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Bird Elementary Principal Jane Van Steenis was among a group of retirees who took more than 100 years of experience from the Plymouth-Canton schools with them.

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Retirements deplete school ranks

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Sitting on the porch of her Frankfort home overlooking Lake Michigan, Ann Kuhn said she "cried more tears the last week of school" than anytime in recent memory.

Kuhn, a former Canton resident, retired at the end of the school year, with all 17 years in Plymouth-Canton Schools as principal of Farrand Elementary in Plymouth

Township.

"I really had a hard time leaving," Kuhn said. "Farrand has a wonderful parent community, the kids are great and the staff is unbeatable, they are simply the best people on earth to work with."

"The thing that was so exciting for me is that I spent six years with a lot of those kids, and sometimes more with their families," she added. "I helped some of those kids when they were babies. It's

exciting to see them grow and their families grow. That's the best part of being in an elementary building."

Plymouth-Canton Schools lost more than 100 years of educational experience when Kuhn and several of her colleagues retired at the end of the school year. Barbara Rodenberg, the assistant superintendent of instructional services, left with 24 years in the district; Ellison Franklin, principal at West

Middle School, retired after 22 years; Peggy Brooks, principal at Smith Elementary, is gone after 11 1/2 years; Jane Van Steenis, Bird Elementary principal, served P-CCS for nine years; and Martha Giles, the program director for Early Childhood, served five years.

With 30 years in education, 22 of them in Plymouth-Canton, Franklin has taught at every level. However, she

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DDA concert series to jazz up Ford Road

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

When the Back in The Day Band becomes an international household name, Kathleen Salla wants Canton residents to be able say they've been longtime fans of the group and that they saw them perform live during the 2007 Canton Color Tour.

Returning for a second year, the jazz series partners the Downtown Development Authority, Chamber of Commerce and Leisure Services with the FM radio station, Smooth Jazz V98.7.

"The series features excellent music from emerging artists," said Salla, DDA director. "Smooth Jazz doesn't bring out anything but quality."

The Auburn Hills-based Back in The Day Band is fronted by former Detroit Lions player Larry Lee. The nine-piece band is scheduled to perform during the series.

The free shows are slated for Friday nights at 7 p.m. and, with the exception of the last show, take

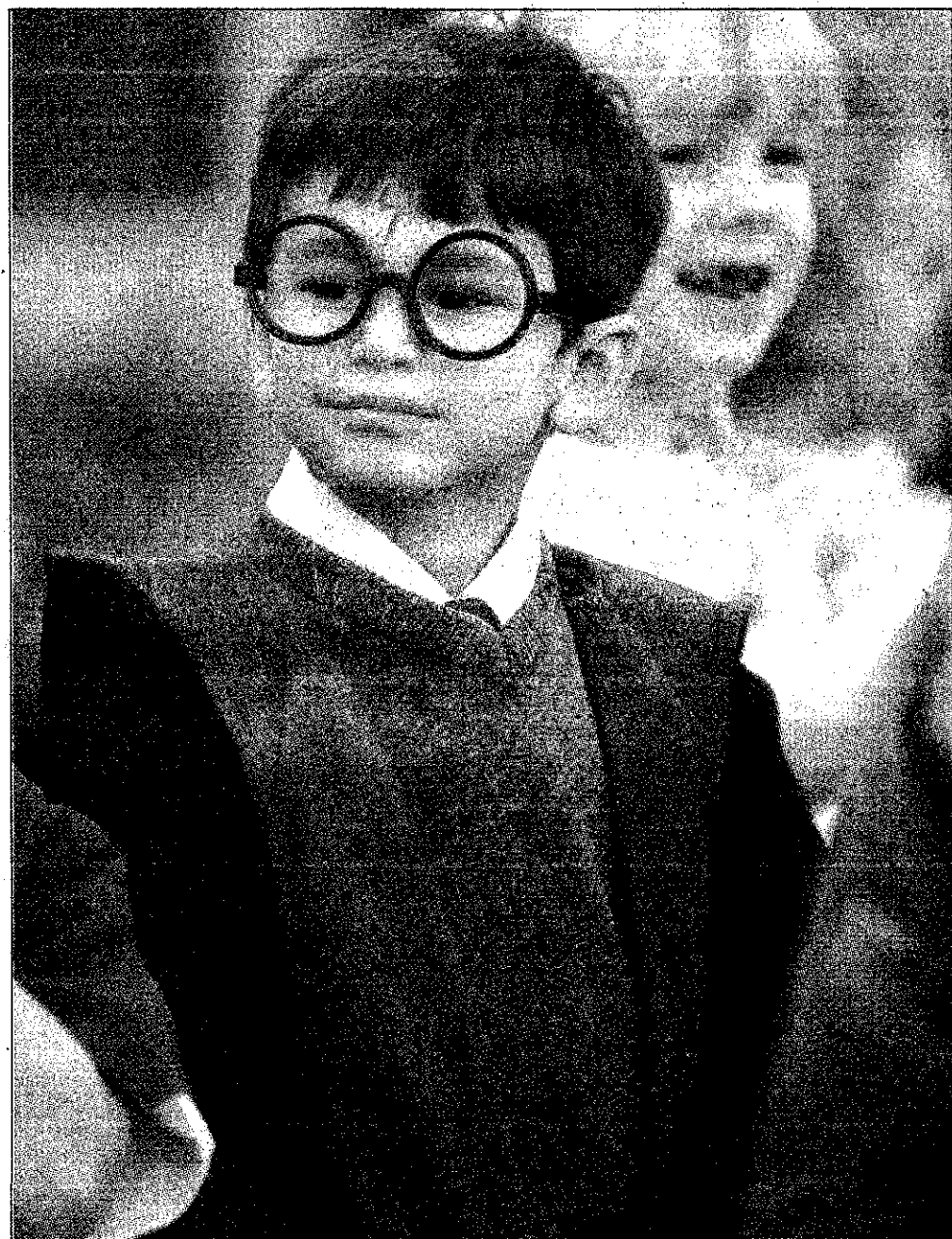
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THE JAZZ IS BACK

The Canton Color Tour jazz series is back for the second year. The series, which is a partnership between Canton, the Downtown Development Authority and FM radio station, Smooth Jazz V98.7, will run Friday nights throughout the summer. All shows begin at 7 p.m.

The schedule is as follows:

- The Kimmie Horne Show, July 13 at Home Depot
- LaShell Griffin, July 20 at IKEA
- Larry Lee & Back in The Day Band, July 27 at b.d.'s Mongolian BBQ
- The Herbie Russ Band, Aug. 3 at Harvard Square
- Randy Scott, Aug. 10 at Canton Corners
- John E. Lawrence and Friends, Aug. 17 at Kohl's
- Entertainment for the Aug. 24 concert at Willow Creek Center and for the final concert on Sept. 7 at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill have yet to be announced.



LAWRENCE MCKEE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Organizers of a Harry Potter book release party on July 20 at the Village Theater are encouraging people to come dressed as their favorite Harry Potter character.

Township, bookstores gearing up for Harry Potter madness

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

Right up there with President Kennedy's assassination, the Challenger explosion and O.J. Simpson's Bronco chase will be "Where were you when the *Deathly Hallows* was released?"

OK, maybe it won't be as widespread as knowing exactly where you were when the Twin Towers fell, but legions of giddy Harry Potter fans will be lined up across the globe at midnight July 21 in order to be among the first to clutch a copy of the much-anticipated book between their palms.

"Harry Potter is a big deal out there," said Sean Fletcher, Canton Leisure Services recreation and facilities supervisor.

Fletcher said the township is hoping to capitalize on the frenzy surrounding the final book in J.K. Rowling's famed series by partnering with As The Page Turns Bookstore to offer a release event at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill.

For \$10, series followers can attend a showing of *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* at 9:30 p.m. July 20.

The seventh edition of the collection, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, will go on sale for \$37.05 at 12:01 a.m. Those that attend are encouraged to dress as their favorite Harry Potter character. Books are guaranteed for people that purchase in advance.

Nicole Jackson of As The Page Turns said she's geared up for the midnight rush.

"We are going to be a part of history," she said, adding that some fans have theorized that Harry will be killed in this book, while others believe that this isn't the end of the series. "People are pretty evenly split. Some people think she'll come back with another book in five years or will create a new adventure."

In addition to the release event at the theater, The Book Cellar in Plymouth is also getting in on the Harry Potter madness.

The store, located at 840 W. Ann Arbor Trail, will be open at midnight July 21 and will offer the book for 20 percent off at the door. Pre-ordered books will get a 25-percent

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Slavens sworn in as 3rd Circuit judge

Former Plymouth-Canton school board President Mark Slavens of Canton began the month of June garbed in a graduation cap and gown as he proudly handed a diploma to his son, Patrick, and other graduates of Plymouth High School.

Slavens ended the month in a different robe, at his own investiture ceremony as his family helped him don the robe of a judge after he was sworn in as a justice of the 3rd Circuit Court.

Many friends, his family and elected officials gathered June 29 at the Coleman Young Municipal Building in Detroit to see Slavens take the oath of office from Supreme Court Justice

Marilyn J. Kelly. Former Supreme Court justice and mayor of Detroit, Dennis Archer, spoke of Slavens' character and aptitude for the court.

"It was very humbling to think I was going to get to serve the citizens of the county of Wayne, but it was also very exciting," Slavens said. "Once the proceedings got going, I felt almost electrified. Having people like (Kelly and Archer) saying nice things about you, it was a pretty exciting day."

Slavens' father, the Rev. Tom Slavens, delivered the invocation and his minister, the Rev. Bryan Smith of Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton, gave the benediction.

"That was very nice," Slavens said of his father's invocation. "It was a very emotional moment for me when he got to do that. I thought he did a very nice job."

Plymouth-Canton Supt. James Ryan talked about Slavens' dedication to the students of the district and his pursuit of more equitable school funding.

Many other members of the judiciary were present, including Judge Michael Gerou of the 35th District Court in Plymouth.

Slavens will officiate in the Juvenile Court Division of the Circuit Court.



Mark Slavens, with his wife Dian at his side, places his hand on the Bible as he is sworn in as Judge of the 3rd Circuit Court by Chief Justice Marilyn Kelly. Judge Michael Gerou, of the 35th District Court in Plymouth, listens in the background.

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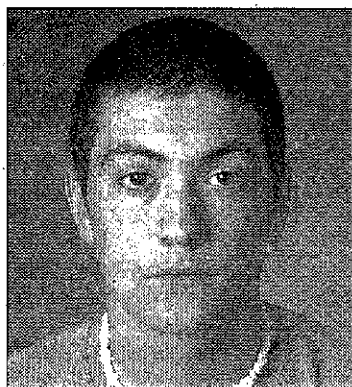


Fibromyalgia experts offer advice in new book

AROUND CANTON

Correction

Livonia Churchill sophomore catcher Tyler Bledsoe, a first-team All-Observer pick in baseball, was inadvertently omitted from the write-up in Sunday's edition (July 1) of the 2007 Spring Sports All-Area Teams. Bledsoe batted .337 for the Division 1 district champion Chargers. "Tyler was a fixture in our lineup in the three and four spot the entire season," Churchill coach Ron Targosz said. "Offensively, he led the team in at-bats (101), hits (34) and RBI (24). His arm strength is as good as any catcher in the league. The good thing for us is that he is only a sophomore, so if he continues to improve, then there is no telling how good Tyler could become in the next two years."



Lower Rouge River in Canton.

Twice a year, teams of volunteers visit sites throughout the Rouge River watershed and search for benthic macro-invertebrates (aquatic insects). The presence or absence of these streambed creatures reflects the quality of the water and habitat. Each site is given a quality score which is determined by weighing each type and number of organisms found. A higher proportion of sensitive organisms such as mayflies and caddisflies, results in a higher score. The quality score is then given a rating from "poor" to "excellent". In addition to the quality and rating, the number of taxa is calculated. Taxa represent the number of different families of organisms, like quality, a higher number of taxa indicates a healthier site.

This spring six sites were sampled along the lower branch of the Rouge River, which flows through Canton. The results are as follows;

■ **Fellows Creek:** All three Fellows Creek sites received "fair" scores with 10-13 taxa identified. The site near Ford and Ridge roads identified a few stoneflies and two types of caddisflies and mayflies, which are indicators of good water quality.

■ **Fowler Creek:** The headwaters of Fowler Creek near Prospect and Cherry Hill roads received an "excellent" score by continuing to show great diversity with 21 taxa identified. Stoneflies, mayflies and four different types of caddisflies were all identified at this site. After examining the specimens collected, biologist Bruce McCulloch discovered a new species of caddisfly that FOTR had yet to see in the Rouge.

Further downstream on Fowler Creek at Geddes Road, scored "good" with 17 taxa identified which included mayflies and two types of caddisflies. According to FOTR, these scores are encouraging and much higher than previous years.

■ **Lower Rouge River:** Site located at Cherry Hill and Napier roads had a "fair" score

with 11 taxa identified.

To learn what you can do to help keep the township's water resources clean, visit www.canton-mi.org/environment.asp.

To read a complete copy of the Spring Bug Hunt report visit www.therouge.org, and look under Programs/ Public Involvement/ Volunteer Benthic Monitoring. The Spring Bug Hunt was co-sponsored by Friends of the Rouge, Rouge communities, and the Sub-watershed Advisory Groups, and supported, in part, by a grant from the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration Project.

Pay taxes online

Canton has partnered with Chase Bank to offer Canton taxpayers the ability to make electronic payments through their checking or saving accounts, as well as by using credit or debit cards. Beginning July 1, electronic payments can be made by accessing the Canton Web site at www.canton-mi.org/tax-payments.

Payments made using checking or savings account, commonly referred to as ACH payments, will be free of charge to the taxpayer. The cost to process an ACH payment is actually less than processing a paper check, therefore there is no need to recover additional costs.

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Canton cannot assume the cost of the fees, as the funds would have to come from general fund operations and this is not viewed as an appropriate use of township funds as it benefits only some, not all, of



Top honors

The Salem High School varsity Rockettes dance team received top honors at the Universal Dance Association Camp at Oakland University June 22-25. The team earned first place in home routine, as well as the Superior Trophy, Drill Down Team Award, Spirit Stick, Rock Star Award, and Team Full Out Award.

the residents.

The ability to make electronic payments is only available online. Check and cash payments can still be made at the Treasurer's Office on the first floor of the Administration Building. Payments can also be mailed or placed in the 24-hour drop box located to the right of Administration Building entrance.

For more information, or assistance, please call the Canton Treasurer's Office at (734) 394-5130.

Mitochondrial disease fund-raiser

Ladies Workout Express in Canton is hosting a Hula Hoop contest/fund-raiser from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday July 14 to benefit the United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation.

The event is to honor the memory of Sean Mackenzie Clark, a Canton boy who lost his battle to mitochondrial disease last year.

Sean was 8 years old when he passed away on March 21, 2006 due to complications of his disease. There are many other children still suffering from this disease who are fighting for their lives and need your help. If you would like to sponsor a contestant or

would like to raise money by entering this contest please contact Ladies Workout Express at 6541 Canton Center Road in Canton, or call (734) 254-0030 for more details. Ladies Workout Express is located off Canton Center Road between Ford and Warren roads.

To learn more about Mitochondrial disease please see the United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation Web site at www.umdf.org. Donations can be made out to U.M.D.F. and are tax deductible. Approximately 4,000 children each year are born with mitochondrial disease. Out of the 4,000 children born each year half of those die within the first year of their lives. Their life expectancy ranges from zero to 12 years of age.

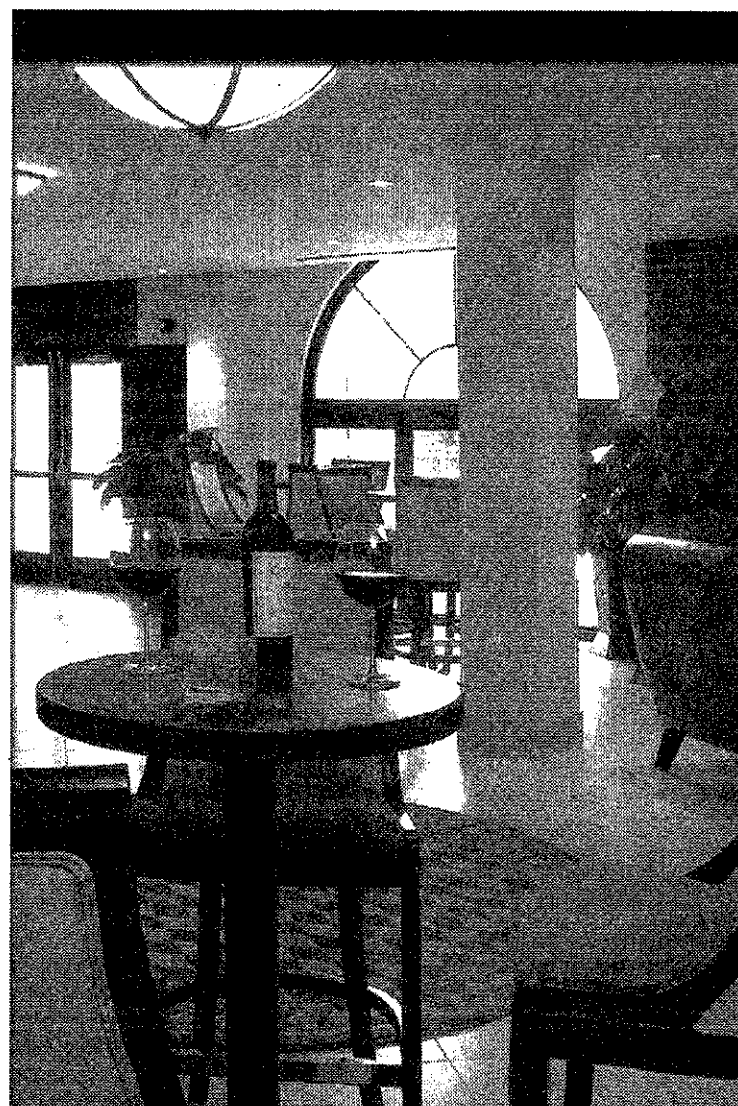

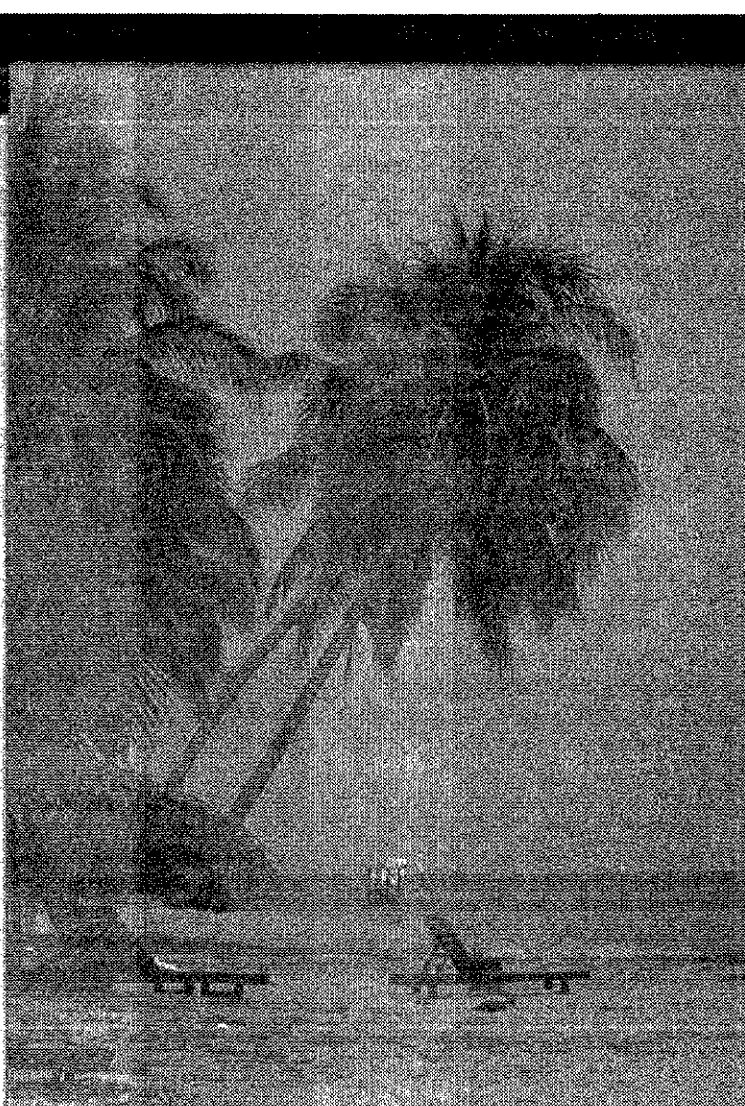
'Carousel' auditions

Spotlight Players is holding auditions for *Carousel*, Monday, July 16 and Tuesday, July 17, at The Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m.

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Cops looking for Target assailant

Canton police are asking for help in identifying a man who touched a woman's backside while she was shoe shopping in Target on June 19.

The incident was captured by the Ford Road store's surveillance cameras.

Canton Sgt. Rick Pomorski said the woman reported the

assault to the security team at the store who then called police.

If apprehended, the man could be charged with fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct and receive a two-year prison sentence.

By Tiffany L. Parks

FORD

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place along the Ford Road strip.

Sheila Landis & the Brazilian Love Affair will perform Friday at the Canton Wal-Mart.

"Last year went really well and we've had a lot of feedback asking if we were doing the concerts again this year," Salla said, adding that the series could become the DDA's signature event. "It's a family-friendly atmosphere. The kids can dance near the stage and some people with SUVs tailgated with refreshments and dinner. It's a relaxed setting."

Last year's crowds averaged between 150 to 200 people.

The tour's schedule includes The Kimmie Horne Show on July 13 at Home Depot; LaShell Griffin on July 20 at IKEA; Larry Lee & Back in The Day Band on July 27 at b.d.'s Mongolian BBQ; the Herbie Russ Band on Aug. 3 at Harvard Square; Randy Scott on Aug. 10 at Canton Corners; and John E. Lawrence and Friends on Aug. 17 at Kohl's.

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For more information, call the DDA at (734) 394-5186.

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discount.

"We've had about 200 pre-orders and I expect to sell the majority of them that night," Book Cellar owner Bashir Salame said. "I equate the final book to the (final episode of) *The Sopranos*. Everyone is speculating about how it will end and are drawing their own conclusions."

The store will pepper its late-night hours with refreshments and prizes for best costumes.

"A lot of people want the book as soon as possible, so we will be open," Salame said.

To purchase tickets for the event at the Village Theater, call (734) 394-5460 or log on to www.canton-mi.org/village-theater.

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Township honors boy who saved drowning friend

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

From Zachary Lanza's perspective, he was just helping a friend. End of story.

But to those around him, the 8-year-old is a hero.

Zachary rescued his soccer buddy, Aiden Hurley, also 8, from the bottom of his grandmother's pool June 2 after he suffered a seizure. The Township Board recognized his quick thinking and bravery last week.

Both boys sat near their parents at the meeting. They were accompanied by a group of other small boys who whispered to each other, lightly swung their legs back and forth and giggled.

Beth Hurley, Aiden's mother, gave Zachary a sweet smile before he was handed a certificate by Canton Township Trustee Melissa McLaughlin.

"This still chokes me up," said Hurley, who performed CPR on her son after Zachary brought him to the water's surface. "It's still amazing and their friendship is cemented forever."

In typical childlike fashion, the two boys spoke only a few words about the incident during the board

meeting but laughed and chatted with each other in the administration building's foyer.

Aiden, who had never had a seizure before the incident, is on restriction for the summer. If it's hotter than 75 degrees, he must remain indoors.

"They are doing a lot of tests on him trying to figure out what happened but the restriction has been hard on him," Hurley said. "He's an outdoor boy."

Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher congratulated Zachary for helping Aiden and added that he will be honored again next year at the department's annual awards ceremony.

"Given the nature of the incident and their ages, we thought it was important to recognize them in a timely manner," he said.

Despite the circumstances surrounding the incident, Hurley said some good has come out of the ordeal.

As the only person at the pool that day who knew CPR, Hurley said the consequences could have been tragic if she didn't know the procedure. As a result, she's prompted her church, St. Thomas a'Becket, to host a "safety day" later this year.

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Canton Township Trustee Melissa McLaughlin presented Zachary Lanza, 8, a certificate last week honoring his heroism for rescuing friend Aiden Hurley (right) from drowning in his grandmother's pool on June 2.

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BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

When officials for Robert Bosch Corp., LLC broke ground on the company's \$37.5 million, 225,000-square-foot research and development facility in Plymouth Township 19 months ago, they had to have the ceremony beneath a tent with a portable heater blazing.

No such precautions were necessary last week, when officials gathered again to celebrate the facility's grand opening. The sun was blazing, temperatures were warm and the smiles were wide as company and local officials cut the ribbon.

"We open this building and what it represents ... roots and our commitment to south-east Michigan," Bosch CEO Peter Marks said. "It will help us to achieve our long-term planned growth in North America."

The center, located at Five Mile and Haggerty, houses Bosch's research and development, as well as engineering space for the company's electrical drives, starter motors and generators and automotive electronics divisions.

While the company didn't create any new jobs, officials did move some 450 associates from its Farmington Hills complex.

And Plymouth Township officials are happy to have them.

"It's great for the economic posture of Michigan,"



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Bosch CFO Rich Kirschner (from left), Bosch CEO Peter Marks, MEDC vice president Jeff Mason, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume cut the ribbon for the grand opening of Bosch's new Plymouth Township research center.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume said. "When they make a commitment like that, it shows their long-term commitment to the state."

"For Plymouth Township, these workers will spend money locally and hopefully begin to look locally for housing. That's the encouraging thing for us."

Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano extolled the virtues of the county as a hub for research and development, particularly in the automotive

industry.

"We realize it's a global economy and companies such as yours have their choice (of locations)," Ficano said.

"You chose here, and we appreciate it. We respect the commitment Bosch has made here."

For its new facility, Bosch received several pieces of artwork from students at nearby Farrand Elementary, with whom Marks said Bosch had formed a partnership. Bosch, Marks said, would fund field trips for Farrand

students to the Detroit Science Center.

Bosch also dedicated 30 acres of its Plymouth Township property to be a nature conservancy, meaning neither Bosch, nor potential buyers should Bosch decide to sell the property, can develop that 30 acres.

"That's the kind of neighbor you like to have move into your community," Reaume said.

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Shila, Jay Towers and Bill McAllister

Meet and eat with crew of Motor City Middays

The *Observer & Eccentric* and *Mirror Newspapers* are teaming up with Buddy's to present "Dining With the Stars" featuring Jay Towers, Shila and Bill McAllister host of Motor City Middays, on Live 97.1 FREE FM.

In 100 words or less, tell us why you're a fan of the Motor City Middays crew and would like to have lunch or dinner at Buddy's Pizza in July with the trio from 97.1 FREE FM.

Send your fan letter to BuddysDiningStars@gmail.com and be sure to include your

name, address, daytime phone number and e-mail address. Deadline to enter the July contest is 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 17.

Winner receives a limo ride

A photograph of you and your favorite stars will be published in the *Observer & Eccentric* and *Mirror Newspapers* and online at www.hometownlife.com.

Other upcoming dining with stars include August: CoCo of WJLB-FM (97.9) and September: Chuck Gaidica of WDIV-TV (Channel 4).

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, 2007 for the following:

CANTON RELIEF SEWER PROJECT - PHASE I
LOWER ROUGE RELIEF SEWER

Work to include: 8 acre Clearing and Grubbing, 4,000 L.F. 42-inch Sanitary Sewer, 3,500 ton Gravel Access Path, 150 each Tree Planting, 300 Live Twig Planting, Restoration, and related Work.

Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations: Charter Township of Canton Engineering Dept., 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188-1699 McGraw Hill Construction - Dodge, Plan Room, 20475 Woodingham Drive, Detroit, Michigan 48221-1260; Construction Association of Michigan, 43636 Woodward, P.O. Box 3204, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302; Reed Construction Data, Electronic Plan Room, (www.reedpr.com); Construction News Service, 1773 RW Berends Drive S.W., Wyoming, MI 49519; and Wade Trim Associates, Inc., 25251 Northline Road, Taylor, Michigan 48180.

DISTRICT
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admits middle school has been her favorite.

"Having been at all levels, I've really enjoyed the unique characteristics of the emerging adolescent," Franklin said. "I love middle school because they're in an important transition in their life and they really need adults to influence their decision-making. It's really critical at middle school."

There are several educators and administrators who are on emeritus status, retired but hired as contract

employees for a year or two without benefits, which helps the district with the transition to new leadership. They include Jerry Ostoin, Salem High School principal, 32 years; Marsha Hoff, East Middle School principal, 31 1/2 years; Sharon Strean, Salem assistant principal, 30 years; Carolyn Anulewicz, Salem assistant principal, 29 years; Jan Gooding, Salem assistant principal, nearly seven years; Mike Bee, Plymouth High School principal, six years; Jim Ryan, P-CCS superintendent, six years; Cassandra Smith, Canton High School principal, five years; and Ron Gooding, Plymouth assistant principal,

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NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
2007 SUMMER TAXES

Summer taxes are due July 1, 2007 and payable through **August 10, 2007** without penalty. Additional information appears on the reverse side of your tax statement. **MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CITY OF PLYMOUTH.** Payments can be made at City Hall during regular business hours, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Treasurer's office. After hours, payments can be placed in the DROP BOX located in the Church Street lobby of City Hall or use the DROP BOX located next to the book return behind the Library.

Teresa Cieshke, CPFA
City Treasurer

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AROUND TOWN

Genealogical society

The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets 7 p.m., July 12, at the Hamburg Historical Museum, 7225 Stone, Hamburg. A member of the Hamburg Historical Society will talk about the history of the Hamburg area and visit to the museum. The public is invited. For more information, call Margaret, (616) 227-7745.

Academic Pathways preschool

Academic Pathways Cooperative Preschool, at 30330 Schoolcraft in Livonia, offers classes Tuesday and Thursday mornings for 3-year-olds, and Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings for 4-year-olds. Kindergarten readiness class will meet afternoons, Monday to Friday. Potty training not required. (734) 459-6689 or visit academicpathways.tripod.com.

Blood drive

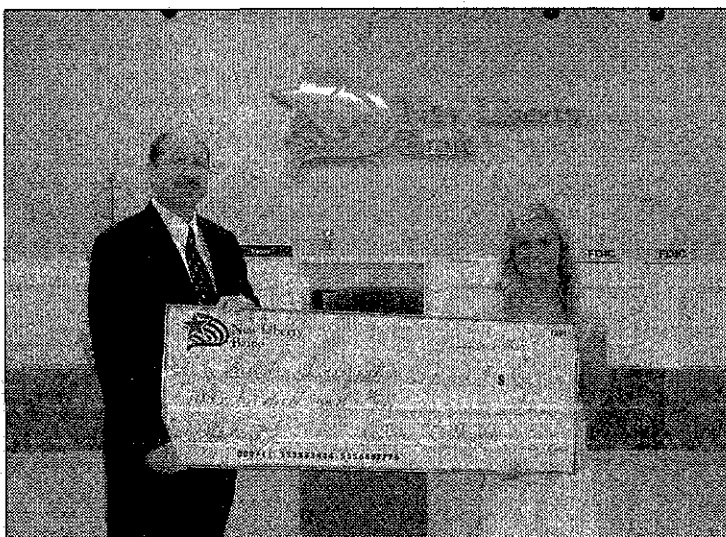
Divine Savior Catholic Church will hold an American Red Cross blood drive 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at the church, 39375 Joy, west of Hix, in Westland. Walk-ins are welcome or donors can call (734) 455-3620 and leave their name.

Mercy scholarships

Mercy High School is granting \$170,600 in scholarship money to students for the 2007-08 school year. Ten full-tuition scholarships from the Sisters of Mercy and 19 named scholarships are being awarded along with \$20,000 in scholarships provided by the Mercy Alumnae Association. Scholarships are awarded based on applications and student-written essays. For information on donating to the Mercy High School Tuition Assistance Fund, or establishing a new named Mercy scholarship, contact Director of Development Nadine Maynard at njmaynard@mhsml.org or call (248) 893-3538.

Travel clinics

When traveling to a foreign country, a vaccination and travel consultation could be just as important as a passport. From diseases you may have already heard of such as hepatitis, to the more exotic illnesses like Japanese encephalitis, Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's TravelWise Travel Clinic can provide the vaccinations and information you need to consider. This new service from VNA provides inoculations for many common diseases including influenza, pneumonia, meningitis, tetanus and diphtheria, in addition to vaccinations specific to your travel destinations such as hepatitis A and B and typhoid. Additionally, VNA is a certified provider of the yellow fever vaccine. In order to prepare for VNA's travel consultation, individu-



Scholarship winner

Salem High School senior Sarah Bugosh, here with New Liberty Bank president Bob Krupka, was selected as the first recipient of the New Liberty Bank Scholarship. Bugosh was chosen for "her outstanding commitment to community." Bugosh held a 4.07 GPA, was involved in gymnastics, was chapter president of Health Occupations Students of America and volunteers at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Bugosh will attend Wayne State University in the fall and plans to be a pediatrician.

als should bring their anticipated travel dates, itinerary and lodging plans. Past immunization records and a list of allergies and current medications will also help. For appointments, cost, on-site clinics and general information, contact the VNA TravelWise Travel Clinic at (248) 967-8755 or visit www.vna.org.

Heartland Hospice

Heartland Hospice, located in Southfield and serving the tri-county area, is looking for caring and compassionate individuals to register for volunteer training. Evening and day-time classes are available for anyone interested in being a support person for clients and their families during their end-of-life journey. Office support is also needed. To register, call Mary, (800) 770-9859.

Register for St. Genevieve School

St. Genevieve Catholic School is accepting applications for the 2007-08 school year. The school, preschool through eighth grade, is accredited by the Michigan Association of Nonpublic Schools. It's at 28933 Jamison in Livonia, east of Middlebelt, south of Five Mile, and offers full academic curriculum, full- and half-day preschool and kindergarten, extended-day program before and after school, CYO program and more. (734) 425-4420.

Waste to Watts

The Ann Arbor Hands-on Museum has extended the Waste to Watts exhibition through summer of 2007 due to popular demand. Waste to Watts

shows how new environmentally friendly technology can turn our trash into electricity. Developed by Landfill Energy Systems of Wixom, Michigan, this one-of-a-kind exhibit demonstrates how methane gas recovery from landfills can be used as an alternative energy source, ultimately reducing our dependency on other fuels. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For information, visit www.aahom.org or call (734) 995-5439.

Card party/luncheon

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

Hospice training

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

Literacy Council tutors

The Community Literacy Council (CLC) is looking for volunteer tutors in Western Wayne County to help

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

Toastmasters meet

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

Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian-based bereavement outreach and resource center located in Northville. Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a parent, pet loss, and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year. All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is, please call the office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support, or visit www.newhope-center.net.

Post Polio Clinic

Easily fatigued? New, inexplicable physical complaints? History of paralytic or non-paralytic polio? Contact the Post Polio Clinic, 13850 E. 12 Mile, Warren, or call (586) 778-4505. The clinic sponsors support group meetings the fourth Saturday of every month (March through October) at 4328 Livernolis in Troy. For more information, you can also call (734) 765-8384.

CLUBS

Rotary A.M.

The Plymouth Rotary Club of Plymouth A.M. meets at 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. New members are always welcome. Contact Beth Stewart, president, Rotary Club of

Plymouth A.M., by calling (734) 420-4094.

Canton Newcomers

The Canton Newcomers meet the first Wednesday of each month (September-May) for an adult evening of socializing, a speaker or an activity. Additionally, the group hosts more than 20 events during the month including Book Club, Bunko, Playgroups, Creative Kids, Ladies Day and Night Out, Scrapbooking, Walking and many more. Request a complimentary newsletter at cantonnewcomers.org or call Jennifer at (734) 981-1715. You don't have to be "new" to be a Newcomer!

Kiwanis Club

The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Club meets every Tuesday at 7:15 a.m. at the Plymouth Cultural Center on Farmer. The Club invites you to their morning meetings to discuss community projects and activities. Be part of the solution and not just a spectator. For more information, call (734) 981-0460 or see the Web site (www.pckiwans.org).

Plymouth Newcomers

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

Fibromyalgia/Chronic Fatigue

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

MOPS meet

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) meets twice monthly from September-May, for moms and their children, newborn-kindergarten, at Lakepointe Bible Church in Plymouth Township. For more information, call Crystal Johnson, (734) 459-1861.

Mosaic

MOSAIC is a group where Moms come together to be refreshed and equipped for the important task of mothering. It presents speakers on child and family issues, has small-group discussion time, crafts and brunch. Child care is provided. It meets at Plymouth Baptist Church, 42021 Ann Arbor Trail, on the first and third Tuesday mornings of each

month, September to May. Contact Resha at (734) 207-0658 or resha@juno.com

Moms Club

Moms Club of Livonia-S/Plymouth, Canton and Westland offers a variety of activities for stay-at-home moms and their children. For more details, call Birthe at (734) 458-8143 or Kimberly at (248) 231-6120.

DAR

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

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

American Legion

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

■ The Plymouth American Legion Passage-Gayde Post #391 conducts its monthly meeting the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Knights of Columbus Hall on Mill (next to the railroad tracks) in Plymouth Township. All interested military veterans should contact Commander Mike O'Malley, (734) 459-7890, for more information.

Women's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth

Meets every second Monday of each month from September through June. Persons interested in joining may contact club president Linda Coughlin at (734) 459-7478.

Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club

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

Mothers & More

The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth. Call (866) 841-9140, Ext. 4329, or visit Web site mothersandmore63@onebox.com.

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Harry Potter fans can celebrate the final book release, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, with activities at the Canton Public Library on July 21. Children, ages 8-12, can register online for a Harry Potter party starting at 1 p.m. Teens can rock out to the sounds of wizard bands Oliver Boyd and the Rememberalls and Tom Riddle and Friends with door prizes and food provided, starting at 3 p.m. Check www.cantonpl.org for more information.

Registration is ongoing for summer reading. It's not too late to get in on the fun and get a chance at cool prizes. July 26 is the last day to sign up.

NOW @ YOUR LIBRARY

■ Teen Photo Journal: July 10, at 2 p.m. Register online to make your own unique photo journal. Teens only.
■ Animanga Club: July 11, at 7 p.m. Drop in and

share your love of everything Animanga with other teens. Books, movies, drawing and discussion with teen librarian Brad Bachelor.

■ Adult Lunch and a Book: July 12, at noon. *The Madonnas of Leningrad* by Debra Dean.

■ Teen Advisory Board: July 12, at 5:45 p.m. Get volunteer credit and help shape the future of CPL's teen services.
■ Knit Nights with Anne: July 12, at 7 p.m. Drop in knitting. Bring your current project, yarn, patterns and ideas to share with other knitters. All experience levels welcome

■ Tween Book and Pizza Club: July 13, at noon. Register at the Children's Desk and pick up a copy of *Made You Look* by Diane Roberts.

■ Adult Contemporary Book Discussion: July 16, at 7 p.m. *Rules for Old Men Waiting* by Peter Pouncey.

■ Teen CSI Program: July 17, at 4 p.m. Teens, get sum-

mer reading credit and learn how to gather and evaluate evidence to solve a crime, just like on the popular TV shows. Registration required.

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings - June 26, 2007

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, June 26, 2007, at 1150 Canton Center S. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call:** Members Present: Bennett, Caccamo, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo. Members Absent: LaJoy. Staff Present: Director Eva, Director-Faas, Mike Rorabacher. Staff Absent: Executive Director Santomauro, Director Conklin. **Adoption of Agenda:** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the agenda as amended adding approval of June 19, 2007 Board Study minutes and removing Consent Calendar Item 4. Second Reading of Amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Part I, Chapter 74 Entitled "Utilities", Article II, Division 2, Subdivision II entitled "Rates and Charges", Section 74-81, 74-82, and 74-83 and move to the General Calendar as Item 3A. remove Consent Calendar Item 5. Second Reading of Amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 74 Entitled "Utilities", Article III Sewer Use and Industrial Waste Pre-Treatment Requirements for Users Discharging to Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Sewage Treatment Plant to the General Calendar as Item 3B and remove Consent Calendar Item 6. Second Reading of Amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Part I, Chapter 74 Entitled "Utilities", Article V, Entitled Installation and Maintenance of Grease Interceptors" to the General Calendar as Item 3C. Motion carried by all members present. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Board Study Minutes for May 29, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the Board Minutes for June 12, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Board Study Minutes for June 19, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. **RECOGNITION:** 1. **RECOGNITION OF ZACHARY LAZANJA.** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adopt the resolution recognizing Zachary Lazanja. Motion carried by all members present. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR THE DURCON LABORATORY TOPS INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE. (SUPERVISOR)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the public hearing for July 17, 2007, to consider the Industrial Facilities Exemption application of Durcon Laboratory Tops, Inc. for personal property at their facility located at 8464 Ronda Drive. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 2. APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT STATUS FOR CANTON LEISURE SERVICES/DDA EVENTS. (CLS)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the special event status for Canton Leisure Services and DDA events occurring July 7 - September 30, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 3. CONSIDER OWNERSHIP TRANSFER OF DRAINAGE EASEMENT FROM CANTON TOWNSHIP TO WAYNE COUNTY FOR TAX NUMBER 071-020-99-0009-000. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the transfer of ownership of the drainage easement from the Charter Township of Canton to the County of Wayne for Tax Number 71-020-99-0009-000, and authorize the Township Supervisor and Clerk to sign the document, assignment of permanent easement. Motion carried by all members present. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. CONSIDER AZIZI REZONING REQUEST. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for rezoning request of Mr. Jahan Azizi. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 2. CONSIDER SPECIAL LAND USE REQUEST AND SITE PLAN FOR REAL LIFE NURSERY SCHOOL ADDITION. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for special use and site plan for Real Life Nursery addition. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 3. CONSIDER REPLACEMENT OF COSTCO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (WALMART) AND SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR WAL-MART SUPERCENTER. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adopt the resolution for planned development and site plan for Wal-Mart Supercenter. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 3A. SECOND READING OF AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, PART I, CHAPTER 74 ENTITLED "UTILITIES", ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, SUBDIVISION II ENTITLED "RATES AND CHARGES", SECTIONS 74-81, 74-82 AND 74-83. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to remove from the table the AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, PART I, CHAPTER 74 ENTITLED "UTILITIES", ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, SUBDIVISION II ENTITLED "RATES AND CHARGES", SECTIONS 74-81, 74-82 AND 74-83 with publication of July 5, 2007 and effective date of July 11, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, PART I, CHAPTER 74 ENTITLED "UTILITIES", ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, SUBDIVISION II ENTITLED "RATES AND CHARGES", SECTIONS 74-81, 74-82 AND 74-83 with publication of July 5, 2007 and effective date of July 11, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. **STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 74 UTILITIES AMENDMENT TO THE SEWER USE ORDINANCE SETTING WATER CHARGES, SEWER CHARGES AND THE SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CODE OF ORDINANCES PART I, CHAPTER 74 ENTITLED "UTILITIES", ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, SUBDIVISION II ENTITLED RATES AND CHARGES, SECTIONS 74-81, WATER CHARGES GENERALLY, SECTION 74-82, SEWER CHARGES GENERALLY AND SECTION 74-83, SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES; PROVIDING FOR CONSUMPTION RATES, TAP SIZES, CLASSES OF WATER AND SEWER ACCOUNTS, SEWAGE TREATMENT RATES, MINIMUM SEWER BILLS, INSPECTION FEES, SPECIAL STORM SEWER PROJECTS, AND ESTABLISHING THE SCHEDULES OR RATES AND CHARGES APPLICABLE THERETO; PROVIDING FOR THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND THE BALANCE OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION AND PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO SUBDIVISION II RATES AND CHARGES. Ordinance Chapter 74 is hereby adopted to amend Part I, Chapter 74, Article II, Division 2, Subdivision II Rates and Charges to read as follows: **Sec. 74-81. Water charges generally.** This section provides for consumption rates, water system equity charge, connection charge, front footage charge, tap and meter charge, water construction charge, water connection, tap sizes for multi-unit dwellings, fire lines, duplexes, attached condominiums development service, classes of water and sewer accounts. **Sec. 74-82. Sewer charges generally.** This section provides for sewerage treatment rates, minimum sewer bills, sewer system equity rates, minimum inspection fee, special storm sewer projects, sewer finance obligations. **Sec. 74-83. Schedule of rates and charges.** This section provides for consumption rates, tap and meter charges, water system equity charges, water construction charges, water front footage charges, fire line meter systems, treatment rate charges, wastewater cost of service charges, minimum sewage disposal bills, sewer front footage charges, sewer connection charges, sewer lead inspection fees, industrial waste charge (IWC) rates, and industrial surcharge rates. **SECTION 3. SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF THE ORDINANCE.** This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance. **SECTION 4. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.** This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the Court. **SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.** This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance. **SECTION 6. CONSTRUCTION OF ORDINANCE.** This section provides that this Ordinance shall be liberally construed in such manner as to best effectuate its purpose. **SECTION 7. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING SECTIONS.** This section provides that portions of the Code of Ordinances, Part I, Chapter 74 are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this amendatory Ordinance full force and effect. **SECTION 8. PUBLICATION.** This section provides that the Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. **SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188 during regular business hours. **Item 3B. SECOND READING OF AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 74 ENTITLED "UTILITIES", ARTICLE III SEWER USE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRE-TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR USERS DISCHARGING TO DETROIT WATER AND SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT. (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to remove from the table the Amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 74 entitled "Utilities", Article III, Sewer Use and Industrial Waste Pretreatment Requirements for Users Discharging to Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Sewage Treatment Plant with publication and effective date of July 5, 2007.**

Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 74 entitled "Utilities", Article III, Sewer Use and Industrial Waste Pretreatment Requirements for Users Discharging to Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Sewage Treatment Plant with publication and effective date of July 5, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. **STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, AMENDMENT TO WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE, SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 74 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE III OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 74 OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS; PROVIDING FOR USE FACTOR SCHEDULES, TRANSITION RULES, INDUSTRIAL WASTE CONTROL CHARGES, INDUSTRIAL WASTE SURCHARGE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRETREATMENT; PROVIDING FOR DISCHARGE PROHIBITIONS AND WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR MONITORING FACILITIES, INSPECTION, SAMPLING, AND RECORD KEEPING, ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH NPDES PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR RATE APPEALS, WATER AND SEWER APPLICATIONS, BILLINGS, ENFORCEMENT, INTERIOR METERS, EXTERIOR METERS, CONNECTIONS TO THE SYSTEM, A SUMP PUMP COLLECTION SYSTEM, AND WATER CONSERVATION DEVICES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR PRESERVATION OF EXISTING CHARGES, RATES AND ENFORCEMENT ACTION(S); PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1. AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE.**

Article III of the Water and Sewer Ordinance, Ordinance Chapter 74, is amended to read as follows: **ARTICLE III. SEWER USE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRETREATMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR USERS DISCHARGING TO DETROIT WATER AND SEWERAGE DEPARTMENT SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT 74.161. - 74.175 and Appendices A, B and C. Industrial Waste Surcharge and Industrial Waste Pretreatment - Discharge to Detroit Water and Sewer Department.** This Article provides for an industrial waste pretreatment program for discharges to the Detroit Water and Sewer Department, a delegation of authority to the DWSD, definitions, discharge prohibitions, fees, waste water discharge permits, monitoring facilities, inspection, sampling, record-keeping, confidentiality of certain information, statutes, laws, regulations, enforcement and appeal procedure. **SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.** This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court. **SECTION 3. REPEAL.** This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. **SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.** This Section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance. **SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE.** This Section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance. **SECTION 6. PUBLICATION.** This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. **SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours. **Item 3C. SECOND READING OF AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, PART I, CHAPTER 74 ENTITLED "UTILITIES", ARTICLE V, ENTITLED "INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF GREASE INTERCEPTORS". (MSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to remove from the table the Amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Part I, Chapter 74 entitled "Utilities", Article V entitled "Installation and Maintenance of Grease Interceptors" with publication and effective date of July 5, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the Amendment to the Code of Ordinances, Part I, Chapter 74 entitled "Utilities", Article V entitled "Installation and Maintenance of Grease Interceptors" with publication and effective date of July 5, 2007. Motion carried by all members present. **STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 74 ORDINANCE TO GOVERN THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF GREASE INTERCEPTORS AND PROHIBITING DISCHARGE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING AN ARTICLE V, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF GREASE INTERCEPTORS TO CHAPTER 74, UTILITIES; PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF GREASE INTERCEPTORS, EMERGENCY MEASURES AND DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR FATS, OILS AND GREASE DISCHARGE PROHIBITIONS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:** The Charter Township of Canton hereby adds Article V to Chapter 74 Utilities, to read as follows: **SECTION 1. Article V. Installation and Maintenance of Grease Interceptors; Discharge Prohibitions.** Sec. 74-358. Definitions. This section provides for the definition of grease interceptor. Sec. 74-359. Design and standards. This section provides for the design and performance of grease interceptors. Sec. 74-360. Discharge prohibitions. This section provides that no non-domestic user shall discharge wastewater such that the concentration of fat, oil and/or grease in a grab sample that exceeds 100 mg/l. Sec. 74-361. Requirement regarding installation and maintenance. This section provides for the requirements regarding installation and maintenance of grease interceptors. Sec. 74-362. Requirement for testing. This section provides that the operators of existing and new establishments with grease interceptors shall be responsible for testing and independent certification. Sec. 74-363. Periodic clean out. This section provides for periodic clean outs of grease interceptors. Sec. 74-364. Posting of maintenance and repair log. This section provides that all facilities having a grease interceptor must post a maintenance and repair log. Sec. 74-365. Violations and penalties. This section provides for violations and penalties of an establishment who violates this ordinance. Sec. 74-366. Interim and emergency measures. This section creates new obligations, time periods fees and costs for establishing compliance with this ordinance. **SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY.** This section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance. **SECTION 3. REPEAL.** This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. **SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE.** This section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance. **SECTION 5. PUBLICATION.** This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. **SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section provides that this Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan during regular business hours. **Item 4. BUDGET AMENDMENT - DRUG FORFEITURES. (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget amendment to Police FY2007 to complete the federal requirement to spend \$51,622 received in October 3, 2005 to be used on drug enforcement communications, equipment, and training: Increase Revenues: Forfeitures - Drug Enforcement 207 000 655 0000 \$ 51,622, Increase Appropriations: Drug Enforcement Program 207 301 744 0000 \$51,622. This budget amendment increase the police fund budget from \$14, 765,677 to \$14,817,299. Motion carried by all members present. **Item 5. BUDGET AMENDMENT - OVERTIME FIRE (PSD)** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following budget transfer to cover fire overtime for 2007: Decrease Appropriations Fire Sworn Salaries 206 336 704 0000 (\$300,000) Increase Appropriations Fire Overtime 206 336 708 0000 \$300,000. This budget amendment will neither increase nor decrease Fire Fund Budget 2007. Motion carried by all members present. **OTHER:** There will be no study session on July 3, 2007. The next Board Meeting will be on July 10, 2007 at 7:00 at the Administration Building, Board Office, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan, 48188. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Zarbo, supported by Bennett to adjourn at 8:06 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. - Thomas J. Yack, Supervisor - Terry G. Bennett, Clerk - Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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ON CAMPUS

Accounting scholarship

The Michigan Accountancy Foundation (MAF), a non-profit organization that promotes excellence in accounting



Mafiera

Mafiera, a student at Michigan State University, earned one of the scholarships.

Recipients of the MAF Fifth/Graduate Year Scholarship will receive \$4,000 each for a combined total of \$100,000 to help fund their fifth/graduate year of college.

Established in 1961, MAF is affiliated with the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA) and assists accounting students by helping to fund their college education and by providing resources to college educators.

WSU graduate

Heather L. Campbell of Canton has earned her master's of library and information science from Wayne State University this spring. She previously received a bachelor of fine arts degree from the School of Visual Arts, New York City in 2005.

NMU Dean's List

The following Canton residents made the Northern Michigan University Dean's List for the Winter 2007 semester: Ashley E. Olson, who qualified with a 4.0 grade point average, and Joe D. Kowal, who had a grade point average above 3.25.

Duke honors

Tiffany Lynn Labon of Canton made the Dean's List with distinction at Duke University for the Spring 2007 semester. This student was among 1,417 students who achieved that honor.

To make the dean's list, a student must rank in the top third of their college; for Dean's List with distinction,

the top tenth of their college.

Albion merit scholarship

Albion College is awarding merit scholarships to several local students, in recognition of their superior academic achievements and their potential for collegiate excellence.

Sarah Anthony received a Webster Scholarship worth \$11,500 per year.

Sarah Anthony will be a first-year student and intends to seek a major in history. She is the daughter of Daniel and Nancy Anthony of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

Marie Galante received a Presidential Scholarship worth \$13,000 and a Roscoe Sleigh Scholarship worth \$2,000 per year. Galante will be a first-year student and intends to seek a major in mathematics. She is the daughter of Ignatius and Cheryl Galante of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

Erin Miller received a Presidential Scholarship worth \$13,000 per year. Miller will be a first-year student and intends to participate in the Carl A. Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in Professional Management. She is the daughter of Thomas and Karen Miller of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth Christian Academy.

Sarah Rauch received a Webster Scholarship worth \$11,500 per year. She will be a first-year student and intends to seek a major in art. She is the daughter of Michael Rauch of Wyandotte and Karla Brauer of Canton and a graduate of Lutheran High School.

Patrick Slavens received a Briton Award worth \$10,500 per year. He will be a first-year student and intends to seek a major in international studies. He is the son of Mark and Dian Slavens of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth High School.

Cornerstone Dean's List

Jenna McCurry of Canton made the Dean's List for the spring semester at Cornerstone University. Students must earn a minimum 3.5 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) to earn this honorary placement.

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MAYFLOWER TOWING 1179 STARKWEATHER PLYMOUTH, MI 48170 (734) 459-0053 NOTICE OF SALE

The following vehicles will be sold at Public Auction for cash to satisfy lien pursuant to F.S. 713.78 On July 12, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.

VEHICLE		V.I.N.
1990 Ford	Tempo GL (White)	2FAPP36X1LB165421
1993 Dodge	Caravan Base	2B4GH25K1PR188103
1992 Hyundai	Excel Base (Blue)	KMHVD12J6NU153645
1991 Honda	Civic DX (Red)	2HGED6453MH568300
1993 Toyota	Tercel Base (White)	JT2EL46SXP0297536
1993 GMC	Safari Cargo Base	1GDTM1929PB515915
1995 Chrysler	Cirrus (Purple)	1CET756H25N596428
1989 Toyota	Celica (Black)	JT55T62K2H2133522
1997 Pontiac	Grand Am (Green)	1G2NW12T1VC706989
1984 Chevrolet	S10 (Red)	1CCDT14B1E2153508
Pontiac	Sunfire (Red)	1G2JB1247W7584955

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EXTRA SPACE STORAGE

Notice is hereby given that on July 16, 2007, Tate & Co. Auctioneers, Executive Administrator for Extra Space Storage, will be offering for sale under the judicial lien process by public auction, the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. Extra Space Storage reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: EXTRA SPACE STORAGE, 6729 N CANTON CENTER RD., CANTON, MI 48187 AT 12:30 PM.

Francis Stringfellow	B24 10x15	75+ Boxes of misc. items, 3 Lamps, Mattresses; Misc. Household Goods & Collectibles
Francis Stringfellow	D148 10x20	50+ Boxes of misc. goods, 2 Dressers/Drawers, TV Stand, 2 Chairs, Many Misc. Household items &/or Collectibles

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 19, 2007 for the following:

CARNIVAL ATTRACTION

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.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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American economy still the envy of the world

Wednesday, we celebrated the 231st birthday of our country and I believe we should take a step back and pat ourselves on the back for a job well done.

Our country is a work in process and despite the problems and challenges we face, particularly here in Michigan, all we need to do to measure success is to compare ourselves to the rest of the world. From an economic standpoint, there is no country in second place. Our economy is still the envy of the world and it dwarfs any other economy whether it is the Chinese, the Japanese or anyone else. Twenty years ago, people were talking that the Japanese economy would surpass ours. It didn't happen. People that predict that China will be the world economic leader in 20 years underestimate this economy and the American people.

Most think the strength of the U.S. economy is in giant multinational corporations. After all, they dominate the economic news. However, the strength in the American economy lies in everyday citizens who go to work each day. The American worker is the most productive and efficient worker in the world. The strength of the U.S. economy lies in the entrepreneurial spirit that is alive and well in America.

We see it in the small business person who adapts to change and looks for better and more efficient ways to run his/her business. It is the small business person who creates the majority of jobs in America.

Michigan has gone through

Learn to ride safely

Motorcycle riding is great in the summer, and novice bikers have several new opportunities to learn the basics of safely operating a motorcycle.

New basic rider classes have been added at Schoolcraft College and its partner campuses in the Detroit-Metro Regional Consortium Motorcycle Safety Program. The basic rider course is the foundation course for the inexperienced rider, offering 16 hours of instruction during one or two weekends or on weekdays or nights. Bikes are provided, and the fee is \$25.

At Schoolcraft, additional classes begin on July 20 at the Livonia campus and July 27 at Garden City's Radcliff Center.

At other locations, Henry Ford Community College has new classes beginning July 23 and July 27. Macomb Community College offers new classes July 27, Aug. 20 and Sept. 10 at its south campus. New classes begin July 27 at Monroe County Community College and August 24 at St. Clair County Community College.

A complete schedule of motorcycle safety classes is posted at www.schoolcraft.edu/ces/motorcycle.asp. For more information call the motorcycle information hotline at (734) 462-4452.

Schoolcraft College is a public two-year college, offering classes at the Livonia campus on Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile roads, at the Radcliff Center in Garden City and online.

a difficult time and unfortunately has not started the recovery process. Last year, Michigan was the only state to post a reduction in gross domestic product. The state also saw a significant reduction in the number of our residents who have jobs.

The traditional manufacturing base of our Michigan economy is changing. In fact,

sometime in the near future, more Michigan residents will be employed in health care than manufacturing.

Just like 100 years ago, when the majority of residents worked in the agricultural sector then transitioned when the industrial revolution hit, so too will the Michigan economy change.

Think about the massive

changes the national economy has gone through in the last 20 years. Whether it is in banking, obtaining mortgages or investing, Americans have adapted and prospered in this changing world. In this process, many Americans have been left behind and that is one of the great challenges we face today.

As we celebrate our coun-

try's birthday, we should all be proud of what our country has accomplished and we should all be confident as we face the future.

After all, when we look at things economically, we should always remember that history has taught us one thing for certain and that is, whoever bets against the U.S. economy always loses.

Celebrate the good old U.S.A., still the "land of the free and the home of the brave."

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<p>20% off</p> <p>ALL CEILING FANS</p> <p>Discount taken at register. Clearance items not included. Offer cannot be combined with any other promotions. See store for details.</p>	<p>+</p> <p>FREE PROPANE</p> <p>Free propane exchange with the purchase of any in-stock full size gas grill \$299 and up. Requires the exchange of an empty 20lb tank. See store for details.</p> <p>FREE ASSEMBLY EVERYDAY</p>	<p>20% off</p> <p>ALL SPECIAL ORDER FLOORING</p> <p>Discount taken at register. May not be combined with any other offer. See store for details.</p>	<p>+</p> <p>free</p> <p>NEXT DAY LOCAL DELIVERY AND HAUL AWAY</p> <p>On any major appliance purchases \$397 or more via mail-in rebate. Offer valid now through 7/29/07. First purchase amount must equal \$397 or more before taxes and after all applicable discounts and/or instant rebates to qualify. Can be combined with other rebates (instant or mail-in) and/or credit financing offers. Additional fees may apply for deliveries outside 20-mile local area. Rebate values and additional charges may vary. See store for details.</p>

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OUR VIEWS

Board should heed will of the voters

On Tuesday, the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education will decide who will fill the board seat vacated by Mark Slavens, who was sworn in as Wayne County Circuit Court judge on Friday.

The board will have four candidates to choose from. Kurt Heise of Plymouth Township, John Nichols of Canton, John Jackson of Plymouth Township, and Greg Morrison of Plymouth all submitted letters of intent before Friday's deadline.

Heise, who finished a respectable third in the May 8 election, deserves the appointment, which will run through either May or November of 2008. Heise received more than 2,500 votes, finishing behind Nancy Eggenberger and Slavens, who pulled out of the race about a week before the election.

A number of Heise's supporters believe Jackson, who entered his name into the hat late in the game, has been hand-picked by board members, and they are already crying foul. Jackson, who finished in third place in his bid for a school board seat in 2006, is involved with the P-CEP band and is a big proponent of the school district. He did not run for the board this year, however.

Although he has lived in the district less than a year, Heise, who is the director of the Wayne County Department of Environment, has proven to be a polarizing figure, even though he has a solid record of government service. Some people perceive Heise as a right-winger, who will bring no-holds-barred politics to the board of education.

That probably has more to do with the fact he has aligned himself with local leaders in the Republican Party. In fact, Heise told the *Observer* last week that a current board member told him the board is not going to choose him because of the people with whom he is associated.

That's not a very good reason not to choose him. Besides, what exactly do people think Heise is going to do? He would only have one vote, just like everyone else on the board. If the rest of the board doesn't like his ideas, they can simply nullify him. And when the next election comes around, people can vote for someone else.

The fact is more than 2,500 Plymouth-Canton voters said they want Heise to represent them on the school board. Hopefully the board will have taken those voices into account when they make a decision on Tuesday.

There's no better vacation than a Michigan vacation

Sometimes, it is easy to take for granted the natural splendor of our Great Lake State. We forget about the breathtaking sunsets over Lake Michigan, the pristine beaches dominating the coasts of our wonderful peninsulas, the postcard towns and villages and the warm and friendly people that make up our state.

With gas prices still over \$3 per gallon and chamber of commerce weather dominating our summer season, now is the perfect time for residents to reconnect with their home state and, as an old advertising campaign urged, "Say Yes! to Michigan."

While vacation destinations are plentiful throughout the state, there is no denying the special appeal of spending a week or two "up north." From the Mighty Mackinac Bridge and Tahquamenon Falls to the Sleeping Bear Dunes and Grand Traverse Bay, northern Michigan is a playground unmatched for its variety and accessibility.

State budget cuts have put the squeeze on every department, but the need to promote this great state as a vacation destination for the entire country has never been greater. Tourist dollars are the lifeblood for many towns and their residents, and we can help out those who preserve and protect our environmental jewels by spending our dollars in Michigan this summer.

If you haven't vacationed in the state in a while, a good place to start for ideas is www.michigan.org, the state's official Web site. Or better yet, ask a friend or neighbor about their favorite place to vacation in Michigan. Mackinac Island, Saugatuk for its artist colony feel and Lake Michigan location, Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore and Alpena on the state's "right coast" of Lake Huron are all can't-miss destinations.

With summer in full swing, it's never been a better time to explore this great state and help the local economy at the same time.



LETTERS

Ad sends wrong message

For the past eight years, I have taught middle school in the Plymouth-Canton school district. I know how impressionable young minds are. I know that young people need to be taught right from wrong. The saying, "Do as I say, not as I do," doesn't cut it. Adolescents rarely listen to what adults say, but they are watching what we do. Adult behavior is the gauge for youngsters learning what is and what isn't morally and socially acceptable, so upon seeing an advertisement on television for IKEA, I felt compelled to write about its unintended message.

You go into a store, you have your list and as you put each item into the cart you keep a running total in your head. In the checkout line you survey your stock and have a pretty good idea how much all this stuff is going to cost. The cashier rings up your purchases and announces the total. You pause, a moment of shock, you're on autopilot now as you hand your payment to the smiling cashier who says happily, "thank you and have a nice day!"

You approach the door, scanning your receipt, your eyes growing wider, the total is much lower than you thought it would be, there's been a mistake! What do you do? Well, according to the advertisers for IKEA, you run like hell screaming, "START THE CAR! START THE CAR!" as if you have just robbed a bank and you're making your get away.

Now it turns out IKEA is having a sale. You really haven't stolen anything, but you thought you had gotten away with something. It made you feel giddy and not like the thief you really are.

Is this the society we live in? Where you take what isn't yours because someone made a mistake? What is an ad like this teaching our children? Now I happen to like IKEA, and I'm quite sure those responsible for this advertisement thought it was a clever way to announce to the public a great sale at the store. But, the underlying message is that it is okay to cheat someone out of something. It isn't. If the cashier had truly made a mistake, at the end of the day someone would pay.

If I were watching this ad with a young person, I would use it as a teachable moment. What should you do when you're scanning your receipt and you realize something just isn't right? Go back to the cashier and say, "Excuse me, but I think you've made a mistake." Upon realizing the error, the cashier will say, "Oh thank you for coming back! I didn't charge you for something. I would have had to pay for that. I can't tell you how much I appreciate your honesty!"

Or the cashier might say, "Oh no, there's been no mistake. Everything you bought is 50 percent off today, but thank you for checking. Few people have your integrity."

Now you can go home feeling giddy because you did the right thing.

Rosemary B. Schimmel
Canton

Zarbo deserves credit

I wanted to follow up on a recent letter to the editor about the leadership and quality of life the township of Canton has accomplished with Tom Yack as supervisor. I agree with the letter and also agree the current board deserves kudos for their efforts. I am particularly impressed with Trustee Karl Zarbo. He continues to be a voice of reason, with new ideas to solve challenges. He is always accessible, friendly, and takes time to explain issues and news around Canton. His comments and questions make it apparent he has done his homework. Thank you Trustee Zarbo for your dedication and contributions.

Jennifer Lay-Luskin
Canton

Loved Miller Woods

We recently had the pleasure of visiting Miller Woods during one of the annual spring wildflower walks. We are the great-granddaughters of Norman and Cornelia Miller, and had never before visited the woods. We drove my mother out after hearing about the spring tour from my mother's cousin.

We had a wonderful time, listening to the tour guides from the Friends of Miller Woods talk about a piece of family history that was entirely new to us. We had no idea such an organization even existed. Imagine a group of people so dedicated to preserving a piece of my family history. I was amazed and in awe of their love for this beautiful piece of land. The trees in this ecosystem are truly unique — rare now in southeastern Michigan.

I would like to thank the Friends of Miller Woods for continuing to educate the community about our family history and his rare ecosystem and the Plymouth-Canton Community School District and Plymouth Township for turning it into a nature preserve.

Linda Hanson
Leslie
Marie Hensley
DeWitt

Bush is firm on decisions

I was very happy that George W. Bush stood firm on his missile deployment in Poland despite Russia's heated objections. Poland's president, Lech Kaczynski, knows that Russia has never been a friend of Poland, as proven in World War II when Germany attacked Poland in 1939 and the Germans turned over the captured Polish officers to Russia, who immediately marched them into Katyn forest where they executed 5,000 officers, 7,500 non-coms and over 10,000 Polish citizens that Russia thought would give Russia trouble. It wasn't until 1992 that Boris Yeltsin admitted that they indeed slaughtered the Polish prisoners. How did Poland get rewarded with fighting against the Nazis? Truman handed over Eastern and Central Europe to his friend, Uncle Joe Stalin, and they were ruled by Russia for over 50 years. With

friends like the Democrats, who needs enemies?

The one thing that I disliked Bill Clinton for was he never made a decision without having his political adviser, Dick Morris, take a poll to see what the American people thought. I like the statement made by a soldier from the series, "Band of Brothers," when he said about an officer, and that was, "He's not a bad leader for making bad decisions. He's a bad leader because he can't make any decisions." That fit Bill Clinton perfectly.

Robert Siedlik
Livonia

Stoking the stove

Just finished my journey to the local library. I did find the books written some 20 years ago that suggested the coming ice age was upon us. The authors of the books I sampled were almost as sure of their conclusions as the global warning "theorists" are today of theirs.

Earlier when the ice-capaders were warning of the danger of the big freeze, I joined the overcoat parade and stocked my fruit cellar with baked beans and tomato soup.

Today, "I discovered the Internet" Gore screams and cries that "global warming" is coming and we may perish because we emit too many gases. Gore reports flatulence and looks down the street for the pollution and solution.

Didn't the ice alarmists speak first? It's their turn. Stoke the stove.

Neil Goodbred
Livonia

Get the job done

School will be out for the Senate, but summer vacation will be no fun for schools and universities that will not be able to plan their budgets for the upcoming year due to a \$1.8 billion deficit in the 2008 budget.

Senators should not go home until budget issues get resolved. Mike Bishop should let the senators know that there will be no recess until they get their work done.

Katie Jacob
Birmingham

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"She's largely responsible for the immense growth and service (at the library). Clearly, she's one of the best directors in the state. This is a well-deserved and well-earned retirement, but we will be sad to see her go."
— Canton Public Library Board member James Gillig, discussing the announcement that longtime library Director Jean Tabor will be retiring in January

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Moore's 'Sicko' – is it just what patient ordered?

Michael Moore's new film, *Sicko*, is a communal experience that begins the moment you stand in line to get tickets. It continues through the laughter and moans you hear during the film to the tears and outrage you see expressed as you exit the theater. This is more than a movie; it's an experience to share with others.

Moore has done it again. He has sparked a hot conversation that has the potential to start a raging fire under our national politicians to actually do something about something that everyone admits is a problem. He has placed our system of health care under a microscope for all to see — and the sight is not pretty.

Sicko shows that the only ones getting healthy under our system of care are the members of the health care industrial complex — giant drug companies, mega-hospitals and health insurers that victimize people to maximize profits.

The film is not about the 45 million Americans that do not have any health insurance, it is about the more than 260 million citizens who do and still receive inadequate care. It poses powerful questions about a health care system that rations care and debates who has to the right to life-saving procedures that may deprive the system of maximum profits.

Some will argue the film is an unfair assessment of our health care system and it is Moore at his demagoguery best. Others will say the film and the truth it shares will make you angry and sick.

TAPPING THE ANGER

As I stood in line to see *Sicko*, I could over hear people talking about their painful experience dealing with the "best health care system in the world." The anger seems to cut across all racial, age, social, class and political perspectives. As the movie ended, it seemed as though a spontaneous political protest might break out. The frustration from hard-working Americans fed up with a sick health care system is palpable.

Sicko seems to make the word "why" form on your lips. Why in such a great country, the richest country in the world, do we have the health care problems we do? Why are countless Americans, who "work hard and play by the rules," who are God-fearing, patriotic, flag-waving, red-white-and-blue-bleeding taxpayers, being neglected by the country they helped build? Why indeed?

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY OUTRAGE

Unlike his previous films, *Roger & Me*, *Bowling for Columbine* and *Fahrenheit*

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9/11, that tended to polarize an already polarized American public by inflaming the politically conservative right and making the political left rejoice as he took on General Motors, the NRA and bashed Bush, *Sicko* hits a raw, national, bipartisan nerve and could, and should, stir up strong grass-roots reform efforts. *Sicko* has the potential to galvanize people from both "red" and "blue" states to form a "madder than hell coalition" that is not going to take it anymore!

Sicko also shows us in scene after scene that it will be hard to fix our health care system in ways that will benefit average Americans, because our politicians are in the pockets of pharmaceutical, insurance and health care companies.

Moore concludes that change will only happen when we, the people, rise up and demand it — in ways that politicians will be unable to avoid.

Perhaps *Sicko* will be the catalyst to motivate us to finally address the health care crisis that polls show is the No. 1 domestic issue facing our nation.

Here are a few things you can do today:

■ Demand to know what health insurers are spending for lobbying activities at the state and national level.

■ Know what contributions your elected leaders are accepting from health insurers, health care providers and pharmaceutical companies and how they vote on health care legislation.

■ Write your U.S. representative and senator and call for universal, quality and affordable health care for all — now!

■ Demand to know how each presidential candidate is going to create a health care system that meets the health care needs of all Americans.

■ See the movie, get angry, harness the anger and take action.

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Drug cost Web site will help consumer save money

With both gasoline and milk at \$3 a gallon, many Michiganders will drive an extra block or clip newspaper coupons just to save a quarter. But what about a program that could save you tens, even hundreds, of dollars a month, right now?

There is such a program. It's a Web site that compares the cost of prescription drugs at all of the pharmacies in your city, county or ZIP code. Three years ago, I proposed the idea of creating just such a prescription drug Web site for Michigan consumers. Unfortunately, bureaucratic opposition to creating the Web site delayed implementation of this idea.

In order to highlight the need for a site where consumers can compare prices on prescription drugs, I directed my Consumer Protection Division to conduct three comprehensive statewide drug price surveys. The results were startling:

■ The May 2007 survey conducted in Detroit found that Avandia, a drug used to treat diabetes, could cost as little as \$198 for a month's supply or as much as \$300. That is a difference of more than \$100 a month.

■ The May 2006 survey conducted in Kalamazoo revealed a large difference in the price of Gabapentin, a drug commonly used to treat acid reflux disease. At one pharmacy, a month's supply cost only \$58, while another pharmacy in the same ZIP code charged \$126.97, more than double the first pharmacy's price.

■ The February 2006 survey conducted in Saginaw found a drug that cost eight times more from one pharmacy to the next. Nasonex, a common allergy inhaler, was found to cost only \$12.99 at one pharmacy, while it ran for \$106.25 for a month's supply at a different location.

There is broad public support for a site that compares drug prices. According to a recent poll by EPIC/MRA, 87 percent of Michigan residents are in favor of legislation to establish a drug cost Web site.

That is why I was so gratified when, 36 months after I first called for a drug cost Web site, the Michigan Department of Community Health created a site that lists 118 drugs (www.michigandrugprices.com). The first day that the new drug Web site was up, DCH stated the site was "overwhelmed," receiving more than 200,000 hits.

After New York state launched its drug cost Web site in 2004, a study found an average savings for seniors of \$17.36 per prescription drug per month, thanks to the ability to comparison shop. According to AARP, the typical senior has four prescriptions, so through the course of a year, that translates into a savings of more than \$833. For a couple, the savings obviously double.

It's a good first step. But Michigan can do better. That is why I am strongly supporting a bill sponsored by state Sen. Roger Kahn of Saginaw that would greatly improve the DCH site:

■ It would list the cost of 150 prescription drugs, as well as their generic equivalent.

■ By broadening the number of drugs listed, such a site would include the price of drugs that treat illnesses such as Alzheimer's that are currently not listed on the DCH site.

■ This legislation would also differentiate the prices between name brand drugs and generics. That's important to know, because the price differential between name brands and generic drugs can be substantial.

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By passing this drug cost Web site legislation, the Michigan Legislature will provide consumers with a powerful tool that can help them compare prices and save money. This is especially important for the 1.1 million people in Michigan who are uninsured, the thousands more that are unemployed and those seniors struggling to get by on fixed incomes. I urge readers to contact their state representative and state senator and ask them to support Senate Bill 525.

Mike Cox is the Michigan attorney general. He lives in Livonia.

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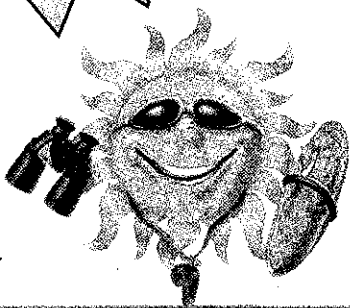
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The 17th Annual National Train Show, the world's largest model train show, comes to Detroit's Cobo Center July 27-29.

Each year the event is held in a different city and state in North America. The event will showcase all aspects of model railroading including the industry's newest and most unique products and services from manufacturers and retailers from the United States and around the world.

The event will cover 180,000 square feet of space and include 45,000 square feet of operating model train displays.

Highlights of the event are:

■ **The Incredible Lego Universe.** This 11,000-square-foot area is dedicated to the creation of an originally designed display featuring operating model railroads, hundreds of train cars, various landscape settings and waterfalls, scale buildings, retractable bridges and more more, all made entirely out of millions of Lego pieces. This will be the largest Lego layout at a National Train Show to date.

■ **Ask the Collectibles Appraiser.** Have an old train set hidden away in the closet? Wondering what it's worth? Bring it to the show and find out from The Collectibles Expert. Model train appraisers Bob Sherlock and Butch Tanis will meet with individuals and examine their prizes



Cobo Center will be the site July 27-29 for the 17th Annual National Train Show.

possessions. Free to all attendees.

■ **Children's Play Area.** 1,200 square foot of fun including trains, games and more for children of all ages to enjoy during the show. This area is chaperoned and free of charge.

■ **Hands-on Demonstrations.** Learn how to get started on your own model railroad empire and find out the latest techniques from well-known

exhibitors and pros.

Visitors to the show can register to win a Thunderbolt electric train from Bachman Industries worth \$100.

The National Train Show is sponsored by the National Model Railroad Association, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of and education about the model railroading hobby.

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Wayne County's annual Mud Day is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, at the Nankin Mills Area on Hines Drive, just east of Ann Arbor Trail in Westland.

Children, ages 12 and younger, are invited to participate in one of Wayne County Parks most popular events. Wayne County mixes more than 200 tons of topsoil and more than 20,000 gallons of water to ensure that the mud is just right and a muddy time is had by all.

Youngsters will be separated into categories based on age to participate in "Mud Limbo" and the wheelbarrow races. At the conclusion of the event, Mr. and Miss Mud will be crowned.

To ensure that parents and children are prepared for this day of dirt, it is suggested that parents make sure that children are wearing old clothes and shoes. Children also need to bring a clean change of clothes. An on-site cleanup area will be provided. Parents are also advised to bring a supply of towels, as there are no showers on site. Worried about how to transport the old clothes home? Don't panic, plastic bags will be provided to ensure that all dirty clothes are properly contained for the trip home.

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JULY

Concert

Tim Zimmerman and the Kings Brass will perform for a birthday celebration for our great nation 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 5, at First Baptist Church of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial. The group will be playing sacred music and a special tribute to our nation's veterans. Call (734) 455-2300 for tickets and dinner reservations.

Dining classes

Are you tired of feeling sick and tired? Eating well, and feeling bloated after meals? Suffering from acid reflux? So many different diets, how can you tell what is really healthy? Join in for a NEWSTART (Nutrition, Exercise, Water, Sunshine, Temperance, Air, Rest and Trust in God) cooking classes with lessons based on the 8 principles for Good Health with a complete vegetarian meal based on the nutrition guidelines recommended by NEWSTART 5-6:30 p.m. Sunday, July 8 and 15, and Tuesday, July 10 and 17, at Cherry Hill Seventh Day Adventist Church, 33144 Cherry Hill, east of Wayne Road, west of Venoy, Garden City, Call (734) 524-0880. Every class includes cooking demonstrations, samples, handouts and lectures at no charge. Other materials will be available for purchase. Seating limited, reservations requested. For reservations only, call (734) 326-6998. For more information and reservations, call Juanita at (313) 580-9081.

Carillon series

10:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Sunday, July 8, July 15, July 29, Aug. 5 and 12, and Sept. 2, at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake, Bloomfield Hills. No charge. Call (248) 626-2515.

Life celebration

St. Timothy Presbyterian Church will commemorate the death of Janet Noble-Richardson, pastor of the church at the time she was killed in a rear end collision on the Ohio Turnpike on July 11, 2006. The Life Celebration will take place 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 11, at the church, 16700 Newburgh, south of Six Mile, Livonia. A memorial to Noble-Richardson will be unveiled at the end of the service. Noble-Richardson, 44, served as the church's pastor for 17 years. For more information, call (734) 464-8844.

Women's retreat

St. Michael Catholic Church of Livonia invites all area Catholic moms to a Mom's Summer Retreat on Wednesday mornings this summer to enjoy prayer and adult discussion of topics relevant to their daily life. A Children's Ministry will be offered while moms enjoy Mass, a continental breakfast and conversation with other moms 8:30-11 a.m. July 11, July 18, Aug. 1, and Aug. 8, at the church located on the southwest corner of Hubbard

and Plymouth roads. Discussion topics are Everyday Prayer on June 20th; Marriage, July 11th; Motherhood and Mary, July 18; Teaching Your Children the Virtues, Aug. 1, and Living your Faith Every Day, Aug. 8. Moms may register for as few or as many sessions as schedules permit, each at \$5 per meeting. Children's Ministry activities are \$2 per child per session. Contact (734) 261-1455, Ext. 207 or e-mail swilliams@livonistmichael.org for information and registration details.

Blood drive

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, July 15, in the Parish Hall at St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Walk-ins welcome. Call (734) 464-1222, Ext. 309.

Wellness lecture/healing workshop

With Dr. Saul Shaye, a chiropractor, presents the message: A Funny Thing Happened on my Way to Disprove God during services 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, July 15, workshop 1-4 p.m. (suggested donation \$15), at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt. Shaye has demonstrated a special gift of spiritual healing. Personal appointments with him are available during the week. For more information, call (734) 421-1760.

Vacation Bible school

Lift Off! Soaring to New Heights with God! takes place 9:30 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, July 16-20, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, one block west of Inkster, Livonia. The sessions, for age 3 to children entering 5th grade, include story time and lesson, music, crafts, recreation and snack. The children will also learn about the sponsored mission - Heifer International, a charity that through donations, helps children and families around the world receive training and animal gifts to help them become self-reliant. All are welcome to attend. The cost is \$18 for the first child in the family, \$12 for any additional children. After July 8, there is an increase to \$20 for the first child and \$14 for additional children. For more information or to register, call (734) 422-1470 or e-mail: christianeducator@sppc-email.org.

Soccer mini-camp

6:30-8 p.m. July 23-26, for boys and girls ages 5-12 (any skill level), at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington road, north of I-96, Livonia. Cost is \$20 per student, includes instruction, snacks and soccer ball to take home fee payable at time of registration. Students may bring their own soccer ball or shin guards if desired. Items not required to enroll. Call (734) 522-6830.

Avalanche ranch

Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to noon July 23-27, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. \$25 for first child (includes music CD, \$20 each additional child (no CD). If you have western theme items we can borrow or for more information, contact Laura Kloiber at (248) 348-9675 or send e-mail to lkloiber@ameritech.net.

Vacation Bible school

Bible stories, crafts, games, puppets, snacks and prizes 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Monday-Friday, July 23-27, at Grace Baptist Church, 280 E. Lincoln at Edgewood, Birmingham. Bring your friends ages 2-17 and join us each day. For more information, call (248) 646-2000, Ext. 16.

Messiah

Come sing in instant performances of the world's greatest choral music in Summer Sings 7:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 25 (Messiah by George Frideric Handel), and Aug. 29 (Saint Nicholas by Benjamin Britten), at First Presbyterian Church, 1669 W. Maples, Birmingham. No entrance fee or preparation necessary, no auditions required, no long-term commitment. For more information, call (248) 644-2040, Ext. 136.

Media mania presentation

On Protecting Our Children who are overexposed to sex by way of television, music, magazines, and the Internet, often communicating the wrong message. As part of the presentation Dr. Kevin Barber will give tips on how parents can protect their children. Barber is a Neurological Psychologist who owns Psychological Evaluation and Consulting Services in Livonia, and has a specialty with children. A practicing Catholic who is married with two children in Catholic school, Barber also coaches high school football. Presentation (with Q & A) is 7-9 p.m. Thursday, July 26, in Fellowship Hall (church building) at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950. • Free of Charge

Vacation Bible school

July 28 to Aug. 1, at Bethel Baptist, 29475 Six Mile, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 525-3664 or visit www.BethelOfLivonia.com.

Anniversary Mass

50th anniversary of Fr. Solanus Casey's death 5 p.m. Saturday, July 28, and 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Sunday, July 29, at St. Bonaventure/Solanus Casey Center, 1780 Mt. Elliott, Detroit. For information, call (313) 579-2100, Ext. 140 or Ext. 169.

Song ministry

The Rev. Bob Herriman, song evangelist, appears 10:45 a.m. Sunday, July 29, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All are invited to witness this ministry through word and song.

Summer Bible studies

Continue 9:45-10:45 a.m. Sundays in the gym at Christ Our Savior Lutheran (14175 Farmington road, north of I-96, Livonia). The public is invited to the a presentation of Answers with Ken Ham, a 12-part DVD series on the authority of the Bible. Visit www.christoursavior.org for more information.

Summer camp

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran School, 9600 Laverne, Redford is accepting applications for their summer camp. Care is offered for infants through 8th grade from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call (734) 646-4857 for more information.

Summer camp

The camps continue 10:30 a.m. to 3

p.m. Monday-Thursday, through 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.

Sunday school classes

New adult Sunday School classes began July 1, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. Classes include The Joy of Signing (sign language), Inside the Middle East, and Keys to Spiritual Freedom.

UPCOMING

Special services

9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 5, with Rev. Ron Scott, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, between Inkster and Middlebelt. Call (734) 421-1760.

Vacation Bible school

Lift Off! Soaring to New Heights with God 6-8:30 p.m. Aug. 13-17, with a church picnic finale on Aug. 19, at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth roads, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. All kids age 2 through fifth grade are invited. For more information, call (734) 464-0990. All are welcome to join us.

Church Women United

Next meeting for Suburban Detroit-West is 12:15 p.m. Friday, Oct. 5, at Farmington First United Methodist Church (please bring 1 salad for every 3 persons attending), and Area 2 Meeting: Stepping Up to the Plate with Mind, Body and Soul Friday, Sept. 28, at Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church, 3505 Walnut Street at Beech, south of Michigan Ave., Inkster (cost is \$10, call (248) 646-9574). Deadline for registration is Friday, Sept. 21.

Crafters needed

For Riverside Park Church of God's fall arts and crafts show noon to 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 19, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, at the church, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth, Livonia. Rentals \$20 Saturday only, \$30 for both days, \$5 additional for table rentals. Applications now being accepted at (734) 464-0990.

Cruise

St. Aidan Travelers embark on an 11-day cruise of the Mediterranean on Nov. 3. Cruise departs Rome for Genoa, Monte Carlo, Valencia, Spain, LaValletta, Malta, Tunis, Tunisia, returns to Rome for two additional days. Cost is reasonable and includes airfare, many meals and all accommodations. For brochure and details, call (734) 425-5950 or stop at church office, 17500 Farmington, Livonia. Space limited.

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 application (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 p.m. Wednesdays as we examine the Word of God. Classes available for all ages, child to adult. Riverside Park Church of God is at 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth Road), Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990.

ONGOING

J.O.Y. meeting

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

Higher Rock Cafe

Second and fourth Friday of the month, doors open at 7:30 p.m., live bands begin at 8 p.m. presented by Salvation Army of Wayne/Westland, 2300 S. Venoy, between Michigan Ave. and Palmer. For information, call (734) 722-3660 or visit www.lsa.higherrockcafe.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.

Youth wanted

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

A healthy you

Join with others as we discover ways to keep our minds and bodies healthy through a four-week class that is open to the public and free of charge at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh Road (corner of Plymouth), Livonia. Day and night classes available. To register, call (734) 464-0990.

Summer worship

Summer schedule for worship to Sept. 2, is 10 a.m. Sunday services (with nursery), and 7 p.m. Wednesday Contemporary Service, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA) 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org. Visitors welcome.

Sunday worship

10 a.m. at Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, 29425 Annapolis, Westland. For information, call (734) 728-3440.

Preschool registration

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

Sunday services

Pastor Dan Strength leads services at Living Water Church (Pentecostal Church of God), 11663 Arcola, one block west of Inkster road on Plymouth road. Sunday School is 10 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. Bible study 7 p.m. Wednesdays. Call (734) 425-6360.

Worship services

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

Bible study

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

Farmington Women Aglow

Meets 7-9:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) on the second Monday of the month in the Visitors Center (old Spicer House) at Heritage Park on Farmington Road, between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads. For more information, call Linda Boone at (248) 476-1053 or (248) 890-5494.

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.

Classes

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

Tiny Tots Preschool

Open registration at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0211.

Recovery program

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville launches Celebrate Recovery, a Christ-centered recovery program helping men and women find freedom from their hurts, habits and hang-ups (addictive and compulsive behaviors), meets every Friday evening for 6 p.m. dinner (optional), 7 p.m. praise and worship, 8 p.m. small group discussion, 9 p.m. Solid Rock Cafe (optional coffee and desserts). Child care during Celebrate Recovery is free and available by calling (248) 374-7400. For information, visit www.celebraterecovery.com and www.wardchurch.org/celebrate.

Bible study

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

Sunday service

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

Worship service

All are welcome to attend 11 a.m. worship service Sundays, at Good Shepherd Reformed Church, 6500 N. Wayne at Hunter, Westland. Join us at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in November and December as Pastor Louise Monacelli introduces The Jesus Experience, a series of videos offering insight into the people and situations God used to expand the church around the world. For more information, call (734) 721-0800.

Worship services

Explore your destiny God's wonderful plan for your life. Sunday Worship services are at 8 a.m. (traditional)

and 10:30 a.m. (contemporary), at Grace Lutheran Church, 46001 Warren, between Canton Center and Beck), Canton. For more information, call (734) 637-8160. Sunday School and Adult Bible Study at 9:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study series: Heaven Can't Wait.

Worship service

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

Adult literacy classes

Available for those wishing to improve their reading and writing skills. Open to adults age 18 and over. Trained tutors available for day and evening hours. Call (734) 421-0472. Leave your name and phone number and someone will be in contact with you.

Personal ministry

Due Season Christian Church is a nondenominational, multicultural, full-gospel church that offers Sunday worship services at 10 a.m. and Tuesday night Bible study at 7:15 p.m. Services are currently held at Stevenson High School on Six Mile, west of Farmington Road, Livonia. All are welcome. For information, call (248) 960-8063 or visit www.DueSeason.org.

Scripture studies

From 7:30 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly, Redford. Call (313) 534-9000.

TOPS

Stands for Take Off Pounds Sensibly, the group meets at 7 p.m. every Thursday evening at St. Thomas a' Becket Church, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Weigh-in is from 6:15-6:55 p.m. It is a weight support group that encourages members to lose weight sensibly and keep it off. For more information, call Margaret at (734) 838-0322.

Learner's Bible study

At 7 p.m. Mondays, in Room A101, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 W. Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

Church service

Loving God by loving people, meets at 10 a.m. Sunday at Westwood Community Church, 6500 N. Wayne Road at Hunter, Westland. Doughnuts and coffee served. Call (734) 254-0093.

Senior activities

Gathering for seniors 50 years and older at 11:30 a.m. on the third Friday of every month at Riverside Park Church of God, 11771 Newburgh at Plymouth, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 464-0990. Put together a salad dress and come out and meet other seniors. Lunch is served followed by fellowship with some games and stories.

St. James Presbyterian Church offers a Thursday dinner at 6 p.m. for \$5 prepared by Susan Navarro, The Cookie Lady, followed by Bible study at 7 p.m. and Chancel Choir rehearsals at 8 p.m.; Thrift store is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Saturday; 10 a.m. women's study group second Saturday of the month, and Sunday worship at 10 a.m. (nursery available) and children's class at 10:15 a.m. at 25350 W. Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

Eucharistic adoration

The monthly program of Parish Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration continues the third Wednesday of each month at St. Michael's Church of Livonia, corner of Plymouth and Hubbard roads. The church will be open for worship from 10 a.m. until the 7 p.m. Benediction service. For information, call (734) 261-5331.

Unity of Livonia

Services at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays at 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Call (734) 421-1760.

Shabbat services

The doors of Congregation Beit Kodesh, a Conservative synagogue at 31840 W. Seven Mile, between Farmington and Merriman, Livonia, are open to the Jewish community of southeastern Michigan. Call (248) 477-8974.

Bet Chaverim

Services are open to all living in the western counties including Canton, Plymouth, Livonia, and Northville. The congregation follows traditions of Reform Judaism. Interfaith families welcome to attend services at 321 S. Ridge, south of Cherry Hill, Canton. Call (734) 646-3864 for information or visit www.betchaverim.com.

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Trinity Episcopal Church

Sunday Services at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., Wednesday service at 6:15 p.m., Bible Studies and Worship Center for all ages, at 11575 Belleville Road, (four miles south of Michigan Avenue), Belleville. Parents with Young Children Bible Study at 6 p.m. Sundays, includes dinner and child care. Call (734) 699-3361.

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SHIRLEY A., KRUEGER

of Bloomfield Hills, died June 30, 2007, age 76. Beloved wife of the late Carl M., Jr. Dear mother of Karen Duval (Roger) and Kathy Byers (Dane). Grandmother of Carly and Grace Byers. Sister of Patti Palmer. Family will receive friends at A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks' Road (between Maple and Big Beaver) Thursday, July 12, from 3-7 PM. Memorial Service Friday, July 13 - 10 AM at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. Memorial Tributes suggested to Leader Dogs for the Blind, or Salvation Army Kroc Match.

RUTH G. WINGARD

Age 87, longtime resident of Plymouth, passed away June 30, 2007. Born May 4, 1920 in Plymouth to parents Erwin and Lois Hobbins. Married the love of her life, Edwin Wingard in 1937 and were happily together until his death in 2001. They were blessed with two children: daughter, Peggy Windard and son, Jack who passed away in 1991. She retired from Michigan Bell in the late 70's as a business office supervisor. After retirement Ruth and Edwin moved to Bradenton, Florida and then moved back to Plymouth in 1996. Survived by her wonderful grandchildren: Melinda Garchow, Mark Garchow, Larry (Kristen) Wingard, Russell (Michelle) Wingard, and Matthew (Lisa) Garchow. Great grandchildren: Patrick, Tyler, Emily, Abbey, and Jack. Memorial service from the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 South Main, Plymouth, Friday 11:00am. Memorial visitation Thursday 3-8pm. Memorials to St. Mary Mercy Hospital Foundation "Noda" program, 36475 Five Mile Rd, Livonia, MI 48154. Share memories at schneider-howell.com.

JOSEPH ANTHONY STAILEY

Age 45, of Dearborn Heights, MI. Uht Funeral Home

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Shabbat Rocks

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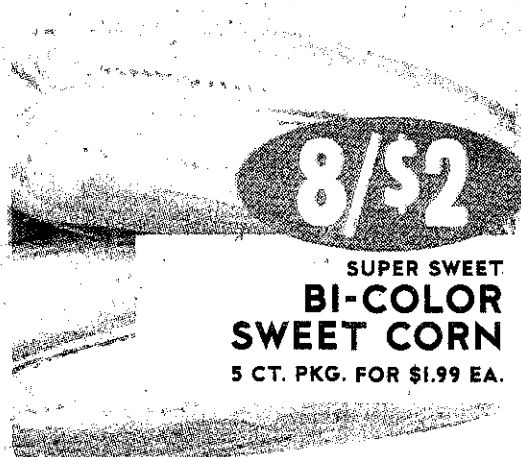
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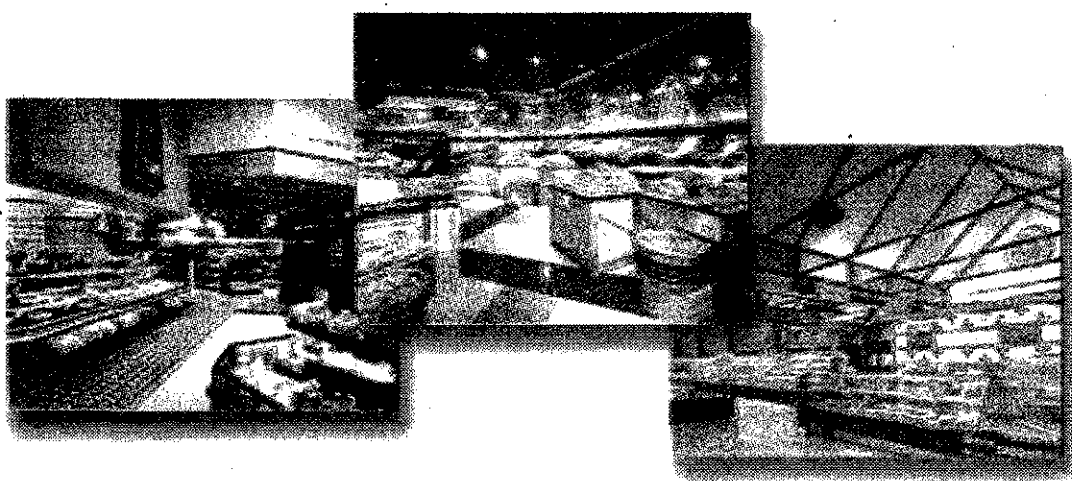
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Homenetmen Games capture true spirit

Glenn Papazian had no chance of winning, but the 56-year-old Philadelphian stepped onto the Livonia Stevenson High School track Monday and gave it his best shot.



Brad Emons

Against runners 30 years his junior, Papazian clocked a blistering time of 37.8 seconds, good enough for last place. He wasn't even close. "I'm a basketball player, but I said myself, 'What the hell, I'll run the 200 for the heck of it,'" said Papazian, one over 600 competitors

here this week for the North American Eastern Region Homenetmen Olympic Games.

Papazian takes his basketball seriously. He still plays the game and covers the "Big Five" in Philly's mecca of college basketball for various radio networks.

And while he's not chugging up and down the court in the Veterans Division (35-and-up), Papazian gives back to Homenetmen organization, which is dedicated to serving Armenian youth in athletics.

"It's a great thing to be involved in," Papazian said. "Number one, I enjoy the competition, and number two, it's the kids. It's all about them. I've coached many youth groups and I enjoy coaching

the kids.

"You see all the different uniforms. You meet guys from Chicago, Detroit, Boston, people you establish lasting friendships with. There are lot of families. My cousin (Rich Keshgegian) has his kids competing here - three sons and a daughter."

The four-day event, which started Saturday and ended Tuesday, shuttled back-and-forth between two sites (Stevenson and Schoolcraft College). The Homenetmen Games in Livonia featured boys and girls divisions for Pee Wee, Midget, Juniors, along with Seniors and Veterans men and women.

Aurelian Mardirosian, 28, has been competing since he was 12 in the

Homenetmen Olympic Games.

He belongs to a large contingent from Boston, 120 strong, including 80 competitors.

Mardirosian competed this week in soccer, swimming and track.

His goal was to return home wearing three different medals - a red band for first; blue for second; and orange for third.

"I've got a gold and a bronze, now I need silver to complete the set," said Mardirosian, a mechanical engineering student at Northeastern University. "They've done a good job all-around, there are not many competitions like

Please see **GAMES, B3**

Singles

MIAA honorees

Among those honored recently on the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Academic Honor Roll for 2006-07 from Albion College include:

Amy Lindman (Canton), swimming; Andrew Lulek (Canton/Novi-Detroit Catholic Central), tennis; Carrie Oleszkowicz (Plymouth/Canton), cross country and track; Danielle Shepard (Plymouth/Canton), soccer; Josh Silvernail (Livonia Clarenceville), football; Erica Stoney (Plymouth/Canton), cross country.

Other area honorees, who maintained a cumulative 3.5 grade-point average or better included: Hope College's Taylor Fox (Canton/Plymouth), football; Saint Mary's (Ind.), Maggie McNicholas (Canton), swimming; Olivet College's Heather Michalsen (Plymouth/Salem), swimming; Adrian College's Kim Olech (Canton/Plymouth), basketball; Kalamazoo College's Ben Schroeder (Livonia Stevenson), baseball; Olivet's Nick Stone (Westland John Glenn), swimming; Kalamazoo's Jon Smart (Plymouth-Novi CC), football; and Alma College's Christine Wheatley (Canton/Salem), soccer.

Meijer placers

Canton golfers Glenn Piot (Boys 9-10) and Zach Conrad (Boys 13-14) placed in their respective age divisions last week at the Meijer Junior Players Tour (Event No. 6) held June 26 at the BlueGolf Golf Club at Thornapple Point in Grand Rapids.

Piot carded a 44 for nine holes, tied for first with Nick Carlson of Hamilton, while Conrad shot an 82 for 18 holes en route to runner-up honors, three strokes behind winner Robert McBride of Tecumseh, Ontario.

Hole-in-one club

Using a 7-iron, Rick Ashburn of Livonia carded an ace on the 128-yard, No. 14 hole June 29 at Idyl Wyld Golf Course.

Ashburn, who has been playing golf for 45 years, shot an 18-hole round of 101.

Another no-no

Backed by several key defensive plays, 10-year-old Shane Raymond pitched a complete-game, no-hitter Saturday for the Red Sox in a 5-1 win over the Tigers in the Canton Little League's Minor Division season finale at McClumpha Park.

Raymond threw 78 pitches, fanning 13 and allowing just one walk. Only three runners reached base.

Strong family ties

Harveys display togetherness through many difficult times

Equipped with a camera, a bundle of energy and a ready smile, Tammy Harvey has been a fixture at Plymouth High School boys basketball and baseball games since the school opened in 2002.



Ed Wright

The mother of three boys — Plymouth graduate Alex (Class of '06), current student David and future Wildcat Sean — Tammy has taken thousands of photos for the memory books that are distributed at the teams' season-ending banquets.

Fast-break layup. CLICK! Players hitting the floor for a loose ball. CLICK!

Stand-up triple. CLICK! Tammy has been there to record all the action with her Nikon.

Amazingly, until this spring, the single mother didn't miss one of her sons' home games at Plymouth — even though she holds down a full-time job at Ford and has been undergoing weekly kidney dialysis treatments for the past 11 years.

"I've always been one of those people that focuses on the positive, and I thank God every day for allowing me to do the things I'm able to do when I can do it," said Tammy, who nearly died in 2000 when a transplanted kidney burst inside of her just two weeks after the transplant.

Sports provide stability

"Sports have meant the world to our family," Tammy told me a few

weeks ago. "I was into sports growing up and my boys have always enjoyed them. I'm a firm believer in good grades, so I tell the boys that as long as they give me good grades, I'll support them in whatever they want to do."

The Harvey boys have done more than hold up their end of the bargain in the classroom. Alex was an exceptional student at Plymouth before moving on to Benedict College, an NCAA Division II school located in Columbia, South Carolina, where he earned a 3.9 grade-point average while excelling for the school's baseball team. David, a baseball and basketball player, has a 3.8 GPA and Sean is a straight-A student.

"I couldn't be prouder of them," Tammy Harvey said.

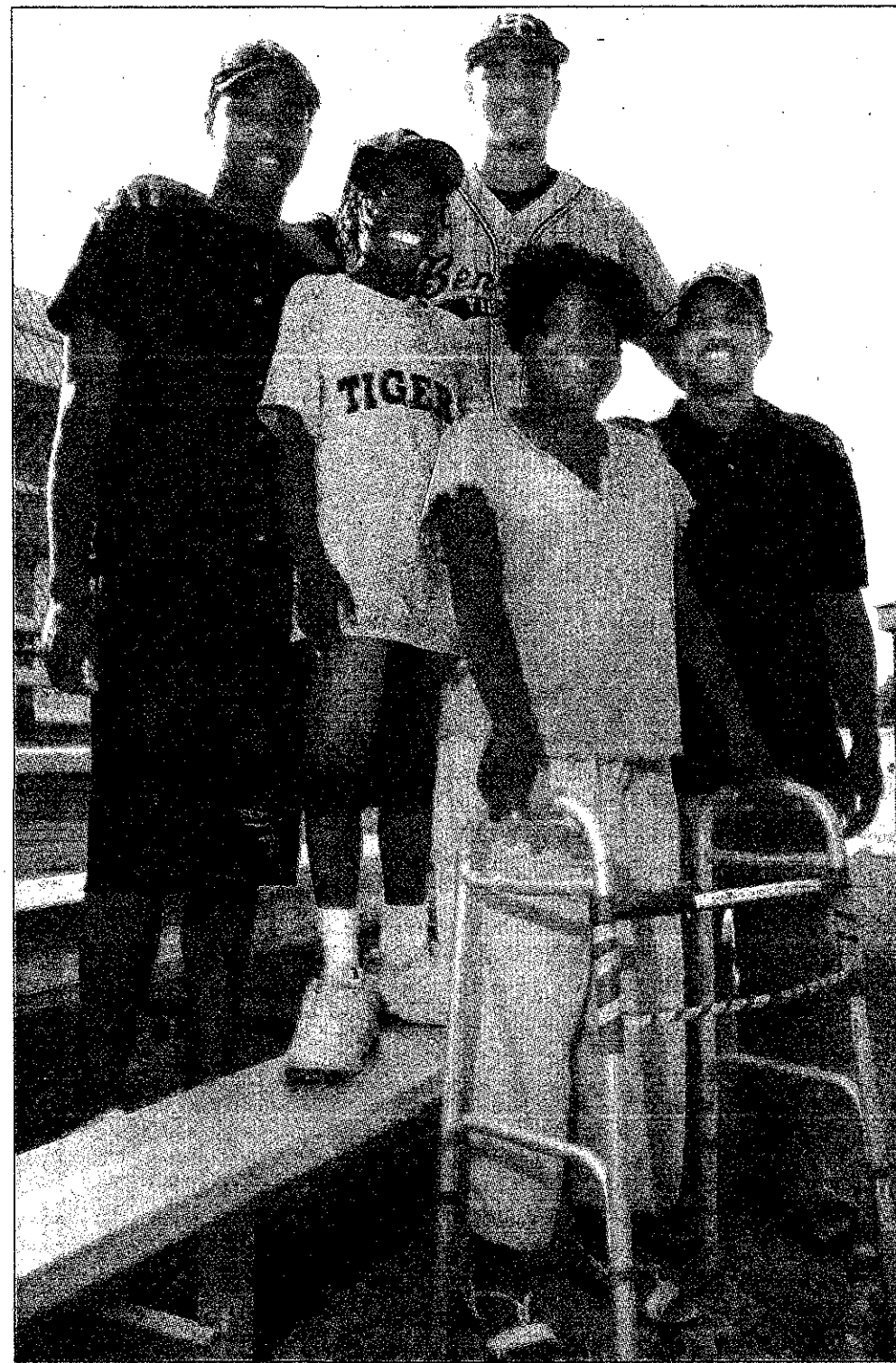
Nor they of her.

Responsible son

Alex Harvey displays a level of maturity well beyond his 19 years. Along with thriving academically and athletically at Plymouth and Benedict, he's seized the responsibility of being the oldest male in the Harvey household and run with it.

Ever since Tammy can remember, her oldest son has been a team player when it's come to helping her raise David and Sean.

"I had to grow up a little faster than most teenagers," he said, "but I've appreciated everything I've been through. I get everything from my mom because she's such a strong lady. She's been through so much already and she's made her own way regard-

Please see **HARVEYS, B2**

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Tammy Harvey is pictured with (from left) David, Sean, Alex and Nathan.

Dodgers win back-to-back tournaments

The nationally-ranked 16-and-under Concealed Security Dodgers are off to a fast start this summer with a pair of baseball tournament conquests.

During the weekend of June 23-24 in South Bend Ind., Concealed bounced back from an opening-round loss to the Duneland (Ind.) Flyers, 3-2, to win five straight games and capture the Northern Indiana Wood Bat Classic by defeating the same Flyers by an identical 3-2 score.

SANDLOT BASEBALL

The previous week (June 15-17), the Dodgers took the Triple Crown Capital Classic in Lansing with a 5-0 record, including a 9-4 victory in the finals over the Farmington Hills-based Michigan Musrats, 9-4.

Concealed, No. 6 in the latest USA National Sports Rankings for 16-and-under teams, is coached by Dave Ruff, Jay Hansen and Britt Ponte.

Members of the Dodgers include: Tyler Cotter, Livonia Churchill; Sam Vomastek, Livonia Stevenson; Garrett Gumm, Livonia Franklin; John Firek, Jake Hansen, Mike McCann and Tony Thomas, Novi-Detroit Catholic Central; Adam Forester, Justin Forester, Jon Ponte, Alex Ruff, Jordan Shuster, Dearborn Divine Child; Ian Francisco, Ypsilanti Lincoln; Andy Overholt, Belleville; Drew Penticco, Fowlerville; Marty LaRoure, University of Detroit-Jesuit.

Schoolcraft's Henry adds new recruits

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Things are beginning to take shape for new Schoolcraft College men's basketball coach Randy Henry.

The 52-year-old Henry, who succeeds Mike Brown (now at Saline H.S.), has been busy recruiting, while holding open gyms from 3-5 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday.

Henry has eight players in the fold, along with two walk-ons, and one

COLLEGE HOOPS

holdover - 6-foot-3 Jonathon Jacobson from Kitty Hawk, N.C. - from last year's 23-9 Michigan Community College Athletic Association (MCCAA) championship team

Included in Henry's first class of recruits are a pair of Belleville High graduates, 6-foot-5 Anthony Wafer and 6-1 point-guard Darius Hardrick.

They will be joined by Darnell

Thurston, a 6-foot guard out of Detroit University-Prep; Andre Brown, a 6-4 forward from Detroit Crockett Tech; Alex Mason, a 6-4 transfer from Wayne State; Marvin Wafer, a 6-4 swing man from Highland Park; Michael Dabney, a 6-8 transfer from Concordia University (via Detroit Mumford); and Henry's son Eric, a 6-3 transfer from Bowling Green State (via Renaissance).

Two walk-ons will also be available

Please see **RECRUITS, B2**

Whaler hockey camps offer wide variety

Youth hockey players looking to get a couple of strides ahead of the competition for the 2007-08 season can learn while having fun this summer with the Ontario Hockey League champion Plymouth Whalers.

The Whalers will be teaching several different one-week schools starting July 30. The sessions will be led by Hockey Schools Director George Daniel and a number of Whaler players.

Following is the school schedule:

■ July 30-Aug. 3 (9-10:50 a.m.) - Beginner/Mini-mite (\$250): This five-day school is

for players who have little or no organized hockey experience; previous skating lessons are required. Skills taught include forward and backward skating; stopping; basic stick-handling; and proper shooting and passing techniques.

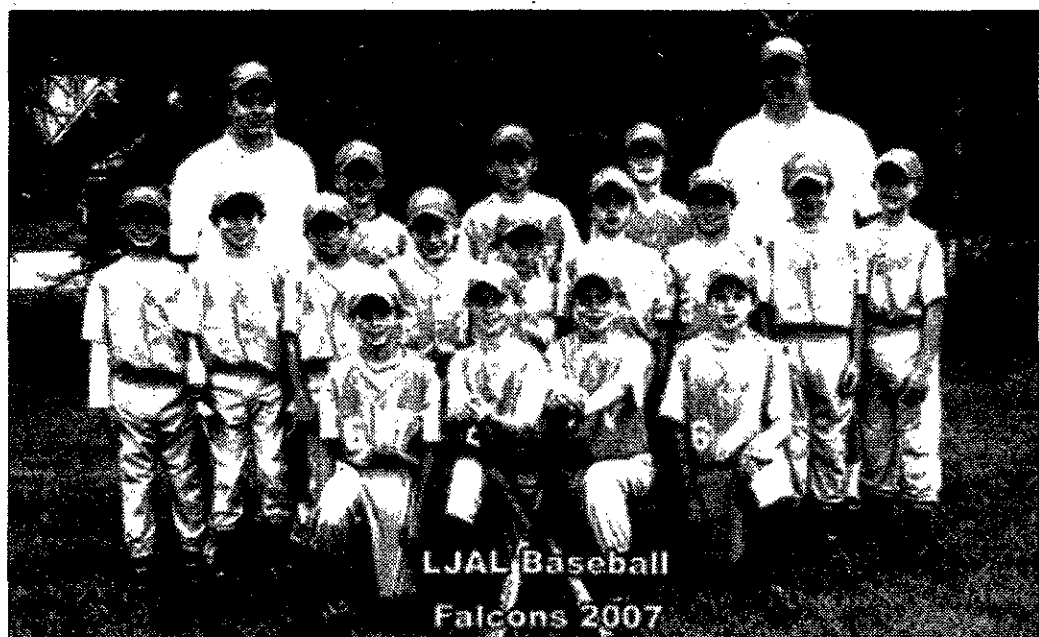
■ July 30-Aug. 3 (11 a.m.-12:50 p.m.) - Power skating (\$250): This five-day school is for beginner and intermediate players and is designed to reinforce proper skating techniques.

Skills taught include starts, stops, edges, crossovers, piv-

Please see **CAMPS, B3**

WALT DMOCH

Plymouth Whalers player Chris Terry is pictured with a young player during last year's Whalers summer hockey schools. This year's schools offer something for skaters of all ages.



G-Major champs

The Falcons (ages 9-10) finished the regular season with a 16-1 record, including an 11-1 mark to win the City G-Major title in the Livonia Junior Athletic League. Cameron-Mount Campbell was the team's leading hitter with a .625 average. Other members of the Falcons, who will play 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 30 at Rotary Park in the playoffs, include: Kyle Way, C.J. Weiss, Derek Rotter, Frank Carlin, Jay Hopson, Gordon Ferguson, Vinny Jennaway, Jack Ferguson, Nick Copperstone, Alex Cleaver, Scott Mims, Jimmy Seewald, Heath Stillwell, Matt Boris and Sean McCann. The coaching staff includes Jim Hopson, Mike Rotter, Jeff Ferguson and Ken Way.

Demolition wins division, await playoff destination

The postseason playoffs now await the Midwest Division champion Detroit Demolition of the Independent Women's Football League.

The 7-1 Demolition wrapped up the title Saturday with a 21-6 triumph over the host Chicago Force in a game played at the Holmgren Athletic Complex at North Park University.

After a scoreless opening half, the Demolition tallied all three touchdowns over the final two quarters on a 3-yard run by quarterback Kim Grodus, a 39-yard scamper from Kiana Dennis, and a 12-yard run by Bridget Porter, who took turns alternating at quarterback with Grodus.

Dennis ran for team-best 105 yards, while the

Demolition defense, led by middle linebacker Misty Findlay (13 tackles) held the Force to 65 yards rushing and 81 yards passing.

The loss dropped the Force, who lost for the sixth consecutive time to the Demolition dating back to last season, including their third defeat this year, to 5-3.

The Demolition have been given a bye for the July 14 round of the IWFL playoffs. They await the winner of the Sacramento Sirens (7-1) vs. Seattle Majestics (8-0) game on that date.

If Sacramento wins, they will play the Demolition in the Western Conference championship game July 28 (tentatively set for Livonia Stevenson High School). But if Seattle wins, the

Demolition will travel to Seattle.

The winner of the Western Conference championship plays in the IWFL title game Saturday, Aug. 11 in Atlanta, Ga. against the Eastern Conference winner.

Demolition golf outing

To help defray costs for two possible upcoming road trips, the Detroit Demolition will sponsor a four-person golf outing Saturday, July 7 at Southmoor Country Club, located at 4312 S. Dort Highway Burton.

Included in the \$50 cost is 18 holes (with cart), lunch, prizes, 50-50 drawing, raffle and silent auction.

For more information, or to register, call Diane Balbaugh at (989) 737-8851.

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including 5-11 guard Larry Wilson and 6-5 forward Ryan Matthews. Dabney led the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference in blocked shots, while Walker is a combination guard who jumps well.

Mason is an intriguing catch. He did not play high school basketball, but showed plenty of promise during the open gyms.

"We had tryouts and he (Mason) played hard and played very well," Henry said. "And Wilson is a tough kid with a great attitude. We're still recruiting. We'll have some of our guys play at St. Cecilia and hopefully they'll all be ready by August (when classes begin)."

Henry said it's unclear whether any of the three holdovers other from last year's team - Jerome Hutchins, Kenyawn Patterson or Duncan Jones (Westland John Glenn) - will return.

He has put together coaching staff which includes Keith Bennett, who assisted Henry last year at Detroit Renaissance High, along with Joe Wallen, who works in Media Services

at Schoolcraft, and former University of Detroit Mercy center Bryan Alexander.

Bennett will serve as the assistant head coach.

The 6-8 Henry is no stranger to Detroit area basketball circles.

He played in the Detroit PSL for Elbert Richmond at Mackenzie, spent a year playing junior college ball in Iowa before going on to Illinois State where he played two seasons under Will Robinson and one under Gene Smithson. Henry was a teammate at ISU with former NBA coach and player Doug Collins. Henry was drafted and had a pair of tryouts with the Pistons before going on to teach at Detroit Northwestern High.

He also served as an assistant coach at the University of Detroit (under Willie McCarter), Highland Park CC and Orchard Lake St. Mary's College (under Glen Donahue).

(His daughter RanDee played two seasons at UDM and two at University of Nevada-Las Vegas where she scored over 1,000 points and earned All-America honors in 2004. She currently is playing overseas in Athens, Greece.)

In 1982, Randy Henry embarked on a career in television under a minority hiring program where he worked under sportscaster Eli Zaret and Dick Purtan (Purtan's People).

He currently produces and directs in-studio WDIV's Local 4 Morning Powercast, which includes Guy Gordon, Ama Daetz, Beth McLeod and Kim Adams.

"I go into work at 2:30 (a.m.) and get off by 11 (a.m.)," Henry said. "It makes for a long day. I try and sleep in between, when I can. We'll practice from 4-to-6 (p.m.)."

Henry, who served five years as JV coach at Renaissance before taking over the varsity for Marc White last season, guided the Phoenix to a 20-4 record last season and reached the PSL semifinals along with the regional semifinals (losing to eventual state champion Detroit Country Day).

Henry plans to work Schoolcraft's camp (July 29-Aug. 3), but has yet to finish his recruiting.

"We'd like to get three or four more, but right now we have a nice set of guys," he said.

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HARVEYS

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less of the situation.

"She's always infused that strength in me."

Alex said the golden opportunity to play college baseball at Benedict was accompanied by some reluctance.

"It was hard moving away because I was kind of the man of the house the past few years," he said. "I knew when I left that I'd be passing down a lot of responsibility to my younger brothers and I didn't want to just cut out like that. But I called my mom and brothers a lot and made sure everything was OK."

Tough times

The Harvey family was jolted in early May when Tammy was hospitalized for 32 days after an infection infiltrated her

body at the entrance site of the dialysis treatments.

The crisis was compounded by the fact that Alex -- her right-hand man -- was thousands of miles away at college.

With the help of Tammy's mother, Tammy's ex-husband Nathan, and David, who displays the accelerated maturity level of Alex, the family persevered. "It was pretty bad," said Tammy, of her hospital stay. "I missed almost all of Dave's baseball games. I actually cried at the first one I was able to attend."

"I called my mom two or three times a day when she was in the hospital," said Alex, who is currently home on summer break. "I told her and my brothers that if anyone was getting too stressed out to call me because I'd drop whatever I was doing and come home."

David dedicated the baseball season to his mom.

"I thought about her all the time during the games and I wanted to get a hit for her every time I was up," said David.

He nearly did during the season's final two weeks, as he hit close to .500 and helped lead the Wildcats to their best season ever.

Prayers appreciated

The Harvey family could use your prayers now. When I talked to Alex last Thursday, he informed me that Tammy had re-entered the hospital last week. Tests were being run throughout the weekend to determine a diagnosis.

Here's hoping Tammy gets well quickly and regains the energy that has been a fixture at high school athletic contests at Plymouth the past five years.

The games wouldn't be the same without her.

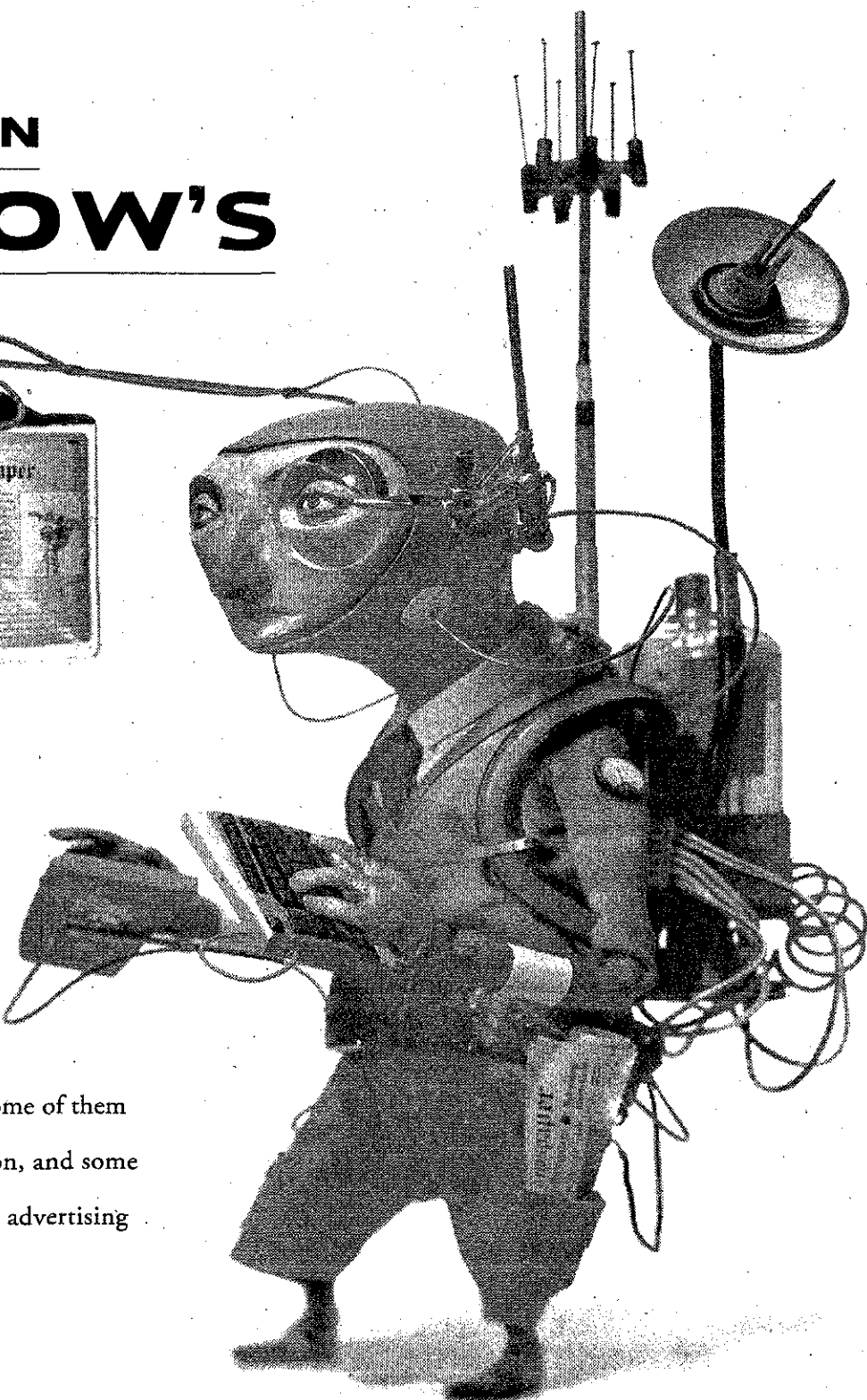
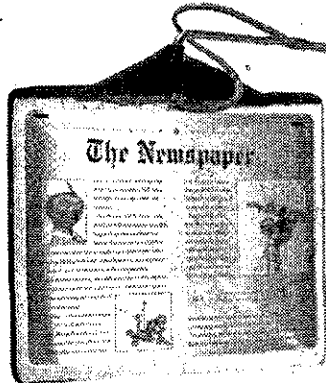
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Blast champs

On June 9-10, the Livonia Meteors under-14 team captured first place in their division at the 15th annual West Carrollton (Ohio) Soccer Blast Tournament. Team members include (back row, from left) assistant coach Shannon Buckler, Dominick Grima, Trey Douglas, Matthew Aube, Nolan Mullett, Aaron Rife, coach Mano Vagnini; (from row, from left) Nick Wood, Brad Tatro, Zachary Schultz, Justin Vincent, Alessio Vagnini, William Rori, Ian Zukowski and Trevor Hart.

Oakland Hills proves too much for local British Open hopefuls

BY JIM TOTH
STAFF WRITER

After 36 holes at Oakland Hills Monday, neither Michael Harris nor Tom Gillis knew which was north or south.

Looking to grab one of 12 qualifying positions for this year's British Open, Harris, a native of Troy, and Gillis, a native of Lake Orion, found both the North and South courses of the historic club trying and treacherous.

"It's a major championship-type of golf course and they (Royal & Ancient) wanted to set it up like a major championship," said Harris, who opened his day with a 74 on the North Course and closed with a 75 on the South. "They moved the tees back (on the South Course) and now you're hitting 5 irons into greens you're supposed to hit 9 irons into."

Harris' total of 149 left him eight shots off the final qualifying number, which was set at 141.

Nine players totaled rounds between 136 and 140, led by

Michael Putnam who followed his sterling 69 on the South with a stellar 67 on the North.

Six players finished tied at 141, forcing a sudden-death playoff to secure the final three berths into the July 19 Open at Carnoustie Golf Links in Scotland.

"I thought if I could shoot three under on the North, and come here and hang on for three over, that would have been 140 and that would easily been good enough," Harris said. "But I got off to a bad start and bogeyed four of my first six holes. The pins were tucked and I just didn't hit it that well."

"It was tough," agreed Gillis, who a little more than 12 hours earlier than his 8:22 a.m. tee time was wrapping up play in the fourth round of the Buick Open held in Grand Blanc.

"I didn't hit the ball good all day and I struggled. But I hung in there quite a bit — until I doubled (bogey) the last two holes."

Gillis, who showed promise of shaking his slump with

four solid rounds at the Buick, began his day with a 2-over 72 on the North.

He concluded with a 6-over 76 on the South.

"The South Course is definitely toughest," Gillis said. "They have it set up probably a little too hard for a qualifier. They don't have quite enough marshalls with the amount of rough and the greens are in good shape, so they're really tough."

"It's a great track," he continued. "It just takes little long to play when you're playing 36 on a course that tough. I'm really not that tired — just frustrated."

For Harris, missing out on qualifying means back to play on the Canadian Tour, along with various stops throughout the Midwest.

"I always think good golf is right around the corner and it just hasn't happened," the Troy High alum said. "I'll pick and choose (tournaments) and try to make a living."

For Gillis, life will continue down south in Florida competing on the Gateway Tour.

Sweep eludes the Rams as Bulls rally in 8th inning

SANDLOT BASEBALL

The Michigan Rams couldn't convert the sweep of Saturday's Livonia Collegiate Baseball League doubleheader as the Michigan Bulls scored the game-winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning of the nightcap for a 2-1 triumph at Madonna University's Ilitch Ballpark.

The 20-and-under Rams took the opener, 4-2, and were tied 1-1 through seven innings before Nick Brennan knocked in Nick Thurman with the game-winning run for the 22-and-under Bulls, now 12-5-3 in the LCBL.

Rams closer Steve McCatty, who walked two in the eighth, took the loss.

Ryan Gunderson started and allowed just one unearned run in 4.1 innings. He struck out

four, walked six and allowed three hits. Sam Yashinsky then pitched 2.2 innings of scoreless relief.

Winning pitcher Will Kennedy (Madonna University) went all eight innings. The Westland John Glenn High grade allowed just five hits, walked five and struck out five.

Eric Vojtkofsky and Drew Churchward each collected two hits in the setback as the Rams fell to 10-8-2. Frank Persichino knocked in the lone run for the Rams in the first inning.

In the opener, Nick Urban went 2-for-4 with the game-winning RBI run scoring Nick Plinka in the fifth inning for the Rams, who out-hit the Bulls, 8-6.

Kyle Hurtt went 2-for-2 with an RBI, while Yashinsky added two hits. Persichino also knocked in a run.

Aaron Powell went 2-for-4 with a homer for the Bulls. Kevin Zerbo also knocked in a run.

Steve Karchefsky was the winning pitcher in relief. Over the final 3.1 innings, Karchefsky did not allow a hit or run. He struck out three. Starter Justin Mazur went the first 3.2 innings, allowing two runs on six hits and three walks. Mazur fanned four.

Losing pitcher John Felicia gave up four runs on seven hits in 5.1 innings. He walked three and hit a batter. Reliever Bryan Weeks finished up, allowing just one hit and a walk in 1.2 innings.

GAMES

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this. The only thing disappointing is that they don't have the field events."

Hagop Kozelian, also 28, knows a thing or two about field events.

The Bostonian, who has also competed in the Homenetmen Games since age 12, holds the Armenian World Games triple jump record at 47-9. He also does the high jump and long jump.

In 2002, Kozelian earned two gold medals in the Armenian World Games in Beirut, Lebanon, capturing the high jump and running the pivotal third leg in the victorious 4 x 100-meter relay.

He credits Detroit organizing chairman Sonny Gavoor, the Schoolcraft College women's cross country coach, for much of his success.

"Sonny's been like my mentor, he's more than a coach," Kozelian said. "We've kept in touch going back to the (World) Olympics. I have so

much respect for him. He cried after we won that (4 x 100) relay."

Kozelian, who works as a company supervisor and coaches high school soccer in the Boston area, also gives back to his Homenetmen chapter.

He reminded a young competitor not to "look over" when you're running a race. "You lose time, when you look around, look straight ahead," Kozelian urged in the Stevenson High infield.

"I've been doing it my whole life, since I was 12," said Kozelian, who plays senior basketball and soccer, and coaches junior hoops and track and field. "But now I'm doing it for the kids."

Homenetmen is about heritage.

It was established in 1918 in Armenia, soon after the 1915-1918 genocide by the Ottoman Turks.

The organization has held the North American Regional Games every year since, and the World Athletic Games every four years. The next

World Games are scheduled for 2009 in either Armenia or Athens Greece where over 9,000 athletes are expected to participate.

Among the chapters participating this week in Livonia included Toronto, Chicago, New Jersey, Boston, Philly, Atlanta and Miami.

"The hosts have done a good job, very organized, everything starts on time," Kozelian said. "The referees are there. The buses are on time. Things are done quickly, on schedule. They've done a very good job."

The camaraderie, the friendships and preserving their culture. You see guys like Churchill High's Raffi Markarian being urged on by the crowd to finish in the 800 and brings a smile to your face.

And it keeps guys like Glenn Papazian coming back year after year.

"Thirty-seven, point-eight seconds," Papazian said. "Sonny told me that's not a bad time."

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Storm places 3rd in ASA tournament

Despite injuries and illness, the Livonia Storm 16-and-under travel team made a respectable third-place showing in last weekend's Junior Olympics ASA Class A State Tournament held in Mount Pleasant.

Playing against elite and select teams, the Storm won five straight games to advance to the winner's bracket championship game, but suffered their first tournament defeat

GIRLS FASTPITCH

as eventual champion Team Michigan overcame a seven-run deficit with eight runs in the final inning to win, 8-7. Finesse then avenged an earlier 5-4 setback to eliminate the Storm, 6-0.

Members of the Storm, coached by Tim Hollandsworth, include Amanda Paison, Lauren

Brueck, Kathleen Hoehn, Emily Hollandsworth, Laura Deacon and Jamie Johnson, all of Livonia Stevenson; Brittany Taylor, Briana Taylor, Alecia Geraghty and Natalie Polakowski, all of Livonia Franklin; Annie Hollandsworth, Chelsea; Genny Kotyuk, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard.

Assistant coaches include Tom Hollandsworth, Reno Taylor and Kevin Deacon.

CAMPS

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ots, agility and speed training.

■ July 30-Aug. 3 (1-2:50 p.m.) - Squirt Elite (\$250): This five-day school is geared for the accelerated player looking for a combination of on-ice as well as off-ice drills and training. Professional instructors will conduct a high-intensity on-ice workout followed by dry-land conditioning with Dennis MacDonald, the Whalers' athletic therapist.

■ Aug. 6-10 (9 a.m. to 3:50

p.m.) - All-Day School (\$399): This five-day school will balance on-ice instruction with off-ice development.

The focus will be on power skating, stick handling, shooting, passing and game situations.

■ Aug. 13-17 (9-10:50 a.m. or 2-3:50 p.m.) - Mite Preseason Tune-up (\$250): This five-day school focuses on power skating, agility, balance, stops and starts, and game situations.

■ Aug. 13-17 (noon to 1:50 p.m.) - Squirt Preseason Tune-up (\$250): This five-day school focuses on power-skating, agil-

ity, balance, stops and starts, stick handling and game situations.

■ Aug. 20-24 (11 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.) - High School (\$300): A challenging camp designed to enhance the players' overall skill set. Players will be able to utilize the Whalers' training facility, including the weight room and locker room. Instructors include the Whalers' coaching staff as well as high school coaches.

For more information on the schools, call (734) 453-8400; or visit www.plymouthwhalers.com.

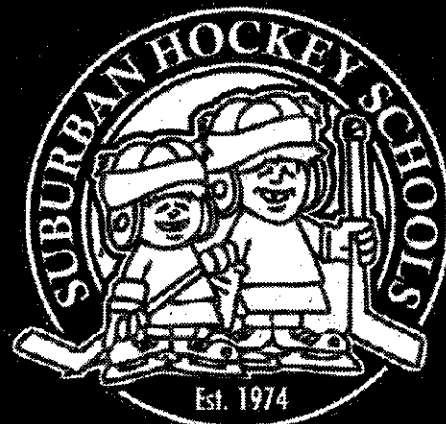


Level 8 champ

Eurostar gymnast Kelsey Stamm, who recently completed her ninth-grade year at Plymouth High School, captured the all-around championship at the Level 8 Regional Gymnastics Meet held April 28 in Indianapolis. Stamm outpointed 51 other gymnasts from a five-state area with a total score of 37.275. She also placed first on the vault with a score of 9.45.

Stamm, who has been training at Eurostars in Canton for six years, was seventh in the floor routine (9.35), eighth on the uneven bars (9.25) and eighth on the balance beam (9.25). Earlier this year she placed second at the state meet.

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WSSL Rec champs

The Livonia YMCA Soccer Club Rockets, an under-14 team, captured the Western Suburban Soccer League's Recreation Division on June 9 with an 11-0 win over Hartland. The Canton Cup champs, made up of players primarily from Livonia, finished 12-0 overall, posted nine shutouts while allowing just three goals. Team members include (standing, from left) assistant coach Rod Hassinger, Jeff Dombrowski, Eric Martoia, Kyle Keller (West Bloomfield), John Falkowski, Scott Vasko, John Sheppard (Farmington Hills), Philip Worley, Tyler Brown, James Hassinger, Jake Allen, Tyler Ruchala, Kevin Francisco, Joe Flanagan, Zachary Miller, assistant coach Steve Vasko; (kneeling) head coach Todd Francisco. Team members not pictured include Daniel Lobo, Josh Schwartz and Tim Talty.

Youth Triathlon

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will stage its fourth annual youth triathlon Saturday, Aug. 18 at Clements Circle Park.

The bike, run and swim is offered to boys and girls, who will compete separately.

Those eligible are Livonia residents or those who reside in the Livonia Public Schools district.

Early registration is \$10. Race day registration is \$15. All participants will receive a specially designed T-shirt.

Age divisions, race times and registration will be: 8-and-under, 8:30 a.m. start (8 a.m. check-in); 9-10, 9:45 a.m. start (9:15 a.m. check-in); 11-12, 11 a.m. start (10:30 a.m. check-in); and 13-14, noon start (11:30 a.m. check-in).

All participants need a swim suit, bike, bike helmet and running shoes.

Distances include 2-mile bike, three-quarter mile run and 150-yard swim (ages 13-14); 1.5-mile bike, half-mile run and 100-yard swim (ages 11-12); 1-mile bike, half-mile run and 50-yard swim (ages 9-10); half-mile bike, quarter-mile run and 25-yard swim (ages 8-and-under).

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

Judo juniors

The 2007 U.S. Judo Federation Junior Nationals will be Saturday-Sunday, July 14-15, at Eastern Michigan University's Convocation Center in Ypsilanti.

The officially sanctioned event will feature Livonia's Alexandra Joseph, who will compete in the 13-year-old girls bracket, and Nicholas Joseph, who will be in the 9-10 year-old boys division.

For more information on the Junior Nationals, visit www.MichiganJudo.org.

Motor City Jr. Golf

The Motor City Junior Golf Championship for ages 12-17 is

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scheduled for Wednesday, July 25 at Whispering Willows Golf Course in Livonia.

The 18-hole event is sponsored by Caddy Shack and Top Flite Golf.

Included in the \$49 entry fee is one practice round (prior to the event), one bucket of driving range balls (the day of the event), lunch ticket and gift pace.

Entry forms must be fill out in full, signed and returned by Wednesday, July 18 to Whispering Willows, located on Newburgh Road just south of Eight Mile Road.

Tee times will be announced after noon on Sunday, July 22.

For more information, call (248) 476-4493.

Baseball lessons

The Bernie Carbo Pro Secrets Baseball Academy will be staging individual, small group and team skill sessions in power pitching, hitting and fielding.

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Soccer openings

The Waza FC Soccer Club has open positions for the following teams: under-8 (boys and girls), under-10 (girls); under-11 (boys); under-12 (boys and girls); under-13 (boys).

Practices will be held at Livonia's Bryant Field, located on Merriman between Six and Seven Mile roads.

For more information, call Jim Debolski at (734) 637-1730; or visit www.WazaFC.com.

Soccer clinics

High Velocity Sports in Canton will be offering summer soccer clinics after the 4th of July.

The clinics are once a week for eight weeks.

The cost and day of the week for each class varies per class from \$60 to \$90. All classes include a free T-shirt.

Schedules and fees are available on www.hvssports.com.

The available clinics include "Future Stars" (2- and 3-year-olds), "Small Stars" (3-4), "Kicks With Kids" (4-5 and 6-7), a Skill Acceleration Camp (8-9 and 10-12), "Beginning Booters" (8-11) and a women's clinic for adults.

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HVS will also offer skill development classes with Detroit Ignition players on Thursdays beginning June 14 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The cost is \$5 for those who are already registered for spring or summer clinics at HVS or \$10 for anyone else.

Finally, HVS will offer a summer soccer camp for kids between the ages of 5 and 12 June 25-29 from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$110. All HVS summer camps are buy one, get one half off.

F5 Running Club

The F5 (Faith, Fitness, Family, Friendship and Fun) Running Club will be running each Sunday through Aug. 13.

The club meets at 6:30 p.m. in the parking lot on the east side of Hines Dr., approximately a half-mile north of Six Mile.

The group runs on the nearby cross-country course, which is part of the Bennett Arboretum (also known as Cass Benton).

The club also meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in Hines Park near the soccer fields on the north side of the road, just west of Haggerty.

"All athletes are welcome to join the club, whether they plan to run cross country in the fall or if they simply want to stay in shape," said Steve Spreitzer. "There will be runners and walkers of varying ability, making a comfortable space for everyone."

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announcement came from the starter on our first hole ("Please welcome from Lesson On Golf, Jeff Lesson. Let's see if he can bring his game to the course."), it all changed. All of a sudden, I was no longer anonymous. People wanted to see if "Lesson On Golf" could hit a golf ball.

I quickly announced to the crowd, "those who can do, those who can't talk about it on the radio." That brought a chuckle, but it was time for me to deliver a tee shot. My shot was well struck,

albeit in the left rough. At least I got it up in the air with the masses watching.

Charles Howell III could not have been a nicer or friendlier guy. He is very good friends with Tiger Woods and discussed his friendship with me. He was not surprised at all that Tiger opted to miss the Buick Open due to the birth of his daughter. He also said the Buick Open is the easiest on tour to score at because the greens are the softest out there.

Jeff Daniels too was a nice guy. He readily

signed autographs for fans in between holes. He also is a pretty good player and takes the game quite seriously.

We were rained out after 15 holes but had a great time.

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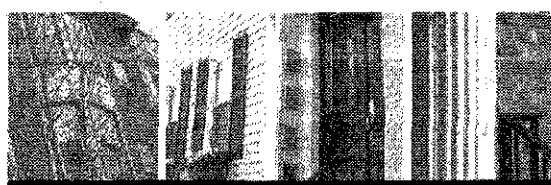
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THE APPEAL OF SMALL COMPANIES



WORKWISE

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Larger companies may well be losing their glow, according to a white paper by Hale Cochran, executive advisor at Polachi, an executive search firm in Framingham, Mass.

Polachi has placed approximately 1,000 senior executives -- about 50 percent of its successful candidates -- in small companies. Cochran maintains that this market trend is more favorable than when the Internet bubble burst.

Two individuals with no connection to the search firm reflect the trend. Mick Gilbert is vice president, Strategy and Business Development, at Global Green Solutions Inc., headquartered in Vancouver, B.C. Gilbert is developing a market for products and services that will reduce global warming. His previous company had 35,000 employees worldwide; Global Solutions has 25 employees from Johannesburg to Vancouver.

Esther LaBovick practices law at LaBovick & LaBovick P.A., in Jupiter, Fla., where she specializes in personal injury, wrongful death and false claims. Her last organization had 1,000 employees; her current one has 20.

ENVIRONMENT

Both now work in completely different environments. The home office Gilbert

uses in White Plains, N.Y., is right where he needs it to travel. The content of his work is very different, too. He worked in strategy ("I was a back-office guy") at the larger organization. Now, he says, his skills and responsibilities are "aligned with the (central) activities of the business. I'm in energy and environmental business strategy in an energy and environmental company. I'm in the core of value creation here."

LaBovick seems to have had her hands tied in her previous organization. Her staff was large and, because the company was strong financially, she didn't have to worry about costs. Still, she reported to the company's board of directors and couldn't implement a legal decision without the approval of non-lawyers. Worse than that, she says, "I had very little autonomy and could not make any decisions on my own." She describes her current situation as "somewhere in the middle," permitting her to make decisions but lacking significant resources, human or financial. Now she can tackle a problem immediately rather than wait for approval from a bureaucracy. Her approach to her basic work is clearly different: "I pick and choose which cases we handle and my caseload." She's paid on contingency by private individuals -- very different from her previous non-profit, where she received a salary, regardless of case outcome, and where clients were corporate.

BOTTOM LINE

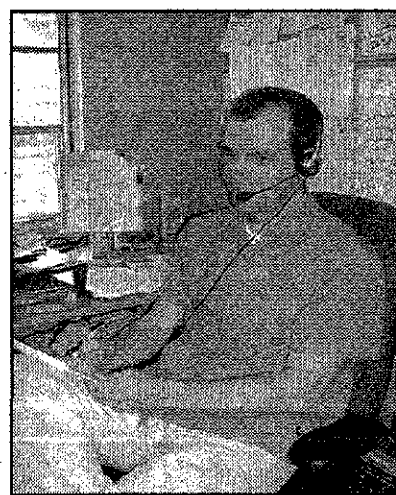
Gilbert describes his change as strategic, enabling him to "do something different and differently." Both he and LaBovick are intimately involved in the details of their work. Gilbert mentions that when something goes wrong with technology, he can't call someone in IT to fix it. While they both use the phrase "more hands-on" to describe their work, Gilbert comments, "You end up doing things as a great learning opportunity. There's no one's turf to step on."

The two also agree with the white paper that there are:

- fewer established procedures (Global Green is still developing them);
- increased P&L responsibility (current or projected) and cross-functional involvement; and
- greater involvement with the board of directors and external parties.

However, they differ on doing more internal selling, which Gilbert does, to get ideas through the system. "Our company is early-stage. We're going from a concept developed in a lab and we're trying to convert that to a commercial opportunity." LaBovick has greater latitude to act without discussion.

One interesting feature of smaller companies that Gilbert, LaBovick and the white paper never mention is that of quirky. Larger companies seem to



Mick Gilbert is in his home office, where he's establishing a market for Global Green Solutions Inc., whose mission is to reduce global warming. He is vice president, Strategy and Business Development and travels domestically and internationally to meet with prospects and customers.

Credit: Lisa Piper Gilbert

stifle individuality more; smaller ones, draw it out.

LaBovick "doesn't miss anything" in her old company. Gilbert confesses to having found the correct spot for himself: "I feel that my entire brain and capabilities are being engaged," but he misses the socialization that came through work.

Nonetheless, he adds, "This is what I should be doing. I'm not looking back."

(Next week: The appeal of large companies.)

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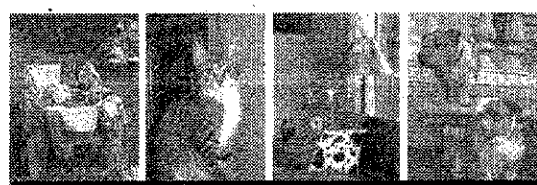
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9am-6pm. Must sell furniture, art, jewelry, clothing, household items and MORE. 1020 Hazel St., South of Maple, btwn Adams & Woodward.

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS Multi-Family - Toys, furniture, household, tools. A little of everything! July 5, 6 & 7, 9-5pm. 2898 Colonial Trail, Square Lake/Woodward.

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS July 7-8
10-4, 4158 Wabek Lake Dr. Christmas in July! Tree, holiday ornaments & others, gifts galore! Clothes, toys, Pistons memorabilia, etc...

Garage Sales 7110
CANTON Garage Sale - Thurs.
Fri. & Sat., 8am-5pm. Lots of great stuff! Antiques, furniture, collectibles. 40375 Winfield, S. Of Cherry Hill, off Lotz.

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COMMUNITY YARD SALE
July 7th and 8th 10-5
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FARMINGTON HILLS 21564 Colwell, Shawasee & Middlebelt, July 7-8, 9-6.
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HUGE GARAGE SALE - Multi Family. July 6-7, 8-4pm. 28762 Greening St, 12 Mile & Orchard Lake.

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FARMINGTON HILLS- Huge yard Sale! July 7th, 8am-4pm. 28645 West 9 Mile. Lots of kitchenware, furniture, clothes, misc.

Garage Sales 7110
LIVONIA Woodworkers Estate Sale! Large & small power tools, hardwood lumber, misc. July 5-8, 9am-6pm. 19693 Parkville, Middlebelt/7 Mile.

Garage Sales 7110
LIVONIA July 6-7, 8-5. 31065 Minton, Off Merriman, 2 bks. S. of W. Chicago. Tools, furniture, clothing, jewelry, toys, household & much misc.

Garage Sales 7110
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Garage/Moving Sale: Tools, household goods. No clothes/baby stuff. 9436 Lathers, S. of W. Chicago, between Middlebelt/Inkster. July 5, 6, 7.

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LIVONIA- Great things!
Holidays, toys, clothes, a few collectibles, kitchen, a little of this, a lot of that! July 5-7, 9am-5pm. 30157 Bretton, btwn 7 & 8 Mile, W/Middlebelt

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LIVONIA- Thurs-Sat, 9am-5pm. 35792 Joy Rd, btwn Wayne & Newburgh. A lot of kitchen, small appliances, toys, misc.

Garage Sales 7110
LIVONIA- Sat & Sun, July 7 & 8, 10am-4pm. 29506 Grandon, W/Middlebelt. Dresser w/mirror, chest, electric dryer, crib, boys clothes 5-7, lots of misc.

Garage Sales 7110
LIVONIA-Estate Sale. 20470 Milburn, 8 mile & Merriman. Toy & sports collectibles, furniture, household goods. Everything must go. Sat-Sun. 8am-5pm. 410-241-6428

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PLYMOUTH - Slightly used quality items, no junk. Fri-Sat, July 6-7, 9-5pm. 9999 Fellows Hill Ct., Country Club Village, off Ann Arbor Rd, W of Ridge.

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PLYMOUTH ESTATE SALE
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July 5 & 6, 10-4pm. 12750 Neathline, 96 & Inkster area. Little bit of everything.

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ROCHESTER HILLS- 3 family sale. Furniture, pool stuff, kids, books, clothing, tools & bonus table, etc. 429 Rockdale, 1 blk S of Walton. July 5-7, 10-4pm.

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WALLED LAKE - Huge Garage/Estate Sale. Thurs-Sat, 10-6pm. 1670 South Drive, off Decker, btwn 14 & 15. Furniture, pool table, clothes, evening gowns, paintings, electronics, dishware, patio furniture, toys, books, & more!

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Thurs-Sat, 10am-3pm, Sat. 1/2 off everything! 3376 Warren Dr, SW corner of Williams Lake and Dixie. Warehouse w/furniture, glassware, art.

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WEST BLOOMFIELD ESTATE SALE - FRI. & SAT, 10am-4pm. 2801 Acorn, off Telegraph. Furniture, Fine Art, Men's XL, full house goods!

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WESTLAND - Thurs-Sat, 9-4pm. 30821 Mackenzie, S. of Joy, E. of Merriman, 4 families. Furniture, antiques, collectibles, tools, kid's clothes.

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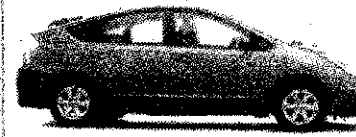
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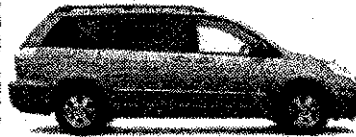
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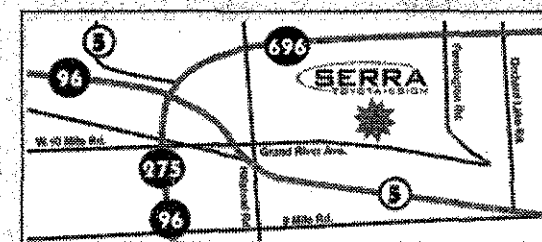
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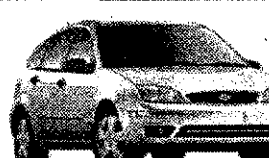
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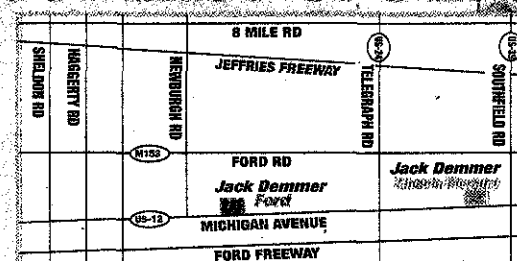
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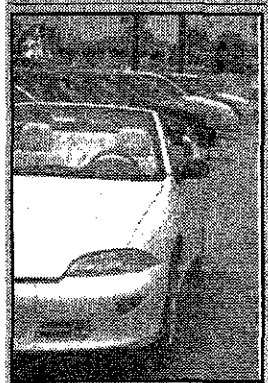
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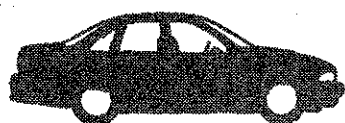
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MINI VANS MAY BE SET FOR A RALLY

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By Dale Buss

Mini vans have become the Rodney Dangerfields of the automotive world: They get no respect -- but a lot of people like them.

Some auto makers, many industry pundits, and millions of American consumers seem to have written off mini vans for good. Lacking the stylishness of the hot new crossover genre, and suffering from a lack of new-product news, mini van sales have fallen off dramatically this year from 2006, to below a one-million-unit rate, and seem to be acquiring still more downward momentum as the year goes along.

Yet, there are reasons to believe that sales of the Chrysler Town & Country, Dodge Grand Caravan, Honda Odyssey, Toyota Sienna, Nissan Quest and Hyundai Entourage can remain viable, collectively, even for the long term.

The reasons for optimism start with the inherent strengths of mini vans: utility, convenience, flexibility, drivability and fuel economy, which remain unmatched in combination by any SUV or even crossover vehicle. By this fall, Chrysler intends to enhance those strengths by debuting overhauled 2008 models. Honda plans a newly tweaked Odyssey as well.

"In terms of raw, efficient carrying of people and stuff, there's still nothing better -- there just isn't," said Steve Bartoli, Chrysler's vice president of global product marketing. "And some people will always appreciate that."

From the day that former Chrysler CEO Lee Iacocca introduced this completely new vehicle type in 1984, after borrowing the concept from his days at Ford Motor Co., mini vans have enjoyed a great ride. They almost single-handedly restored Chrysler in the Eighties. Mini vans created a new industry segment that boomed just as boomers were having kids to fill them. Import makes validated the category and penetrated the market during the Nineties.

They offered a car-smooth, front-wheel-drive ride; fuel economy that could bust 30 mpg on the highway; sliding doors that provided by far the easiest way to get babies and small children in and out of vehicles; legitimate



A removable table fits between the second and third rows of the new Chrysler mini vans



Chrysler is counting on the upcoming 2008 Town & Country (pictured here) and Grand Caravan models to revive mini van sales

seven- or eight-passenger comfort; and an image of sensibility and even wholesomeness that became an integral part of their appeal.

At some point, soccer moms and mini vans became synonymous. And in another beneficial twist, many grandparents bought mini vans: Even today, from 25% to 40% of mini van sales, depending on models, are to customers 60 years old and older, according to Toyota.

Then, as boomers aged, demographics began to work against the segment. As gas prices eased, SUVs took over as the preferred family-hauling vehicle for many Americans -- especially because they came without the mini van image that had become stodgy. Now, new crossovers such as the GMC Acadia and Saturn Outlook offer the biggest challenge yet, from another segment, to the appeal of mini vans, including a car-like ride and the ability to walk from the second to the third row of seats.

Town & Country and Grand Caravan sales have tanked this year in part because Chrysler is readying the 2008 models for introduction -- and is expecting a big uplift from them. The company has regularly improved the style, quality and functionality of its mini vans over the years, with enhancements such as the Stow 'n Go fold-down second- and third-row seats that debuted in 2005.

This time around, noteworthy new features include a front-center storage console that slides back and

cantilevers so that second-row occupants can use it. An optional new DVD-entertainment system can play different disks on separate second- and third-row screens. "It will totally change how kids think about entertainment in the car," said Chrysler's Bartoli.

Second-row seats swivel for easier entry to and exit from the vehicle, and to set up a conversation pit with third-row occupants. And a removable table can sit between the two rows for game-playing or for sharing snacks.

All mini van producers also are counting on an uptick in interest from the next few years, auto makers for the offspring of boomers. But the Millennials generation is only about 70% the size of the boomer generation. "Interest remains fairly good in the age group that would be oriented toward mini vans," said Art Spinella, president of CNW Marketing Research, an automotive-research firm in Bandon, Ore. "But the framework is that you're dealing with a much smaller base."

If they can continue to sell around one million mini vans annually for the next few years, auto makers will be happy. They seem confident they can. Bartoli, for example, recalled that "people said the segment was dead" in the mid-Nineties -- but that was just before Chrysler debuted a driver's-side passenger door and revived sales. "Are we on the precipice again? I don't think so."

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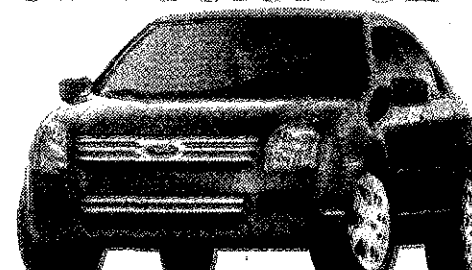
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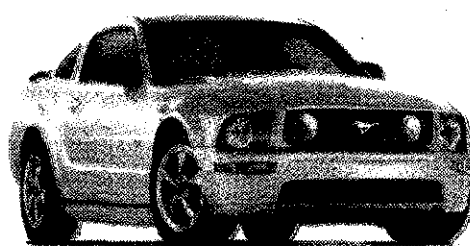
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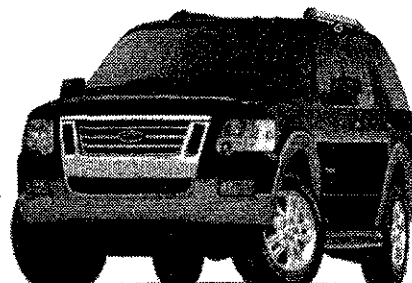
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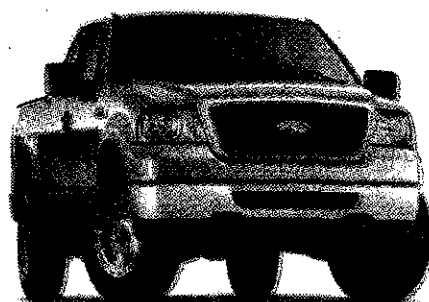
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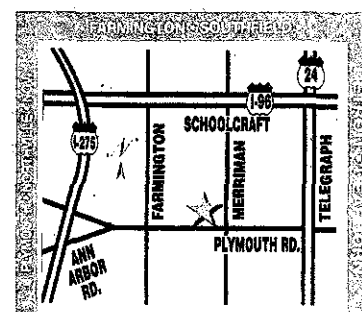
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A little prep work can make campfire cooking (almost) gourmet

BY ANNMARIE TIMMINS
FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

If hot dogs and hamburgers don't inspire you to hit the hiking trail and camp, how about sausage jambalaya bubbling over a fire followed by hot berry cobbler?

It's possible, it's easy and it's fast. Thanks to improvements in camping cooking gear and a bounty of easy-prep and in-store ingredients, the days of settling for the utilitarian campfire cooking of yesteryear are gone.

"There is almost nothing you can't do on the trail," said Don Philpott, who with wife Pam wrote *The Trailside Cookbook* and is a fan of campfire jambalaya. "People don't think you can have a three-course meal around the campfire."

The trick to making that happen is forethought — getting the right

equipment and prepping ingredients before you leave home.

First, the equipment. The key is to keep it light. Though cast-iron pans offer campfire cachet, you wouldn't want to hike with one on your back. Reserve those for camping in which you will drive to your tent site. The rest of the time stick with aluminum.

And choose just one versatile pan.

Don Jacobson, author of campfire cookbook *The One Pan Gourmet*, says that with just a frying pan and utensils, he can cook walnut chicken, stir-fry and coconut fruit cups. If he brings the Dutch oven instead, he can turn out lasagna or hot berry cobbler.

The Dutch oven — which can serve as a griddle, a cook pot or an oven — is a favorite, especially

now that newer, lighter aluminum models offer a packable alternative to the more common cast-iron behemoths.

When a campfire isn't an option, camping stoves are the way to go. Single-burner stoves can weigh less than a pound. Most run on white gas (sometimes called camp fuel) or butane and can handle anything from pasta to stir-fry to stew.

"Why are we going out in the first place? Because it's better than being at home," said Jacobson, who became a campfire gourmet after eating one too many boring meals while leading Boy Scout expeditions. "Why would you take that wonderful experience and ruin it by having a bad meal?"

With your gear settled, focus on

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MAKE IT EASY

Whatever your camping and cooking style, here are some easy ways to jazz up your campfire meals:

■ Look for dried foods, such as pesto, hummus, even beans and rice, which can be easily rehydrated on the trail and used to dress up or accompany other ingredients.

■ Dried salad dressing mixes offer tons of flavor and weigh almost nothing. They can be added to rice or pasta, mixed into baked potatoes or used to season meat. Spice rubs intended for

grilling also can be used for all these things.

■ If you have a sweet tooth, bake some simple desserts at home (cookies and brownies, for example), wrap them well in plastic wrap and freeze. They not only satisfy your trailside cravings, they also help keep other foods cold.

■ Bring ingredients that have multiple uses. Peanut butter is great in a sandwich, tossed with warm noodles (think pad thai) or mixed into oatmeal. Likewise, jam can accompany peanut butter, make a tasty vinaigrette or glaze meat.

Accents

Container gardening

National gardening expert Melinda Myers will visit English Gardens locations in West Bloomfield, Dearborn Heights and Eastpointe Saturday and Sunday, July 7 and 8, to present a free seminar, Summer Container Gardening.

Known for her gardener-friendly and practical approach, Myers will show how to select a winning combination of plants and assemble a beautiful container garden, and will provide tips on keeping it looking good all season long.

Myers, who is appearing on behalf of Fafard container mixes, will conduct the seminars at 11 a.m. Saturday at 22650 Ford in Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; 2 p.m. Saturday at 22501 Kelly in Eastpointe, (586) 771-4200; and 1 p.m. Sunday at 6370 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield, (248) 851-7506.

"Many people don't realize that you can still be successful at gardening at the high point of summer," she said. "It really is a perfect time to spruce up your containers with new colors and plants."

Myers has written 19 gardening books, including *Can't Miss Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *Great Lakes Gardener*, which is seen on PBS throughout the United States, hosts syndicated radio shows and writes syndicated newspaper columns.

Water wonders

The Michigan Koi Pond Club will present its 10th annual Pond/Water Garden Tour 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 14, in the Rochester area.

Water features and gardens will be shown at eight homes, rain or shine. The self-guided tour will start at the Older Persons Commission (OPC), east off Second Street in downtown Rochester at 650 Leticia Drive. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the OPC.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 5-15. Tickets and booklets are available at the OPC, Barson's Greenhouse in Westland, Bordine Nursery in Rochester, The Pond Place in Milford and Wiegands Nursery in Macomb Township. On the day of the event, tickets may be bought only at the OPC.

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Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

For example, suppose you're sitting in your office at work wishing you could play your new Amy Winehouse album — the one that's stored on your PC at home.

One great option: Lala.com. Originally a CD-swapping service, the new Lala scans for music on your hard drive, then makes those tunes available for playback via any Web-connected PC.

That means you can listen at work, a friend's house, or wherever, and your PC at home doesn't even have to be on.

It's not a perfect system: Any songs not already on the Lala servers have to be uploaded from your PC, and that can take a long time

depending on the size and diversity of your library.

The new Lala is still in beta, and it shows. The interface can be confusing at first, and I had trouble getting certain tracks to play. But it's easy to see how incredible this service will be once it's more fully developed.

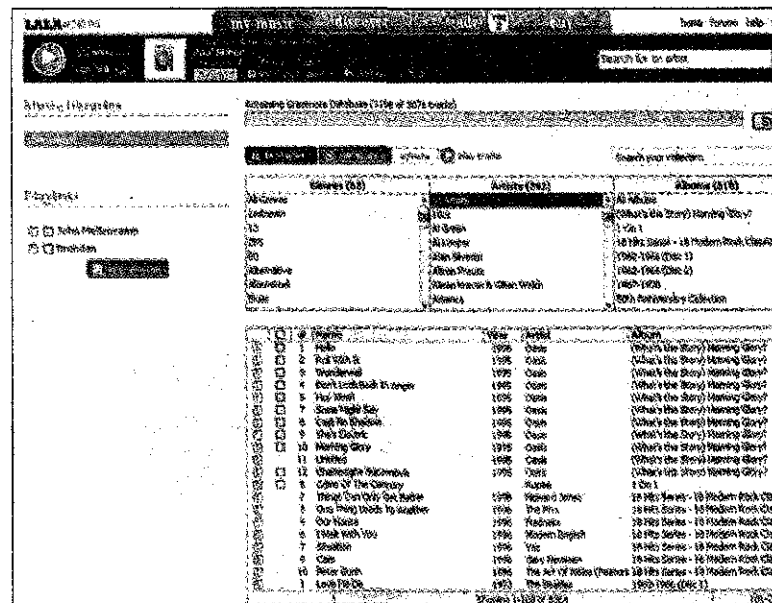
Most amazing of all, Lala is free. Give it a try and let me know what you think.

While you're at it, take nutSie (nutsie.com) for a spin. It's a similar service, but designed expressly for iTunes users (nutSie is an anagram of iTunes).

Like Lala, nutSie compares your song library with its own and makes any matches available for streaming. However, nutSie doesn't upload the songs it doesn't have; you're just outta luck on those.

What's more, although nutSie does support individual playlists, it can only shuffle-play your songs. That is, you can't select specific albums or tracks.

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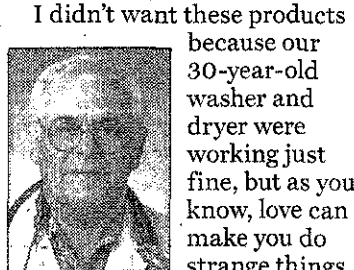
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Mold, odor big problems in front load washers

Many of you know that a year ago we had a new front load washer and dryer installed in our basement laundry room.



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

I didn't want these products because our 30-year-old washer and dryer were working just fine, but as you know, love can make you do strange things.

Valorie likes all the bells and whistles and has been quite pleased with the products, except when the washer didn't clean the bed sheets after granddaughter Haley ate too much ice cream and cake on a recent sleep-over. Oh, what a night that was.

Valorie has kept me appraised every few weeks on her feelings of washability, etc.

The other day she said, "If I forget a load of clothes in the washer after it's done and it's a day later, I have to wash them over again. They have a terrible smell, and this wouldn't have happened in my old washer."

I told her that I have to report all her comments to the readers of this column and so now, here are the facts.

My research on several different Web sites finds that many people are experiencing mold and odor problems

across this country.

At a recent meeting I attended, I was in the presence of more than 50 appliance service technicians who verified that this problem is big time in front load washers. They also don't have a solid cure to stop the problem, and this is becoming a public relations nightmare in the appliance industry.

I am getting a ton of phone calls on my radio show and much e-mail showing the displeasure of homeowners who have spent big bucks for a simple washing machine.

Well-known columnist Nolan Finley recently wrote that the government is to blame for this debacle. He could be correct, which means it will take a long time to straighten out the problem.

This e-mail from Cathy gives the typical example of what consumers are going through:

"I have a front load washer and dryer about 1 1/2 years old. I have always used a small amount of High Efficiency Tide and left the door open when not in use. There is a foul smell coming from the washer... like a musty sewer-type smell. We went back to the dealer and they told us there is a small hose that needs to be drained on the lower left front of the machine. We did that. There was really no backup of water... They also said that there might be a buildup of soap on the drum. We have been doing a sanitary wash

with bleach every other week to try to clean that, but the smell is still there."

I have no doubt today that mold and odor are a serious problem in front load washers, and I don't believe that manufacturers have a clue on how to get rid of it.

I was the guy screaming eight years ago, "Leave the washer alone!" But who am I that anyone would listen?

Well, there is an answer, but don't expect the maker of your washer to contribute any dollars towards the cure. You will have to do it yourself.

This column has never been used to advertise a business or product, and it is just not the policy or the ethical standards of this fine newspaper to do so. I'm going to bend the rules by telling you that I interviewed a man in Minnesota who has invented a cleaner. From what I have checked out, it works.

Try it and let me pass your comments on to readers of this column. Go to smellywasher.com. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard on Talk Radio WAAM 1600 at 8 a.m. Saturdays and on WDTW-AM 1310 at 6 a.m. Sundays. He is a board member of Spectrum Human Services and the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals (SOCAP). His phone number is (764) 971-1600, Ext. 28. Do you have a question about an appliance or a problem you have with an appliance? E-mail your question to mklemic@hometownlife.com and it will be forwarded to Joe Gagnon.

GARDEN CALENDAR

Hosta show

The Michigan Hosta Society will conduct an American Hosta Society accredited hosta show 1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 7, at the Plant and Soil Science Building, Bogue and Wilson at Michigan State University in East Lansing. Admission is free.

Hundreds of hosta leaves will be on display, ranging in size from less than an inch to more than 15 inches tall, as well as miniature container gardens featuring hosta.

A large collection of hostas, from classic hostas to the newest introductions, will be available for sale.

Garden staging

Learn how to stage your garden for all year in Staging Your Garden for All Seasons, a class scheduled 7:30-9 p.m. Tuesday, July 10, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham. Cost is \$19, plus a \$5 materials fee payable to the instructor in class.

For registration and other information, call (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com. The instructor will be certified master gardener Michael Saint, who owns Good Earth Landscape Institute in Clarkston.

Rain gardens

Rain Garden Design and Maintenance: A Forum for Home Gardeners, a free program, will take place 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, July 26, at the Auburn Hills Community Center, 1827 N. Squirrel Road. Seating is limited. Advance registra-

tion is requested. To register, call Karen Bever at (248) 288-5150 or e-mail LFDean@aol.com.

The program is sponsored by the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority (SOCWA).

The speaker will be civil engineer Donald Carpenter, Ph.D., of Lawrence Technological University. SOCWA native landscape volunteers will also be featured.

Presentation topics will be benefits of compost for water retention and water quality, rain garden plant selection, maintenance tips from SOCWA gardeners, rain garden benefits for the Rouge River, and research results of water infiltration and soil mixes.

Vertical gardening

English Gardens will host free seminars at 7 p.m. Wednesdays in July at all six stores, including locations in West Bloomfield, (248) 851-7506; Royal Oak/Troy, (248) 280-9500; Dearborn Heights, (313) 278-4433; and Ann Arbor, (734) 332-7900.

Vertical Gardening: Adding Color Between the Lines will be the topic July 11. Learn how to fill in the spaces in your garden with plants and flowers that provide vertical interest. Gardening in the Shade will be the topic July 18.

For more information, call the stores or visit www.englishgardens.com.

School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening presents a variety of classes for different levels.

For registration and other information, call (248) 4-GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com. Classes include Practical Gardening Tips, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 26, in Rochester (cost is \$29).

Rose programs

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

The schedule includes Japanese Beetle Control for Roses, a free lecture and hands-on demonstration, 1 p.m. Sunday, July 8 (repeated 11 a.m. Monday, July 9); and Rose Propagation Workshop, 1 p.m. Sunday, July 15 (repeated 11 a.m. Monday, July 16).

Reservations are required for the rose propagation workshop, which has a \$25 material fee.

Participants in the workshop will prepare and root roses from cuttings and learn other techniques for easy at-home propagation. Each presentation lasts about 1 1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. For more information, call (734) 461-1230 or visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com.

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

GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

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Redford

Visit several lovely gardens on the Redford Garden Walk, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 14. Tickets are \$5. Tickets and

maps of gardens are available at the Community Center (12121 Hemingway), Township Hall (15145 Beech Daly) and the Redford Public Library (25320 Six Mile). The event is sponsored by the

Redford Township Beautification Commission. For more information, call Janet Watson at (313) 255-5293 or Dorothy Morris at the Redford Senior Center, (313) 387-2788.

BROIDA

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But it does have a big ace in the hole: It can stream music to your cell phone.

For now this option is limited to just over a dozen models (the Motorola RAZR and Nokia E62 among them), but they'll be adding more in the future.

At the moment, I know of no other service that can stream your iTunes library to your phone. Even the iPhone doesn't offer that option.

Finally, there's MediaMaster (mediamaster.com), another free music-streaming service. This one requires you to upload your entire library, which can take quite a bit of time if you have a big one.

Fortunately, it offers unlimited storage space and support for the big-three audio formats (AAC, MP3 and WMA).

Cooler still, you can embed a MediaMaster widget in your blog or Web site so others can stream your music.

The only real downside is that songs play at a relatively low bit rate (64Kbps), which is

a step below FM radio quality.

I'll cover some home-stereo music-sharing options in a future column, like the incredible Sonos Digital Music System and the DLO HomeDock Music Remote. Stay tuned!

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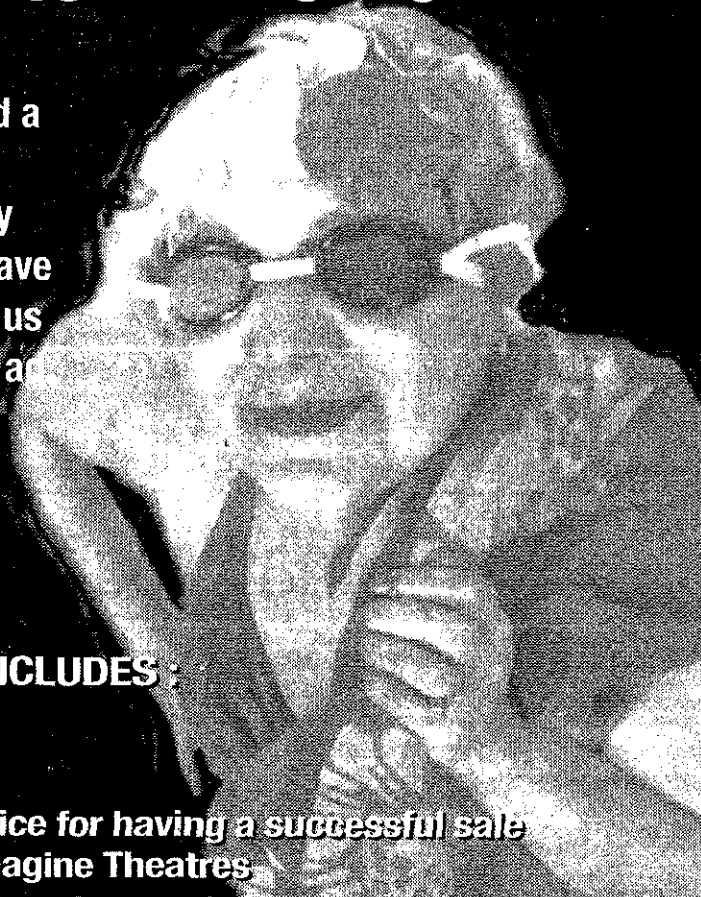
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Interest in petite sirah rebounds

If you're still confused about syrah and shiraz being the same variety, don't let this column about petite sirah confuse you further. Do, however, let these big and powerful red wines tantalize your palate.



Focus on Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

In California, for many years, petite sirah was the mystery grape. Apparently, mystery grapes made into wine don't fare well among today's consumers as the following stats detail. In 1976, petite sirah acreage in California peaked at 14,000 acres. By 1995, it had dropped to 2,400. Today, though, interest is again on the rise. That's because it's no longer a mystery grape.

In 1997 Dr. Carole Meredith, professor emerita at the Department of Viticulture and Enology at the University of California, and her research team determined that petite sirah is the same as the French variety durif. In 1998, the same research unit using DNA paternity analysis methods, just like those used with humans, determined that syrah is the father of petite sirah and thus it's related to the true syrah of France's Rhone Valley.

Impressive research, but what do varietally-labeled petite sirah wines taste like?

PETITE SIRAH TASTES

First, petite sirah does a heck of a lot better in California than in France under either alias. Independent of appellation, California versions are deep-colored, full-bodied wines with a big dollop of tannins, which can either come off as burly and rustic or big and round.

Burly petites are not to our liking. The discrepant word association is bothersome as is the bitterness of high tannin

WINE PICKS

Several weeks ago, we recommended some Italian wines imported by Empson & Co. You liked them. Here are more that you'll like at some very attractive prices.

WHITES:

2005 Santa Anastasia Sinestesia IGT, Sicily \$27 -- 50/50 inzoia and sauvignon blanc. Interesting flavors, nice finish.
2005 Pieropan Soave Classico, DOC \$18 -- floral, white-fleshed fruits, nice finish.
2005 Lagaria Pinot Grigio Delle Venezie \$10
2005 Lagaria Chardonnay Delle Venezie \$10
2005 Farnese Trebbiano d'Abruzzo \$7
2005 Farnese Casale Vecchio Pecorino \$15 -- 100% pecorino (not the cheese but the grape of the same name)
2005 Santadi Villa Solais Vermentino di Sardegna \$11

REDS:

2003 Santa Anastasia Montenerro IGT, Sicily \$39 -- nero d'Avola, cabernet sauvignon and merlot. Big steak wine.
2005 Farnese Casale Vecchio Montepulciano d'Abruzzo \$15
2005 Farnese Sangiovese, Farneto Valley \$7
2004 Farnese Don Camillo Sangiovese, Terre di Chiete \$15
2003 Farnese Montepulciano d'Abruzzo; Colline Teramane \$21
2005 Farnese Edizione Cinque Autoctoni \$37

If a retailer doesn't stock a specific wine we recommend, ask that it be ordered from the distributor.

levels. We're excited by those petite sirahs that are powerful expressions of dark fruits but with a more finesseful finish.

In search of the latter, we did a focused tasting of 30 petite sirah bottlings from many regions of California.

They ranged in price from \$8 to \$55. The following are highly recommended, listed by region and price.

Best of the Best: 2004

Epiphany Rodney's Vineyard, Santa Ynez Valley \$30.

Lake County and Mendocino

2005 Guenoc \$20

2004 Marr Cellars \$25.

Order online at www.marcellars.com

2004 Rosenblum Redwood

Valley Rhodes Vineyard \$25

Lodi and Livermore

2004 Mettler \$25

2004 Earthquake \$28

2004 Concannon Reserve

\$30

2004 Silkwood \$39

2004 Concannon Heritage

\$50

Napa Valley and Neighbors

2005 Two Angels High

Valley \$28

2005 Girard Napa Valley

\$28

2005 Rosenblum Pickett

Road \$35

2004 Stags' Leap \$38

2005 Ballentine Pig Tree

Vineyard \$35

Paso Robles and Central Coast

2003 Novella \$12

2004 Concannon Limited

Release \$14

2004 EOS \$18

2004 EOS Reserve \$25 (big

structure)

2004 Vina Robles Jardine

Vineyard \$26

2003 EOS Cupa Grandis

\$55

Russian River Valley

Foppiano \$23

Food Pairings

The following foods make excellent matches with Petite Sirah: grilled rack of lamb with sautéed wild mushrooms; grilled lamb chops with a cherry sauce; barbecued baby back ribs with chipotle sauce; a big, juicy steak and sharp cheeses.

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CAMPFIRE

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the food. Start by figuring out what you'll need. If you'll be hiking, canoeing or otherwise expending more energy than usual, you'll need to plan your meals around supplying those extra calories.

The menu also will depend on the type of camping you do. Staying put at a state park allows you to lug more and heavier gear (including coolers) and food than a backcountry trek from tent site to tent site.

Most good camping cookbooks suggest menus to help with this. In Philpott's book, for example, a four-day menu under the "Pack Light" section includes bacon and eggs, pizza, stew, pasta, chocolate fondue and lemon couscous. Emily Mitchell, an education programs coordinator for the Appalachian Mountain Club, says learning which foods pack and keep well under camping conditions is essential. As is learning the correct order in which to eat them.

Fresh peppers and spinach, for example, are delicate and

so should be eaten early in the trip. But hard cheeses, carrots and potatoes will keep longer and can be saved for later.

And try to select foods that do double duty, such as pita bread.

Mitchell says pita rounds not only can be used for sandwiches, but also make great pizza dough.

Though Philpott and Jacobson favor fresh foods to freeze-dried meals, both agree the meals have their place on camping trips, especially outings that last beyond two or three days.

"There is an absolute reason for freeze-dried meals to exist," said Jacobson. "They are called Day 4, Day 5 and Day 6."

How you pack your ingredients also matters.

Jacobson and Philpott suggest taking only what you need for each menu, which means transferring spices (a must) and oils into smaller containers (taking just what is needed for your recipe). Restaurant-style condiment packets also are a great idea.

If ingredients can be mixed ahead at home, do it. Soups, for example, could be made

ahead at home, then divided into zip-close plastic bags and frozen. These are easy to thaw and reheat, plus they help keep other foods cool in the meantime.

Meats and perishables need special attention. Jacobson portions his meats out for each recipe and freezes them in foil for the trip. He wraps them in foil again just before leaving and, unless he has a cooler, counts on them being good for 24 to 36 hours.

Mitchell suggests cooking cubed chicken at home, but only if you plan to eat it the first night.

Philpott once kept meat cold during a canoe trip by towing it in a bag under his boat. But he prefers dehydrating ingredients, even whole stews, at home. His book explains how to dry and rehydrate foods, though both steps take hours.

To make cooking at the site easy, Jacobson packs a separate bag of food for each day of the camping trip.

Each bag contains additional bags, one for each meal of the day. Each of those contains all the ingredients needed for that meal.

Campfire fare more than just burgers and dogs

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Campfire cooking needn't be limited to burgers, dogs and s'mores. With a bit of advance work before heading out, it's easy to have great grub on the trail.

STICKY CHICKEN

Start to finish: 20 minutes

Servings: 2

2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
1/2 cup peanut butter
1 tablespoon honey
2 tablespoons soy sauce
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 tablespoon ketchup
Salt and pepper, to taste

Before you leave home, cut the chicken into 1-inch cubes. Wrap the cubes in a packet of heavy-duty foil, then freeze. Just before leaving for your trip, loosely wrap the frozen packet in a second layer of foil. The chicken will keep 24 to 36 hours.

When you're ready to cook, combine all ingredients (breaking up the frozen chicken cubes as needed) in a frying pan set over a medium campfire. Cook, stirring often, until the chicken is cooked through, about 20 minutes.

Can be served with quinoa, couscous or brown rice.
Recipe from Don Jacobson's "The One Pan Gourmet," Ragged Mountain Press.

HUNGRY HIKER PARCELS

This recipe is easily adapted to your tastes. Mix your favorite seasonings into the ground beef before forming it into patties and freezing. Garlic powder, Italian seasonings or a bit of paprika would be nice.
Start to finish: 40 minutes (10 minutes active)

1/2 cup ketchup or tomato paste
2 pounds ground beef
1 large potato, peeled and cut into small cubes
1 large carrot, peeled and cut into small chunks
1 large onion, finely chopped
Salt and pepper, to taste

Two days before you leave home, cut four large squares of heavy-duty foil.

In a small glass, mix the ketchup with 2 tablespoons water. Spread a quarter of the ketchup mixture in a small circle at the center of each of the squares of foil.

Divide the beef into four patties and place one over the ketchup on each foil square. Set aside.

In a medium bowl, combine the vegetables, then divide equally among the four patties, mounding them on top of the meat. Tightly wrap the foil over the meat and vegetables, then freeze.

Just before leaving for your trip, loosely wrap the frozen packet in a second layer of foil.

When you're ready to cook, start a campfire and let it burn down to hot embers. Place the packets directly in the hot embers and cook for about 30 minutes.

Recipe adapted from Don and Pam Philpott's "The Trailside Cookbook," Firefly Books.

FOOD CALENDAR

Eastern Market Tour

Join Freeman E. Gunnell, instructor at The Community House, for a tour of Eastern Market where you can browse open-air stalls of fruit, vegetables and herbs, tour specialty gourmet food shops and visit a restaurant supply store where Gunnell will assist with kitchen tool selections. Meet at 8 a.m. July 14 in front of the R. Hirt, Jr. shop, where Gunnell will hold a sign for The Community House Tour, \$34, for information and to register; contact The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham, (248) 644-5832, www.communityhouse.com.

The Community House

Several classes will be offered this summer at The Community House in Birmingham. For information and to register, contact The Community House, 380 S. Bates at (248) 644-5832, or visit www.communityhouse.com. Classes include: Salads and Vinaigrettes with Freeman E. Gunnell, 7-9 p.m. July 16, \$34; Quick and Easy Summer Appetizers with Pam Gustairs, 6:30-9 p.m. July 25, \$29 with \$6 material fee; Grilling with Chris Jones, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Aug. 1, \$34 with \$6 material fee; Summer Lunch on the Patio with Jennifer DeMay (lunch will be served at this class), 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Aug. 8, \$39; Tasty Tempting Thai Cooking with Lawan Chandraung, 7-8:30 p.m. Aug. 13, \$29 plus \$4 materials fee; Tomatoes with chef Gunnell, 7-9 p.m. Aug. 20, \$34.

Vinology Wine Classes

Vinology continues its series of classes about wine with Wines of France, July 18. Classes are \$55 individually. Vinology, 110 S. Main in Ann Arbor, is a wine bar and restaurant owned by the Jonna family. Call (734) 222-9841 for reservations or more information.

Learn to safely can food

Michigan State University Extension - Oakland County is offering a seven-week correspondence class in food preservation, covering the basics of food safety and low-acid canning with a pressure canner, canning high-acid foods, jams and jellies, pickles, freezing and drying methods. Detailed instructions, worksheets and U.S. Department of Agriculture-tested and approved recipes and methods are used for this course. The class is \$30 and includes all handouts, printing and mailing charges. For information and enrollment forms, the food and nutrition hotline at (248) 858-0904 or visit www.msue.msu.edu/oakland.

If you have an item for the food calendar, please submit it at least two weeks prior to your event to Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009, e-mail kabramcz@hometownlife.com, or fax (734) 591-7279.

HOME CALENDAR

Outdoor entertaining

Smith & Hawken and Cottage Living magazine will present inspiration for Outdoor Entertaining in Style, free seminars offering quick tips for outdoor decorating and creating easy tabletop centerpieces, Saturdays, July 14 and 28, at Smith & Hawken in Birmingham and Rochester Hills. Call the stores for times and additional details. The Birmingham store is at 284 W. Maple; phone (248) 593-6010. The Rochester Hills store is at the Village of Rochester Hills, 184 N. Adams; phone (248) 375-1976.

Table runners

Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main in Royal Oak, offers home decor classes for different sewing levels. For registration and other information, call (248) 541-0010 or e-mail ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com. The schedule includes Art For Your Home II: Table Runners, 5:45-8:45 p.m. Thursdays, July 12-26 (cost is \$60).

Ford House

The summer schedule for the Behind the Scenes tours at the Edsel and

Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores includes: Garden and Grounds Exploration, 11 a.m. Friday, July 6, and Saturday, July 21; The Secrets Behind the Paintings, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 11; and Staff Life on the Estate, 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 18. Behind the Scenes tours are \$10. An optional general tour of the house's interior can be added on for \$7. Reservations are required; call (313) 884-4222. The house is at 1100 Lake Shore Road. On the tours July 6 and 21, guides will lead guests through the immense gardens and grounds of the estate, including areas that aren't often visited (such as Bird Island). Visitors on the July 11 tour will delve into the secret stories behind the great art at Ford House and the individuals who helped the Fords amass their collection, and get a glimpse of paintings in the attic and basement not on display. Guests on the July 18 tour will have the opportunity to explore the spaces where staff lived and worked.

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Women's Caring Program

Volunteers gear up for annual garden gala

BY WENDSY VON BUSKIRK
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If you thought planning your Fourth of July barbecue was bad, imagine throwing a garden party for 800 of the area's most discerning women. Now picture doing it every summer!

For the last 27 years, Carol Walters has opened her 10-acre property in Milford for "Twilight Gathering," the single largest fund raiser for the Women's Caring Program. When Walters threw her first party in 1979, it was attended by a small handful of friends. Over the years it has grown into a signature event of the season, drawing women from around the state. The whole affair is designed to raise money to help low-income women afford quality child care while they work. We asked the hostess with the mostest to tell us how she prepares for the soiree.

How do you throw a cocktail party for 800 people?

The sum of it isn't any different that if you're throwing a party for 100 people. It's a fund-raiser and people are paying a lot of money to come. They want to have a great time in a nice setting. Our difficulty is that we want to make 10 acres look perfect. Pete, my husband, and my sons, Joe and Matt, they all pitch in.

Do you have any gardening tips?

You start planning early in the spring to make the gardens look perfect in July. To minimize your work - mulch, mulch, mulch - all the time, as early and as thick you can. That will keep your weeds down. Add color with annuals because in early July sometimes you don't have a lot of color in your garden. I deadhead flowers continually so hopefully they'll re-bloom in time for the party.

What are some touches that can pull an outdoor party together?

I think elegance helps. Cloth tablecloths,

THE TWILIGHT GATHERING

What: Women's Caring Program will host its 28th annual Twilight Gathering, a garden party featuring entertainment, a silent auction, drinks, tastings and the company of 800 like-minded women from all over the state.

When: 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, July 12

Where: Carol Walters' Milford Home

Tickets: \$100 in advance; \$125 at the garden gate; to benefit childcare for low-income working moms

Information: (248) 415-1442, e-mail RSVP@ WomensCaringProgram.org or visit www. WomensCaringProgram.org



Walters

flowers on every table. We cut a lot of flowers from my garden. The caliber of food, the creativity of the menu.

Speaking of food ...

All the food is donated to keep our expenses down. Chef Mary Brady works with a lot of generous food and beverage donors.

How do you make people feel welcome at the party?

We try and touch as many people as we can. We have greeters so you have someone to talk to when you walk in, and if you haven't been there before you're told where everything is, so you know your way around. Interestingly enough the silent auction started as a way to give women who came alone an opportunity to meet other women. They go into the tent and start talking about what they might want to purchase. It has turned out to be very profitable for the cause.

I bet those handsome waiters help ...

I think the male waiters are a great touch. Many of them wear tuxedo shirts and ties with their shorts. These are men who fly from Atlanta, New York, Chicago, Boston. If a company contributes \$2,500 or more, and they have a sense of humor, they can send a man to bar tend or serve.

They all love to come and these men work very hard. They're serving 800 people. They all stay and take down the tables and help clean up. They're a tremendous bunch of guys.

What other kinds of help do you get?

We need a lot of volunteers to make this successful. We have about 130-140 volunteers. We start around nine in the morning and by three o'clock we're ready for the event. People that come from out of town shower at my house and the neighbor's house. They bring clothes, and the second story of my house is like a dormitory. There isn't anybody on the board that's paid a dime. The actual administrative expenditures for WCP are less than two percent.

Why do you do it year after year?

Long-term studies on the effect of preschool show that every dollar spent to make a low-income child ready for school saves \$13 later on in tax money. They use less drugs, go to college, stay in jobs, do better in jobs. Last year we raised just over \$250,000, but because child care is so expensive that only helped about 130 families, so we're interested in growing our corporate and individual contributions.

Do you think women who attend Twilight Gathering relate to the cause?

All moms relate to how important it is that when you go to work that you're not worrying about your children. We've shown that just in our small program with the clients we serve, they're missing fewer days of work because their children are safe in a licensed childcare setting. Our guests and volunteers return every year because they believe in the cause. Plus, they love the setting, and the fun of the party is seeing old friends. We have women who come early and get the same table and meet up with their friends every year.

And now, most importantly, what does one wear to a garden party?

Many women come straight from work in their suits. A lot of women come in cocktail garden attire, like flowered sundresses or flowing skirts. I tell everyone to come in flat shoes, otherwise your heels sink in the grass!

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"Christmas in July Sidewalk Sales" July 12-14. Festivities include shopping, strolling carolers and a Santa's Workshop Kids Zone open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. each day, featuring holiday music, face painting, plant-a-pine, crafts and more. A Child ID Kit will be available for parents in conjunction with the theme. "Christmas with the Kranks" will be shown at Movies in the Moonlight on July 14, with a tree speed-decorating contest at 8:30 p.m. prior to showtime. Call (248) 656-0060 or visit www.DowntownRochesterMI.com.

NORDSTROM GRAND OPENING

Nordstrom will kick off the opening of its second Detroit-area store with a fashionable fete 7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26. Guests at the gala will enjoy hors d'oeuvres, dinner and dessert buffets, cocktails, live entertainment and the opportunity to do some "sneak preview" shopping in the new 165,000-square-foot specialty store, which opens at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi Friday, Sept. 28. The highlight of the gala will be a runway fashion show featuring fall designer collections, held in a tent adjacent to the store. Tickets, \$100, benefit the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the metro Detroit chapter of The Links. Call (313) 576-5590.

SYDITTY CLOTHING LAUNCH

Celebrate the launch of the Syditty clothing line July 6 at Envy Nightclub, 234 W. Larned in Detroit. Ferndale-based Syditty creates casual, urban glam tees and hoodies for women. The launch party, \$10 at the door, will feature DJ Mobeatz, Hot 102.7's Suga Rae, and a live performance by L. Renee. Ladies wearing Syditty get in free. For more information, visit www.syditty-clothing.com.

A THOUSAND BONES

Michigan natives Kristy and Kelly Montee will sign copies of their new novel "A Thousand Bones" at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, July 8 at Barnes & Noble, 2800 S. Rochester Rd., Rochester Hills; 7 p.m. Monday, July 9 at the Book Connection, 19043 Middlebelt Rd., Livonia; and 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 10 at Barnes & Noble, 17111 Haggerty Rd., Northville. This fun summer read is the eighth mystery novel by the sisters, who team up under the pen name P.J. Parrish, and features new heroine Joe Frye. For information, visit www.pjparrish.com.

LIMEADE RETURNS

Wyandotte milliner Gena Conti just got back her chapeau 'Limeade' after it spent a year in the Kentucky Derby Museum's prestigious 2006-07 Derby Hat Exhibit. Limeade was among 20-30 hats selected to represent the spirit of the Kentucky Derby in the exhibit. The Kentucky Derby Museum, located at Gate 1 of Churchill Downs, gets more than 200,000 visitors a year. This marks the fourth year one of Conti's hats has been chosen for display. For more information, visit www.derbymuseum.org or www.gena-conti.com.

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CHRISTMAS IN JULY

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French films inspire trips to Paris - cheap!

Films shot in Paris are nice just for the scenery. Whenever one is released I see it just to revisit the city vicariously.

There are four in theaters right now, and all, like the city

itself, have hints of both realism and romanticism.

The four films are "Le Vie En Rose," "The Valet," "Paris Je T'aime" and "Fay Grim."

The films have re-sparked my interest toward the city that I said I've seen enough of after spending weeks there, twice.

Every American should visit Europe at least once in their lifetime to see the way older cultures live. You can scrape pennies and see Paris on a

budget of \$100 per day.

Here's tips and myths that hopefully will put the city on your travel wish list:

- The French aren't rude. They just behave differently. Refined, calm and helpful, but also polite. They will greet you upon coming and going. Americans need to see a big smile to feel appreciated, but grin for no reason at a stranger in Paris and well, they might think you're a fool.

- They will help. If you need directions, no problem. But ask in French.

Even if you speak it horribly, Parisians appreciate the attempt. Most speak English, but if you assume it, they just may pretend not to understand.

- The subway is clean and yes there are actually musicians playing accordions on some.

- At least twice someone tried to pick my pocket. No problem, just be aware.

- In restaurants, the wait-staff won't check on you very often. Service is seemingly slow because they expect that you want to linger - so enjoy it.

- Paris is more than the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame and the Louvre. Focusing on big landmarks is like saying you know New York just because you've visited the Empire State Building.

Try these places: The Espace Dali-Montmartre, a museum dedicated entirely to 330 works by surrealist Salvador Dali; Musee de L'Erotisme in Pigalle near the Moulin Rouge is a five-floor museum devoted to the erotic art collections of antique dealer Alain Plume and French teacher Jo Khalifa.

The Jardin du Luxembourg is home of Bartholdi's model for the Statue of Liberty. Not far is also a tree planted in honor of the victims of September 11.

La Friterie Cafe in the Latin Quarter is a wonderful

tiny cafe where locals enjoy their morning coffee (shot of espresso) and croissant.

Here's the best part: I paid less than \$800 per ticket when I visited Paris in May and September.

My hotels never cost more than \$125 per night and included private bathrooms. They are The Esmeralda, 4 Rue Saint Julien Le Pauvre - and The Suez Motel, Hotel De Suez, 31 Boulevard Saint-Michel, 75005 Paris.

Both are set in the Latin Quarter near Notre Dam and nearly every good French film shows this area at least once.

For more Paris tips check out Pink online at www.hometownlife.com.

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