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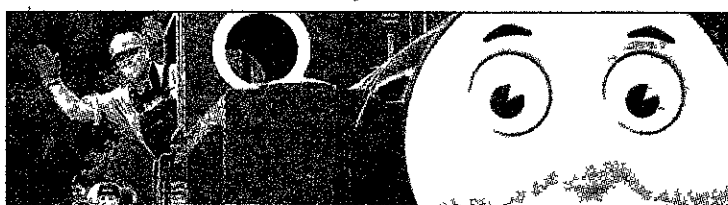
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## Governor taps Slavens for seat on bench



Slavens

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education Vice President Mark Slavens says he will step down from his trustee post after the May 8 regular board meeting, no matter if he wins or loses the

school board election conducted on the same day

Slavens, a Canton attorney was appointed Monday by Gov Jennifer Granholm to serve as a judge in Wayne County's 3rd Circuit Court in downtown Detroit. Slavens' appointment, which continues through Jan. 1,

2009, fills the position vacated by Judge Maggie Drake, who retired at the first of the year. Slavens will have to run for re-election in November 2008 to serve the final two years of Drake's six-year term.

Slavens' appointment has put some interesting twists to the May 8 school board election. Slavens,

who has been on the school board for eight years, was considered a front-runner in seeking his third consecutive four-year term.

Considering many of the absentee ballots in the six communities which encompass the Plymouth-Canton school district have already been turned in, many will

no doubt have voted for a candidate who won't be able to serve. According to Michigan's Constitution, 'any justice or judge of a court of record shall be ineligible to be nominated for or elected to an elective office other than

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Skip Erickson: from left Nicole Sullivan, Brian Titus (of Canton), Sarah Nickel and Emma Frith are the creators and actors of 'group-the' series

## Uncensored and uncut

Canton actor part of Web-based improv show

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

There's Sal, an interior decorator who fancies himself a ladies man, and 'Sherry' who is struggling to remain faithful in her third marriage and then there's 'Richard' who is fresh out of prison for stalking. Throw them all together and you've got group-the series, a new Web-

based show that premiered Tuesday on [www.groupthe-series.com](http://www.groupthe-series.com)

The improvisation series, which is uncensored, uncut and unscripted, depicts what happens when you throw a mix of personalities into group therapy.

The Webisodes feature nearly a dozen characters, including Sal Beefy Macchio, who is played by Brian Titus of Canton.

"This is totally off the wall," said Titus, 24, who has been acting for five years. "It's something no one else is doing. We're taking improvisation to the next level."

The series, which will release new Webisodes on Saturday nights, is the brainchild of Madison Heights resident Skip Erickson.

"We are so all over the map

and uncensored that we wanted to start on the Web because there are no parameters," said Erickson, whose career is in producing television commercials. "We would still like to pitch it to a network in the future, but it would have to be HBO or Showtime."

Erickson has already filmed 12

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## Police searching for man who breaks into women's homes

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

Canton police officials are investigating three home invasions that may have been done by the same person.

All three incidents occurred during the late night/early morning hours within a mile and a half radius in the Sheldon and Warren roads area. In each situation, the suspect gained access through an unlocked door or window and fled on foot when approached by the homeowner, all of whom happened to be women.

The first invasion occurred eight months ago, the second happened about four months ago and the third took place last weekend.

Police worked with the victims to create a composite sketch of the white male, who victims described as in

his 20s with short brown hair.

Officers have been in contact with neighborhood association groups and have increased patrols throughout the area.

Canton Sgt. Rick Pomorski said the homeowner in the second incident awoke to find the man in her home, talked to him for a minute and then walked him out of her front door. She, along with one of the other victims, said he may be developmentally challenged.

"She was in control, not him," Pomorski said of the second homeowner, noting that the man never harmed any of the women. "We can't determine if any property was stolen and we can't determine his intent (until he's questioned)."

Pomorski urged all residents to make sure their homes are secure at all times.

"We don't want to create mass hysteria, but we do want people to be careful," he said.

Police suggestions include locking all doors and windows at night, illuminating the exterior of properties with standard, flood or motion-sensor lighting and keeping trees and shrubbery trimmed to provide a clear view of all entrances.

The department's brochure featuring tips and information on home security can be accessed at [www.canton-mi.org/publicsafety](http://www.canton-mi.org/publicsafety) or residents may call the Crime Prevention Unit at (734) 394-5420 to request a copy.

Residents are urged to call police if they spot suspicious behavior in their neighborhoods.

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Canton Township Trustee Todd Caccamo, a Marine who has been serving in Iraq, arrived back in the States on Monday. He is due home this weekend.

## Trustee Caccamo due to arrive home from Iraq this weekend

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

Having spent the last eight months patrolling the decimated streets of Iraq and having witnessed too many of his comrades

killed or wounded, Todd Caccamo is ready to come home. On Monday, he took a big step toward that goal when he arrived in New York with the 1st Battalion, 24th Marines.

Although he immediately flew

out to a base in California, Caccamo's wife Kay said it won't be long before he is back home in Canton. She said he is scheduled to fly to Toledo on Sunday,

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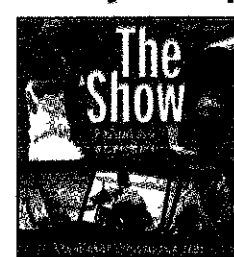
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## Coming Sunday



All area prep winter sports special section





## National cheerleading champs

Premier Cheer Zone - Sienna Team which practices out of Splitz Gymnastics in Canton competed along with 350 other teams last month in the American Cheer Power Nationals Cheer Competition at the Columbus Convention Center in Columbus, Ohio. Sienna, which competed in the Mini Level 1 Division, came in first place and were crowned national champions. The team is coached by Stephani Gagleard, Rachele Frusti and Kim Lindberg. The girls that make up the Sienna team are Mikaela Berg, Claire Carrier, Maddie DeGroff, Katie Dickson, Olivia Ferrantino, Jaiden Figurski, Gabrielle Georgeson, Olivia Georgeson, Kaylen Glenfield, Taylor Guthrie, Cydney Hunter, Selena Linares, Julia Marshall, Wynter Nickless, Hannah Ryan, Megan Ryan, Erika Selakowski and Abbey Tassic. Try outs for the upcoming season are being held April 27-29 and are open to boys and girls ages 4 and up. For more information, contact Coach Stephani at CheerCoachStephi@aol.com.

## Correction

In the March 22 edition of Hometownlife.com, the story Turn Over a New Leaf featured Tea Director Laura Klem of The Townsend Hotel and Tea Expert Denise Whipple of Traveling Tea Time. For more information on these services, call the hotel at (248) 647-2196 or contact Traveling Tea Time by calling (248) 625-8911 or visiting the Web at [www.travelingteatime.com](http://www.travelingteatime.com).

## Film premiere

The documentary film Dom Polski Dance Hall Days of Detroit's Polonia will premiere at 1 p.m., April 28 at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill. A special one-hour public viewing version of the film will begin at 1:30 p.m. Dessert, coffee, and tea will be served afterwards. Admission for the event is \$5 per person, which includes the reception. Advance reservations are highly recommended by visiting [www.hornman-detroit.com](http://www.hornman-detroit.com), clicking on the link for the Dom Polski film, and printing and filling out the reservation

form, or [www.pgsm.org](http://www.pgsm.org). By phone, call Laurie Palazzolo at (248) 477-8518. Walk-ins are welcome as seating permits.

The film is a celebration of Polish immigrant life and culture in Detroit's east and west side communities. It preserves the history of the early twentieth-century Polish-American immigrants and their cultural traditions - in particular, their musical traditions. The film focuses on the landmark structures that the immigrants built in Detroit and the cultural events that took place in them. It documents the many small clubs in which Polish-American musicians performed for various events including dances, wedding receptions, all-day bridal showers, christenings, and other cultural events.

The film seeks to foster a greater appreciation for the musical culture that was created mostly by second-generation Polish-American musicians who came of age during the Great Depression. It reveals how they were influenced by jazz, swing, big band,

Latin, and popular music styles while they simultaneously upheld the traditions and values instilled in them by their parents.

Laurie A. Gomulka Palazzolo (M.A., Wayne State University) wrote, directed and produced the film. Her associate in the production of the film is Susan F. Tyska (M.A., University of Michigan), who has an interest in family history and genealogy. More than 1,700 vintage photos were captured in the film, along with vintage rolling footage, vintage audio from early television, and interviews with distinguished scholars and prominent musicians from the era depicted. The two-hour version of the film will be for sale before and after the event in DVD and videotape formats for \$20 (cash or check only, no credit card sales).

For more information, call (248) 477-8518, or e-mail [lauriepallazolo@hotmail.com](mailto:lauriepallazolo@hotmail.com). The Village Theater can be reached at (734) 394-5300.

## Day of prayer

Residents in Canton will be participating in the annual Meet at City Hall to pray from 12:20 to 12:40 p.m., May 3 as part of National Day of Prayer. Organizers say they will be praying for a moral rebirth.

of America. All are welcome to meet at the war memorial directly behind the Canton Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

For more information, call (734) 981-3442.

## Chamber luncheon

The Canton Chamber of Commerce will host its May networking luncheon on May 2 at 11:30 a.m. at Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton. The cost for lunch is \$20 and includes a full buffet lunch, beverages and dessert. This luncheon is open to the public.

The luncheon will feature guest speaker Michael Jefferys, founder of the YES! Network. Since 1988, he has been the guest speaker for more than 1,000 companies and his speaking style is consistently described as energetic, funny, thought-provoking and content-filled.

May's luncheon is being sponsored by Wayne County Community College District. Seating is limited and reservations are needed. To make your reservation, contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040. Deadline for reservations is Friday, April 27.

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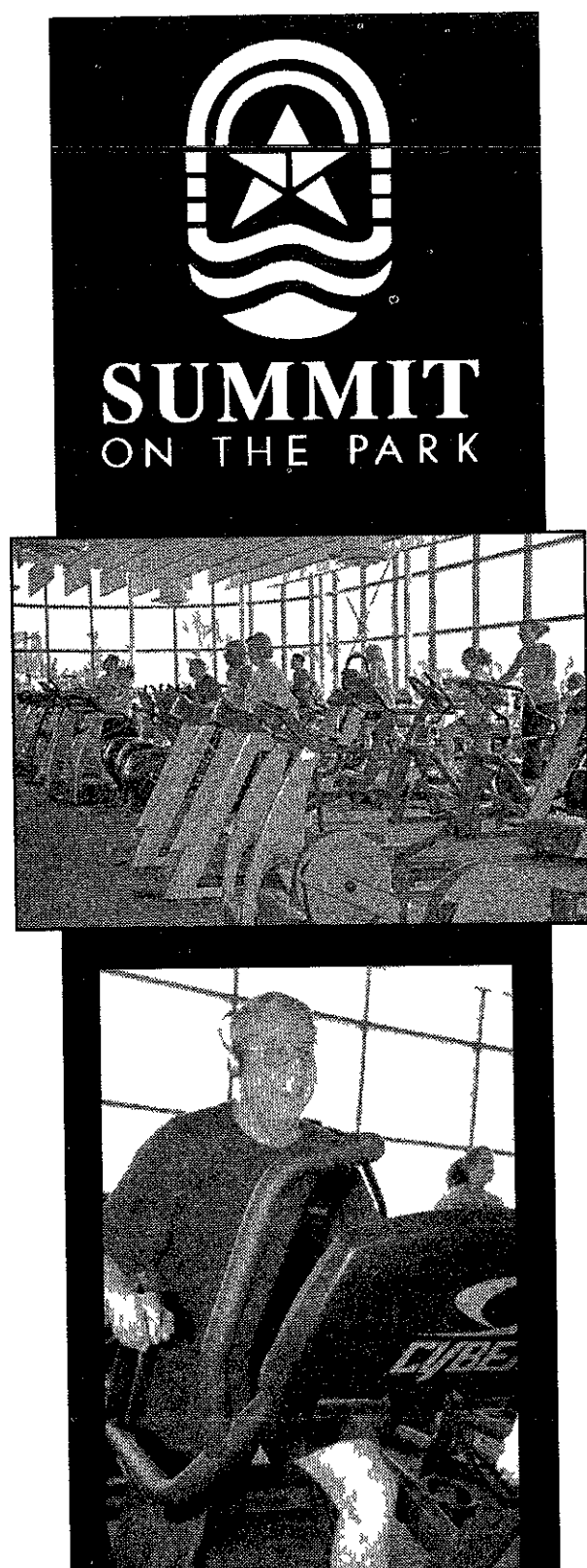
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a judicial office during the period of his service and for one year thereafter."

"My (judgeship) start date will be Monday, May 14," Slavens said. "I'll probably attend the May (school board) session and then step down."

Slavens said despite rumors he received the political appointment because he ran and lost as a Democrat in local state House and Senate races, he never was given an indication of the appointment until a telephone call Friday afternoon from Granholm.

"Nobody has ever promised me this judgeship, this has nothing to do with being a good soldier," Slavens said. "I didn't run to please the party. I ran because I felt I would be the best person to represent the people in the 20th House District and the 7th Senate District."

"I knew there was a possibility (of the appointment) (but) if I had any inkling this was going to happen I wouldn't have run for the school board," he added. "I wouldn't have put my family and myself, and the time and money

it took, to run for the board."

Slavens said he applied with more than 100 other candidates for the judgeship, and was later interviewed by about 30 attorneys from the Michigan Bar Association, as were several dozen other candidates. The first he heard of the appointment was from Granholm about 4:30 p.m. Friday.

"My secretary buzzed me and said, 'It's Jennifer Granholm on the line,'" Slavens recalled. "I thought it was one of my friends calling me as a prank. Luckily, I didn't say anything I shouldn't have."

Slavens said after Granholm asked him if he would continue to be involved in community activities, be proactive in court programs and be on time to work, she officially offered Slavens the judgeship.

"I certainly would like to accept that, your Honor," Slavens replied to Granholm. "I was very excited, very pleased."

Not unlike many other jobs, Slavens will undergo orientation and training before making his own rulings.

"Mark will be trained and spend a couple of weeks observing other judges before he takes the bench," said Mary Beth Kelly, chief judge of Wayne County Circuit Court. He will also

attend judge's school, which is formal training by the Michigan Judicial Institute.

Kelly said Slavens will most likely preside in the domestic relations or juvenile section of the Circuit Court Family Division.

Slavens said he believes his 27 years as an attorney and his eight years on the Plymouth-Canton school board were factors that helped him get the circuit court position.

"I think I have a good reputation in the legal community," Slavens said. "I also think it's important to the governor you be committed to serving the community."

Slavens will be trading his legal practice — plus the school board position, which paid \$30 per meeting (which he donated back to the district) — for a judicial position that pays \$139,600.

"I can't think of anybody who could be more deserving," said Judy Mardigan, who has served with Slavens for eight of her nine years on the board. "His number one legacy will be his insistence the district focus on academic achievement."

"Mark has been a trusted colleague and a good friend," she added.

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## Candidates react to Slavens appointment

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Reaction by five Plymouth-Canton school board candidates on the announcement by board vice president Mark Slavens he will be leaving the Board of Education May 8 as a result of his being appointed to the 3rd Circuit Court bench is mostly critical.

During the board's regular meeting Tuesday, Slavens made no mention of his judicial appointment and his plans to resign from the board next month, on the same day of the school board election, of which his name is on the ballot.

Judge-designate Slavens cannot sit in silence for the next two weeks while Plymouth-Canton residents cast votes for a candidate who has no intention of serving his term, said candidate Kurt Heise. "Mr Slavens has an ethical and moral duty to publicly inform the voters he is no longer a candidate for school board, he must take

his lawn signs down, and he must urge voters to consider the other five school board candidates."

Larry Martin said the announcement may be a little too late to help the other candidates, including himself.

"A lot of people I know have already voted absentee," Martin said. "It's a lot of circumstance, but it seems the process (for judge) has been going on for some time. If he'd been through all the interviews then I think it should have been disclosed."

Trustee Richard Ham-Kucharski, who is seeking re-election, said Slavens should have mentioned his intentions at the board meeting.

"Unfortunately, with absentee ballots already out there, some people have already burned their votes," said Ham-Kucharski. "It's a total misrepresentation to the public that he still has his signs out, and hasn't stated that he has an appointment and that he's

stepping down before we finish the budget or get to a superintendent search, all the things he's talked about."

Bruce Koldys added much of the same sentiment.

"This could potentially distort the voting process if Mr Slavens is re-elected and the Board is required to appoint a replacement," Koldys said. "We would much rather have board members that are voted into office, not appointed, and we would rather have board members that have the district they wish to serve as their sole political focus."

Nancy Eggenberger refused to get into the fray. "I have no idea how this will affect the vote," Eggenberger said. "Congratulations to Mark. It's a pretty exciting appointment to get, I'm sure he'll do a great job."

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## IMPROV

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Webisodes that will comprise the first and second seasons. Each show, which is filmed nonstop, is 27 minutes and is divided into two parts.

Titus, an Eastern Michigan University graduate, jokingly describes his character as "a skunky man trapped inside of a fat body."

"He thinks he's God's gift to women but he's really God's gift to Manwich," he chuckled.

Other characters include a self-absorbed male model, a compulsive shopper and a conspiracy theorist. Royal Oak resident Sarah Nickel plays "Meredith," who has controversial views of the elderly and African Americans.

"I was telling my grandmother all about it, but then I realized some of the stuff I was saying, so I told her the show

had been canceled," Nickel joked.

The cast and crew are using MySpace, mass e-mails, YouTube and word of mouth to promote the show. A clip of the show on comedian Will Ferrell's Web site, www.funnyordie.com, received more than 14,000 hits.

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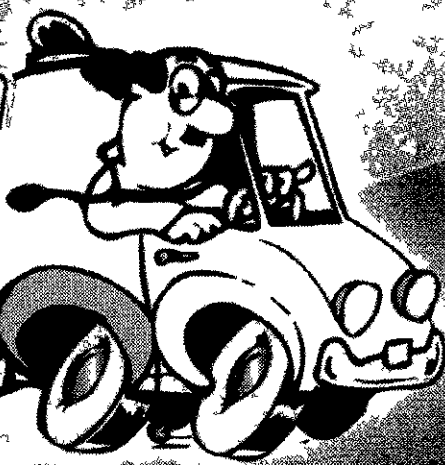
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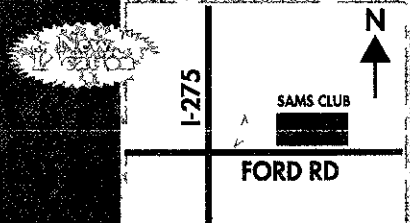


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# After life threatened by tumor, man tells story on new Web site

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
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Before doctors found a golf ball-sized tumor near his brain in 2004, Scott Ryan's worst medical experience was a broken finger.



Ryan

Ryan, 31. I was healthy. I had never been in the hospital overnight. Ryan of Canton was eventually told of the expanding benign tumor. Doctors discovered it after he went to an emergency room to treat a cut on his head. 'The first thing I did was get online,' said Ryan, who is an advertising manager for an apartment management company. I found a lot of medical jargon but I wanted to talk to someone that had been through this. I wanted someone to relate to.

Ryan said his wife of one year, Sara, and his parents supported him as best they could but couldn't put themselves in his shoes.

They were great but they had never had their heads cut open, he said. "When you think about it it's really scary. Ryan, who went on to have two surgeries to remove the tumor, launched a support Web site, [www.patient-network.com](http://www.patient-network.com), in August 2006.

The site has nearly 200 members and is designed to be a place for those affected by illnesses to share their personal stories and photos, vent and interact. Since creating the site, Ryan said six people have become members that were in the same situation as him.

It's nice to know that you're not alone, he said. Sharing my experience has been therapeutic. Just being able to tell my story has been good.

The Web site is available to survivors, their families, charities and medical professionals. Registration is free and members can create blogs, groups and chat with other members.

Our members get support right off the bat, he said. Ryan had his first surgery in October 2004 and his second in February 2006. He timed the second surgery because he wanted to be active in the

delivery of his 1-year-old daughter Addison.

Since undergoing the procedure, Ryan has lost all feeling in the left side of his face and can no longer hear with his left ear.

Patient Network is garnering people from all walks of life, including two children that logged on after their mother died of breast cancer,

Ryan said.

Sometimes people just want to ask someone else about how they got through the day, he said. A lot of the chatter isn't health related because when you know someone knows what you're going through, there's a connection right away.

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## WWW.PATIENT-NETWORK.COM

Creator: Scott Ryan

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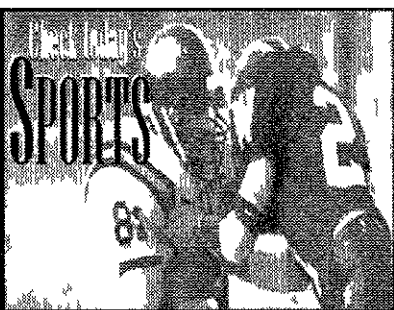
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where she and other family members will be waiting with open arms. And she can't wait.

Now that he's home, I'm ecstatic. It's been a long time I finally see the light at the end of the tunnel, Kay Caccamo said.

The Canton Township trustee threw caution to the wind about two years ago and rejoined the Marines to help in America's fight against terrorism. He took leave from the Board of Trustees and left for Iraq in September.

The thing Caccamo is most looking forward to is meeting his new son, Carter, who was born on Feb. 21.

That is definitely at the top

of the list. Everyone that has seen him says he looks just like me. I've seen pictures, but it's not the same. I can't wait to hold him and get to know him," said Caccamo by phone on Tuesday.

Kay admitted that the last eight months has been a difficult period for her, especially around the time the baby was born. Although she did have some communication with him, sometimes it wouldn't be for two or three weeks, and she would start thinking the worst.

"When he left, I just didn't know what to expect," she said. "It didn't hit me until I was in labor and I thought, 'I'm alone. At the same time, I was so proud of him.'"

Caccamo said the war wasn't exactly what he thought when he left eight months ago. He said Iraq is a confusing place

Oftentimes he wasn't even sure who the enemy was, or who it was the Americans were actually trying to protect.

"It was definitely an experience," said Caccamo, who is a corporal.

"Everyone asks me if it was worth it. My answer changes every five minutes. I will say this, we are fighting an enemy that is very, very evil."

Caccamo will be on active duty until June 1. He said after that point, he will resume his place on the Board of Trustees.

Caccamo's family and friends will be hosting a coming home party for him from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., May 9 at Bailey's Pub N' Grille, which is located at 1777 N. Canton Center Road in Canton. For more information, contact Kay Caccamo by e-mail at kay827@yahoo.com or by phone at (734) 981-6303.

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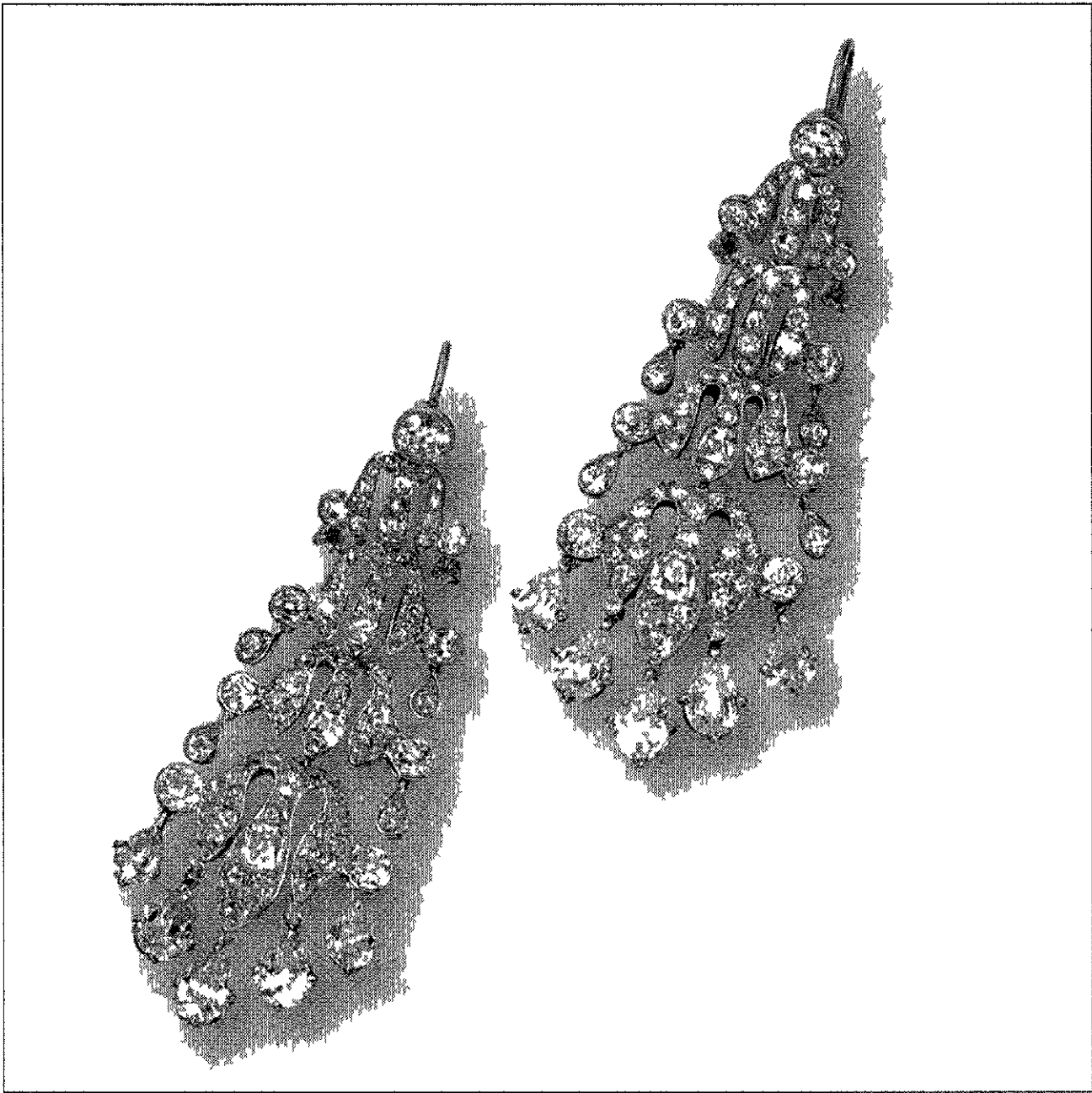
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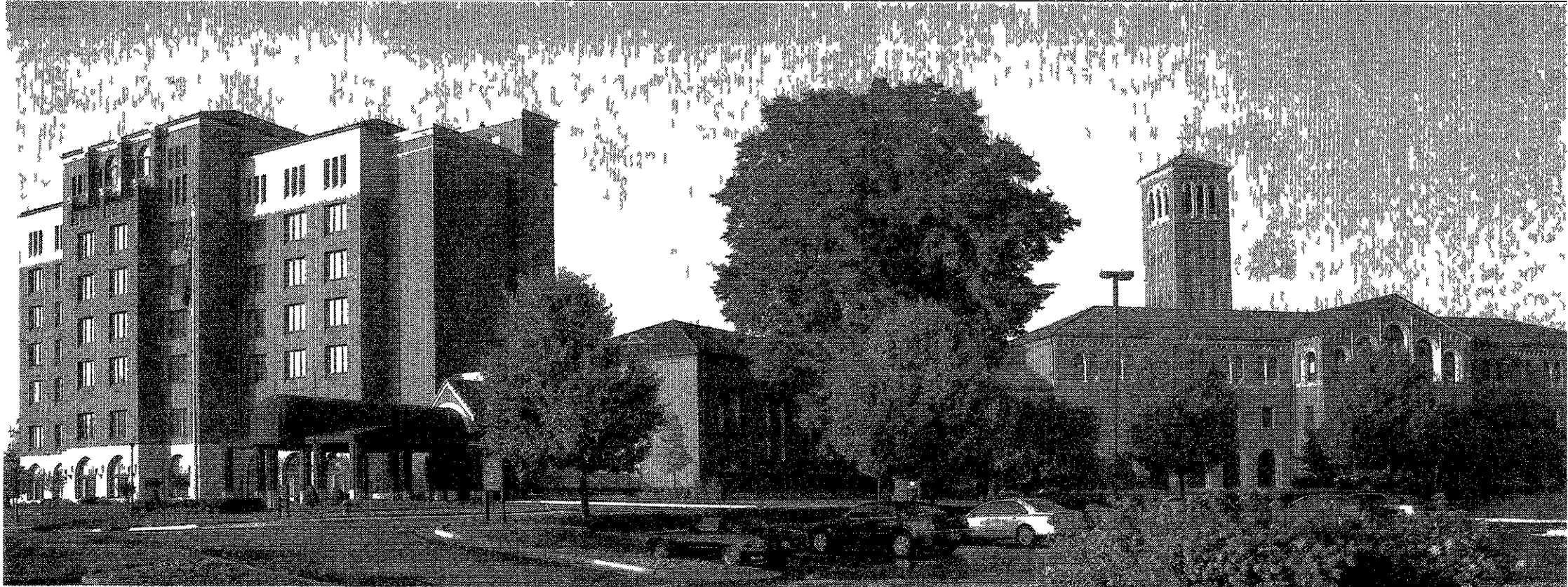
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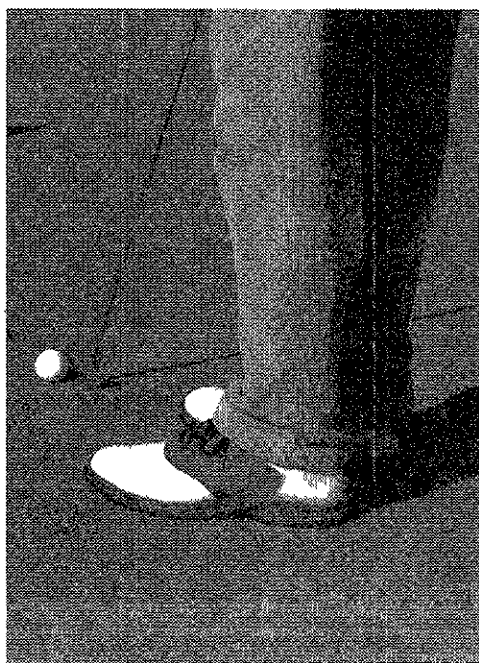
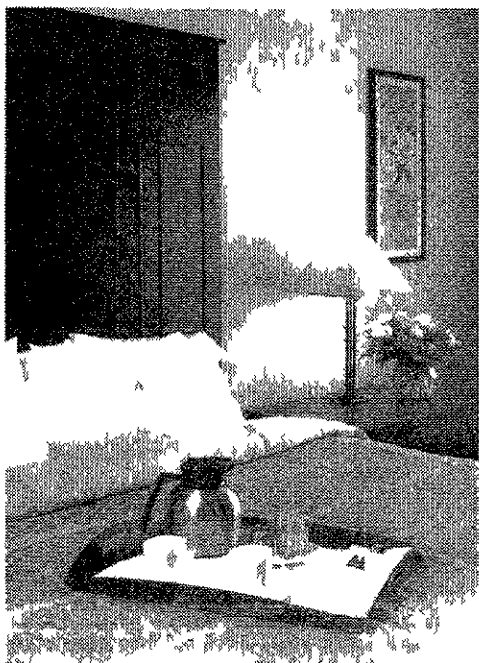
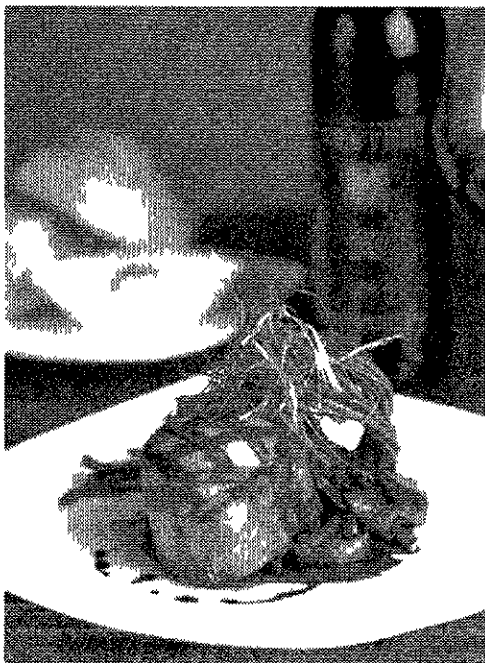
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# When planning for retirement, consider your individual needs

I recently gave a talk at the Home & Garden Show in Novi and was approached by a woman who was getting ready to retire and was concerned that she did not have enough assets. She was concerned because she did not have a million dollars and she was told that's what she needed to retire.

I asked her who told her she needed a million dollars and she said that's what she has heard. I have heard people say many times they need a million dollars to retire, however, I can never track down the source. I prefer to focus on whether you can afford to retire. As far as I am concerned, everyone needs to look at their situation individually so they can make an informed decision whether they can afford to retire and whether they are saving enough for retirement.

I have always stressed that retirement is a new concept in the history of mankind. It is not something that past generations had to worry about. Go back a mere 100 years and life expectancy was in the mid-fifties. Today many of us are going to live more than 30 years in retirement and we will enjoy an active lifestyle.

Another change is when people first started thinking about retirement 50 to 60 years ago, it was assumed once you retire you can live on a fixed or a shrinking income. That's not the case today. In today's world to have sufficient amounts of money to retire, you must have enough to have a rising income throughout your lifetime.

How do you figure out how much you should have to retire?

You need to look at what it costs to live a month. If you've never calculated that number, now is the time to do so. Look at your take-home pay and use that as a guide. For example, if your take-home pay is \$5,000 and from that money you are only saving \$500 a month, you know that your living expenses are approximately \$4,500 a month. From that number you can make adjustments for retirement. As an example, if there is someone you are supporting (such as your children) that you will not be supporting in retirement, you can back off some of those expenses. In addition, if you no longer have a house payment, you can factor that into the equation. On the other hand, don't forget to factor in travel or other things in retirement that will increase your expenses.

Once you determine what it costs to live a month, back out what you will receive from Social Security and any pension. On a year-by-year basis on our birthdays, we receive a benefits estimate from Social Security. The number is fairly accurate.

Once you subtract out from living expenses, pension and Social Security, you are left with a monthly shortfall. To determine how much you need to cover that shortfall, multiply that number by 12 (for the yearly shortfall) and then multiply that number by 20 to 25. The number you calculate is the amount of investments that you will need to be able to retire and to have a rising income throughout your lifetime.

For example, if it costs you \$5,000 a month to live and you receive \$1,000 from Social Security and you have no pension, your shortfall is \$4,000 a



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month. That means that on a year-by-year basis you will need approximately \$48,000 from your investments to cover your living expenses. This means that you will need approximately \$960,000 to \$1,200,000 in investments to cover your short fall. This assumes that on a year-by-year basis you will pull out 4 to 5 percent of your investments to cover your living expenses. I recognize that the 4 to 5 percent is a low figure. However, it does factor into the equation that you will need a rising income throughout your lifetime.

I believe no matter where you are in your stage of life, it is important to determine if you're on the right track in saving for retirement. I recognize that if you are just starting your career, the number that you will need seems unattainable, but it is not. If you are midway or even near the end of your career, it is important to be realistic as to where you

stand.

There are many financial calculators on the Internet that you can use to help you with your calculations. Vanguard, Charles Schwab and others all have excellent Web sites to help you make the calculation. The key is to be informed as to where you stand for retirement and not be surprised down the road.

I'm frequently asked whether one should factor into the equation future inheritances. No, I believe it is dangerous to depend upon inheritances that you have not yet received. Therefore, only in unusual situations will I factor inheritances into the equation.

The bottom line is that retirement is an issue that every one of us will hopefully face in the future. The key to enjoying retirement is to think about it now and take the appropriate actions to make sure that you can enjoy as long a retirement as your health allows.

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## OUR VIEWS

# Voters should pick replacement

The selection of Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Vice President Mark Slavens as Third Circuit Court judge has thrown the May 8 school board election into a bit of a tizzy, and its going to be up to the Board of Education to sort it all out

Gov Jennifer Granholm made the appointment official Monday, tapping Slavens as the replacement for 14-year court veteran Maggie Drake, who resigned in January Hours before that, however, the political maneuvering had begun E-mails and phone calls flew in a flurry, and hushed conversations with political overtones were conducted as the jockeying began

E-mails flew into the *Observer*, questioning whether Slavens would remove himself from the election and assuring us he had no legal basis to stay in it. Barely an hour after the announcement was made, Slavens told the *Observer* he'd resign from his current post at the board's May 8 meeting

While congratulations are certainly in order for Slavens, his selection poses this problem regarding the school election Voters who cast a ballot for him (and hundreds have already come in via the absentee vote) had no idea the man for whom they were voting wasn't going to be around to serve the term

Whether you believe Slavens owed it to his supporters to alert them of the possibility he wouldn't be able to serve, that's spilled milk now The unfortunate consequence of his removal from the school board equation is the election has now been taken out of the hands of the voters (should he win)

Slavens replacement to finish out the current term, which expires in July, will be chosen by the current board. If he wins re-election, his replacement would be chosen by the new school board In either case, the replacement will have been chosen by the board, not the people

We think it only fair the board do whatever it can to give that voice back to the people The best way to accomplish that goal would be for the board to choose the third-place winner (assuming Slavens picks up one of the top two spots), whomever that candidate might be, and then allow that person to serve until the next scheduled election

The timing of Slavens' judicial appointment couldn't be worse for the school board Surely their critics will accuse board members of gamesmanship if they simply choose a replacement that fits their mold It's a political trap the board would be better off missing after two failed bond attempts in less than a year

The best way to avoid it is to do what elections are meant to do Let the people have their say

# State needs to act on renewable energy

The forces of environmentalism and economic growth always seem to be locked in mortal combat.

Business leaders complain that while they, too, want a cleaner environment and more efficient sources of energy, they could not possibly meet the standards demanded by environmental groups Environmentalists argue that they have facts and figures to show that moving away from dependence on coal and nuclear electrical generation is more cost-effective and profitable in the long run

While it's a classic confrontation, there is some evidence that there may be areas of agreement and fruitful compromise

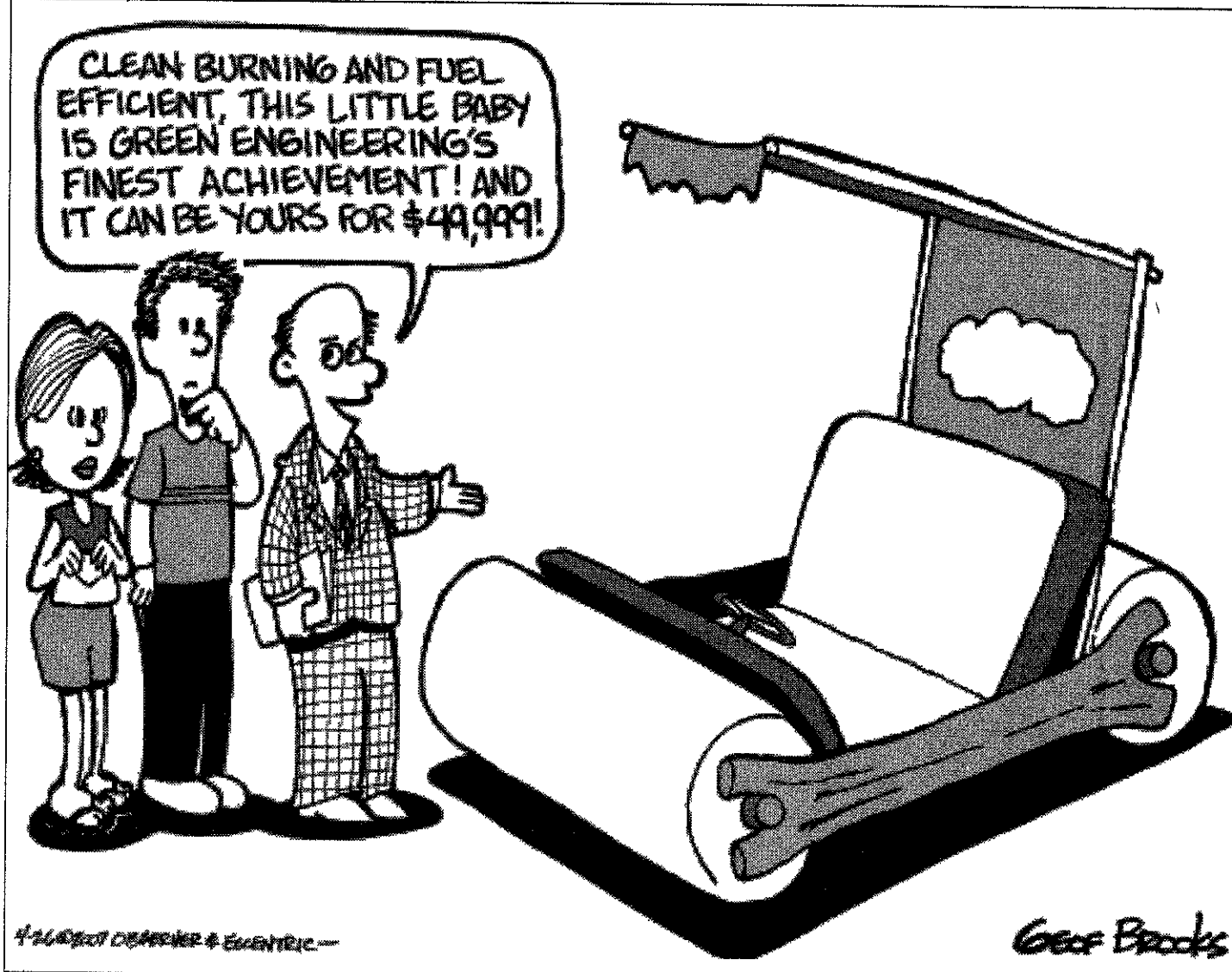
Beginning today, the Michigan Senate will hold hearings on renewable portfolio standards Sen Bruce Patterson (R-Canton) is chairman of the Energy Policy and Public Utilities Committee The committee will hear witnesses on the range of renewable energy sources (solar, wind, biomass, hydroelectric, etc.) and proposals on how much of the states energy should come from these sources

Democrats and Republicans seem to agree that renewable energy sources have promise for reducing our use of coal, which we bring in from other states and which is a prime source of air pollution

The Michigan Environmental Council, an umbrella organization for 75 state environmental advocacy groups, is supporting Senate Bill 385, a Democratic Party bill that would incrementally increase the percentage of renewable electric energy, reaching 13 percent by 2015 and 20 percent by 2020 Gov Granholm is supporting a less aggressive 21st Century Energy Plan proposed by J Peter Lark, chairman of the Public Service Commission, which would reach 20 percent renewables by 2025 Two other Senate bills, Nos 213 and 219, offer different approaches

Patterson has said he is skeptical that the state can move as aggressively as the Democratic bill proposes He raises some valid arguments concerning the potential for wind and solar power in Michigan He has also been a supporter of nuclear power as a viable option for energy in the future

But we ask the Senate panel to keep an open mind on the many proposals being offered, weigh the competing economic and environmental concerns and move toward a policy that serves the interests of all Michigan residents now and into the future



## LETTERS

### Crowd unfair to Johnson

I wanted to write a letter in support of Planning Commissioner Catherine Johnson who had the guts to do her job, vote her conscience, and was not intimidated by over 500 people who reportedly behaved badly during the meeting to change the zoning ordinance to build Oakwood hospital I am sure due to a long day and a heated subject, she was brought to tears while providing her rationale for her vote to develop a hospital that will save lives in our community, a vote that she feels is the right thing for our community All I can say is good for Catherine Planning commissioner is a difficult position where you can never make everyone happy, but I myself respect her strength to make those difficult decisions

Any change in development plans are difficult as I am sure other neighborhoods felt passionate about their developments like when a football field was built at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, or a Lowes or an IKEA store as well It seems to me that the commission possibly responded to this "high income" neighborhood differently than it may have to other residential areas where rude and forceful behavior won I believe Commissioner Johnson made an unpopular vote, but kudos to her for voting her conscience and doing what she felt to be the right thing for our community

As far as a hospital in Canton goes, it seems the older I get, the farther the hospitals in Ann Arbor seem I really hope that Oakwood can find another acceptable location in Canton and if they cannot, I hope that this decision does not come back to haunt this community when a few minutes of travel time may make the difference of life or death

Sherry Weiser  
Canton

### Plan is fair

I know these are hard economic times, and I do not want to cause anyone economic hardship Believe me, I understand I was laid off a year and a half ago just before Thanksgiving My family struggled to get through the holidays and into the new year I took several part-time jobs to make ends meet, my wife picked up a second job I understand what this economy is doing to people in our community, and that is one reason why I do not want to be forced to lay off teachers

But that is exactly what the PCEA union leadership would have this Board of Education do They would much rather finance the structural deficit on the backs of the students, parents and their own lower seniority members than take a one-time salary correction

My recommended plan of a one time 6 percent salary correction across the board would reduce our annual budget by \$5.6 million Add to this the health care savings, of \$1.7 million the FICA tax savings of \$ .70 million, and the mandatory Retirement Funding savings of \$1.45 million, and that would save the district \$9.45 million Our current projected structural deficit for next year is projected to be \$7.5 million With some additional cuts to non-instructional areas totaling about \$1.9 million, I project a total budget reduction of \$11.35 million

This would leave us with a \$3.85 million surplus Half of this should be added to the Capital Improvement Fund, which is used to fund such costs as building repairs and maintenance, bus and technology purchases and other projects to improve the safety and functionality of district properties Couple this \$1.9 million with the existing Durant funds of \$3.4 million, plus the annual amount paid toward the expiring energy note of \$ .80 million and you create a capital improvement fund of \$6.1 million by the end of next fiscal year These funds could be used toward necessary work at Central Middle School, Tanger Fields, Miller Woods, and projects at the PCEP such as new lockers, field maintenance, improvements to our Career and Tech Education Programs and more

Additionally, making this financial move will eliminate such projected cuts as field trips, laying off 25 teachers or more, increasing class sizes, laying off paraprofessionals who support literacy programs, laying off technology personnel, increasing "Pay-To-Participate" fees to students as well

This is not about what is best for the Board of Education or what is best for the teachers, this is about what is best for our students My plan is best for the students

These are my views, and in no way represent the opinions of the PCEA school district or the Board of Education

Rich Ham-Kucharski  
Canton

### Keep Canton clean

On a recent walk to pick up my vehicle from the service shop, I had the opportunity to see all kinds of litter, up close, along some of our roads Needless to say, I was quite disgusted during my walk It has always bothered me when I would return to Canton traveling north on I-275, and see all of the litter at the Ford Road exit What kind of message does this send to people traveling through? Or, even to our children as we enter Canton to head home?

As you drive along the roads of Canton, start paying attention to the trash problem As you head down Sheldon between Ford and Warren, notice all of the trash in the creek (on both sides) as you pass over Or, as you drive behind the Texas Corral and Fifth Third Bank Or, down Joy along the outside of Plymouth Christian Academy Or the little cut through from the Super Bowl to Canton Center Road

But, instead of just getting mad, I've really thought about what we can do as a community to make our Canton litter-free If everybody pitched in to help clean up their yard, business or school property all the way to the road on which it is located on, we would have a much cleaner community We are blessed to live in Canton, let's start taking pride in

it Last Sunday was Earth Day Do your part today and everyday to make our community even better

P.S. As I came up with this idea, driving home with my newly repaired van, I saw a woman throw trash from her SUV onto Joy Road That "incident" is what motivated me to write this letter For those interested in reporting litterbugs (even something as small as a cigarette butt), you can call "Litterbugs" at (800) 448-7274 Please have ready the city and county where the incident took place, the license plate number, make and model of vehicle, and the location of the incident This service will then send the information to the local police station and the police station will send a warning letter to the perpetrator

Kimberlee Enright  
Canton

### Concerned about AD

I am very concerned about the consequences of losing an athletic director in our school district We continue to cut year after year in athletics, and the parents pay more year after year to support them Given all this support, I cannot understand this decision

Dr. Ryan has done an outstanding job in the fact that we have facilities that are being used by multiple schools, since they are in fact on the same campus This includes football and swimming, to name a couple However, this puts an additional strain on each athletic department to schedule these facilities so there is no overlap

The athletic director position is a key position at each school Given the hours these folks keep, and the positive influence they have on our young adults, this decision needs to be re-thought

I also, am planning to send a letter to my senator and representative, asking for support in this matter I think we need to rid our government of waste, instead of putting our young adults' future at risk I ask that anyone reading this letter to do the same

Jim McManus  
Canton

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## QUOTABLE

"My understanding of the state Constitution is that I can't hold both positions."

— Plymouth-Canton school board member Mark Slavens, who said he will step down from the board on May 8 after learning Monday that Gov. Jennifer Granholm had appointed him to serve as judge in Wayne County's Third Circuit Court

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Make cheerleading competitive

Currently the Plymouth Wildcat Cheerleaders are in a fight with the Plymouth-Canton school district to have the option of competitive cheer. The sport of competitive cheer would allow the cheer leaders at all three high schools to represent their sport of cheerleading at a state level. Currently the park does not let girls cheerleading compete. With more than 60 girls in the program at Plymouth, the cheerleaders have petitioned their classmates in the school as well as the general public and have collected over 2,000 signatures of teachers, other students and the general public that support giving these kids the right to compete.

This problem never would have arisen had the discussion of cutting out the Plymouth High athletic director. Currently the Plymouth athletic director is facing part of the dreaded budget cut. With him being the No. 1 man on our side and in complete support of MHSAA competitive cheer, we have the fear of losing him.

Plymouth AD Terry Sawchuk has a huge willingness to support, listen, and address any athletic team in the school. He does his best with scheduling, conflicts between coaches and athletes, and any other possible situation that could arise. Without him, the other two athletic directors would take precedence over Plymouth athletics. We cannot let that happen. Everything runs smoothly over at Plymouth High School. If the other two athletic directors take over our sports, we will in turn be third on the priority list. With our current athletic director, we are ALWAYS first priority as Plymouth Athletics. Our athletic director is supporting our fight with the district to obtain competitive cheer offering these girls scholarships, state recognition, state awards, and other public recognition as well as representing their school like the other 21 sports. It's about equality and our athletic director gives us just that.

Please help us in the wish to keep our athletic director. We need him. For the success of Plymouth athletics, and the cheerleaders who wish to represent their school to the fullest ability and equality of every other sport in the park.

Amber Stocks  
Canton

Two ADs can't do job

I am opposed to the removal of an athletic director at the high schools. We have three separate schools with separate athletic programs. To think the two remaining ADs could be effective in directing all three schools is ridiculous. Right now each school has individual attributes and this contributes to school pride and spirit. To take that away and put such a heavy load on the two remaining ADs will rob all three schools of their individuality in athletics. As a parent of a student athlete at Plymouth, I appreciate the fact that the AD knows many of the individual kids and is accessible to coaches, students and parents. This will not be possible with the new arrangement. We left a private school to give our son bigger opportunities in both academics and athletics. I think this will lead to chaotic athletic programs that will lack individuality and direction.

Suzanne Immerfall  
Canton

PCEP model flawed

I am the parent of one current and one former Plymouth High School student. I also have an older child who graduated from a Michigan high school on the west side of the state. As such, I have the perspective of a parent who has seen a one high school model of education in addition to our three high school park model. I have a large and growing concern with the current state of our three high school park model.

When my family moved into this area five years ago, we had the choice of buying a home in any one of a number of different school districts. We met with representative of the Plymouth-Canton Education Park and were presented with a high school concept in which having three schools in the same park would provide opportunities and synergies in curriculum, facilities, extracurricular activities, and athletics that were not available to a one high school system. We were sold on the promise that our children would be the beneficiaries of this system. We have been extremely disappointed as we have seen few advantages and many disadvantages.

I would like to emphasize that my issues are not with any single school as I believe all three schools are staffed with equally qualified teachers, administrators, staffs, coaches, and students. My issues are with the PCEP model.

From a curriculum standpoint, the park does not offer any larger of a curriculum than my oldest sons high school, or that of most division one high schools in our state. And, if it's not enough that our class offerings are average, we ask our students to travel between school through the elements to attend core classes that are taught at all three high schools. Our facilities are very average. We have a few pockets of excellence, but these are more than offset with an equal number of facilities that are below average.

Our park can boast of a full menu of extracurricular activities and a long list of distinctions and recognitions. But again, compare our offerings with other single high schools just within our conference and you will not see a noticeable difference.

Recently it was reported that the park will now be going from three to two athletic directors to cover the thousands of student athletes in our educational park. One of the very few opportunities that our kids have to build a loyalty and identity to their home high school is through athletics. Because most of our sports teams are separated by school, through sports our students have the opportunity to build and nurture their own culture, their own school identity. By watering down the athletic directors from three to two, we will be well on our journey to making athletics another generic park activity which in the process will further erode any attachment that our kids have to their home school. With our parks 5,800 students, we will have one AD for every 2,900 students, a ratio nearly 30 percent worse than the second worst ratio at Livonia Churchill.

David Mihelick  
Canton

Solve problems together

I just read Julie Browns column in the April 15 Observer. As a member of the Silent Generation

which is the generation between the two mentioned in your column, I think both of the generations in your column have their faults. They, as well as my generation, are made up of human beings and, therefore, have the faults of all humanity. Maybe as you suggested the Greatest Generation didn't care enough about the disadvantaged and were a little too rigid. However, the Baby Boom Generation with its tendency to "throw out the baby with the bath water" has created new problems as it attempted to correct the old ones. And I will admit that my generation, as we have watched the generations before us and after us, has been too silent. Maybe the solution is for all generations to try to work together to solve problems.

Karen Guth  
Canton

Sawchuk a class act

This letter is in response to the recent article about eliminating one of the athletic directors, specifically Terry Sawchuk, due to budget constraints.

I would like to weigh in and put my full support behind Mr. Sawchuk and ask the board to reconsider. Almost every year since Plymouth High School has been open, this issue about eliminating an athletic director, or at times all three, has come up, been discussed and then concessions have been made by all three ADs. From my and my son's personal experience with Mr. Sawchuk, I would like to emphasize the importance of having an AD in each school. The coaches he has hired at Plymouth have all shared in his vision to teach the students valuable lessons both on and off the football field, the basketball court and in the classroom. I absolutely give Mr. Sawchuk and his coaches credit for helping my son be successful not only in the classroom but in athletics.

It would be very detrimental to the future students in the Plymouth-Canton school district to not have such an influential person on their side during their high school years. Given the negative publicity coming from some high schools and the issues they have to deal with, I feel we need to speak up when we have such a class act as we do in Mr. Terry Sawchuk.

Carol Hennells  
Plymouth High School parent/alumni  
Canton

Support Fausone

I encourage your readers to join me in supporting Jim Fausone for the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees in the May 8, 2007, election. His law firm has been in Northville Township on Six Mile for 13 years now. Jim Fausone is devoted to the community and unselfishly volunteers his time for charitable endeavors. For example, because of his hard work, Jim was recognized as the 2003 Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County Volunteer of the Year. He has also worked with the Northville Community Foundation.

Jim currently serves on the Schoolcraft College Foundation Board and the Canton Public Library Board. He knows that excellent community colleges and public libraries strengthen communities.

He has been a dedicated member of the University of Michigan College of Engineering Alumni Society Board and its past chair. You can always count on Jim Fausone to get involved and make a difference. Because of his selfless service to our community, there is one clear choice for the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees - Jim Fausone.

Mark J. Abbo  
Northville Township supervisor

Keep Sawchuk

I just want to express my feelings toward the PCEP layoff of Terry Sawchuk.

Terry is why Plymouth sports are what they are today. He is all about kids and building great athletes as well as students and good citizenship.

If Plymouth loses Terry, it will be a great loss to the Plymouth athletic program. Terry's commitment to our students is unmatched in the park.

PCEP would be doing a great disservice to our students if they move forward with laying off Terry Sawchuk.

Cathy Skotzke  
Senior Class rep  
Plymouth Football Boosters

Cut should be shared

Richard Ham-Kucharski, a member of the PCCS school board, suggests that the district can balance its budget by simply cutting teacher salaries by 6 percent. He should know, however, that teacher salaries are the result of a collective bargaining agreement, and are not subject to unilateral reduction.

Setting aside that legal issue, though, I would be in favor of that idea if the sacrifice was shared equally. That is, not only the teachers would take a 6-percent cut, but the janitors, the administrators, the bus drivers, the secretaries, everybody. Also, anybody who has a child in school should donate 6 percent of their salary as well.

That would certainly solve the budget problem. (In fact, I'm certain that we could get by with only 1 percent instead of 6 percent if we included everybody with children who are students in the district.)

We could, of course, limit the sacrifice to the teachers only, but we're asking for sacrifices that will help our kids and our community. Many teachers don't live in the community and most don't have children going to school in the district, so it doesn't seem logical to ask that they alone should sacrifice their pay.

It's easy to cut the cost of anything - health care, police protection, automobiles - by mandating a cut in wages for the workers providing the service. But that also decreases the quality of the service by driving the most qualified workers elsewhere.

If we want the worst teachers in the area, let's cut their pay. But if we want to keep the best teachers here in Plymouth, Canton, we will have to look for more realistic ideas. Mr. Ham-Kucharski's idea is not only unworkable, but unfair.

George Shea  
Plymouth

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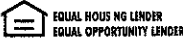
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# Stabenow will speak at Schoolcraft commencement

U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow will deliver the keynote address at Schoolcraft's 42nd commencement Saturday, May 5. The ceremony will be in Compuware Sports Arena, starting at 4 p.m.

A total of 1,456 students are eligible to receive diplomas in the ceremony, with about 425 participating. Guests must have tickets to attend the ceremony.

On Friday, May 4, 110 Police Academy, Police Reserve Officer Training and Fire Technology graduates will convene in the college's Physical Education Building for their graduation. Andrew Arena, Special Agent in Charge of the Detroit division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will speak to the graduates.

Stabenow is the first woman from the state of Michigan elected to the United States Senate. She served in the Michigan House of Representatives for 12 years, marking another milestone as the first woman to preside over the House, before she was elected to the



Stabenow

state Senate. She served in the state Senate for four years.

In Washington, Stabenow is an advocate for

Michigan, leading efforts to grant a tax cut to manufacturers who create jobs in the U.S. rather than send jobs to another country, fighting to stop Canadian trash from being brought into the state, and increasing Michigan's share of funding for roads and bridges. She is an expert on health care and prescription drugs.

A strong supporter of investing in education, Stabenow has championed the state's colleges and universities and supported job training initiatives in two-year colleges. She has been a passionate advocate for children and is an expert in family law and small business issues.

Stabenow will receive an honorary degree, as will

Laura Carter Callow, women's rights activist and an original member of the Schoolcraft Women's Advisory Committee who is still serving on the committee.

FBI Special Agent Arena has held FBI posts in Syracuse, Los Angeles, Cleveland, New York and Detroit. His work has involved investigating organized crime, violent crimes, public corruption, counterterrorism and counterintelligence.

A native of Dearborn, Arena holds a bachelor of science degree from Central Michigan University and a law degree from the University of Detroit.

Of this year's graduates, between 50 and 60 percent will transfer to a four-year university. According to Schoolcraft career counselors, the health care industry remains a hot job field with computer software engineering projected to be one of the fastest growing occupations through 2014.

## Detroit NAACP, Ford offer Career Day

Ford Motor Co. and Detroit Branch NAACP host the 2007 Floyd Washington Jr. Career Day and Youth Summit 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at Cobo Conference and Exhibition Center in Detroit.

This half-day event created to provide youth with an opportunity to prepare for their academic and professional futures, features workshops, essay competition winners, raffle prizes and master of ceremony/keynote, Charles Pugh and Rhonda Walker.

A key component of the event is an essay/presentation competition that awards 12 competition winners with \$20,000 in scholarships. Since 2000, \$100,000 in scholarships have been awarded to the

winners of the competition who show exemplary writing and presentation skills as well as original thought on the topics provided. The deadline to submit essays has passed.

Rhonda Walker, Local 4 News anchor and founder of the Rhonda Walker Foundation, serves as keynote speaker and Charles Pugh, FOX 2 reporter and anchorman serves as master of ceremonies for this year's summit which is targeted towards individuals ages 15 to 25. Features of the summit include a wide array of exhibitors including those from colleges and universities, and a series of workshops in the areas of entrepreneurship, money matters and professional presentations.

"This is Ford Motor Company's seventh year of partnership with the Detroit Branch NAACP for the Career Day and Youth Summit," said Pamela Alexander, director of Community Development and Business Operations, Ford Motor Co. Fund and Community Services, the philanthropic arm of Ford Motor Co. "This event continues to attract a large number of students, parents and teachers, and clearly supports Ford's commitment to assist youth in preparing for their future."

Parents and youth organization leaders are welcome to attend with students. For more information, call (313) 203-7038 or visit [www.fordnaacpcareerday.com](http://www.fordnaacpcareerday.com).

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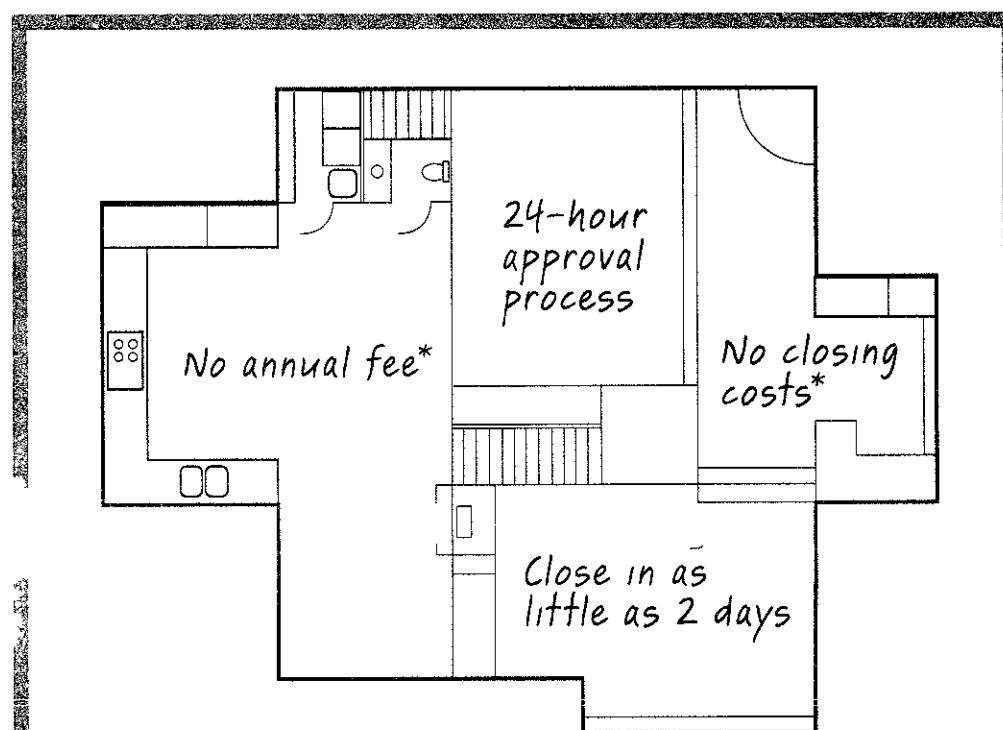


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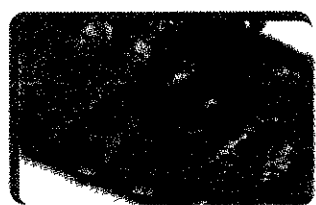
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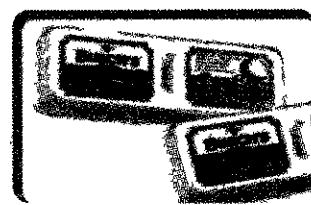
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## APRIL

### Jazz evening

Musician Darron McKinney performs Christian and contemporary jazz 7-9 p.m. Thursday April 26 in the Activity Center at St. Aidan Parish 17500 Farmington Livonia Tickets \$5 at door (ID's checked) In addition to the

concert there will be refreshments including wine, beer, soft drinks and hors d'oeuvres. The dance floor will be open. For details call (734) 425-5950.

### Religious leaders breakfast

The Freedom Institute for Economics, Social Justice and Political Empowerment is pleased to announce Dr. Martin Luther King's Executive Staffer and civil rights activist Rev. C.T. Vivian as keynote speaker for 2007 Religious Leaders Breakfast 8:15 a.m. Thursday April 26 at Cobo Center during Freedom Weekend. Vivian, along with local panelists discuss The Political Influence of the Church.

Tickets available online at www.free-domweekend.info at the registration desk at Cobo Center or at the Freedom Institute office by calling (313) 533-3035.

### Rummage sale

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday April 27 and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday April 28 (bag sale at 12:30 p.m. Saturday) at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church on Hubbard road between Five Mile and Six Mile (first traffic light west of Merriman) Livonia. For more information call (734) 421-8451.

### Rummage sale

9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday April 27 and 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday April 28 in the fellowship hall at Holy Trinity

Lutheran Church 39020 Five Mile between Newburgh and Haggerty Livonia. There will be a \$2 bag sale on Saturday. Call (734) 464-0211.

### Rummage and bake sale

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday April 27 and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday April 28 (\$5 bag sale) at Antioch Lutheran Church 33360 W. 13 Mile and Farmington Road Farmington Hills. Donations still needed and may be dropped off at the church back door and take elevator to basement 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Thursday April 26. For information call (248) 626-7906.

### Benefit concert

Vocalist Mark Tisdell and pianist Phyllis Bengary perform 8 p.m. Friday April 27 at St. Andrew Catholic Church 1400 Inglewood Rochester. The cost is a free will donation. The annual benefit concert raises funds for Angels Place, a nonprofit providing residential and community-based services for adults and children with developmental disabilities in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. Special guest is Barbara Oga, a flutist and instructor at Oakland University. For more information call Barbara Urbel at (248) 350-2203 or send e-mail to burbiel@angelsplace.com.

### Rummage sale

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday April 28 at First United Methodist Church 6448 Merriman Garden City. There will also be a bake sale by the church's youth group.

### Mom to mom sale

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday April 28 at Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh roads Livonia.

### Rummage Sale

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday April 28 at Redford Aldersgate Church 10000 Beech Daly Road Redford (between Plymouth and West Chicago).

### Blood drive

The Red Cross will hold a blood drive 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday April 29 in the Parish Hall at St. Edith Catholic Church 15089 Newburgh Livonia. Walk-ins welcome. For information call (734) 464-1222 ext. 309.

### Crop Walk

CROP stands for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty. For this walk, the walkers get sponsors to donate money to the charity. The money goes to feed and help the poor. Help the needy by walking. Be a walker in or donate to the CROP walk 1:30 p.m. Sunday April 29 at Aldersgate Methodist Church Beech Daly and Orangelawn Redford. Call Russell Maciag at (313) 283-1374 for further information or forms.

### Livonia youth choir concert

3 p.m. Sunday April 29 at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church 14175 Farmington north of 196 Livonia. No charge but a freewill offering will be taken. Call (734) 522-6830.

### Mercyaires concert

Mercyaires, a Mercy High School student choir, gives a concert 3 p.m. Sunday April 29 at Mt. Hope Congregational Church 30330 Schoolcraft Livonia. Songs are designed to entertain people of all ages. Tickets \$7 adults \$5 youth/students.

### Teen choir concert

Intermission Teen Choir (grades 7-12) perform their spring musical. Where Jesus Is 6:30 p.m. Sunday April 29 at Memorial Church of Christ 35475 Five Mile Livonia. Victory Voices Choir (grades 4-6) presents the musical Simon Says 6:30 p.m. Sunday May 6 at the church. The Bell Choir will be having a Spring Ring from 5:30-6 p.m. that day in the sanctuary. For more information call (734) 464-6722.

### Rummage sale

Volunteers and baked goods needed for Rummage Sale Saturday Sunday May 5-6 in the school gym at Our Lady of Loretto Catholic Church on the northeast corner of Six Mile and Beech Daly. Drop-offs Monday through Friday at the Gym 3-7 p.m. Monday Friday April 30 to May 4. Sale is 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday May 5 and 9 a.m. to noon on Sunday May 6. Sunday is our \$3 brown bag sale. Jewelry, bake goods and large items are NOT included in this sale. Please call the Rectory at (313) 534-9000 if you can help us out.

### Hidden Secrets film

Debuts 7 p.m. Monday April 30, a new feature length movie that explores just how explosive it can be when your past becomes your present. Livonia 2019500 Haggerty Livonia and Commerce Township Stadium 143033 Springvale Drive. Walked Lake. Tickets now available at www.FathomEvents.com or at present ing theater box offices for \$9. For a complete list of theaters visit the Web site.

### Youth wanted

Twins and teens age 12 and up are invited to join in various youth activities held at Riverside Park Church of God 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth) Livonia. Come to one of our regular classes on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Once a month our youth have an outing/activity geared specifically to their needs. For details call (734) 464-0990.

### A healthy you

Join with others as we discover ways to keep our minds and bodies healthy

through a four week class that is open to the public and free of charge at Riverside Park Church of God 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth) Livonia. This is an accountability program that will teach us about our bodies, eating habits and proper exercise. Day and night classes available. To register call (734) 464-0990.

## UPCOMING

### Teen dating film

A video dealing with the subject of teen dating violence will be shown 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday May 1 at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour 29425 Annapolis Road Westland. The video is titled It Could Happen To You Into the Light: Combating Teen Dating Violence. Refreshments will be served. For more information call (734) 728-3440.

### Rummage sale

Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh roads Livonia will be holding a Rummage Sale fund raiser. Pre-sale is 5-8 p.m. Thursday May 3 (admission \$2 per adult). Big Sale takes place 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday May 4 and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday May 5. Admission free. Saturday everything is half price.

### Chef appearance

Catholic Parishes Federal Credit Union sponsors a cooking demonstration at the International Women's Show in Novi by award-winning local chef Tom Mackinnon from Five Restaurant, restaurant located at The Inn at St. John's. Mackinnon's cooking demonstration titled Dressing up your Dining Experience takes place at the International Women's Show 1:30 p.m. Thursday May 3. For more information call (734) 432-0212 or visit www.catholicparishesfcu.org.

### Grief counseling

Antiochian Orthodox Basilica of St. Mary is sponsoring an eight-week grief counseling workshop. From Grief to New Hope beginning 7-8:45 p.m. Thursday May 3 in the St. Mary Activity Center (lower level of the church building) 18200 Merriman between Six Mile and Seven Mile Livonia. No charge and open to the community. It will be presented by Cathy Clough, director of New Hope Center for Grief Support. Each session will begin with a talk about one aspect of grief followed by small group participation led by trained facilitators. Each person will be placed in a group with others who have had similar losses. To register call Jim King, the Director of Youth and Outreach Ministry at (734) 422-0010.

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### Rummage sale

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday May 5 in the gym at St. Valentine's School in Redford. Bag Sale starts at 1 p.m. Saturday. Drop-off for sale is 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday May 4. For more information call (313) 533-7149.

### Concert of prayer

The Senior Choir of St. Michael Lutheran Church, Canton, presents Somebody's Praying Me Through by Gary Rhodes and Karla Worley 5:30 p.m. Saturday May 5 and at 8 a.m. 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday May 6 in the church sanctuary (7000 N. Sheldon) to commemorate the National Day of Prayer. The musical celebrates what God is doing through the prayers of his people. If your life has been changed through prayer or if you know someone that prayer has touched, you're invited to join in this musical celebration. For information call (734) 459-3333. All are welcome.

### Bridal fashion show

And luncheon 12:30 p.m. Saturday May 5 at Meadowbrook Congregational Church 21355 Meadowbrook Road north of Eight Mile west of I-275 Novi. For information call (248) 348-7757.

### Worship dancers

The Earth to Eternity Ensemble, a group of worship dancers, will be featured at the 10 a.m. service of the Anglican Church of Livonia Sunday May 6. The church meets weekly at the Livonia YMCA 14255 Stark. If you have never witnessed worship that combines dance with praise music, you are in for a special treat when the troupe, choreographed by Christina Eby, performs its unique art form during the service. For more information call (248) 442-0422.

### Concert

Fort Street Chorale & Chamber Orchestra perform Bach's B minor Mass 3 p.m. Sunday May 6 at his toric Fort Street Presbyterian Church 631 W. Fort at Third Detroit. Tickets \$15. Group rates and patron seating available. Free secure parking. Call (313) 961-4533 or visit www.fortstreet.org.

### Prayer breakfast

Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast 7:15-9 a.m. Thursday May 10 at St.

Mary's Cultural Center 18100 Merriman between Six Mile and Seven Mile Livonia. Guest speaker is Paul Maier, professor of ancient history at Western Michigan University. Tickets \$15. \$10 students and available by calling Sally Butler at (248) 476-9427 or visit

www.livoniprayerbreakfast.org by Friday April 27. Tables of 10 available.

### Mother and daughter dinner

4-6 p.m. Saturday May 12. Riverside Park Church of God sponsors a banquet for moms and their daughters. Cost is \$10 per adult, \$5 per child ages 5-12, age 4 and under free. This cost includes a full dinner, dessert and a free gift. Please register by May 9 at (734) 464-0990. The church is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road) in Livonia.

### Real estate seminar

1-4 p.m. Saturday May 12 at Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail Livonia. No charge. This seminar covers buying and selling a home, attaining a residential mortgage and refinancing, appraisals, homeowners insurance for primary residence, investment, vacation and vacant homes, remodeling, new construction and home inspections. All presenters are members of Newburg United Methodist Church or friends of the church. For more information call (734) 422-0149 or send e-mail to rodney@newburgumc.org.

### J.O.Y. meeting

The J.O.Y. Builders (Just Older Youth, ages 50 plus) meet 11:30 a.m. the third Thursday of the month for lunch, fellowship and fun at Riverside Park Church of God 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All are welcome to join us. There is no charge, although we ask that you bring a luncheon dish to share.

Anyone age 55 plus is welcome to the luncheon. This is a time of fellowship with Christian brothers and sisters in a safe and fun environment. After lunch, feel free to stay around and play some good old-fashioned games.

### Rummage sale

Sellers wanted for rummage sale to be held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 2 from when Riverside Park Church of God is promoting an outdoor mini flea market (weather permitting) to the public. Spots are available to rent at only \$20 each. 8 tables are an additional \$5. You must register by May 30. For more information call (734) 464-0990. The church is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road) Livonia.

One man's junk is another man's treasure, as the old saying goes. Find out for yourself on June 2.

### Father and Son Dinner

4-6 p.m. June 16. Riverside Park Church of God sponsors a banquet for dads and their sons. Cost is \$10 per adult, \$5 per child ages 5-12, age 4 and under free. Cost includes a full dinner, dessert and a free gift. Please register by June 13 at (734) 464-0990. The church is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road) Livonia.

### Uplifting church services

Want a unique church experience? Join us Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. for a service that will lift your entire family but be prepared for what will happen after just one service. Can't wait for Sunday? Come to our open discussion 7 p.m. Wednesdays as we examine the Word of God. Classes available for all ages. Child to adult. Riverside Park Church of God is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road) Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990.

## ONGOING

### Preschool registration

Ward Preschool now enrolling children for the 2007-2008 school year. Morning and afternoon sessions available for ages 3, 4 and 5 by Dec 1. Preschool is at 40000 Six Mile west of Haggerty Northville. Schedule and tuition information can be viewed at www.wardchurch.org. For information call (248) 374-5911 or send e-mail to carol.nowacki@wardchurch.org.

### Church members wanted

The solid Reformed Protestant doctrine and the Authorized (King James) Version of the Bible may finally come together in a new church in your area. If you're interested in this type of preaching and teaching, write to Reformation Revival P.O. Box 6156 Plymouth MI 48170 0156 or send e-mail to www.psalml2verse6@yahoo.com for more information.

### Depression recovery

Trapped by depression? Depression Recovery Program began 7 p.m. Tuesday March 20 at Cherry Hill Church 33144 Cherry Hill Road Garden City. You can be happy again! Call (734) 673-5917 for more information.

### Sunday services

Dan Strengthen, who was installed March 4 as church pastor, is leading services at Living Water Church (Pentecostal Church of God) 11663 Arcola, one block west of Inkster road on Plymouth road. Sunday School is at 10 a.m., followed by worship at 11 a.m. Bible study takes place 7 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information call (734) 425-6360.

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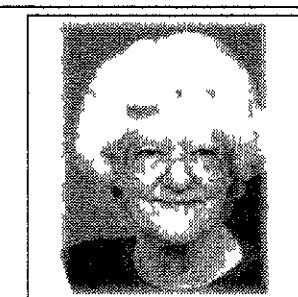
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**LILLIAN DERMOVSES-CLARKE**  
37 Year Old Mother  
Gave Her Organs so that Others Could Live.

Age 37 of Bloomfield Hills MI passed away Friday April 20th at University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor due to complications resulting from a long struggle with heart failure. Lillian was a fighter. In times of sickness, she went about life with a positive and truly heart warming optimism. She survived three major heart surgeries, several brain surgeries, and finally succumbed to a massive stroke caused by complications following three months of hospitalization. She passed the following day after donating her organs so that others could live. Lillian needed a new heart, but God took her life so that others could live. Lillian was born March 30, 1970 in Melrose MA. She was raised as an only child by her loving mother Elen Dermovses in Waterford, Michigan. She attended school in elementary school in Waterford. Lillian attended AGBU for high school in Southfield MI and graduated with honors. She took advanced courses while in high school at University of Michigan in Dearborn and got her first taste of international travel with a school trip to Armenia in 1988. Lillian went to college at The University of Michigan in Ann Arbor from 1988 through 1992. She graduated with a Bachelor's of Science in Industrial Engineering in 1992. While at Michigan, she was fortunate to establish wonderful lasting and close friendships with many people - people who would be best friends, role models, and sisters in the truest sense of the word. In 1992 at Michigan, she also met her adoring husband John Clarke. After graduating from The University of Michigan, Lillian worked for five years as an analyst at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan in Southfield MI. While at Blue Cross, Lillian obtained her Masters of Business Administration from Wayne State University. At Blue Cross, Lillian had many close friendships with many colleagues. This group of friends came of age together, were at each other's sides for marriage and together building families. The Blue Cross crew were always there for Lillian. Lillian was loved by all. She was the eternal optimist, kind, giving, warm, and open. Lillian took joy in making others happy. Lillian made friends wherever she went. Most people go through life with a small circle of close friends. If they're lucky, Lillian had many of these circles. Perhaps the truest reflection of her character throughout her childhood years, she helped her mother with her business and had many fond memories of her experiences with her mother and grandmother. Lillian was an active member of Homenetmen and attended St. Sarkis Armenian Apostolic Church in Dearborn. Lillian loved to travel and loved to participate with her close friends in the Armenian community. She traveled on several occasions with friends to Europe and the Far East. She was board member with Homenetmen and during these years following college, enjoyed a special closeness with her Armenian friends and the Armenian community. She loved to dance and loved music. Under the direction of Simon Javizian, Funeral Home, her body will lie in State on Thursday April 26 from 4pm to 9pm in St. Sarkis Armenian Church 19300 Ford Road Dearborn with Dan Gark Prayers at 7:30pm. Funeral Friday 11:00am in the church Interment Woodlawn Cemetery Detroit. Survivors: Husband John C. Clarke, five-year-old son Antranig, Anto Clarke, Mother Elen Dermovses. Memorial tributes may be given to Hail Tahd or Homenetmen or Terchoonian Home for Orphans. Arrangements by Simon Javizian Funeral Home 248-626-7815. Internet condolences may be sent to SJavizian@msn.com.



**LOVETA L. GREENWOOD**

Age 85 of Canton, April 23, 2007. Beloved wife of the late Eugene R. Dear mother of Phyllis Rozof and Lorilyn (Michael) Coggins. Dear grandmother of Nathan (Julie) Rozof, Melissa (Ian) Boldt, Zachary Rozof, and Joshua Coggins. Dear great-grandmother to Hannah and Spencer Coggins. Loveta was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Davison #299, Flint Court #2, Order of the Amaranth, and White Shrine of Jerusalem Temple Shrine #28. Loveta retired after 35 years of service at General Motors Institute in Flint MI. Visitation Thursday 2-9 PM at Vermeulen Funeral Home 46401 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth (btwn Sheldon & Beck). In state Friday 12 Noon until service at 1 PM at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth 701 Church Street, Plymouth MI 48170. Memorial contributions to First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth or Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute. To leave a message of condolence for the family, log on to www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com.

### RICHARD T. WANTIN

Age 56, passed away April 23, 2007. He was born on September 6, 1950 to Rudolph and Carol (Osborne) Wantin. He served in the U.S. Navy during Vietnam and also in the Navy Reserves for many years. He was employed by Ford Motor Company at the Livonia Transmission Plant for over 30 years and was a member of UAW Local 182. Rick is survived by his beloved daughters Kelly (Kevin) Raymond, Tracy Wantin, two grandchildren, Alexis and Kole, his father Rudolph, his brother Roger, two sisters, Kathy, Avallone, Gail, Derman, and many nieces, nephews, and loving dear friends. Visitation Thursday 6-9 p.m. Friday 9-9 p.m. Funeral Saturday 11 a.m. with final visitation at 10:15 a.m. at Phillips Funeral Home 122 West Lake Street (Ten Mile) South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

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### DOROTHY MAY COATSWORTH STEBBINS

Age 84 died Sunday April 22, 2007 at the University of Michigan Medical Center after a short illness. She was born October 2, 1922 in Atlantic City, New Jersey, the daughter of James E. & Emma (Campbell) Coatsworth. She lived in Birmingham for 55 years before moving to Chelsea. Dorothy was a homemaker, a real estate agent, and a tax advisor for H & R Block. She was a former member of the Congregational Church of Birmingham. On September 2, 1945, she married Charles A. Stebbins, and he preceded her in death on December 15, 1982. She is survived by two daughters, Sharon Crosier of Guilford, VT, and Laurel Gordon of Ridgefield, CT, a son, Cort (Jan) Stebbins of Dexter, six grandchildren, Stephanie (Alex) Brooke, Colin, Kelley, Laina, and Parker, and a brother in law, Robert (Margaret) Stebbins. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Burial will take place at Greenwood Cemetery in Petoskey. Memorial contributions may be made to Chelsea Retirement Community, 801 W. Middle St., Chelsea, MI 48118. Arrangements by Cole Funeral Chapel, Chelsea.

### FLORENCE "JO" SALTZMAN

Beloved wife of the late Arthur W. Saltzman. Dear mother of Amie R. Saltzman, Sarah Sally (Scott) Loney, Saltzman, and the late Ray Saltzman, loving grandmother of Joshua and Joanna Loney, sister of Rita (Harry) Aid. Services were held Wednesday at the Ira Kaufman Chapel 248-569-0020. Interment at Clover Hill Park Cemetery. www.irakaufman.com.

### JANE A. HOERGER

Age 76 passed away April 22, 2007. Philips Funeral Home, South Lyon.

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CALENDAR

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Alpha sessions

Alpha is an opportunity for anyone to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed non threatening setting over 10 thought provoking weekly sessions which began 6 p.m. Thursday March 29 at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church 40000 Six Mile Northville. Includes a free dinner each week. Alpha is a low key friendly fun and pres sure free class. Free child care available during class. To register call (248) 374 5932 or send e mail to Margy Burkhardt@wardchurch.org

Worship services

Regular church services 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays with Nursery Sunday School during 9:30 a.m. service at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA) 30650 Six Mile Livonia. Call (734) 427 1414. Adult Bible Study weekly on Tuesday and Sunday at 11 a.m. Visitors welcome. Visit www.holycrosslivonia.org

Bible study

7 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month in the rectory at St. Michael the Archangel Parish 11441 Hubbard south of Plymouth Road Livonia. The current study is the Gospel of St. John. For more information call (734) 261 1455

Farmington Women Aglow

Meets from 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) on the second Monday of the month in the Visitors Center (old Spicer House) at Heritage Park on Farmington Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. For more information call Linda Boone at (248) 476 1053

Worship services

Praise and worship 10 a.m. Sunday at Westwood Community Church 6500 Wayne Road and Hunter Westland. Contemporary music and casual dress. Children church and nursery. Call (734) 254 0093. Donuts and coffee served

Kids night

Activities include games crafts mission projects and seasonal events 5:30-7 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Garden City Presbyterian Church on Middlebelt one block south of Ford Road. The program is free and open to all children kindergarten

through sixth grade. Light supper included. Call (734) 421 7620

Classes

NorthRidge Church Women's Ministry invites you to participate in a variety of exciting groups and classes that began Thursday March 8 at the church 49555 North Territorial Plymouth. Choose from a self defense class Scrap booking Mops Bible studies cooking and nutrition quilting book club and much more. Register on line at http://www.northridgechurch.com/Women/

Tiny Tots Preschool

Open registration began March 14 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 39020 Five Mile Livonia. Call (734) 464 0211

Recovery program

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville launches Celebrate Recovery a Christ centered recovery program helping men and women find freedom from their hurts habits and hang ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors) meets every Friday evening for 6 p.m. dinner (optional) 7 p.m. praise and worship 8 p.m. small group discussion 9 p.m. Solid Rock Café (optional coffee and desserts). Childcare during Celebrate Recovery is free and available by calling (248)

374 7400. For information visit www.celebratecrecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate

Bible study

The Gospels and You Bible Study began 7 p.m. Monday Feb. 5 at The Basilica of St. Mary Orthodox Church activity center on the lower level 18100 Merriman Livonia. No charge. The study focuses on applying the Gospel of St. Luke to daily life. Sessions will be led by Rev. George Shalhoub and Jim King the church's director of youth and outreach ministry. For information and to register call (734) 422 0010

Sunday service

All are welcome to attend worship service at 10 a.m. Sunday in the sanctuary at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church 27475 Five Mile one block west of Inkster Livonia. For more information call (734) 422 1470

Scripture study

Board the Starship Evangelize seek out and explore new worlds of scripture study. The Book of Numbers 10 a.m. Tuesdays through May at St. Priscilla Church 19120 Purlingbrook Livonia. For information call Mary Rice at (734) 522 1095

Worship service

All are welcome to attend 11 a.m. worship service

Sundays at Good Shepherd Reformed Church 6500 N. Wayne at Hunter Westland. Join us at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in November and December as Pastor Louise Monacelli introduces The Jesus Experience a series of videos offering insight into the people and situations God used to expand the church around the world. For more information call (734) 721 0800

Worship services

Sunday Worship services are 8 a.m. (traditional) and 10:30 a.m. (contemporary). Sunday School & Adult Bible Study at 9:15 a.m. Sunday Grace Lutheran Church 46001 Warren between Canton Center and Beck Canton. For information call (734) 637 8160

Worship service

At 10:30 a.m. Sundays at New Beginnings United Methodist Church 16175 Delaware at Puritan Redford. Congregation is hearing lessons from 1 Peter. For more information call (313) 255 6330

Adult literacy classes

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# 'Arc' author visits, tells how past racism shaped Detroit

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
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If a metropolitan town were to institute black and white drinking fountains author Kevin Boyle believes it would result in a media hailstorm denouncing racism, division and discrimination.

Yet, he says, no one bats an eye that many areas across the nation have unofficial white and black neighborhoods.

Boyle, a native Detroiter, was at Canton Public Library last week discussing his nonfiction novel, *Arc of Justice*. The book, which was chosen as the 2007 selection of the Everyone's Reading program, looks at the 1925 murder saga of Ossian Sweet.

Sweet, an African-American doctor who moved into an all-white, eastside Detroit neighborhood, was put on trial with his wife and nine others after a white man was shot and killed outside his home. The man was with a mob that had begun throwing rocks at Sweet's bungalow.

Boyle, an Ohio State University history professor, talked about that era's implications on today's largely segregated neighborhoods in Detroit and its surrounding suburbs.

As Detroit began to boom in the 1920s, people from all over the world flocked to the flourishing city and competed for jobs and housing.

Boyle says when the black population began to rise, racism spilled over into the real estate and lending markets. Realtors refused to show homes in certain neighborhoods to blacks and financing was rejected by banks.

"White America embraced the sin of racism," Boyle told the capacity audience. African Americans took that sin on their shoulders. They suffered for that sin.

Born the grandson of a slave, Sweet went on to study medicine in France after earning a couple college degrees.

Boyle said Sweet's parents, backed by religious faith, urged their son to dream big.

They believed in what we call the American dream, he said.

After setting up a practice in Detroit, marrying and having a child, Sweet bought a home in an all-white neighborhood on the corner of Garland and Charlevoix.

Because of the purchase's implications, the Sweets left their small child with family members, armed themselves with firearms, called Detroit police to voice their concerns and rallied family and friends to help them guard the property.

The first night hundreds of whites gathered outside their home for hours without incident. On the second night, the mob returned and began hurling rocks at the two-story residence. When a rock shattered a window, shots were



Kevin Boyle, an Ohio State University history professor visited the Canton Public Library last week and discussed his book *Arc of Justice*. He also signed copies of the book.

fired and a man in the mob was struck and killed.

All 11 people inside the home were arrested and charged with murder and conspiracy.

Referencing Detroit's predominately black population, Boyle said the same feelings from 1925 still exist today. He called it the housing color line and said many whites are oblivious to it.

"White people don't get nervous until the second black family moves in," he said. "And then you see the 'for sale' signs start going up."

Boyle said many upstanding whites today have nothing against blacks, but don't want to live near them because they believe their property values will fall.

Boyle, who peppered his presentation with jokes and laughter, answered questions from the audience and signed copies of his book. About 140 people attended the event.

When an audience member stated that her grandmother used to tell her stories of how great Detroit was before blacks ruined it, Boyle said it's a common misconception that Detroit was a hub of goodness when blacks were still the minority.

Dorothea Bryant of Canton wrote a paper on Sweet years ago and said she corresponded via e-mail with Boyle during her research.

Hearing the author speak was a treat, Bryant said.

"As a child, I remember hearing my parents talk about the times when blacks couldn't buy (certain things)," she said.

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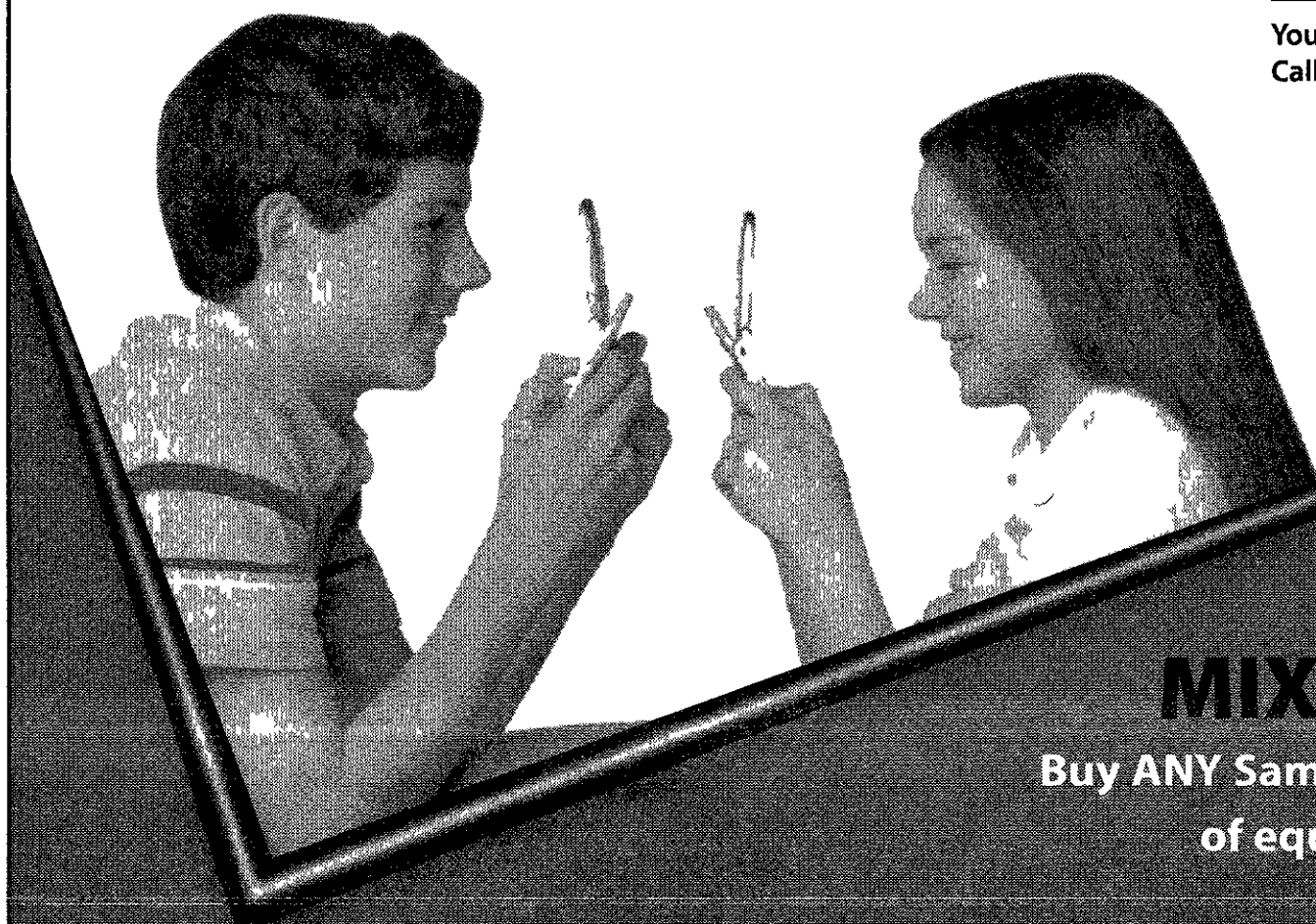
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## Plymouth runners earn 'City' title

See complete results from City Meet on Page B6

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth ended Canton's six-year reign as the P-CEP boys City Meet Track-and-Field champion Tuesday afternoon as the Wildcats captured their first P-CEP title by racking up 69.5 points in the three-team event held in near-perfect conditions.

The Chiefs claimed second with 63 points followed by Salem, which netted 42.

"Kurt (Britnell) has done a great job with that team," said Canton coach Bob Richardson. "He definitely had them ready to go today."

"We had a lot of fine efforts today and several of our kids got personal bests. Plymouth was just a little bit better than us today. We're disappointed that we didn't win it again, but I'm extremely proud of our kids and our program."

The Chiefs roared to an early lead in the field events thanks to first-place efforts from Nick Moores (48 feet, 11 inches in the shot put), Steve Paye (150-9 in the discus) and Eric Thornton (6'6" in the high jump). Jace Bearden kept Salem in the hunt by winning the long jump with a leap of 19-5.75. Ben Ambrose started Plymouth's day on the right foot by capturing the pole vault (13 feet).

The Wildcats kicked it into high gear once the running events started. Wildcat speedster Malik Rich won a thrilling 100-meter dash in 11.3 seconds — just two-tenths of a second faster than Adam Kashoro (Salem), Janerian Caldwell (Plymouth) and Nick Moores (Canton).

Plymouth's Kyle Wallath won the 800-meter run in 2:03.9 while teammates Patrick Slavens (3,200-meter run) and Anthony Scaparo (1,600-meter run) earned first-place points for Britnell's contingent in the distance categories.

Results of the girls P-CEP City Meet were not reported to the Observer as of Tuesday night's deadline.

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## 2007 MISL championship game



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Detroit Ignition forward Worth Sampson prepares to launch a shot during Saturday's Major Indoor Soccer League championship game against Philadelphia.



Philadelphia's Edgar Bartolomeo and Detroit's Jamar Beasley collide while battling for possession of the ball during Saturday's MISL championship game at the Compuware Sports Arena. Beasley scored a pair of goals in the Ignition's 13-8 loss.

## Just one step short

### Ignition finish memorable 1st season with disappointing loss

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Confetti and balloons poured from the Compuware Sports Arena's rafters early Saturday evening, but the Detroit Ignition was in no mood to party.

The first-year franchise saw its incredibly successful season end on a sour note when it dropped a 13-8 decision to Philadelphia in the Major Indoor Soccer League championship game.

Several Detroit players solemnly sat on the field with their backs to the boards as Philadelphia players and coach-

es celebrated on a makeshift stage that was set up in the middle of the arena.

After falling into an early 10-2 hole, the Ignition battled back to within 10-8 on Jamar Beasley's second goal of the game with four minutes left in the third quarter.

However, Philly's 'D' stiffened the rest of the way to secure the victory.

Philadelphia player-coach Don D'Ambra scored the game's first goal — a two-pointer — and its last — a rainbow triple that he launched from beyond mid-field — to earn game MVP.

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Canton basketball coach Charlie Paye resigned following four successful seasons at the helm. Paye compiled an overall record of 63-30.

## Canton hoop coach steps down

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Charlie Paye, one of the most successful basketball coaches in the 35-year history of Canton High School, resigned earlier this month due to a worsening case of arthritis.

The Chiefs reached unparalleled success under Paye's guidance, winning Class A District titles the past two years and a Western Lakes Activities Association championship this season. Overall, he compiled a four-year record of 63-30.

"The arthritis in my back and knees has gotten worse the past six weeks," said Paye, describing his painful condition. "I went to an orthopedic surgeon today and he told me I'm losing cartilage in my knees."

All season I planned on returning for at least a couple more years, but I don't think it would be fair to the guys if I came back like this.

The Chiefs finished 17-7 this past season after starting the campaign 0-4.

"One of the most memorable moments of my career was beating Catholic Central last year to win the District," Paye said. "And then beating Northville twice this year was right up there."

too. Prior to last year, Canton hadn't won a District title in 10 years, so it was nice to be able to do that."

Paye coached two of his sons during his four-year tenure. During the 2003-04 season, his oldest son, Matt, played for the Chiefs. His younger son, Steve, earned three varsity letters in basketball beginning with the 2004-05 campaign.

Steve Paye is headed to Saginaw Valley State University to play football, Charlie Paye said Monday night.

Among the candidates for vacancy is Canton junior varsity coach Dan Colligan.

"I think Dan would do a great job if we want it," said Paye. "He definitely knows his X's and O's and the kids certainly like him."

Paye said that while his head-coaching days may be over, he'll probably retain ties to the Canton basketball programs.

I told Brian Samulski (the Canton girls coach) that I'd do some scouting for him, depending on how I feel," said Paye.

Paye was named Observerland "Coach of the Year" following the 2005-06 season.

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## 2007 OHL Western Conference Finals

## Not a four-gone conclusion

### Resilient Knights extend series with 5-2 victory

BY ED WRIGHT  
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Of the 45 shots the London Knights fired at Plymouth goaltender Michal Neuvirth Tuesday night, the softest, most benign-looking of them all proved to be the most gut-wrenching for the Whalers.

With just under four minutes left in the second period of Game 4 of the Ontario Hockey League Western Conference Finals and the Knights clinging to a slim 2-1 lead, London's Sam Gagner half-heartedly flipped the puck at the net from 40 feet out so that his team could execute a routine line change.

Spinning like a knuckleball, the puck hit the ice at a weird angle a few feet in front of the crease, took a funky bounce toward the net and skipped over Neuvirth's left shoulder to give the Knights a 3-1 advantage.

The fortunate break proved to be the pivotal play in London's 5-2 victory.

Plymouth now leads the best-of-seven series 3-1 heading into Thursday night's Game 5 in London, but it's the Knights who own the momentum.

If London wins Thursday, Game 6 will commence Saturday at 7 p.m. at the Compuware Sports Arena.

"It was the end of a long shift and I just wanted to get the puck in the zone so we could change lines," said Gagner, describing his freaky net-finder. "I threw kind of a bobbler in there and (Neuvirth) was deep in the crease. It took a lucky bounce, but you make those kind of bounces happen by working hard."

Many OHL observers were no doubt expecting the Whalers to pave the way for the Knights' 2007 golf season Tuesday night, especially after they outscored the Western Conference's No. 1 seed 15-4 over the first three games.

Plymouth Head Coach Mike Vellucci wasn't one of the

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Plymouth's Jared Boll (7) goes horizontal to fire a shot on goal Tuesday night, but he was denied by London net-minder Steve Mason. Led by Mason's 50 saves, the Knights won, 5-2, to stay alive in the best-of-seven OHL Western Conference finals.



THE WEEK AHEAD

**BASEBALL**  
**Thursday April 26**  
PCA at Oakland Christian 4:30 p.m.  
**Friday April 27**  
Franklin at Canton 4 p.m.  
Salem at John Glenn 4 p.m.  
Wayne Memorial at Plymouth 4 p.m.  
**Saturday April 28**  
Salem at Milan (DH) 10 a.m.  
Milford at Plymouth (DH) noon  
**SOFTBALL**  
**Thursday April 26**  
Belleville at Plymouth 4 p.m.  
PCA at Agape 4:30 p.m.  
**Friday April 27**  
Canton at Franklin 4 p.m.  
John Glenn at Salem 4 p.m.  
Plymouth at Wayne 4 p.m.  
**Saturday April 28**  
Canton at Chelsea Invite TBA  
Salem at Saline Invite TBA  
**GIRLS SOCCER**  
**Thursday April 26**

Plymouth at A.A. Greenhills 4:30 p.m.  
PCA at Parkway 4:30 p.m.  
**Friday April 27**  
Canton at A.A. Pioneer 7 p.m.  
**BOYS TENNIS**  
**Friday April 27**  
Canton at Wayne Memorial 4 p.m.  
Stevenson at Salem 4 p.m.  
W.L. Western at Plymouth 4 p.m.  
**Saturday April 28**  
Canton at Novi 8 a.m.  
Salem and Plymouth at Monroe Invite TBA  
**BOYS LACROSSE**  
**Thursday April 26**  
PCS at Lincoln 6 p.m.  
**Friday April 27**  
Okemos at PCS 8 p.m.  
**BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD**  
**Thursday April 26**  
W.L. Western at Canton 3:30 p.m.  
Salem at W.L. Central 3:30 p.m.  
Franklin at Plymouth 3:30 p.m.  
**Saturday April 28**

Plymouth at Crestwood Invite TBA  
**GIRLS GOLF**  
**Friday April 27**  
Franklin at Canton at Hilltop G.C.  
Salem at John Glenn at Woodlands G.C. 3 p.m.  
Plymouth at W.L. Northern at Brentwood G.C. 3 p.m.  
**MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL**  
**Saturday April 28**  
Madonna at Concordia (2) 1 p.m.  
**Sunday April 29**  
Madonna vs. Concordia at Hitch Ballpark (2) 1 p.m.  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL (all doubleheaders)**  
**Friday April 27**  
Madonna at Concordia 3 p.m.  
**Saturday April 28**  
Madonna at Huntington (Ind.) noon  
**Sunday April 29**  
Madonna at Indiana Tech 1 p.m.

Plymouth kickers earn draw with state-ranked Northville

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Following Monday night's key WLAA Western Division showdown against Northville, Plymouth coach Jeff Neschich joked that his team was probably the best 1-4-2 team in the state. The Mustangs would whole-heartedly agree. The Wildcats gave state-ranked Northville all it could handle and more as the two teams battled to a 1-1 draw before an enthusiastic crowd at the P-CEP varsity turf field. Plymouth is now 1-0-2 in the division. Northville is 2-0-1. "The girls really came ready to play tonight," said Neschich. "It was a hard fought game. I think we're on the cusp of becoming a very good team. Several Wildcats turned in stellar efforts, most notably senior goal-keeper Brittany Warner, who stymied the high-powered Mustangs on all but one shot. Brittany was awesome between the pipes again tonight," said Neschich. She was very solid back there. The Wildcats struck first mid-way through the first half when Val Klemmer controlled a

ball off the foot of Chelsea Quinlan, then spun and rocketed the ball into the back of the net to give the hosts a 1-0 advantage. Northville knotted the game at 1-1 with approximately 12 minutes left in the contest. For a moment, it appeared as if Plymouth was going to pull off an incredible victory when senior forward Clare Baptist found the net with 12 seconds left. However, the goal was called off when the referee ruled that Baptist was offside on the play. I didn't have a good angle on it, so I can't comment," Neschich said, regarding the heart-breaking call. **CANTON 5, W.L. NORTHERN 0** On Monday the Chiefs improved their record to 3-1-1 overall with a convincing WLAA cross-over victory against the Knights. Brianne Bellevary recorded the shutout for Canton as she stopped all five shots that came at her. Offensively, Canton was paced by Becci Houdek (two goals), Megan Staub (two goals, one assist) and Julie McClendon (one goal). Notching assists for the winners were Laura Daniels (two), Tracey Rimpf and Lisa Pierce. The Chiefs led 2-0 at the half and were never threatened thereafter.

Canton's Wright 1-hits Zebras

Canton junior pitcher Erik Wright came so close to a five-inning no-hitter Monday afternoon that he could touch it. Wayne Memorial's Jon Bryant led off the fifth with a high chopping ground ball that glanced off Wright's mitt and beyond the reach of the Chiefs' infielders. The infield single proved to be the only hit for the Zebras in Canton's 11-1 mercy rule-shortened victory. Wright improved to 4-0 and reduced his earned run average to 1.33 by striking out nine while issuing five walks. Wayne scored its only run in the fourth when it loaded the bases on free passes before scoring on a groundout. The win improved Canton's record to 7-5-1 overall and 2-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division. Wayne slipped to 4-5 overall and 1-2 in the division. I thought Canton played well," said Wayne coach Frank Garcia. "They hit the ball well and they didn't make many mistakes. Their pitcher threw well, too. We only got one hit, and that one wasn't hit very hard. The Chiefs' bats were smoking from the get-go as they scored at least one run in every inning. Their biggest frames were the first and fourth when they scored three and five, respectively. Senior outfielder Kyle Gring continued to frustrate opposing pitchers as he homered and drove in three runs for Canton. The Chiefs pieced together a two-out rally in the first to score three runs. Gring doubled off in right to ignite the uprising. He later scored on junior first baseman William Tidwell's two-run double. Gring's two-run blast in the fourth — his second round-tripper in eight days — cleared the right-center field wall by 10 feet. The Chiefs tacked on three more runs in the inning on senior catcher Blaine Padens' two-run triple and a sacrifice fly off the bat of Wright. Junior second baseman

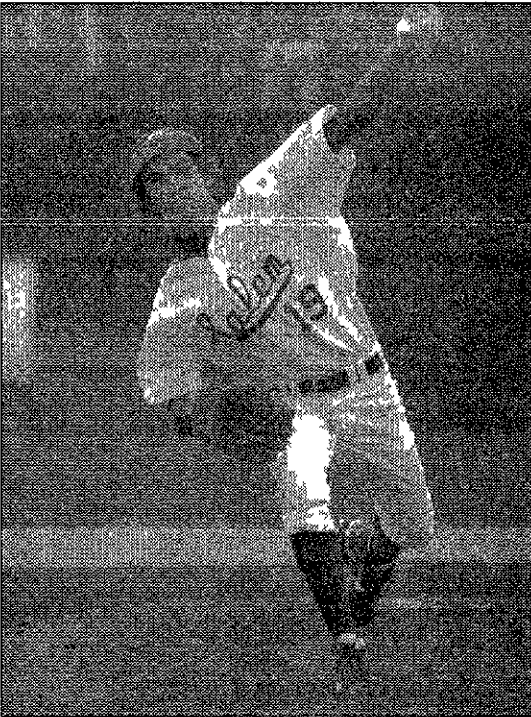


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Canton junior pitcher Erik Wright, pictured above in a game earlier this season, threw a one-hitter Monday afternoon against Wayne Memorial. Wright improved to 4-0 as he struck out nine Zebras.

Mike Madias scored the Chiefs' 11th run when he singled, went to second on a passed ball and scored on a Zebra error. Dan Stoney and Ben Vaughn ripped doubles for Canton. Brad Barath reached twice with a walk and a basehit. Barath also scored two runs. Cavanaugh started on the mound for the Zebras. He had to leave with two outs in the third after suffering an injury. Eric Robertson and John Smoes finishes out the game for Wayne, which played without two suspended players. **WL WESTERN 11, PLYMOUTH 6** The Warriors (6-3) remained unbeaten in the Western Lakes (4-0) and the WLAA Western

Division (3-0) Monday. Zach Gatten pitched the first five innings to get the win, retiring with a 7-2 lead. He allowed four runs (two earned) but gave up just two hits and one walk. Steve Astrien, Ryan Warwick and Brett Lubanski had two hits each. Astrien hit a three-run homer, had four RBI and scored two runs. Warwick hit a two-run double and also drove in four runs. Lubanski chipped in two RBI. Plymouth's Dan Nadratowski had two doubles and two RBI. The losing pitcher was Matt Priebe, who lasted three innings and gave up seven runs on five hits.



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Salem sophomore pitcher Sam Ott turned in a solid performance Monday in the Rocks' hard-fought 5-3 loss to Walled Lake Central.

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Late surge lifts WL Central over Salem hitters

Salem's baseball team dropped an exciting 5-3 setback to Walled Lake Central Monday afternoon in a key Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division game played on the Rocks diamond. The loss dropped Salem to 1-2 in the division. Sophomore left-hander Sam Ott started and pitched the first five innings for Salem before giving way to Dave Hales in the sixth. Ott was strong, yielding just one run. Salem scored one run in the fifth inning and two in the sixth. The latter two runs came on an RBI double off the bat of Ott and designated hitter Drew Grabowski's solo home run. Viking starter Torey Stumson earned the mound victory for Central.


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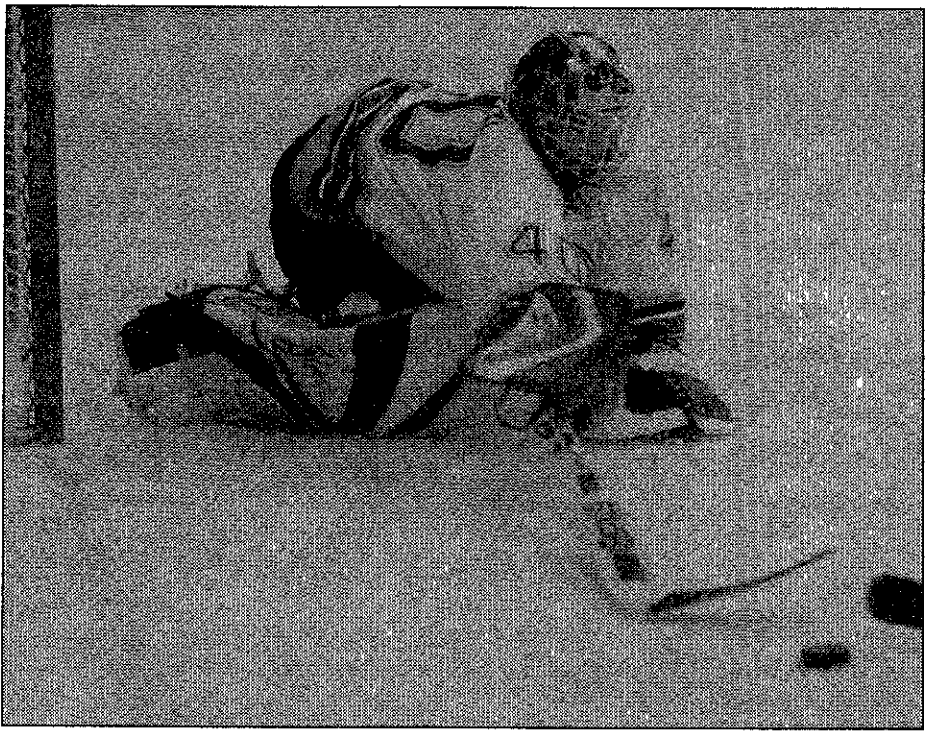
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Plymouth goaltender Michel Neuirth reaches to control a puck during the first period of Tuesday's 5-2 loss to London. Neuirth recorded 40 saves.

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## WHALERS

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"I told our guys the same thing after the game that I told them before the game — winning this series is not going to be easy," said Vellucci. "I knew they weren't going to roll over and die for us."

"It was a competitive game. We had a lot of shots, but I don't think we had a lot of traffic in front of the net until the third period. It's never easy to get the fourth game of a series and it's not going to be easy against London."

That holds doubly true if London goaltender Steve Mason performs like he did on Tuesday. The Columbus Blue Jacket draftee turned aside 50 shots to earn the game's No. 1 star.

"We had a lot of shots, but we didn't have the number of quality chances that we've had in the other games," said Vellucci. "We had 28 quality chances Monday night, but only about half that number tonight. We took too many shots from outside. I don't think we paid the price to get to the area you want to be shooting from."

Neuirth was solid, but still yielded more goals in Game 4 than he'd given up the previous

three games combined.

"Michal's playing great," said Vellucci, in defense of his goalie. "Three of the goals he gave up were power plays and another came on that terrible bounce. There's no way you can expect him to make a save on a bounce like that."

Sparked by two of the slickest passes you'll ever see on a sheet of ice, the Whalers jumped to a 1-0 lead with three minutes left in the first period when Steve Ward snapped a pass to James Neal, who in turn threaded the puck onto the stick of Evan Brophey, who lased the puck past Mason.

London failed to take advantage of two golden opportunities to knot the score during the first five minutes of the second period. With 18:45 left, Neuirth made a pad save on a Gagner slapper. The puck caromed toward the goal line until Ryan McGinnis swept in and scooped it out of harm's way.

Three minutes later, Neuirth robbed Justin Taylor with a glove save from the doorstep. Taylor reacted by holding his arms out and looking straight up into the rafters, as if pleading to the hockey gods, "Give us a break!"

London got a break a moment later when Plymouth was whistled for a penalty, giving the Knights a 5-on-3

advantage. Six seconds later, Gagner slid a rebound shot past Neuirth to make it 1-1.

The Knights seized the lead for good less than three minutes later when Patrick Kane secured a pass behind the Whalers' defense and beat Neuirth with an ice-skimming rocket to put the visitors up 2-1. Gagner's bouncer nine minutes later closed the second-period scoring at 3-1.

London padded its cushion to 4-1 midway through the third when Josh Beaulieu tallied the Knights' third power play goal of the night.

Steve Ward brought Plymouth to within 4-2 at the 5:37 mark on a blue-line scorcher that was assisted by Chris Terry and Tom Sestito, but London capped its "Stayin' Alive" evening by depositing an empty netter off the stick of David Meckler with 50 seconds remaining.

The game was delayed with 4:37 left in the first quarter when a bank of lights went dim above the Compuware Sports Arena rink. The first intermission was taken while the problem was fixed and the teams skipped the normal break between the first and second periods.

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# Chiefs stampede Zebras, 16-1

Canton's softball team continued to cruise through the WLAAs Western Division Monday when it registered a lopsided 16-1 victory in four innings over Wayne Memorial. The triumph improved the Chiefs' record to 8-1 overall and 3-0 in the division. Wayne's Western Division record slipped to 0-3.

"We hit the ball well and everybody got a chance to play, so it was a nice afternoon," said Canton coach Jim Arnold. "Our pitching's been strong this season and today we got to work on making sure our swings were level."

They were definitely level in the first three frames when the Chiefs struck for four, seven and four runs, respectively. The Zebras scored their only run in the first inning. Senior Sarah Anthony threw a one-hit gem for the winners, striking out six while walking four. Anthony also excelled at the plate, going 3-for-4 with a pair of RBIs.

The most potent Canton hitter was freshman Amy Dunleavy, who went 2-for-4, including a home run and double, and six RBIs. Kim Beaudoin added two hits and two RBIs, while Kimmy Keppen launched a long two-run homer.

**PLYMOUTH 12, W.L. WESTERN 3:** On Monday at Plymouth, the Wildcats did the most damage in the third and sixth innings when they pushed across four and six runs, respectively.

Plymouth, which improved to 5-2 overall and 1-2 in the WLAAs Western Division, received a strong pitching performance from junior Megan Patterson, who tossed a complete-game five-hitter. She struck out five and walked three.

"Megan was our backbone today," said Plymouth coach Val Canfield. "Offensively, we executed when we needed to and we were very patient at the plate."

Melissa Butzow ignited the winners' four-run fourth with a lead-off single. She later scored on Kim Klonowski's two-run double. Amanda Burnard tacked on an RBI fielder's choice before Stacey Klonowski delivered a two-run inside-the-park home run. Beth Heldmeyer's RBI singled plated Amy Bondy to extend Plymouth's advantage to 5-3 in the fourth.

Plymouth's big hitters were Ern Rodes (RBI double), Kim Klonowski (2-for-4, double, triple, two runs and three RBIs) and Stacey Klonowski, who went 3-for-4 with two inside-the-park home runs.

Emily Carlson started and took the loss on the mound for the Warriors, who slipped to 4-3 overall and 0-3 in the Western Division. Carlson, who helped herself at the plate with a two-run double in the third inning, was hampered by nine Western errors.

### ANCHOR BAY INVITATIONAL

Canton advanced all the way to the semifinals before falling to Chippewa Valley, 1-0, at the Anchor Bay Invitational on Saturday.

The winners scored their only run in the seventh inning when the international tie-breaker (each team starts the inning with a runner on second base) kicked in due to a time limit.

"Overall, I thought the day went extremely well," said Canton coach Jim Arnold. "We started out early Saturday morning by scoring seven runs

in the first inning of our first game and the bats stayed hot throughout the first three games."

"The tournament gave us a nice opportunity to see some teams that we don't normally get to see. We had a chance to beat Chippewa Valley, but we left too many runners on base and they scored their run on an error."

The Chiefs opened the day with a 10-4 decision over Lakeview. Sarah Anthony notched the win as she struck out five in five innings of work. Anthony also added two hits and two RBIs. Also enjoying a productive morning at the plate were Ali Taylor (3-for-4), Hilary Payne (two RBIs) and Kim Beaudoin, who went 1-for-3 with two RBIs.

Canton ousted Sterling Heights Stevenson, 7-0, in the second game. Freshman hurler Amy Dunleavy tossed a two-hitter, striking out 10 with no walks. Lauren Delapaz went 2-for-3 with an RBI.

The Chiefs down host Anchor Bay, 5-0, in a quarterfinal match-up as Payne registered her second no-hitter of the season. Only an error separated Payne from a perfect game as she did not yield a walk.

Delapaz (2-for-4) and Lauren Distler (1-for-3, RBI) sparked the Chiefs' offense against Anchor Bay.

In the semifinal loss to Chippewa Valley, Dunleavy (four innings pitched) and Payne silenced Chippewa Valley's bats until the seventh when the winners scored an unearned run.

Chippewa Valley went on to win the tournament by defeating Harper Woods Regina, 3-2, in the title contest.

# PCS lacrosse team falls, 14-9

The Plymouth-Canton-Salem boys lacrosse team dropped a 14-9 decision to Flint Powers on Saturday, April 21.

The Warriors now stand at 4-3.

Powers led 3-1 after one quarter. 8-4 at the half and 11-6 with 15 minutes to play. Devin Murphy and Jared

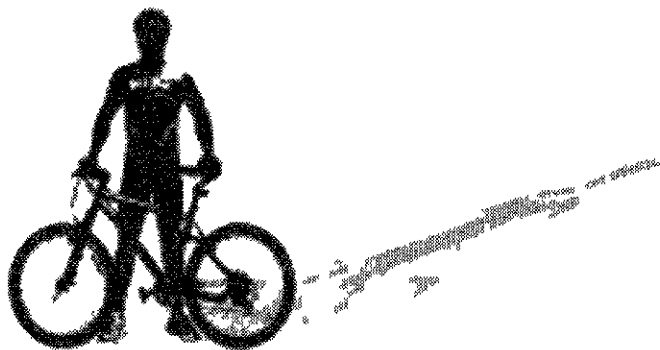
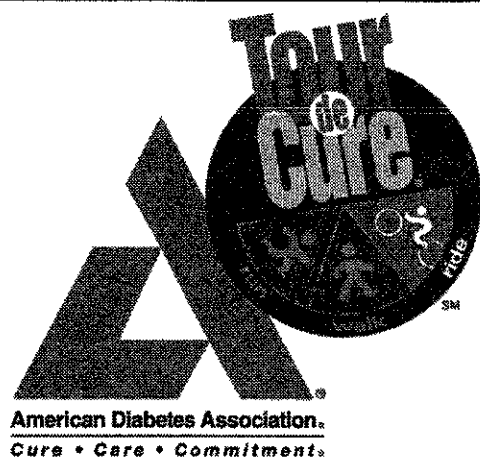
Ruark both had huge games for PCS. Murphy tallied four goals and two assists while Ruark found the net four times and added one helper. Scott Darel also notched a goal and assist for the Warriors.

Powers outshot the Warriors 35-24. PCS netminder Justin Scott recorded

12 saves.

**TECUMSEH 12, PCS LADY WARRIORS 7:** On Friday, the Lady Warriors received strong defensive efforts from Jillian Miller, Laura Hahn, Stephanie Matusiak and Arielle Pietron.

Scoring for PCS were Ashlie Forchione, Morgan Franke and Lauren Ebersole, who had five goals.



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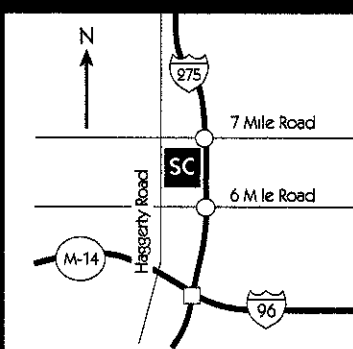
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### IGNITION

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honor

The Ignition peppered the netting around the goal during the final 90 seconds of the contest, but they couldn't quite find the target.

'We've been a second-half team the entire season, so I was 100 percent confident we were going to win the game, especially when Jamar's goal brought us to within 10-8,' Ignition coach Mark Pulisic said. 'I'm very disappointed because we've been working extremely hard to get a chance to hold up that league championship trophy. To get this close and not win it well, it hurts.'

The visiting Kixx led 2-0 after one quarter thanks to D Ambra's unassisted goal 9:09 into the game.

Trailing 8-0, Detroit solved Kixx net-minder Peter Pappas for the first time with

13:9 seconds left in the first half when Bill Sedgewick one-timed a pass from Hewerton into the net from the right wing.

At halftime, we talked about upping the pressure and going at Pappas a little more, Pulisic said. 'I thought we needed to play with a little more energy, too, which we did.'

Philly padded its lead to 10-2 2:30 into the second half when Pth Myers drilled a rebound shot past Sanaldo.

The rest of the third stanza was all Ignition, though, as the hosts registered three consecutive goals — one from defenseman Jonathan Greenfield and two lightning strikes off the foot of Beasley, to pull to within 10-8.

D Ambra's triple with 13:48 left was the back-breaker as he caught Sanaldo out of position to make it 13-8.

Sedgewick, a professional indoor soccer veteran, said the

DETROIT IGNITION COACH MARK PULISIC MAKES A POINT WITH HIS TEAM DURING A TIMEOUT IN SATURDAY'S MISL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

This has been the most memorable season I've ever had in 11 years of playing indoor soccer, Sedgewick said. 'Everybody affiliated with this team are stand-up people. It wasn't like playing on an expansion team.'

Beasley concurred with Sedgewick.

My hat is off to everyone in this organization,' said Beasley, the league's regular-season scoring leader and MVP. 'Ever since we arrived here last year, the Hantz Group and everybody else has gone out of their way to make us comfortable. And there hasn't been one off-the-field issue with us. I'm just sorry it had to end with a horrible loss.'

Pulisic said he's not certain what the future holds for him.

I haven't even thought about next year yet, he said. I'm still hurting from the loss. I need to take some time now to reflect on the season and how hard we worked to get here.

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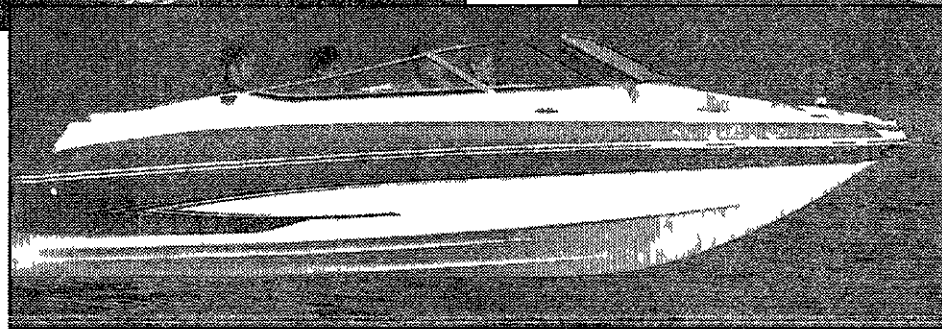
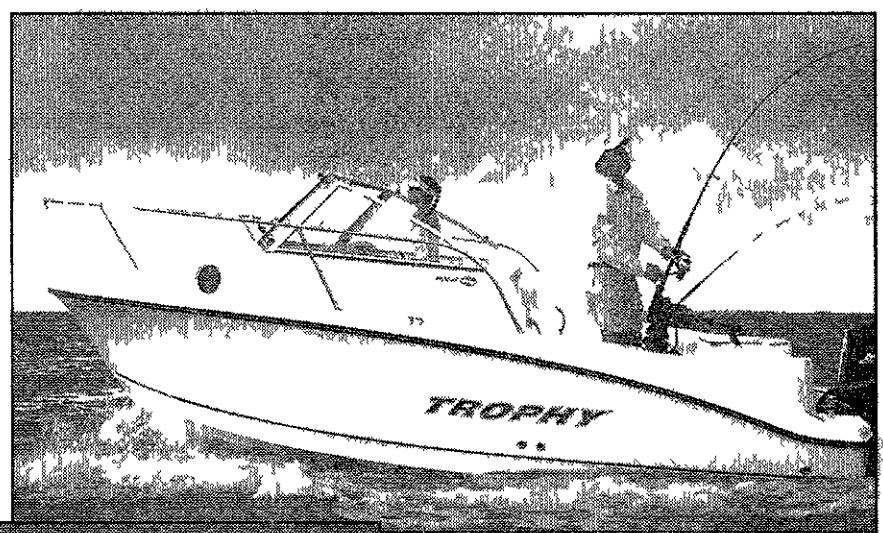
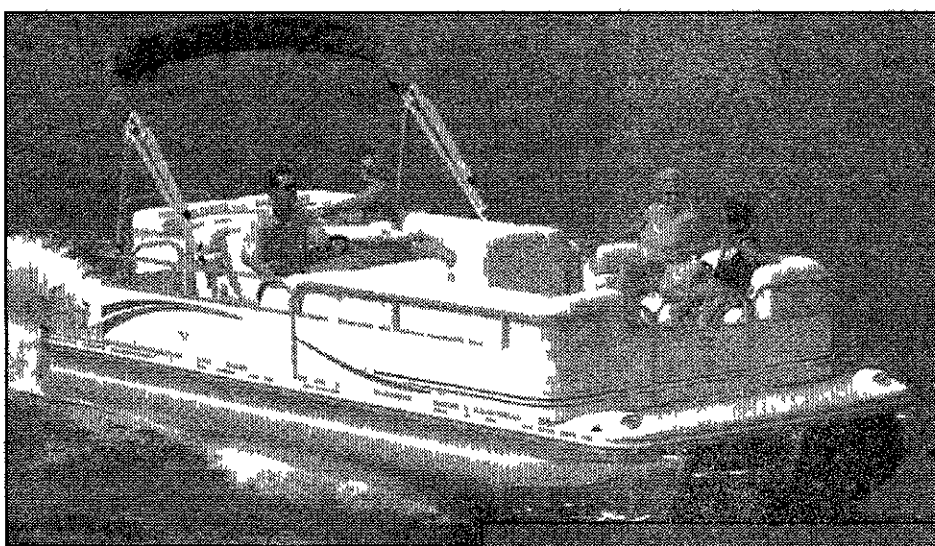
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# Plymouth boys T&F team wins school's first title

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Members of the Plymouth boys track-and-field team ran straight into the school's record books Saturday when the Wildcats captured the 20-team Berkley Invitational.

It was the first-ever first-place performance in an invitational for Plymouth, according to coach Kurt Britnell.

It was a total team win," said Britnell, whose team racked up 75 points, 10 more than runner-up Royal Oak. It seemed like we placed in every event and everybody contributed, from the field events, to the sprints, to the middle-distances to the distances."

Ferndale and Dearborn Fordson tied for third with 58 points.

The Wildcats' championship effort was ignited by pole vaulter Ben Ambrose who registered a school record effort of 13 feet, 6 inches to win the event.

Plymouth received individual second-place efforts from Kyle Wallath (2:02 in

the 800-meter run) and Patrick Slavens (10:11 in the two-mile run). A pair of relay teams — the 400- and 3,200-meter contingents — both turned in silver-medal performances. Janerian Caldwell, Malik Rich, Nate Gholston and Rico Tyus combined for the 400-second while Anthony Scaparo, Justin Huey, Matt Lewandowski and Kyle Wallath made up the second-place 3,200 quartet.

Gholston finished third in both hurdles events and Derek Lax placed fourth in the two-mile run. The Wildcats had a much better day than the person who engraved their first-place plaque.

They misspelled Invitational on the plaque so they're going to redo it and mail it to us."

It should be worth the wait for the Wildcats.

**'CAT GIRLS 5TH**

The Plymouth girls track-and-field team placed fifth at the 20-team Berkley Invitational on Saturday.

I thought the team performed well."

said coach Kurt Britnell. It was a nice meet because it gave us a chance to run against some different teams than we're used to seeing. It allowed the girls to see how they stack up against some different competition.

Sophomore Jill Morton stacked up very well as she placed third in the long jump (15-10) and fifth in the 100-meter dash (13.6 seconds).

Plymouth received third- and fourth-place points in the shot put from Julie Hershey (8-2) and Beah Knisely (7-8).

Plymouth's Kelly Hahn won the two-mile event in 12:11 while Mandy McManus placed fourth in the 300-meter hurdles with a 51:44 clocking. The Wildcats' 3,200-meter relay team of Hahn, Laura Ahearn, Molly Slavens and Sarah Brown took fifth.

Ann Arbor Pioneer placed first with 180.5 points, 80.5 more than runner-up Novi Berkley (46.5) took third-place honors and Dearborn Edsel Ford was fourth (45.5) and Plymouth settled for fifth with 37.

# Canton runners third at Dearborn Elks Relays

Canton's boys track-and-field team placed third at Saturday's 11-team Dearborn Elks Relays held at Dearborn High School.

The Chiefs, who were the defending champs, led going into the final event before getting bypassed by eventual champion Adrian. The Maples won it all with 41 points, three more than runner-up Novi Catholic Central. Canton was third with 37 followed by Dearborn (36), South Lyon (25) and Livonia Franklin (23).

Turning in first-place performances for the Chiefs were its pole-vaulting contingent which was led by meet champion Ryan Langdon (12 feet, 6 inches), and its shuttle intermediate hurdles team of Sheriff Hassamen, Joe Massel, Josh Etim and Tim Belcher.

Second-place points were earned by the three-man high jumping team of Eric Thornton (meet titleist at 6

5), Etim and Okemdi Opareke and the discus crew of Steve Paye, Nick Moores and Kyle Winconeck.

Thirds went to the long jumping trio of Thornton, Adam Somers and Opareke; the shuttle high hurdles team of Hassamen, Tim Belcher, Etim and Chris McGinnis; and the 640-meter relay squad of Derek Hoerman, Kyle Clinton and Zak Spreitzer.

Three Canton units registered fourth-place finishes: the distance medley team of Josh Godwin, Hassamen, Greg Reed and Duncan Spitz; the 3,200 relay team of Marcus Sylvester, Keith Zech, Josh Godwin and Eric Zech; and the 1,600 relay team of Langdon, Etim, Hassamen and Sylvester.

The Chiefs shot putters' 400 relay quartet of Jordan Raiford, Winconeck, Paye and Moores took second, but it was a non-scoring event.

## TRACK RESULTS

**P-CEP BOYS CITY MEET**  
**Tuesday at P-CEP Stadium**

**FINAL STANDINGS:** 1. Plymouth 69.5 points, 2. Canton 63, 3. Salem 42.

**Shot put:** 1. Nick Moores (C) 48 feet 11 inches, 2. Steve Paye 46.1, 3. Richards (P) 41.2, 4. Bill Crabill (S) 39.9.

**Discus:** 1. Steve Paye (C) 150.9, 2. Nick Moores 147.10, 3. Gerald Lou (P) 130.10, 4. Bradford (P) 123.0.

**Long jump:** 1. Jace Bearden (S) 19.57, 2. McKinney (P) 19.45, 3. Baze Efremov (S) 19.42, 4. Eric Thornton (C) 19.15.

**High jump:** 1. Eric Thornton (C) 6 feet 6 inches, 2. Ross Davis (S) 6.0, 3. Jace Bearden (S) 5.10, 4. Whitaker (P) 5.10.

**Pole vault:** 1. Ben Ambrose (P) 13.0, 2. Ryan Langdon (C) 13.0, 3. Chris McGinnis (C) 12.0, 4. Joe Massel (C) 11.6.

**3,200-meter relay:** 1. Plymouth 8:32.1, 2. Canton (Eric Zech, Josh Godwin, Marcus Sylvester, Scott Zech) 8:40.9.

**110 high hurdles:** 1. Baze Efremov (S) 14.7, 2. Nate Gholston (P) 15.4, 3. Tim Belcher (C) 16.0, 4. Wilson (P) 16.9.

**100 dash:** 1. Malik Rich (P) 11.3, 2. Adam Kashoro (S) 11.5, 3. Janerian Caldwell (P) 11.5, 4. Nick Moores (C) 11.5.

**800 relay:** 1. Salem 1:35.9, 2. Canton (Tim Belcher, Ryan Langdon, Ryan Randall, Andrew Manuel) 1:36.2.

**1,600 run:** 1. Anthony Scaparo (P) 4:43.9, 2. Rob Curtis (S) 4:44.6, 3. Lewandowski (P) 4:46.6, 4. Eric Zech (C) 4:48.0.

**400 relay:** 1. Plymouth 45.0, 2. Salem 46.0.

**400 dash:** 1. Andrew Manuel (C) 52.0, 2. Kevin Cope (S) 52.3, 3. Mike Hanchett (P) 53.7, 4. Josh Etim (C) 54.0.

**300 hurdles:** 1. Tim Belcher (C) 40.5, 2. Nate Gholston (P) 41.2, 3. Baze Efremov (S) 41.6, 4. Sheriff Hassamen (C) 42.5.

**800 run:** 1. Kyle Wallath (P) 2:03.9, 2. Scott Zech (C) 2:04.4, 3. Justin Huey (P) 2:06.4, 4. Lewandowski (P) 2:08.4.

**200 dash:** 1. Andrew Manuel (C) 23.5, 2. Kevin Cope (S) 24.0, 3. Adam Kashoro (S) 24.2, 4. Josh Etim (C) 24.5.

**3,200 run:** 1. Patrick Slavens (P) 10:04.4, 2. Anthony Scaparo (P) 10:10.8, 3. Rob Curtis (S) 10:11.3, 4. Derek Lax (P) 10:13.9.

**1,600 relay:** 1. Canton (Tim Belcher, Ryan Langdon, Sheriff Hassamen, Andrew Manuel) 3:35.2, 2. Plymouth 3:36.6.

## CANTON FOOTBALL EVENTS

■ All returning Canton football players and their parents as well as incoming freshmen and their parents are strongly encouraged to attend a pair of important events set for May 8 at the high school.

At 6:30 p.m., the program's annual Spring Slam will be held in the Canton gym. Current players will perform drills and exercises so that the incoming players will know what to expect.

A "Meet the Coaches" meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the Canton High School cafeteria. Canton coaches will provide paperwork, physical forms and workout-conditioning schedules among other things. Expectations for all 2007 players will be discussed and there will also be a question-and-answer session. Parents will also have a chance to meet the Booster Club officers and sign up for various volunteer activities.

■ The annual Canton Football Skills Camp for kids in sixth through ninth grades will be held June 11-14 from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Canton High School. All incoming freshmen players should plan to attend the camp, which will improve football fundamentals and skills. To register, contact freshman coach Richard Mui at (248) 229-2738 or rmuu@hotmail.com.

The fee is \$50 before May 26 and \$60 after that date. All campers will receive a Chiefs football T-shirt and shorts. Registration forms and more information on the camps can be found at [www.cantonchiefsfootball.com](http://www.cantonchiefsfootball.com).

■ The annual Canton Football Team Golf Outing will be held June 23 at Fox Hills in Plymouth Township. The shotgun start is set for 1:30 p.m. For the \$100 entry fee, participants will get 18 holes of golf, a cart, lunch, dinner, beverages and an opportunity to win prizes. There is a non-golf/dinner only package for only \$40.

For more information on the golf outing, visit [www.cantonchiefsfootball.com](http://www.cantonchiefsfootball.com).

## SALEM ROCKS WOMEN'S

### FOOTBALL ACADEMY

The Salem High School football staff, players and linebackers Club will be hosting a Women Only

Football Academy" on Saturday, June 2, at Salem High School.

Registration will begin at 7:59 a.m. in the Salem gym. The academy, which will run from 8:59 a.m. to 2:59 p.m., will include on-the-field instruction, classroom instruction, lunch and an intra-academy scrimmage all in an effort to teach women the finer techniques, rules and strategies of American tackle football.

All of the proceeds from the event will be donated to "First Step" and the "Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute."

The cost of the academy is \$50 per adult and \$40 for girls under the age of 13. Only the first 200 registrants will be accepted.

Participants are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes.

Registration forms can be found at [saalemfootball.net](http://saalemfootball.net). Forms should be mailed to Salem High School, Attention: Parker Salowich II, 46181 Joy Rd., Canton, MI 48170.

For more information, send an e-mail to [saalemrocksofbasketball@yahoo.com](mailto:saalemrocksofbasketball@yahoo.com).

## CANTON HOOP COACH

### APPLICANTS SOUGHT

Applicants are currently being sought for the vacant basketball head coaching vacancy at Canton High School.

The minimum qualifications for the position are:

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- the applicant must have a demonstrated ability to work with parents and children.

Interested people presently working within the Plymouth Canton school district should address a letter of intent for the position to the Athletic Office. Interested person outside the district must file a coaching application and include a letter of intent for the position with the Athletic Office. All applicants will be notified of their status regarding the position.

The deadline for applying is Friday, May 4, at 3 p.m.

### NOTICE OF ELECTION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the Charter Township of Canton, notice is hereby given that a **School Election** will be held in the Charter Township of Canton on Tuesday, May 8, 2007 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at which time candidates in the **Plymouth Canton Community School District/Schoolcraft Community College District**, and the **Van Buren Public Schools** in Wayne and Washtenaw Counties will be placed on the ballot for consideration as follows:

**PLYMOUTH CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**VOTE FOR TWO – Member of the Board of Education (Term ending June 30, 2011)**

Nancy Eggenberger	Kurt L. Heise	Larry A. Martin
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**VOTE FOR THREE – Trustee (Term ending June 30, 2013)**

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**VOTE FOR TWO – Member of the Board of Education (Term ending June 30, 2011)**

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a **SCHOOL ELECTION** will be held on **Tuesday, May 8, 2007 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.** at the following polling locations:

Precinct No.	Name of Facility	Address
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3-10-21	St. John Neumann Church	44800 Warren Rd
4-13	Discovery Middle School	45083 Hanford Rd
5-31	Crescent Academy	40440 Palmer Rd
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7	Salem High School	46181 Joy Rd
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9-34	Eriksson Elementary School	1275 N. Haggerty Rd
11-19	Tonda Elementary School	46501 Warren Rd
12-14	Hulsing Elementary School	8055 Fleet St
16-17	Bentley Elementary School	1100 S. Sheldon Rd
18-29	Field Elementary School	1000 S. Haggerty Rd
20	Fire Station #1	1100 S. Canton Center Rd
22	Hoben Elementary School	44680 Saltz Rd
24-25	Canton High School	8415 N. Canton Center Rd
26-27-36	Summit on the Park	46000 Summit Parkway
30	Metropolitan Airport	8550 N. Lilley Rd
32	Main Street Baptist Church	8500 N. Morton Taylor Rd
33 & 37	Dodson Elementary School	205 N. Beck Rd
35	Canton Community Service Center	50430 School House Rd
38	Cherry Hill School	50440 Cherry Hill Rd
39	Plymouth High School	8400 N. Beck Rd

The Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 5, 2007, for obtaining and casting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

On Monday, May 7, 2007, those requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person at the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. Emergency absentee ballots **ONLY** will be issued on Election Day, May 8, 2007. All absentee ballots that are returned in person **must** be received in the Clerk's office **Y.S. 2007**.

If you are unsure of your voting location, please refer to your voter registration card or contact the Clerk's office at 394-5120.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

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(11-05) 1:05, 3:05, 5:05

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FR/SAT LS 11:35

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### Charter Township of Canton Notice of Public Accuracy Test

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clerk's Office will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the Optical Scan tabulating equipment to be used for the Plymouth Canton Community School District/Schoolcraft Community College District/Van Buren Public Schools Election to be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2007. The test will take place on **Wednesday, May 2, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Clerk's Office, Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. This test is open to all interested parties. For further information, contact the Clerk's Office at 734-394-5120.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

Publish April 26, 2007

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan, will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, May 10, 2007 for the following:

**BUNKER SAND FOR FELLOWS CREEK GOLF CLUB**

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department on our website at [www.canton.mi.org](http://www.canton.mi.org) or you may contact Mike Sheppard at 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

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# You're invited to Komen breast cancer bowl-a-thon

Everyone is invited to join the three-day walk and bowl to wipe out breast cancer with the Susan G. Komen for the Cure, a partner of the



**Ten Pin Alley**

Al Harrison

The bowling portion starts at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 12 at Country Lanes in Farmington Hills located at 30250 W. Nine Mile Road (Check-in is at 8 p.m.). Cost is \$20 per person and it includes bowling, mystery games and pizza. Reservations are required.

For more information, call Pam Jones, who will take part in the three-day, six-mile walk, at (248) 476-3201.

On Feb. 28, Garden City's Yves Szmansky literally shot the lights out at Town 'n Country Lanes in Westland

in the Wednesday Nite Merchants with scores of 300-290-278. The total pinfall was 868, the second highest ever in this house.

On March 13 while subbing in the Friday Nite Invitational, Szmansky rolled a 245-268-290-803. These were the first 800s for Yves, who said, "I haven't been bowling that well lately, but I seem to have gotten locked in and was able to consistently repeat my shots."

Now is the time to think about spring and summer leagues and there are three good reasons to take part in one or more.

**Number one:** If you have been bowling well, you might want to keep up your tempo and not let a long summer layoff get your game stale. If you are on a roll, stay with it so you will transition easily to the next season.

**Number two:** If you have been bowling badly, this is the best chance to work on your game under competitive conditions so you can enter the fall leagues in better shape.

**Number three:** Summer leagues are usually lots of fun, the season is shorter, it costs a bit less with a wide variety of activities available.

There are plenty of summer leagues for mixed, youth, ladies and little kids. Check with your local bowling center, but here are a few typical ones to consider.

Woodland Lanes, located on Plymouth Road in Livonia, offers a Men's Senior House Trio League at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays for high average bowlers. There's also a mixed league, Guys and Dolls, at 7:30 p.m. Mondays or combination of four with complimentary pizza.

Youth Leagues starting at 4 p.m. Tuesdays begins on June 12. You can bowl two games with pizza and pop provided.

The Senior Citizen League, will be offered at noon Mondays and Fridays (no-tap). Also available are a 7:30 p.m. Wednesday ladies league, (all averages welcome), along with an adult-youth league at 7 p.m.

Wednesdays

The Detroit Tigers Adult-Youth Bowling Club includes Tiger tickets and more. Bumper bowling starts at 4 p.m. Tuesdays (two games with pizza and pop).

For more information, call (734) 522-4515.

Town 'n Country Lanes, located on Wayne Road in Westland, offers several "Have a Ball" leagues featuring a full schedule and an established weekly fee. You will also receive a new bowling ball.

The 15-week Wednesday Summer Trio starts at 7 p.m. May 9. First place pays \$2,100 based on 20 teams. Cost per week is \$28 (includes a new Ebonite Total NV ball worth \$229), or pay \$27 and get a Hammer Black Widow, while \$26 earns a Hammer Toxic ball.

For those who want the ultimate challenge, the 15-week "Bowl Like the Pros" starts at 7 p.m. Tuesdays on May 8 under PBA lane conditions (Cheetah, Viper, Scorpion, Shark and

Chameleon oil patterns). It features four games per session.

The 15-week Thursday mixed "Have a Ball" league starts May 10. The \$23 per week fee earns a new Ebonite Total NV ball.

The 14-week adult-youth league starts May 8. You need four bowlers per team - two youth and two adults, or three youth and one adult.

Meanwhile, at 7 p.m. starting on May 11, there will be the 14-week Friday Youth Trio "Have a Ball" league, which includes music and lights for children ages 4-8. There's also free rental shoes and bumper bowl T-shirts, trophies and mini-banquet during the final week of play.

All this for only \$6 per bowler per week.

For more information, call (734) 722-5000.

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

## TENNIS RESULTS

### LIVONIA STEVENSON 7 CANTON 1

**No 1 singles:** Eric Szydlowski (C) def. Gino McCanney 3 6 4 6 2. **No. 2:** Ian Petty (LS) def. Justin Liedel 6 1 6 1. **No. 3:** Chris Martin (LS) def. Nathan Larimore 7 6 6 4. **No. 4:** Erik Koch (LS) def. Mike Darouie 6-4 6 2.

**No 1 doubles:** Pat McHugh Mike Greco def. Ryan Hollingsworth David Kang 6 2 0 6 6 3. **No. 2:** Justin Collins Ben Bagazinski (LS) def. J.P. LaFontaine Riley Hoernschemeyer 7 5 7 6. **No. 3:** Alex Cook Brady Thom (LS) def. Anton Schauerte Dan Popoff 7 5 6 4. **No. 4:** Chris Onoff Clayton Northley (LS) def. Jeremy Lindbauer Santosh Shanmuga 6 2 6-1.

### CANTON'S DUAL-MEET RECORD 2 2

**PLYMOUTH 5 W. L. NORTHERN 3**  
**Monday at Plymouth**

**No 1 singles:** Don Zhang (P) def. Sam Hall 6-3 6 2. **No. 2:** Dan Jeong (P) def. Greg Watson 6 2 7 6 (8 6). **No. 3:** David Criss (WLN) def. Clint Korpalski 6 4 6 4. **No. 4:** Brett Kavulich (P) def. Nick Wajie 6 4 6 3.

**No 1 doubles:** Steve Schaeffler Anoop Gopal (P) def. Andy Sanders Matt Rohloff 6 4 7 6 (6). **No. 2:** Patrick Onoro Max Kepalski (P) def. Steve Olson Cole Davis 4 6 6 4 6 2. **No. 3:** Bob Beu Danny Harris (WLN) def. Robert Matar Tom Eggleston 7 5 6 3. **No. 4:** John Andrew Mitchell Kelley (WLN) def. Patrick Bailey Andy Mitchell 6 2 4 6 7 5.

**PLYMOUTH'S DUAL-MEET RECORDS 3 2**  
overall 2 2 WLA

SALEM 7

### WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 1

**Monday at Salem**

**No 1 singles:** Lawrence Washington (S) def. Tim Smolen 6 1 6 1. **No. 2:** Neil Bakshi (S) def. Alex Colosimo 6 0 6 0. **No. 3:** Jake Burnstein (S) def. Brad Noyes 6 0 6 0. **No. 4:** Dave Benson (S) def. Jacory Frowner 6-0 6 0.

**No 1 doubles:** Lenny Manfre Cliff Palac (JG) def. Tyler Jelenewski Matt Benson 6 2 6 3. **No. 2:** John Bills John Kang (S) def. Rob Jones Nikiki Kalothia 6 3 6 4. **No. 3:** Ryan Aubert Yuvu Rajeev (S) def. Frank Toarmina Sahin Murphy 3 6 6 1 4 3. **No. 4:** Paul Blackford Andrew Fosdick (S) def. James Abraham Cory Edwards 6 0 6 0.

### CANTON 5

#### LIVONIA FRANKLIN 3

**April 23 at Franklin**

**No 1 singles:** Eric Szydlowski (C) defeated Joe Fenner 6 0 6 2. **No. 2:** Justin Liedel (C) def. Tony Semonick 6 4 6 4. **No. 3:** Steve Trapp (LF) def. Nathan Larimore 7 5 6 2. **No. 4:** Mike Darouie (C) def. Dan Camilleri 6 0 6 0.

**No 1 doubles:** Ryan Hollingsworth David Kang (C) def. Chad Dorton Ryan Hudie 6-3 6 3. **No. 2:** Riley Hoernschemeyer J.P. LaFontaine (C) def. Justin Adams-Ron Perian 6 3 6 0. **No. 3:** Mike Geraci-Conner Leidal (LF) def. Anton Schauerte Dan Popoff 7 6 (7 4) 4 6 6 4. **No. 4:** Ryan Henderson Galyon Tusyov (LF) def. Jeremy Lindbauer Santosh Shanmuga 6 3 5 7 6 3.

Franklin's dual meet record 0 4 1 overall  
0 4 WLA

## ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/ POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN JUDICIAL DISTRICT 22ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, CASE NO. 07-58-DO  
Court Address: 101 E. Huron Ann Arbor MI 48107 Telephone (734) 222-3001

GUY T. BREMMER 140 S. Harris, Ypsilanti MI 48198 Plaintiff v.

ERICA ANN FRANCIS Defendant  
TO ERICA ANN FRANCIS

IT IS ORDERED

You are being sued by plaintiff in this court for Divorce. You must file your answer or take other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before May 19, 2007. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

A copy of this order shall be published once each week in The Plymouth Observer for three consecutive weeks and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

Dated: March 21, 2007

Published: April 19, 26 and May 3, 2007

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley ADA Coordinator  
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road  
Canton, MI 48188  
(734) 394-5260

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## Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings-April 17, 2007

A regular study meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, April 17, 2007 at 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the pledge of allegiance. **Roll Call:** Members Present: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo. Members Absent: Caccamo (on military leave). Staff Present: Director Eva, Director Conklin, Dave Medley. **Adoption of Agenda:** Motion by Bennett, seconded by McLaughlin to approve the agenda. Motion carried by all members present. **GENERAL CALENDAR:** **Item 1: APPROVAL OF THE UNIFORM VIDEO SERVICE LOCAL FRANCHISE AGREEMENT WITH AT&T, MICHIGAN (FBD).** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Agreement between Michigan Bell Telephone Company and Michigan Corporation doing business as AT&T Michigan and the Charter Township of Canton. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Nays: Zarbo. Motion carried. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adjourn to study session. Motion carried by all members present. **STUDY SESSION TOPIC: Item 1: NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT.** Presenters: Clerk Terry Bennett, Director Eva, Director Conklin, Dave Medley. Discussion for the Board of an overview of public advertising by organization and law including employment ads, advertising synopsis and public notices.

- Thomas J. Yack, Supervisor - Terry G. Bennett, Clerk - Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188 during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site: [www.canton.mi.org](http://www.canton.mi.org) after Board Approval.  
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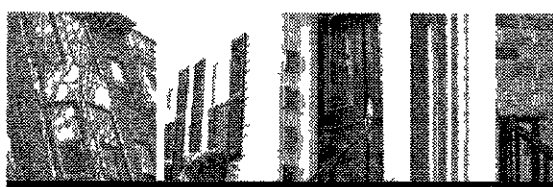
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# Thursday PUZZLE CORNER

Challenging fun for ALL ages

## CROSSWORD PUZZLER

### ACROSS

- Aurora locale
- Watch the stars
- Steakhouse order
- Aunt in Madrid
- Khayyam or Sharif
- Vivacity
- Hole puncher
- Tail
- Bond return
- To be to Brutus
- Make the most of
- Egg — yung
- Aleron site
- On the — vive
- Lucy Lawless role
- Environmental prefix
- Sporty truck
- Villain's cry
- Close kin
- Fleming of 007 fame
- Deadly snakes
- Nope opposite

### DOWN

- Tunnel
- Galileo's home
- Try a bite
- Put forth as a theory
- Food steamer
- Curved molding
- Wax coated cheese
- Malt beverage
- Jingle or limerick
- Fence flaws
- Sweater sz
- Court order
- Fruit or bird
- Type of lock
- Spurs on
- Roadie's gear
- Skip past commercials
- Previously
- Fenway team (2 wds.)
- Anguished wail
- Latest fad

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

PIN	ECRU	SRS
ARAB	AMEN	CEO
ZEROES	PILAFS	
RISEN	VIR	
COOL	LOB	BAJA
YAWED	WAN	BUC
CT	DOM	SOB
LET	COY	MOVED
ERAS	COX	OOPS
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PULLED	CANDLE	
AMO	MUTT	GOAL
NPR	OHIO	OBI

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- NBA coach — Unsold
- Here in Paris
- San Francisco hill
- Hagen of films
- Inquiring syllables
- Happy s'ghs
- Computer net work
- Turkish honorific
- Perfume label word
- Account entries
- Walt Kelly strip
- Um hmm (2 wds.)
- Did laps
- Enameled metal
- Barely scraped by
- Fireworks noise
- Call locale
- Nabokov heroine
- Touch lightly

## SUDOKU

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Level: Beginner

### Here's How It Works

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

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DOLPHIN  
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LOBSTER  
MANATEE  
OCTOPUS  
SHARK

SHRIMP  
SPONGE  
URCHIN  
WHALE

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS

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### CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

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### CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

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# 'STARVE THE BULLY; FEED THE CURE'



**WORKWISE**  
by  
Mildred L.  
Culp

How can you gather the power to beat a bully? In the adult playground known as the workplace, he operates like a person engaged in domestic violence, according to Pamela Lutgen-Sandvik, assistant professor in the Department of Communication and Journalism at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. She studied 30 workers, all of whom witnessed bullying. Some, like the 28 to 36 percent of people on the job, had experienced it directly, for an average duration of 18 to 20 months. Lutgen-Sandvik's article, "Take This Job and Quitting and Other Forms of Resistance to Workplace Bullying," was published in *Communication Monographs*, a professional journal.

Jon Caroulis found out the hard way that a lawsuit isn't necessarily a key to stop bullying. Now a college administrator in Pennsylvania, he recalls his experience at a newspaper in Florida when he and a group of reporters were in their 20s. "We had an editor," he states, "who was at best a mean SOB who liked hurting people. This went on for years. The bitter lesson I learned is that management will always side with management

unless it costs them money, such as a lawsuit." However, attorney after attorney told him that the likelihood of winning a lawsuit was slim.

## COORDINATED RESISTANCE

Bullying can isolate an individual or create the feeling of isolation. Lutgen-Sandvik points to an individual's risk of job loss, especially when the bully is a supervisor. Collective resistance among 12 of her subjects generated "more positive outcomes," including fewer lost jobs and fewer self-terminations. "Four of the bullies," she writes, "were fired, three were transferred, and five remained at the job, although one failed to secure a promotion." However, she mentions that resisters often suffer considerably with loss of credibility and the label of "troublemaker." Meanwhile, organizations change little.

If there is a winning formula, she says it's this:

- maximizing the grievance process,
- documenting incidents and times, and
- presenting relevant research.

The absence of a grievance process or the existence of an ineffective one clearly demands more of individuals involved. They must wrest power somehow and, as a group, can't expect results overnight.

## POWER

Identify what the bully has that he or she wants and how you can get it. In the workplace, it's usually a victim

Caroulis speaks of one situation where the employee told management that "if someone really upsets her, she might hit the person." Management paid attention and, subsequently, the woman left.

You can chip away at the bully as you're gaining power. Alan Weiss, president of Summit Consulting Group Inc., in East Greenwich, R.I., recommends statements like this:

-- "Tom, you can yell at the top of your lungs. I don't care. Volume doesn't make a difference, and if you keep doing that, no one is going to respect anything you have to say."

-- "Joan, that personal attack was completely inappropriate. If you can't argue this on its merits, then don't argue it at all."

-- "John, you're trying to bully us. It's as obvious as it can be, and it's not going to work."

-- "Mary, yelling at me out here in front of other people is not going to help get your objectives accomplished and it's making you look bad, not me."

To achieve the most impact, assign one script per co-worker.

Caroulis indicates that you might consider threatening a class action lawsuit -- "we're going to make you



Pamela Lutgen-Sandvik specializes in writing about bullies. She is assistant professor at the University of New Mexico's Department of Communication and Journalism in Albuquerque. Photo credit: Courtesy of Pamela Lutgen-Sandvik.

look like the idiot you are" -- but if the abuse isn't based upon sexual or racial discrimination, you may have to eat crow.

Even if you can handle the depression that's inevitable in this situation, if you can't get the guy's job or influence taken away, the group's trump card may well be to pick up your jacks and take your marbles home. You win, because he can't do what he wants to do (to you) ever again.

(Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-winning journalist. Copyright 2007 Passage Media.)

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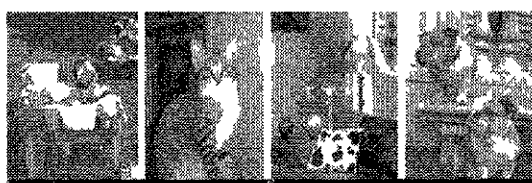
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## Jeep Commander: Find A Way To Stay Around

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### CAReport



By Dale Buss

It's basically unfair to a new vehicle to begin sounding its death knell before it's even a year old. But that's what happened earlier this year when first-year sales of Jeep's hulking new Commander SUV were disappointing, and Chrysler had to come up with thousands of dollars in incentives to move each one. Already, rumors swirled that the company had inked Commander for an early death, next year.

But Chrysler hasn't ever commented on the report, and so here's hoping that it's wrong. I love the Jeep Commander, and I have since it came out last year. Sure, the vehicle could use some tweaking. But driving a 2007 Commander Sport 4x4 recently reminded me of just how much this vehicle has to offer. And I didn't even come close to using its vaunted off-road capabilities!

Three things about Commander really stood out to me.

First, I love the look – sort of a combination of retro Jeep, harking back to its Cherokee of the mid-Eighties and a Jeep rendition of a Hummer 3. Regardless of its heritage or influences, the Commander is unapologetically big and boxy and bold. And I like that.

If anything, Jeep has overstated the rear end, with a stepped-up roof that makes room for rear passenger seating. It also underscores the fact that this is its biggest Jeep and visually distances Commander from the smaller Grand Cherokee that used to top the Jeep lineup. Commander is two inches longer and nearly four inches taller than Grand Cherokee.

At the same time, Commander makes great use of classic Jeep design cues, including, of course, the instantly recognizable seven-slot grille, trapezoidal wheel wells and squared-off lines with flat surfaced. Exposed Allen head bolts along the wheel wells and in the headlamp module are intended to create a technical look. And while the long handles that reside on either end of the rear window no doubt are practical because they can assist someone climbing onto the rear bumper



Commander finally gives Jeep a legitimate player in the huge-SUV market.

or getting to the roof of the car, they also add to the visual impression of the vehicle's utility.

Second, Commander is a highly flexible vehicle, which it clearly demonstrated to me on Saturday. In the morning, I needed to haul away a bunch of trash, and the capacious maw that is Commander's rear gate just kept on accommodating more and more stuff until I ran out of things to put in there. And the rear still closed easily.

Then, in the evening, Commander transitioned easily to a social vehicle that duly impressed our friends in the second row – who especially liked the two porthole sunroofs over their heads, each with a retractable shade. The "command, or elevated, position of the second rear seats makes its passengers feel comfortable and engaged with those in the front.

Third, both times I have driven a Commander, I have been impressed with the car-like ride demonstrated by such a large, truck-inspired vehicle. Commander handled very well, reminding me of the responsiveness and overall balance of the best of this category, such as the Lexus LX models. The 4.7-liter V8 engine that powered our vehicle provided all the power required in a seemingly effortless manner. It's a flexible fuel engine, to boot, although I filled this Commander with regular gasoline rather than ethanol.

I also appreciated the interior amenities, including

automatic bright-and-dimming headlights and ample pockets and compartments, including a nifty slot right in front of the front passenger that can hold cell phones, keys, sunglasses and the like. However, in a vehicle so large, I was disappointed to find that the storage slot on the driver's door not only was impractically narrow, but it also involves a bend at the halfway point, making it even less useful. And that area lacked a drink holder that so many other vehicles, many of them much smaller than Commander, have found a way to incorporate.

And Jeep might consider redesigning the dashboard to exclude the open compartment in the center – it's practically useless, since it's shallow and has no lid, meaning just about anything you place there will fling itself to one side of the vehicle or the other when you make a turn.

It's also true that Commander has some major competitive challenges. Sure, at 15 miles a gallon in the city and only 19 mpg on the highway, you have to write off its fuel economy even though, in a nod to the environment, the version I drove will run on corn as well.

But here's hoping that Chrysler finds a way to address Commander's few shortcomings and keeps it in the game. Even at nearly \$39,000 for the version I drove, I found Commander well worthwhile.

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## Sauté vegetables, quinoa for an easy, light meal

Holidays and special occasions always tend to bring out the big meals.

First it was corned beef for St. Patrick's Day. Then it was ham for Easter. Then there's the simple pork roast to warm a cold spring day.

Enough already. It's time for a trip to the pantry to look for ingredients to fix a lighter meal, yet create something that will still fill up the tank.

**Kitchen Kapers**

**Ken Abramczyk**

As I just returned from a trip to Atlanta, I knew I was in order in terms of the groceries. After I loaded up at the store on vegetables, I returned home and found a couple of open boxes of quinoa in the pantry and went to work.

I'm usually not a big fan of recipes printed on boxes, but I had just finished a late day of work and knew I needed something quick so I wouldn't wallow away the evening in the kitchen. So I checked the box of quinoa, thinking that if I ran the company that packaged the product, I would print a recipe on the box that encourages people to use the product.

Quinoa (pronounced keen wah) is a natural whole grain grown in the high Andes mountains of Bolivia. Incas supposedly referred to it as the Mother Grain.

The Quinoa Corp., based in Gardena, Calif., markets it as The Supergrain of the Future, and The National Academy of Science calls it one of the best sources of protein in the vegetable kingdom, as it contains more high quality protein than any other grain at 16 percent per serving.

A quarter cup contains the following percentages of the minimum daily requirements: 15 percent phosphorus, 10 percent iron and 8 percent riboflavin, along with 12 percent fiber.

These aren't huge numbers in terms of nutrition, but the protein number is larger than wheat, oats and barley. That and the substantial fiber levels help fill you up, so you tend not to overeat when consuming quinoa. Of course, it's low fat, unless you top it with a stick of butter or sauté it in bacon grease.

Quinoa cooks like rice (1 cup quinoa to 2 cups water, heated to boiling until the water is absorbed, which creates a germ ring that is readily visible). Dice red and green peppers, onions, garlic, tomatoes and carrots; sauté them, then sprinkle your favorite seasonings (salt, pepper and oregano were mine that day). Add the cooked quinoa to the sauté pan and away you go.

After dishing the quinoa mix into a bowl, I topped it with some homemade chili sauce, but the commercial kind or canned tomatoes will work well in this dish. Quinoa also adds heart to soups and stews. It probably makes a great stew with winter root vegetables (parsnips, carrots and potatoes), though I've not tried that.

It was a good, hearty, delicious dish for a cold spring evening, but it would come in handy at any time of year. I've tried the quinoa stuffed peppers, too, which are another tasty meal.

Try these recipes below, which I adapted to my own tastes.

PLEASE SEE **QUINOA, D3**

## A shout-out for trout



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kathy Nowacki, owner of Vintners Cellar Canton Winery, loves fly fishing and sells a line of wines dedicated to one of her favorite activities.

## Couple enjoys winery, fly-fishing

**They looked for a wine to serve with trout, and found a franchise company where people can make their own wine.**

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Kathy Nowacki remembers her first fly fishing trip.

She didn't realize it, but she was one of only two or three women in a fly fishing class she took at Schoolcraft College, or that she'd always enjoyed the outdoors, fishing on Long Lake near Alpena as a child.

This activity was, after all, fly fishing — requiring waders, then walking into cold, rushing river water where you might get soaked if you stray too deep, or your hands clam up from bitterly cold water. Then there's the inevitable snag on a tree branch, or a log across the river.

And you haven't even caught a trout yet. Fly fishing is a sport Kathy and husband Darryl enjoy.

Several years ago they signed up for fly fishing.

PLEASE SEE **TROUT, D3**

### SIMPLE PAN-FRIED TROUT

3 10 to 12 ounce fresh trout  
1 egg  
1/2 cup salt  
1/2 cup finely crushed saltine crackers (about 21 crackers)  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
Dash pepper  
Shortening or cooking oil for frying

In shallow dish, beat egg, stir in water. In another dish, combine bread crumbs, cornmeal or crushed crackers with salt and pepper. Dip fish in egg mixture to coat both sides, then roll fish in crumb mixture, coating evenly.

In a large skillet, heat 1/2 inch shortening or cooking oil. Add fish in a single layer. Fry fish on one side for 4 to 5 minutes or till brown. Turn fish and fry 4 to 5 minutes longer or until both sides are brown and crisp and fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Drain on paper towels. Serves 3.

See more recipes on Page D3

### WINE PICKS

More cabernet sauvignon that received high marks in our recent tasting.

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2004 Shafer One Point Five, Napa Valley Stags Leap District \$65  
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## Wine shootouts can be useful

Sit-down comparative blind wine tastings, sometimes called shootouts, can be useful.

They're not a new concept, but their aim is to make participants put their money, literally, where their mouth is.

Sonoma County's Valley of the Moon Winery recently conducted a six wine comparative blind tasting, including the winery's 2002 Cuvee de la Luna (\$30) against 2002 Napa Valley Domus (\$105), 2002 Cain Five Napa Valley Red Blend (\$99), 2002 Flora Springs Napa Valley Trilogy (\$45), 2002 Niebaum Coppola Napa Valley Rubicon (\$100) and 2002 Franciscan Napa Valley Magnificat (\$36).

**WHAT'S THE POINT?**



**Focus on Wine**

Ray and Eleanor Heald

It's not our expectation that Valley of the Moon's Cuvee de la Luna will be the favored wine and win the blind tasting, said Margie Healy, the winery's vice president and spokesperson. Our intention is to demonstrate that Cuvee de la Luna competes favorably with cabernet sauvignon-based wines, several of which are much higher priced.

Given our tasting notes, it did.

Although this is a continual point of debate, Valley of the Moon's cabernet philosophy is that although many individual cabernet vineyards have established nobility, the greatest wines are almost always blends. There are simply too many elements in a cabernet-based wine for one grape, grown in one place, to deliver greatness consistently vintage in and vintage out.

Cuvee de la Luna 2002 demonstrated the beauty of a blend. It was crafted from the winery's best barrel lots of cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc and petit verdot — basically a Bordeaux varietal blend.

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# Affordable software keeps desktop publishing alive and well

Whatever happened to desktop publishing? I'm not sure. In the old days (I'm talking the late '90s), you could choose from a dozen different programs for creating newsletters, brochures, flyers, invitations, calendars, and other documents that mix text and graphics.



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

Since then, the field has narrowed considerably, leaving only two heavyweights—Adobe InDesign and QuarkXPress—and a program I guarantee you've never heard of: Serif PagePlus X2 (serif.com).

PagePlus is an amazing piece of software, one that's flown under the radar for far too long. Allow me to remedy that.

What's the big deal? Let's start with price. PagePlus sells for \$129.99, which may seem steep—until you realize that InDesign and

QuarkXPress cost \$699 and \$749, respectively. Its relatively low price notwithstanding, PagePlus is no cheap, underpowered application. Quite the opposite. It has nearly every feature you'll find in the professional programs, and more than a few you won't find. Plus, it's a lot easier to learn.

## DESKTOP PUBLISHING 101

In case you're unfamiliar with it, desktop publishing software lets you mix text, graphics, and other elements to create various kinds of documents.

You say you can do the same thing in your word processor? Please. That's like using a hammer to sculpt a statue. Microsoft Word may let you import graphics and create a few gaudy text effects, but it's no desktop publishing program.

With PagePlus, you get precise control over everything: text, graphics, colors, and, most importantly, layout.

Indeed, creating any kind of document is sim-

ply a matter of arranging the various elements to your liking. You can import text documents from your word processor, photos from your image library, graphics from the Web or an included gallery, and so on.

PagePlus also supplies a wealth of tools for generating special effects. You can easily add a drop-shadow to text or graphics, create a fancy 3-D background, apply textures, draw shapes, and much more.

To help get you started, the software comes with a variety of templates for projects like photo albums, newsletters, greeting cards, posters, and even CD/DVD labels.

You can also take advantage of built-in tutorials that teach you how to use PagePlus and design specific kinds of documents.

In short, it's a user-friendly program that also packs a surprising amount of desktop publishing power.

When you're done with your project, you can do more than just print it. PagePlus also lets you

create PDF documents and slideshows, publish to the Web, and send your documents as e-mails (with all graphics and formatting preserved).

Thus you could use it to, say, distribute your company newsletter electronically, no paper required.

Of course, PagePlus can also produce camera-ready separations for professional print jobs.

Like I said, this is one amazing program. I highly recommend it for anyone seeking to create attractive, professional-looking documents, be it a simple flyer or a full-fledged magazine.

Whatever happened to desktop publishing? It's alive, well, and affordable in the form of Serif PagePlus X2.

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## Don't overreact to recent pet food scare

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About Animals

Dr. Brad Davis

When most people think of the phrase 'knee-jerk response,' they don't think of the medical aspects. They think of a predictable overreaction to information.

Over the last couple of months, Menu Foods, an Ontario pet food manufacturer, has supplied us with something brand new to have a knee-jerk reaction about.

If you've not heard, there has been a massive recall of certain pet foods, which started because some tainted ingredients, likely wheat gluten, were being used in the manufacture of certain diets made at the Menu Foods plant.

Although still not 100 percent sure what the offending material has been, they do know that the ingredient has caused renal fail-

ure in a number of animals. The primary foods involved are cuts and gravy style cans and pouches, but others were recalled later.

The only pure dry food to be recalled as of now would be the Hill's Feline Prescription diet M/D, a diet made for diabetic cats. Hill's recalled M/D after finding out they had purchased ingredients from the same source as Menu Foods.

The reason so many brands of food were affected stems from Menu Foods being an outsourcing location where major brands have their specialized cuts and gravy foods manufactured. It is cheaper to outsource than to pay to put in your own line.

The affected foods were manufactured between Dec. 3, 2006 and March 6, 2007. All of the recalls were voluntary, meaning the companies responded to the first signs of concern, even if their food wasn't implicated as having had any problems yet.

Menu Foods has set up a toll free number (1-866-895-2708) and a website ([www.menufoods.com/recall](http://www.menufoods.com/recall)) to help answer questions, and is offering financial reimbursement for the medical aspects of the situation.

Okay, the food is fine now. Most food was always fine, any-

way. What will the knee-jerk response be?

More people than ever have decided it's time to make their pet's own diet!

Dog food is just plain not safe! I can do better making Fluffy's food! It's just too dangerous to feed them the bags of dog or cat food anymore.

This is where the new set of concerns comes in.

I've had so many people telling me they've decided to make their pet's food from now on, including one who's decided to chop up liver into Hamburger Helper.

While that does sound yummy, it is not balanced or complete.

One of the reasons humans avoid being physically fit would be the way we eat. Donuts for breakfast, fast food for lunch and dinner, plus lots of junk food and soda pop. Our diets are not balanced or complete.

Dogs and cats who get good pet food do better. They get a nutritionally balanced meal, without unnecessary calories, when you feed a good brand. Pet food is better for pets than table scraps or any of the simple homemade diets.

There are recipes out there for making homemade diets, but don't forget to add all the ingredients to make sure they get all

the nutrients they need. The website [Petdiets.com](http://Petdiets.com) reports that 90 percent of prescribed homemade diets were nutritionally inadequate. Imagine what the non-prescribed ones would be like.

Some of my clients said they threw away their bag of dry food out of fear. There was no reason. Dry food has been consistently safe. Also, feeding your pet the better brands of dry, like Hill's Science Diet, IAMS, Eukanuba, Royal Canin, and so on, means giving your pet the best foods out there, and giving them the best opportunity for health.

If you have concerns, call your vet and talk about them. If your pet may have been exposed to the bad food, have some blood work done to check out their kidney function.

Talk to your vet about getting your pet on a safe food that will meet all of their needs.

Don't let a knee-jerk reaction cause your animal long-term damage.

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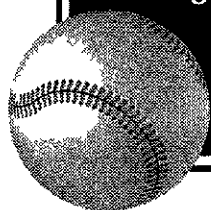
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### TROUT

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classes, then a guided trip to the Black River "As we were driving to go out that day, I started to chicken out," Kathy said. "I told Darryl, 'you go have fun.'"

The guide heard this conversation and managed to talk Kathy into fly-fishing that day. After that, she was hooked.

The couple, who own Vintner's Cellar Canton Winery, are now avid fly anglers. And they love trout fishing, the season officially opens Saturday. (They won't be out for the opener, because that day brings too many crowds to Michigan rivers and streams.)

Kathy has not forgotten that first day in the river — how an angler feels that sense of belonging to the river and to nature, that sense of balance, that calm, that peace, that solitude, all rolled into that nirvana.

That all is good in life.

"You get a little fish on a three-weight (flyrod) and they fight like crazy," Kathy said. "I was amazed at how beautiful the river was."

"I almost love it more than my husband," she added.

The following year, they went on a three-day trip to the Colorado River. Then came a trip with the Madison River outfitters in West Yellowstone.

In 1998 the couple bought a cabin in Baldwin, a quarter-mile from the Pere Marquette.

"We love it," Kathy said. "We bought it and we fished the same day." Soon they bought two dry fly-fishing boats.

In 2004 they purchased a lot with 300 feet of frontage on the Mamsee River in Irons.

Then one day a wayward

search on the Internet led to another chapter and another transition in the couple's lives. They looked for a wine to serve with trout, and found a franchise company where people can make their own wine. Kathy lost her job during a company downsizing, so the idea of winemaking intrigued her. They pursued the idea, opening a winery business two years ago.

Granted the franchise isn't one of the giant wineries you will find in California. The couple's business is a local storefront in a strip mall, but don't let the location fool you about the product. They conduct tastings and dinners for patrons, along with the usual winemaking and bottling.

Both of them love wine, so the business idea just made sense.

"I said, 'hey I can do this,'" Kathy said. Kathy points to her Italian heritage and her grandfather's love of wine, along with Darryl's, which he picked up while he was stationed in Europe.

They generally catch-and-release, but if they were to cook it, the Nowacks prefer the trout be pan-fried. She's adapted a recipe she received from master chef Dan Hugelier, a culinary arts instructor at Schoolcraft College.

### FLIES TO USE

When she uses flies for bait, she's one of those who "smacks her face" to see what bugs are out and hatching. "I almost always catch them on a caddis fly," Kathy said. The caddis is a predominant hatch on the streams in late spring and summer.

Then there was the time she hooked her woolly bugger (another fly used to catch trout) into her arm, and needed to drive to Reed

City to get it pulled out. "The doctor said, 'nice fly!'" she remembers. The doctor returned the fly to her in a cup normally reserved for urine samples.

### WINES TO SERVE

Wines and fish are a natural marriage for any meal.

Wines to be served with trout are usually chardonnay or riesling, Kathy said.

They would both be very good," she said. The Rising Trout she sells at her winery store is aged in Hungarian oak barrels. "It's just a woody flavor," she said.

Darryl won an international gold medal for his Amarone with 18½ points out of 20. He only sent two wines last year to the competition, but this year the couple, buoyed by last year's success, sent 14 wines. Only four Gold medals were awarded out of 250 wines last year. While the winery may be a franchise, winery owners and operators can tweak the wine formulas when creating them, Kathy said. "You can change everything. We tweak the wines. We play a lot with them."

Grapes are processed in Canada, then sent to Vintner's as juice. The juice concentrate is mixed with other ingredients (oak, elder flowers, etc.). The wine is racked, degassed and filtered for five weeks. Wine is then bottled, corked and labeled.

With salmon in the fall, the couple recommend merlot or cabernet sauvignon.

**Vintner's Cellar Canton Winery** sponsors free private tasting parties by appointment and is located at 8515 N. Lilley (located in the Golden Gate Shopping Plaza across from Mettetal Airport) Canton (734) 354 WINE (9463) vintnerscanton@tds.net

### ANOTHER PAN-FRIED VERSION

1 large or two small skin on fish fillets (rainbow or brown trout) about 8 ounces  
Kosher salt  
Ground black pepper  
Flour  
3 tablespoons canola oil  
4 tablespoons butter  
1 to 2 tablespoons capers, drained  
Juice of one lemon

Heat a heavy pan over medium high heat.

Season fish on meat side with salt and pepper. Lightly dredge fish in flour and shake off excess. When pan is hot, add canola oil. Then 1 tablespoon butter. As soon as foaming ends, place fish in pan with the skin side down. Shake pan a few seconds to keep the fish from sticking to it. Cook until golden crust forms. Turn fish, and shake pan again. Cook until golden brown, then remove fish.

Pour out fat, add remaining butter and fry the capers quickly. Remove pan from the heat, add lemon juice to it, swirl, then pour sauce over the fish and serve.

### BRAISED RIVER TROUT WITH LOBSTER MOUSSE

4 brook trout skin on backbone and pin bones removed  
2 shallots, finely minced  
2 white field mushrooms, minced  
2 sprigs of thyme  
1 tablespoon parsley stems  
2 cups fish stock  
1 cup dry white wine

Garniture  
2 saffron roots  
1/2 lemon, juiced  
1 tomato, finely chopped  
1 leek, blanched then thinly sliced  
1 tablespoon chives, finely minced  
1 tablespoon trout caviar

Mousseline  
1 live lobster, blanched for one minute, cooled and meat removed  
1/2 egg white  
4 tablespoons heavy cream  
Salt  
White pepper  
Cayenne  
Nutmeg

For mousseline, keep lobster ice

cold. Process seasoned lobster smooth. Add egg white gradually while mixing. Add cream slowly and remove. Small batches like this may be prepared over ice by hand. Reserve.

For garniture, peel, braise saffron in 1/2 cup fish or white stock with the juice of 1/2 lemon, salt and pepper.

To assemble, fill the trout with lobster mousseline. Place on top of the minced shallot and mushroom. Season with a bit of lemon juice, salt and pepper. Add wine, stock and aromatics. Cover and braise 12-17 minutes depending on the size of the trout.

Put saffron, leeks and tomato in small pan. When the trout is cooked, strain the cooking juices into the pan and heat the vegetables. Reduce and bind with a small amount of soft whole butter.

Skin the fish and place in the center of the plate or shallow bowl. Spoon the cooking juices and vegetables over the trout, garnish with caviar and serve immediately.

Recipe courtesy of Kathy Nowacki, adapted from recipe from Dan Hugelier, culinary arts instructor and master chef at Schoolcraft College.

### QUINOA

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#### QUINOA PILAF

6 cups cooked quinoa  
½ cup olive oil  
1 carrot, diced  
¼ cup red pepper, diced  
½ cup green pepper, diced  
¼ cup onion, diced  
1 or 2 cloves garlic, minced  
2-3 tomatoes, wedged  
1 teaspoon oregano  
½ teaspoon salt  
¼ teaspoon pepper  
1 quart of canned tomatoes or chili sauce

Boil approximately 2 cups uncooked quinoa in 4 cups water, then simmer for 14-15 minutes or until water is absorbed and you can see the germ ring on the grain. Keep covered to retain heat.

Saute vegetables (except tomatoes) for about 5 minutes until fork tender. Add salt, pep-

per and oregano and tomatoes and saute for about 2 minutes. Heat canned tomatoes or chili sauce in separate saucepan.

Stir in quinoa, 1 cup at a time, and mix with vegetables. Reheat over low heat.

Serve quinoa in bowl topped with heated tomatoes or chili sauce.

#### QUINOA STUFFED PEPPERS

1 cup uncooked quinoa  
6 green peppers  
1 medium onion, diced  
½ pound mushrooms, sliced  
2 tablespoons butter  
1-2 ounce can of diced tomatoes  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
1-2 ounce jar of salsa  
2 tablespoons sherry  
Mozzarella cheese

Cook 1 cup quinoa in 2 cups water (boil, then simmer for 15 minutes, set aside).

Preheat oven to 325 degrees.

Steam green peppers until soft but not limp. Sauté onion and mushrooms in butter in large skillet. Drain tomatoes, reserve liquid, then add tomatoes to skillet. Add garlic and salsa.

Cook over medium heat for 5 minutes. Add sherry and simmer for 5 minutes, then fold in quinoa. Place peppers in baking dish and fill with ½ of the mixture. Mix reserved tomato liquid with remaining quinoa, then pour around peppers.

Sprinkle mozzarella cheese over peppers and bake in oven preheated to 325 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes.

Recipes adapted by Ken Abramczyk from The Quinoa Corp.

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### WINE

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In a Bordeaux varietal blend, each grape variety plays a unique role, but must be married into a seamless whole. Cabernet sauvignon offers rich black fruits, such as black cherry, black raspberry and black currants to the aroma and flavor profile. It's also the wine's spine or backbone, contributing structure.

Merlot offers some red fruit nuances and overall mellowness. Cabernet franc uplifts aromas and does a balancing act for the other varieties. It frequently contributes notes of blueberry fruit in both the aroma and flavors. Petit verdot is a color enhancer and can most often add a note of spice and round out the tannin profile.

Vanilla notes emanate from the coo-perage used to age the various components of the wine.

Once the best lots of each variety are chosen, Valley of the Moon's winemaker Greg Winter assembles them in a way that demonstrates the concept of the whole being greater than the sum of its parts.

Vintage characteristics dictate the blend. The wine, although made from the same grape varieties each year, does not come from a predetermined recipe.

Our collective perception of 2002 Valley of the Moon Cuvee de la Luna. Solid black fruit core complemented by raspberry and cherry characteristics. Very drinkable with loads of fruit in the mellow finish. Once the bags were removed from all the wines, we had to add the bottom line. A very lovely wine for the price. When it was served with the main course of sliced filet and lamb chops, prepared by The Capital Grille in Troy's Somerset Collection, we appreciated its drinkability even more.

Valley of the Moon 2003 Cuvee de la Luna \$30 was just released. It continues the line of consistent vintages of mel-low wine that's accessible with a marked fruit profile.

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### PICKS

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and extraordinarily food-friendly.)

2004 Robert Craig Affinity Napa Valley \$45

2004 Trinchero Mario's Reserve Meritage \$45

2004 Pine Ridge Rutherford \$48

2004 Trinchero Napa Reserve, Stagecoach Vineyard \$50

2004 Joseph Phelps Napa Valley \$54

2003 Simi Reserve Alexander Valley \$60

2003 Swanson Alexis \$64 - cabernet based

2003 Lancaster Estate, Alexander Valley Red Wine (80 percent cabernet sauvignon) \$65

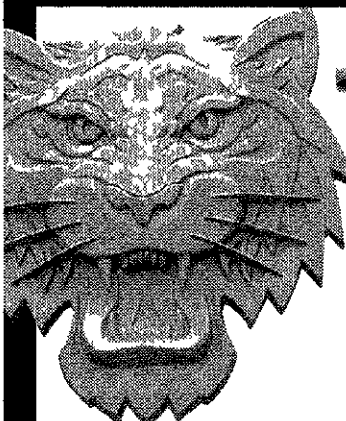
2004 Pine Ridge Oakville \$75

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## Swim into fashions that flatter

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN  
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Find shelter from the sun in a wide-brimmed hat like this one from Lands' End

### Fill your beach bag with these items

Before you hit the beach, or lounge poolside this summer, grab these warm-weather essentials

■ **Coordinated cover-up** Summer-sheer cotton tunics – like Lands' End's jersey-knit hooded style, \$28 – make a suit ever-more sophisticated. Or, go for a flirty terry cloth romper, \$30 at American Apparel

■ **Beach tote** Go for stripes, paisley or polka dots and it will be easy to spot your set-up when returning from the water. Macy's now sells Tommy Hilfiger's Overprint Stripe towels with crab or flamingo designs for \$30, or Summer Stock's Art Deco towel for \$35

■ **Beach tote** From the classic canvas to a straw bag, choose one that reflects your personality, complements your suit, and holds all the gear you need for a day at the beach. Target sells a variety from \$9.99 to \$21.99

■ **Sunglasses** Get a sassy pair that complements your face shape. Go big and bold. Spend around \$10 for oversized frames at Target or go designer with Kate Spade's Agatha shades for \$175

■ **Wide-brimmed hat** It's back and it's a classic. Try a tiered straw hat from Gap, \$24.50

■ **Footwear** Slip on a simple metallic thong like J. Crew's Capri sandals, \$48. Or switch to a classy wedge, like Steve Madden's Spa – in red, gold or black for \$59.95 – for shopping, dining or a night on the town

■ **All over appeal** Sunscreen is an obvious must-have year-round. For those willing to fake that summer shimmer, start early with subtle moisturizers like Jergens Natural Glow, or Breathe 24/7 Radiant Moisture gradual tanning body lotion in Comfort – Vanilla Milk, \$14.50 at Bath & Body Works. Trying to smooth over less-than-perfect thighs? Try Poetic Cosmetics' Fat Girl Slim, a caffeinated body cream, \$25 at Sephora.

Compiled by Stephanie A. Casola

With summer weather just around the corner, the time has come to seek out that perfect new swimsuit. Whether the mere thought inspires excitement or dread, it's an unavoidable necessity at the beach.

This season's styles show a bevy of embellishments and intriguing prints. From animal patterns to polka dots to paisley, inspiring styles can be found online and in stores now. Don't wait for temperatures to soar.

In addition to a variety of patterns, colors, embellishments and silhouettes, women are also creating interesting looks by building entire swimwear wardrobes, said Barbara Wagner, senior swim merchandise manager for Lands' End.

To do so, she suggests pairing a suit you love with a coordinated cover-up skirt or tunic, towel, tote, sandals and a hat.

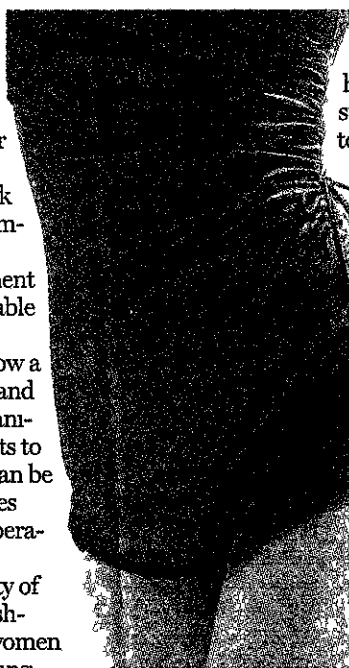
Color is key, said Denise Febbraro, district manager for Everything But Water. "Not many customers come in asking for black."

She said a black swimsuit isn't necessarily the most flattering, depending on a person's skin tone. This year brown, pink, red and turquoise are popular choices according to Febbraro. Key designers include Trina Turk, Vix, and Betsy Johnson. Located inside the Somerset Collection in Troy, Everything But Water stays true to its name. The store sells one-piece suits and an array of mix-and-match separates, all arranged by color.

Suits are available in a wide range of sizes – up to an EE-cup – which Store Manager Kristen Wilk said is a draw for customers. Febbraro said the biggest change in swimwear over the past decade has to do with improvements in technology. Suits made with Xtra Life Lycra, for example, will keep their shape and color longer. Without it, a swimsuit could wear out within 40 hours of use, she said.

The swimsuit is second only to a firefighter's suit when it comes to the amount of abuse one piece of apparel can take, Febbraro said. It has to withstand wind, sand, sun, chlorine, salt and sweat.

From strength to style, this season's suits are decked in metallic rings, beading, ruching, even side-ties. Details add personality to swimwear, and have the power to accentuate



Gathered detailing is flattering and minimizing

assets or minimize flaws. Choosing the right suit will help flatter any figure. In a recent survey of Lands' End female customers, respondents named their top swimsuit anxiety zones.

Topping that list was the tummy and waist, with 49 percent. Hips and thighs came in second with 36 percent, followed by bust at 8 percent and legs at 7 percent. To address those areas of concern, consider these styles:

■ **Minimize bust, enhance shoulders** Try a high-neck tankini or a tank suit for sleek, supportive coverage. Bikini-lovers can opt for a full cup, said Febbraro.

Try Calvin Klein pleated one-piece in a bold color (\$94). Add a pull-on skirt for balance and an A-line shape – like Isaac Mizrahi for Target's swim skirt (\$18).

■ **Define a waistline and minimize a tummy** Look for suits with a shirred waist or ruching, diagonal lines or prints that define the waist. Halter necklines will flatter and draw attention to shoulders. Consider Kenneth Cole Reaction's separates in a ruched halter top (\$48) and skirted bottom (\$50) as a flirty alternative. Look for spandex for added support.

■ **Minimize hips and thighs** Draw attention to the upper body by looking for shapely detailed necklines. Febbraro suggested a rose detailed bikini top by Betsy Johnson, paired with a skirted bottom. Choose a longer skirt to minimize problem thighs, she said.

Or, try a V-neck or halter with an empire waist, like Victoria's Secret's Beach Sexy® polka dot halter tankini (\$38) and double-string bottom (\$20). For one-piece wearers, Michael Kors offers a tank with a decorative ring in his Bamboo collection (\$112).

Febbraro said customers often come in looking for Magic Suits, a brand that promises to flatter figures up to size 16 by making the wearer look 7 pounds thinner.

"It's for someone who just wants that extra confidence," she said. Regardless of size, the right fit is essential. Bring a trusted friend along when shopping for swimwear, or seek an expert. Everything But Water offers fit sessions by appointment. And professional swim fit experts can be reached at Lands' End by calling (800) 675-4853.

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Toasted Lobster Ravioli at 220 Merrill in Birmingham

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Bubble Tea at Tiki Tea at Twelve Oaks Mall

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Bravo! Bravo! at the Detroit Opera House on May 4

## What's List

### Couture in the City

9 Degrees Productions will host a night of fashion, art and music at 7 p.m. Friday, April 27 at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History in Detroit. See clothing by Pitaya Chaudhary, Valerie Keiser and Burn Rubber, then hit the after party at Esko Lounge. Tickets \$30 for general seating, \$75 for VIP seating. Can be purchased as (800) 838-3006 or www.brownpapertickets.com

### Royal Oak Bridal Bliss

Brides to be will find everything they need at Downtown Royal Oak holds its second annual Bridal Bliss 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sat. April 28. Shops that sell lingerie, clothing, accessories, invitations and more will offer special discounts and consultations. Models will tour downtown wearing bridal and bridesmaid gowns by La Contesse of Pleasant Ridge and Vinotoca will host a Happy Hour from 4 to 6 p.m. For a complete list of participating stores, visit www.downtownroyalok.org

### Bridal Sample Sale

The Bridal Salon at Macy's Somerset will host its Annual Bridal Designer Sample Sale April 27-29. Hundreds of couture bridal gowns, including Vera Wang, Reem

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### MS Walk Sit Drink Talk

Check out the debut of Miss Scarlet in the Hall with a Revolver at the 4th annual MS Walk Sit Drink Talk on Saturday, April 28 at Knights of Columbus Hall, 2299 Twelve Mile Road, Berkley. The evening \$10 also features food, drink, socializing, a silent auction and raffle to benefit Multiple Sclerosis. Children welcome. Call (248) 895-7989 or visit www.sitdrinktalk.com

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