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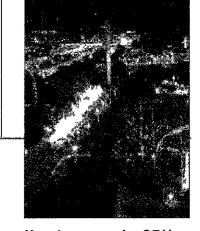
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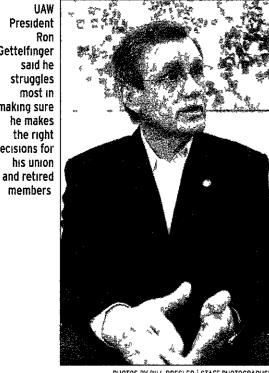
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President Ron Gettelfinger said he struggles most in making sure he makes the right decisions for



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www.hometownlife.com **Gettelfinger: Auto industry** will make it

Union chief 'comfortable' with carmakers, despite tough times

> BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Ron Gettelfinger has been a United Auto Workers member for 43 years, starting out as a chassis line

Gettelfinger Play the repairman at Ford's cards you're dealt A5 Louisville Assembly plant, where he was elected committee chairperson, bargaining

chairperson and local union president However, the Canton Township resident said becoming president of one of the most powerful unions in the country was never really his intention

"I don't think anybody wants to become president, I know certainly that was never a goal or aspiration," said Gettelfinger, who has been UAW president since 2002 'I think the opportunity to represent people is one of the most enjoyable careers, if you will, a person can have And when you re helping them, you re helping their family and their community

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That other Humane Society looks after Canton's strays

STAFF WRITER

Renee Miller was probably like most Canton residents She had no idea that the stray animals found in Conton even tually make their way to an animal shel ter in Ann Arbor

In fact Canton is the only community in Wayne County that is serviced by the Humane Society of Huron Valley - not the Westland based Michigan Humane

Miller a Canton attorney learned about the HSHV last year after hearing about a string of animal cruelty cases, in which animals were being beheaded and dumped along the roadside just west of Canton Once she learned about the organization and all it does to protect animals she began volunteering her services One of her favorite things is to walk the dogs on the shelters grounds on Cherry Hill Road near the village of Dixboro

I just love being around the animals And it's great exercise" said Miller, who has lived in Canton for 14 years

HSHV officials are looking to spread the word that they have a contract with Canton Township, not the Michigan Humane Society

One of the big things we want Canton residents to know is if they lose their dog or pet, don't go to the Westland shelter They need to come here, said Deb Kern, HSHV's marketing director

In 2006, for example, the HSHV took ın 157 stray dogs and 32 stray cats from

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The HSHV prides itself on getting as many animals that come through its doors back out into loving homes To that end, every animal that comes into the shelter whether it is a stray or via a cruelty case i g v n a temperament test to determine it can be eligible for adop

But adoption is just one service offered by HSHV The shelter has a veterinary staff open to the public, clinics and a 24hour cruelty and rescue hotline امن المنافعة investigators who can go out at any time of day to respond to reports of animal cruelty These investigators have the authority to take animals if they determine the case has merit

The shelter also offers a behavior hotline, where volunteers take calls and provide "dog whisperer-like advice to pet owners who might be having trouble with Fido

Although the HSHV which is a nonprofit organization has 32 staff members, it heavily relies on its volunteers, according to Kern The volunteers number in the hundreds, including many who are Canton residents like Miller, who volunteers three or four days a week, plus does some pro bono legal work for the shelter The volunteers perform all kinds of duties, not the least of which is participating in the shelter's foster program

Volunteers in the foster program actually take home animals from the shelter so they can get acclimated to a home environment and get to the point where

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Canton resident Renee Miller, a volunteer at the Humane Society of Huron Valley walks Maggie one of the shelter's residents

Sundays

Honoring a grandfather

Grandson helps unveil sculpture in memory of Kirchgatter

> BY TIFFANY L PARKS STAFF WRITER

A week before he died on May 20, 2003, Richard Kırchgatter found out he was going to be a grandpa Exactly four years later, his 3-year-old grandson, Brady Richard, will help unveil the Kirchgatter Memorial Sculpture at 1 p m Sunday in Heritage Park.

"He didn't know if the baby was a boy or a girl, but he was excited about his first grandchild, said Elaine Kirchgatter, who was married to her college sweetheart for 40 years "He would be proud"



Elaine Kirchgatter, along with her daughters and friends will dedicate sculptures by Peter Rockwell in memory of her late husband Dick Kırchgatter

KIRCHGATTER MEMORIAL SCULPTURE DEDICATION

Time: 1 p m Date: Sunday, May 20 Place: Heritage Park For more information call (734) 394-5131

on the Canton BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Planning Commission for several yéars, belonged to the Plymouth Rotary Club and the Canton Chamber of Commerce and was a member of St Johns Episcopal Church He enjoyed farming,

Born and raised on a farm in Iowa, the father of three was diagnosed with kidney cancer

ın 1990 and wasn't

ship treasurer, said

until the end of his

Africa, Alaska and

working as a vetermarian

Kırchgatter served

Richard

expected to live

remained active

life, traveling to

his profession While wiping tears from her eyes, the pain of Richard's passing is still evident on Elaine's

University of Michigan

football and mastering

difficult surgeries in

face, but she says shes found joy in getting a sculpture in her husbands memory

Elaine and her daughters had met the project's sculptor, Peter Rockwell, years ago and reconnected with him during a family vacation to Italy a year after Richards death

"I wanted something with animals, but nothing caught my eye, said Elaine, who has two porcelain vetermanan figurines displayed in her home "In retrospect, it's better this way

The Heritage Park sculpture features two life-size bronze carvings that weigh more than 200 pounds each Kirchgatter received more than 120 individual donations to help pay for the project, which hovered around \$85,000, including shipping from Rome

Thank you is too trite to describe how I feel, but I really do want to thank everyone for their support," Elaine said "Like all pieces of art, there will be some that don't like it, but I'm excited to have it unveiled I'm looking forward to everyone experiencing the piece firsthand"

Rockwell, the son of renowned artist Norman Rockwell, is slated to attend the dedication ceremony Sunday as well as speak to groups of high school students Monday

am to 1 pm Tuesday, May 22,

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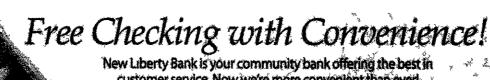
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Coming Sunday Great advances are being

made to fight leukemia, a cancer that afflicts so many children Read about it Sunday in the Health section



Young cancer survivor sings praises of Canton's Relay for Life

BY TIFFANY L PARKS STAFF WRITER

Delaney Renee Diggs has a lot to sing about

The 11-year-old is in her fourth year in remission from the cancer that once ravaged her tiny frame Her body has pushed past the damaged hor mone that kept her at the same height for several years and shes grown to be 4'3 and she has some new locks courtesy of the charitable foundation, Hair Club for Kids

"Shes doing well, said Delaney's mother, Renee LaForest, who said the fifth grader is gearing up to perform at this weekend's Relay for Life ın Heritage Park

Although Delaney's family recently moved to Indiana from Canton they are coming back in



resident Delaney Diggs will be back in town to sing at the opening of Saturday s Relay for Life event at Heritage Park

order to participate in the Relay Having battled Ewings Sarcoma, Delaney sang at last year's Relay and will perform Amazing Grace this year

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Theres no way we would miss this, LaForest said The people in Canton have been really wonderful to us and the

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Relay is a part of our life The 24-hour event will take place from 10 a m Saturday to 10 a m Sunday at Heritage

Created to honor the deceased, celebrate cancer sur vivors and raise money for can cer research, the Canton Relay is in its ninth year and draws thousands of participants each year Last years Relay raised about \$250 000

Relay for Life co chair Marion Rozum said the organ izers are thrilled Delaney is coming back to sing at this

years celebration

Seeing a child with cancer touches every heart there she said Delaney is a delightful child and to see someone with so much fight in them is wonderful'

In addition to Delaney's performance, the Relay will feature informational booths cancer education and a silent auction The organizers have also put together a 'Walk of Hope' dis play that will feature 18 large wooden gingerbread men rep resenting the different types of

Attendees will be able to attach a ribbon indicating a particular cancer on each gin gerbread man

"We have something for everyone and there will always be something going on, Rozum said adding that the Relay is open to the entire community

Seventy teams have signed up to participate in the festivities

One of Cantons newest teams, the Dodson SunJewels Lighting a Path Touching a Heart has become one of the highest fund-raisers



Dodson Elementary fourth grade teacher Ms Grahl is surrounded by her students during the recent Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week. The theme for this day was Sharing a World of Flowers and students showered her with flowers from by Holiday Market The Dodson students and staff have raised money for the upcoming Relay for Life

in the state pulling in more than \$19 600 The 35 member team was organized in the memory of former Dodson Elementary School principal Cheryl Clason and former Dodson student Andrew Holmlund

Both Clason and Andrew 7, died of cancer in 2006

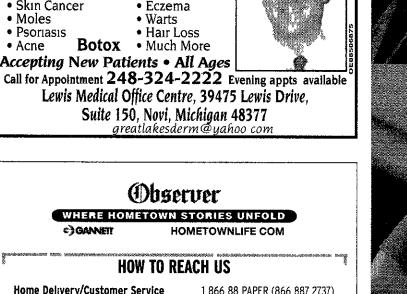
They are one of the top teams in the state but all of our teams are stepping up,' Rozum said Every dollar we are able to secure is a dollar that we need No dollar is being spent foolishly

Those interested in participating in the event will be able to register at the opening ceremonies

For more information, visit www relayforlife org and select Find Relay Events

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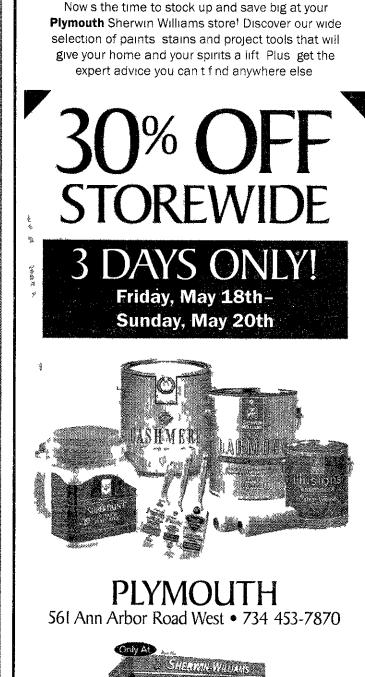
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Lawmaker seeks input

State Rep Phil LaJoy's online office now features a link to a tax calculator and tax plan estimator for local businesses to approximate what their tax liability could be under the four proposed Single Business Tax replacement plans LaJoy posted the link to encourage feedback from local business owners on the replacement plans and how they will help, or hurt, their business It can be accessed under the "Taxpayer Resources" link located on www.gophouse.com/lajoy.htm

'Any replacement for the Single Business Tax will greatly impact the current economic condition, as well as influence the future of the economy in the state," said LaJoy, R-Canton "The economic crisis the state is currently facing, not to mention the budget deficit, strongly indicates the need for a new direction with a tax replacement The elimination of the SBT has provided the opportunity to return Michigan to a competitive business environment I want input from local businesses about how each plan will affect you and your business"

The tax calculator, provided by the National Federation of Independent Business, allows users to determine approximate tax liability under the replacement plans The tax plan estimator, provided by the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, provides an estimate of what the chamberendorsed plan could cost

The tax calculators are simply intended to provide an estimate for comparison

While elephant sale

The Canton Place Seniors are hosting a White Elephant and Bake sale 9 a.m to 2 p m Saturday, May 19, in the Community Room at 44505 Ford Road (corner of Ford and Sheldon) The public is invited to attend Homemade baked goods and lunch are available for purchase Proceeds benefit the Canton Place Resident Association

Home security seminar

Canton Police Departments

Crime Prevention Unit will be hosting a Home Security Seminar from 10 a.m to noon, Saturday, June 2, at the Summit on the Park Sgt Deb Newsome will be discussing options for homeowners to maximize security of their home with or without a security alarm system Items such as doors, windows, locks and landscaping will be discussed with safety in mind Sgt Newsome will also discuss vacation tips for homeowners that are away for an extended period of time

In addition, Fire Inspector Nichole Hamilton will provide some valuable home fire prevention tips for summer, and Canton's Emergency Management Planner Kathy Rich will talk about severe storm safety and Do 1 Thing, a program designed to prepare residents for a emergency, one step at a time

Space is limited and reservations are required Please call (734) 394-5325 to reserve a

Scholar receives award

Canton's Adam Sonnanstine, a senior at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, was recently honored with a seven term James B Angell Scholar Award at the 84th Annual Honors Convocation in recognition of a perfect scholarship

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Sonnanstine

20 seniors university-wide received the seven-term honor and six recent graduates the eightterm honor Sonnanstine is

one of two from the School of Engineering and the only one from the Computer Science Department to receive this

Prior to the ceremonies, all Angell Scholars and their families were invited to a luncheon hosted by Mary Sue Coleman, university president

Sonnanstine was also a four year member of the Michigan Marching Band where he served as center snare and percussion section leader for the last two years He is the son of Alan and Kathy Sonnanstine of Canton and is a 2003 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School

Create a Web site

On Wednesday, May 30, from 6-9 p m, the Canton Chamber of Commerce 1s offering a Learn to Create Your Own Web Site course at Canton Computers, which is located at the southwest corner of Canton Center and Ford Road This is one of many computer training courses that have been scheduled throughout 2007 These classes are open both to Chamber members and the public

Cost for the seminar is \$25 for Chamber members and \$40 for non-members Class size is limited, registration will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis To register, contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040 Registration deadline is May 25 All 2007 seminars and computer training courses are sponsored by Telcom Credit Union

Music Together classes

Harmony and Me will offer free Music Together sample classes at 9 15 a.m on Tuesday, May 22 and at 10 30 a m and 11 30 a m, May 24 Music Together is an early childhood music and movement program for children and their parents/caregivers Siblings are welcomed and encouraged to attend classes with older siblings Advanced registration is required, and spaces are limited Please call (248) 489-9330 or go to

www HarmonyAndMeKids co m to reserve your space Summer classes begin June 20 - Aug 2

McNamara to visit

Wayne County Commissioner Kevin McNamara will be meeting with citizens on Wednesday, May 23, 2007, at the Irre Caribbean Cuisine Restaurant from 5 p m to 7 p m

All citizens are invited to attend Free smoothies will be served to each attendee

'I look forward to meeting with Canton Township citizens to update them on county programs and services and to also hear what issues are important to them," McNamara said

The restaurant is located at 45580 Cherry Hill Road, just west of Canton Center Road For information, please call

Heather Dobrowolski in

Now, that's a fish

Justin Grammatico-Lamb, a 10 year old Canton resident holds his prized catch - a 17 1/2-inch rainbow trout, which was the largest fish caught at the annual Canton Fishing Derby on May 5 in the ponds at Heritage Park Participants in the annual event paid \$5 to fish and they could keep up to three fish Justin won a \$150 gift certificate from Tru-Life Taxidermy of Westland to have his winning fish mounted. I never thought I would ever step foot into a taxidermist but the things we do for our children,' said his mom, Robyn Lamb

Commissioner McNamaras office at (313) 224-0944

International festival

The Muslim Community of Western Suburbs and Crescent Academy (40440 Palmer Road) will host its 2007 Summer International Festival

from 1-5 p m, May 19 The festival will feature an international food selection rides, shopping, a petting zoo, clothes, jewelry, art work,

books, household items, and a variety of delicious foods Recreation for children and art activities (henna and face painting) will be available Additionally, tours of the new center and masjid will be offered

For more information, contact Sumreen Jılanı vıa e-mail at sumreen_a@yahoo com or by phone at (734) 398-5582, or Muzammil Ahmed via email at

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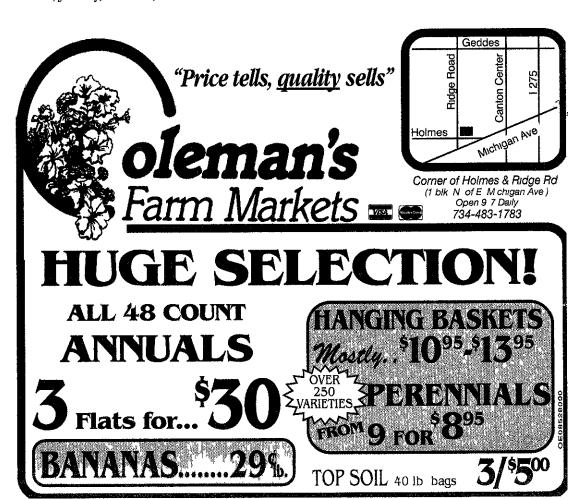
Shore Mortgage and Remerica Cross Roads Realty will host a free home buyers/credit repair seminar at 7 p m, May 24 at 7277 N Lilley Road in Canton Topics will include repairing and improving your credit score, down payment assistance, and the home buying process

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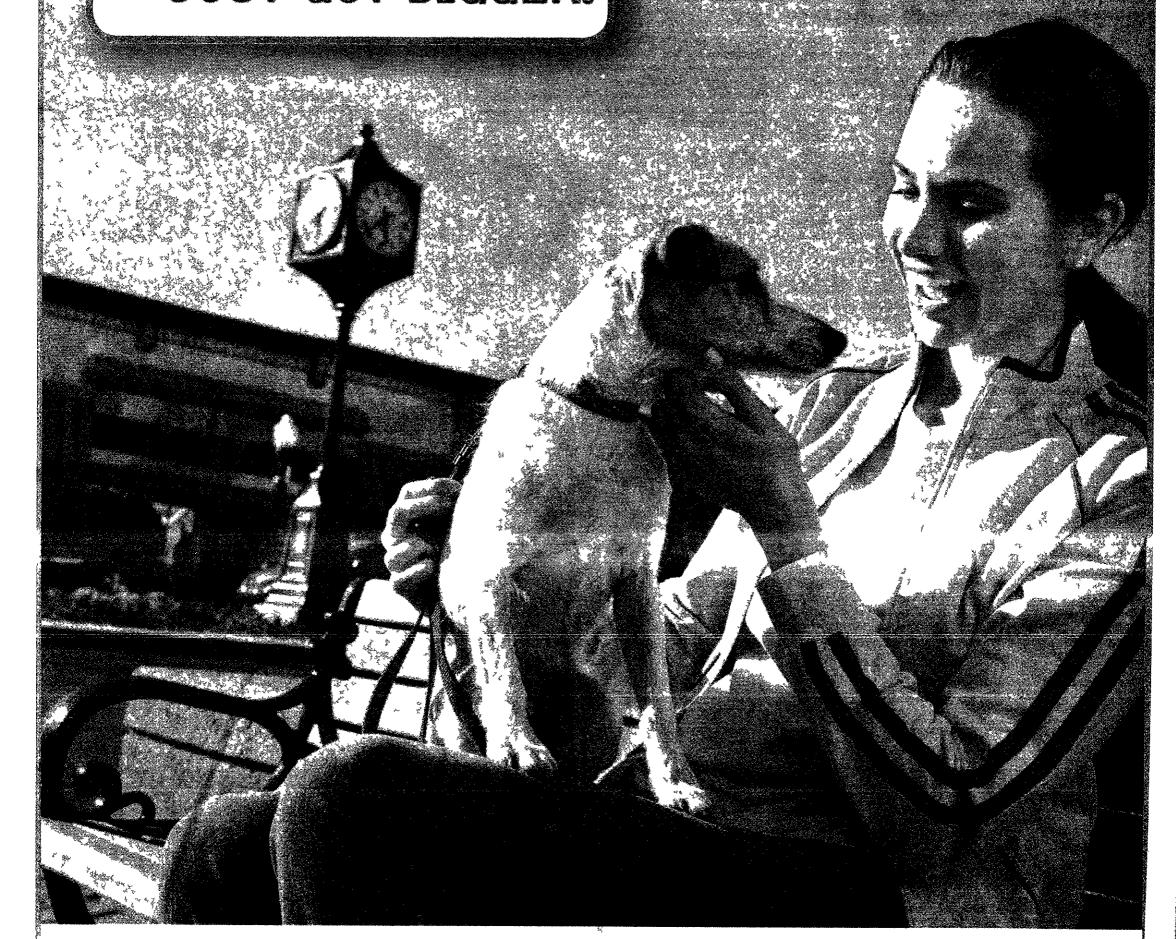




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UAW chief: 'Play cards you're dealt'

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

United Auto Workers President Ron Gettelfinger said he's not thrilled Cerberus Capital Management will become the new majority owner of Chrysler, but you have to play the cards that your

"Do we feel good its an equity fund, absolutely not,' said Gettelfinger in an exclusive interview with the Observer in his Solidarity House board room, moments before making his first public statements on the deal "We like to think of it as they come in and strip a company and flip em, and sell it for what they can

"The indications are here that's not going to happen," he said And, you have to place a certain amount of confidence in what you're told and we have to take it at face value that they have no intention of stripping and flipping this company

Cerberus, a New York City fund, will pay \$74 billion for an 80-percent stake in Chrysler, with Daimler keeping the remaining 20 percent

Gettelfinger, who resides in Canton Township, said the union would have preferred to stay aligned with Daimler, however when DaimlerChrysler Chief Executive Dieter Zetsche announced Feb 14 Chrysler might be for sale and all options were on the table, the UAW knew the future would look different

"Their stock shot up dramatically, some 30-percent increase with the announcement, Gettelfinger said It's pretty hard when that market cap is raised on the stock there's no turning that thing

"We made one last pitch, but now the decision has been made, Gettelfinger said "I don t know when they made the final conclusion, but we reviewed their action and its time for us to move forward to the next chapter Without question, in our mind, this is the best of the alternatives that are in front of us?

Gettelfinger noted that with Daimler remaining a minority owner of Chrysler, there will continue to be interaction with their German partner

"I think there will still be a lot of interfacing between the two companies, that's the commitment they gave us, Gettelfinger said "I think that's important if you're talk ing about new technology and joint programs Gettelfinger and General

Holiefield, a UAW vice president who is head of the Chrysler bargaining team, met Tuesday with top officials of Cerberus and Chrysler Group, a day before the DaimlerChrysler Supervisory

Board — of which Gettelfinger is a member - discussed the deal Wednesday 'Absolutely, they will recog-

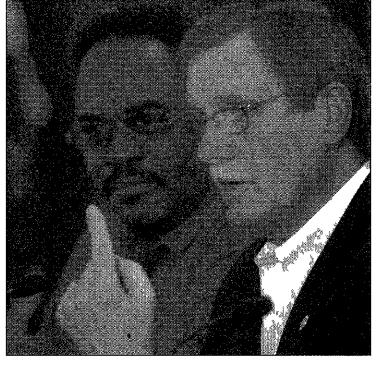
nize the contract, said Gettelfinger of Cerberus' intentions toward the union "I think the fact the current man agement team (including Chrysler CEO Tom LaSorda) is staying is a positive

At the news conference, Gettelfinger said he believes Chrysler's earlier announcement it will invest nearly \$2 billion dollars to refurbish plants in Michigan won t

"I think the commitments that have been made the \$17 billion that will be invested in this area (will continue), Gettelfinger said There's going to be a lot of things that are going to happen to be in the best interest of moving forward"

Holiefield predicted his interactions with Cerberus wont be any different than his dealings with Daimler

We ve been through this before when Chrysler was assumed by Daimler Hohefield said 'It was pretty much like it was back then, we were uncertain as to whether that engagement would begin to pan out We feel as though we have an excellent opportunity, and were going to build the best automobiles you ve ever seen out on the street



UAW President Ron Gettelfinger and Vice President General Holiefield field questions from the press regarding the sale of Chrysler

When asked by the Observer if being owned by an American company will allow Chrysler to regain its own identity, Holiefield said he d like to see

that happen We re all reaching for the Pentastar, we know that's the ınsıgnıa of Chrysler,' Holiefield

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FROM PAGE AT

they are adoptable Foster volunteers are trained do help the animals overcome whatever physical or mental challenges they may have brought with them when they arrived at the

Miller, who has fostered several HSHV animals at her home, says the program really works

"They do such a great job getting animals adoptable and finding them a home, she said

According to Kern the shelter is always looking for more volunteers, whether to participate in the foster program or simply walk dogs once a week But she said it takes a certain kind of someone to be around an animal shelter because it can be depressing to see how many animals are mistreated by people and then need a

"People don t understand the emotional attachment for those people who work here Its hard sometimes People get burnt, she said 'You have to be an anımal lover first and foremost We do everything we can for these animals I know when I get up in the morning, I m

doing something I love On Saturday, the HSHV will hold the 28th annual Walk & Wag, a family-oriented benefit that will feature the famous

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For more information: www.hshv.org.or.call (734) 662 5585 Ext 125

Rock N-Roll K 9s Agility Performance Team and many other activities that will appeal to pet owners The event helps fund the HSHVs programs

For more information about the Humane Society of Huron Valley which is located at 3100 Cherry Hill Road in Ann Arbor or the Walk & Wag event this weekend, visit the groups Web site at www hshv org

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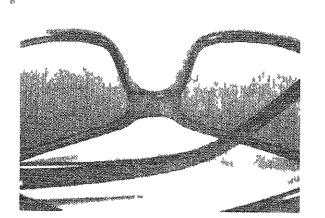
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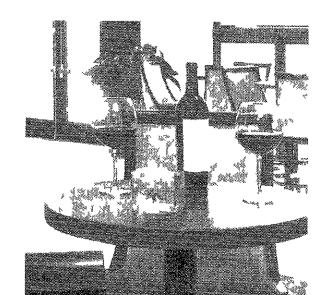


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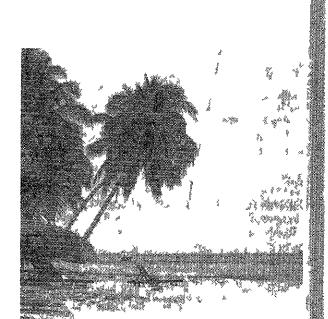


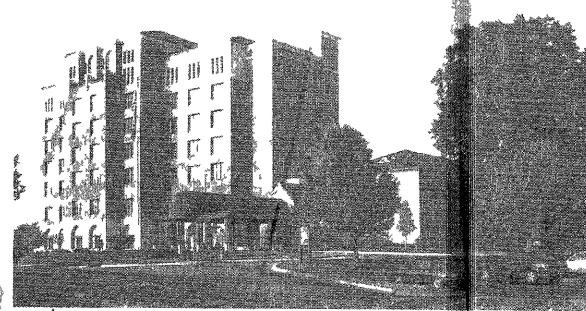
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'(Past UAW President) Walter Reuther used to say, 'There's no greater calling than to serve your fellow person, and no greater satisfaction than to do it well,' he said 'Now, whether we do it well or not, somebody else can cast judgment on that at a later

Gettelfinger talked Monday exclusively with the Observer in his private board room at the UAW's Solidarity House headquarters in Detroit dur ing a whirlwind day that began with the news Chrysler was being sold to Cerberus Capital Management

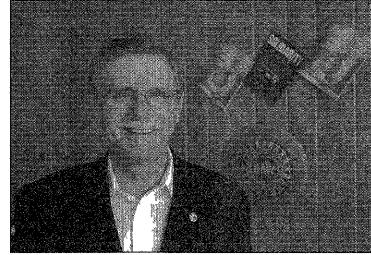
His softspoken manner shouldn't be confused for a lack of toughness In his first days in office, Gettelfinger called strikes at four Johnson Controls facilities and won first contracts at three of them In 2003, he led the UAW negotiating teams at General Motors, Ford, DaımlerChrysler, Delphi and Visteon, needing only five days

with all five companies Despite the many current problems surrounding the domestic auto industry that have affected hundreds of thousands of UAW employees at the Big Three and their sup pliers, Gettelfinger said he doesn't feel any pressure

to reach contract agreements

But, in a rare moment of insight into himself, Gettelfinger admits I some times struggle wanting to know that I ve made the right decision'

Gettelfinger said his tough est decision came in 2005 when the UAW granted health-care concessions to both General Motors and Ford



Ron Gettelfinger, president of the UAW is a Canton resident

There was no question about it, the most difficult decision I ever had to make, Gettelfinger said 'We did an in-depth, thorough study and analysis of the companies' finances and we came to the conclusion that it was in the best interest of our membership that we take some kind of action there

"I had a lot of retirees ask me not to do anything, and I d say OK, but what happens if the company goes bankrupt and you lose all your health care and a portion of your pension? he said Would you then come back to me and say Thank you, Ron, you did a great job for me?

Gettelfinger said despite rumors of their demise, he believes Detroits Big Three will pull through their current financial problems

A statement was made in the media by a so-called expert that Ford is in meltdown, Gettelfinger said I don't believe that GM seems to be doing well, and Chrysler has some great products out there So I feel very comfortable where we re at

But, Gettelfinger admitted, that doesn't mean there won't be some difficult times ahead

"It's a tough market, very competitive, but under the circumstances the unfair trade* agreements work against us, Gettelfinger said It's really like these companies are competing against governments, to a degree as opposed to the competition that's coming in here In the case of Toyota, they sold 2 5 million vehicles in this country, with over a million of them imported from Japan When you have curren cy manipulation, that's a huge advantage to them

These trade agreements that have been negotiated are anything but fair, he added Its like we're giving our jobs away"

Gettelfinger said one of his biggest concerns and disappointments is the state of health care in the US

Health care in our country is a disgrace and a disaster, and we're having a hard time getting anybody's attention to get if fixed, said Gettelfinger, who favors a national health care system We like to think

Local dealers happy Chrysler management team will be kept

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

When news of the sale of Chrysler to Cerberus Capital Management spread Monday, Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep owner Jim Schebil said the key for dealerships — includ-ing his in Plymouth Township - was the acknowledgment by Cerberus officials the

will remain intact The most important thing I'm happy about is (Chrysler CEO) Tom LaSorda will still be there I like what I see with him in charge and the

Chrysler management team

comeback plan he has, said Schebil, who is on the board of directors for Chrysler-Jeep Superstores I'm happy it's over and everybody can move on and get the company rolling in the right direction

Schebil is aware of the rumors that Cerberus, an equity company, will make big cuts at Chrysler However, he said that's not necessarily

"That's a possibility, but if they have to do that to make Chrysler a profitable company there's nothing wrong with being profitable," he

Dick Scott, owner of Dick Scott Dodge in Plymouth,

said Cerberus is a good fit for Chrysler 'To be with Cerberus is a great move in the right direction,' Scott said "They know

the automotive business, and

we've been assured by Tom

LaSorda there will be no changes, only for the best of pretty tough sledding,' he added But if Chrysler and GM continue to build great products, I think we ll see a

'We have a year-and-a-half stronger economy and Michigan will make a come-

that if people (elected officials) ın Washington DC have health care, and prisoners have health care, then everybody inbetween should have health care It seems pretty simple to us, but it's been difficult getting movement in that area

Alternative energy sources and global warming are buzz words being directed at domestic carmakers Gettelfinger said the industry has an obligation, but not the sole responsibility, to address the problems

We believe in carbon caps, but we don t believe the auto industry is the only place where you should go to fix the problem of the environment, Gettelfinger said We initially supported CAFE (Corporate

Average Fuel Economy) standards when they were put in place, and we re not opposed to increasing them But let's not do it at the expense of the industry or workforce

It has to be nationwide, all encompassing, he added Your home and my home have to be part of the equa-

The UAW has had its challenges in attempting to organize the auto plants of foreign nameplates, and job cuts and layoffs have resulted in a decline of union membership

However, Gettelfinger said the UAW is making strides in broadening membership by organizing casino workers nationwide and representing

legal services workers Its also the largest union for graduate student employees

We're not going away, and were going to continue to beef up our efforts in organizing because there's no other instrument that gives workers any form of equity and justice in the workplace other than a union, Gettelfinger said "Anyone who sells organized labor short on being able to get their message out and being energized and motivated when it comes to issues and politics would be making a mistake, because organized labor is very much ready to

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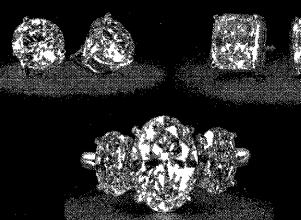
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Race, media focus of OU forum

The third segment of a groundbreaking television series on race relations in metropolitan Detroit will be taped at 6 p m Wednesday, May 23, in Varner Recital Hall on the campus of Oakland University

The public is invited to attend the Detroit Public Television taping of Bridging the Racial Divide, a series co-hosted by former NBC correspondent and news anchor Emery King and WJR radio host Paul W Smith The series examines the costs of segregation in Detroit, which is the most racially segregated metro-

politan area in the United States

"Our hope is that this program will help to inform and enlighten metro Detroiters, many of whom may not believe there are serious ramifications to living so separately," said King

"Although they may not have clear price tags, many of today's social ills, from inefficient land use in the suburbs to crumbling schools in Detroit, may be traced back to the effects of segregation throughout metro Detroit," Smith added

The first two programs in the series aired in September

and February and were recorded at Wayne State and Madonna University Each program in the series focuses on one particular aspect of the problem The show being recorded at Oakland University will focus on racism in the media

Invited members of the media will form a panel on stage King and Smith will interact with the panel, but the intention is to involve the audience as participants as well

For more information, or directions to Varner Recital Hall, call (248) 370-2032, or visit www oakland edu

Rules to live by when making investments

was asked about a recent column and why it appeared to be different from the

advice I gave someone on my radio show The issue dealt with taking a lump sum distribution vs a pension. For one individual, I told them to take the pension offered by their company. For another individual, I recommended taking the lump sum distribution.

The individual I spoke with wanted to know why the contradiction My answer is there is no contradiction When it comes to financial planning, you need to look at the individual and his or her personal situation. It would be easy if everyone was in the same situation, however, that is not the case

There are many factors to consider when deciding whether someone should take a lump sum distribution or a pension When it comes to money, what may be good for some

people may not be good for all The following are the rules I use in establishing strategies for clients

I I never invest in anything or recommend a financial product that I cannot check out independently I don't want to rely on what a company says about its product or what a salesperson says I want to be able to check out an investment independently Typically, I want to look at two or three independent sources regarding an investment. One of the reasons I like mutual funds is that I can find independent

2 I don't invest in anything

information about them



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> Rick Bloom

that does not have a track record I know this is not necessarily politically correct, but I believe the only reason you invest money is to make money I want to look at an investment and see how it has performed over time Generally I like investments that have been around at least 10 years so I can analyze their three five and 10 year track record By following this rule, it is possible that I miss out on something new that can do very well However more likely than not, this won t be the case Rather by following this rule, I won t get involved in something that potentially can cost me a lot of money

3 I never invest in anything that I do not understand. This doesn't mean I have to under stand all the intricacies. I want to make sure that I understand how I can make money how I can lose money and how I can get my money out when I choose.

4 I never invest in anything until I understand the cost I want to know what it costs to buy, to sell and to hold an investment Any independent study says costs do matter The key to being a successful investor is to minimize the cost of investing That is why I avoid commission

products and investments that have high ongoing fees. If you, want to keep more money in your pocket where it belongs, you will do the same

I believe commissions create a potential conflict of interest. Is the individual selling you the investment because it is good for you or good for them? The best commissioned salespeople I know never worry about commissions because they always worry about taking care of their clients. However, there are too many people who work on commission who are worried about one thing — what ends

up in their pocket, not yours
My last rule is the smell test
If something smells too good
to be true, it usually is When
people make outrageous
claims, you know it is something you ought to avoid

There are different investment strategies that investors can use to be successful, however, do not confuse strategies with rules Sometimes it seems that by following the rules, you are missing out on a great opportunity My experience is by following basic rules, being patient and not letting greed dictate your decisions, you will have more money in your pocket — where it belongs

Rick Bloom is a fee only financial adviser Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at moneymaters@hometownlife com For more information visit Rick's Web site at www bloomassetmanagement com You can hear Rick from noon to 3 pm Sundays on WDTK AM (1400)

Wayne RESA names new superintendent

Christopher A Wigent, superintendent of Calhoun Intermediate School District, was unanimously approved as the new superintendent for the Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency

The RESA board voted May 10 to hire Wigent to replace outgoing superintendent Marlene Davis, who will retire at the end of June

Wigent has been superintendent of the Calhoun Intermediate District for the



Wigent

He has also been superintendent of Olivet Community Schools and Dryden

past six years

Dryden Community Schools on a number

He is active on a number of state and national professional and community organizations, including serving as board chair of the Michigan Virtual University Board, member of the Michigan State University College of Education National Advisory Board, the statewide School-Public Health Pandemic Issues Workgroup and chair of the National Resources Center for the Healing of Racism Board of Directors

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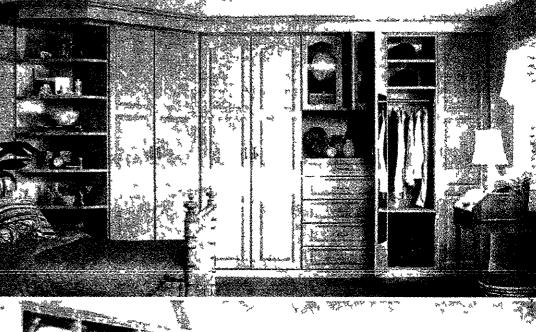
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Plan builds on area's strengths

In a time of almost unrelenting doom and gloom about the future of southeast Michigan, a group of area leaders is taking a proactive approach toward accentuating the positive in our region

Detroit Renaissance's Road to Renaissance is a detailed road map for kickstarting our lagging economy by building on our strengths It proposes drawing on government, business and foundation funding to study, create a timeline and act on important economic initiatives

The plan focuses on six development priorities becoming a center for global mobility, growing an aerotropolis, growing greater Detroit's creative community, growing greater Detroit's entrepreneurial capacity, retaining out future talent base, and promoting globally, communicat-

The elements are already in place Detroit Metro and Willow Run airports are perfectly positioned along I-94, between the financial and business center of Detroit and the research and educational might of the University of Michigan ın Ann Arbor The land is available for development and redevelopment The airport city concept could transform this area into a logistics hub with warehousing and research and development facilities for cutting edge businesses

The Woodward creative corridor from downtown Detroit to the New Center area has been building slowly but surely over the past decade This plan will help accel-

The plan will also accelerate the growth of new businesses by adding two additional business accelerators to the four that already operate in providing the resources that new businesses need to succeed

We also support the emphasis on education and keeping talented young people here with new jobs that will challenge and reward them

By building on what we have and getting key players on board, this is a plan with a good chance to succeed Doug Rothwell, president of Detroit Renaissance, summed it up succinctly in an interview with the Observer & Eccentric "This is a strategy that focuses on a handful of priorities It doesn't address everything we need to do to get our economy in fifth gear But it is a start What we need to do now is focus This region has a tendency to 'zig and zag' on the project du jour Our success will largely be determined by our ability to stick with a strategy long enough to see it through'

It's time to end water dispute

Water, water everywhere, but the fight continues over ownership

Summer's warmer weather is sure to bring increased water use by weekend lawn warriors, and a fresh round of battles over the Detroit water department and the system

Bickering over water rates certainly is not new and in fact is the primary reason a US District judge has the final say over how the system operates instead of the city of Detroit, which owns the water and sewer systems, and the suburban communities that comprise its customer base

The flag bearer for the opposition continues to be Oakland County Drain Commissioner John McCulloch, who has argued long and hard — and with some past success — that Detroit's system is mismanaged to the point that water rates are unnecessarily high

Although McCulloch's complaints largely have fallen on deaf ears when it comes to system administrator US District Judge John Feikens, he did score a major victory when the city of Detroit was ordered by the judge to refund millions of dollars charged to suburban customers for a new radio system used mostly by the city's police and fire departments

And McCulloch may find some traction in opposing a new regional governing body proposed by Feikens that calls for a new, eight-member regional authority to own and operate the system Like the current board, the new authority would be slanted toward the city of Detroit, which would have five of the eight votes even after being compensated for transferring ownership of the system

It seems silly that a region literally surrounded by clean, fresh drinking water would fight so long and so hard over its delivery system. The only way this issue will be resolved is for all sides - the city of Detroit, McCulloch and other suburban leaders, the state Legislature and, perhaps most importantly, Feikens — to continue to work on finding a solution that everyone can accept

We've heard a lot lately about regional cooperation and the need for city and suburbs to set aside their historical differences to lead a renaissance of economic prosperity for southeast Michigan Ending the water system dispute would be a good first step



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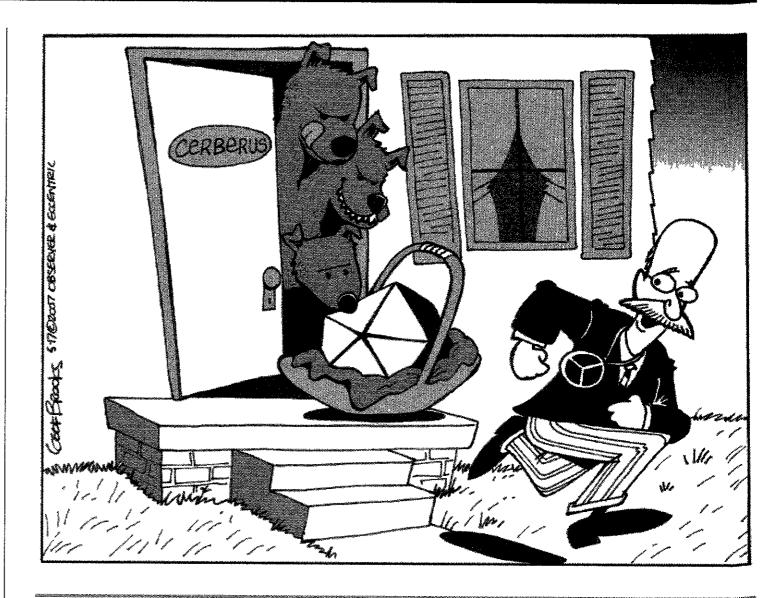
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LETTERS

Don't single me out

"Never let an untruth stand In a recent letter to the editor, Michael Siegrist, a former Schoolcraft College student and editor of the student newspaper, demonstrated that he missed the journalism class on 'getting the facts' before putting pencil to paper He alleged that I have "been pushing Fausone for the seat (Schoolcraft Board of Trustees) for the better part of a decade 'What proof does he offer? None In fact, I have known of Jim Fausone by virtue of his service on the Canton Library Board Up until two months ago, Jim and I probably exchanged but 10 words of greetings

It is true that I did express disappointment, on behalf of Canton residents, when the Schoolcraft board chose not to appoint a Canton resident to a vacant board position Why was it important to select a Canton resident? Canton is more than 30 percent of the district, ranks second in its financial support (property taxes), and its residents account for a high percentage of the student he Canton has traditionally been underrepresented on the board Only two Canton residents have served on the board in the 46-year history of the college (representing less than 5 percent of total board years) I sent a letter to the college board members conveying the above I also indicated that their actions reinforced the perception that Schoolcraft is a Livonia college My letter was greeted with disdain by a few Schoolcraft board members, while others expressed their appreciation for my position

Mr Siegrist acknowledges that the Schoolcraft board has been used in the past as a steppingstone to higher office In fact, the individual selected by the board to fill the recent vacancy is rumored to be strongly considering a run for the Michigan House of Representatives in the very near future Siegrist stated that Schoolcraft campaigns have been a low-key affair that is not an honest representation of the past In fact, there has been active campaigning for the Schoolcraft board

For whatever reason, Siegrist wants to single me out for special denouncement ("Tom Yack has been sticking his nose in the race") because I had the nerve to endorse Jim Fausone for Schoolcraft trustee He implies that I have turned the race into a "war zone I never realized allowing your name to appear on campaign literature and a letter to the editor would be equated to committing an act of war Mr Siegrist obviously did not miss the class on aggregation or hyperbole Isn't it a bit ironic that Siegrist closes his letter with his endorsements, but apparently, I am not entitled to the same privilege?

Tom Yack Canton supervisor

We followed rules

After reading the article "Message to yard salers Keep signs on private property" (May 6) we wanted the community to be aware that the Canton Newcomers, a social, civic and charitable organization whose motto is 'where neighbors become friends," did follow the sign permit application/ordinance for our recent Mom 2 Mom Sale and understand its necessity We filed the appropriate paperwork,

received Board of Trustee approval, put the signs up at allowed times and promptly took them down after the sale

We are unsure why we were referenced in the aforementioned article, as we know of no sign that was removed by an ordinance officer and didn't receive a citation (action referenced to be taken against those not in compliance) We very much appreciate this reasonable compromise that allowed us to inform the community of our sale, without causing blight. We are proud to be donating part of our proceeds to the Salvation Army Food Bank and the charity PEAC -Program To Educate All Cyclists

We encourage those interested (as we were) in ordinance compliance to visit the township's award-winning Web site, canton mi org for the details

If you are interested in more informa tion about the Canton Newcomers recipi ents of a 2006 Community Supporter Award, including to request a complimentary newsletter, please visit cantonnewcomers org or call (734) 981-1715 You Newcomer

Karen DuMond Canton

Raise issues in public

The teachers union head decries the supposed "bargaining in public' when discussing teacher salaries (Teacher union head decries trustees call for salary cut, May 13) Its not bargaining in public, but raising an issue for discussion that could save the quality of our educational system After all, I remember the union campaigning quite publicly when other issues that could have saved our schools were railed against School vouchers, alternative schools, etc You were vociferously against them with some quite public views including yard signs, billboards, interviews, and scare tactics Vouchers alone could have saved the schools millions per year and perhaps avoided the dire economic straits and threat to quality we now face

> **Tom Maletic** Canton

Good luck, Nancy

I would like to take a brief moment to congratulate Nancy Eggenberger on her election to the P-CCS Board of Education She will do a fine job and we will need her and everyone's best effort in the times ahead

I would also like to thank all of those that supported me in my first race for board I intend to stay active and pursue this goal in the future. The schools need our support more than ever and I encourage all of you to help the board though the coming storm

> **Bruce Koldys** Canton

Muslim women oppressed

Regarding a release in the Sunday Canton Observer about an upcoming speech by a Dr Munira Curtis The talk is entitled 'Are Women in Islam Oppressed or Liberated 'The press release hints that Muslim women are not oppressed May I suggest to the writer Ms Tiffany Parks that she do some homework starting with the Koran She

should also visit the Web site MEMRI TV and view Muslim newscasts from Arab TV stations with English subtitles Also, has Dr Curtis ever lived in a Muslim country? You won't find a lot of women doctors in Muslim countries Muslim women are treated as property

Karen DuMond Belleville

Heise supporter

As a lifetime Plymouth resident and graduate of the Plymouth-Canton schools, I was proud to support Kurt Heise for Plymouth-Canton school board on May 8

While I was disappointed at the timing of Mark Slavens' appointment to the Circuit Court, the school board now has the chance to set things right The board needs to respect the wishes of thousands of voters like me who share Kurts vision for our schools

Our voices need to be heard I hope the school board is listening

Eric Bacyinski

Plymouth Township

Thanking the voters

The votes are in and the precincts have been tallied The people in the cities and townships of the Schoolcraft Community College district have elected me to represent them as their Schoolcraft trustee I am truly humbled by and appreciative of the vote of confidence I promise you that I will not break the trust that you have given me I will do my very best to represent you, your families and all of the stakeholders in the Schoolcraft Community College district

This vote was an endorsement of the unanimous vote of the Board of Trustees last December I truly believe that I was chosen by you because you feel that I best represent the students and families in the district I have worked hard to earn your trust and I will continue to @ my best to make decisions with your best interests in mind

I would like to take this opportunityto thank all of the volunteers who worked on my campaign It was your tireless dedication that ensured my success I also could not have done this without iy family, relatives and friends Thank you so very much!

> Joan Gebhalt Livoa

SHARE YOUR OPINIONS

We welcome your letters to the editor Please include your name address and phone numb for verification. We ask that your letters be 4! words or less. We may edit for clarity space a content

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QUOTABLE

"Hell, yes, it's bargaining in public."

- Plymouth-Canton Education Association President Chuck Portelli, after the school board meeting last week at which Trustee Richard Ham-Kucharski challenged the district's teachers to take a pay cut

No standing still while getting dumped on by trash lobby

ecently, I came under attack by a so-called anti-tax group for standing up against the powerful trash industry Members of the group went through our neighborhoods and taped fliers to our residents' garbage cans - fliers attacking me for fighting to end the massive flood of Canadian and out-of-state trash into our state

Here is what I have to say about that I will continue fighting to protect our communities, land, air, water and roads from the threat of Canadian and out-of-state trash I refuse to be bullied by a political stunt from

groups that are nothing more



Corriveau

than fronts for special inter-Politics aside, trash trucks from Canada and other states pose a very real threat to our residents in Michigan Canadian trash trucks have been involved in major traffic crashes, including one in

two Michigan men in Huron

Canadian trash trucks also have dumped human waste onto busy roads - it happened in Huron Township in March 2006 and in downtown Flat Rock in February 2005 In both cases, major roads had to be closed down while hazardous material teams worked to clean up the toxic spill

Township

In addition, when trucks carrying tons of trash rumble through our communities and tear up our roads, our taxpayers foot the bill for the damages

Last year, Canada and other states dumped 6 3 million tons of garbage in Michigan. accounting for 30 percent of the waste landfilled in our state We took in trash from some of our neighbors, including Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin We also took in trash from as far away as New Jersey and even Florida Why would anyone send their trash more than 1,000 miles to dispose of it? For one reason, and one reason alone - it is dirtcheap to dump in Michigan

Michigan currently charges a paltry 21 cents a ton to dump in our landfills - the lowest dumping charge in the entire Great Lakes region The plan I voted for in the Michigan House will increase that dumping charge to \$750 a ton, bringing us in line with other states and ending the garbage

Got Game?

Yep, got scores, too.

Michigan currently charges a paltry 21 cents a ton to dump in our landfills the lowest dumping charge in the entire Great Lakes region. The plan I voted for in the Michigan House will increase that dumping charge to \$7.50 a ton, bringing us in line with other states and ending the garbage industry's free ride.

ındustry's free rıde

Increasing the dumping charge will work to drastically reduce the amount of Canadian and out-of-state trash flowing into Michigan, because a similar plan worked in Pennsylvania After the Keystone State increased its dumping charge to \$7 25 a ton in 2002, trash imports were slashed by 23 percent Michigan is known far and wide as the Great Lakes State, but we are fast becoming the Great Waste State States such as Pennsylvania are protecting themselves with higher dumping charges, and we must do the same To do that, we must stand up to the powerful special interest groups that profit off the trashing of Michigan

The plan approved by the House also returns money to local communities for road maintenance, public safety and improved recycling programs

The plan to slam the brakes on Canadian and out-of-state trash trucks is now headed to the state Senate, and I urge my fellow lawmakers to act quickly on it Fast action is needed because more than 17,000 tons of trash stream into Michigan every day that we delay

I came to Lansing to stand up for the people I represent and fight for their best interests I will not allow my community to be pushed around by the garbage industry and told that trash, sludge and radioactive waste is more important than our children, communities, lakes and streams I will not back down and allow Michigan to become the nation's dumping ground

State Rep Marc Corriveau represents the 20th House District To contact him call (877) 208 4737 or e mail MarcCorriveau@house mi gov

LETTERS

Ethanol price gouging?

Call me Green, I use Leed's construction when I can and bought a dual-fuel Ford Motor Ethanol/Gas engine vehicle Having funds flow to the North American farmer is a much more pleasant thought than shipping profits overseas

One reason we bought the Mercury Marquis was that the price of gas may double again, however, ethanol should remain relatively stable in price Right? Maybe not!

I can understand with our dependence on foreign oil that the worldwide market for barrels is beyond our control Every time a world event occurs we pay more at the pump Fortunately, during one of the recent lulls in the storm, gas was down near \$2 and I was able to buy ethanol for

There may be a justification for the recent rise in gas to over \$3 but the price of ethanol rising to \$3 has to be pure price-gouging

Right now in southeast Michigan, ethanol is a win-win situation The leaders in this alternative energy are GM and Ford with over three million dual-fuel vehicles like mine on the road Where is the government, when we need to implement the changes so often spoken about but, so far, not acted upon?

There are very few ethanol pumps available When I asked the newly constructed gas station in Plymouth, why no ethanol tanks, his response was that there was too much government regulation to make it worth his while. This was a multimillion dollar investment by an independent entrepreneur The governments did not help, they hurt the

Perhaps at least until the alternative fuel system, including distribution, gets established the state of Michigan could take the road-use tax off of ethanol Give the Green people a break More importantly, give GM and Ford the advantage they need to beat the foreign competition. If the system works we all win by having less dependence upon foreign oil, more jobs in southeast Michigan, cleaner air and more income to, North American

After a temporary moratorium on ethanol fuel state road tax, put it back on in a few years, if nec-

Tom Goebel

Cuts improper

Back in 1984, Michigan residents experienced the loss of over 78,000 vehicles, and there was a

huge public outrage over the auto theft crime and resulting high comprehensive insurance rates that people were paying to cover those losses

Like today, state and local government had no funds for new programs that could help reduce auto theft and so officials joined together to support the development of Michigan's Automobile Theft Prevention Authority They chose to fund this program with a \$1 assessment on all private passenger vehicles that would be collected by all of Michigan's insurance carriers so that no carrier would have a competitive advantage over another,

This assessment provides approximately \$6.2 million in revenue each year

In order to assure Michigan insurance carriers that this assessment would not become an additional source of revenue for the Legislature, the statute clearly states 'Money in the automobile theft prevention fund shall not be considered state money'

What has been the result of the ATPA program? Michigans auto thefts fell to 49,064 in 2005 - a 37 percent reduction from 1984 Since the start of the ATPA program 20 years ago, Michigan's auto thefts have fallen in 17 of those years

Have all these arrests and convictions save Michigan citizens any money on their comprehensive insurance premiums? You bet

The state budget is dire. However, we think the governor made a grave mistake in transferring \$4 million from the ATPA in her recent executive order The governor's advisers apparently thought that the ATPA had a \$4 million surplus, but they failed to provide ATPA staff a chance to explain that the money was already committed to 47 different governmental jurisdictions in the form of grants for 2007, before the governor issued her executive order

The ATPA board is now forced to consider how? to cut grant programs that have already acted on accomplishing their program goals Recently, the attorney general ruled that the governor's executive order program violates state statute and takes money that is statutorily restricted for reducing auto theft

The ATPA board is considering a reduction of 42 percent for all grantees That would mean the elimination of 51 grant-funded law enforcement positions Michigan has already lost 1,600 law enforcement positions since 9/11 The state budget should not be balanced on the back of public

David Gorcyca

president Prosecuting Attorneys Association of



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else when people don't look on

military experience as a posi-

tive, he said "There is a positive for the ability to do a job,

but its not a positive when you

can be called up at anytime

Raczkowski of Farmington

Hills can relate to the prob-

ness owner who lost money

because of military service

I m thankful for the intro-

duction of this legislation," said

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia (left), listens as Michael Harris, director of Michigan Paralized Veterans Association talks about the importance of the Veterans Employment Transition Support Act

McCotter: Tax credit benefits veterans

BY SUE MASON STAFF WRITER

Businesses that hire military veterans could get an income tax credit under a bill introduced Tuesday by US Rep Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia

The bill - Veterans **Employment Transition** Support Act, or VETS for short - would provide a one-time credit to employers against income tax for hiring honorably discharged military personnel The credit would equal 40 percent of the veterans first-year wages or up to 50 percent, if the veteran is disabled

"Encouraging companies to hire veterans is not just the smart thing to do, it's the right thing to do,' said McCotter in announcing the bill at a press conference at the Harris Kehrer VFW Post in Westland on Monday By facilitating their transition into civilian life, we further their good works on behalf of our country and our community

McCotter said the tax credit would not necessarily have to be used for the veterans first job after leaving the service A veteran who decides to go to school and work could hold onto the credit until finding a job in his or her chosen field of work.

"The key is the veterans, he said It allows them to determine when they want to use the credit and that may not necessarily be their first job

According to US Labor Department data, the current unemployment rate for recent ly discharged veterans is 10 4 percent, well above the nonveteran unemployment rate of 4 6 percent Also, 33 percent of the homeless population are veterans and 67 percent of that number served in the military for three or more years

 ${\bf McCotter\ also\ pointed\ out}$ that federal programs providing tax credits cover groups like welfare recipients, ex-felons and young adults, but none target

companies that hire veterans This is the second time

McCotter has introduced the VETS bill He introduced it in the last session of Congress, but it never made it out of the Ways and Means Committee because the (Republican) chairman wasn't disposed to tax credits, McCotter said A possibly stumbling block

this time is the Democrats policy that to offer any tax relief, an area of the budget must be found that can be cut. McCotter, however, said the cost can t be determined since it will depend on how many veterans come back and enter the workforce

How much an employer saves will be determined by when they enter the workforce and their willingness to use the credit, he said Representatives of several

organizations were on hand to show support for the proposed legislation Among them, Michael Harris, executive director of the Michigan

STAFF WRITER Elaine Bone of Brownstown and Kathy Long of Woodhaven came prepared for US Rep Thaddeus McCotter's press conference Monday

BY SUE MASON

They were there to show support for his proposed Veterans Employment Transition Support Act, and there to get people to sign pieces of denim fabric that will be used to make Four Freedoms Gratitude Quilts

To draw attention to their mission, they had a completed quilt spread out on a table in front of them Squares on the front were filled with messages for the recipient, a wounded US soldier

"Remember who its going to, said Bone as people lined up to do a square

The two women have been making the quilts for Operation Quiet Comfort, a Michigan-based volunteer nonprofit organization which provides meaningful support for our wounded warriors and the amazing medical professionals who care for them

'I do the cutting, she does Association, who said the bill is the sewing, said Long, a Woodhaven resident

> Beside them, Tracey Roberts of Livonia placed a portable CD player and CDs, personal care items, undershirt, pants, socks, towel, magazine and paper and pens to write letters home on the table They represent the contents of an Operation Quiet Comfort go bag,' a transition kit for hospitalized wounded soldiers

'When they get to a forward (combat support) hospi tal, their clothes are cut off them and they re separated from their belonging,' said

Roberts Operation Quiet Comfort ships out boxes and boxes of go bags to the hospi-

All of this is 100 percent donations, the products come from all over the country, she

Founded by Lori Pate of LaSalle, Operation Quiet Comfort started making the Four Freedoms Gratitude Quilts Pate took the name from a January 1941 speech to Congress by President Franklin D Roosevelt which identified the four freedoms as freedom of speech and expression and worship and freedom from want and fear

The mission expanded when the hospitals started contacting her for everything When a hospital needed portable bath tubs, she put it on the Web site and got 20 donations

These days, every room of Pate's house is filled with Quiet Comfort items, and she goes to the post office daily to pick up more donations

She does whatever is needed to bring immediate relief to our troops, Bone said

The organization relies entirely on donations to do its work Everything that comes in goes to the wounded soldiers

'They need money, said Roberts There's no overhead, every penny they get goes to the troops

People who liked to help Operation Quiet Comfort can find more information about the organization on its Web site at www operationquietcomfort com Donations also can be sent to Operation Quiet Comfort, PO Box 263, LaSalle, MI

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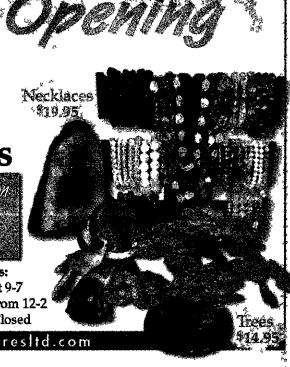




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RELIGION CALENDAR

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar fax it to (734) 591 7279 or write Religion Calendar Observer Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150 The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday

MAY

Divorce recovery

730 9 p.m. Thursday May 17 to June 14 at First Presbyterian Church Emeritus Room (upper level) 200 E Main Northville The cost of the work shop is \$45 (scholarships available) To register call (248) 349 0911 Solanus Casey benefit

Wine tasting (featuring over 100 wines from around the world) and silent auction 6 30 10 30 p m Friday May 18 at St. John's Armenian Cultural Center 22001 Northwestern Southfield Tickets \$75 and available at the Fine Wine Source Livonia (734) 425 8610 All proceeds benefit Solanus Casey Center (www.solanuscenter.org)

Neon indoor golf

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Friday May 18 details are to be deter mined For more information call the Single Point Ministries office at Ward Church at (248) 374 5920

Monthly meeting

For Bethany Suburban West a Catholic organization providing peer support for the divorced and separat

ed of all Christian faiths Saturday May 19 at Leon's Family Dining 30149 Ford road next to Tim Horton's Garden City All separated divorced and singles welcome For details call (734) 513 9479

Coffeehouse concert

Lee Murdock performs Saturday May 19 at MAMA's Coffeehouse in Birmingham Unitarian Church 38651 N Woodward near northwest corner of Lone Pine Road Bloomfield Hills Open mic at 715 p.m. show at 8 p.m. Admission \$12 \$10 seniors and age 16 and under Refreshments available Call (248) 569 0965 for information 3(248) 626 4650 to reserve open mic time

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On Sunday May 20 during the 11 a m worship service Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church celebrates Captain Richard Wolfram's retirement from the Chaplain Corps of the U.S. Navy Captain Jonathan Frusti is the guest preacher The public is welcome to attend this special service in recogni tion of Wolfram and all of the Armed Forces at the church 14175 Farmington Road Livonia Summer music ministry

Potpourri May 31 Brass Quintet June 21 and Cabaret July 19 dinner at 6 pm (\$5) concert at 7 pm Thursdays at St. James Presbyterian Church 25350 W Six Mile Redford A love offering will be received for the Music Ministry at St. James. Call (313) 534

7730 Higher Rock Cafe

Second and fourth Friday of the month doors open at 730 p m live bands begin at 8 pm presented by Salvation Army of Wayne/Westland 2300 S Venoy between Michigan Ave and Palmer For information call (734) 722 3660 or visit www.tsa.higherrock cafe 4t com

Worship service

10 a m Sundays at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour 29425 Annapolis Westland Sunday School for children For information call (734) 728 3440

JOY meeting

The JOY Builders (Just Older Youth ages 50 plus) meet 11 30 a m the third Thursday of the month for lunch fel lowship 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 s no charge although we ask that you bring a luncheon dish to share

Anyone age 55 plus is welcome to the Juncheon 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

Youth wanted

Tweens and teens age 12 and up are invited to join in various youth activi ties held at Riverside Park Church of God 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth) Livon a 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 out ing/activity geared specifically to their needs. For details, call (734) 464

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 R verside Park Church of God 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth) Livonia Day and night classes avail able To register call (734) 464 0990

UPCOMING

Franciscan peacemaking

How do we find personal peace in a chaotic world? How peace in our everyday life is achieved through for giveness and loving kindness Personal peace can set the stage for international peace. These topics will be discussed during a presentation by the internationally known author poet and spiritual master Rev Murray Bodo OFM at 730 pm Friday June 1 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church 47650 N Territorial Road at Beck Plymouth Tickets \$15 For more infor mation call St. Aloysius Parish (313) 237 5810 or Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish (734) 453 0326 Ext 221

Garage sales

9 a m to 4 p m Friday Saturday June 12 at Cherry Hill Village and Cherry Hill United Methodist Church near the intersection of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads If you need it you will find it Call church for more information or directions (734) 495 0035

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 mar ket (weather permitting) to the public Spots are available to rent at only \$20 each 8 tables are an add tional \$5 You must register by May 30 For more informat on call (734) 464 0990 The church is at 11771 Newburgh Road (cor ner 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

Texas Hold-em

Tournament 5 30 p m to midnight Saturday June 2 at St John Bosco Church 12170 Beech Daly Redford \$30 cash buy in first prize is \$500 Prizes prorated for smaller groups age 18 and over pre registration required 8 30 a m to 3 30 p m (except for noon to 1 p m) Monday Friday Call (313) 937 9690

Monthly dance

For Bethany Suburban West a Catholic organization providing peer support for the divorced and separat ed of all Chr stian faiths 8 p m to midnight (doors open at 7 30 p m) Saturday June 2 at Don Hubert VFW Hali 27345 Schoolcraft (I 96 service drive) east of Inkster road Redford All separated divorced and singles welcome For details call (734) 261

Worship service scheduled

The Free Church of Scotland (Continuing) holds its first Wednesday evening worship service 7 p m Wednesday June 6 at the Canton Twp Historical Museum on S Canton Center Rd at the corner of Heritage Park Drive Rev R Sherman Isbell and Rev Sean Humby will preside An informational meeting will be held at the museum 7 p m Tuesday June 5 for those who have questions about the church For more information call Margaret Waldecker at (313) 530 6170 or go to www.westminsterconfes sion org

Prayer series

How to spice up your prayer life includes Help! I Don't Have Time to Pray on June 7 Conversations with Jesus June 14 and Prayer Walking July 5 at 7 pm Thursdays in the par lot in St. James Presbyterian Church 25350 W Six Mile Redford Call (313) 534 7730

Italian night & auction

Cherry Hill United Methodist Church presents the first Italian Night & Auction Friday June 8 6 30 7 30 pm Dinner and Craft Show 730 p m Auction in the social hall at 321 S Ridge Road one block west of Cherry Hill Road Canton Come one come all Free dinner fun and a chance to sup port the church and its Habitat for Humanity Project Call and reserve your spot at (734) 495 0035

Baccalaureate Mass

And reception for Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth 4 p m Saturday June 9 at 47650 North Territorial at Beck All area high school and college graduates are invited to attend Graduates are to arrive in cap and gown and meet in the social hall on the lower level of the church at 3 30 pm. To register call (734) 453 0326 ext 243 or visit www olgoparish net and click on Life Teen to download response form

Monthly breakfast meeting

For Bethany Suburban West a Catholic organization providing peer support for the divorced and separat ed of all Christian faiths Saturday June 16 at Leon's Family Dining 30149 Ford road next to Tim Horton's Garden City All separated divorced and singles welcome For details call (734) 513 9479

Summer safety event

11 a m to 3 p m Saturday June 16 at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour 29425 Annapolis Westland Westland Fire and Police department staffs talk about safety to kids. No charge. All invited For information call (734) 728 3440

Father and Son Dinner

4 6 pm June 16 Riverside Park Church of God sponsors a banquet for dads and their son 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

Summer camp

The camps run 10 30 a m to 3 p m Monday Thursday June 18 to Aug 24 for students in grades K 8 at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour 29425 Annapolis Westland Camps include Bible study literacy lessons field trips games activities No charge All invited To register call (734) 728 3440

Vacation Bible School

630 830 pm Monday Friday June 18 22 at Memorial Church of Christ 35475 Five Mile Livonia The backyard of the church is being transformed into a Western town. There will be some new aspects of the VBS this year including a live band and dinner beforehand For more information call (734) 464 6722

Crafters wanted

St Aidan Catholic Parish in Livonia is hosting a craft show to raise funds for their youth for their pilgrimage to Sidney Australia for World Youth Day in 2008 Crafters are needed for a show 9 30 a m to 4 p m Saturday Nov 10 at Monsignor Brunett Activity Center 17500 Farmington Road north of Six Mile Livonia Save your table today Call Ruth McCarthy for an appli cation (734) 464 5973

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 pm 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 avail able 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

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 informa

Sunday services

tion

Dan Strength 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

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 9 pm 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 pressure free class Free child care available during class. To register call (248) 374 5932 or send e mail to Margy Burkhart@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.holy crosslivonia org

Bible study

7 pm 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 informa tion call (734) 261 1455

Farmington Women Aglow

Meets from 7 9 30 p m (doors open at 630 pm) 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 Doughnuts and coffee served

Kids night

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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 pm Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts) Childcare during Celebrate Recovery is free and available by calling (248) 374 7400 For information visit

www celebratcrecovery com and

www.wardchurch.org/celebrate Bible study

The Gospels and You Bible Study began 7 pm Monday Feb 5 at The Basilica of St Mary Orthodox Church activity cen ter 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 regis ter call (734) 422 0010

Sunday service

All are welcome to attend worship serv ice 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

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PLEASE SEE RELIGION, A15

FRANK A CLARK

of Redford Twp died May 11 2007 at the age 86 Manns Ferguson Funeral Home Livonia

MARV (MOSHE) BURSTYN Age 58 of Rochester Hills and Mesa AZ passed away Maria (2)

AZ passed away May 12 2007 A licensed builder Mary owned and

operated Moss Construction He was a

high level tennis player who also had a

passion for music history and reading. He is the beloved husband of

Bernetta (nee Mero) Loving father of

Guy Cole Cherished grandfather of

Emily Justin and Benjamin Cole

Dear son of Helen Hecht and the late Kalman Bustyn Marv is also survived

by family in England and Israel

Funeral service was held Wednesday at

The Pixley Funeral Home Rochester

Memorials to National Public Radio or

Public Television would be appreciat

VIRGINIA THOEMING

Age 84 died peacefully at her home in Boca Raton FL while surrounded by

family Beloved widow of Donald

treasured mother to Jackie and Judy

she was a compassionate and loving

and loved to make cookies for her

family She was a voracious reader

and her husband would often travel

great distances to see their grandchil

events concerts, and plays The grand

the special traditions with their fami-

had a grand time together sharing sto

ries enjoying outings movies and

James (Lynn) of Boyne City MI and

Colleen Louise (Robert) of Ann Arbor

Safly Hepler twelve grandchildren

four great grandchildren and many

other family members Her dear hus

band and parents preceded Dolores in

death A gathering for the immediate family will be held at a later date

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LEO PAUL CAUZILLO Memorial Service scheduled for Age 90 May 12 2007 Dealest uncle Tuesday May 22 2007 at 11 00am at of Wes (Sue) Newmyer Cathy (Dan) Grand Lawn Cemetary 23501 Grand Ellenbrook Paul (Donna) Newmyer River Detroit Located south of 7 Mile and east of Telegraph Leo passed away April 16 2007 of liver cancer

GERTRUDE D BONK Age 78 of Livonia Died May 15 2007 in Superior Town in Superior Twp Daughter of Jacob Bonk and Anna Dozbush born on December 30 1928 in Detroit Survived by Sisters Connie (Bob) Pyzik Mary Ann Coopersmith and Brother Richard (Barbara) Bonk Rachel (Kevin) Kalnasy Roberta (John) Dailey Robin (Jay) Shuler Paula (Rob) Scott Sarah (Rob) Dotto and Nephews Richard Bonk Scott Bonk Chris (Tina) Pyzik Visiting hours Thursday, May 17 4 9PM and Friday May 18 2 9PM at Fred Wood Funeral Home 36100 Five Mile Livonia Funeral Service Saturday May 19 2007 at 12 00PM St Kenneth Catholic Church with Father Thomas A Belczak presiding



and friends including Marilyn Karen LOUISE F. LAWTON Judy B David Ruth Anne Diann John, Joseph Chris Donald Walter Age 82 Falmouth Maine Louise and Don Virginia lived her life with Lawton died peacefully on May 13 an integrity and strength of spirit that She had been a resident of inspired countless people through the Sedgewood Commons for the last years, from her factory work during several months during a period of World War II to the hospital volunteer declining health Prior to this recent work she performed while living in Bloomfield Hills MI Her thoughtful move she had resided in Suttons Bay Michigan for the past thirty years She and encouraging personality enter taining sense of humor and generosity was born on November 10 1924 in Port Huron Michigan She was the have made this world a better place She will remain in our hearts forever Viewing held 2 4 p m and 6 8 p m with Scripture 7 p m on Friday May at Verheyden Funeral Home (16300 Mack Avenue Grosse Pointe MI 48224) In state at St Blase (12151 15 Mile Rd Sterling Heights) Sat 9am until funeral mass at 9 30 a m Interment to follow at Resurrection Cemetery In lieu of flowers memori al donations may be made to Hospice of Palm Beach County (5300 East Avenue WPB FL 33407) \Longrightarrow **DOLORES JUNE SMITH** 82, of Traverse City died Monday, May 14 2007 Dolores was born December 15 1924 in Detroit Michigan the daughter of Glenn and Henrietta Fraleigh She and her loving husband Robert Lincoln Smith were and took married for 56 years and resided in Plymouth Michigan where they enjoyed raising their five children Dolores taught second grade for 18 years She and her husband loved to travel and spend time with their fami ly often at their cabin in Leelanau

oldest child of John and Rosalind Fiedler She graduated from high school in Port Huron and graduated from the Nursing School at Harper Hospital School of Nursing in Detroit She married Thomas S Lawton in August of 1946 who survives her They were happily married for more than 60 years and have four children and twelve grandchildren In addition to her husband, she leaves Thomas Jr of Freeport Maine Katherine Heye and her husband, John, of Freeport Maine Sarah Lawton-Speert and her husband David, of Vancouver British Columbia and Daniel and his wife Alice of Milwaukee Wisconsin Her two brothers and two sisters also sur vive her Her most important role in life was that of a loving and devoted wife mother and grandmother Louise's grandchildren were the light of her life and the twinkle in her eye She was proud to be a homemaker great pride in her family and home While living in Birmingham she was an active volunteer for many years with the Children's Hospital of Michigan where she helped care for premature infants When she and her husband retired to Suttons Bay she was actively involved in the Probate County Dolores was a terrific cook Court of Leelanau County where she worked closely with an assigned child She had many hobbies and photographer and trip planner Dolores interests ranging from the local gar den club to collecting early American antiques crafts of all kinds and she dren celebrate special occasions and was especially noted for her wonder participate in graduations, sporting ful hooked rugs which she designed and hooked Louise enjoyed the sim children and great grandchildren loved ple pleasures of life She enjoyed such spending time with her and carry on things as gardening cross country skiing decorating her home for holi lies In 2005 she moved to Traverse days and preparing meals for family City to enjoy her sister Sally and they gatherings The Lawton family would like to extend sincere thanks and grat itude to the staff of the Millay Unit at concerts Dolores is survived by five Sedgewood Commons for their loving children Robert Lincoln (Lynda) of care of Louise in the final days of her St Ignace MI Kathleen June (Dennis) of Kailua HI Glenn Graham life Services will be held at Lynch and Son Funeral Home 340 North (Cathy) of Charlotte MI Michael Pontiac Trail Walled Lake, Michigan on Friday May 18 2007 at 1 30 PM Internment will be at the Pine Lake MI her sisters Glenna Blackett and Cemetery in West Bloomfield Michigan In lieu of flowers should

friends desire memorial contributions may be made in Louise's memory to

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ROBERT J HUGHES



WILLIAM B "BILL" **EVERSON**

Age 81 of Birmingham died May 12 2007, at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak Mr Everson was born in Stoughton Wisconsin on May 26 1925 He attended the University of Notre Dame while serving in the Navy and graduated from the University of Michigan Mr Everson worked for MacManus John and Adams now Leo Barrett for over forty years realing a a senior vice president. He belonged to the Bloomfield Open Hunt Club the Writers Guild of Cranbrook the Cultural Council of Birmingham and the Ad Craft Club His greatest love was St Dunstan's Guild of Cranbrook a community theater group where he served as president acted directed and worked behind the scenes for over forty years Mr Everson is survived by his wife of 57 years Elizabeth sons Eric (Deborah) Everson of Cedar Michigan and Christopher Everson of Birmingham daughter Margare Thele of Keego Harbor and grand sons Eric Jr and Jeffrey He is also survived by his sister in law Geri Paton Funeral at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer 1800 W Maple Road Birmingham Thursday 11am Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home 1368 N Crooks Road (Between 14 15 Mile Rds Wednesday 4 8pm Memorials appre



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BY WAYNE PEAL STAFF WRITER

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The city has been wonderful to us and for all the people we have coming, Southfield is a truly central location, AHA spokeswoman Katie Grode said

More than 20,000 people are expected to arrive for the walk, with registration beginning at 8 a m at the municipal complex, 26000 Evergreen

'We are delighted to be part of such a regional event,' said Nimrod Rosenthal, city communications director "They (the AHA) approached our parks and recreation department with the idea and we were very willing to help?

The walk, formally called the 2007 Start' Metro Detroit Heart Walk, is the AHAs biggest annual fund-raiser An estimated 500 walks being held in other US communities that day and throughout the year The new name coincides

with the AHA's new Start† campaign which calls on individuals and employers to create heart-healthy lifestyles and

workplaces The local walk is the second to be held on the municipal center grounds The first Southfield walk was held on a damp, rainy morning in fall 2005 We're obviously hoping for better weather this time

Participants can sign up for a walk of one mile, five kilometers or 10 kilometers and are asked to raised pledges from friends, relatives and co-workers

around,' Grode said

Money raised through the walk supports AHA research projects and local outreach programs such as the Alliance for a Healthier Generation and Power To End Stroke Southfield's own 100 Days to Health campaign, conducted in conjunction with Providence Hospital, will also kick off that day The heart walk includes such national sponsors as the Subway restaurant chain and Healthy Choice foods, as well as local sponsors including the Henry Ford Health System, Fifth Third Bank and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Additional infor-

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McCotter's office receives a 'peace pizza'

Livonia-Staffers at the Livonia headquarters of U S Rep Thaddeus McCotter received a peace offering of an unusual sort Friday, May II It was a pizza with the pepperoni placed in the shape of the familiar peace symbol

The pie was presented by nine members of the 11th Congressional District Citizens for Peace, headquartered in Livonia, to remind representatives that it would only take a small portion of the federal budget to fund a cabinet level Department of Peace

Each year, advocates for the establishment of a Department of Peace, deliver a pie to their local representatives around Mother's Day as part of an on ongoing campaign for more diplomatic ways to foster peace and non-violence. The idea of giving a pizza with a peace symbol was that of Mary Albertson, vice president for political affairs for the Citizens for Peace

She and Citizens for Peace president Colleen Mills then met with district representative Don Yowchuang of McCotters office and outlined the process and goals of the local group

McCotter has opposed the idea of establishing a Department of Peace

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teaming up with Wayne
County TRIAD for Safe Semor
Day, an annual event designed
to help provide Semor Citizens
the information and tools they
need to protect themselves, 10
a m to 2 p m Friday, May 18,
at Southland Center in Taylor

Deputies from the Sheriff's Office will be on hand to present and provide information on personal safety, emergency preparedness and more Other presenters will provide information during the program The event is being sponsored by Wayne County TRIAD, a senior advocacy organization that partners with various law enforcement agencies

Among the topics being cov-

ered at the event will be

- Telephone fraudHome and travel safety
- Medical prevention & safety
- Free photo ID cards

In addition to information provided by each of the participating law enforcement agencies, there also will be numerous vendors providing health care and medical supply information, legal advice and consumer advice. There also will be prize drawing and entertainment

Southland Center is on
Eureka Road east of Telegraph
in Taylor All members of the
media are encouraged to
attend

Motorcycle safety classes have openings

Summer is the perfect season for biking in the sunshine Before you jump on that motorcycle, or if you've finally decided it's time to learn, sign up for a motorcycle safety education course at Schoolcraft College

The college, through a grant from the Michigan Department of State, offers classes in basic riding, in riding skills to qualify for a license, and for experienced

cyclists who own large touring motorcycles and sport bikes

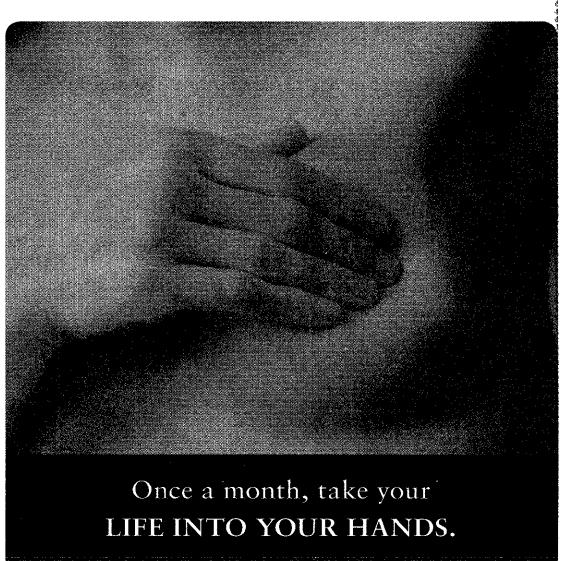
The basic rider course offers 16 hours of instruction during one or two weekends or on weekdays or nights and bikes are provided The two advanced classes are one-day sessions and students must provide their own bikes

If classes are closed, students can use the walk-in option, by arriving at the

classroom no earlier than
30 minutes before the first
class session ready to register, pay and attend al classes Their names will be
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A complete schedule of motorcycle safety classes is posted at www schoolcraft edu/ces/m otorcycle asp For more information call the motorcycle information hotline at

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Have fun on your bike this summer - safely

s the weather starts to warm up, the bicycles come out New models, older classics, and newly outfitted bicycles all share the sidewalks and roads in Wayne County

While it is fun and a great way to exercise together as a family, some safety tips should be adhered to maximize your riding fun In our subdivisions with sidewalks, you will find



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younger children learning to ride or stretch their legs on their blocks They are probably young riders, so everyone should be on

plenty of

their vigilant best to keep everyone safe

While on the roads, older and more experienced riders will clip along at faster paces On major roads, bicycles are considered vehicles and the riders must be aware of the rules of the road All traffic signs and signals must be followed Many car/bike crashes take place when bikes try to sneak through a light or stop sign and are not noticed by a car driver in time to stop

As a child, I remember hearing the wrong message over and over again I wont repeat it, but will tell you the newer rule of bike riding on the roads - ride with traffic If you get bumped from behind while going with the flow of traffic, you may be shaken up or slightly worse If you are hit head on going 15 miles per hour and are hit by a car going 40 miles per hour, the impact

will be a 55 mile per hour collision A good safety tip to avoid being hit is to ride as if you are invisible - the onus is on you to keep from being hit

Dress appropriately for the ride While comfortable clothes are not the main topic of this article, safe dress while riding is fair game Wear bright colors, preferably with some reflective material on them One major way to avoid being hit by a vehicle is by being as visible as possible A helmet is a great addition to the wardrobe, as it can reduce the chances of suffering a head injury by as much as 85 per-

Before heading out for your ride, check that the bike passes the "A,B,C' check This means checking that the tires have sufficient Air in them, try your Brakes before heading out, and make sure the Chain is safely in the sprocket Keep your bike in good repair by checking tires and the seat adjustment regularly A mirror that attaches to your handlebars 18 an inexpensive item that helps you see what is going on behind you

Avoid the 'Door Prize'which is riding along on the road (usually in a subdivision) and having someone open a * car door into your path of travel Be ready to apply your brakes quickly when riding near parked vehicles

The State of Pennsylvania has an excellent website with plenty of safe biking tips and a great interactive game to play with the family about potential biking hazards The website is www.dot state pa us/BIKE/W EB/index htm# With a little planning and routine maintenance, you will be well on your way to a full (and hopefully long) season of bicycling Enjoy the ride!

Tom Kıurski ıs a Livonia firefighter who writes a regular column on safety issues for the Observer

Metro Airport begins runway, rehab project

This week, Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) will begin critical rehabilitation work on its second-longest runway, resulting in a temporary change in air traffic flow arriving and departing the airport

This project has been widely publicized already," said Wayne County Airport Authority CEO Lester Robinson. "However, we want everyone to know that we have now received authorization from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to begin The project starts Monday, May 14, and is scheduled to be completed, in mid-November When it's corriplete, the FAA will return to nor-

mal air traffic control procedures? The purpose of the rehabilitation project is to extend the useful life of the runway - a critical, piece of the Detroit region's transportation infrastructure by at least another 20 years During construction, aircraft operations usually assigned to the closed runway will be reassigned to one of DTW's other three parallel runways At peak times, t is anticipated that Runway 9R/27L, one of the airport's crosswind runways, will also be used for arrivals and departures

as weather conditions permit. During this construction period, communities immed ately north and east of the auport may experience a tempo, rary increase in air traffic noie:

DTW has a total of six runways, making it among the mst operationally-capable commecial airports in North America The Airport Authority is contiually revising its Airport Mastr Plan to ensure DTW continue to meet the rapidly developing transportation needs of south east Michigan



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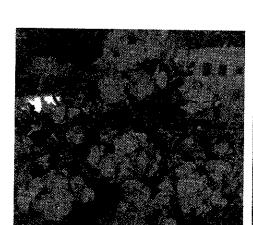
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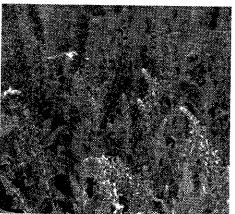
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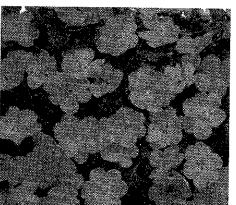


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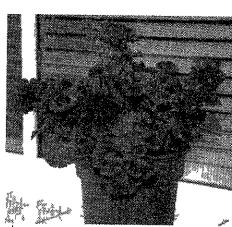
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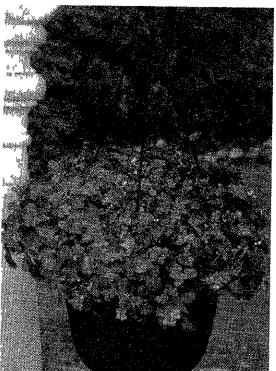
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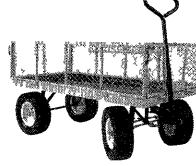
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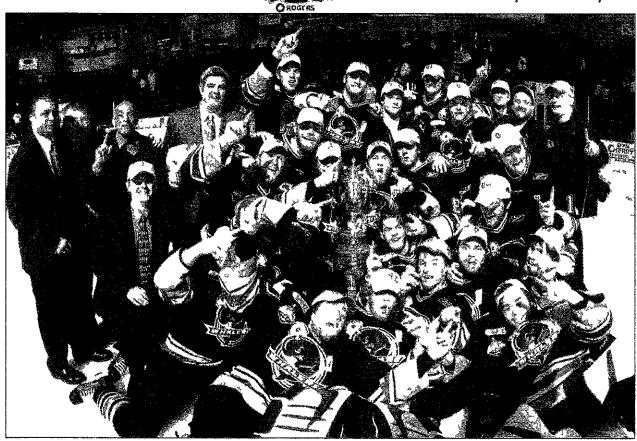
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2007 OHL Championship Series •



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The Plymouth Whalers are all smiles moments after they defeated Sudbury, 3 2 Sunday night to claim the franchise's first Ontario Hockey League championship since 1995

A "WHALE" OF A FINISH

Neal's OT heroics give Plymouth 1st title since '95

The Plymouth Whalers are Ontario Hockey League Champions James Neal's goal at 3 22 of overtime snapped a 2 2 tie and gives Plymouth a 3-2 victory before a sellout crowd of 5,738 at the Sudbury Community Arena

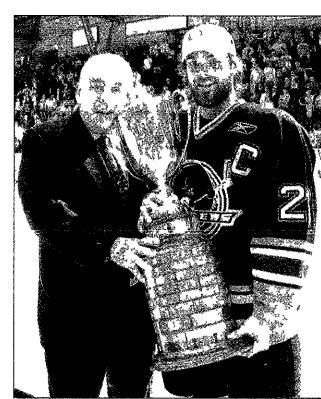
In Game 6 of the Ontario Hockey League Rogers Championship Series The Whalers eliminated Sudbury in the series, four-games-to-two and wins the J Ross Robertson Trophy

Plymouth advances to the Canadian Hockey League's 2007 MasterCard Memorial Cup in Vancouver, B C and will face the host Vancouver Giants next Friday at 9 pm EDT in the opening game of the tournament. The game will be broadcast on www plymouthwhalers com

The Whalers came from behind to defeat the Wolves After a scoreless first period, Justin Donati opened the scoring for Sudbury at 0 29 of the second period when he batted home a loose puck past Plymouth goaltender Michal Neuvirth for his teamleading 14th goal of the playoffs

Plymouth came back to take their first lead of the game in the third period. The Whalers were working on two-man advantage to start the third period and. Tom Sestito tied the game with his 11th goal of the playoffs at 0.18 of the period when he deflected Neal's shot from the high slot past Sudbury goaltender Sebastian. Dahm. The Whalers took their first lead of the game, again on the power play, when Sean O'Connor (Brownstown, MI) tipped Jared Boll's shot from the left corner past Dahm at 6.15. Sudbury tied the game with a power play goal of their own at 13.25 of the third period when Nick Foligno capped good Sudbury pressure in the Plymouth zone with a one-timer from the hash marks past Neuvirth.

The set the stage for Neal's goal, which came after Evan Brophey skated the puck from the right faceoff circle behind the Sudbury net and found Neal out in front Neal made no mistake with a hard shot from the hash marks past Dahm for this team-leading 13th goal



Plymouth Whalers captain Steve Ward accepts the J Ross Robertson trophy from Ontario Hockey League Commissioner David E Branch

of the post season

Plymouth outshot Sudbury, 43-25, in the game Plymouth's championship is the second in their 17year history The Whalers won the OHL title in 1995 and lost in the finals in 1994, 2000 and 2001

The Whalers' run to title was nonstop excitement

here are two sure-fire ways hockey players can determine whether or not their team is having a successful postseason run

1 Their playoff beards are so long that they could get caught under the Zamboni if they're not careful, and 2 The dust build-up on their golf clubs is thicker than a hockey puck

That said, the Plymouth Whalers
were having a splendid playoffs heading into Sunday night's Game 6 of the
Ontario Hockey League Championship

Series in Sudbury

Their beards were shaggy, their golf clubs were getting rusty and, most significantly, Robbie was in the building

for Game 6
"Robbie' is the nickname for the J
Ross Robertson trophy, the hallowed
pieced of hardware that goes to the

OHL champion every May Robbie isn't as large as the Stanley Cup, and hes not quite as shiny, but there's nothing every player whos ever slipped on an OHL jersey would rather do than lug 'Robbie' around the rink a time or two following a title-clinching victory

Robbie's last stop in the Detroit area — at least in an official capacity — was 1995, back when gas cost \$150 a gallon, Clinton (Bill, not Hillary) was President and an elementary school-aged Tom Sestito was teaching 8-year-olds how to absorb body checks on rinks in upstate New York

That was the year the Detroit Junior Wings — later to become the Plymouth Whalers — earned the OHL's equivalent of the Stanley Cup

It wasn't quite a lifetime ago since the Whalers had won the big enchilada (unless, of course, your name is A J Jenks), but it was close — and far too long

On Sunday, at approximately 7 p m, the Whalers were just 60 minutes of spectacular hockey away from reclaiming the OHL's top prize. Their journey to the doorstep of greatness was at times rocky, and at other times as smooth as the yellow brick road

But it was always entertaining and often filled with

For all intents and purposes, the road to Sudbury started on Nov 5 when — not long after a humbling 5-2 loss in Kingston — Plymouth President, General Manager and Head Coach Mike Vellucci explained in so many words that he expected more out of his 8-9 team

Just like that, the Whalers started clicking and — before you can say 'The Whalers are now at full strength — they started buzzing through the league like an electric razor through Steve Ward's playoff beard

They started killing penalties at a league-leading rate, their passes started finding the tape on their teammates sticks on a regular basis and their defense got stingier than a penny-pincher at a garage sale

Things weren't just clicking on the ice for the suddenly surging Whalers, who ended up going 41-5-2-3 over their final 51 games Upstairs in the team's offices, Vellucci was making shrewd moves that could only be described as anti-Matt Millenesque

Come the trading deadline, the Whalers didn't have

PLEASE SEE WHALERS, B2

Mustangs seize WLAA net crown

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

Only one team stood in Livonia Churchill's way of winning its first-ever Western Lakes Activities Association boys tennis champi-

PREP TENNIS

onship Northville, undefeated during the

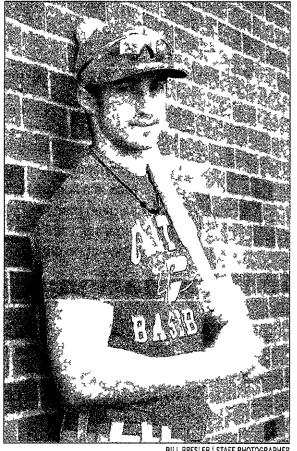
regular season, swept all four doubles flights and took two of four singles titles on Saturday to earn the team crown with 28 points at Plymouth High School

Churchill, which has won 13 straight dual matches including 10 in the WLAA after falling to Northville in their season opener, was runner-up with 19

Last year's co-champion, Salem got singles titles from Lawrence Washington (No 1) and Neil Bakshi (No 2) to finish third with 14 points

Rounding out the field was Canton (12), Walled Lake Northern (11), Walled Lake Central (10), last years co champ Livonia

PLEASE SEE **TENNIS, B2**



with an inflated earned run average

Pitchers who underestimate Canton outfielder Kyle Gring s lethal left-handed swing often pay the price — most often

The swing's the thing for Gring

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

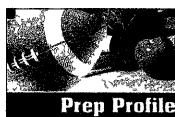
His first name rhymes with mile,' which is fitting considering that's about how far he can launch a belt-high fastball

His last name rhymes with "swing," which is appropriate considering he has one of the smoothest, most-feared ones around

Yes, Kyle Gring, the Canton

Yes, Kyle Gring, the Canton baseball team's most productive hitter mid-way through the 2007 season, has the kind of talent that pitchers respect and a reputation in the batter's box that they'd better not neglect.

Case in point In a Division 1 District semifinal game at Novi High School last spring, Gring dug into the batter's box against Northville's Bryce Jenney, whose wicked fastball goes from zero to



88 miles per hour in about the time it takes you to blink your eye

With runners on first and second and the Chiefs trailing 8-5, Gring sent a Jenney fastball high into the muggy, early-summer air When it came down on the other side of the right field fence—if it came down, nobody's quite sure—the score was knotted at 8-all and half the fans in attendance—including Jenney—were shaking their heads in

amazement

PLEASE SEE GRING, B3

Salem girls tennis

There will be a meeting Monday, May 21, for all returning players and incoming freshmen who plan on playing for the Salem girls tennis team in the spring of 2008

The meeting will start at 7 30 p m in the Salem cafeteria

Among the topics covered will be summer practices and events

McClendon All-Star

Canton senior Deshon
McClendon has been
named to the East squad
for the 27th Annual
Michigan High School AllStar Football Game
which will be played in
late July at Spartan
Stadium on the campus
of Michigan State
University

McClendon, a running back/defensive back, the ished his career as one of the Chiefs' all-time leading rushers. The 5-foot-8, 185 pound player led Canton to two consecutive appearances in the Division 1 semifinals and once to the title game at Ford Field

Janda shines

Former Salem cross country and track-and-field standout Allison Janda is excelling as a member of the Bucknell women's track-and-field team.

Janda, a freshman, ran a leg of the team's 4 x 800-meter relay contingent that earned All-East Coast honors at the ECAC Championships in Princeton Janda and her three teammates covered the 3,200 meters in a time of 2 08 57, which was the third-fastest in school history

MU signs Coker

Tyler Coker, a 6-foot-4 swingman from Whitmore Lake High School who averaged 19 2 points and 6 6 rebounds per game, has signed a letter of intent to play basketball next season at Madonna University

Coker's brother Drew just completed his second season with the Crusaders Tyler led the Trojans to a 12 9 record

'it's going to be exciting for both of these players to be on the same team at the collegiate level," MU coach Chuck Henry said 'We look forward to the addition of Tyler to our roster and fell that he can be a proven scorer and ballhandler to our program'

Football testing

The Michigan High School Football Coaches Association will sponsor a session of the National Athletic Testing System program Sunday, June 3, at South Lyon High School The registration deadline is May 30

Important information is provided on NATS Web site (www nats us) covering NCAA eligibility guidelines, recruiting rules and financial aid resources. An online video is available to further explain the NATS program



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BILL BRESLER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth Whaler forward James Neal celebrates a goal during last week's Game 4 victory over Sudbury

WHALERS

FROM PAGE B1

many (if any) glaring holes, but if they did, Vellucci made sure they weren t glaring for long

He also did a masterful job behind the bench, keeping everyone happy and on the same page, including futurestar goalie Jeremy Smith, who went from Top 5-in-the-OHL statistically to fulltime benchwarmer once the playoffs kicked in and the man with no five hole - Michal Neuvirth — got hot

But Smith handled it with class, just like the rest of his teammates handled any adversity they met along the way So on Sunday, with the J Ross Robertson trophy waiting in the wings James Neal surprised no one who has watched the bound-fordestuny Whalers all season when he banged in an overtime gamewinner to give the Whalers their first OHL championship in 12 years

Which leads to the third sure-fire way you can tell if your team is having a successful post-season

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TENNIS

FROM PAGE B1

Stevenson (10), Plymouth (4), Walled Lake Western (4), Livonia Franklin (3), Westland John Glenn (3) and Wayne Memorial (0)

Churchill reached five finals, but came up empty in

Our performance was just like the season, very good except against Northville, Churchill coach Reid Friedrichs said

Churchill which scored non-league wins Monday over Farmington and Tuesday over Farmington Hills Harrison, now focuses its attention on the Friday's Division I regional at Woodhaven

The Chargers, gunning for their first-ever state berth, must finish among the top two teams or score 18 points to earn a trip, June 1-2 to Midland

The Chargers have excelled in all four doubles flights this season led by the No 1 team of Jay Cunningham and Taylor Frangie, who dropped their first match of the season in 16 tries during Saturday's final against Northville

Churchill's No 3 doubles team of Robert Fortney and Steve Mazur are 14-2 overall, while the No 2 duo Kyle Peczynski and Dan Martin are 13-3

Paul Yandric and Andy Clairmont also have enjoyed a productive year at 12-3 at No 4 doubles

Freshman Anıket Patıl, who reached the No 2 singles final before losing to Bakshi, has put together a solid year at 13-3

Senior Kyle Anderson, who plays No 4, 1s 13-2 Nick Payne (No 1) and Alex Clos (No 3) are 9-6 and 8-7, respectively

If we play well, we can get out, Friedrichs said We have a couple of tough draws as the seeding meeting was last night (Monday), but we have a chance and it should be fun

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Plymouth's Mike Michno (right) avoids the tag of Canton's Ryan Neu during a game earlier this season. Both the Wildcats and Chiefs experienced their ups and downs over the past week

Wildcats win 8th straight, 15-0

in the fourth

four Warriors

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WR TER

Its eight straight wins and counting for the Plymouth softball team following the Wildcats 15-0 white washing of Walled Lake Western Friday afternoon

The victory improved coach Val Canfield's team to 12-2 overall, 10-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association and 6-2 in the WLAAs Western Division

Canton leads the division with a 71 mark

Junior right-hander Ally Ciotti provided solid pitching as she threw a five-hit complete game A quartet of Wildcats laced two hits a piece Beth Heldmeyer (2-for-2, three runs, two RBI), Melissa Butzow (2-for-4, two runs), Kım Klonowskı (2-for-4, two runs, RBI), and Amanda Burnard (2-for-4, two runs, two RBI)

Emily Carlson suffered the setback on the mound for the Warriors, who were hampered by six errors

We got a great performance from Ally Ciotti,' said Plymouth coach Val Canfield 'She threw well, we played great defensive and our bats were explosive again. It was a

complete win all around The Wildcats scored all the runs they would need in the first when they plated a pair They tacked on four in the sec

ond, one in the third and eight

The game ended after four innings due to the MHSAA mercy rule The Wildcats played flawless defense and did not commit an error Ciotti was sharp the entire game, yielding just one walk while striking out

The winners tallied 11 hits FRANKLIN 4-0, CANTON 1-11 In a WLAA-Western Division twinbill Monday, Livonia Franklin (17 8 4-5) gained a split with the host Chiefs (19 4 7 2) by rallying for four runs in the top of the seventh to win the open-

Franklın broke up Canton pitcher Hilary Payne's perfect game bid in the top of the seventh on a single by Brittany Taylor, an RBI double by winning pitcher Natalie Sanborn, a single by Briauna Taylor followed by two-run single by Kelsey Garbutt, who later scored on a wild pitch

Sanborn (12-5) scattered six hits and one walk over seven

innings Payne struck out eight and

allowed four runs on four hits,

all in the seventh

Our team continues to fight, we never give up, Franklin coach Linda Jimenez said I thought we might be a little flat after playing four games on Saturday, but we continued to battle Our defense played outstanding We had three putouts at third base and one at the plate'

In the nightcap, Amy Dunleavy got the victory on the mound and Stephanie Sadek went 2 for 3 with an RBI in an 11 O Canton victory in five innings

Losing pitcher Alecia Geraghty (5 3) allowed 11 runs on 11 hits in five innings

SALEM 11, JOHN GLENN 2. In a WLAA-Lakes Division game Monday, host Westland John Glenn (0-18, 0-8) fell to the Rocks (12-11, 5 4)

Tarra Anderson and Lauren Backer each had two hits for the Rockets, while Emily Pitcole led Salem with a double and single

Salem pitchers Melissa Leach, who went the first three innings and Kelly MacDonald, who finished up, combined for nine strikeouts and four walks

Losing pitcher Brittany Holbrook struck out four, walked four and allowed six hits over seven innings

THE WEEK AHEAD

BASEBALL Friday May 18 Northville at Canton 4 pm Plymouth at Livonia Franklin 4 p m Salem at Livonia Churchill 4 p m Saturday, May 19 PCA at Parkway 11 a m Canton at Redford Union Baseball Classic noon Plymouth at Gibraltar Carlson Invitational 9 a m Salem at Novi Invite 4 p m SOFTBALL Friday, May 18

Canton at Northville 4 p m Livonia Franklin at Plymouth 4 p m Livonia Churchill at Salem 4 p m Saturday, May 19 Canton Salem and Plymouth at Madonna Varsity Tourney TBA Sunday, May 20

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Things like that just don't happen to Jenney, a machinelike hurler who is headed to Western Kentucky University

on a baseball scholarship "That was probably the highlight of my high school career so far, considering the circumstances, the impor-

tance of the game and who I hit it against," admitted Gring "I actually hit better against pitchers who throw harder because my timing is better I struggle a little against the

To prove last June's satellite-like blast against Jenney was no fluke, Gring Space-Shuttled another rocket over the Mustangs right-center field fence against the All-State Jenney and into a bordering neighborhood when the Chiefs played the Mustangs in April

When I hit it, I thought it was a just a gapper, so I ran fast out of the batter's box," Gring said. "But once I made the turn at first base, my first base coach, Johnny Wright, told me to slow down because it was gone'

Slowing down is not a common trait for Gring, who sprints out to his position in the outfield at the outset of every inning, propels himself out of the batter's box like a green-lighted drag racer whether he hits a slow roller to the pitcher's mound (rarely) or a long gapper up the left-center field alley (often)

In 2006, he led his summer team, the Michigan Hawks, with six triples, and he's already smacked three three-baggers for Canton in 2007

Despite his lofty batting average, three home runs in 2007 (four career), and unparalleled passion for the game, Gring has generated only luke-warm interest from college baseball programs.

"I've heard on a regular basis from Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio," Gring acknowledged "I really like the coach, but I haven't decided where I want to go yet. I'm also looking at Grand Valley State and Central Michigan University If I went to one of the those schools, I'd definitely try to walk on to their baseball teams"

Gring's grade-point average certainly won't hold him back. With less than a month remaining in his high school career, the popular two-sport star at Canton — he was also one of the top scorers on the Chiefs' WLAA championship soccer team - has a grade-point average (3 40) that rivals his batting average (plus- 350)

"My dad's always stressed how important academics are because he was an outstanding student himself," said Gring "He could have played Division II baseball, but he quit because he wanted to concentrate more on his grades'

Baseball is woven into the Gring family tree much like the seams are woven into a baseball Gring's three brothers - Shane, who graduated in 2005 and is currently studying architecture at the Ohio University in Athens, Ohio — was a key, two-year contributor to the Chiefs, while Kyle's younger brother, Scott, is a talented sixth-grade travel play-

"Before Shane or I could drive, my mom was taking us to all of our practices and games, which got kind of crazv sometimes," Gring said. "We owe her a lot

"I don't get to as may of Scott's games as I would like to because of my schedule, but I enjoy working with him in

Gring said he's somewhat disappointed in this year's Canton team, which was compiled a 10-10-1 record through Monday's doubleheader split with Livonia Franklin

"I really had high hopes for this team coming into the season, especially with the way we finished last year," he said "We got a lot of games and practices postponed early in the season and I think that threw our hitting off a little. Hopefully, we can get going against and bounce back."

Chiefs, Patriots split twinbill

A 10-run fifth inning helped Livonia Franklin salvage a split in a WLAA Western Division doubleheader against visiting Canton Monday afternoon.

The Chiefs won the opener, 8-3, before dropping the nightcap, 15-7 The split left Canton at 10-10-1 overall and 4-5 in the division, the Patriots stand at 6-16 and 3-6, respectively

Canton junior southpaw Erik Wright (5-2) earned the win on the mound in the opener as he yielded four hits while striking out eight in the complete-game effort Franklin starting pitcher Sean Sciba struck out eight in six innings of work for the hosts The Chiefs knotted the game at 1-all in the third before padding their advantage with three in the fourth, one in the fifth and three in the sixth. The Pats scored their final two runs in the fourth

Senior outfielder Kyle Gring and junior outfielder Dan Stoney paced the Chiefs' offensive attack with three hits a piece Gring's day included a double, triple and three runs while Stoney contributed four RBI, two coming on a round-tripper in the sixth

Other potent hitters for Canton were Ben Vaughn (2-for-4), Wright (2-for-3, RBI) and Ryan Neu (2for-4, RBI)

Jesse Carpenter had a nice day at the plate for Franklin, going 2-for-4 with two RBI Canton outhit the Patriots, 13-4,

in a clean defensive game that included just one error (Franklin's)

The Patriots exploded for two big

ınnıngs — a five-run thırd and the 10-run fifth — to run away with Game 2 The Chiefs led 6-5 in the fifth until Franklins double-digit uprising Nine of the 10 runs scored after two were outs

Mike Basner earned the win for Franklin, throwing a completegame nine-hitter He struck out three and walked four Canton's Dan Mılus suffered the setback after working the first 4 2 innings Stoney finished the fifth before Vaughn came in to work a perfect 1-2-3 sixth

Tyler Canyock ignited the Patriots' offense with two hits, two runs and two RBI Dave Lewis added four RBI, including a key two-run single in the fifth

Swinging hot bats for the Chiefs were Gring (2-for-3, two runs), Stoney (3-for 3, three runs, RBI), Vaughn (RBI double), Neu (2-for-4) and William Tidwell (2-for 3, two-run double)

SALEM 10-1, JOHN GLENN 8-13 In a WLAA-Lakes Division twinbill Monday, host Westland John Glenn (12-14, 5-4) split with the Rocks Salem won the opener, 10-8, as Sam Ott went 3-for-4 with two RBI Justin Horger also went 3-for-4 with one RBI Glenn was led by Jerry Smith (2-for-3, three RBI) and Andrew DeLuca (2-for-4, two RBI) Robert Fraser was the losing pitcher

In the nightcap, DeLuca went 4for-4 with a run and two RBI, while Smith contributed a three-run

homer in a 13-1 Glenn triumph. Chris Kangas was the winning

pitcher, while May took the loss PLYMOUTH 5, W.L CENTRAL 5. On Tuesday, the game was delayed due to rain in the bottom of the seventh inning after the Wildcats had seized a 9-6 lead with three runs in the top of the inning Since the game reverts back to the last completed mning, it will more than likely be

recorded as a tie, unless a continuation date can be agreed upon between the two schools Plymouth led 5-2 until the

WLAA Lakes Division champion Vikings countered with a three-run sixth to knot the game at 5-all The Wildcats' three-run seventh went for naught after Mother Nature struck in the bottom of the frame

Both teams finished with seven hits Plymouth committed three errors, one more than Central

Matt Barrera sparked the Wildcats' hitting attack with three hits, including a pair of doubles Matt Priebe launched a home run for the 'Cats

Torrey Stimson stroked three hits for the hosts, including a double.

Senior right-hander Tyler Locklear was solid on the mound for Plymouth, turning in a complete-game effort.

I am proud of the way our team is approaching each and every game at this point in the season, said Plymouth coach Chuck Adams 'We are battling for as many innings as it takes I feel we are peaking at the right time of the season I am hoping we can keep this momentum going as we get ready for District play in a couple of

PLYMOUTH 10, WAYNE MEMORIAL 4: On Monday, the Wildcats broke open a close game with a four-run. seventh to improve their record to 11-11 overall and 5-4 in the WLAA's

Western Division Led by senior second baseman * Ben Kosmalskı's three hits, Plymouth outhit the Zebras, 10-4 Wayne was also hampered by six fielding miscues

Garret Rebain was brilliant on the mound for the winners, striking out eight while yielding just four hits Joining Kosmalski in the hit parade were Ronnie Goble and Ryan Valle, both of whom swatted a pair of safeties Kosmalski, Goble and David Harvey ripped doubles while Goble and Valle each added a

PLYMOUTH 10-0, WEST BLOOMFIELD 9-0: On Saturday in a non-conference double-header, the Wildcats captured the first game 10-9 before dropping the nightcap, 15-0

Junior right hander Kyle Sanders earned the win on the mound in the first game for the Wildcats, who built a 10-3 lead before surviving a six-run Lakers seventh inning

Matt Priebe and Garrett Rebain both had multiple hits for the winners, who were outhit, 13-11

In the nightcap, the Lakers scored three runs in both the third and fourth innings before exploding for nine in the fifth to post the one-sided victory Ronnie Goble registered multiple hits for the Wildcats Kyle Traver suffered the loss on the mound for Plymouth

Canton ready for RU baseball classic

BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

A weekend celebration of Redford Union baseball is slated for Saturday and Sunday, with a four-team tournament and alumm softball game among the offer-

The centerpiece is the Redford Union Baseball Classic Saturday afternoon The host Panthers meet Auburn Hills Oakland Christian at 12 noon — the same time Canton and Riverview hook up at nearby Pearson Educational

Whoever wins those games will clash for the tourney title, back at

Redford Union The championship game will probably begin around 2 or 2 30 pm But RU head coach Mike Taylor a 1999 grad, said the classic (the first held since 2002) is just one of several events during the first-ever baseball alumnı weekend

'It's almost like a homecoming for RU baseball, said Taylor "A lot of old coaches and old players are coming back

Among those who might be in attendance is Mike Stefanski, currently bullpen coach with the Cincinnati Reds Legendary RU head coach Bob Atkins also is expected to be on hand

Kicking off the festivities will be

a tailgating party (10 30 a m Saturday) in the high school parking lot Saturday night will be an alumni banquet at Vladimirs in Farmington Hills while Sunday will feature the alumni softball game at RU 'We'd like to see the (baseball)

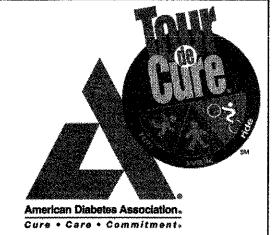
tradition continue,' Taylor said I hope the weather is 70 degrees and sunny We want to get these guys talkıng baseball, getting them back to their roots We want to let them know everything they did for the baseball program is still appreciated"

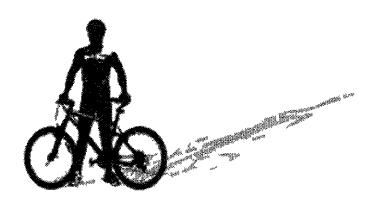
Meanwhile, the weekend is also a fund-raisei for the Hank Klotz Memorial Fund, to help make

renovations to the RU baseball field. Taylor said donations will be accepted to help push the fund (now at about \$7,500) toward the goal of \$15,000

'A lot of the players knew about Hank and hopefully this will be an opportunity to close out the memorial fund and get money needed for field improvements, he emphasized

Hank Klotz was a beloved youth baseball and basketball coach in Redford Township and one of the biggest boosters of RU baseball before his death from cancer in May 2006 Klotz also was an assistant coach with the Panthers in recent years





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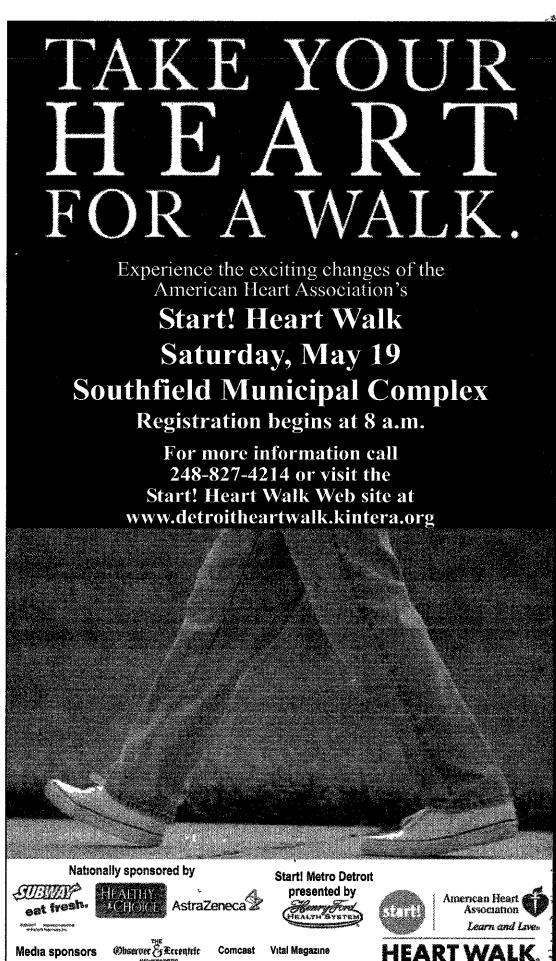


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Elite spikers

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Shining Stars

Mike Donnelly's Pee Wee 96 hockey team, the Michigan Stars, captured first place in the Chelsea Invitational recently Team members include Cooper Bates, Evan Bell, Conor Browne, Carter Cerretani, Ben Chafin, Jonathan Clark Rich Corso Ryan DesJardin Bryan Eastman, Chris Farver, Adam Glomb, Paul Hildebrandt, Parker Hodges Adam Lidstrom Chris Murphy, Jason Obrycki-Smith, Brendan O'Hare and Andrew Rozenbaum The head coach is Mike Donnelly. His assistants are Tony DesJardin, Kevin O'Hare and David Eastman

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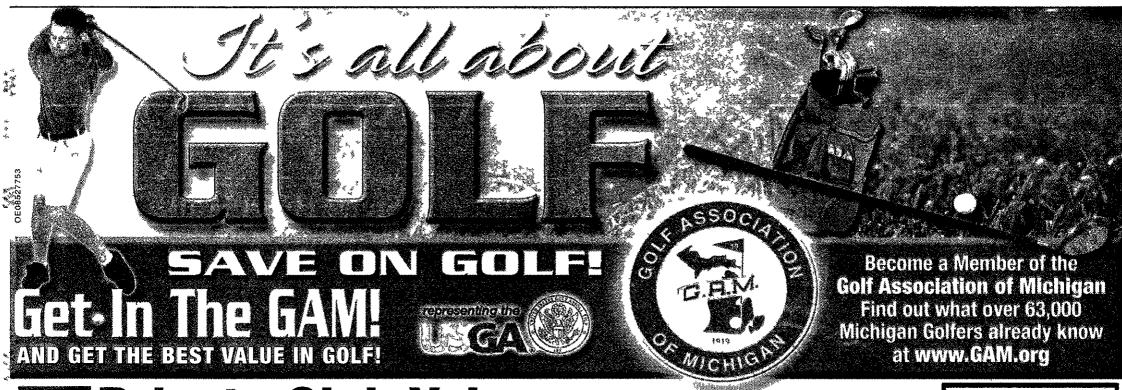
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By Jeff Lesson

We kno v there are too many courses and not enough golfers But when d d th ngs get this bad? Sure we may be in a

one state recess on but it seems everyday we hear of another course on the way out More would be join ng them if they could sell the real estate

We all know how tough it s to sell a house these days Picture try ng to sell an entire golf course The result has been a boon for golfers who haven t seen green fees rise much in years and are now seeing prices actually falling. This is the ult mate buyers market

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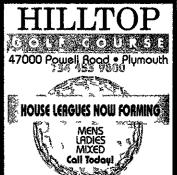
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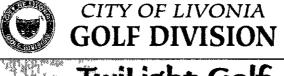
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Plymouth outruns Western

The Plymouth boys track team injected itself with a nice dose of momentum Tuesday when it humbled host Walled Lake Northern, 88-49, to improve its record 4-2 heading into Friday night's Division 1 Regional meet at the P-CEP varsity stadium

"We received a lot of very good efforts from a lot of people, many of whom were just getting their feet wet at the varsity level, said Plymouth coach Kurt Britnell

The Wildcats swept a pair of events the shot put, in which Sam Richards (42 feet, 3 5 inches), Corey Gomell (41-9 5) and Steve Betts placed first, second and third, respectively, and the mile run, thanks to outstanding efforts from Justin Huey (4 37 8), Anthony Scaparo (4 39 21) and Patrick Slavens (4 41 26)

Plymouth padded its early lead in the field events sparked by the shotputters, long-jumper Joe Backstanz

(first in 17-7), high jumper Marvin Whitaker (first in 5-6) and pole vaulter Ben Ambrose (12-0)

The Wildcats went 1-3 in the 110meter high hurdles behind the sterling efforts of Nate Gholston (first in 15 37 and Nick Plescia (third in 16 3)

Jenarian Caldwell captured gold in the 100-meter dash with a clocking of 11 54, just two-hundredths of a second faster than teammate Connor McKinney

Among the other top performers for the Wildcats were

■ 400 relay team of Gholston, Malık Rıch, Connor McKınney and Caldwell (first in 457),

■ 400-meter dash Kyle Wallath, who won it in 51 76 seconds, ■ 300 hurdles Gholston was first

ın 41 33, ■ 800-meter run Slavens was first

in 2 0749, and

■ Alex Noble won the two mile in

Wildcat lady runners are nipped by Knights

Dropped batons, stumbles over hurdles and just plain old bad luck combined to doom the Plymouth girls track-and-field team in their 69-68 loss at Walled Lake Northern Tuesday afternoon

The heart-breaking one-point setback left the Wildcats with a seasonending (at least dual-meet-wise) 3-3 record heading into Friday's Division 1 Regional meet at the PCEP varsity stadıum

We kind of gave it to them, lamented Plymouth coach Kurt Britnell I don't want to take anything away from Northern, but we had some relay issues with dropped batons that hurt us, and we tripped over a hurdle that put us back from

Let's just say this wasn't our best meet of the season Hopefully, we can clear things up for the Regional meet on Friday

All was not doom and gloom for the

Wildcats as several athletes turned in stellar efforts Five Cats placed in the field events Chrystien Guyton was first in the shot put with a heave of 32 feet, 8 inches, Stephanie Okolo, who recently returned from an injury, was the long jump with a leap of 15-7, and Brittany Petty and Shaakira Haywood placed 1-2 in the high jump, respectively, with jumps of 4-10

Also shining in the field events was Beah Knisely, who cleared 8 feet even

Other first-place efforts were posted by the 3,200-meter relay team of Etleva Mema, Molly Slavens, Lauren Ahearn and Kelly Hahn (10 36 53), Julie Hersey in the 100-meter dash (12 92), Kelly Hahn in the 1,600meter run (5 39), and Molly McManus in the 300 hurdles (52 02)

Runner-up efforts were turned in by Whitney Askew (29 2 in the 200 meter dash) and Hahn (11 51 81 in the two-mile run)

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Lady Warriors win, tie

The Plymouth-Canton-Salem girls lacrosse team pushed its record over 500 this past weekend with a win and a draw

On Friday, May 11, the Lady Warriors defeated Warren Mott, 11-4, on Senior Night' at the Plymouth High School junior varsi ty stadium

There was a very large crowd on hand, the team was energized and the concentration level was on team balance and recognition to our seniors, final appearance in a home game,' said head coach Dave Medley The team emotion was running high, and one of the things I like to see on this team is everyone having fun

The PCS defense was led by seniors Lauren Patterson, who played the entire game in goal, and defenders Rhiannon Haller and Jillian Miller, who provided protection along the perimeter

Fittingly, the following seniors accounted for some of the scoring Sarah Palcynski Alex Rabe, Megan Early, Ashlie Forchione and Heather Duncan (two goals)

Also scoring were Lauren Ebersole, Kate Spangler, Edra Burris, Katlin Moore and Jessica Murray (two)

On Saturday, May 12, the Lady Warriors fought to a 5-5 tie at Bloomfield Lahser

We came as close as you could come to winning a game without winning it, lamented Medley

PCS took the early 3-0 lead, however, Bloomfield stormed right back to take a 4-3 lead into the break

The Warriors evened the score at 4-all with five minutes left A short time later, the potential winning goal was waved off

"As the game drew to a close Bloomfield pounded our goalie Nicole Rotell relentlessly, shot after shot, said Medley But Nicole denied them access She was aided with help around the net by Nicole Sheldon, Amy Coleman, and Arielle 🖫

Scoring for PCS were Morgan Franke (two), Kate Spangler (two) and Lauryn Ebersole

PCS Lady Warriors are currently 6.5-1 on the season.

PCS boys team even at 8-8

On Saturday at Farmington High School, the Plymouth-Canton-Salem boys lacrosse team evened its record at 8-8 with a 7 2 decision over the Falcons The Warriors led 4-1 at the half and 7 1 with 15 minutes to play The Falcons

tallied a meaningless fourth-quarter marker Nick Cote led the winners with three goals and three assists Mark Barath,

Devin Murphy, Scott Darel and Connor Martin also found the back of the net for the Warriors Jared Ruark and Patrick Downey netted assists for PCS, which also received

13 saves from junior goal keeper Justin Scott Farmington outshot PCS, 32-28 On May 10, the Warriors outplayed Waterford, 9-6 The winners had three

multiple goal scorers Murphy (four), Darel (two) and Ruark (two) Patrick Downey added a single goal Ruark (two), Cote (three), Murphy and Connor Martin contributed assists

PCS led 2-1 after one quarter, 4-2 at the half and 5-4 with 15 minutes to play

Chief runners 4th at River Rat Relays

Led by senior field event/sprinter Nick Moores Canton's boys track team placed fourth in the 10th Annual Ann Arbor Huron River Rat Invitational on Saturday

Nine teams competed in the talent-rich event, which was won by Livonia Churchill (140 points) Rounding out the field were runner-up Pinckney (135), Saline (132), Canton (98), Dearborn Divine Child (64 50), Ann Arbor Huron (46 50), Kalamazoo Lov Norrix (25), Ann Arbor Greenhills (16) and Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard (1)

Moores placed in three events the shot put (second at 50 feet, 8 75 inches), discus (second at 145-8) and the 100meter dash (third in 112) For his efforts, Moores was named the 'Field Athlete of the Meet

The individual highlight of the day for the Chiefs came from senior high jumper Eric Thornton, who set a meet record with an effort of 6-7

A pair of Chiefs placed sec-

ond in their respective events Tosın Adeden was runner-up in the long jump at 19-3 75, and Andrew Manuel was second in the 200-meter dash with a 22 5 effort

Turning in third-place showings for Canton were polevaulter Chris McGinnis (13-0), 300 hurdler Tim Belcher (40 6), Manuel in the 400 (50 8) and the 1,600-meter relay contingent of Sherif Hassainen, Josh Etim, Tim Belcher and Manuel, who were clocked in 3 31 2

Other point-earners for the Chiefs were Steve Paye (fourth in the discus), the 800-meter relay team of Hassainen, Etim, Belcher and Manuel (fourth in 1349), Etim (sixth in the 200), Brian Rakovitis (sixth in the pole vault), the 3,200meter relay team of Keith Zech, Nick Vukcevich, Paul Rakovitis and Brandon Tolinski (9 02 6), Hassainen (seventh in the 300 hurdles) and Thornton, who placed seventh in the long jump (18-7)



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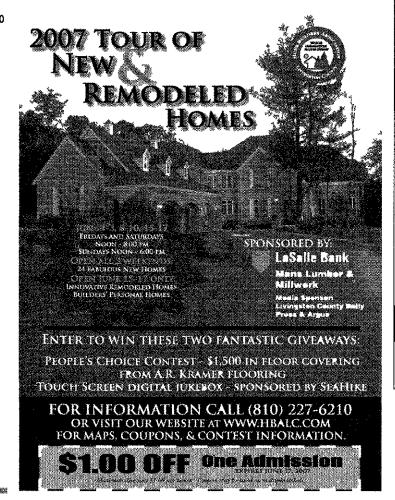


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The 2006 North American PDL Champion Michigan Bucks announced presale ticket information for their May 30 match against Major League Soccer's Columbus Crew at Berkley's Hurley Field, which will kickoff at 7 30 p m

All tickets for the Crew's only visit to Michigan in 2007 will be \$15 on game day (ages five and under free) if not sold out However, the Bucks announce special presale pricing that will save Bucks' fans \$5 per ticket. Tickets can be purchased on-line through their secure PayPal outlet by going to the Bucks Web site at www buckssoccer com and clicking on the Columbus Crew game link on the home page

Each ticket is \$10 (general admission) when buying on-line or at one of the local ticket outlets Fans can get tickets locally at one of nine soccer stores throughout the four county area (Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw) as well

This year is the second year in the Bucks relationship as the minor league affiliate to the Crew and the MLS organization is looking forward to this years visit to the Motor City

We had two very positive experiences in Detroit last year against the Bucks,' said Crew General Manager Mark McCullers "Everything about the Bucks organization is quality - the facility, personnel, all the way to the enthusiastic fan base make this a very attractive market for us Coach Sign Schmid liked what he saw in some of last year's players and looks forward to seeing the progress the team has made since last July I obviously can t

tell you his game day lineup at this point because there are so many factors that could affect the starting eleven within the next three weeks, but the Detroit market is important and we want to give the area's soccer fans the opportunity to see our best players"

■ The Crew/Bucks relationship continues to evolve as witnessed by the Crew's invitation for the Bucks to play one of their home games prior to the Crew/ FC Toronto game on July 22 The Crew will work with Bucks General Manager Dave Morgan to put together special ticket packages for Bucks fans to bus down for the double header A special offer to Bucks fans for the only scheduled appearance of David Beckham and the L.A. Galaxy in Columbus on Sept 30 is also in the works Details will be made public in the next couple of weeks ■ All fans attending the May 30 game will be eligible to win special Bucks and Crew memorabil-1a when they present their game ticket

■ The Bucks 2007 home opener will be Friday, May 18 at 8 p m at Troy Athens High School The Bucks special presentation of the championship ring ceremony will begin about 7 45 p m, following the conclusion of the W-League match between the Michigan Hawks and the Ft. Wavne Fever women's teams (5 30 p m kickoff)

Tickets for the doubleheader are just \$10 Adults (over 16) and \$5 Youth (5 and under free) and are only available at the gate

For more information, visit the team web site at www.buckssoccer.com

SPORTS ROUNDUP

INJURY-PREVENTION **PRESENTATION**

High school cross country runners and their parents are invited to attend an injury prevention presentation entitled 'Common Overuse Injuries with Runners" from 7-8 p m on Thursday, June 7, ın Canton High School's Duboise Little Theater

The program will be presented by Glenn Edgerton, the head athletic trainer at Canton High School

For more information, contact Cindy Hoerman at (734) 454-5746 or crh3d@aol com

CANTON CHIEFS

FOOTBALL EVENTS

■ The annual Canton Football Skills Camp for kids in sixth through ninth grades will be held 5-7 30 p m June 11-14 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 rmui@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

■ The annual Canton Football Team Golf Outing will be held June 23 at Fox Hills near Plymouth 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 nongolf/dinner-only package for \$40

For more information on the golf outing, visit www cantonchiefsfootball com

PLYMOUTH FOOTBALL

GOLF OUTING

The seventh annual Plymouth Wildcat Football Golf Outing will be held 2 p m Sunday, June 3, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, 3605 Napier in Canton

Included in the \$100 entry fee for the best-ball scramble (shotgun start) are 18 holes of golf and a dinner afterward Individuals are invited to attend the dinner only for \$40

There will be prizes for the

calling the following

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first-place team, longest drive for men and women, and closest to the pin There will also be a silent auction and 50/50

To register, mail a check to and the names of the individual in your foursome to Lisa Goble, 5160 Gotfredson Plymouth, MI 48170

For more information, call (734) 207-8889 or send an e-

mail to Rgoble64@aol com The registration deadline is Tuesday, May 22

FIELD HOCKEY CAMP

The annual Livonia Ladywood Blazer Field Hockey Day Camp will be held Saturday, June 23, at Ladywood High School, which is located on Newburgh between Schoolcraft and Five Mile in Livonia

The camp, which runs from 9 a m to 2 p m and costs \$50 per participant, will introduce future high school players to the sport of field hockey as well as promote enthusiasm for the game An emphasis will be placed on learning the basic fundamentals of the game and teaching proper techniques of the skill sets used to play, including dribbling, driving, shooting, passing and stop-

The first half of the day will focus on skills with the second half set for team play and small-sided scrimmages

All campers will need to bring shin guards, a mouthpiece, a water bottle, a field hockey stick (some will be available to sign out at the camp) and a sack lunch Rubber cleats are also recom-

Registration forms can be picked up at Ladywood High School For more information, call (734) 751-9790

PLYMOUTH

VOLLEYBALL CAMP

The annual Plymouth High School Volleyball Team Camps will be held July 23-25 (Monday through Wednesday) in the Plymouth gymnasium A camp for current Wildcat volleyball players will be held 8 30 a m to noon while a separate one for fifth-through ninth-graders is set for 1-4 p m each day

The cost of the morning camp is \$95, the afternoon camp is \$65

For more information, contact Plymouth coach Kelly McCausland at (734) 223-1737 mccausk@taylor k12 mi us

SUMMER GIRLS HOOP CAMPS

The annual Canton/Salem girls basketball camps will be held in June in the Canton and Salem high school gymnasi-

A camp for girls who will be starting seventh, eighth and ninth grades in the fall of 2007 will be held June 18-22 from 1-3 p m The seventh graders will be at Salem while the eighth and ninth graders will utilize the Canton gym

The cost of the camp is \$70 A camp for girls who will be starting fourth, fifth and sixth grades in the fall of 2007 will be held June 25-29 from 1-3 p m The fourth graders will be at Salem while the fifth and sixth graders will utilize the Canton gym

Campers will receive instruction from members of the coaching staffs of Canton and Salem high schools as well as from high school players

Players can register through Plymouth-Canton Community Education, which is located at 40260 Five Mile Rd in Plymouth For more information, call (734) 416-2940

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 tech niques, 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 salemfootball 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 salemrocksfootball@yahoo com

CANTON CHIEFS BASEBALL CAMP

The 2007 Canton Chiefs Baseball Camp is currently accepting applications The camp will be held June 18-23 at the Canton varsity baseball facility The camp will begin each day at 9 30 a m and run until 1 p m

The camps \$100 fee includes a T-shirt and lunch each day for the campers

Registration forms can be obtained by contacting Debbie Neu at (734) 454-9144, or by visiting the teams Web site www.cantonchiefsbaseball.co

Space is limited, so interested campers are encouraged to register early

RUNNING CLUB

Runners are invited to join the Northville (Redford) Road Runners running organization

All levels are welcome The club meets at 6 30 p m each Tuesday at Northville's Hillside Recreation Center, located off Center Street just south of Eight Mile, and at 6 30 pm Thursdays and 9 a m Saturdays at the Eight Mile Road entrance to Maybury State Park

Varying distances are run, ranging from 4-6 miles

For more information, send an e-mail to Bo@sprauer com or call Gary Haf at (248) 231-

DETROIT LIONS

FOOTBALL CAMP

The third annual Detroit Lions Summer Youth Football Camp will be held July 5-8 at Central Middle School in downtown Plymouth

The camp will be held from 8 30 a m to noon each day and is open to boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 14 years old

The \$159 camp fee includes Four days of non-contact, fundamental football instruc-

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Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 300 pm Thursday May 31 2007 for the following

SUMMIT ON THE PARK POOL FILTER AND MEDIA REPLACEMENT

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department on our website at 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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Former Canton hoop coach Rheault hired

BY BRAD EMONS STAFF WRITER

During the school day. Jeremy Rheault's passion is art as a teacher at Livonia Franklın High School

After school, Rheault hopes to paint a different picture as the new varsity boys basketball coach for the Patriots

The 35-year-old Rheault succeeds Russ Keberly, who stepped down for family considerations after four seasons with a 30-55 record, includ ing 2-19 mark this year

Rheault, who coached three varsity seasons (2000-03) at Canton High going 27-36, spent the past two years as the Patriots freshman coach

the Westland John Glenn JV girls team and stayed active as a coach at Frost Middle School In all, he has coached in 25

Most recently he coached

different seasons, including track, since the age of 21 'I like the challenge and the opportunity to work with these players, said Rheault,

who began his high school coaching career as a volunteer coach the ripe age of 19 "I love coaching and being in the building where I teach I m not going to change for

change sake Ill make adjustments to some of the things I ve done in the past, but also continue to do things that I'm used to doing It will take work and you have to be positive"

Franklin athletic director Ron Hammye gave Rheault a ringing endorsement upon his appointment

Jeremy has spent a lot of time in high school basketball,' Hammye said 'He brings a lot of knowledge and experience to Franklin He has been involved as a freshman coach in our basketball program He also teaches here as well

'He knows the conference and he's coached in the conference He knows a lot of people and I'm certain he'll do a good job"

Rheault said he has met with most of the players, including the incoming seniors He has also set up a summer basketball workout schedule

"I lıke pressure-man defense and a motion offense, we'll be patient, but aggressive, a lot of it depends on making reads," Rheault said 'We ll throw in some zone, too, when we have to"

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit Bids for Playground Asphalt at Gallimore Elementary

Bidding documents may be picked up at the Central Maintenance Office at 987 S Mill St Plymouth MI 48170 on May 17 2007 Bids will be received until 10.00 a.m., local time on Thursday. May 31, 2007 at which time they will be opened and read publicly at the Plymouth Canton Community School E J McClendon Educational Center 454 S Harvey Plymouth Michigan, 48170 Bids received after this time and date will be returned Faxed proposals will not be accepted

Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope at 454 S Harvey Plymouth MI 48170 Questions regarding the scope of the project may be addressed to Ms Laura Hagan (734) 416 2953 Plymouth Canton Community Schools reserves the right to reject any or all bids received and to waive any informalities and irregularities in the bidding documents This project is to be bid at the prevailing

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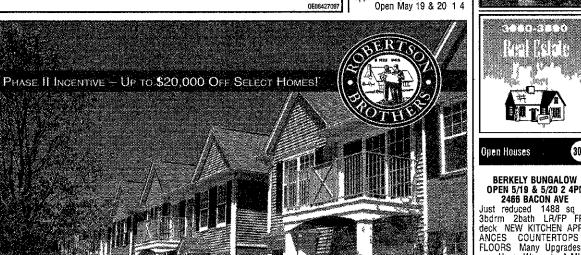
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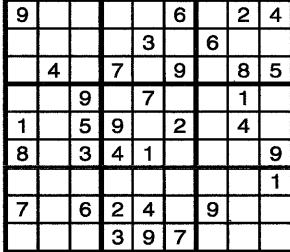
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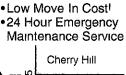
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Based in Scottsdale, Ariz, Tom Hopkins International Inc, is a \$4.5 million company with 17 employees Hopkins, its chairman and driving force, spends most of his time on the road making speech after speech He may often be virtual, but not his revenue stream or the work behind

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Spencer Price, CFO, has been working there for 30 years Laura Oien, president, will mark 30 years in September Judy Slack, director of Research and Development, shared a desk with her at the outset She's clocked 29 years, because she took one out for full-time family The nature of their jobs keeps drawing them

"In 1977 when I took the job, I'd worked for Price Waterhouse for three years," Price says "I wanted to be in industry, to be a controller" Mulling over four opportunities, he faulted this one for its likely instability, a revenue stream based exclusively on one person, a speaker

Hopkins persuaded him (no doubt selling benefits) He would run Accounting, manage computerization and have a great deal of variety in his work, which Price describes as "something different"

'Different" it was, and innovative The company bought or created 10 corporations spanning tape duplication to travel, while growing to 120 employees Hopkins has contributed 80 percent of the firm's revenue, but the company is now developing TNT dollars, a revenue stream with "Tom Not There" It accounts for \$631,000 in annual revenue

Unlike Price, Oien holds a very different title from the one she held at the outset In fact, she can't even remember it She reentered the workforce after seven years at home with children "The job sounded interesting in the paper," she says "It was public relations, but more customer service and goodwill, and the company was moving to Scottsdale "She's proud of contributing to the growth of the company A great part of her job was to keep customers coming back for more Today she oversees the non-financial side of the company - seminars, customer service and product marketing

Slack is deeply involved in the publishing side of the business, writing and producing product and working with publishers She describes the material as "very positive" and thrives on the inspirational stories she hears, such as how customers pulled themselves out of welfare to annual salaries of \$75,000 Hopkins' hands-off style has facilitated the ability to

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Judy Slack Laura Oien and Spencer Price are the Executive Committee at Tom Hopkins International, Inc in Scottsdale Dynamic work at the company accounts for their long tenure

learn and grow while increasing her confidence 'I'm not the same person,' she observes "This has changed my life

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Price mentions that all three - the company's Executive Committee - are humble when faced with interpersonal problems "The three of us need to be and have tried to be when someone comes with problems or challenges," he says "We don't have all of the answers We try to work them out rather than cut someone loose without talking to them "Oien concurs "If you treat people well, they'll be responsive "

Is anything missing? Oien responds, "How could I say something is missing when I applied for an administrative job and I'm here as president 30 years later?" Slack points out that the size of the company has put some limitations on projects, that not every good idea or proposal could be developed Price indicates only that he wouldn't have minded "building up some equity in a flourishing business"

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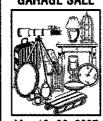
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FARMINGTON HILLS Inde pendence Commons (Grand River/ 11 Mile off Drake) 25353 Crown Pt Ct May 17 19 9 4p Toys kids clothes household misc etc

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LIVONIA 30079 7 Mile W of

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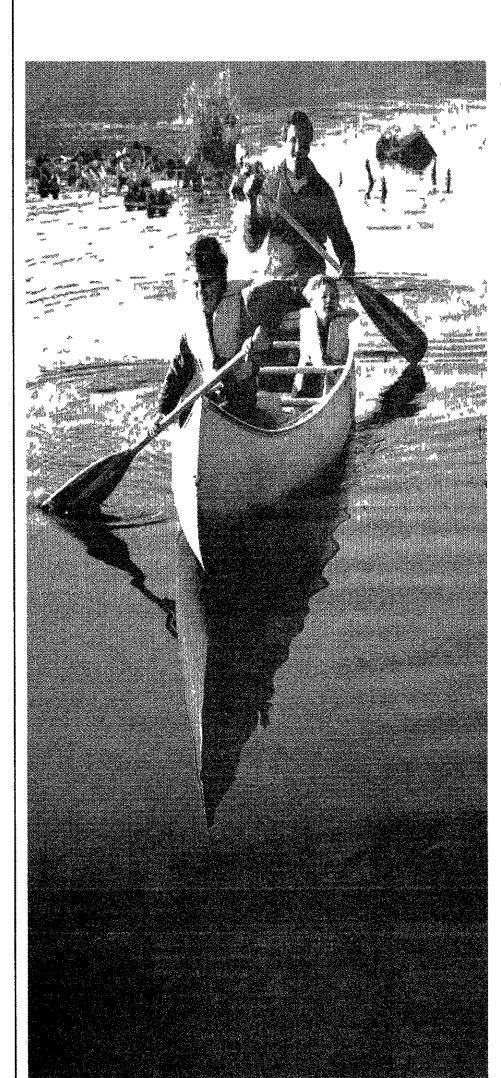
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No matter what I did when I tested a 2007 Dodge Charger R/T recently, I couldn t shake the notion that this vehicle really is an updated version of what muscle-car aficionados so enjoyed when they drove the original Charger a generation ago. It s a car that is all about flash and speed, one that would feel right at home with its predecessors at the Woodward Dream

But even better, the new Charger - today s version has been little updated from the original new Charger that bowed last year – isn t a coupe like the Charger of old It's actually classified as a big car, meaning more people can enjoy the ride, and more comfortably

Charger makes a proudly different statement than anything else on the road, beginning with its styling From the unapologetically bold Dodge grill to the modified fastback that tapers to the rear of the vehicle, the design of the new Charger makes it clear that it s a mid-American driver's car, built for power and speed, starting with its looks Though Charger is built on the same mechanical and structural platform as the Chrysler 300 and Dodge Magnum, this car stands on its own, design-wise. It even boasts a Seventies era rise over the wheel arches, just to complete the nostalgic

Even more important is what's under the hood of the new Charger and how it performs The R/T version (for Road & Track) that I drove sports a 5 7 liter Hemi V8 that is rated at 340 horsepower with a hefty 390 lb/ft of torque 49 Most important, the robust power train gives you plenty of punch whenever you need or want it, even though Charger is carrying around a pretty heavy chassis Remarkably the zero-to-60 time is under six seconds

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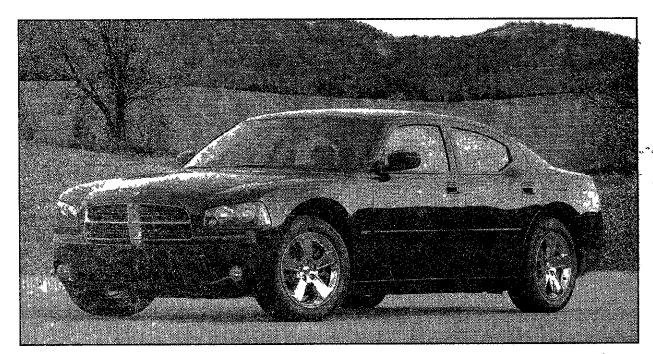
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momentum Chrysler has done such a good job engineering this system that, in the $R/\overset{\rightharpoonup}{T}\,$ the shut down mechanism was completely undetectable. The nod toward fuel economy also gives the R/T the opportunity to produce 24mpg according to the EPA average and 17mpg on the highway - both, very good mileage numbers for any V8 and about 20% better than the vehicle would post without the cylinder shut

And Charger R/T nicely controls all that power With some serious torque and the power of all-wheeldrive in the version I drove, Charger R/T is a good cruiser, motoring along comfortably anywhere between 60 mph and 85 mph, with very little wind or road noise Fortunately Chrysler also managed to pair that wonderful engine with a five-speed automatic transmission including an Auto Stick manual shift option that is up to the task

The car also boasts a fine suspension that smoothly accepts straightaways and attacks tight corners with equal aplomb This is no mean accomplishment, considering that the cars 120-inch wheelbase pushes it clearly into the large car class

Once you climb inside the Charger R/T the picture changes somewhat to a mixed bag Overall, the car is very spacious, with plenty of rear-seat room for torsos

and heads and legs The trunk is very capacious, a smart means by which Chrysler took full advantage of Charger's large car dimensions

However, driving and riding in Charger can make you feel a bit claustrophobic, even with all that room The reason is that the seats are in command" position, a couple of inches higher than comparable sedans, for a better view of the road Yet the ceiling seems low, especially without a sunroof, as in the version I drove Combine those factors with the car's high beltline, and it's easy to get a bit of a feeling that you're in a long tin

Fortunately, the Charger's ample amenities quickly take your mind off deciding how you really feel about the cars interior configuration Satellite radio is standard as are power adjustable pedals on the R/T model, and a Boston Acoustics audio system is available as is a 5 8-inch DVD navigation system up front and a rear seat DVD video entertainment system

The R/T version I drove also sported 18-inch Ultrabright aluminum wheels, dual exhaust with bright tips, and body-color heated mirrors that folded To me, they added up to extra reasons why I wouldn't mind at all driving a 2007 Charger R/T down Woodward Avenue in August Especially because I don't have an original Charger!





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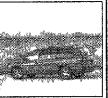
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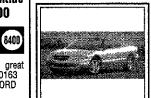
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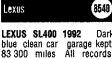
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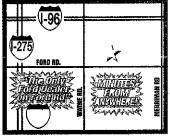
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Old World made new



Karen Tucker's craft room is a good place for quilting and for playing with grandchildren

Home combines elegance, informality

BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER

With such elements as turrets, balcomes, and a long tunnel illuminated by sconces, and its posi tion on a bluff overlooking a quiet lake, the residence suggests a drama or romance of a past century in Europe

But this is real life in 2007 in Orchard Lake and real people live here

The French Chateau Renaissance style, 15,400square-foot house is one of six residences on Home Tour 2007, presented by Temple Israel Sisterhood

Money from the annual event goes to a project currently fund ed by the sisterhood Past projects included sending 10 children to summer camp

TRADITIONAL

The three-level residence, overlooking Upper Straits Lake, is the home of Paul Hodges and Karen Tucker It took 4/2 years to

Stately yet informal it comfortably combines Old World features and modern elements and makes the ideal setting for the couples many collections and interests

HOUSE TOUR 2007

- What A tour featuring six unusual homes in Orchard Lake West Bloomfield Bloomfield Hills and Franklin present ed by Temple Israel Sisterhood ■ When 10 am to 4 pm
- Wednesday May 30
- Tickets \$25 in advance \$30 tour day

Tickets are available at the Temple Israel Office (248) 661-5700 or by calling Karen Gilbert (248) 661-9182 Pam Bloom (248) 788-3833, or Ann Podolsky (248) 737 4505

Its a very warm cozy, tradi tional home that has magnifi men cofthe lake

'They wanted a very tradı tional home that had plenty of glass said architect Louis

PLEASE SEE TOUR. D3



The living room at the home of Paul Hodges and Karen Tucker offers a magnificent view of the lake Architect Louis DesRosiers worked with the couple to make the traditional style residence they wanted. The house will be featured on Home Tour 2007 presented by Temple Israel Sisterhood this month

Some spring cleaning brings out tips, tricks

pringtime is upon us (finally'), and that means its time for a litwtle spring cleaning

I ve got some odds and ends that have been cluttering up my virtual work-

space, today I m

clearing them out

Let's start with

spring itself, a time

come out Before you

when the shovels

start digging a big

hole for a tree or a



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

trench for edging, get your yard marked for underground utility lines, cables and pipes

Stav

Its easy Just pick up your phone and dial 811 The new FCC-sponsored

service at the other end will take your project details and forward the request to the appropriate utility companies Within a few days you should have all necessary lines

marked Obviously this requires a little advance planning, but it's worth it to avoid plunging your shovel through an electrical line or worse the cable TV (and for many of us, Internet) cable

LEARN TO USE FLICKR

You ve probably heard of Flickr, the Webs most popular photo-sharing service But do you know how to

If not there's a great tutorial at Webware

PLEASE SEE BROIDA, D3

Till time: Gardeners dig the season

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

Got some planting to do?

Today is May 17 and you're probably chomping at the trowel to till the soil Before you rake, battle and hoe the garden, George Papadelis, owner of Telly's Greenhouse in Troy, has a few

pointers for planters Prepare the soil: Add Canadian peat for annuals and vegetables or aged pine bark for perennials or trees

Compost is excellent Papadelis said Some, though not anything we sell, could have alkaline which can present a problem Most plants need soil that is slightly acidic Manure works real well for vegetable plants'

Soil can be tested prior to planting to check for proper nutrient levels, and should be amended if necessary

Feed the plant. For vegetables, use organic derived plant food or fertilizer, such as Tomato Tone by Espoma.

It is difficult to oversupply the plant, as it releases food over time

For flowers, use Flower Tone by

aiseI like using the water-solubles,' Papadelis said. If the plant doesn't need it, you don't need to use it, but if it needs a little, then a little goes a long way, he said Other feeds are

Bud N Bloom and Mıracle-Gro When to plant May 20 (Sunday) is generally the "last frost' date, but that

date should be viewed with caution "Check the forecast for the entire week. If it is 42 degrees or lower, we could have a frost Generally, people wart until Memorial Day to plant"

Other tips, courtesy of the nursery's Web site at www.tellys.com

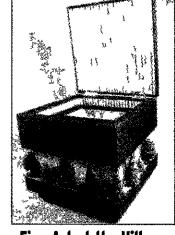
When planting vegetables, disturb the roots as little as possible

If you are planting seedlings grown in peat pots, make sure the top edge of the pot is below the soil surface

Firm the soil around the roots and water well Using a starter solution will give the plant an easier transition

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ACCENTS



Fine Art at the Village

This mixed media box by Ruth Heginbottom of Troy is a sample of the pieces featured at Fine Art at the Village of Rochester Hills, Saturday-Sunday, May 19-20, at the Village of Rochester Hills shopping center

Hours are 10 a m to 8 p m Saturday, noon to 6 p m Sunday The shopping center is at 104 N Adams, on the northeast corner of Walton and Adams

The event will include fine art and fine crafts displayed for sale by more than 100 artists from across the United States and Canada, children's art activities, musical entertainment and an outdoor food court

Admission and parking are

For more information, call (248) 689-8734 or visit www.FineArtAtTheVillage.com

Yard Smarts

May is Yard Smarts Yard Care Month This month, consumers can call the toll-free hot line, (866) YARD-TIPS or submit an e mail by visiting www.yardsmarts com, to ask about their most vexing problems about lawns, gardens or yard care equipment. All questions will be answered personally within 48 hours

Also, homeowners can speak directly with lawn and garden experts from 1-8 p m Fridays, May 18 and 25

Small-engine manufacturer **Briggs & Stratton Corporation** sponsors the annual hot line

Yard Smarts is an educational program designed to build consumer knowledge, provide answers and expert advice, and give consumers the confidence to handle yard care activities

In addition to getting free answers and advice from lawn care pros, hot line participants may win prizes

Any caller who asks a question that stumps the experts will receive a Yard Smarts Tshirt

Each week, the name of onecaller or e-mailer will be drawn to receive his or her choice of a new lawn mower, pressure washer or string trimmer powered by a Briggs & Stratton

Also, from all the calls and email received, one name will be drawn for the grand prize

Trey Rogers of Michigan State University, 'The Yard Doctor," will spend a day with the grandprize winner to evaluate their lawn, provide advice on improving their yard and answer any questions

The grand prize package also includes a piece of outdoor power equipment from Briggs & Stratton and a \$500 gift certificate toward yard care **improvements**



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Comcast unleashes Pet Adoptions On Demand

Searching for that ideal fam ily pet just became easier with the recent launching of Comcast's new Pet Adoptions On Demand

By simply selecting the ON DEMAND feature on the cable remote, Comcast Digital customers can access the profiles of available pets for adoption at the Humane Society of Livingston County or the Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society

Pet Adoptions On Demand is a free service available to Comcast Digital customers 24 hours a day, seven days a week

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"Pet Adoptions On Demand expands the range of services available to our Michigan customers," said Jerome Espy, vice president, communications Midwest Division

"There are a large number of pet lovers in Michigan looking for family pets and many of them are Comcast customers By partnering with local animal placement organizations, we hope to help available pets find new homes"

The pets are separated into

three categories large dogs, small dogs and cats

By selecting the ON DEMAND feature and choosing the Get Local' option on the television menu, viewers can watch short segments showing animal caregivers interacting with and describing adoptable pets

The segments can be used to help determine if a potential pet's characteristics are an ideal match

Details regarding the animal's tag number or ID number, and name appear on the screen If interested, viewers can contact the corresponding shelters to schedule a visit, or inquire about arranging an adoption

Pet Adoptions On Demand also increases the exposure of local shelters, calling attention to available training programs and veterinary services

In addition to the mixed breeds or strays, viewers also are informed about other animals brought into the shelters that are available for adoption

HOME CALENDAR

Designers homes Tour five beautifully appointed homes

in Designers Homes on Tour noon to 5 pm Sunday May 20 A portion of the proceeds will benefit Habitat for Humanity All of the homes (three in Troy one in

Bloomfield Hills and one in Rochester Hills) have been designed by local inte rior designers. Three are residences of designers A Spring Art Boutique at one of the Troy homes will offer an assortment of work from local artists for sale

Tickets are \$20 and available in advance at Dillman & Upton in Rochester (248) 651 9411 Chapman House in Rochester (248) 651 7630 Michigan Chandelier in Troy (248) 583' 3200 Hagopian World of Rugs in Birmingham (248) 646 RUGS and Novi (248) 449 7847 Detroit Garden Works in Sylvan Lake (248) 335 8089 The League Shop Inc in Grosse Pointe Farms (313) 882 6880 H E West Designs in Auburn Hills (248) 844 4810 Arkay Walker Paint Co in St Clair Shores (586) 772 5295 and Beaver Tile and Stone in Shelby Township (586) 991 0780

For more ticket information call the Home Tour Hotline at (248) 542 7150 The Michigan Chapter of the International Furnishings and Design Association is hosting the event

Dream kitchen

Designing Your Dream Kitchen a class 730 930 pm Wednesday May 23 at The Community House in Birmingham will help you through the steps in cre ating a custom kitchen design using today's standards and conveniences whether you are building a new home or remodeling

Cost is \$29 The Community House is at 380 S Bates To register call (248) 644 5832 or visit

www.communityhouse.com Instructor Mary Antenucci has been in the interior design industry for 15 years. She is one of the founding mem bers of the Designer On Call program associated with the Michigan Design

Cindy Crawford visit

Popular supermodel Cindy Crawford will greet guests and introduce her new furniture collections 6 7 30 p m Wednesday May 27 at Art Van Furniture 6500 14 Mile in Warren (phone (586) 939 2100) She will also autograph a photo provided by Art

Cindy Crawford Home Collections include selections for living rooms bedrooms and dining areas Exotic woods luxurious leathers and careful ly selected fabrics are incorporated into the designs to ensure the collections appeal to a wide variety of lifestyles Prices begin at \$699 for sofas and \$999 for dining sets

visit artivan com for more information Upscale garage sale

The Junior League of Detroit will host an Upscale Garage Sale Saturday Sunday May 26 27 in the cafeteria at Grosse Pointe North High School 707 Vernier in Grosse Pointe Woods Hours are 9 a m to 5 p m May 26 11 am to 5 pm May 27 Admission is \$1 Ample parking is available in the main

The sale will include artisans antique dealers and craftsmen and thousands of bargain priced gently used garage sale items donated by league mem bers and the community For details visit the league Web site at www.jlde troit ora

The league hopes to raise \$15 000 for its community programs at the event Individuals interested in donating items for sale may contact the league office at (313) 881 0040 All donations are tax deductible

Trunk show, sale

Home Accessory Warehouse 1017 E West Maple in Walled Lake will have an Oil Painting Trunk Show and Storewide

Call (248) 624 6700 or visit www.home accessorywarehouse com Appetizers desserts wine tasting and prizes will be featured 6 10 pm at a special event Thursday May 17 The sale and trunk show will continue 10 a m to 5 p m Friday Saturday May 18 19 and noon to 5 pm Sunday May

A portion of the event proceeds will be donated to the Purtan Family Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation The store is the only stop in Michigan for a special semi truck filled with more than 500 original oils with cus tom wood frames all at 30 percent off Additional storewide savings of 20 to 65 percent off select merchandise will be available

Ford House

Events at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House include the Staff Life on the Estate tour (11 a m Friday May 25 \$10) and the Cotswold Architecture tour (7 p m Wednesday May 30 \$10) Reservations are required for all events Call (313) 884 4222 The house is at 1100 Lake Shore Road in Grosse Pointe Shores Visit www fordhouse org

Volunteers sought

The Friends Store at the Rochester Hills Public Library 500 Olde Towne Road is looking for individuals interested in tending store Run entirely by volunteers the store is open 10 a m to 5 p m six days a week and some evenings. Training is provid. ed All staffers work two to three hour shifts with two people on each shift Stop by the store for more informa tion or call Wynn at (248) 650-3731

Home decor

Haberman Fabrics 905 S Main in Royal Oak offers a variety of home decor classes for different sewing skill levels Call (248) 541 0010 e mail ContactUs@HabermanFabrics com or visit www.HabermanFabrics.com The schedule includes Duvet Cover 5 45 8 45 p m Wednesdays May 30 to June 20 or 10 15 am to 115 pm Thursdays May 31 to June 21 Cost is

Dearborn home tour

Six exquisitely decorated homes will be open to the public on the 27th Dearborn Symphony Heritage Home Tour 10 a m to 5 p m Saturday May 19 at the Tournament Players Club resi dences on Rotunda Drive west of Greenfield

A free tour shuttle will be available The clubhouse dining room will be open for lunch 10 a m to 3 p m Prizes will be awarded to lucky ticket holders Pre sale tickets are \$13 and \$15 and available at clubhouse headquarters All proceeds benefit the Dearborn Symphony Orchestra For tickets and information call the symphony office at (313) 565 2424

Spring Fiber Day

Mt Bruce Station 6440 Bordman in Romeo will have its annual Spring Fiber Day 10 a m to 4 p m Saturday May 19

Admission is \$4 free for under age 5 The event will include booths with handmade items from area farms and artisans a plant sale demonstrations and a sale of fiber wool products For information call (810) 798 2568 or visit www.sheepstuff.com

Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E Maple Birmingham 48009 e mail mklemic@hometown life com fax (248) 644 1314

Design teacher wins prestigious award

Barbara Marını, program chair of Interior Design for the International Academy of Design & Technology recently received a Fellowship from the American Society of Interior Designers Fellowship represents the highest honor the Society bestows on an



exceptional volunteer or design visionary for his or her contributions to the advancement of ASID or to the interior design profes-

ASID granted Marini Fellowship because of her 'commitment to excellence and her innovative

approaches to teaching ASID had also awarded Marını with Faculty of the Year Award in 2006, Member of the Year and Chapter Medalist in 2005, and the ASID/Joel Polsky Academic Achievement Award in 2000

Marini is well known for her active involvement with ASID She has had various roles in the organization since becoming a professional member in 1980 after successfully passing the NCIDQ Exam She currently serves as a member-at-large of the ASID Board of Directors

"IADT is proud to have Barbara Marini heading up our Interior Design program,' said Kathleen Fish-Gilbert, Director of Education at IADT "Her dedication to continuously improving the program and the profession has a profound effect on the quality of education we can offer our stu-

The International Academy of Design & Technology offers college degree programs ın Interior Design, Game Design, Graphic Design, Fashion Design, and Digital Media Visit www iadtdetroit com or call (888) 838-2111

GARDEN CALENDAR

Perennial sale

The Hill & Dale Garden Club will host a peren nial sale 10 a m to 2 p m Saturday May 19 at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills Heritage Park is on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile The sale will feature a wide selection of member grown perennials at low prices it will benefit the club's community education programs

For more information call Stacy Buatti at (248) 320 4000

Spring plant sale

The Metro Detroit Hosta Society will have a Spring Plant Sale 10 a m to 2 p m Saturday May 19 at First United Methodist Church of Birmingham 1589 W Maple between Cranbrook and Southfield roads Vendors will have a large selection of hosta and other plants for sale

Rose programs

Roger and Nancy Lindley owners of Great Lakes Roses in Sumpter Township offer a series of free public programs at the nurs ery 49875 Willow Road between Rawsonville and Sumpter roads

The schedule includes Yesterday's Roses for Today's Gardens 11 am Monday May 21 and Success with Climbing Roses a slide presen tation and garden demonstration 1 p m Sunday May 27 (repeated 11 a m Monday

Each presentation lasts about 1 1/2 hours Reservations aren't needed Dress for the weather For more information call (734) 461 1230 or visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com

Plant sale

The Belle Isle Botanical Society Plant Sale will take place 9 a m to 3 p m Saturday May 26 at Belle Isle greenhouses Proceeds will benefit the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory and Gardens The sale will feature perennials annuals herbs miniature roses geraniums peppers and heirloom tomatoes For more information call (313) 822 2548 or

visit www bibsociety org

Anniversary

Greenviews 202 W Main in Northville will celebrate its 12th anniversary 10 a m to 5 p m Saturday May 26 Call (248) 380 8881 The celebration will include 12 percent off the ticket price of items a drawing for a \$50 gift certificate every hour Farmer John's Barnyard Express a petting zoo cake and fun shows at noon 2 pm and 4 pm

School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening presents a variety of classes for different levels includ ing Focus on Design 630 930 pm Thursdays May 17 to June 17 or 9 30 a m to 12 30 pm four Fridays beginning May 18 in Livonia (fee is \$140) and Pruning Tips 730 930 pm Wednesday May 30 at The Community House 380 S Bates in Birmingham (\$29 call (248) 644 5832 to reg

Among other offerings are Expert Perspective Garden Walks The schedule includes interiorscapes 2 pm Sunday May 20 at the Detroit Zoo (\$42) For more information call (248) 4 GARDEN or visit www michigangardening com

Oakland County Land Conservancy

Nativé plant sale 9 a m to 3 p m Sunday June 3 Betty Stadgill Pancake Pavilion Pike and Mill'streets 'Pontrac (248) 601 2816 e mail dfolland@oaklandlandconservancy org or Web site at www paklandlandconservan cy org

Royal Oak Garden Club

The Royal Oak Garden Club will take a trip Monday June 11 to the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory on Belle Isle Cost is free Call Penny Vansen at (313) 861 6579 for details or visit http://www.bibsociety.org

Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Mary Klemic Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E Maple , Birmingham 48009 e mail mklemic@home townlife com fax (248) 644 1314

Dog show offers variety of events

One of the most diverse dog events in the country, the United Kennel Club Premier™ Dog Show, sponsored by Purina, will take place Thursday-Sunday, June 14-17, at the Fairgrounds of Kalamazoo

The show will feature dog and owner teams from across the country competing in dog shows, agility, protection and obedience trials, weight pull competitions and terrier races

The UKC Premier Dog Show is a family-friendly, educational event that allows spectators to get close to the action and interact with dogs and owners

Hours are 8 a.m to 5 p m each day, with a great variety of dogs scheduled to compete

Dog owners interested in participating in this year's event can submit their online entry and view the schedule at http://www.ukcdogs.com/premier htm

Spectator admission into this year's show is \$5 per car per day into the fairgrounds (\$10 weekend passes are also available)

The UKC encourages spectators to approach owners and handlers after the shows to meet the dogs and ask the owners about the characteristics and care of the different dog breeds

Spectators are asked not to bring their dogs or pets to the event, as dogs not participating in the shows aren't allowed into the fairgrounds

The event will begin on June 14 with the highly anticipated Top Ten Competition, sponsored by Dog World Magazine

This will feature the top winning dogs from each breed squaring off in an invitation-only competition

Spectators can expect to see their favorite breeds strut their stuff during the six Conformation Shows, showcasing hundreds of purebred dogs competing for an opportunity to be crowned Best in Show The event will also feature the renowned Ultimate Air Dogs

(http://ultimateairdogs.net/) performing its high-flying dockjumping competitions throughout the weekend.

These gravity-defying dogs continually push their performance to new heights and are always a crowd favorite Established in 1898, the UKC

is the largest all-breed performance-dog registry in the world, registering dogs from all 50 states and 25 foreign countries More than 60 percent of its

12,000 annually licensed events

are tests of hunting ability, train-

ing and instinct Call (269) 343-9020, fax (269) 343-7037 or visit www.ukcdogs.com

GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

Livonia

The Friends for the Development of Greenmead will present its 18th annual Garden

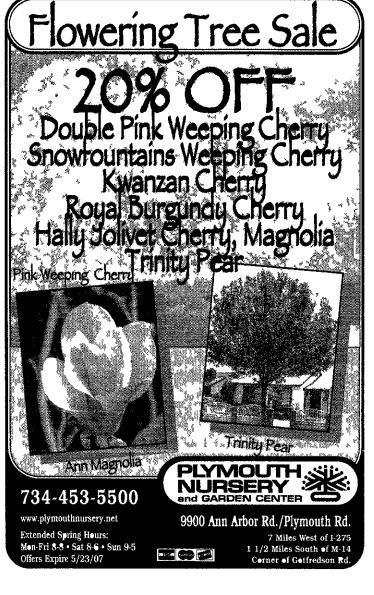
Walk 10 a m to 5 p m Saturday June 23 Seven lovely gardens and yards of homes throughout Livonia will be available for

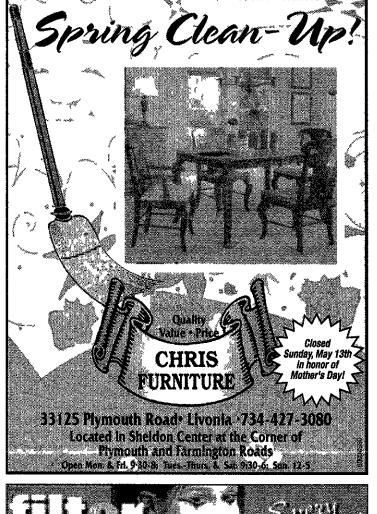
For information call (734) 466 2540 or (734) 425 4855

viewing. All proceeds benefit the restoration and preservation of Greenmead Historical Village Tickets are \$9 in advance \$10 the day of the event. They are available from committee members and at any Livonia library the Civic Center Library Gift Shop the Greenmead office and the Department of Community resources on the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall at Farmington and Five Mile roads

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Fix and clean your deck to keep it looking good

hough wood decks have lost some popularity in favor of masonry patios, many, many homes have them They provide an attractive outdoor liv-

> ing space at a reasonable

Wood decks need regular maintenance to stay looking good In most cases this means cleaning and possibly refinishing

Dad (sealing or staining) Harry A neglected Jachym deck may show mıldew, algae,

moss, discoloration or cracks

and splits in the wood Before cleaning and refinishing a deck, make necessary

repairs When the wood swells and shrinks, nails tend to To repair this problem,

pound them back into place using a hammer and punch, or remove them and replace them with deck screws Replace loose and broken boards as necessarv

Once the repairs are complete, clean the deck

Sunlight, dirt, rain and snow play havoc with a deck's attractive appearance This happens rapidly to uncoated wood

There are many deck cleaners on the market Most of them are very good and easy to use However, some common household items do very well at cleaning a deck.

Trisodium phosphate (TSP) has been the proverbial favorite to clean decks

(http://tinyurl.com/24mo2u), a site that cov-

ers all kinds of Web-based software and serv-

starts by explaining how to add photos to

your account, then goes on to discuss tags,

sets, collections and other Flickr features

Written expressly for newcomers, the guide

You'll also learn the basics of sharing, con-

eBay recently took the wraps off eBay To Go

(togo ebay com), a slick new service that lets

you add an interactive auction-listing box to

This "widget" can list a single auction item, up to 10 items, or even the results of an eBay

Once you've built your widget (an easy fourstep process), eBay To Go provides the code

you need to paste it onto your site It also

ding the widget into Blogger, MySpace,

LiveJournal and other popular spots

spotlight interesting ones

PROTECT FROM PHISHING

dissertation on phishing safety is

offers step-by-step instructions for embed-

user to create eBay To Go widgets You can use it to promote your own auctions or just

You don't even have to be a registered eBay

One item I forgot to mention in last week's

TrendProtect (http://tinyurl.com/36lybq), a

browser plug-in that helps you avoid unsafe

TrendProtect analyzes the Web pages you

view and alerts you if it detects anything

your blog, MySpace page or other site

search (Red Wings bobbleheads, for

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ADD EBAY AUCTIONS

more Good stuff

Mix 4 to 8 ounces of TSP to 1 gallon of warm water along with 4 ounces of laundry bleach to make a good solution for cleaning decks TSP cleans the dirt while bleach works on algae, moss and mildew

Apply the solution to a damp deck surface using a garden sprayer Brush the surface with a stiff bristle brush

Let this solution set for 10 to 15 minutes (don't let it dry), and rinse it off with a garden hose and a high-pressure nozzle or a power washer Use the power washer on a low-pressure setting, around 1500 psi

TSP and bleach can cause skin and eye irritation Wear rubber gloves, boots and eye protection

TSP contains phosphate, which can cause environmental problems to our waters Avoid letting runoff find its way into sewers or streams

Čhlorine bleach can damage foliage near the deck Wet these areas with water before using this solution on the deck and rinse them well afterward

Chlorine can also break down lignin (the part of wood that binds cellulose fibers and strengthens the cell walls), which can damage wood fibers Never use more than one cup per gallon of water

NOTE TSP can darken some woods such as redwood, cedar and oak

OXYGEN BLEACH

My personal favorite cleaner has now become oxygen bleach (such as Oxy Clean)

Oxygen bleach isn't as harsh as chlorine bleach When mixed with water it forms hydrogen peroxide, which both cleans and brightens wood It is also environmentally friend-

Mix 4 ounces of oxygen bleach powder to 1 gallon of warm water Apply and runse as with TSP solution

A power washer should only be used to aid the cleaner It is the job of the pressure washer to remove the cleaner and the loosened dirt

Too much pressure can damage soft wood fibers The pressure should be no more than 1500 psi This is enough pressure to remove dirt from the deck when a cleaner has been

Use a fan-shaped spray on the washer nozzle Start and stop spraying away from the wood and use long, overlapping strokes as you move closer to the boards This will minimize damage and help to avoid lap marks

Too much pressure or using a stream nozzle can damage the deck

When the deck has dried at least 24 hours, apply your finish of choice

If you would like more information on deck finishes, speak with a paint specialist at hardware, home improvement or paint stores, or contact me at askdad@comcast net

Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad a col umn on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident Send any questions or comments to Jachym at askdad@ comcast net or in care of Mary Klemic Observer &

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malicious It also analyzes Google, MSN and Yahoo search results, flagging each link with a familiar red-light/green-light color code You can mouse over any link to see more informa-

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As I mentioned last week, Internet Explorer 7 and Firefox both have built-in anti-phishing tools of their own – but they're not always effective TrendProtect offers an extra layer of protection, and it's available free of charge

If you're looking for even more robust security, check out Blink Personal Edition (http://tinyurl.com/ztslf) This full-fledged security suite promises total protec viruses, spyware, phishing and other Internet nastiness

Amazingly, it's free as well

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(google com/help/pbremoval html) and wait

48 hours Granted, there are countless other services out there that offer reverse phone lookups, but Google is a household name and therefore

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Paul Hodges' favorite room is the study, which he uses as a home office

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DesRosiers, president of DesRosiers Architects of Bloomfield Hills, winner of five Detroit Home Design Awards for the residence The living room, which has a coffered, barrel ceiling, offers a spectacular view of the lake. The lake and sunsets can be seen through the floor-to-ceiling windows in the master bedroom

Views of the rooms themselves are often fascinating as well The staircase in the foyer features raised cherry panels, capped newel posts and curving, wrought-iron balusters

In the anteroom, the elliptical ceiling is echoed in the eggshaped carving in the cherry and mahogany wood over an

Floors are of travertine and Botticino stone and inset with mosaics or brass squares A radiant heat system throughout the house warms them Only two rooms are carpeted the home theater and a guest room

Even the floor of the elevator has a decorative tile pattern.

This elevator runs from the rooftop terrace, where there's a spa and room for outdoor entertaming, to 30 feet below the lower level, where theres the 90-foot tunnel that leads to the

The temperature in the tiled tunnel stays cool even in the hottest weather A full bath at one end is a place for showering after a swim



An elevator is at one end of a tunnel at the residence. The 90 foot tunnel, 30 feet below the lower level of the house, leads to Upper Straits Lake

The study is Hodges favorite room He uses it as a home office It has deep tones from the burled maple and cherry wood paneling, black leather that tops the desk, and wood fireplace with onyx surround

This room also contains a bronze and crystal chandelier from 1850, and a reproduction of a painting from the Louvre that is motorized and conceals a TV screen

Tuckers girlie room, a cheery combination of pink, yel low and white, is where she works on her crafts and guilting It has a sitting area for playıng with grandchildren

Built-in cabinets hold art supplies for the third-graders Tucker teaches Furnishings include an antique lamp and a French desk.

French doors lead to a sewing room. Also nearby is a private pink bathroom

The creamy-colored kitchen serves a lake view and leads to a patro It features his and her refrigerators hidden behind cabinet-like doors "Everybody (gathers) right

here," Hodges said, standing at the rounded corner of the counter that serves as a table

The lake is also in view of anyone working out in the halfcourt gymnasium

The room, which has a cork floor, becomes a place for a live band and dancing when the couple entertains

A "Mens Locker Room" (as the brass sign on the door reads) includes changing rooms, steam room and shower

The billiard room features a fireplace with a mantel handcarved by Italian craftsmen They also carved the elegant fountain outside

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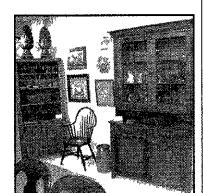
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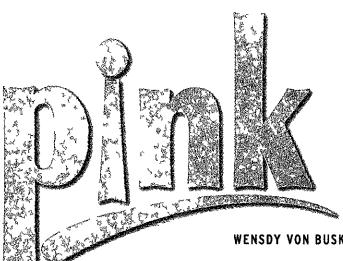
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House of Style

Clothing designers expand into home decor

Furniture and Fashion Trends for Spring

O Raiph Lauren heads to the beach with nautically inspired clothing and seaside retreat interiors lsaac Mizrahi knows how to keep

things fresh. Bedding with butterfly motifs go with clean, crisp white blouses and shoes. Giorgio Armani is in it for the

long hauf. Think of staples for your closet and home. This designer knows how to create something so luxurious in its simplicity it will be around for years to come. Neutral solids are seen in his spring clothing line as well as the Armani Casa collection

Style legend Calvin Klein conveys an urban sophistication in his creations. Whether it's a classic black suit or bedding and bath accessories, look for crisp, clean tailored looks

 ■ Donna Karan's comfortable yet sultry fashions cross over to her home products This season, look for strong solids with plenty of texture in both lines From dresses and lingerie to flatware and champagne flutes,

Vera Wang brings a graphic silhouette to each of her designs For the woman who is searching for a modern interpretation of traditional, the designer now offers everything from picture frames to decorative vases

Known for mixing bold colors for a unique look, Tommy Hilfiger began with men's clothing and then expanded to women's wear and home décor His brightly colored bedding, which offers a cheerful way to start the day, will remind you of his fashions

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Calvin Klein did it So did Ralph Lauren Donna Karan and Vera Wang followed suit Thanks to a long list of wellknown fashion designers who expanded their talents into the world of home decor, our dwellings can now look as

chic as our wardrobes Savvy fashion designers are no longer satisfied presenting us with something to wear Instead, they promote an entire lifestyle

Now, with the ever-popular nesting trend, home dwellers yearn for the contents outside their closets to look as lovely as the selection within

And, since many interior designers suggest searching through your closet in order to find inspiration for your home decor, it makes sense that not only can color serve as a starting point, but also the designer labels themselves If you favor the sleek, minimalist designs of Calvin Klein for your wardrobe, chances are you might find his tailored and well-edited home collection appealing as well

Then there's Donna Karan, who followed her fashion career with a small line of home accessories The designer now offers a more extensive array of luxurious items for the home, such as bedding and bath products

And Giorgio Armani, who has catered to celebrities for years, recently added Armanı Casa a high-end line of home goods featuring furniture, lighting and more — to his long list of sophisticated products

Luckily for us, a handful of designers not only took the leap from fashion to home decor, but they did it so the average person could actually afford to purchase

more than one item For those who are young at heart, the always hip Isaac Mızrahı, known for his fun and affordable clothing line and home collection at Target, brings high fashion to the masses If you re a fan of his colorful clothing and shoes, you'll likely fall head over heels for his vibrant home collection, which is packed with personality

Some iconic designers such as Ralph Lauren, who is considered to be among the first to create a lifestyle advertising campaign, seem to have a corresponding theme between fashion and home This season, look for nautically inspired clothing by Ralph Lauren paired with a home collection reminiscent of a seaside retreat

So how does one begin to take the leap from fashion to home

Start by taking a good look inside your closet Is a lot of black lurking in there? Perhaps you re drawn to the dramatic. Translate that theme into your home with some key pieces in black such as ottomans, end

tables, picture frames and lamps

Are you a stylist at heart, always mixing high-end fashions with more affordable pieces and accessorizing with vintage jewelry and funky shoes? With that natural talent, your home decor can become a mixed masterpiece as well. Display flea market finds alongside family heirlooms Place a few accessories from a discount store alongside some upscale designer sofas and chairs

Accessorizing your home is similar to accessorizing your wardrobe In fact, home accessories are often referred to as jewelry for the home. Just as a shimmering necklace and some killer shoes can lift a little black dress to a whole new level, the same can be said for pillows, artwork and greenery

While most of us can't refresh our home decor as often as we revamp our closets, changing the color and style of home accessories seasonally will spruce up your surroundings So, now you can approach personal expression in two ways how you dress yourself and your home @



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Designer Vera Wang, known for revolutionizing the bridal industry with her signature gowns, has also gotten into the interior design mix

In addition to creating signature tableware and interior accoutrements, Wang has teamed up with Michigan-based Serta to lend her name to a line of luxurious mattress sets

The Mattress & Futon Shoppe recently showcased Wang's products at the Bridal Expo @ Rock Financial Showplace in Novi, and held a drawing for prizes Everyone who entered received

an invitation to visit one of Mattress & Futon Shoppes 14 locations for a gift certificate toward the purchase of any Vera Wang or Easy Care mattress set by Serta, along with a free Serta Counting Sheep plushie The winners are

Rachel Bulszewicz of Brighton won an Absolutely Free



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Rachel Bulszewicz of Brighton shows off the Serta Counting Sheep plushie and Vera Wang mattress set she won ın a recent Mattress & Futon Shoppe

Vera Wang Sweetheart Queen Mattress Set.

 ★ Lindsey Thompson of Howell won 50 percent off a Vera Wang Sweetheart Queen

Candice Archie of Detroit won two free Health Rest Memory Foam Pillows

Cindy Crawford visits Art Van

Fashion designers aren't the only ones bridging the fashion world with home decor Supermodel Cindy Crawford

is launching a new line of furniture this month, ranging from denim couches to bedroom sets with marble details She will visit Art Van

Furniture in Warren, 6-7 30 p m Wednesday, May 23 to introduce Cindy Crawford Home Collections, as well as greet guests and sign autographs

"Cindy Crawford appeals to such a broad range of individuals and she was able to influence the design of her furniture collections to do the same,"

received many

honors and awards

including being

named one of

"Detroit's Top Does"

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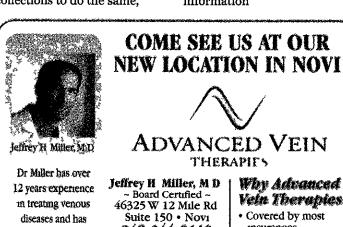


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Cindy Crawford, lounging on a denim sofa in her Home Collection

said Tom De Corte, vice president of merchandising for Art Van Furniture

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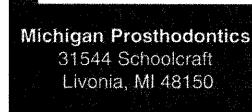
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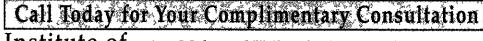


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