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Murder trial set to begin

BY TIFFANY L PARKS STAFF WRITER

The murder trial of Andre Marcel Adams is set to begin Monday in Wayne County Third Circuit Court

Adams, 34, has been charged with open murder in the April 2006 homicide of Robert Lee Armstrong of Canton If convicted, the Ypsılantı man faces life in



Adams, who has a lengthy criminal record. was linked to the murder through bloody fingerprints on a Maglite flashlight prosecutors say was the murder weapon

We have probable cause to believe Adams committed open murder, said Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Maria

Assistant prosecuting attorneys Eaton P Curtis and Robert Moi an are trying the case

According to the autopsy report, Armstrong 46, died from at least three blunt force blows to the

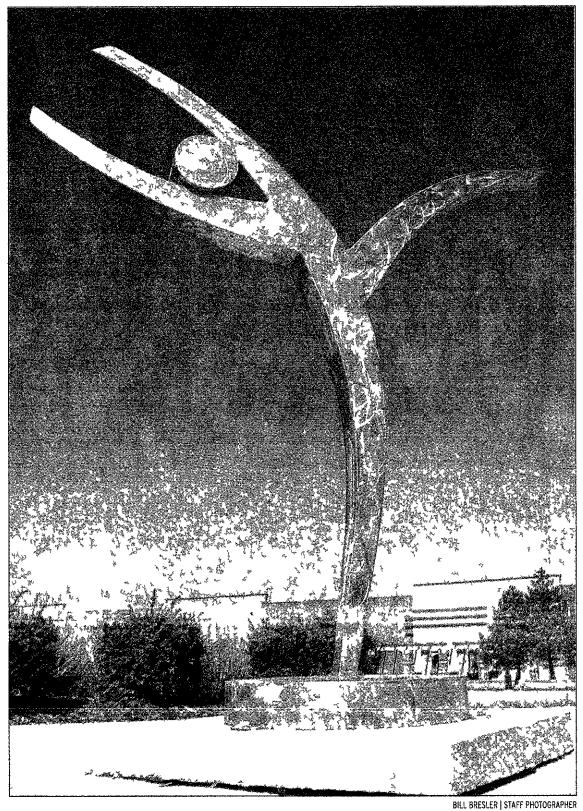
Prosecutors beneve Adams kılled Armstrong at his home in the College Park mobile home park on Mott Road His body was discovered by his two young chil dren, who then ran to a neighbor for help

Miller said the prosecution will call police officers, forensic experts and civilians as witnesses She expects the trial to last a week, including jury selection

At the preliminary examination. a fingerprint expert testified that when the fingerprints from the bloody flashlight were entered into the state's Automated Fingerprint Identification Systems computer program, they were

found to be a match with Adams Adams has convictions for felonious assault and felony firearms In 1989, he entered a plea for careless use of a firearm resulting in injury or death

Adams' attorney Charlotte Steffen-Ramırez could not be reached for comment



The \$10 000 sculpture was bought anonymously. The piece made of stainless steel by Jim Havens of Woodville, OH has been on display in front of Canton Cinema since May 2006. Downtown Development Coordinator Kathleen Salla said all of the artwork on Ford Road has garnered both praise and criticism, except "Joyful Dancer"

'Joyful' ending

Anonymous donor purchases art for township

BY TIFFANY L PARKS STAFF WRITER

When the eight pieces of temporary art placed at various points along Ford Road are removed later this month, only one is slated to end up somewhere else in Canton

The unofficial township favorite, "Joyful Dancer," has been purchased and is intended for display at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill

The \$10,000 sculpture was bought anonymous-

PLEASE SEE ART, A5

Schwartz, one of Canton's 'finest' dead at age 82

BY TIFFANY L PARKS STAFF WRITER

John O Schwartz, a longtime Canton philanthropist, died Wednesday He was 82

Schwartz, who suffered a stroke, was on the original citizens committee to establish the Canton Public Library in the 1970s

His community involvement included being the charter presi dent of the Canton Rotary Club, serving as the commander of the Plymouth VFW and being president of the Southeastern Michigan Florist Association

He was the finest man I ever met, said Dr James Gillig, a Canton dentist who was also on the library's orig- John Schwartz

ınal committee Giling, who still serves as a inprary trustee, said Schwartz's devotion to the community was undeni-

"He always told people I m going to offer you the opportunity to serve' but he did it the old-fashioned way and he led by example, he said "He was a remarkable guy

PLEASE SEE SCHWARTZ, A2



This picture shows the late John Schwartz holding a photo of when he met President George Bush in 1993 at the Canton Library

Canton resident awarded \$2.1 million in lawsuit against UPS

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS STAFF WRITER

If UPS wants to appeal a \$2 1 million verdict a federal jury awarded one of its former account managers, Kevin Fischer said he's ready to head back to court

Im ready to go as far as we have to go, he said "This has cost me my career"

Late last month, a jury ruled in favor of Fischer, 42, who

charged that he had been fired from United Parcel Service Inc in 2003 in retaliation for an earlier lawsuit he brought against the international corporation Fischer, who is African-American, filed a racial discrimination lawsuit against UPS in 2000

"They made it clear they didn't want me there, said Fischer, who lives in Canton on the weekends and Grand Rapids during the week "My hope was

that everything would blow over but the (general mindset) is that if you sue don't come

UPS Spokeswoman Heather Robinson said Fischer's claims are dishonest and that the Atlanta-based company will appeal the verdict

'Mr Fischer was terminated properly after several months of counseling,' she said, noting that the former national account manager began lying

about missing meetings and refused to participate in certain training sessions "(He) was terminated solely for insubordination and dishonesty

Robinson denied Fischer's contention that filing a lawsuit against the company would lead to an employees termina-

We have 427,000 employees," she said 'We have people working for us that have had some form of litigation (with

the company)"

A COLLEGE JOB

Fischer began his 18-year run with UPS in 1985 when he took a job unloading trucks during the midnight shift

'It was one of those college jobs,' he chuckled

After working his way through the transportation giant, Fischer was promoted as a national accounts manager in 1997 He says the first of several racially charged comments came during his interview for the position, which paid \$100,000 a year

Fischer says when he told his would-be boss that he had been a non-traditional college student, he replied that he must've meant he was "a black guy that dıdn't play basketball

'That set the tone right there,' said Fischer, who said

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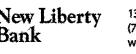


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SCHWARTZ

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Don Douglass, Schwartzs

neighbor, agreed "He would do anything for

anybody,' he said Schwartz's bride of 56 years, Mary, said her husband had a generous spirit and didn't

mind pitching in 'He was the guy who would go help a friend at 1 a m if their boiler went out," she said "He was a great person and I'm going to miss everything about hım'

The couple have two adult children, Amy McDonald of California and David Schwartz of Bellaire, Mich

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But Mary says John wasn't the sit-at-home type

Soon after closing the shop, which was named after him, John took a job as the library's building manager

"He was a great reader and he loved the library," says Mary, adding that John was obsessed with keeping the building's parking lot clean 'He was meticulous about that parking

Marcia Barker, library program coordinator, said John was a pleasure to be around

"He always had a funny story for you,' she said "And, boy, all

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we had to say was that our chair was squeaking and he was right there When you're working with 100 women, that is hard work"

Gillig, who met Schwartz through the Rotary Club more than 30 years ago, credits him for prompting his involvement with the library

We had no money, no books, no staff and no furniture We started from scratch but we wouldn't let this (fail),' he said 'John was decent and honest to a fault The whole community is richer for him having been here'

Schwartz's funeral was scheduled for yesterday at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth

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Cox gym scrapped

Local business submitted quote

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The state Office of Management and Budget has told Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox he can't put a contro versial fitness center for his investigators in the downtown Lansing office building that houses A.G operations

As a result, Cox will scrap plans for the gym before it ever gets off the ground, which comes as bad news for at least one local business

The Office of Management and Budget told us they won't permit the use of the space in the G Mennen Williams Building for a workout facility,' said Rusty Hills, a spokesman for Cox "Since were not going to have the workout facility, we're not going to do anything with the bids for the foreseeable

One of those bids came from Fitness Things on Ann Arbor

Road in Plymouth one of the largest providers of fitness equipment in Michigan Owner Gary Walley said the \$57,995 50 invoice for the attorney general's fitness center posted by the Democratic Party on its Web site - was only a

quote and not a sale We provided the quote back in November, before the election, Walley said "They were investigating whether they could find a way to fund putting a fitness center in for their employees Like any other company, municipality or school, they were just researching the cost It was not an order'

The Nov 13, 2006 document is clearly labeled as a quote for equipment, including a treadmill, elliptical, recumbent bike and dumbbells Cox has been criticized by Democrats for spending money on a gym for his investigators at a time when the state is in the middle of a

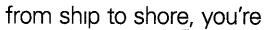
budget crisis, and his department is planning to lay off 21 full-time employees at the end of this week.

"The whole point of this was to make sure our 37 investigators, who deal with dangerous individuals, are in peak physical condition, like other officers, such as Michigan State Police," said Hills 'The easiest way to do it is to create an on-site workout facility, which makes it more productive and useful

'All the equipment was going to be paid for from private funds, not taxpayer dollars," he said 'It would have benefited the state

Walley said he has "no doubt the fitness center would have paid for itself, perhaps in as little as 18 months, through insurance savings

The benefits, which are proven in the industry, will reduce health care and insurance costs by reductions in premiums,' Walley said



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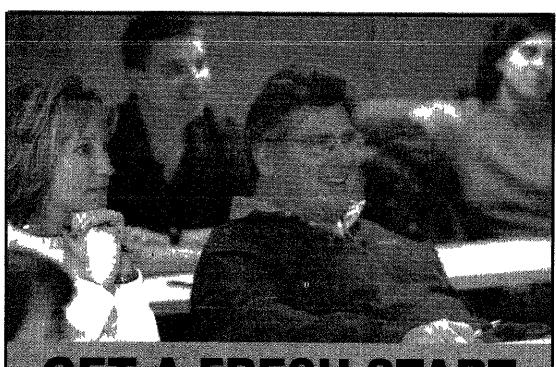
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Canton board meeting

The Canton Township Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet at 7 p m , Aprıl 17 at the Canton Administrative Building, 1150 S Canton Center Road There are two items on the agenda. The board will take action on a contract for uniform video service local franchise agreement with AT&T, Michigan The agreement was submitted pursuant to the new Statewide Franchise Act (Public Act 480 of 2006) and the standard statewide franchise form issue by the Michigan Public Service Commission on January 30, 2007 The agree ment is for a 10-year term and includes a provision for an annual video services provider fee of 5 percent of gross rev-

In addition, there will be a study session concerning newspaper advertisements for the township The session will provide an overview of public advertising by organization and law including employment ads, advertising, synopsis and public notices

Rockettes show

The 2007 Salem Rockettes pom squad will present their show "Living Our Dream at 7 p m, April 27-28 at the Gloria Logan Theatre for the Performing Arts at Salem High School The show will feature both the varsity and junior varsity squads Tickets are \$6 in advance and \$7 at the door

Perennial exchange

Canton's Council for Community Excellence (CCE) will hold its second annual Perennial Exchange from 9 a m noon, Saturday, May 5 at the historic Cherry Hill School, located on Cherry Hill Road at Ridge Road The event is open to the public and is an opportunity to exchange plants, meet other gardeners, and share garden designs and

In order to participate in the exchange, gardeners will need to thin out their extra perenni-

als and place them in a bag that is clearly labeled Tables will be set up at the event to place perennials You do not need to bring a perennial in order to participate in the exchange

Door prizes will be awarded every half hour and winners will receive prizes donated from Obstbaum Orchards, The Home Depot, Summit on the Park, and Pheasant Run Golf Course For more information on the CCE perennial exchange please call (734) 394-5164

Leadership Canton applications

Leadership Canton applications are now available for the 2007-2008 class The eightmonth program is designed to ensure a continuing source of skilled and motivated leaders for the community

Participants will meet one Friday a month from October through May Each day-long session will address a specific community topic and will include guest speakers, tours of area facilities, and extensive interaction with other participants

Leadership Canton is limited to 25 participants, who will be selected by the Leadership Canton Steering Committee, based on a completed application The cost is \$800 For more information or to obtain an application, call Deb Zevalkınk at (734) 394-5188 or the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453 4040 You can also download an application at www leadership canton com

Earth Day open house

Learn about solar energy and how it works at an Earth Day open house sponsored by Mechanical Energy Systems from 10 a m -3 p m, April 21 at 8130 Canton Center Road ın Canton

Attendees will have an opportunity to see the impact of a natural daylighting system in an office environment, feel the suns energy through a working solar hot water heat ing system view a solar pow

ered attic fan demonstrating conversion of sunlight to electricity, and experience the warmth of a solar thermal space heating system Other solar and alternative energy applications will also be on display, including a wind tur

Involved in the solar indus try since 1980, Mechanical Energy Systems, owned by Joe and Donna Napolitano, is working hard to educate Michigan residents about the many benefits of solar technology For more information on the Earth Day Open House at Mechanical Energy Systems, call (734)453-6746 or visit their Web site at www bysolar com

Blue ribbon sales

The Exchange Club of Canton will hold two upcoming blue ribbon sales to support victims of child abuse On Aprıl 21 club members will be at the Kroger Food and Pharmacy on Michigan Avenue from 9 a m 7 p m From 1-3 p m, the members will be distributing a card for tips on shopping with chil dren, which is part of the national Believe in the Blue campaign The last sale will be at Farmer Jack (Canton Center and Cherry Hill), from 9 am - 7 pm, April 28 For more information, call David at (734) 207-8943

Rally4Canton

Canton's second annual Rally4Canton charity road rally is scheduled for Saturday May 12 Proceeds from this event will benefit the Cady-Boyer Barn Fund, Senior Prescription Matching and the Leadership Canton Alumni Fund The cost to par ticipate is \$35 and includes a T shirt and entry into the IKEA Finish Line Party There is a limit of 30 cars with 4 6 people per car There are also various levels of sponsorships available ranging from

\$100 to \$1 000 A road rally is a game played by a group of people who pit their intelligence and problem solving skills against each other to solve puzzles,

drive to the destination specified in the puzzle, and obtain a clue to the next puzzle The route is in Canton and the final destination is a location where participants socialize and eat while scores are tabu lated and winners announced

For more information, visit the Web at www rally4can ton com, or call Deb Zevalkınk at (734) 394 5188

Destination Theatre auditions

Destination Theatre will hold open auditions for High School Musical, the stage version of Disney's blockbuster original movie, at 7 p m, May 1-2 in the Biltmore Studio at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill Registration begins at 6 30 p m Callbacks will be at 7 p m May 3 Audition details and character descriptions can be found on the Destination Theatre Web site www destinationtheatre org Performances will be on the main stage at the Village Theater July 27-29 and Aug

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Spotlight Players

Spotlight Players is present, ing the show Children Of Eden, April 27-29, May 4-6, 11-12 (Friday and Saturday performances at 8 p m and Sunday at 2 p m) at the Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton Children Of Eden was written by Stephen Schwartz who wrote the music for Wicked "This musical is based on the first 9 1/2 chapters of the Book of Genesis

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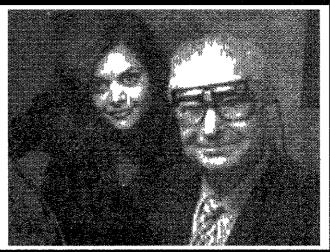
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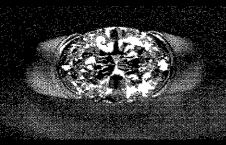
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Industry Sings celebrates 50th concert

Employees of major metro Detroit industries will put on a free show Sunday in Dearborn The Industry Sings concert

marks its 50th year Not to be confused with ındustrıal music (electronic and experimental) the Industry Sings performance features feel-good tunes, Broadway hits

and patriotic numbers The Ford Chorus is one of five scheduled to perform, along with groups from General Motors, DTE Energy, Masco and the Gentlemen Songsters

Ford retiree Steve Nyquist of Canton — who works as an engineer, coaches girls high school basketball and sings in

his church choir - emovs rehearsing Monday nights at the Ford World Headquarters with about 40 other men and women, some of whom have a connection to Ford

In the past, they've performed an acapella version of the Beatles Oblada," songs by Billy Joel, a medley from 'The Phantom of the Opera" and hits from the musical "Kiss Me Kate'

It's an eclectic repertoire, said Anne Morgan of Livonia, who has been a member for 23 years Her dad worked for Ford

'To me, it's extremely mentally relaxing," said Nyquist, who was also a member of the

glee club at West Point You're working as an engineer all day To come in to do something like this, it's just totally different You can switch your mind over to something relaxing'

People are often surprised to learn that Ford has its own chorus, said Alden Porter III of Garden City, chorus president It's open to anyone who likes to sing, he adds

Another retiree, Milton Jordan of Plymouth, has been a member since 1961, when he first started working at Ford Though he now runs an accounting firm, he stayed part of the group

The employees have another side and another personality,

Jordan said They have a life after 5 o'clock

The chorus has also traveled to Italy, Germany and Austria At this years 50th anniver

sary concert, each performing group will pick its playlist from its own past concerts, kind of our own history,' Morgan said Then, all five industry cho

ruses will take the stage togeth er to close with God Bless America and Battle Hymn of the Republic

The concert starts at 4 p m at the Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, Michigan

Admission is free, but donations are welcome

FROM PAGE A1

The piece, made of stainless steel by Jim Havens of Woodville, Ohio, has been on display in front of Canton Cinema since May 2006

Downtown Development Coordinator Kathleen Salla said all of the artwork on Ford Road has garnered both praise and criticism, except Joyful Dancer

I haven't heard anybody say they didn t like the dancer, she said "It seems to be the favorite

Salla said the DDA is planning to put new pieces of artwork along Ford

The community's first permanent piece of public art, the "Canton Community Arch," will be dedicated at 2 p m April 22 The sculpture, designed by Kenneth M Thompson, sits on the southeast corner of Canton Center and Ford roads

For more information, contact Debbie Bilbrey-Honsowetz at (734) 394-5464

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LAWSUIT

the random comments continued for two years 'I never made an issue of it until they took Ford (Motor Company) away '

Fischer said when he made a groundbreaking deal between the automaker and UPS, his boss, who has since retired from the company, requested a meeting with the Ford official he had been working with

"After the meeting he asked me 'Did I act homey enough?", he said The Ford official was also African-American

Before the Ford deal was finalized, Fischer said he was removed from the account.

"My boss said we were 'a couple brothers taking care of each other' and that he wouldn't allow it to happen, he said

Fischer says he attempted to solve the matter through the company but eventually filed a lawsuit against UPS alleging racial discrimination. He lost that case in late 2001

Robinson said Fischer's case was found to be 'without merit

A HOSTILE ENVIRONMENT

After the lawsuit, Fischer said his work environment was hostile and his doctor placed him on a

year-long medical leave for stress Upon returning to his job in

2002, Fischer said he got a cold reception' from his new boss, Allison Garlett, with whom he had previously shared

a good working relationship She was personable and outgoing with everyone except me, he said "She said I was making things difficult and would only communicate with me via emaıl"

When Garlett was later called as a hostile witness by Fischer's lawyer, she said he was the one who didn t want to communicate verbally

I was a self-sufficient salesman, so out of respect I didn t push the issue, Fischer said adding that he and Garlett worked together for nearly a year without much conversa-

They waited almost a year to the day and then they blindsided me, he said (Garlett) began complaining that I was missing meetings If I m on a sales call that could make the company \$1 million then I'm on the sales call It wasn't uncommon to miss a meeting

and then make them up' For about a month, Fischer says Garlett reprimanded him for various matters until he was fired

I know she was put under pressure to get rid of me, he said We got along just fine before this It wasn't her fault

Robinson declined to "get into specifics about Fischer's personnel record

Fischer filed his second lawsuit against UPS in late 2003 alleging hed been terminated in retaliation for his first law-

The trial took place last month before US District Court Judge Victoria A

Roberts Deborah L Gordon, Fischer's attorney, described the jury as 'conservative and said she was able to show his firing had nothing to do with insubordination, adding that he had a clean personnel record during his 18 years with UPS

This was about how dare you come back, said Gordon, whose practice is in Bloomfield Hills I have no doubt in my mind that they had a game plan Garlett has been promot ed since Fischer was fired'

The jury, which didn t hear all of the details concerning Fischer's first lawsuit, awarded him more than \$1 million in punitive damages

Both Gordon and Fischer doubt UPS can overturn the verdict

This isn't about the money that I may or may not ever see UPS makes billions so \$2 1 mil lion means nothing to them, said Fischer, who now works as an inventory manager for

Meijer "I m not trying to be a martyr but honestly, I would like to go back I made hun- $\widetilde{\text{dreds of millions for UPS}}$ and I was good at it They were the ones that taught me about integrity and I believed they would treat me fairly

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Film series targets peace, justice issues

BY ALEX LUNDBERG STAFF WRITER

The idea that people who know the depth of problems facing their world will have a better chance of solving them is behind the series of films that will be coming to Madonna University later this month

The Michigan Citizens for Peace is offering its fourth series of movies at Madonna University's Kresge

Auditorium starting April 27 The first movie, 'Iraq in

about life in that embattled country as seen through the eyes of Sunnis, Shiites and Kurds Future films in the series will examine water rights, the global coffee busi ness, Americas prisons and the Israeli/Palestinian conflict

All of the films will appear courtesy of the Michigan Coalition for Human Rights, which is also running the films at venues in Royal Oak and Shelby Township

Colleen Mills, president of Michigan Citizens for Peace.

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Fragments, is a documentary said she used to attend the SERVICES

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movies at a church in Royal Oak when she was approached by the human rights group about setting up a location on the west side

They wanted to expose more people to the issues, she said Sister Nancy (Jamroz) at Madonna was at the Nagasakı Day event in 2004 and suggested bringing the program to Kresge Hall

Sister Nancy said the school has a Peace and Justice Committee and they've had screenings of movies before, but in an informal and unstructured way The readymade schedule of films from the coalition fit nicely with the schools values

She said she hoped people think more about the world around them

I hope people look at current issues and realize there are just ways to handle them and just solutions to our prob lems,' Sister Nancy said

Attendance ebbs and flows depending on the topic of the film Sister Nancy said the movies get at least 20 people, but some of them have drawn more than 100 to Kresge

So far, Mills said more and more people are attending the programs and they re thanking her and the organization for bringing topics to their attention that aren't getting a lot of play on the six o'clock news

These are issues people aren t hearing about in the regular media," Mills said

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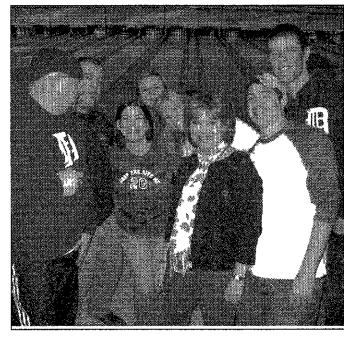
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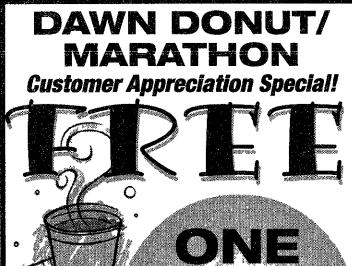


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Specifications may be reviewed in the Clerk's Office or copies may be obtained from the Department of Public Works on the second floor of the same location

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For further information contact Plymouth Township Building Department 734 354 3210

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Michigan's future may depend on courage of three good people

s Michigan government lurches closer and closer to financial disaster, it's important to remember the very human element behind all the budgetary mumbo-jumbo and political skirmishing

Three people are absolutely critical to any solution Gov Jennifer Granholm, House Speaker Andy Dillon (D-Redford Township) and Sen Majority Leader Mike Bishop (R-Rochester)

Certainly, as Democrats, Granholm and Dillon have more in common than they do with Bishop But their situations are different

Now in her second term, the governor is legally prevented from running again With US Sen Carl Levin, a fellow Democrat, seeking re election, there is no higher office she can run for

> when she leaves the governors mansion To put it plainly, for her, the risks of being bold and decisive are relatively slight

Dillon, on the other hand, was elected speaker by a slim majority in his own caucus (30-28) and doesn t have much maneuvering room, especially with organized labor, which was lukewarm at best toward his candidacy

Moreover, he can serve another term after this one, and has a vested interest in maintaining Democratic control of the House That could be endangered next year if voters perceive Democrats are behaving too rashly during this crisis

Bishop is in an equally vulnerable position He's the odd man out in any negotiations with Democrats Dillon and Granholm

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Moreover, he was elected majority leader by only one vote, and Lansing insiders report his caucus is largely composed of Alpha Males, many of whom think they could do a better job than he

But once you've taken in all this calculus, it's important to recognize that all three top leaders - Granholm, Dillon and Bishop - are smart, capable and well-intentioned people They're genuinely interested in making good policy to save our state They are also realistic enough to know if they are too dogmatic, overtly partisan or merely ineffective, they ll quickly be blamed for disaster

Plus, Dillon and Bishop have a good personal relationship I can't prove it, but experience and common sense make me pretty sure that there are lots of negotiations going on privately in Lansing between our big three They are all genuinely motivated to do the right thing, which counts for a lot

There's also something useful in reflecting about how previous Michigan governors would have dealt with this crisis I'm lucky enough (and old enough) to have known some of them

Gov G Mennen Williams (together with his

longtime friend, state Democratic Party Chairman Neil Staebler) made the Michigan Democratic Party into a powerhouse of citizen

My guess is that Williams, in office from 1949-60, would have convened a series of citizen meetings designed to give 'Joe and Josephine Six Pack' a good look at the facts behind the crisis

Then he would have listened hard for their

Gov William G Milliken (1969-82) was a Republican, but the consummate bipartisan bridge builder During his governorship, he cre ated "the quadrant — weekly meetings between himself and the top Democratic and Republican leaders of both houses of the Legislature

They would hash things out and come to consensus solutions Given todays situation, Milliken would have convened the quadrant and worked feverishly and almost non-stop to find common ground

Former Gov George Romney (1963-69) a hard-charging businessman, would have insisted on common-sense, businesslike solutions to our present crisis He would have summoned the states top business leaders to meet with him and top legislators

Then he would have pushed for a top-down solution, the way he was accustomed to doing business as head of American Motors

John Engler was also a Republican, but a very different one As governor (1991 2002), Engler was a great combination of policy wonk (carefully hidden from public view) and bare knuckle parti

Under today's conditions, he would have met first with GOP legislative and party leaders, looked six moves down the partisan chess board then called in the Democrats to lay out their

(uncomfortable) choices for them

My old friend, the late Ed McNamara, was mayor of Livonia and then Wayne County executive A man disinclined to take much guff from anybody, McNamara would have invited legislative leaders from both parties into his office, locked the door and told them they couldn't come out until they'd hashed out a solution

There is something to that last idea, especially in times of looming crisis And I wouldn't be surprised if Granholm did something very similar in the next couple of weeks Somebody, at any rate, better do something, and soon

Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics economics and education issues in Michigan and was a regent of the University of Michigan from 1987-99. He is also president and founder of The Center for Michigan a moderate think and do tank These opinions and others expressed in his columns are his own and do not in any way represent official policy positions of The Center for Michigan Phil would be pleased to hear from readers at ppower@hcnnet.com

Talking about my generation: Just which is the greatest?

few years ago, I had the pleasure of facilitating a Contemporary Books group discussion at the Plymouth District Library on Tom Brokaws best seller, The Greatest Generation

In that book, the veteran broadcast news man paid tribute to the men and women who survived the Great Depression, fought World War II overseas and on the homefront and returned home to raise the baby boomers I was thus intrigued more recently when I saw a book at the same library, Leonard Steinhorn's The Greater Generation In Defense of the Baby Boom Legacy (Thomas Dunne Books/St Martin's Press, 2006)

Steinhorn's not so kind to the Greatest Generation, however, questioning their lack of commitment to fighting for equality when they returned home He says far too many became the organization men of the 1950s corporations (few women there) and were

uncritical of their society and its shortcomings. In particular he cites such shortcomings as white Americans turning a

blind eye to racial segregation and discrimination, as well as the tendency to pollute our environment believing business progress to reign supreme over environmental concerns In his prologue Steinhorn tells of a student

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of his at American University in Washington, DC, where he teaches politics, media and American culture The young woman although bright and motivated knows virtually nothing about the baby boomers and their contributions She notes the boomers did a lot of drugs when young and then asks her pro fessor why he would write a book about them So just what is the legacy of the boomers?

Steinhorn argues convincingly that it includes women's liberation, diversity on college cam puses greater acceptance of interracial dating and marriage less pressure on gay people to hide their sexual orientation, flatter and more democratic workplaces environmental progress, and kids being raised to think on their own rather than blindly follow elders

Steinhorn himself a baby boomer, acknowledges that boomers haven t done it all when it comes to social progress and urges them as they reach retirement age to redouble efforts Nevertheless he points out, not having a perfect society doesn't mean we don t have a much better one

I found one statistic particularly interesting that women are roughly half of the managers in the US workforce considerably more than the 30 percent in Great Britain I

hadn t considered the discrepancy would be so great, or the factors leading to it

So who's right? Is it fair to paint the Greatest Generation with such a broad brush as being so narrow-minded and conformist? Maybe not, but Steinhorns book is well-documented (although still highly readable) He makes his arguments persuasively, although I couldn t help but think some credit's due to the older generation that raised all of the boomers born between the end of World War II and 1964 There were and are a lot of us, and we were bound to have a significant impact on the people and institutions we interacted with

I'd like to have another discussion at the library of Steinhorn's book, maybe with people who ve read Brokaws as well and definitely with those of different ages. One thing Steinhorn's book notes is that there's far less of a generation gap between the boomers and their Generation X children, who by and large find their parents cool and occasionally even take them along to rock concerts where there are special quiet rooms for parents when the noise gets to be too much

Vietnam's a dominant theme in Steinhorn's book, and certainly that unpopular war dominated much of the generational conflict in the 1960s and early 1970s I'm a younger boomer, so missed out on most of that, but remember well the televised images of the war brought home, a first in media history and one that had a profound influence on our generation

Steinhorn urges aging boomers to focus their remaining years on the environmental cleanup they started celebrating our nations diversity, promoting womens rights, 'make power speak the truth by getting political leaders to be forthright and thus advancing our declining social trust Finally, he exhorts boomers to come to their own defense their own legacy is much more than knowing how to order a tall skim double latte

I didn't agree with all of his book, but found when I brought it up at the office it generated a lively discussion among boomers and their younger counterparts (Not too many Greatest Generation folks left in the workplace these days, although they still have much to contribute)

I d recommend the book, definitely, as it generates lively discussions about different generations and their roles in American history Steinhorn even notes the tendency of earlier generations, going back to the Revolutionary War, to question the status quo That's not a bad thing, and in fact a vital part of democracy

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I have not had an opportunity to complete my tax return and I am concerned I've been told that I can file an extension, however, I've been told that it increases the risk of being audited What should I do?

There is no reason to panic First, filing an extension does not increase your audit risk I have heard that urban legend for years and it is just not the case In fact, what increases your audit risk is when you rush through your return and make mistakes As an example, many people who do their returns at the last second fail to include income from a 1099, make mathematical errors, or just file a sloppy return It is those items that actually increase your audit risk, not filing an extension Therefore, my advice to you is to file an extension, then take your time to complete your tax return

Extensions to file your tax returns are automatic The form to use for filing an extension on your federal return is Form 4868 You can typically pick up this form at a public library or you can download one from the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov However, it is important to recognize that when you file an extension, it is an extension of time to file your return, not to pay your



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Many people are under the mistaken belief that when they file an extension, it gives them more time to pay their taxes This is not the case When you file an extension, you have to make sure that you guesstimate your tax liability and, if you are going to owe any additional money, that you pay that amount with your extension If you file your return later and pay the additional tax liability with your extension, the IRS can assess you with interest and penalties

In the past, when you filed for an extension, the IRS gave you four months to complete and file your return That is no longer the case Now, when you file Form 4868 with the Internal Revenue Service, you have an additional six months to file your return

With regards to the state of Michigan, if you are not going to owe any additional tax liability to the state of Michigan, then your federal extension is sufficient for the state If you are going to owe money to the state, then you have to obtain a

form from the state and make the necessary payment

This year, taxes are due April 17 as opposed to April 15 I recognize that this date causes much anxiety with people, but it should not If you have not started or completed your return, take you time to make sure that when you file the return it is correct Good luck!

I have found out that a fund that I have in my portfolio is changing their managers. What do you think I should do?

Dear Pete This is one of the most frequent questions that I am asked I believe that when a manager leaves a fund, you need to consider a number of different factors I do not believe that a fund manager departure should automatically trigger a person to sell that fund, however, I do believe that you need to assess the situation and then take an appropriate action

The first issue to consider is to know why the manager has left Did the manager leave because of the performance of the fund or for other reasons? Typically, mutual fund companies do not notify you as to the reason managers leave However, by doing some research, you can generally discover this Web sites like

www.morningstar.com.generally have this type of information

Once you determine why the manager left, then it is important to look at your fund itself Is the fund managed by one individual manager or is it managed by a team?

If the fund is managed by a team and one manager is leaving, then generally I'm going to stay with that fund I will closely watch that fund to determine if there are any fundamental changes, but I generally will stay with it On the other hand, if the fund is managed by one manager and that manager leaves, then generally I'm looking at selling my investment After all, when a new manager takes over, unless I am familiar with that new manager and their track record, I treat the fund as a new fund and my general rule is to avoid new funds with unproven track records

Who manages your fund and how it is managed is important to the overall success of your investment I know that me and my investment committee spend a considerable amount of time analyzing managers and their performance I believe that who manages your fund and their style is probably the most important aspect of a funds success Therefore, when there is a change of management, be proactive, do your

homework, and then make adjustments as necessary Good luck!

Dear Rick

I am going to need some money for my daughter's college education. I am thinking of taking a loan from my 401(k) plan What do you think?

Dear Wendy On the whole, I am not a fan of borrowing from 401(k) plans My reasoning is that this is your retirement money and I do not like to tap into retirement money unless there are no other alternatives Therefore, in your situation, before you borrow from a 401(k) plan, I would look for some other options

One alternative to consider is to look at taking money from your home The advantage from borrowing money from your home is that the money is tax-deductible and even though interest rates are a little higher than they were a couple of years ago, the terms are generally more favorable then in a 401(k) loan

When you borrow from a 401(k) plan, you typically have up to five years to repay the loan Although the interest you pay goes back into your account, it is not taxdeductible interest In addition, eventually when you take a distribution from your 401(k)

plan down the road, the non tax-deductible interest that you paid comes out and is subject to ordinary income tax Therefore, there is a tax disadvantage to a 401(k) loan In addition, with many companies when you take a loan from your 401(k), you are no longer allowed to invest in the 401(k) until the loan is repaid This can certainly hurt if you have a company match and you no longer would be eligible for that company match

One other thing to consider on a 401(k) loan is that if for some reason you lose your job, in many situations the loan must be paid back within 60 days If it is not paid back within 60 days, it is treated as a taxable distribution which can then cause you adverse tax consequences Therefore, on the whole I am not a fan of 401(k) loans

One other alterative is to consider a student loan In many cases, student loans are taxdeductible and the terms are very favorable An excellent Web site to look at student loans is www.finaid.org Good luck!

Rick Bloom is a fee only financial adviser His Web site is www bloomas setmanagement com You can hear Rick live from noon to 3 p.m. Sundays WDTK AM (1400) If you would like Rick to respond to your questions please email Rick at rick@bloomassetman

Gasoline can be more dangerous than dynamite

🗞 asoline can be more dangerous than dynamite, due to the fact that the vapors given off by gasoline are explosive and invisible

In addition, high temperatures might not set off dynamite, but gasoline vapors are easily ignited, even at lower temperatures Gasoline vapors are heavier than air, allowing it to travel close to the ground,

where it can easily come into contact with ignition sources such as pilot lights, electric motor sparks and switches

Gasoline vapors spread invisibly away from the source just like a fluid does when it is spilled Sparks and open flame can ignite the gasoline vapors across a long distance The vapors are always seeking the lowest point, due to their weight

Gasoline is also very prevalent, as a staple to the garage for fueling of gasoline engines Most garages have quite a few items that run on gasoline By law, gasoline must be stored in safety containers with warning labels Anyone using gasoline in any amounts should have a fire extinguisher nearby While we recommend the ABC" type of fire extinguisher, gasoline is



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Kıurskı to learn after a fire breaks out Gasoline is very dangerous due to its flammability and availability Gasoline should never be stored in basements or any other living area of the home It should also be stored

a Class B fuel only in approved safety containers Don't use gasoline to A garage makes start your barbecue or outdoor an excellent place to install fire pit, and never smoke when a fire extınworking with gasoline guisher, and If you have small children, store gasoline up and out of make sure your

reach of the children Storing it on a high shelf in the garage, or inside a locked cabinet are both good choices As children get older, explain the uses of gasoline as well as the dangers

When fueling gas-burning engines make sure you do it in a well ventilated area. Roll the lawn mower outside of the garage before fueling it If you

need to add gasoline to the mower during cutting, be sure to shut the engine off and allow it to cool down first The hot engine can act as an ignition source for the flammable vapors All of your Livonia firefighters have, unfortunately, responded to numerous lawn mower and tractor fires

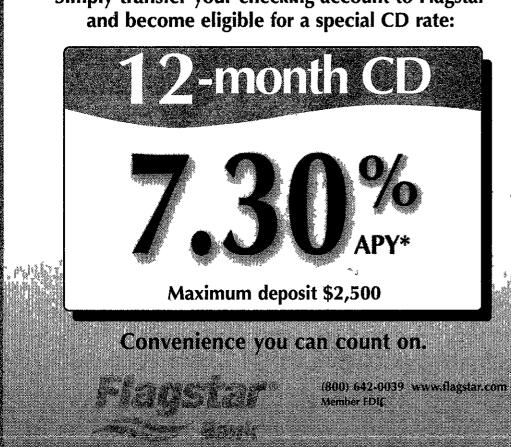
Gasoline is useful as we do our normal routines outside the home It also has some very dangerous properties Make sure you, and your family use good common sense around gasoline

Tom Kiurski is a Livonia firefighter

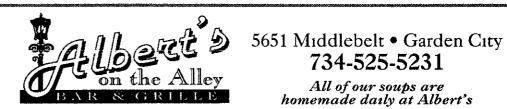


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Schoolcraft hires new hoop coach

Randy Henry, men's basketball coach at Detroit Renaissance for the 2006-07 season, has accepted the men's head coaching position at Schoolcraft College, succeeding Mike Brown

"I'm excited about the new challenge, said Henry in a press release It's a chance to work with young men at the next level Schoolcraft is a tremendous place to field a program, with a great

Sid Fox, Schoolcraft director of athletics, was equally enthusiastic about the hiring of Henry, who led Renaissance to a 19 4 record last

"Randy, by virtue of his vast experience in coaching basketball, brings to the table instant credibility and a flawless character that will catapult our program to new and innovative heights, Fox said "In particular, his unquestionable regard and attention to human values as being paramount to the success of our program will definitely set us apart from other two year institutions

Henry's coaching style and direction perhaps grew out of personal experience He played at Illinois State for legendary coach Will Robinson

Because Henry is a veteran coach, he understands the importance of graduation rates and the practical implications for studentathletes," Fox continued

Henry's appointment is effective immediately, and he plans to begin recruiting efforts at once Schoolcraft has four players returning for the 2007 08 season and Henry said he will be seeking another seven or eight players

In other coaching positions, Henry served as assistant coach at Renaissance, and head coach at Mercy College and Bates Academy

He holds a bachelor's degree in mass communication from Illinois State University and serves as producer/director for the WDIV Morning Show



The Plymouth Whalers pictured above celebrating following a game-winning overtime goal earlier in their OHL Western Conference semifinal series against Kitchener, ousted the Rangers, 4.1 Friday night to advance to the conference finals against the winner of the London-Sault Ste. Marie series

It's a wrap!

Whalers skate past Rangers and into conference finals

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

On Friday the 13th, a guy wearing a goalie mask made life miserable for a bunch of teenagers at the Compuware Sports Arena

And, no, his name wasn't Jason It was Plymouth goalie Michael Neuvirth, whose 30 saves led the Whalers to a 4-1 victory over Kitchener in Game 5 of the Ontario Hockey League's Western Conference semifinals

With the win, the Whalers captured the series, 4-1, and earned a berth in the Western Conference finals against the winner of the London-Sault Ste Marie series As of Friday night, the Knights led

the other semifinal series, 3-2

The key to the series was the goaltending — Michal played a lot better than their guy did' said Plymouth Head Coach Mike Vellucci Michal is so consistent He's very technical and he makes big save after big save

No one was in a better position to appreciate Neuvirth's mastery of the crease than Whaler captain Steve Ward, the teams veteran defenseman

Michal makes life easier for me because he covers everything up and he doesn't give up many rebounds, said Ward, who earned the nod as the third star of Friday night's clincher He doesn't have to make many huge saves because hes always in good position

Kitchener coach Pete DeBoer probably craved a Neuvirth clone just under four minutes into the contest when Ranger net-minder John Murray veered far from the goal crease during a Kitchener powerplay and had the puck stripped by Whaler forward Tom Sestito who steered the puck swiftly to the net before jamming it in to give his team a 1-0 advantage

That was great stuff, said Vellucci, of Sestitos ice-breaking, short-handed lamp lighter That's just hard work on Toms part. On plays like that the goalies underestimate how quick Tommy is and what a long reach he has

A split-second after the puck had set-

PLEASE SEE WHALERS, B3

Heart & soles

Local runners are ready to take on tough Boston Marathon course

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The 26-mile-and-change route from Hopkinton to Boston, Mass, promises to be wet, cold, windy and torturously hilly Monday morning

But local running enthusiasts Terry Rush, Connie Scaparo, Janis Haggerty and Jennifer Lemieux - along with over 22,000 of their well-conditioned peers will be relishing every challenging step they take along the path of the 111th **Boston Marathon**

Despite forecasts that call for 40degree temperatures, persistent showers and gusty breezes, the four local athletes are anxiously anticipating their chance to stride beside many of the elite long-distance runners in the world — at least at the outset of the race

"The best of the best will be there, so it's like the Super Bowl of running," said Haggerty, when asked what makes the Boston Marathon so special "Before I ran my first one last year, running in Boston had always been a dream of mine I still pinch myself, like, 'How did I get invited to this?"

Like everyone else wearing a numbered bib and running shoes Monday morning in Hopkinton, Haggerty qualified by meeting a stringent qualifying standard at a recent marathon For her, it was a sub-3 50 time in the 2005 Grand Rapids Marathon in the fall of 2005 For the 41year-old Rush, it was a sub-3 15 clocking ın last year's Detroit Free Press

"Boston is special because you have to qualify and because of the toughness of ıt," said Rush, a Plymouth resident who

111TH BOSTON MARATHON

When: Monday approximately 9 30 a m Where: The race starts in Hopkinton MA and ends in downtown Boston

How far: 26 miles 385 yards How many runners: The maximum allowed is 22 500

Forecast: Cold windy and rainy, Local flavor: Among the Observerland area runners who qualified are

Plymouth Kevin Galvin age 54 Karen Holappa 70 Terry Rush, 41 Jay Steele 35 and Jean Weishaar 45

Canton Chris Balch 41 Aimee Cinzon 33 Jennifer Dattilio 25 Janis Haggerty 41 Spiro Karras 65 Soojin Koh 38 Kelley Korona 39 Jennifer Lemieux 44 Ryan Rau 26, Jonathan Richards 41 Marc Robinson, 38 Daniel Sarna 48 and Connie Scaparo 43

Livonia Mary Holbrook 30 Kevin Leddy 47 Robert Nenciarini, 47 Kristen Stempien 28, and Gregory Unsicker 43

Westland Michael Glennon 31 Keith Hahn 36, Lori Hahn 30 and Ron Parent 47

has completed five Boston Marathons and 22 26-milers altogether They don t allow just anyone to enter"

1-OF-A-KIND RUN

The Boston Marathon is like no other, Rush said, because of the incredible enthusiasm displayed by the fans who line the streets - 10-deep in many spots

'One of the most memorable parts of

PLEASE SEE MARATHON, B2



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Four area long-distance runners who will be competing in the 111th Boston Marathon on Monday gathered for a photo Thursday afternoon at the Summit on the Park in Canton Pictured (from left) are Jennifer Lemieux Terry Rush Connie Scaparo and Janis Haggerty Rush resides in Plymouth, the other three live in Canton

Pitch, Hit & Run

Canton Leisure Services will be hosting the Pepsi Pitch, Hit & Run competition Saturday, April 21, at the Canton Sports Center, which is located at 46555 W Michigan Ave in Canton Registration for the annual event begins at 10 a m with the competition set to start at 10 30 a m

The event is free for boys and girls between the ages of 7 and 14 years old All participants must provide a copy of their birth certificate at the competition

Each participant will compete in three contests pitching (they will be test ed by throwing a baseball at a designated 'strike zone" target), hitting (each youngster will hit a ball off a tee and be scored on distance and accuracy), and running (each participant will be timed running from second base, to third and then home)

Each participant may only compete in one local qualifier No metal spikes are allowed

For more information, call (734) 483-5600

All-Observer special section

Student-athletes who were selected for the All-Opserver winter sports teams will be honored in a special section that will be published Sunday, April 29 The section - which will include photos and briefs bios that will focus on the honorees - will be included in every section of the Observer as well as on-line at www.hometownlife.com

Ignition awards

Several members of the Detroit Ignition were showered with post-season awards after the team's inaugural season in the Major Indoor Soccer League

Following are the players and coaches who were honored Jamar Beasley (Hector Marinaro MVP Trophy and All-MISL First Team), Mark Pulisic (MISL Coach of the Year), goalkeeper Sanaldo (All-MISL Second Team); defenseman Jonathan Greenfield (All-MISL Second Team), and defenseman Nate Craft (MISL All-Rookie Team)

The ignition opened the 2007 MISL Playoffs Saturday at Milwaukee Game 2 is set for this afternoon at 435 pm at the Compuware Sports Arena

The MISL Championship Game is set for Saturday, April 21, at 4 pm at the **Compuware Sports** Arena

Coaches: Please call in

Local high school spring sports coaches are encouraged to report all of their teams' results to the Observer so that their players' achievements can be deservedly publicized

To report results, coaches in Plymouth and Canton can call Observer Sports Editor Ed Wright at (734) 953-2108, coaches in Livonia, Westland and Wayne call call Sports Editor Brad Emons at (734) 953-2123

PCA at Inter City Baptist 4 30 p m

Wednesday, April 18

John Glenn at W.L. Western 4 p.m.

Churchill at Wayne 4 p m

Salem at Franklin 4 p m

W.L. Northern at Plymouth 4 p.m

Stevenson at Canton 4 p m

Harper Woods at Clarenceville, 4,30 p.m.

Luth Westland at Liggett 430 p m

Thursday April 19

Huron Valley at Ypsi Calvary 4 30 p m

B ham Roeper at PCA 430 p m

Friday April 20 John Glenn at Churchill 4 p m

Wayne at Franklin 4 p m

Northville at Plymouth 4 p m

Salem at W.L. Northern 4 p.m.

Calvary Christian at PCA 4 30 p m

W.L. Western at Canton 4 p.m.

Stevenson at W.L. Central 4 n.m.

Clarenceville at Luth N west 4 30 pm

Luth North at Luth Westland 4 30 p m

Saturday April 21

(all doubleheaders)

South Lyon Tourney 10 a m

Churchill at Carleton Airport 10 a m

Milford at Franklin 11 a m

John Glenn at Garden City 11 a m Redford Union at Clarenceville 11 a m

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Monday April 16

W L Northern at Churchill 4 p m

W.L. Western at Franklin 4 p.m.

Salem at Stevenson 4 p m

Canton at Plymouth 4 p m

Northville at Wayne 4 p m

Clarenceville at Luth Westland 430 p.m.

Tuesday, April 17

John Glenn at W.L. Central 4 p.m.

Divine Child at Ladywood (2) 4 p m

Franklin Road at PCA 430 p m

Huron Valley vs Agape Christian

at Canton's Griffin Park 430 pm

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Mercy at Ladywood (2) 4 p m

Plymouth at Northville 4 p m

Clarenceville at Luth N west 4 30 pm

Canton at W L Western 4 p m

Luth, North at Luth Westland 4 30 pm

Saturday, April 21

Redford Union at Clarenceville (DH) 11 a m

■Berm, Groves at Churchill (DH) 11 a m

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL Wayne at Ypsi Lincoln (DH) 11 a m Canton at Anchor Bay Tourney 9 30 a m Monday April 16 Churchill at W.L. Northern 4 p.m. Plymouth at Tecumseh Tourney TBA Franklin at W L Western 4 p m **GIRLS SOCCER** Monday, April 16 Stevenson at Salem 4 p m Wayne at Northville 4 p m Churchill at W L Northern 7 p m

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Franklin at W L Western 7 p m Canton at Plymouth 4 p m Clarenceville at Luth Westland 430 pm Canton at Plymouth 7 p m Tuesday April 17 Stevenson at Salem (CEP) 7 p m Wayne at Northville 7 n m W L Central at John Glenn 4 p m Huron Valley vs Agape Christian Tuesday, April 17 at Canton's Griffin Park 430 pm A A Huron at Plymouth 4 p m

Clarenceville at B H Kingswood 4 30 p m Hamtramck at Luth Westland 430 p m Ladywood at HW Regina 530 pm Oakland Christian at PCA 430 p m

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Tuesday, April 17 Ladywood at Divine Child 4 p m Wednesday, April 18 Clarenceville at Lutheran North 4 30 p m Thursday, April 19

Churchill at Salem 3 30 p m Wayne at Franklin 3 30 p m Canton at Plymouth 3 30 p m Stevenson at John Glenn 3 30 o m Annapolis Roeper A P Cabrini at Lutheran Westland 415 p m Saturday, April 21 Monroe Jefferson Inv 9 a m

Birm Groves Invitational 9 a m Berkley invitational 9 a m Elks Relays at Dearborn 10 a m **BOYS TENNIS** Monday, April 16

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BOYS LACROSSE Thursday, April 19 PCS at Northville 7 p m Saturday, April 21 PCS at Flint Powers 11 a m

GIRLS GOLF Monday, April 16 E Lansing Inv at Walnut Hills 9 a m Wednesday, April 18 John Glenn vs Franklin at Fellows Creek 3 p m Churchill vs Wayne at Whispering Willows 3 p.m Stevenson vs Canton at Fox Creek 3 p m Ladywood at A A Huron 3 30 p m Plymouth at Salem at St John's GC 3 pm

Thursday, April 19 John Glenn Franklin at Taylor Truman 3 p m Stevenson vs W L. Western at Links of Pinewood 3 p m Ladywood vs Riv Gab Richard at St John's Golf Center 3 pm

Friday, April 20 John Glenn vs. Wavne at The Woodlands Van Buren 3 p m Churchilli vs Northville at Tanglewood 3 p m Franklin vs W L Northern at Idyi Wyld 3 p m W.L. Central at Plymouth at Hickory Creek GC 3 p m Canton at Salem at St Johns GC 3 pm

Saturday, April 21 Grosse lie invitational at Riverview Highlands 9 a m **GIRLS LACROSSE** Monday, April 16

Ladywood at Riv Gab Richard 6 p m Wednesday, April 18 HW Regina at Ladywood 6 p m Friday, April 20 Troy at Ladywood 6 p m MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL

Sunday, April 15 Madonna vs. Indiana Tech at Ilitch Ballpark 1 p m Tuesday, April 17 Madonna at Northwood 1 p m Wednesday, April 18 Madonna at Siena Hts 1 p m Saturday, April 21

Madonna vs. Aquinas College at littch Ballpark 1 pm Sunday, April 22 Madonn at Aquinas College 1 p m WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL Friday, April 20

Madonna vs. Rochester College at University Field 4 p m Saturday, April 21 Madonna vs Siena Heights at University Field 1 p m Sunday, April 22 Madonna vs Agumas College at University Field 1 p m **ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE PLAYOFFS** WESTERN CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

(if necessary) Whaters at Kitchener 7 30 p m MAJOR INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE PLAYOFFS-OPENING ROUND Sunday April 14 Ignition vs Milwaukee Wave at Compuware Arena 435 p m

Sunday, April 14

TBA - time to be announced

Canton alum McDevitt wins to earn split for Crusaders

Friday's complete-game 5-1 win over Concordia probably was a little sweeter for Madonna University pitcher and Canton alum Carl McDevitt - because it came against his former college team, Concordia

The junior right-hander scattered eight hits and fanned five Cardinals to even his won-loss record at 2-2 as the Crusaders - despite managing a total of just nine hits for the day - earned a split of a Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference doubleheader at Ilitch Ballpark in Livonia

Concordia's lone run against McDevitt came in the sixth when Zach Johnston singled home his brother, Zane Johnston, slicing Madonna's lead to 3-1

But MU (16-13 overall, 4-6 in the WHAC) answered in

the bottom half thanks to a two-run triple by sophomore Ryan Morrow

The Crusaders got off to a 1-O lead in the fourth against Concordia (11-14, 1-5) Senior third baseman Gary VanAllen doubled to left and eventually scored on a double-play grounder

Two more runs scored in the fifth, with the big hit being a triple to right-center by junior catcher Garrett Ignasiak

Concordia won the opener 6-2, with five MU errors and other miscues resulting in all runs being unearned against junior starting pitcher Will Kennedy (Westland/John Glenn)

The Cardinals set the tone with four runs in the third, a rally featuring a two-run double by first baseman Alex

Hoover Madonna got on the board in the fourth thanks to an unearned run, but the Cardinals came back with two more tallies in the fifth

VanAllen tripled in the sixth and scored on a single to center by senior right-fielder Tony Luttman (Farmington)

Collecting the victory for Concordia was Drew Linder, who gave up one earned run and four hits over six innings Earning the save with an inning of scoreless relief was Kyle McIntyre

Following Kennedy to the mound for MU were senior righty Mike Hand (12 innings, 0 runs) and sophomore right-hander Ryan Brodowsky (1 scoreless frame) Hand and Brodowsky are graduates of North Farmington and Farmington, respectively

MARATHON

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the race is running through Wellesley," he said "The girls from Wellesley College line the streets and the noise they make ıs almost deafening You can hear them two miles before you get to the town

'It gets crazy around the 22nd and 23rd mile, too, because you run by Fenway Park and the fans are usually just getting out of the Boston Red Sox game A lot of them are usually pretty mebriated and they get pretty rowdy'

SPECIAL SUPPORT

Lemeiux, of Canton, will be running in her second consecutive Boston Marathon The 2006 edition was memorable not only because of the thousands of fans who were present, but by the a small group of supporters who greeted her at the top of a grueling hill

"They have these special

mats along the course and when you run past them, a computer chip in your shoe sends an e-mail or a phone message to people you know to let them know exactly where you are," said Lemeiux "Because of this, my family knew where I was the entire time and they were there to cheer me on at some of the

'It's a difficult course because of all the hills You're running downhill for 17-and-a-half miles and uphill for five miles They say it's the most demanding marathon in the world'

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Scaparo will find that out firsthand Monday when she covers the Boston route for the first time in what will be just her second marathon

'I really don't know what to expect," said the 43-year-old Canton resident, who, along with Lemeiux and Haggerty, is a member of the "Dirt Road Divas," a 30-plus-member running club that is based in

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Canton "I just want to complete it and be able to walk when it's over,' she said, smiling

All of the local runners made sure their pre-Boston training included plenty of ups and

'I made sure I ran a lot of hills," revealed Rush 'I ran Joy Road, Ridge and Napier a lot I also did a lot of treadmill downhill running"

'Our running group tried to make sure we ran a lot of dirtroad hills toward the end of our loops so that we'd get the feeling of going uphill at the end when we're bone tired," Lemeiux added

Haggerty said the grueling event is made a little easier by a series of billboards that are staggered throughout the course

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tled into the net after Sestitos goal DeBoer replaced Murray with back-up Charles Lavigne Was Vellucci surprised by the move?

Yes and no, he said I probably would have done the same thing because he's given up those kind of goals the whole series When you give up short-handed goals like that, its a momentum buster

Evan Brophey added fuel to the Whalers momentum midway through the second period when he converted a rare penalty shot to double Plymouths lead to 2 0 Brophey, a native of Kitchener, made a slick move right before shifting left and lifting the puck over the sprawling Lavigne

Kıtchener defenseman Jakub Kındl, a Detroit Red Wings draftee, brought the Rangers to within 2 1 with 6 16 left in the second period when he rifled a shot from the point past a screened Neuvirth The power play marker was Kındls second goal of the series

The Whalers sucked the life out of Kitchener's comeback plans three minutes later when



Plymouth's Andrew Fournier (facing camera) was a key contributor in the Whalers' OHL Western Conference triumph over Kitchener Fournier scored an overtime game winner in Game 3

Chris Terry handled a nifty pass from Dan Collins in front of the net and wristed it past Lavigne to pad the lead to 3-1 Ward also assisted on the goal

The back-breaking goal came 9 36 into the third period when Andrew Fournier and Joe McCann hooked up on a pretty give and-go play to improve the Whalers lead to 4 1 Fournier started the play with a crisp pass from center ice to McCann who was streak

ing down the right side McCann then threaded a laser back to Fournier, who whistled the hard piece of rubber past an overmatched Lavigne

The goal seemed to strike a nerve in the Rangers, who were called for a pair of 10 minute misconduct penalties and one game misconduct infraction over the course of the next minute

The Whalers, who were outshot 31 24 have made it a

habit of causing teams to lose their cool during the first two post season series, during which they ve chiseled a stellar 8 1 record

We have great chemistry and we dont really have a weak spot right now, Ward said, when asked about the teams roll Our goalie is playing great and our special teams are going good right now When we play well on the five on-fives were hard to stop

That was a huge win for us tonight, but were only halfway to where we want to go We have to keep the throttle down, get some rest and then get right back at it once we know who we re going to play next

Vellucci stopped short of saying this years contingent of Whalers is the best hes ever coached But he did say they may be the most enjoyable bunch

"They re a fun group to be around, said Vellucci, flashing a wide grin They're a bunch of characters Usually, you have one or two characters on a team I think we have 19 or 20 on this team

They re hard to handle sometimes, that's for sure The Kitchener Rangers couldn t agree more

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Young ace

Glenn Piot Jr a 10-year-old resident of Canton recorded a hole-in-one April 3 at the Strategic Fox Golf Course at Fox Hills in Plymouth Township Piot a fourth-grader at All Saints Catholic School in Canton, used a seven iron to ace the 94 yard third hole at the Strategic Fox Glenn is the son of Glenn and Judy Piot of Canton

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Kitchener rides early lead to Game 4 win

Kevin Henderson scored twice while Steve Downie and Matt Martello added single goals as the Kitchener Rangers built a 3-0 lead in the second period and went on to defeat the Plymouth Whalers, 4-2, in Game 4 of the Ontario Hockey League Western Conference Semifinals played Wednesday night before 5,948 at the Kitchener Memorial Auditorium

Dan Collins (third of the playoffs) and Chris Terry (4) replied for Plymouth

Special teams were the key

to the Kitchener victory as they went 3-for-12 on the power play and added a shorthanded goal Kitchener defenseman Jakub Kındl contributed three assists and Rangers center Justin Azevedo two, all on the power play Plymouth went 1 for-9 on the power play Kitchener outshot Plymouth 50-31 in the game

Martello scored the only goal of the first period at 19 09 when Kindls point shot missed the Plymouth goal but caromed off the back boards to Martello stationed at the right lead to 3 1 at 9 05 when he

goal line Martello batted the puck past Plymouth goaltender Michal Neuvirth

Henderson scored a short handed goal at 2 30 of the sec ond period when Neuvirth tried to clear the puck out of his own zone from the left faceoff circle But the puck bounced off Henderson and into the Plymouth net Downie made it 3 0 at 7 15 when he was set up directly in front of the Plymouth goal and made no mistake with the shot Collins cut the Kitchener

beat Kitchener goaltender John Murray with a low shot from the left circle

Henderson opened the third period scoring at 8 02 when he deflected Kindls point shot from the hashmarks past Neuvirth Terry closed the scoring at 16 16 of the period when he scored on scramble at the side of the Kitchener goal Plymouth head coach Mike Vellucci pulled Neuvirth with 1 53 remaining in the third period but the Whalers couldn't cut into the Kitchener lead

Whalers' Neuwirth second in GOY voting

Plymouth Whalers goal tender Michal Neuvirth fin ished second in this seasons

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piled a 2-32 goals against aver age and led the OHI during the regular season with a 932 save percentage Along with Jeremy Smith (Brownstown) the Whalers led the OHL in team defense this season in allowing 173 goals over 68 games

Mason posted an impressive 45 13 1 3 record, along with a 3 20 goals against average and

a 914 save percentage in 62 games this season Mason was instrumental in leading the Knights to their fourth consec utive Hamilton Spectator Trophy, along with the teams fourth consecutive Holody Trophy Islidwest Division Championship Masons 45 reg ular season wins is a new OHL record amongst goaltenders

Mason received 76 points in the voting process followed by Neuvirth who received 43 points Thomas McCollum of the Guelph Storm finished third with 28 points

Mason joins some elite company with past winners includ ing Adam Dennis Ray Emery Andrew Raycroft and Manny Legace

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Chips sign ex-Ocelot Minnoy to scholarship

STAFF WRITER

Central Michigan University men's basketball coach Ernie Ziegler used his Schoolcraft College connection Wednesday to sign Ocelot forward Nate

Ziegler, a former Ocelot player, also added Cass Tech pointguard William Eddie III, son of CMU assistant coach William Eddie, Jr

Minnoy, a burly 6-4, 265pound forward, played one season at Schoolcraft after transferring from Purdue University where he started the first 12 games of the 2005-06 season before suffering a knee injury During his abbreviated stint at Purdue, Minnoy averaged 10 2 points and 5 1 rebounds per game

The Hales Franciscan High product from Chicago, Ill averaged 22 1 points and 10 8 rebounds per game as Schoolcraft finished 23-9 overall and captured the Michigan Community College Athletic Association playoffs

He earned NJCAA All-Region 12 and All-MCCAA honors this season

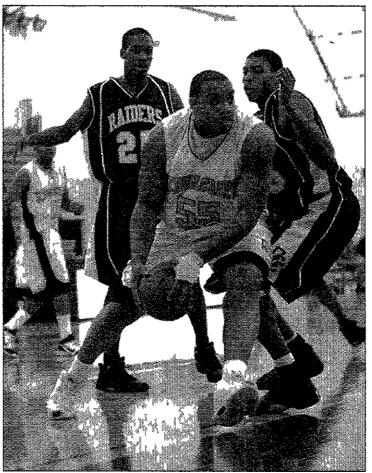
'Nate is a tremendous addition to our program,' Ziegler said in a CMU press statement 'He brings a lot of the intangibles that will allows us to continue to develop a winning situation here at CMU His leadership and toughness, along with his skill set, will enhance our program and the rebuilding process"

Ziegler, the former UCLA assistant, guided the Chippewas to a 13-18 overall record and 7-9 mark in the Mid-American Conference in his first season as head coach

During the fall signing period, Ziegler inked 6-5 guard Chase Simon (Detroit Community) and 6-4 guard Jeremy Allen (Cass Tech) In light of some guys leav-

ing our program, we were able to sign some additional student-athletes who will upgrade our talent level, Ziegler said in the release These two (Minnov and Eddie III) give us more depth and will created competition at every position in practice, which is what we need to get better

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Former Schoolcraft College basketball player Nate Minnoy (with ball) signed to play for Central Michigan University beginning in the fall

Canton Celtic FC set to battle Ann Arbor

Canton Celtic FC will play a preliminary round game against the Ann Arbor Football Club in the 2007 Lamar Hunt US Open Cup, 7 p m Sunday at Saline High School

Admission is \$1

Canton Celtic FC, managed by player-coach Dave Hebestreit, is a member of Michigan United Soccer Leagues First Division and includes standouts from area high schools, along with college players from Madonna, Schoolcraft and the University of Michigan

The US Open Cup is the nation's largest and oldest elimination tournament, has been contested on a national level since 1914

Any team that is a part of a league sponsored by the US Soccer Federation can enter the tournament be it of a professional or amateur

This year, 40 teams will

make up the US Open Cup proper rounds including eight MLS teams, 10 USL Division I teams, six USD Division II teams, eight Premier Development League teams (including the defending PDL champion Michigan Bucks), and eight USASA teams, two each from four different regions including Canton Celtic

If Canton Celtic wins its preliminary round match, the club will travel to the Region II tournament to meet champions of Missouri, Illinois, Indiana Wisconsin, Iowa and the NPSL bid Princeton '56ers in a single-elimination weekend tournament April

21 in St Joseph, Mich The two finalists will qualify for the US Open Cup proper rounds

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Canton sweeps Dragons

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Canton's baseball team extended its early-season record to 4-1-1 Tuesday after noon with a doubleheader sweep of Swartz Creek

The visiting Chiefs won the opener, 10-8, before snuffing out the Dragons, 5-1, in the nightcap

Sophomore catcher/outfielder Dan Stoney was the hitting star for the Chiefs, combining to go 4-for-6 with a home run and two doubles in the twinbill His home run in the opener gave Canton a 5-3 lead that they would never relinquish

Senior catcher Blaine Paden also swung a hot bat for the Chiefs in the opener, going 2 for-2 with an RBI and a run scored Ben Vaughn William Tidwell Kevin Delapaz and

Ryan Neu all added one hit in the victory

Junior left-handed pitcher Erik Wright improved to 2-0 after yielding two hits, five walks and two earned runs in three innings of work Dan Milus was solid in relief of Wright, giving up three earned runs the rest of the

Senior pitcher Brad Barath shut down the Dragons in Game 2 as he gave up just two hits in five innings of work Delapaz was perfect in relief over the final two frames

Joining Stoney in the hit parade were Barath (2-for-3, RBI double), Kyle Gring (RBI double) and Mike Madias, who went 1 for-2

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College is just one choice for graduates

BY NICOLE WILDMAN STUDENT JOURNALIST

Although many high school graduates enter college the semester after they graduate, there are other options

There are hundreds of reasons not to start college right away Its expensive, and not many 17 or 18 year olds have thousands of dol-

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ness to save up can be a smart move to prevent taking on debt from student loans after college gradua-

Most people don t know for sure what they want to study when they're 17 or 18 years old, and its a big decision to say okay, I'm going to study this, and then do that for the next 40 years of life Time off from school can give students a chance to get some experience in a field that they re interested in, and see if they like it

College academics can be overwhelming, especially if the student had borderline grades in high school

T<u>aki</u>ng <u>cl</u>asses at <u>a</u> community college is a good way to boost grades and raise the chances of being accepted into a better university, or just a less expensive way to get general college credits out of the way Just make sure that the institution you ultimately plan to attend will accept the credits you're earning

For those who love to travel, but want to go when they're young instead of after they retire, the time between high school and college can be ideal Take some time off, work odd jobs and save up, then travel for a while before attending college

Even in the twenty-first century, a traditional college experience isn't necessary to be successful in life Some people choose to join the military or attend a trade school, and those options are just as beneficial in the long run Sometimes, kids only choose to attend college because its been expected of them since they were young, and it seems necessary, but there are

other options available Lauren Patterson, a Canton High School senior, is not planning on going to college next fall even though she'll be graduating this June

She plans on studying real estate, but instead of college this year, she plans to work and save up money, attend night school and get her real estate license and then maybe go to college for a degree

"After high school, I'm planning on taking my real estate license test and maybe working for half a year while going to night school Then I'll go to Schoolcraft (College) and get a degree in business management," she said

Nicole Wildman is a senior at Salem High School

Many kids donate to Locks of Love

BY GABRIELLE ZUZO STUDENT JOURNALIST

I remember sitting down waiting for my aunt to cut off the long blonde ponytail flowing down my back I was in the third grade and it was going to be a big shock



gabrielle zuzu

more than 10 inches of hair is a lıfestyle change, especially at 9 years old I knew,

Losing

however, that my donation would be worth it I wanted to help another child suffering

from hair loss due to an ill-After my hair was clipped, it

was sent to the non-profit organization, Locks of Love According to its Web site,

www locksoflove org, the organization provides hairpieces to financially disadvan taged children under age 18 suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis'

Most children serviced by the organization have lost their hair because of an incur able condition called alopecia areata. The organizations ulti mate goal is to boost confidence and restore self-esteem

The Florida-based foundation accepts hair of any color or texture from anyone The four requirements include

■ The donated hair must be at least 10 - preferably 12 inches in length

■ It must be bundled in a ponytail or braid It must be free of chemical processing damage

■ The hair must be clean, dry and placed in a plastic bag Many hair donations are from kids desiring to help

another child My mother teaches first grade and one of her students, Haley Jankowski, recently donated her tresses to Locks of Love

Haleys donation was spontaneous She went into a salon just looking for a haircut, but after the stylist suggested she cut a few more inches off to become eligible to make a donation, Haley agreed

"I'm happy someone like me is going to have my hair, she

Because of people like Haley, children all over the country are able to feel confident with a hairpiece to replace their own hair

The process to get a customized wig can take up to six months First, a child must be nominated and then accepted for a donation Then, they are sent a kit to make a mold of their head. The mold is designed to ensure a properly fitted piece



First grader Haley Jankowski shows off the ponytail of hair she recently had cut off so she could donate it to Locks

The child then selects the length and color of the hair they desire A single wig can use up to 10 donated ponytails

When the hair donations come in, the foundation sends them to a manufacturer that

creates the wig The finished product is sent to the child, who can then get it styled

Although the hair is donated. Locks of Love is charged between \$3,500-\$6,000 for manufacturing costs

To learn more about the

organization, view photographs of hair recipients or make a financial contribution, log on to www locksoflove org or call (888) 896-1588

Gabrielle Zuzo is a junior at Plymouth High School



Klemens Slunitschek observing Isbister fourth grader Christian Scheske during a game of Stratego

Exchange program offers unique perspective of foreign countries

On March 19, some Plymouth-Canton stu dents and their families gathered at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport's McNamara Terminal

The group, with welcome signs in hand, was eagerly awaiting the arrival of 18 German exchange students and two adult chaperones The German visitors were from Renningen, Germany, not far from Stuttgart

The Renningen students spent two weeks in the area, one week in New York City and then



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returned to Germany Linda Hahn, a German teacher for Plymouth-

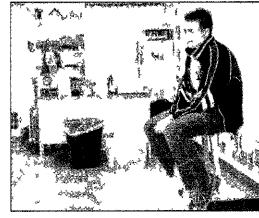
Canton schools, coordinated this visit with her German counterpart, Frau Gudrun Kries-Kneer

A group of Plymouth-Canton students will visit Germany this summer, attending school in Renningen and touring

the area.

The visits are part of a program called GAPP - German American Partnershîp Program 'The exchange was great this year," Hahn

said The Americans and Germans were matched very well and I heard so much excitement from everyone, including students who weren't directly involved (such as Spanish stu-



German student Klemens Slunitschek (right) visiting Marsh Fistler's fourth grade class at isbister Elementary

dents and math students) Our German guests enjoyed their host families very much Everyone was tired, but its a great kind of tired

GAPP is a nonprofit program linking American high schools that offer German courses to secondary schools in Germany It has about 760 active partnerships

Each year, roughly 5,000 American high school students and teachers visit their partners in Germany, and 8,000 German students and teachers are hosted by American high schools On their first day of school, the German students were welcomed by the principal of

PLEASE SEE EXCHANGE, C2

Salem orchestra pit is a home away from home

BY KELLY CLAWSON

Confetti litters the orchestra pit at Salem High School Although it is empty now, for the last several months it held some of the most dedicated musicians at Plymouth-Canton schools and the only ones crazy enough to volunteer to be a part of the long rehearsals for the spring musical, Footloose



kelly clawson

The occupants of the pit were people that have known each other by name, by instrument, or by face, but that may never have really interacted before Violinist Mandy Pawczuk, a senior at

Plymouth High School and two-year pit veter-

an, said, You see a side of people that you don t normally see in school when you're in a big hole in the ground' Those that were just a face at rehearsals 🕺

became friends, forever bonded by the experiences embodied by the catch phrase found on every pit hoodie and T-shirt What happens in the pit stays in the pit, and what falls into the

pit belongs to the pit' The increasingly long rehearsals included the infamous "tech Saturday," during which the cast, crew and orchestra spent more

than 12 hours on the first full run-through of the show

Pawczuk said the production wouldn't have been the same without Catherine K. DePentu, orchestra director She called DePentu a devoted teacher and director who has the respect and admiration of

Each year, the pit finds new faces in musicians as well as mascots There's Jane, the disembodied mannequin head with the most seniority Then there's Nancy, the bloodthirsty wooden bunny The

newest addition is Arbol, a ficus tree Each mascot has a history behind their arrival to the pit and helps make the area a home-away-from-home to students

Every year holds something new for the musicians, whether it's dealing with new rhythms, testing their endurance on long numbers or challenging their ability to deal with surprises Those in the pit share a common goal of making the singers look good and at the end of each show, the pit is recognized

Although the practices are long, Pawczuk said there's something magnetic about being in the pit "Its a lot of fun," she said "I get tospend time doing what I like to do

Kelly Clawson is a senior at Canton High School



students (from left) = Mandy Pawzcuk, Karl Rıggs and Kelly Clawson have become 📲 great friends because of 🦠 their time in the orchestra Dit

Plymouth High artist chalks up sidewalk masterpieces

BY DAVID HOPPER STUDENT JOURNALIST

Given a piece of sidewalk chalk, many high school students would either laugh or scribble profanity with it

Greg Carr, 16, would probably ask for a few more pieces and theñ replicate a priceless Vincent van Gogh

An avid artist for most of his life, Carr has recently discovered a new talent to add to his artistic repertoire sidewalk chalk art.

"Esaw an ad in a brochure that mentioned a sidewalk chalk conspetition," he said 'And since



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tition, Carr david hopper created his

first piece "I did a sunset on my porch It was (about) three feet by two feet - really small, he said

Those types of 'freestyle"

pieces aren't typical for the

Plymouth High School junior He tends to reproduce classic works of art

When I see a painting and it looks really good and I want to see it full scale or in person, that's where I get my ideas, he

Carr has chalked van Goghs Starry Night on his driveway, along with Salvador Dali's 'The Persistence of Memory' (a k a. Melting Clocks)

The idea of sidewalk chalk was to take famous pieces from galleries and put them on the sidewalk so that other people can see them, Carr says "It's so average Joe can see it

Of course, parents shouldn't just give their tyke a few sticks of chalk and throw them outside any time of the year and expect a masterpiece Aside from practice, the type of chalk can make all the difference Carr recommends Koss soft pastels and avoiding blacktop asphalt

"Smooth sidewalk is the best you can get,' he said 'Of course, the ideal surface would be a basement or garage floor But for some reason, you're never allowed to do that Asphalt is really bad

Straying from its initial pur-

pose, sidewalk chalk has taken other forms to serve other purposes Many artists are funded by corporate advertising campaigns to develop huge, chalk advertisements on specially designated walks and sidewalks

Despite the career prospects, Carr has little intention of making art his profession

I just want it to be a hobby, he said Maybe I can make some extra cash on the side, but I want to be a carpenter"

Carr will have his hands full in the coming months

'I just started learning how to do acrylic, because I m painting

pıllars at Relay for Lıfe ın May June, I'm going to do sidewalk chalk for Liberty Fest," he said 'And in August I'm going to be representing D&M Art Studio at a sidewalk chalk competition

Though growing with new converts like Carr, sidewalk chalk still has a relatively small following compared to other art

then there's Art in the Park,' he said 'We're trying to get people. involved, so well see."

'D&M Studios has a crew and

David Hopper is a junior at Plymouth High School

FROM PAGE C1

Canton High School and were given a tour of the high school

For the duration of their stay, they attended classes with their Plymouth-Canton partners and were also able to visit classes of their choosing While in the area, they group took a field trip to downtown Detroit with Plymouth-Canton Spanish teacher Kathy Hunt and rode on the city's People Mover They also visited Plymouth City Hall the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills and the Plymouth

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Klemens Slunitschek, a 17year-old from Malmsheim, said he enjoyed his visit to the US

'What I enjoyed most was the field trip to the Holocaust Memorial Center," he said "I also liked the trip to Detroit and going to classes I chose myself

Hahn said she plans to continue the school districts participation with GAPP

"I think it offers our students the best chance to learn about the German culture, forge friendships with people of that culture and (it provides) a life time of memories, she said A guided tour through Germany could never provide them with the opportunities that GAPP

David Hopper is a junior at Plymouth High School

Studying abroad offers a world full of opportunities

As I sat on the plane on the way to Germany, my head was filled with neverending questions "Would my host family like me? Would I be able to live in a different country for a year? Why, oh, why, did I put myself up to this?"

The truth is, I was

scared out of my mind I was finally facing up to reality, but for some reason it still didn't feel real However, as soon as I stepped off that plane and was greeted

with warm smiles and shouts of joy, I began to feel 10 times better Studying abroad was claire sloma the best decision I ever made It was a wonderful way to get out and

see the real world, and to experience parts of

life that are rare and unique While in Germany during my junior year of high school, I was introduced to a whole new culture and way of living From September 2005 until July 2006, not only did I learn to speak the language fluently, but I also lived with a great host family and met some of the most amazing people I know from Germany and other parts of the world,

such as Brazıl, Japan and Italy I was lucky to end up in a wonderful little town called Gaggenau Its only about an hour and a half south of Frankfurt in southwestern Germany There are just about 30,000 people, but the town itself is full of amazing sights I lived right by a river and the Black Forest Every day on my walk to school I would wander through the small downtown area filled with little shops and

Yes, I did walk to school, and a mile at that. And yes, I did have to walk uphill on the way home This hill was so steep that it had a bench in the middle on the way up, and another one three-iourths of the way ary walking up that in snow!

While in Germany, I studied at an actual German school, known as Goethe Gymnasium (and no, it is not a gym Gymnasium is basically just another word for school, like those we have in America)

There were approximately 1,000 students from grades five through 13, and they don t graduate until they finish their 13th year I joined one of the three 11th-grade classes,



Claire Sloma celebrated Christmas with her German host family, the Dolls, during her year abroad

and participated in nine different subjects out of 11 throughout the week. I was with some of the most intelligent students I know

My friends in Germany speak fluent English, and practically fluent French, Spanish, or Latin Crazy, huh? Believe me, it was a bit intimidating at first, but learning to speak German fluently was well-respected by my friends

Its true that it wasn't easy living away from my family and friends for a year, but it was worth it. My host family was supportive and loving I was fortunate to have two younger host sisters and an older host brother I only have one older sister here I grew close to my host family and now they are more like a second family than anything

Thanks to them, I woke up to the view of the Black Forest every morning, I learned to ski in the Alps in Italy, and I roamed the old streets of Paris

Skung in the Alps was probably one of the most unbelievable experiences I ve had. The view, the fresh winter air and the mind-boggling amounts of diverse people were just

The fact that my host family introduced me to real Italian cooking, along with the sights, was already more than I had expected, but that they also took me to Paris, as well as other small French cities, was just

Paris was breathtaking, blooming with history and fashion and great little cafes The ht-up Eiffel tower at night was one of the most beautiful things I d ever seen, as was the Mona Lisa at the Louvre, a piece of art from hundreds of years ago Oh, and did I mention tons of great shopping?

There is so much to see in the world and, thankfully, my host family was able to let me get hands-on experience. No matter where you go, you'll be witnessing something new There are different festivals, beliefs and people waiting to be discovered, opening up doors to so many possibilities

This experience has changed the way I think and look at life and made me into the person I am today Almost every day I think about my year over there and, believe me, I can't wait to go back.

While sitting on the plane on the way home, after spending an unforgettable year in Germany, those taunting o back through my head, and all I could do was smile

Jet setter Claire Sloma is a senior at Redford Union High School and a member of the Teen Journalist program at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers She earned a Daimler Chrysler scholarship through American Field Service to study abroad for details visit www afs org

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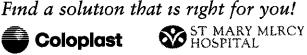
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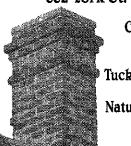


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Key Clubs gather for annual convention

BY LAUREN ANTHONY

On March 23, thousands of students from 110 high schools in Michigan all gathered at the Valley Plaza Hotel in Midland,



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accomplishments and triumphs of Key Club The

schoolbranch of the Kiwanis Club, Key Club is a

nonprofit organization devoted to bettering communities Some have been involved in the effort since K-kids, the ele-

mentary branch of Kiwanis Others just joined this year Some are involved in sports and other school activities Some are just devoted to Key

They all have one thing in common, though - they love to help others

The 56th annual Michigan Key Club Convention had an original theme spinning off the year and a well-known movie series, 007 License To Serve" Each Key Clubber received a convention shirt On the front, it modeled a suit jacket with a key in the pocket On the back was the convention's motto along with the words Club Key Club'

The weekend began with a fun-filled meet and greet activi ty, including games like Twister and Scattergories The Opening Session was held at 6 45 p m and the Great Hall was packed with students, chaperones board members, and honorary guests all dressed in business

Keynote speaker Patrick Maurer shared stories about leadership ranging from his reign as captain of his elementary school Citrus Squad (safety guards) to his disastrous day as substitute teacher

Maurer was followed by the Presentation of Awards, which honored clubs for reaching goals Garden City High School earned an Early Bird award, for getting dues in early

The Key Club members were also informed of the District Project, Governor's Project, and Major Emphasis Program for the 2007-08 year

Saturday was a day for serv ice Key Clubbers were split into three separate groups and would move around to various stations participating in differ ent service projects Members helped make trauma dolls, baby blankets, and friendship bracelets

They wrote letters to our troops serving overseas, and packed donated food to help fight hunger around the world

The service projects were fol lowed by forums where stu dents had a chance to dance, play games, and learning how to better their Key Club

At 5 p m, everyone donned their dressiest attire, from suits to gowns worthy of Homecoming, for the Governors Banquet There,

more awards were given in honor of spectacular scrap books, videos, and posters made by various clubs

The Governors Ball followed the banquet Many Key Clubbers attended, dressed in their best, dancing to the music and mingling with students from other schools

On Sunday morning, 220 delegates two from each school, gathered in the House of Delegates to vote for the 2007 08 District Board

This was followed by the Governor's Farewell Brunch where the new board was announced

As the Key Club members packed to go back to their own schools, they reminisced about the past Key Club year They also looked to the future, planning what they will do for Key Club

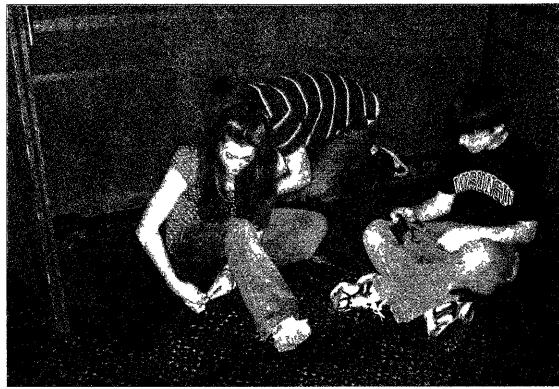
Kayleigh Pinsonneault a Garden City High School sophomore, said Convention was a lot of fun It was a great way to help make a difference

For more on Key Club visit www mikey club org

Lauren Anthony offered this recap as a Garden City High School student and member of the Teen Journalist program



Students make trauma dolls for hospitals



Key Club members Alyssa Chambo Scott New and Andy Chambo make a fleece baby blanket during activities of the Key Club's annual convention



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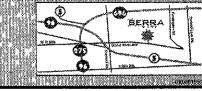
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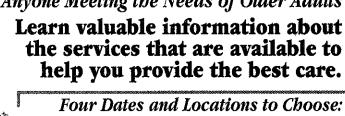
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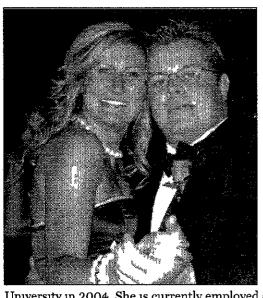
Froelicher-Jones

Hans and Joan Froelicher of Annapolis, MD, announce the engagement of their daughter, Katherine Froelicher, to Brian Jones, son of Tom and Cindy Jones of Canton

Katherine Froelicher, a 1999 Annapolis High School graduate earned degrees from Connecticut College and the London Center for International Relations She is pursuing a juris doc

torate at George Washington University

Brian Jones, a 2000 Livonia Stevenson graduate earned degrees from Western Michigan University and George Mason University He is a proposal coordinator at USIS, a defense contractor A May wedding is planned



Bohr-Martin

John and JoAnne Bohr of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Megan Bohr to Christopher Martin, son of Ron and Barb

Miller-Bayer

Beth Miller of Knox, Ind, and

Beth a 2003 graduate of Knox

daughter of the Rev Tim and Barb

Miller Beth will graduate from St

Olaf College in May with a bachelor

of arts in music and and an elemen

tary education certification She will

Tım a 2001 graduate of Livonia Stevenson and a 2005 graduate of

Concordia University at Chicago is

the son of the Rev Robert and Amy

Bayer Tim is completing his studies at Concordia Seminary in St Louis

Oakville Missouri He will serve

as a Student Pastor in the Twin

Cities area beginning in August

22 2007 at Our Redeemer

Lutheran Church in Knox Ind

The couple plan to marry on July

teach in the Twin Cities this fall

Tim Bayer of Livonia became

Community High School is the

engaged on Nov 25 2006

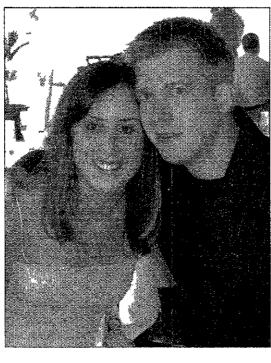
Martin of Canton Megan Bohr a 2000 graduate of Salem High School, earned her bachelor of com munications degree from Michigan State

University in 2004 She is currently employed at Limited Brands Inc, as manager of the PINK store in Novi

Christopher Martin, a 1999 graduate of Catholic Central High School, earned his bachelor of telecommunications degree from Michigan State University, graduating in 2003 He is currently employed at RHK Technologies in Troy as a marketing manager

A fall 2007 wedding is planned at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth Township

ENGAGEMENTS



Lapinsi-Drummond

Mr and Mrs Michael Lapinski of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacy Anne Lapınskı of San Jose, Calif, to David Michael Drummond of San Jose, Calıf

The bride to be is a 1996 graduate of Farmington High School She has a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree in education from Loyola Marymount University She is employed as an elementary school teacher at a private school in Menlo Park, Calıf

The prospective groom is a graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara and is employed in finance

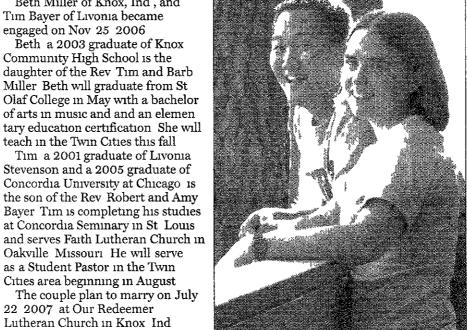
A July 2007 wedding is planned for the Inn at St Johns in Plymouth

Fahner-Alexander

Jim and Debbie Fahner of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Lynn Fahner, to John David Alexander, son of Connie Alexander of Westland

A September 2007 wedding is planned





Johnson-Hunley Mike and Cindy Johnson of Redford announce the engagement of their daugh ter, Kristy Marie Johnson, to Jeffrey Scott Hunley of Livonia

Kristy Marie Johnson is a 1998 graduate of Redford Union High School and a 2003 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a bachelor of arts degree in health policy studies She currently works at Metro Medical Equipment in Livonia

Jeffrey Scott Hunley is the son of Don and Jane Hunley of Northville He is a 1998 graduate of Redford Thurston High School and is currently attending the University of

Phoenix and working at Baremans Dairy A May 19 2007 wedding is planned for St Paul Lutheran Church in Fairmington Hılls

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EDWARD C. COOKE

Age 85 April 12 2007 Beloved hus band of Margaret for 61 years Dear father of Kevin (Kimberly) Grandfather of Matthew (Megan) Elizabeth and Laura Brother of Victoria Kareus Adelaide Leggatt and the late Clarion Cooke and Walter Cooke Funeral service Monday 11am at A J Desmond & Sons (Vasu Rodgers & Connell Chapel) 32515 Woodward (btwn 13 14 Mile) Family will receive friends Sunday 3 8p m Interment White Chapel Cemetery Memorial tributes to Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church 3600 Telegraph Rd Bloomfield Hills MI 48302

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TERESA H. DEGENHARDT

April 10 2007 age 92 of Frankfort MI formerly of Plymouth Beloved wife of the late Clarence Loving mother of David (Marlene) Robert (Karen) Mary (Don) McSperitt Donald (Vickie) Teresa (Gary) Hopper Anna (Joseph) Hamilton and the late Patricia Mishler and the late Charles Dear sister of Frances Grix Proud grandmother of 29 and great grandmother of 27 Visitation will be at Vermeulen Funeral Florida W Ann Arbor Rd (btwn Sheldon and Beck) in Plymouth on Friday from 3 00 until 9 00 PM She will lie in state on Saturday at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church 47650 N Territorial Plymouth from 12 00 noon until the time of Mass at 12 30 Interment will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society To leave a message of condo lence for the family please log onto www vermeulenfuneralhome com

Paying Tribute Life of Loved One

CONSTANCE FENTON Farmington Hills MI died Tuesday April 10 2007 Preceded n death by parents Reuben and Sophie Album of Minneapolis MN Survived by children Cynthia Fenton of Cheverly MD and Robert L (Aileen) Fenton Jr of Fort Myers FL grandchildren Robert L Fenton III Halle Marie Fenton and Olivia Paige Fenton and a sister Marjorie Victor Funeral arrangements by the Hodroff Epstein Funeral Home Minneapolis Funeral services were held on Friday April 13 at 3 p m at Temple Israel Minneapolis There will also be a memorial service on Tuesday Apri 17 at 12 30 pm at Temple Beth El 7400 Telegraph Road Bloomfield Hills The family requests that memorial contributions be sent tot the American Cancer Society or a charity of the donor's choice



EDWARD T SMALLEY

Age 91 of Farmington Hills passed away April 4 2007 Husband of the late Mildred Dear father of Kenneth (Gail) Smalley and Nancy (John) Rambow Dear grandfather of Christopher and Sandra Visitation will be at John N Santeiu and Son Funeral Home 1139 Inkster Rd Garden City on Wednesday April 18th from 1 to 9 pm Memorial Service will be held April 19th at 11 30 a m at Santeiu Chapel

MILDRED WERNER

April 11 2007 of Garden City Beloved wife of Welden Beloved mother of Bonnie and Gary sister of Raper Grandmother of Kimberly Scott Nicole and Jessica five great grandchildren and special friend Bugsy Visitation was Saturday 2 5pm at the Harry J Will Funeral Home 34567 Michigan Ave Wayne in lieu of flowers family requests donations to Alzheimer's Association

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MARGARET (IBROOK) TOWER FERGUSON Age 93 died Sunday March 25 2007 at Grady Memorial Hospital in

Delaware Ohio where she had resided n Delaware the last six years She was born in Detroit October 19 1913 and a sud n Highland Park She was a g aduate of H ghland Park High Scho I and High and Park Junio College She was preceded in death by her husband Leland They were mar ried November 13 1933 in Rochester Michigan She was also preceded in death by her daughter Rosemary Goldstrom her parents Elmer and Stroman her nephew Charles Stroman and niece Margaret Ann (Stroman) Barta She is survived by two sons Philip (Norma) of Powell Richard (Lana) of Guilford Connecticut She is also survived by eight grandchildren Mark (Sandy) of Chagr n Falls Ohio Stephen (Suzanne) of Scarborough Maine Karen Carl (Stephen) of Ann Arbor Erik Goldstrom of Worthington Ohio Andrew Goldstrom of Chicago Kirk (Colleen) Todd (Lea) and Scott (Evette) all of New York She is also survived by twelve great grandchil dren Margaret was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Birm ingham for 46 years and served on the Board of Deacons A memorial service honoring Margaret's life will be held in the chapel of the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham at 11 am on Saturday April 21 The family will greet friends following the service In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in her memory to Camperships Camp Skyline 1669 West Maple Rd Birmingham Michigan 48009 Arr angements by Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell 515 W Olentangy Street Powell Ohio



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Hansens celebrate 70th anniversary

Loren and Mary Hansen Sr of Canton recently celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary with an open house for family and friends at their home The couple were married April 17 1937, in Willis

and have lived in the area since high school Loren and Mary both graduated from Lincoln High School in 1935

The couple have four children Mabel Fischer and her husband, Louis, of Canton Loren Jr and his wife, Carole of Saline Kenneth and his wife, Phyliss, of Jackson, and Ina Cussen and her hus band, Michael, of Canton

The have 14 grandchildren 37 great grandchil dren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren

The Hansens are the former owners of Standard Printing Co in Ypsilanti Loren continues to enjoy growing and harvesting a large vegetable garden and maintains many apple and other fruit trees

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Heidi Rose Kasten

Kristen Foley and Tim Kasten of Redford announce the birth of their daughter, Heidi Rose Kasten, on Jan 4, 2007, at St Joseph Mercy Hospital

Grandparents are Debbie Foley Peter and Nancy Foley and Fred and Cathy Kasten all of Plymouth Township

Great grandparents are Bob and Beth Doll of Milford, Tom and Pat Foley of Applegate and Robert and Virginia Kasten of Brighton



Alexander Thomas Ionescu

Peter Ionescu and Angela Zazula of Royal Oak announce the birth of their son Alexander Thomas Ionescu, on March 15, 2007, at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak Alexander weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces

and was 20 inches long at birth Grandparents are Arlene Zazula of Westland and Niculae and Mandra Ionescu of Bucharest Romania

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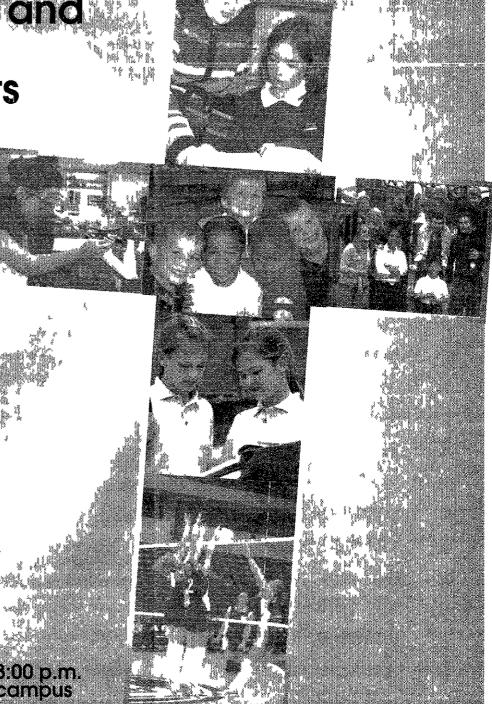
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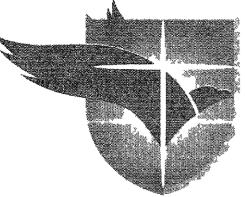
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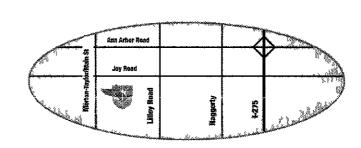
There will be a brief presentation in the auditorium at 3:00 p.m. followed by the distribution of registration materials, campus tours and teacher Q & A.



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Peter's **Principles**

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Wine and grape juice pack punch

Sarah from Rochester Hills wants the heart healthy benefits of red wine without the alcohol She e-mails asking if grape juice packs the same healthy punch?

Sarah, both have their own unique benefits! One study shows that red wine triggers more antioxidant activity in the blood stream The fermentation process may create flavenoids, an important antioxidant that's easier for the body to absorb Alcohol in wine also seems

to boost HDL, the good cholesterol But don t write off grape juice just yet! Research shows that purple juice may make platelets less likely to clump, which reduces the chance of blood clots Another study shows that grape juice seems to have antioxidant properties similar to vitamin E It really just depends what benefit you are after Talk to a nutritionist for more information!

Carol from Lincoln Park e-mails for tips on making her bones their healthiest

Carol, Vitamin K is definitely king when it comes to bone health! Research shows that high intake of the nutrient is closely associated with bone density

Green leafy vegetables are one of the best sources of vitamin K Scientists find that women consuming around 300 micrograms a day have greater bone density! And you don t have to eat much to reap the benefits One cup of spinach has around 360 micrograms, brussel sprouts 235, and broccoli 113

Vitamin K interacts with the body's chemistry to provide healthy bones It works by allowing a particular pro tem to take its place in the skeletal structure Talk to a nutritionist for more important information

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Dr. Neal Barnard to talk about scientifically proven diet

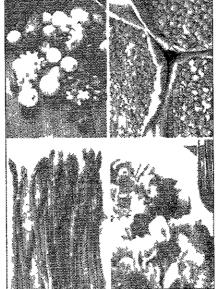
BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WR TER

No more counting calories or car bohydrates for diabetics who follow Dr Neal Barnard's new scientifically proven program for reversing the dis ease In years past patients went through hours of training to under stand the complex American Diabetes Association diet to control blood-sugar levels Not anymore

Diabetics need only to avoid meat and animal products and model their diet after the nutritional approach explained in Dr Neal Barnard's Program for Reversing Diabetes pub lished earlier this year by Rodale Barnard talks about the book at 7 30 p m Wednesday April 18 at Four Points by Sheraton 3200 Boardwalk Ann Arbor and at 7 p m Thursday April 19 at the Costick Activities Center, 28600 11 Mile Farmington Hills For information visit www perm org and click on tour

Barnard is not just another physi cian who s written a book His pro gram evolved from research by the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM) and Georgetown University in Washington DC Barnard founded the nonprofit PCRM in 1985 to pro mote preventive medicine and con duct clinical research The latest study was funded by the National Institutes of Health and proved that although the standard ADA diet is effective in treating diabetes, a vegan low fat diet dramatically reduces blood sugar and cholesterol levels in addition to promoting weight loss The study randomly assigned individ uals with diabetes type 2 to a low fat vegan (plant based) diet or a diet fol lowing ADA guidelines for 22 weeks Forty three percent of the vegan group and 26 percent of the ADA participants were able to reduce their diabetes medication. The findings were published in August 2006 in Diabetes Care an ADA journal

We re zeroing in on the cause said Barnard an adjunct professor of medicine at George Washington University in Washington D.C. It not carbohydrate or sugar causing diabetes Its fat inside the cell The typical diabetes diet does not address



Fruits vegetables beans legumes grains and pasta are foods to include when following Dr. Neal Barnard's Program for reversing diabetes

this You get rid of the animal fat the cell cleans out and rejuvenates

Most people with diabetes focus on carbohydrates The idea is you don't eat sugar white bread I recom mend a vegetarian diet low in fat

More than 20 million Americans have type 2 diabetes Barnard attrib utes much of the disease to obesity

Two thirds of the adult population is overweight Barnard said The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says one in three children born today will develop diabetes in their lifetimes Within Michigan in 1994 about 5 percent had diabetes Now it's about 8 percent and going up and up A diabetic annually spends \$2 000 \$5 000 on medica tions

Diabetes is costly in many ways as it leads to loss of kidney function and blindness Barnard believes diabetics as well is the section from set to of the discre coulc be et 110 eating inimal products and keeping their intake of

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up in North Dakota eating the typical bacon and egg breakfast and dinner of roast beef, potatoes and corn Then he went to work as an autopsy assistant During this time, he observed firsthand the deadly effects of eating an unhealthy diet

"You see what kills people," said Barnard, who began changing his diet while in medical school

Today, instead of bacon and eggs, he eats a bowl of oatmeal with cinnamon and raisins, for lunch a bean burnto with jalapeno pepper and salsa, and meatless spaghetti marinara for dinner He'll include two or three vegetables such as broccoll and spinach or sweet potato While Barnard's proclaimed the new four food groups as grains, legumes, fruits and vegetables, he says diabetics can eat pasta, which is low in fat and has a low glycemic index, which slowly elevates blood-sugar The book contains recipes (by Bryanna Clark Grogan) for eating in as well as out

"I encourage people to let their doctor know they're going to make a diet change because they'll need to back off medicines as time goes on, Barnard said

'The second step is a threeweek test drive of the program Make sure every meal is already one of the meals you like What happens is they feel a lot better and find their tastes have changed They find they ve lost weight and bloodsugar levels have dropped"

Elaine Roth was able to cut the amount of her insulin nearly in half after taking classes based on Barnard's program A PCRM pilot project, spun off from the research, taught diabetics the basics of the program during an eight-week series of cooking sessions that included a lesson on eating out at a local restaurant

Roth works at Lous Deli in Southfield, so avoiding meat has been a challenge For Passover Seder, she mainly ate vegetables and whole wheat matzah She said the holidays weren t as stressful as she thought Her family has been

very supportive

I haven t had any meat or dairy said Roth, of Farmington Hills, a diabetic for 10 years 'I feel better and my blood-sugar levels went way down, my blood pressure went down I have lost weight, too

I bring fruit with me to the deli and make sure I eat breakfast now, a whole grain bagel or muffin, or make oatmeal the night before so I have something in my stomach when I come to work At lunch, I have whole wheat or pumpernickel bread with a veggie burger or eat it on a bed of lettuce My sugar levels are 110 when they used to be 170 Im starting to feel my feet again' (Roth suffers with neuropathy, a condition related to her diabetes that causes numbness)

Caroline Trapp, a diabetes nurse practitioner, recommends Barnards book - not only to class participants like Roth, but her patients at Premier Internists in Southfield As PCRM director of diabetes education and care, Trapp recently finished teaching a third series of classes and is working on finalizing a curriculum based on Barnard's book She is hiring diabetes educators and cooking instruc tors for the educational pro gram that will be presented across the country

I'm excited about the future for this, said Trapp, of Farmington Hills, "but people don t have to wait to take the class Through PCRM we have a list serve called the Get Healthy Club a question and answer, and they sign up to participate in it

They can read the book and also view Dr Barnard's lectures and cooking demonstrations with recipes on the Web site (www.pcrm.org) as well The program requires no weighing and measuring of food or counting carbohydrates It ultimately may lead people to seek less medical care I ve seen this now with a number patients I feel the book should be recommended reading for patients and health care professionals and anyone who wants to avoid the disease

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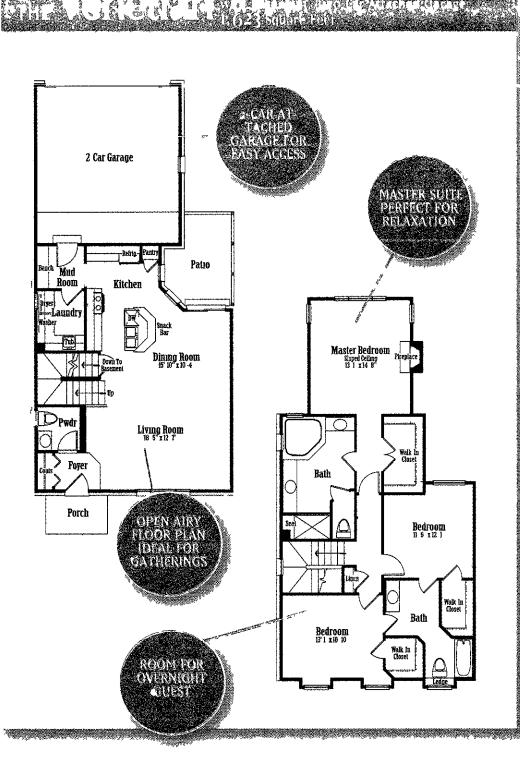
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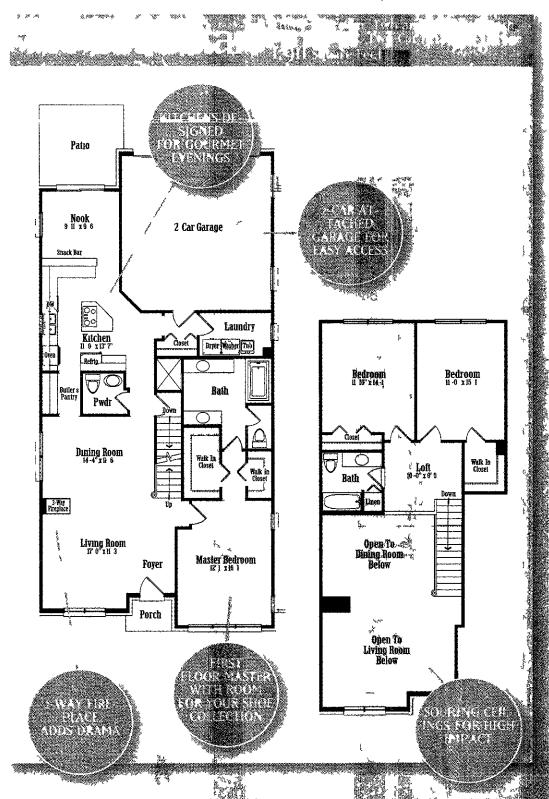
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Pay equity focus of April 24 national observance

BY JULIE BROWN STAFF WRITER

When Equal Pay Day's observed Tuesday, April 24, Mickey Edell of Canton will wear the appropriate red to draw attention to the issue and equalize the disparities that exist"

Edell's state president for the American Association of University Women, and a speech-language pathologist for the Plymouth-Canton schools Shes among those observing Equal Pay Day with the Committee on Pay Equity and AAUW, a national obser vance on unfair pay practices for women and people of color

We would certainly like to see that changed, Edell said of the 67 cents on the dollar Michigan women earn compared to their male counterparts The day is chosen because women must work from January until April of the following year to match men

The national difference is 77 cents for a woman to a mans dollar We are ranked 49th in the nation Edell said of Michigan So obviously Michigan is very low in the spectrum

She cited Bureau of Labor

Statistics/US Department of Labor data on womens earnings Although women do leave the workforce for family reasons or take lower paid jobs to accommodate families women still come out behind on pay even with those factors taken out

"It is strictly equal pay for equal work Edell said She agreed men and children also benefit when women are paid what they re worth

Absolutely and that's one of our ultimate arguments that everyone benefits when women garner equal pay for equal work she said

AAUW supports the Paycheck Fairness Act, a bill that would strengthen and update a key equal pay law

allowing it to more fully address the scope of pay discrimination according to Edell and the AAUW Web site

The Paycheck Fairness Act, introduced March 6 by Sen Hıllary Rodham Clinton, D-NY, and Rep Rosa L DeLauro, D Conn would eliminate loopholes that have undermined the potential of

the Equal Pay Act The Paycheck Fairness Act would clarify acceptable reasons for differences in pay and would require employers to prove that wage gaps between men and women are not a result of gender discrimination The bill would also strengthen potential penalties for equal pay violations, and would prohibit retaliation against workers who inquire about or disclose infor mation about employers wage practices

"AAUW believes that equal pay for equal work is a simple matter of justice, and we not only applaud Sen Clinton and Rep DeLauro for introducing this bill, but pledge to work with them to move it forward,' said AAUW Director of Public Policy and Government Relations Lisa Maatz in a statement

'I concur with the association,' Edell said AAUW believes in equal pay for equal work The state of Michigan concurs with that wholeheartedly as our part in it

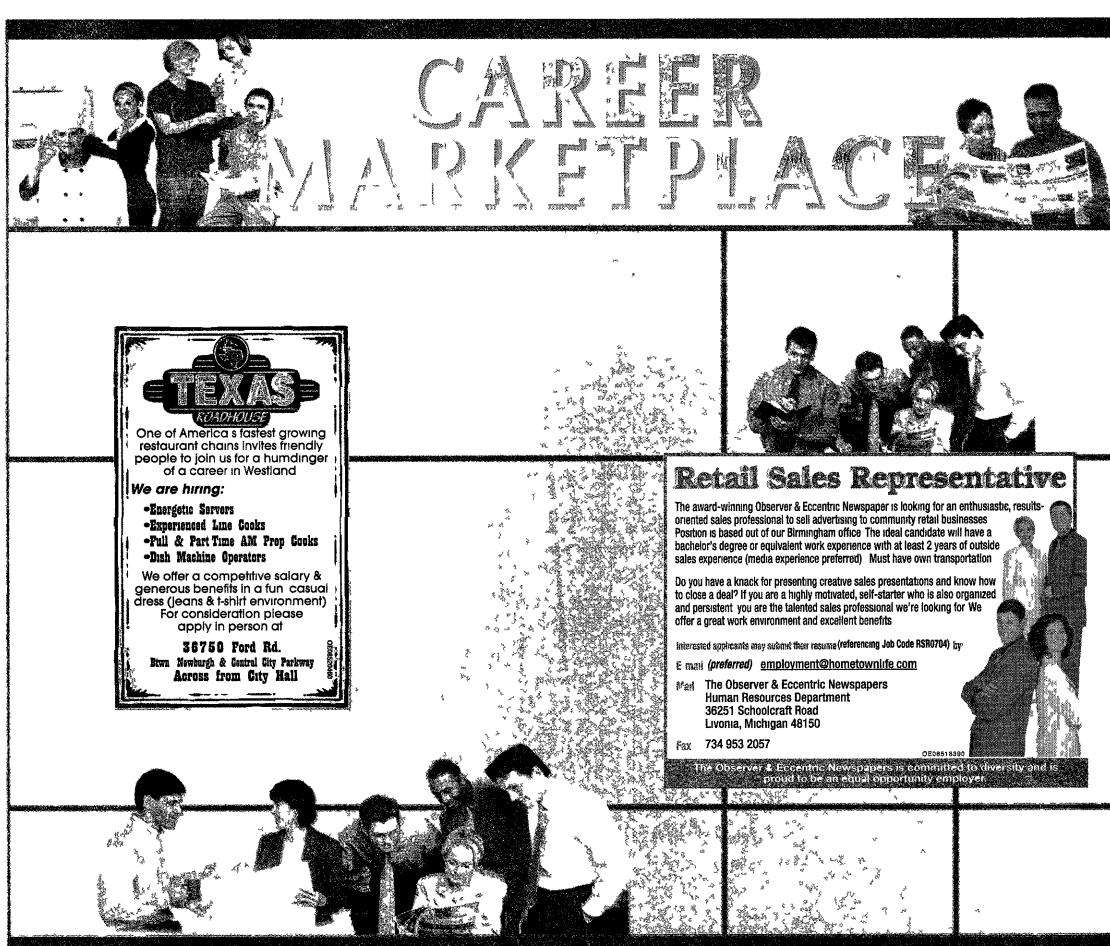
According to the US Census Bureau and Bureau of Labor Statistics minority women face an even larger wage gap In 2004 a typical college-educated woman working full time earned \$31 223 a year, compared to \$40,798 for a collegeeducated man - a difference of \$9,575

Wage inequalities are not simply a result of women's qualifications or choices, according to the AAUW Web site aauw org Wage discrimination persists despite women's increased educational attainment, greater level of experience in workforce, and decreased amount of time spent out of the workforce raising children, according to a study by the Government Accountability Office

'The wage gap has grave consequences, negatively impacting the economic security of women today and directly affecting a woman's retirement

security tomorrow,' Maatz said Edell noted AAUW will release new data on women's pay closer to the April 24 observance Michigan has not been making much progress," said Edell, who hopes to see ımprovement

She's a member of the Michigan Education Association/Plymouth-Canton Education Association, the teachers union I think unions have been a plus for all workers In education we have equity in terms of pay, she said



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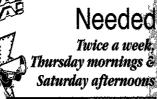
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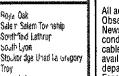
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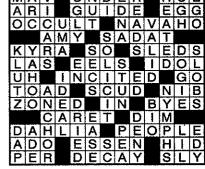
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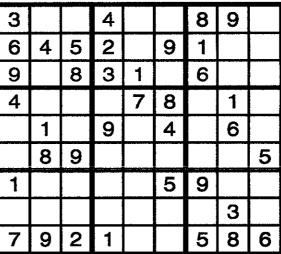
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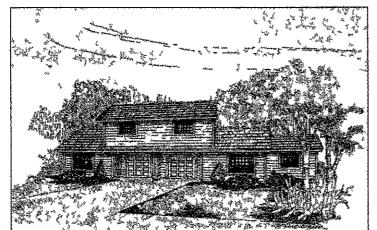
Duplex makes for a heady investment

Ownership of a duplex can provide many benefits for those interested in acquiring an income property Some may choose to reside in one unit, while renting the other Another option is to rent both accommodations and manage the holding Either way, it is a solid investment

In any case, one of the more modern and innovative duplex plans to hit the market in quite a while is the Willow (404-47) This two-story design has a 1,170-square-foot, three-bedroom configuration on side one, with unit two having 890 square feet and two secondlevel bedrooms

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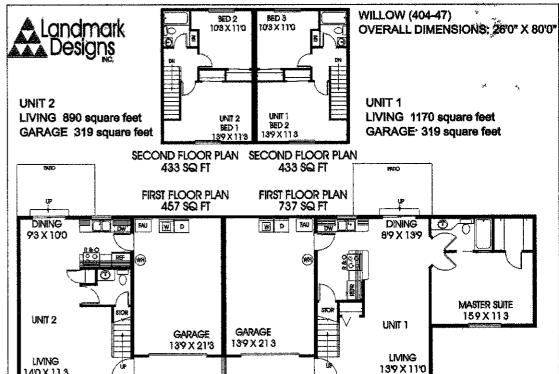
window to the front, the amenities here include a large sleeping area, walk in closet and pri-

vate entrance to the bathroom Both units have a spacious living room that flows unim peded into the dining area. This creates a roominess that belies the square footage The kitchen dimensions vary somewhat, but both allow easy serving and feature built-in appliances Each dining room has a sliding glass door to the back patio There is enough room here to relax in

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BIA offers programs

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and the Construction Association of Michigan will present the following programs

■ A comprehensive builder's license preparation course on Thursdays April 19 April 26 and May 3 from 6 p m to 9 p m at BIA headquarters 30375 Northwestern Highway Suite 100 in Farmington

Prepared by NCI Associates, Madison Heights, the course is

BRIEFS designed to prepare students for the

Michigan Builder's License Examination Material covered will include topics on the exam, laws and rules, building practices and procedures, sample test questions and testtaking strategies

The registration fee is \$200 per person For registration information call (248) 548-2090

■ Codes and Quality Control from 8 a m to noon on Friday April 20 at BIA headquarters 30375 Northwestern Highway Suite 100 in Farmington Hills

Chuck Breidenstein of Builders

Professional Services Group, Inc. will instruct attendees on defining quality within one's company by identifying five essential quality components The course outlines a superintendent's responsibilities regarding codes and provides tips on code enforcement

and compliance on the job site Registration fees are \$155 for BIA members and \$185 for guests For registration information, call (248) 862 1033

■ A Negotiating Skills course from 8 a m to 3 p m on Iuesday, April 24, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills The course is part of the Certified Graduate Remodelor (CGR) series and counts toward Certified Graduate Associate and Graduate Master Builder designation, as well

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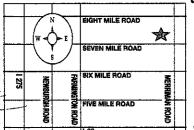
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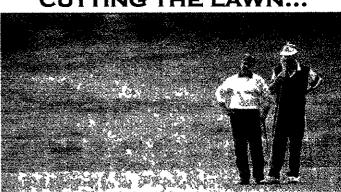
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Registration fees are \$185 for Remodelors Council members, \$235 for BIA members and \$275 for guests For regis tration information call (248)

How to build your own home

Oakland Builders Institute will offer a comprehensive allinclusive 16 hour seminar, How To Build Your Own Home on Saturday/Sunday. April 28 and 29, from 8 a m to 5 pm at the Best Western ConCorde Inn of Rochester Hılls, 1919 Star-Batt Dr,

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- Friday, 9 a m to 4 30 p m ■ A seminar is scheduled for Monday/Wednesday April 30, and May 2, 7, 9, 2007 from 6 10 p m at Walled Lake Middle School, 46720 W Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake

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Pre-registration with pay ment is required no later than Thursday, April 26 to Walled Lake Community Education Please call 248-956-5000 to register Monday - Friday, 9 am to 430 pm

New home sales management

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigans (BIA) Sales and Marketing Council will present an IRM IV Challenge of New Home Sales Management semmar from 8 30 a m to 4 p m on Wednesday and Thursday, April 25-26, at MSU -Management Education Center, 811 West Square Lake Road in Troy

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(248) 862-1033 MIOSHA seminar

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Green building for building professionals

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will sponsor a Green Building for Building Professionals course from 8 am to 3 pm on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 8 9 at BIA headquarters 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills The course is part of the Certified Graduate Remodelor (CGR) series and counts toward Certified Graduate Associate (CGA) and Certified Graduate Builder (CGB) designation

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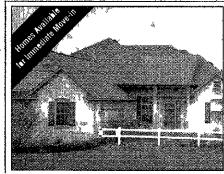
Apartment Association of Michigan (AAM) will sponsor a Fair Housing for Maintenance Staff seminar from 9 a m to noon on Friday, May 11, at AAM headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills

Kathleen Mabie of Success on Site will lead the seminar, instructing attendees on how Fair Housing applies to maintenance, communication maintenance to management, documentation consistency and record keeping, in-apartment and on-site etiquette, service request procedures, what constitutes an emergency and TEAM building

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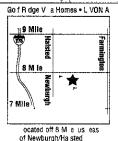
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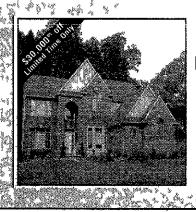
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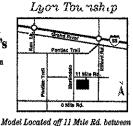




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The ambiance of the neighborhood begins on Hazel Street lined by a collection of the community's brilliant Live /Work Lofts and Townhomes Luxury living above street level workspace includes up to 3 047 Sq. Ft. The spacious storefront commercial is ideal as retail office or a studio with convenient customer parking on the street and its own entrance Businesses are opening by the day - a hair salon manicurist cosmetic dentist jewelry store yoga studio and home inter or boutiques according to Lewis

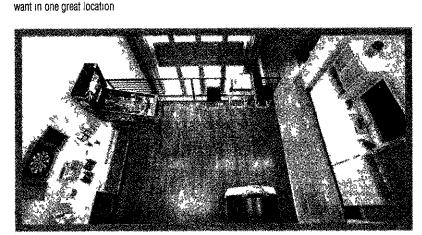
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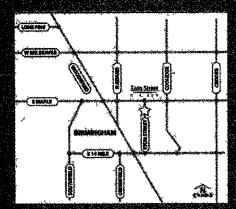


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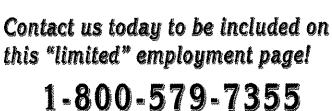
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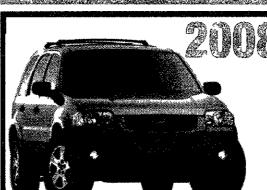
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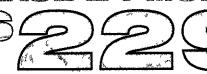
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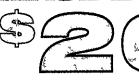
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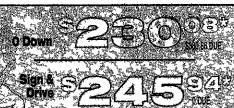
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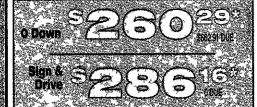


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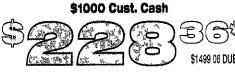


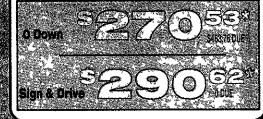


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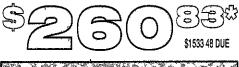




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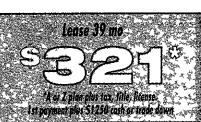
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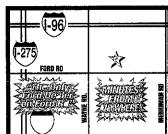
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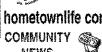
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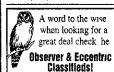
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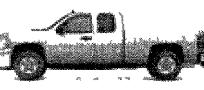
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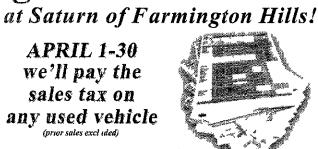


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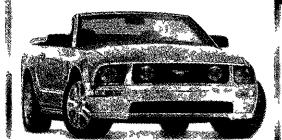


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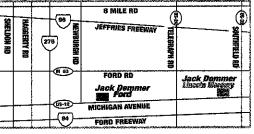
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