To Do is scheduled 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12 and Jan. 9, and provides information on what should and should not be done when a teen substance abuse problem is suspected or identified, and will include a recovering teen speaker. For more information, call (734) 973-7892, send e-mail

tojessa@med.umich.edu or visit www.teensusingdrugs.org.

Hats for the Homeless

The Broe Therapy Choir presents a concert and delivers hats for the homeless 1-2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13, at The

Detroit Rescue Mission. In the spirit of the season the a capella choir (comprised of people recovering from traumatic brain injury, mental illness and substance abuse) is asking for donations of winter hats and gloves, and can goods. Call to arrange drop offs or pickups at Broe Rehabilitation Services in Farmington Hills. The concert and program is free and open to the public. For more information, call (248) 474-2763, Ext. 22, or visit www.broechoir.com.

Know your nutrition Presentation takes place 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13, in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Please use Main Entrance on Five Mile. This is a St. Mary Mercy Hospital Diabetes Support Group presentation. A new topic is presented on the second Wednesday of each month for adults with diabetes and family members. There is no charge, pre-registration not required. For more informa-

tion, call (734) 655-8961. The speakers

are St. Mary Mercy Hospital dietitians

Katie Dooley and Judy Swancutt. Alateen support group

For teens who are dealing with someone with an alcohol problem, meets the first and third Sundays of the month at 10 a.m., at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. For details, call (248) 706-1020.

Educational seminar

The date for a seminar on bariatric surgery (gastric bypass), performed laproscopically, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, has been changed to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14 in the auditorium. 36475 Five Mile at Levan. Speaker is surgeon Tallal Zeni, M.D., and Paula Magid, director, Bariatric Program. To register call (734) 655-2692 or toll free at (877) Why-Weight (949-9344).

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Alzheimer's disease is the most common form of dementia, which causes memory loss and a decline in mental function over time. The support group offers information, discussion and support to family members, friends, and caregivers who care for someone with Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia.

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troublesome, but rarely interferes with your activity, even when it requires dexterity. The designation "nodes" come from their appearance, which is a bony enlargement at the finger

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Another part of the hand subject to osteoarthritis is the 2nd and 3rd knuckle. The cause

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ONGOING

The Therapy Choir

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CRAVINGS

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Katie Dooley teaches diabetic patients at St. Mary Mercy Hospital that limiting portions is not only key to preventing weight gain but controlling blood sugar levels. Over the holidays, she suggests eating balanced meals of fruit, vegetables, whole grains, lean meats, and lowfat dairy products on a regular basis and a nutritious snack such as yogurt or fruit before going to a party. Dooley says people starve themselves then fill up on cheese and crackers once they've arrived.

At home, she suggests keeping fruit on the table and making snacks such as popcorn and pretzels available.

"I think everybody is looking for a shortcut or secret food to include," said Dooley, a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator at St. Mary Mercy in Livonia. "If we ate a healthy diet most of the time, unhealthy food wouldn't have the same impact. Some things I eat only at the holidays, certain cookies or appetizers. Everyone's entitled to have their special treats."

PLANNING AHEAD

On Thanksgiving, Dooley skipped the mashed potatoes so she could eat a piece of pumpkin pie later. The Livonia dietitian believes in trading off calories to help satisfy crav-

People need to work at fitting them in," said Dooley. "Holiday cookies not only taste good but bring back memories. The answer is getting a little more activity, limiting it to your favorite cookies, cutting back on bread. It's easier for people to prevent weight gain than lose weight."

A pedometer makes a great holiday gift. Dooley strives to walk 10,000 steps a day. She suggests getting at least 30 minutes of physical activity daily to deter excess holiday pounds. Dooley walks through her neighborhood. At work, she parks far from her office and during the day forces herself to go down to the cafeteria for a glass of ice water.

"You don't have to go to a gym," said Dooley. "When my son, Tommy has basketball practice I walk the halls at school. Parents spend so much time taking their kids and waiting for their kids, they can get in little spurts of walking. "We need to talk more about

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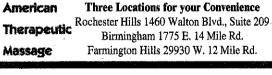


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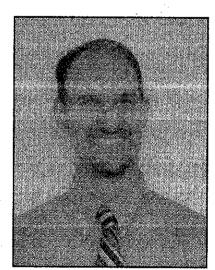
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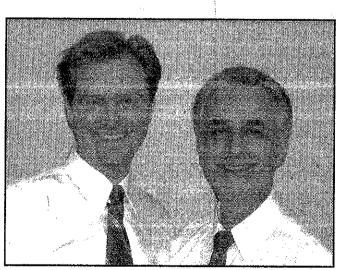
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www.hometownlife.com JVS Women to Work program emphasizes getting, keeping job

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BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

Some women find they need to get a paid job if they're widowed, separated, divorced or have a disabled spouse. Some women have cared for family members, either children or older people, and lack recent paid work experience.

Jewish Vocational Services' Women to Work program is there to help. It offers group and one-on-one counseling.

"The emphasis is on helping people find jobs," said Women to Work coordinator Judy Richmond, adding it doesn't focus on personal counseling or psychological help. Women learn to become and stay employed, gaining the tools for a successful job search "and find employment that is right for them. It really runs the gamut."

Client Stacy Johnston came to the program based on a recommendation from friend Liz Miller. Johnston was interested in re-entering the workforce after being home with her three children for several years.

Jobs found aren't confined to one industry, Richmond said. Some women helped have college degrees but haven't worked outside the home. Some have worked sporadical-

ly, perhaps as temps, but now need permanent often fulltime work.

Some women who come to the JVS headquarters in Southfield are unsure of processes for job hunting, such as how to apply online. "We do help people to use the Internet," Richmond said.

Women get help identifying their skills and accomplishments: "We provide an assessment that looks at interests and abilities."

Johnston has praise for JVS staff, including the networking opportunities available to the women. She decided to pursue her master's in counseling while applying for contingent positions in her field.

Johnston has stayed in touch with Richmond on job leads.

Help's offered in resume writing, interviewing and job search skills, but not in job training. Women meet 9 a.m. to noon for 10 sessions, five weeks, Tuesdays and Thursdays, in addition to individual counseling.

The program is funded by Oakland County Employment and Training as well as Charter One Foundation, affiliated with that bank. There's no fee to JVS clients for Women to Work. "We are so pleased to be able to say that," Richmond

She's found women realize that they're not alone in their challenges, and get the benefits of networking at JVS. Groups can consist of 12-15 women or so (not limited by such factors as religion or race, as services are open to all).

"We focus on the skills that women have used." Running a house takes skills, Richmond noted. "Typically, people are surprised at how many skills they do have."

She agreed today's job market is tough. "The fact is people are getting jobs." Persistence helps, as does using tools available through JVS.

She hears from women who are now employers who have job openings to fill. "They typically thank us for what we've

An informational meeting for Women to Work will be held 9-11 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 23, 2007, at JVS in Southfield. If you'd like to attend, you'll need to call Richmond at (248) 233-4232 in advance.

"Some do remain in touch," Richmond said of nowemployed former clients, who are busy with work. Word of mouth has helped to get the word out on the program, which started as Project Return more than 20 years ago.



Carol D. Peters of Wixom (left), who has worked temporary jobs for the past two years, receives advice on landing a permanent position from JVS's Judy Richmond.

Some women are underemployed who use the program, but most are not working outside the home. Some substitute teachers have used Women to Work, but Richmond noted

those with full-time jobs lack the time for the five-week ses-

Occasionally, women who participate are interested in returning to school, getting a GED, starting college, or even

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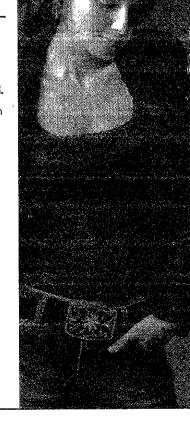
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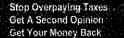
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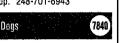
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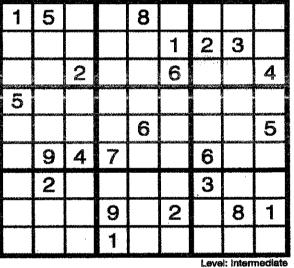
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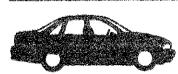
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There are four major changes on the new Chrysler Pacifica, and they are exciting to discover, especially if you're opening it up on the expressway.

As owner of a 2005 Pacifica, I enjoy the quality of its ride, but after a year and a half, I have wanted the designers on speed dial with various suggestions for improvement. I'm thrilled to see that Chrysler has already fixed a few of them with this 2007.

OK, I'm not a shimmy-hemmy kinda gal. You aren't gonna find me hanging face first over a motor, grease up to my elbows. I get the basic logistics of how a car works and what sells, but my needs are sometimes much more important to me than what a designer may have had in mind. But, boy, can I appreciate power big time.

have had in mind. But, boy, can I appreciate power big time.

First, the emergence of a 4.0-liter engine is an energizing addition. The 3.8 in my 2005 Pacifica scoots in its own right, but this new engine makes lift-off seem imminent. The additional horsepower and increased torque are a definite plus. By evolving from the previous 3.5-liter V6 engine, there is now 15 more foot pounds of torque at peak power rpm and as much as 35 foot pounds more throughout the power curve.

The 2007 Pacifica is the first of the Chrysler Group to offer the

The 2007 Pacifica is the first of the Chrysler Group to offer the 4.0-liter V6 engine and 6-speed automatic transmission. What that translates to is responsive movement for city driving and an efficient, luxurious ride for distance. The six speeds change effortlessly, building on the same smooth enjoyment that is already standard with Pacifica and makes it a joy to travel long distances with.

Of course, the larger engine size translates to worse gas mileage: The 2005 3.8 gets 18 city miles per gallon and 25 mpg highway. The 2007 brings it down to 16 mpg and 24 mpg. The only notable difference in 2007 is that some road noise is apparent perhaps due to the dual exhaust on my test-drive model. But with normal chatter and/or music from the radio or a CD, the distraction would be minimal.

Speaking of road noise, the thwump-bumping present in previous versions of Chrysler cars (typically, the 2005 Pacifica and 2004 PT Cruiser) when driving with the back windows open is missing in this Pacifica. The previous thwump was a disconcerting ear-popping sensation, but now that it has been eliminated, the ride is much improved.

The second delightful 2007 improvement is the addition of more settings for the driver's seat. Hurrah: On behalf of 5-foot-4 female consumers, this is really appreciated. It's very hard to find vehicular comfort when strapped in if you are naturally endowed and not a WNBA star. I have used a cushion in my 2005 for better vantage due to the Pacifica's higher doors, but well-endowed women have historically nearly strangled trying to use Chrysler seat belts.

The 2007 model is less vexing in that regard, however, and it's a relief being able to find a more comfy niche among the 10 seat settings

The Pacifica is designed with higher doors for safety, and as a former Town & Country minivan driver, this is still hard to get used



2007 Chrysler Pacifica Vehicle class: Sedan. Power: 4.0-Liter V6 SOHC engine. Mileage: 16 city / 24 highway. Where built: Bramalea, Ontario. Base price: \$27,300. Price as tested: \$28,060.

to. Rather than sitting higher and having an improved view as well as the allusion of empowerment, Pacifica drivers are reduced to feeling like they are in a hole, with reduced vision.

'07 CHRYSLER PACIFICA UPS ANTE WITH EXTRAS

The roundness of the Pacifica's doors also means that using any drive-through presents an entirely new problem. Reaching up and out to access service through the window is impossible for me in the 2005, so I have to be creative to utilize a pharmacy, fast-food restaurant or bank. In most instances, I must open the door to carry out business, from pushing a button to placing money in a banking tube. This puts my doors at risk of damage as well as makes me look like I lack sufficient smarts to handle window business. It is, in my estimation, the major flaw in the Pacifica's design.

The front air bags have advanced multi-stage air bags, and the driver's side continues to offer an inflatable knee-bolster air bag. Children are covered with the LATCH-ready child seat anchor system.

Yay for the new dual heat that not only provides individual settings for the driver and passenger in the front, but also can be adjusted BY DEGREE. The entire mechanism is easily visible, located in the dashboard and clearly illustrates which setting the control is on (i.e., defrost, legs only, etc.) with brightly lit stick figures. One of the biggest drawbacks with the 2005 is the inability to lower heat without losing it all together. The change allows efficiency and individuality in heating and was a delight to discover.

These Pacifica seats now resist stains, odor and static. How cool is THAT? The fabric shades carry the same muted, monochromatic colors (read: grays) typical of Pacifica interiors, but if they hold no odors and stains and you can exit without spontaneous combustion, I consider it a win-win particularly for \$28,000.

Another update: The new Pacifica includes two-tone instrument panels and door trim, although the plasticky accent (faux burl wood) on the model I drove sounded suspiciously hollow and may not be in it for the long haul, especially with kids and the potential for accidental puncture.

By the way, the standard exterior paint jobs are the same colors as previously offered, but it's probably the new power and features of Pacifica you'll want anyway in 2007.

Also new this year are the supplemental side-curtain air bags in all rows. Added to the advanced multi-stage front air bags and already newsworthy 5-star government safety crash rating, the 2007 registers at 5 stars for all doors, and 4 stars for rollover resistance. That's impressive reassurance for families.

Let's talk instrument panels. The 2007 adds an analog clock that is handy and easily visible, but it doesn't look like it really belongs with the rest of the d cor. The white background, as readable as it is, and tinny hands are reminiscent of a Cracker Jack box compass and it sticks out like a sore thumb. Apparently this is the only model available in all Pacificas, so my first reaction was: What were they

The cushiony covering of the upper dash needs to be brought lower or patched into other areas to deaden sound. For instance, the first thing the average woman with a 20-pound keyring will notice is that it bangs against the lower dashboard relentlessly. Because this portion of the dashboard is plastic, this makes for a really annoying noise during long or bumpy trips.

Much of the regular stuff is still there on Pacifica. There is the

Much of the regular stuff is still there on Pacifica. There is the decent sound system, with possible manufacturer upgrades, of course. The 2007 offers standard Infinity speakers with 200-watt amplifiers, and audio controls are mounted on the steering wheel. Even without band instruments for me to haul anymore, there is also reasonable storage area in the rear of the car. It certainly suffices for shopping, and there is plenty of room for travel even a month-long cross-country trip with luggage, souvenirs and fauna and flora.

The Pacifica still maintains the ability to turn corners on a dime and that is pure pleasure for even the shortest journey. What a kick to have that kind of control when those mutant curbs jump out at you.

There was comfy leg spread in the passenger seat behind my driver's seat setting, and even enough behind the passenger setting for a 6 foot man, but may not be enough for a long distance trip. The middle passenger console for those bucket seats allows the options for heat control in that area, which is not something I think I have seen before.

There are ample cup holders, a leather-wrapped shift knob and steering wheel, Sentry Key theft deterrent system, power-heated fold-away mirrors, sunscreen glass and, of course, the smooth ride of a much more expensive car. In the end, isn't that what it's really all about?

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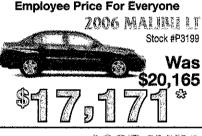
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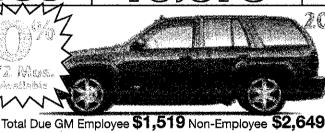
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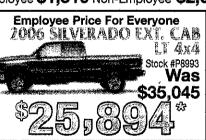
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Daylight basement a perfect play area

A generously sized railed deck adds to the spaciousness of the 3,109 square foot Naomi, (404-22) which would be at home in a woodland setting or a wonderfully landscaped city lot, flat or sloped.

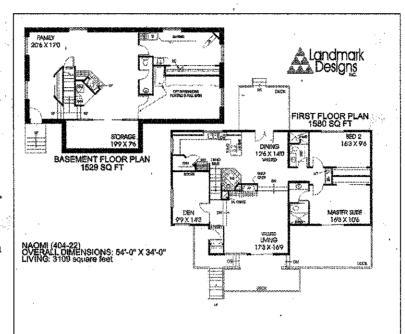
The living area is almost equally divided between the main floor and the daylight basement, where the huge family room nestles with its fireplace and room for several furniture groupings. There is direct access from the family room to the half-bath, which has been designed to facilitate the inclusion of future bedrooms with a separating full bath. Next to the half-bath is the large utility room.

The rest of the living area is located on the main level. High, open-beamed vaulted ceilings grace the living room, dining room, kitchen and den, giving added visual space and a feeling of strength and permanence.

The basement stairs lead to the

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large, efficiently designed kitchen, which includes a walk-in pantry as well as the other usual and necessary amenities. A tiled (or brick?) area for a wood stove not only integrates the kitchen and adjoining dining room, but also adds definition to both. French doors offer direct access from the dining room to the good-sized back patio, as well as entrance of outdoor light.



The kitchen, dining room and nice sized den/office/guest room are all on the same level, but the

sunken living room is three steps down, adding a little more elevation to the ceiling. The living room is more than

17 feet by 16 feet, and is graced by a lovely tile hearth fireplace, which shares a flue chase with the dining room stove.

The master suite and second bedroom are both quite large, each has a full bath, and large back-to-back sound buffering, closets separate them. The master suite also offers direct access to large front deck, a perfect place for that first cup of morning coffee.

For a study plan of the NAOMI (404-22), send \$15 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd. E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 or call (800) 562-1151. Be sure to specify plan name and number. Compact disks, with search functions are free of charge, to help you search our portfolio for you dream home (\$5 shipping and handling will apply). Or you may order or search online at www.ldiplans.com.

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The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan is offering:

A "Design/Build" seminar 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. The seminar is part of the Certified Graduate Remodelor series. Chuck Breidenstein of Builder Professional Services Group Inc. will teach the class. Fees are \$140 for Remodelors Council members, \$160 for BIA members or guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

■ An Effective Business Management Seminar, Energy-Efficient Construction: Design, Build and Market," 8:30-10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Jon Dattilo of IAQ Management Inc. will speak on energy-efficient construction and marketing. Continental breakfast is included. Fees are \$20 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$40 for guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

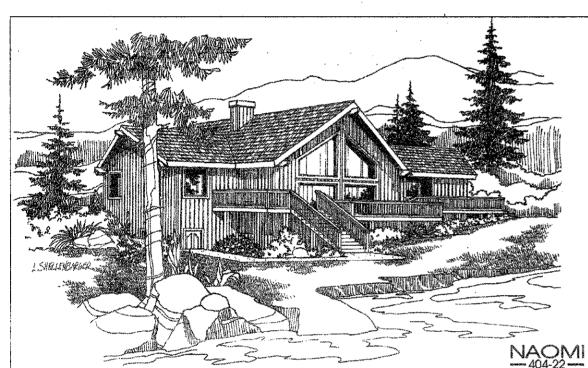
■ An Industry Innovation Seminar on flooring 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. A light dinner and dessert are included. Fees are \$10 at the door and for no-shows, free for those who register in advance. To register, call (248) 862-1060.

Apartment Association of Michigan's Property Management Council will sponsor a "Manager's Round Table" discussion 8-9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 15, at AAM headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. The discussion will cover current topics in apartment management. Fees are free for AAM, PMC or BIA members, \$15 for guests. To register, call (248) 862-1004.

Another Field Superintendent course, "Planning and Scheduling," 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Dec. 18, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Chuck Breidenstein of Builder Professional Services Group Inc. is the instructor. Fee is \$150. To register, call (248) 862-1033. Executive Image Seminar on "Selling at the 2007

BIA Builders and Remodelors Trade Show" 9-11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 12, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. The seminar will be presented by the Executive Image Group. Fees are \$45 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$65 for guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

Annual economic forecast for 2007 noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 17, at the Best Western Sterling Inn, 34911 Van Dyke in Sterling Heights. David F. Seiders, chief economist for the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C., will provide an outlook for the residential construction industry. Lunch is included. Fees are \$40 for BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members, \$60 for guests. To register, call (248) 862-1033.







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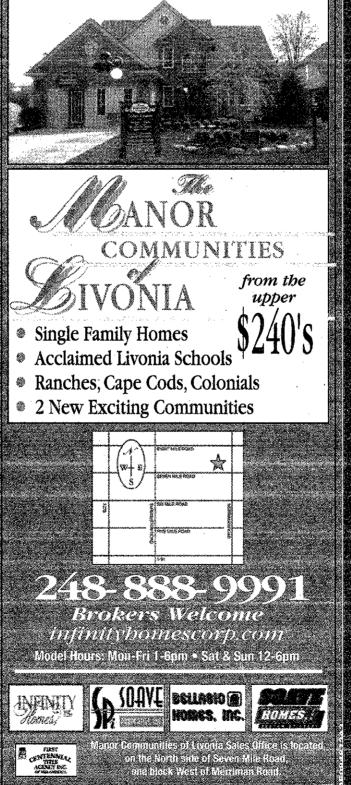
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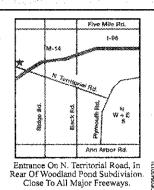
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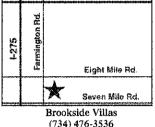


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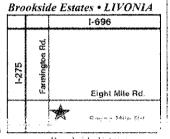
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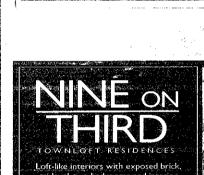
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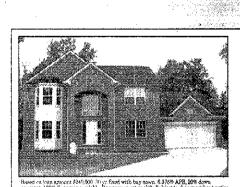
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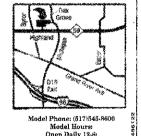
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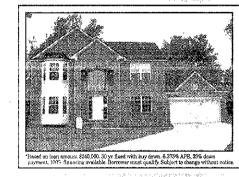


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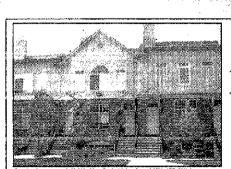


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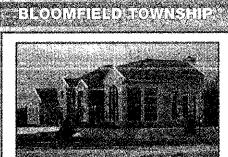


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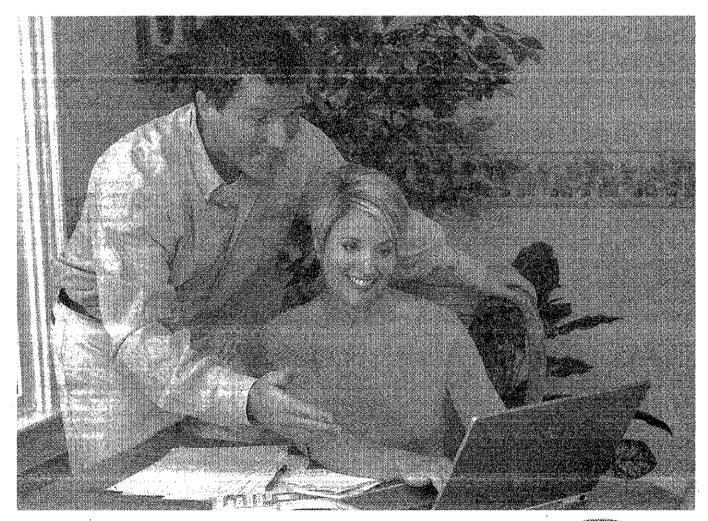
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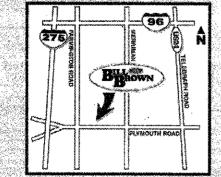
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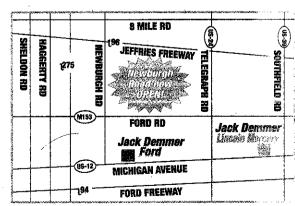
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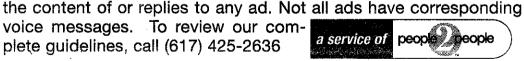
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WiAF, 62, 5', 100lbs, enjoys gardening, dogs, cats, cooking, dining out, travel. Seeking kind, caring, honest, SW/AM, 55-70, slim, with understanding of asian culture, for friendship first, maybe more later. **2** 139934

LET'S TALK SOMETIME SWF, 38, mother, enjoys Harleys, rock-nroli, good talks, classic cars, sports, amuseent parks, casinos, meeting new people. Seeking outgoing, sweet, tun man w/spontaneous streak to share new adventures with. 22962910

ARE YOU THE ONE? SBF, 56, BBW, loves jazz, concerts, movies, travel, walks, great conversation. Seeking commitment-minded, mature, loving man with similar interests for possible LTR. 25140023

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SF, 20, 5'9", long black hair, tattoos, big brown eyes, dimples, sweet smile, curvy enjoys Italian food, friends, keeping active, Looking for a nice, honest guy to get to know. \$2150312

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CHRISTIAN LOVER 48, Christian, enjoys traveling, movies and dining out. Seeking a N/D, N/S, independent, outgoing, considerate, respectful man, no head games, Christian a plus. 🔁 142751

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LOOKING FOR YOU Attractive SWF, Catholic, 59, N/S, 5'-6", good shape, seeks WM, 53-70, N/S, who eniovs golf, movies, theater, dining, long walks, church, and much more. 72 124235

IS IT YOU? SWF, 56, tall, trim, seeks hard-working or retired, conservative SWM, 5'11"+, 58-65, with good values, educated, no tattoos,

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FRIENDS FIRST

SBF, 37, 5'6", black/brown, easygoing, Aries, N/S, enjoys bike riding, long walks, travel, and cooking. Seeking WM, 30-50, N/S, for fun. 2933970

ONE GOOD WOMAN BBW, SWF, attractive, compassionate, down-to-earth. Enjoys movies, comedies, long walks, romantic evenings and more. Seeking employed SM, 38-55, to do and share things together. Must like pets. 2947175

WHERE ARE YOU? Very attractive, sexy SBPF, 35, 5'2", medium build, enjoys dining out, jazz, plays. ISO SBM, 40-52, commitment-minded and sincere, for LTR. 27950732

LOVES BOATING SWF, 65, 5'6", Aries, N/S, loves dancing and dining out. Seeking WM, 60-71, N/S, with sense of humor, for friendship, possible romance. 22890004

ISO CHIVALROUS MAN SBCF, 35, attractive, plus-sized, Capricom, single mom, marriage-minded, N/S, seeks man, 40-55, family-oriented, old-fashioned, possible romance. \$\overline{\pi}\$112291

MR. RIGHT, ARE YOU THERE? SWF, 56, 5', HWP, easygoing, dependable, reliable, Taurus, N/S, social drinker, likes computers, nascar, casinos, sports, seeks WM, 46-56, for friendship, and more. T112612

SEEKING SOMETHING NEW Down to earth, attractive SBF, 36, N/S, 5'7". professional, enjoys movies, dining out, shopping, traveling, seeks WM, 35-55, N/S, for friendship first, possibly more. \$\frac{123659}{2}\$ LOOKING FOR LIFE PARTNER

Female, young 45, N/Kids, loves animals, nature, gardening, old cars, new music, and quiet nights. Seeking a man, 40-50, with a positive attitude and good SOH. Friends first, possible LTR. 2113552 SEEKING MR. RIGHT

Classy SBF, hoping to meet mature SBM, 45-60. I'm a very passionate, affectionate, loving person, who enjoys a variety of activities. If you're seeking your soulmate, why not try me? 22985794 SEARCHING FOR FRIENDS

SF, 24, out-going, student. In search of a respectful SM, who knows how to treat a real woman, if this is you call me. 22146309 SOMEONE SPECIAL

Fun-loving, attractive SWF 70, 5'5", 135lbs, blonde, retired, N/S, seeks well-groomed WM, 65-72, N/S, to share life, romance, and possible relationship. \$2891247 SEEKING A LADY? SBF, 56, 5'4", 110lbs, slim build, Sagittarius,

smoker, honest, sincere, retired, enjoys movies, concerts, travel, park walks, seeks man, 45-70, similar, for friendship, possible romance. ☎118410 FORMER MODEL SWF, 50, 5'6", slender, intelligence, creativ-

ity, passion for music and dancing. Seeks partner 38-50, who is attractive and fit, to FRIENDS FIRST

WIWF, 68, 5'6", 145lbs, healthy, honest, happy, likes comedy films, country cooking. Looking for outdoorsy, active man affectionate and warm-hearted, to share the good things in life, 23139719

HI EVERYONE SF, 18, seeks nice, easygoing guy who knows how to have fun, and knows how to treat a lady. Friendhsip first. \$142588

ALL OF ME SWF, 50, 5'10", big beautiful woman, 300+ pounds, easygoing, N/S, light drinker, enjoys nights out or in. ISO loving, happy, commitment-minded man to share a happy, lasting, loving relationship. 2956929

WAITING FOR YOU SBF, 19, 5'1", full-figured, beautiful smile. Enjoys comedy and horror films, jokes and enjoying life. Seeking someone with same interests. 27142407

PETITE & SEXY... SBF, sensitive, affectionate, loving, 51, looks 35, 5'1", 105lbs, NS. Seeking healthy SBM, 5'10"-6'1", to work out with. **23**912553

ARE YOU THE ONE? SF, 25, 5'7", shoulder-length medium blonde hair, bright green eyes, outgoing, fun loves fitness, outdoors, boating, cycling, camping, concerts, auto racing. Seeking active, fit, caring man who appreciates the same. 2953694

LOOKING 4 GENTLEMAN Attractive, professional, educated WF, 55, 5'2", slim, N/S. Interest include movies, concerts, comedy clubs, jazz, dancing, dining out, family ties. Seeking WM, 48-55, HWP, for lasting, loving LTR. 2973365

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Attractive 52-year-old, blonde/green, 5'5", nice figure, romantic, wanting to meet a very romantic, affectionate SM, 42-52, who will treat her like a queen, 25617628 VERY CUTE

SBF, 56, 5'3", 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, confident male, 45-58, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. 22113198 SEEKING FRIENDSHIP

SBF, young 60s, w/good morals, caring, nice-looking, 5'3", 156lbs, N/S, N/D, N/Drugs, clean, honest living, partly retired, enjoys art, card playing, casinos, and movies. Seeking honest man 50-60, race open. \$\mathbf{2}\$134425

I LISTEN WITH MY HEART Attractive DWF, late 40s, Cancer, N/S, seeks special, no games WM, 45+, N/S, for caring, quality committed relationship. Let's create sparks and watch them fly. **75**639272

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

TALL, MUSCULAR SWM
47, 6'2", 205lbs, athletic, part time personal trainer, brown/blue, degreed, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, working out, new activities, seeking friendly SF, age/location open. \$\alpha\$531308

LET'S BE FRIENDS SBM, 5'10, 205lbs, N/S, enjoys riding bikes, walking in the park, rap music, sports and working-out. Seeking SW/ AF, 36-42, for companionship, romance and more. \$\oldsymbol{2}149349

SWM, 42, 5'11", 185lbs, looking for fun-loving, easygoing SF to enjoys talks, casual times and then who knows. Let's

talk. 22150204 HUGGABLE TEDDY BEAR SWM, 6', medium built, independent, N/S, seeks SF, 22-50, N/S, slim-average built, d/d-free, must be trust-worthy, honest and

mature, for companionship, romance and more. 2148763 GOT WIT?

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SHARE GOOD TIMES SBM, 27, 6', 173lbs, N/D, N/kids, slim build, brown complexion, glasses, likes movies,

ong walks, Jesus, cooking, music, bowling, mexican food, shyness, seeks SB/HF, 25-28, N/S, for friendship, possible romance. HERE COME LOVE

SWM, 53, cheerful, loving, enjoys scenic rides, cooking, movie theaters and long walks. Seeking a loving, caring, honest SF, for companionship, romance and more. \$149642 HOPETO HEAR FROM YOU Affectionate DWM, 64, brown hair, N/S,

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A SPECIAL GUY

DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest S/DWF, w/sense of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boating, and movies. Friendship/LTR. 27269646

A GOOD CATCH
SBM, 35, 5'8", 220lbs, dark complexion, shaved head, mustache, correctional officer, father, looking for a loving, good-hearted, child-friendly lady with whom to share life and all it offers. 32144595

TALL, DARK AND HANDSOME Sexy SBM, 6'1", 198lbs, enjoys soul food, R&B/rap music. Seeking attractive, mature SF, who is goal-oriented, D/D-free, for friendship maybe more. No head games. \$\frac{146128}{2}\$

HEY LADIES SM, 22, brown/green, 185lbs, student, employed, looking to meet a nice, fun-loving SF for friendhsip, dates, talks, and then who knows? 2147388

CALL ME SOMETIME
Self-employed SM, 51, 5'11", 177lbs, blue
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WAITING FOR YOU SBM, 5'11", cute dimples, mustache, independent. Seeking honest, siender, attractive SFB, 18-20, for friendship, romance and more. 23149097 LOVE COMFORT LAUGHTER

SWM, 49, 5'9", 195lbs, is nuts about nature, enjoys the outdoors, fishing, etc. Seeks compatible SWF, to have and hold. SERIOUS WOMAN WANTED

SBM, 46, looking for that special persona for LTR, someone who enjoys walks, movies, sporting events, cuddling at home Please be shapely, independent and know what you want in life. \$2692418

LOVE COMFORT LAUGHTER
SWM, 49, 5'9", 195lbs, is nuts about nature,
enjoys the outdoors, fishing, etc. Seeks
compatible SWF, to have and hold. 25992943

SEARCHING FOR LADY LOVE SM, 51, 5'11", 185lbs, enjoys the outdoors, boating, dining out, music, long walks, etc. Seeking honest, caring SF, who enjoys same activities, for companionship, friend-ship and romance. \$2146012

ROMANTIC & ATTRACTIVE DWM, 60, 5'11", 190lbs, seeks nice-looking lady to help share each others heart, and lifes daily adventures. 2 146279

NICE GUY
SWM, 66, 5'6", 150lbs, manufacturers' representative, Libra, N/S, works out, enjoys movies, restaurants, and summer festivals. Seeking SWF, 50-65, N/S. Shirley, please call back. \$708126 WORTH A CALL

SWM, 48, 6', 175lbs, N/S, homeowner, hard-working, easygoing, honest, secure, enjoys motorcycling, hunting, the outdoors Seeking honest, secure, attractive slim/fit woman, 25-50, N/S, D/D-free. \$2956910 TRUE GENTLEMAN

SBM, 52, 5'8", 185lbs, looking for a medium to full-figured SBF, 46-54. Someone who is worldly, nice, loves to laugh and just enjoying life to the fullest. 2912726

VANILLA SEEKING CHOCOLATE Call me if you desire a nice shape, SWM, blue-eyed blonde, 50-year-old, 180lbs, desires SBF for friendship and definitely romance. 2672855

WILL IT BE YOU? WILL IT BE YOU?
SBM, 48, light complexion, 5'7", 192lbs, likes sports, shows, cycling, music, more. Seeking loving, sweet lady to be my special someone. \$\pi\128421\$

HANDSOME MALE SBM, 33, 5'8", 165lbs, handsome, independent. Seeking full-figured female, good con-versationalist, for friendship, possibly LTR.

COME OUT WITH ME SM, 6'0", 197ibs, brown complexion, enjoys

shopping, going out dancing and having fun. Seeking female companion who likes same. 27142274 SOUND LIKE YOU?

SBM, 27, 185lbs, dark complexion, hand-some, carpenter by trade, enjoys sports, good company, good talks. Seeking a sweet lady to share a little happiness and romance. \$143607

HANDSOME PRINCE SM, 5'5", 135lbs, brown complexion, independent, easy-going. Seeks independent, easy-going SF, for 'friendship first and maybe more. \$144436

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SPM, athletic fit, humorous, enjoys meeting
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ARE UTHE ONE?
SM, 6'1", red/blue, independent, enjoys the outdoors and gardening. Seeks SF, 18-65, for dinner dates, possibly LTR. 2145379

DO YOU LIKE ROMANCE? DWPM, 60ish, N/S, D/D-free, honest, caring, humorous and romantic, in search of SF, 50-70, with same qualities, for conver-

sation, friendship or romance. 2146036 CALL ME SHM, 23, 5'7", 190lbs, black/brown, look-

ring to meet a cool, easygoing, real lady to get to know, share good times. 25147347

YOU COULD BE MINE.

SBM, 56, 5'11", 200lbs, N/S, seeks SF, 25-65, N/S, to go to the movies with, have dinner or good conversation, for friendship, romance or casual fun. 22148705

WHY WAIT? SM, 54, 5'8", 155lbs, outgoing, sponta-neous, enjoys car shows, motorcycles, fish-ing, time with someone special. Looking for a good-hearted, active, happy lady to share talks, dates, friendship, more. 2147906 GOOD CATCH

SM, 36 enjoys shopping, traveling. Seeking someone who likes to have fun for friendship and LTR. 22142878 SERIOUS SWM, 71, N/S, widowed, 5' 8", 150lbs,

young at heart, enjoys outdoors, cooking, dining out, traveling, seeks slim, petite female, 62-70, N/S. 2118483

FRIEND AND CONFIDANT
SWM, 74, active, educated, financiallysecure, seeking a nice woman. Join me for
dining, dancing, and classical music. I'm a
good listener, and would love to hear from you! 27139382 ECONOMICALLY VIABLE
SWPM, 54, 5"11", 170lbs, trim, Aquarius,
N/S, ilkes music, art, golf, landscapes,
architecture seeks WPF, 44-60, attractive,

fit, active, financially secure, intelligent, possible LTR. \$984220

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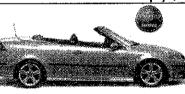
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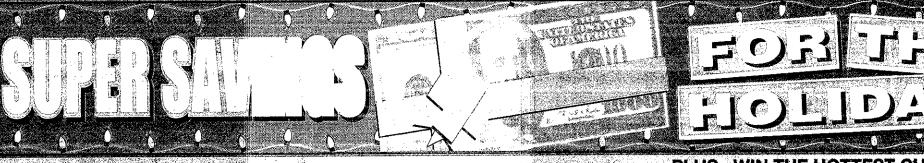
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