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Garden City Hospital employees Reshonda Spears of Canton and operating room technician Martin Siml of Westland try out the new Fast Track Convenience store in the hospital.

## **Help yourself**

Canton firm helps 'revolutionize' vending industry

STAFF WRITER

Once the cafeteria closes for the day, food options for employees and visitors to Garden City Hospital have been pretty limited.

Thanks to a new self-check out vending system, fresh salads, soup and deli sandwiches along with packaged snacks and beverages will be available around the clock. It's called Fast Track Convenience - not to be confused with the hospital Emergency Room Fast Track patient care.

This is the next step in automated merchandising. It's essentially 24-hour convenience and you can sell anything from food, beverages and snacks to general

merchandise and health and beauty products," said Ray Friedrich, general manager of Canton-based Sterling Services which operates the new service.

Located just off the hospital's main lobby, Fast Track Convenience doesn't have vending machines displays are similar to what would be found at a store with reach-in coolers for refrigerated items. The selfcheck out system uses Radio Frequency Identification to ring up the purchase and allows customers to pay in cash, by credit card or by using a pre-loaded account accessed through employee identification or other cards with magnetic strips or a thumbprint.

During the first week in operation, no one has attempted to take items without paying, but there is a built-in security system. If something is taken without payment, an alarm sounds and a photograph is taken of the person as they exit.

Along with handling the self-service sales, the RFID also tracks the purchases so that Sterling Services will know what needs to be restocked.

"It gives us real-time purchases, so that we come with exactly what we need," said Friedrich, noting food, such as salads and deli sandwiches are made fresh at Sterling Services.

Garden City Hospital is the first hospital in the country to offer the Fast Track Convenience store.

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# MDOT: Bridges are safe to drive

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Bob Byrnes admits in the 27 years he's been driving trucks for various soft-drink companies, including the last 10 for Pepsi, he's never really thought much about the safety of the various bridges in his travels.

But after Wednesday's collapse of the Interstate 35W bridge in Minneapolis, thoughts of safety become more common.

"After something like that you think about it," said Byrnes, who was making a delivery to the Speedway station at Sheldon and Five Mile Friday. "It's more on your mind now, but usually isn't not something you think happens to you. It happens somewhere else.'

The I-35W bridge in Minneapolis, which collapsed into the Mississippi River, had been deemed "structurally deficient," a rating that means all or portions of them required either repair or replacement.

According to Michigan Department of Transportation officials, there are some 285 bridges in the metro Detroit area that have the same designation.

MDOT spokesman Rob Morosi said a list was being compiled of bridges in western Wayne County listed as structurally deficient, but the list was not yet available. He did say, however, there probably are some in this area.

"There would almost have to

be, given their age," Morosi said.
"However, 'structurally deficient' doesn't equate to 'unsafe.' It's a term they use in the federal inspection guidelines. (Michigan's) bridges are

National Bridge Inspection Standards require MDOT to inspect bridges every two years. According to MDOT Director Kirk Steudle, the Mackinac, International and Blue Water bridges are inspected annually, exceeding federal requirements.

"We are confident we have safe" bridges in Michigan and carefully manage them to ensure the safety of the motoring public," Steudle told the media Thursday. "If we had concerns about any particular bridge, we would immediately take appropriate action. It is important to note that bridge collapses such as the one that happened in Minneapolis are extremely rare."

That's why drivers like Will Neafsey aren't overly concerned, despite the fact Michigan is among. the 10 worst states in the nation," with some 16 percent of its bridges. deemed "structurally deficient."

"I didn't even think about it driving to or from work (Thursday)," said Neafsey, a Northville resident who works in Dearborn Heights. "After" they finish the investigation, if they find something systemic, then you worry about it. Until then, it's an anomaly."

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Owner Patricia Baker hugs stylist Kristina Urena. The rest of the staff is Laura Clemens, Linda Gingell, John Edwards, Rebecca Roberts, Mary Ann DiCello, Amy Peters, and Mario Boria. Not pictured: Kimberley Rauch, Karri Farris, and Kacie Mundy.

## Father knows best as daughter's salon thrives

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS

They say parents know best.

While she was busy styling her sister's hair, the father of then 16-year-old Patricia Baker blurted out: "You're going to la a beauty parlor operator." Baker, who had aspirations of climbing her way to the top of the medical profession, still crinkles her nose when recalling that incident.

"I said 'I don't think so,'" she laughed. "I told him, 'I'm going be a doctor."

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## Trial date set for wife in attack

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS

Despite defense claims there was no crime, Kelly Campbell-Baumgartner is headed to trial. Campbell-Baumgartner, 46, of

Canton is set to stand trial Sept. 24 for allegedly attacking her husband with a utensil inside of Max & Erma's in Canton on April 22. Her attorney, Charles S. Anderson

of Dearborn, has argued that the state is grasping to build a case against his client for a crime that didn't happen. "Wouldn't you think that?" he

nesses testified to seeing blood on the

asked: Campbell-Baumgartner allegedly attacked her husband of seven months, William Baumgartner, 86, with a fork or a knife during an argument. During pretrial hearings, witelderly man's face after Campbell-Baumgartner was escorted from the restaurant.

Baumgartner, who had filed for divorce, has denied that his wife injured him at the eatery but said she had struck him earlier that day during an argument at the home.

The three charges against Campbell-Baumgartner were previously dropped in June after a judge dismissed the felonious assault claim for lack of evidence. The prosecution responded by tossing the domestic violence and assault and battery charges.

Maria Miller, Wayne County Prosecutor's Office spokeswoman, has said it's not uncommon for the state to "reissue the charges if we feel we have competent evidence."

Miller said after the state regrouped, it recharged CampbellBaumgartner.

In addition to the same three charges, the township woman has also been charged with drunk and disorderly conduct.

Although family members have expressed concern over Baumgartner's safety with his wife, the two are still together.

"They never separated," Anderson said.

Rumors have also circulated that Dr. Phil McGraw's representatives contacted her to be a guest on his television show.

Anderson said he doesn't know if there's any truth to the rumor.

This is a low-profile case," he said. Campbell-Baumgartner pleaded guilty last year to stabbing her mother with a fork.

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## Cops nab man suspected of assault

A Trenton man was arrested Tuesday after police say he assaulted a Wal-Mart loss prevention officer after allegedly attempting retail fraud.

The man, 29, was spotted entering the Ford Road store through its garden center empty handed. He later carried a vacuum, priced at more than \$260, to the service desk under the guise that he had purchased the item and wanted to return it for cash.

When the employee assisting him began stalling, the man moved to leave the store. At that time, the loss prevention officer approached him and questioned his actions.

The man pushed the officer multiple times and they began the struggle. After breaking free, he ran across the parking lot and to the opposite side of Ford Road where he was apprehended and taken into police custody.

#### Non-registration

While on routine patrol Wednesday, a Canton police officer ran the license plate of a 24-year-old Inkster man POLICE

who had failed to register his address with the state's Sex Offender Registry since April 2006.

The man, who had been charged with Criminal Sexual Assault involving a 13- to 15year-old, was arrested, ticketed and will appear in court on Aug. 14.

#### Mysterious package

A longtime Canton resident called police Thursday after a mysterious package had appeared on his doorstep.

The man, 66, told police the box, which was addressed to "Carly" had arrived at his home a couple days earlier.

Police observed a note on the box from someone claiming to be Carly's father expressing regret over missing her graduation party. Inside the box was a Graduation-themed photo

The man, who said he's lived in his home 35 years and doesn't know anyone named Carly, asked the officer to take the box with him,

### Drug arrest

A Canton man, 36, caught the eye of Canton Police late Wednesday night as he drove his 1995 Ford Escort on the edge of Lotz Road just north of Van Born.

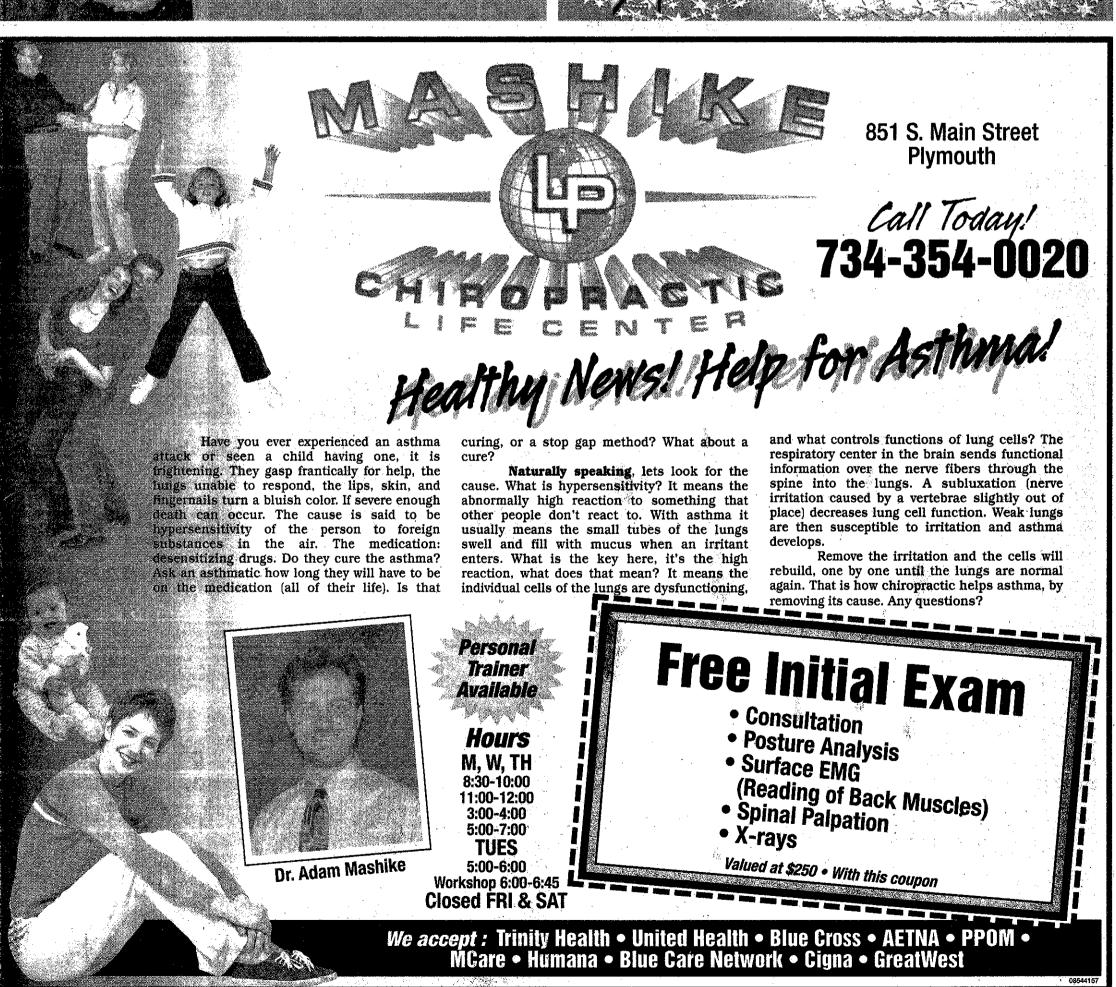
The police report says the man was traveling at only "a few miles per hour," when he was stopped. When officers approached, the man admitted that his license was revoked and was handcuffed and placed in the back of the police cruiser.

When the arresting officer attempted to go search the man's vehicle, he noticed a cigarette carton lying on the ground that hadn't been there before. Upon opening the item, he spotted three crack rocks. He later found a drug pipe in the man's vehicle.

The man, who is on parole for driving with a suspended license, then waived his Miranda rights and admitted he had bought the drugs a half hour earlier.

By Tiffany L. Parks





#### Canton jam session

The 2007 Axis Music Canton Jam Session is scheduled for 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Aug. 24 at the Willow Creek Shopping Plaza. Presented by Axis Music and local community partners, this free music and dance event will also feature plenty of food. It will feature local youth to seasoned veteran performers performing a variety of stylings on an outdoor stage. Demonstrations from local businesses will provide the opportunity to see what Canton has to offer while experiencing a diverse series of live music, art and fashion. For more information, please call (734) 844-0100.

#### Canton Newcomers 36th season

The Canton Newcomers will hold their 2007-08 adult general kickoff meeting at 7:15 p.m., Wednesday Sept. 5 at the Workman Elementary cafeteria (250 Denton Road at Cherry Hill). The group is looking for new members, though you don't need to be new to Canton to become a

The group has a number of regular activities, including Book Club, Bunko, Chick Flick, Couples Night, Moms and Tots, Creative Kids, Helping Hands, Game Night, Playgroups, Ladies Day Out, Scrapbooking, Little Explorers, and Walking. The group's regular meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at the Sunflower subdivision clubhouse.

If you would like to meet your "neighbors", enjoy refreshments from Carrabba's and Back Home Bakery, sign up for various interest groups and donate to the Susan G. Komen breast cancer initiative, plan to attend the kickoff meeting. For more information, call (734) 398-6487 before the meeting. To learn more about this 2006 Community Supporter Award winning club, including requesting a complimentary September newsletter, visit cantonnewcomers.org.

#### Jazz concert series

The Summer Jazz Concert series on Canton's Ford Road continues on Friday evenings in August. The free concerts will take place on the Canton Live stage at various shopping centers in the DDA District. Audiences are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and enjoy live jazz music brought to the community by the Canton DDA in partnership with V98.7 Smooth Jazz radio, and sponsored in part by Schoolcraft College. Also supporting the event is the Canton Chamber of Commerce and Canton's Leisure Services Department.

Plan to come early, enjoy a meal at one of the many restaurants in the area or do some shopping at the nearby businesses. All concerts begin at 7 p.m.

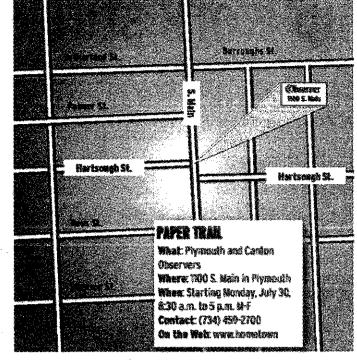
- Aug. 10 Randy Scott at Canton Corners (Ford Road just west of Lilley Road)
- Aug. 17 John E. Lawrence and Friends at New Towne Center (Ford Road just west of Sheldon Road)
- Aug. 24 Hot Sauce at Willow Creek Center (Ford Road between Lilley and Haggerty)

For more information on the Summer Jazz Concert Series, please call (734) 394-5186.

#### Leadership Canton

Leadership Canton is now accepting applications for the 2007-2008 leadership class. Leadership Canton is an eight month class from October through May, designed by the Canton Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Canton Township. Established in 1994, Leadership Canton's main goal is developing leaders to meet the challenges of the future. It's a program that has been developed to help current and potential leaders broaden their awareness of leadership opportunities in the Canton Community.

Each day long seminar includes a lunch, and is



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around Canton, where the group will tour the facility and have a guest speaker that is an expert in the field. Participants will learn a wide range of specific topics aimed at educating the participants in important topics essential to the community's well being. The class meets once every month at various locations around the community and discusses topics like, The Nature of Leadership, Community Development, Business and Economic Development, Business and **Economic Development** Health and Human Services, Local, County and State Government, Education, Public Safety and the Justice System and Challenges of the

The registration deadline is Aug. 17. The class costs \$800. To sign up or for more information, contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040, or visit www. cantonchamber.com.

#### Preschool openings

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Creative Day Nursery School on Cherry Hill Road in Canton is accepting registration for the fall. Creative Day is a developmental school that encourages children to learn at their own pace while promoting social skills through art, music, story time and hands-on activities. Both morning and afternoon classes are available. For more information, call (734) 981-3990 or (734) 981-6470.

#### School registration

Registrations are now being accepted at St. Michael Christian School in Canton for fall 2007-2008. The school offers 3-year-old preschool through fifth grade including its new Young Fives program. The school's academic program is taught by qualified and credentialed teachers. It strongly supports the development of the whole child in a small class size setting. For more information, call (734)459 - 9720.

#### Grief support group

The Sharing & Caring

Coffee Hour is an ongoing grief support group for widows and widowers hosted by Heartland Hospice. The group is held 10-11 a.m. at Heartland Healthcare Center, 4701 N. Lilley Road, Canton. The focus of the group is on the later stages of grief, with an emphasis on learning to live with the loss. This group is held the first and third Wednesday of the month and is open to anyone grieving the loss of a spouse. There is no charge. For information, contact Ann Christensen, toll-free at (888)

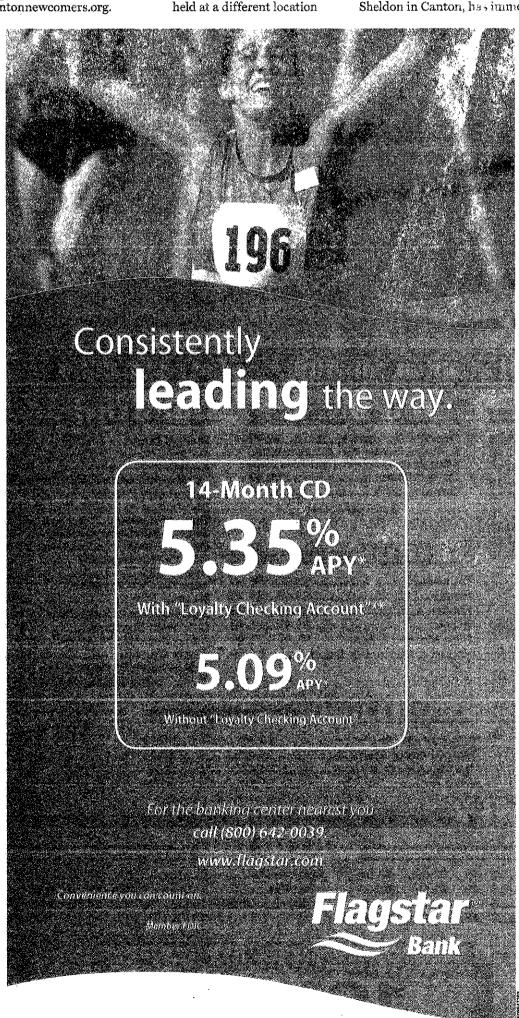
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(Editor's note: A portion of this story was cut off in the Aug. 2 Canton Observer, so we are running it again in its entirety.)

## I-275 ramp work stifles local business

STAFF WRITER

In the 15 years since Jonathan's Family Restaurant opened its doors, it's never had a slower

month than this July. Co-owner Adam Adamopoulous says the closure of the I-275 exit ramp near his Michigan Avenue business has kept many of the eatery's customers away.

"As soon as they closed that ramp, our business went down," he said. "It's frustrating."

Adamopoulous said the restaurant has taken a 30 to 40 percent hit in its customer base.

we've really seen it during breakfast and lunch," he said.

Like other business owners in the area, Adamopoulous said he's not against the project but would've preferred it if southbound travelers were allowed to use the exit ramp in some fashion.

'They closed the whole thing down," he said, shaking his head.

The project, which is being done by the Michigan Department of Transportation, involves creating an additional lane to provide dual right- and left-turn lanes and reconfiguring the median crossover to keep trucks from overtopping the existing curb. Traffic signals will also be reconfigured.

Although the roadwork began in June and is expected to last until early September, the ramp is only slated to be closed off until mid-August.

"It's almost over," said MDOT spokesman Devon Pannecouk, adding that it would've been impossible to keep one side of the exit ramp open.

Like Adamopoulous,

Marathon gas station manager Rocky Patel said the roadwork has put a dent in their business.

"We used to be packed at this time," Patel said Tuesday afternoon, while scanning the sprinkling of customers inside the gas station, located on the southwest corner of Michigan Avenue and Haggerty. "We've slowed down by

at least 40 percent." As one of the construction workers approached Patel to buy a bag of ice, he lamented their loss of business and joked with him, saying, "Hurry up, man."

Another Marathon station on the opposite side of I-275 has also experienced a dip in customers since the ramp closure.

"It was immediate," said Girish Thakker, who owns the Marathon station on the southeast corner of Michigan and Lotz. "It seems like they are working so slow." According to their information, Pannecouk said, the work is on schedule. He's asking commuters and business owners to bear with the construction. "When it opens back up, it's going to be brand new," he said.

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"Tell us what you want to read about in your Observer," said Susan Rosiek, executive editor. "Your opinion matters to us as we strive to improve our newspaper and online coverage."

Deadline to submit survey information and be eligible for the ticket drawing is 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6.

## Here's your chance to dine with Coco from WJLB-FM

The Observer & Eccentric and Mirror Newspapers are teaming up with Buddy's to present "Dining With the Stars" featuring Coco of "The Coco, Foolish & Mr. Chase in the Morning Show," which airs weekdays from 6-10 a.m. on FM98 WJLB.

The show is known throughout metro Detroit for its laughs, amazing prizes, hot topics, celebrity gossip and interviews, news and more.

In 100 words or less, tell us why you're a fan of Coco and would like to have lunch or dinner with her at Buddy's Pizza in August.

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 August contest is 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug.

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

"We want our winners to dine with their favorite stars and feel like a star, too," says Marcy Brontman of Buddy's Pizza.

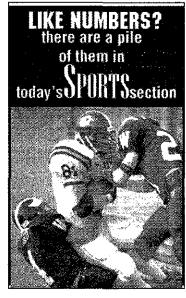
Buddy's will also present at check for \$500 to the Detroit Recovery Project, the charity of Coco's choice which supports individuals in identifying and resolving barriers to achieving a healthy and productive drug-free lifestyle. The August winners will be

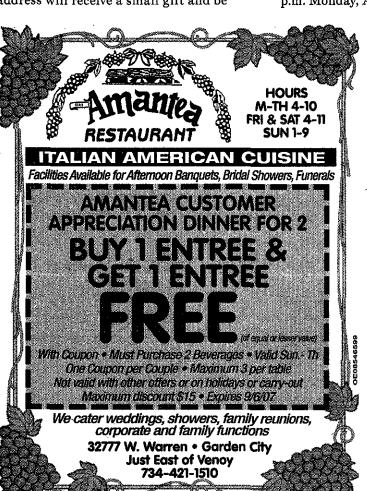
treated to a limo ride, courtesy of Pro Tran Transportation, makeover from "Beauty Salon by J.Lyle Lmt. featuring stylist and makeup artist Christine Fitzpatrick, a \$100 gift certificate to the Reaver Diamond Co. in Southfield and a dance exhibition courtesy of Fred Astaire Dance Studio in Bloomfield Hills.

Other upcoming "Dining With the Stars" include Chuck Gaidica of WDIV-TV (Channel 4), Attorney Geoffrey Fieger, Florine Mark of Weight Watchers, health and fitness guru and OSE columnist Peter Nielsen, Ruth Spencer of WDIV's "Ruth to the Rescue" and Trudi Daniels of WRIF-FM.

No purchase is necessary to enter. Buddy's Pizza will review all entries and select the top four "fan" letters.

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after the cafeteria closes," said Siml, who was being shown the operation by Reshonda Spears, who works in the hospital human resources depart-

"I take a late lunch and they have put the food away in the cafeteria. It's good to have other options," said Spears, who had purchased a fruit cup and baked potato chips.

Having worked 20 years in vending business, Friedrich said as soon as he saw the RFID system at a trade show he knew it could revolutionize his industry.

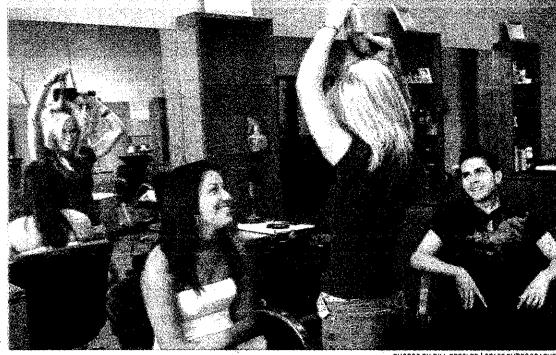
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Stylists Kristina Urena and John Edwards watch Laura Clemens get ready for a group photo of the staff.

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Who was right? You guessed it — fast forward decades later and Baker is the proud owner of Westbrook Salon, 7249 N. Canton Center.

"The day we hung the sign outside was my father's birthday," she said. "God works in mysterious ways."

Despite her father's prediction, Baker was an unlikely candidate to open a salon. Instead of going into medicine, she had entered the corporate world and was a district manager for Denny's for 12 years.

It wasn't until she settled in Canton as a divorced single

mother, that she began the path that led to curling irons and hair dryers.

Baker, who had previously lived in Southfield, couldn't find a salon that she liked in the area and was still trekking to Northland Mall to get her hair done. She also wanted to open her own business before age 40. That's when she says

the light bulb went on. "We opened one month before my birthday," she said. "I had been studying the demographics of Canton and knew this would work."

In the beginning, Baker was simply the owner of the 11year-old salon but eventually got into the act of styling and

earned her license three years

"I'm fully booked and that's

very exciting," she said. The salon has 13 staff members, including Baker's daughter, Rebecca Roberts. As a child, Roberts came up with the salon's name and today,

she's its receptionist. "I'm proud of my mom," she said. "Now that I'm an adult, I know how big of a responsibility this is for her."

Running the salon, which puts an emphasis on stylist training and education, has been a far cry from the corporate field.

"It was frustrating at first because it's not like any other industry," she said, adding that her first experiences with product vendors weren't smooth. "I had to just stop and say what I expected in my place of business.

Linda Gingell, who was one of Westbrook's first employees, said although staff turnover is high for the industry, she's stayed at the salon because of its atmosphere and professional development.

"I watched the salon being built," she said. "(Baker) and I have become good friends." Baker, who hasn't set an age to reach her next goal, said she dreams of opening another location.

"I don't have a target yet," she grinned. "I'm still accomplishing my goals here."

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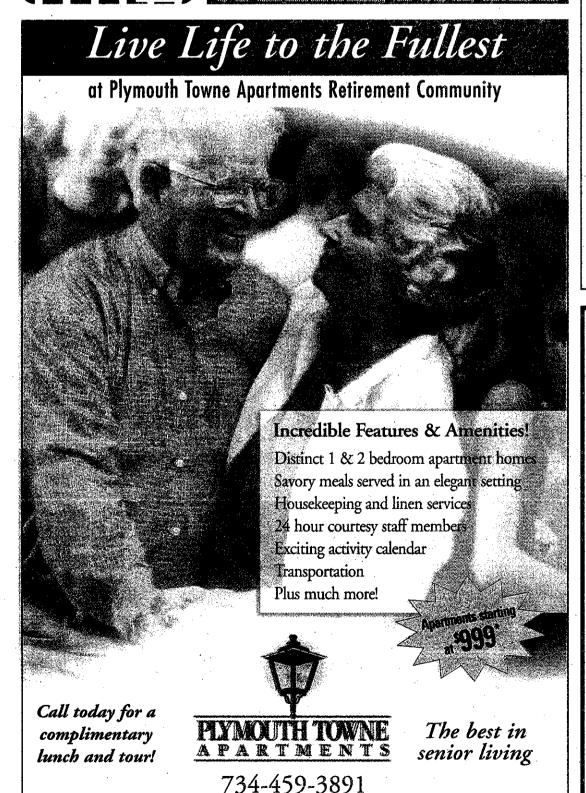
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## Steep tuition increases give 'affordable' a new meaning

lichigan's state universities have all piped in with tuition increases ranging from 6.4 percent (U-M-Flint, Western Michigan) to a dizzying 18.1 percent at Wayne State University.

Wayne is technically increasing its undergraduate tuition by 12.8 percent but will be charging a \$13-per-credit contingency fee, which would be rescinded if the Legislature reinstates a promised August payment in October. That will raise tuition by \$1,227 a year to \$8,039 for an average student taking 15 credits a semester.

In a brilliant display of educational doublespeak, WSU announced its



tuition increase July 25 this way: "In an effort to preserve both excellence and affordability in the wake of a \$23.4 million cut in state funding, Wayne State University's Board of Governors today increased tuition by 12.8 percent."

**Hugh Gallagher** Isn't that special? This could be a whole new approach for anyone who wants to raise the

price of anything. In order to make your mortgage more affordable, we're going to increase the inter-

est rate. In order to make government more affordable, we're going to raise your taxes. The helpful release goes on to reassure that Wayne State is a heck of a bargain at \$226.05 per credit hour (no wait, with the \$13 contin-

gency it's \$239.05 per credit hour). "In spite of the increase, Wayne State still has tuition rates below average for Michigan's public universities, and significantly less than either of the state's two public research uni-

versities," the release says. Well, all right then. Let's see that would be the two universities with predominantly resident students set in college towns. Wayne State is a commuter school set in the midst of one of the country's least attractive urban centers, a school that serves the needs of working students who can't afford to go to those other two research universities with the rah-rah sports teams.

But I don't mean to pick on Wayne State, my alma mater. All of the state's universities are in jeopardy. They have been a sacrificial lamb for both the governor and the legislature. Both have argued that if taxpayers don't want to cut funding to K-12 schools, then they have to accept cuts to the state universities. It's a poor deal, especially at a time when the state is touting education as a way out of our economic morass and research universities as vital to attracting the new tech businesses.

In a letter to WSU alumni on Aug. 1, President Irvin Reid took a less evasive approach in explaining the university's tuition

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hike (the inflationary 12.8, not the mind-boggling but maybe temporary 18.1): "No one wanted this to happen. We know that every time we are forced to raise tuition it creates a hardship for our students and their families. But the Board had no alternative: Wayne State University faces a potentially catastrophic \$23.2 million reduction in state appropriations in 2008. Our state support now is approximately equal to the funding we received 11 years ago, in 1996, with no factor for inflation."

Reid assures the alumni that WSU has made deep cuts "without compromising the quality of our academic programs and other student services." He also assures that the university will make every effort to provide financial aid.

The kicker, of course, is to ask the alumni's support in prodding state legislators to act on adequately funding the state's universities.

President Reid, consider this my positive response to your call to arms (well, e-mails, actually).

All of Michigan's state universities are important to moving this state back to the position of social and economic leadership it once enjoyed. From those other two research universities to the strong collection of regional universities, they serve in giving our young a chance to survive in a constantly shifting economic environment. But Wayne State, in particular, provides an

educational opportunity for those who would otherwise never go to college. It's a place more than any of the state's other schools that is and can continue to be a beacon toward something better. Of all the schools, Wayne State needs to

keep its costs down. A 12.8 percent tuition hike is a deal breaker for many. An 18.1 percent hike is a heart breaker.

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## Michigan is alone in offering legal protection to overweight workers

ey, fat people (I mean no disrespect), does the law protect you from losing does the law protect you your job, not receiving that promotion or even earning less pay than your skinny coworkers? The short answer is "no." Employers can legally discriminate against you just because you're fat — that is, in every state except for one — Michigan.

Michigan is the only state in the country

that bans discrimination in the workplace based on weight. In 1976, the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act was enacted to prevent such workplace bias.

One has to wonder why no other state has iollowed Michigan's lead. Michigan ranks



Charlie Langton

highest rate of obesity. Nearly 62 percent of Michigan residents are considered overweight or obese according to a 2004 Michigan Surgeon General Health Status fattest city in America from 2001 to 2003 as stated in Men's magazine.

third in the country for the

Obesity is generally defined as being 30 to 40 pounds overweight. Morbidly obese is at least 100 pounds over-

Numerous studies show moderately overweight to obese people are discriminated against not just in employment situations. The Rudd Center for Food and Police Obesity at Yale University, indi-... Giat fat people face bias and discress section by teachers and even by health care providers.

A recent article in the Journal of American Association of Justice observed that jurors perceive fat laintiffs in lawsuits as not taking care of their bodies and therefore not deserving of a favorable verdict. A British study concluded that Minetive criminal defendants are less likely to be found guilty than not so attractive defendants.

Yet, Michigan continues to protect fat people. A 2001 jury awarded nearly \$300,000 to a 360-pound man from Bad Axe who claimed he was fired because he was fat. The company claimed that his morbid obesity caused excessive sweating and the need to sleep during breaks. He was called "lazy." The Michigan jury sent a message. Had the

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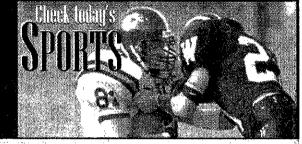
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> Called "size discrimination," its evils are championed by the National Association to Advance Fat Acceptance. For example, at its recent annual convention, the group launched a writing campaign to educate Massachusetts lawmakers who are considering legislation to prevent discrimination based on height and weight. The Massachusetts legislation is based on Michigan's law.

The bottom line: It's silly to suggest that fat-friendly laws encourage people to overeat. If a worker is capable of performing the job, the size of that worker should not matter. Public policy should encourage people to get healthy, while the law should provide protection for those who try.

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## Stop on Red Week stresses importance of obeying lights

More than 4,298 crashes that occurred at signalized intersections in 2006 (a decrease from 2005 of more than 500) in" Southeast Michigan could have been avoided by one simple action - stopping when the traffic light was red.

Seventeen of those crashes (five more than in 2005) were fatal. SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, along with the Federal Highway Administration, have designated Aug. 5-11 as the 10th annual National Stop on Red Week.

"We at SEMCOG hope that these statistics help to drive home the fact that there are serious problems at lighted intersections," says Paul Tait, SEMCOG executive director. "We're all in a hurry these days, and there's a lot of construction and congestion, but please remember to stop when the light is red. And even when the light is green for you, make sure that the vehicle with the red light has actually stopped before proceeding through the intersection."

In 2006, 37,149 traffic crashes took place at signalized intersections in Southeast Michigan (down from 40,212 crashes in 2005); 10.7 percent of those (or 4,298) involved red-light runners. Of the 60 crashes that resulted in fatalities at signalized intersections, red-light runners were involved over 28 percent of the time.

While the red-light running numbers are still high, they have been declining. Why? In Southeast Michigan, that is likely due to some recent engineering improvements:

Increased signal retiming to optimize green time, reduce traffic delay, and promote progression on corridors reduces motorist frustration and their inclination to run red lights.

Additional information on the nation campaign can be found at www.stopredlightrunning.com.

## Include everything when considering monthly expenses

My husband and I are in our mid-40s. We have been contributing to 401(k)s, Roth IRAs and MESPs. We have minimal debt and money to invest. In figuring out what our monthly expenses are - we spend a lot of money on whatever we feel like buying - do I only include in the must-have utilities, house payments, insurance, etc., or everything else?

Congratulations on being debt-free and saving for your child's college education. I also love the fact that you are using Roth IRAs in saving for your retirement in addition to 401(k) plans.

When you determine your monthly expenses, you should include everything, including the luxuries and the unnecessary items that you purchase. Only by determining your true monthly expenses will the number calculated be relevant to you.

The luxuries and the little



Rick Bloom

the quality of your life. Even though you do not necessar-**Money Matters** ily need these items, if you

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the flexibility and luxury of purchasing them on a regular basis, it would reduce your quality of life.

The goal of saving money for retirement is to be able to maintain your present lifestyle. By including all your purchases in the calculation, it will help determine a realistic amount you will need in retirement.

This number is essential to good financial planning. Before someone starts investing their money, they need to establish an emergency fund of money. To me, an emer-

gency fund of money should be anywhere between three to six months of living expenses. Once again, not what you potentially can live on per month, but what it actually costs you to live a month, including all the incidentals and luxuries.

One good way to determine whether your number is somewhat accurate is to look at your monthly take-home pay. Then you can determine what you are saving on a month-tomonth basis.

I'd like your comments on how to assess the need for life insurance after retirement. It seems we have enough money to last throughout our lifetime and neither my husband nor myself is currently generating any active income. Is there a compelling reason to purchase life insurance?

I've always been a believer

that life insurance — in fact, all insurance — is a means of covering risk. Unfortunately, too many people purchase life insurance as an investment and as far as I am concerned, that makes no sense.

In the case of life insurance, we all know that eventually we will leave this earth. However, that doesn't mean we all need life insurance.

If no one loses out financially, either because no one is financially dependent upon that individual or there are enough other resources to offset the loss, then there is no need for life insurance.

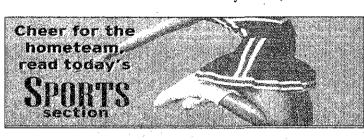
For those who need it, I recommend term insurance. Term insurance is the simplest form of life insurance because it allows you to buy insurance for the period of time you need it. Some people may need life insurance for a 10-year period, while others need it for a 30year period. It is the rare individual that needs life insurance for their entire life.

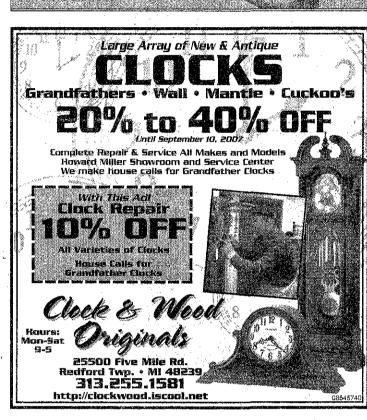
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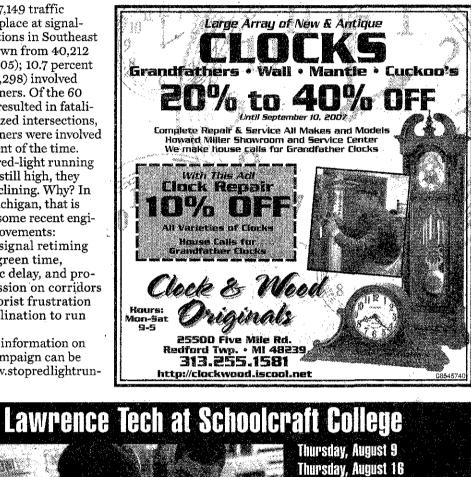
other types of insurance. I believe life insurance is an important product in many situations, however, you have to use the right product and it

has to be cost-efficient. Anyone considering life insurance should always consider term insurance as an option and never forget to shop insurance around for competitive bids.

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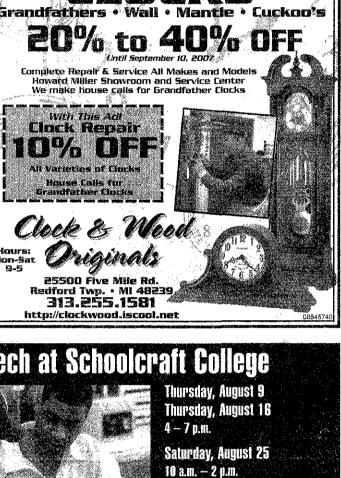


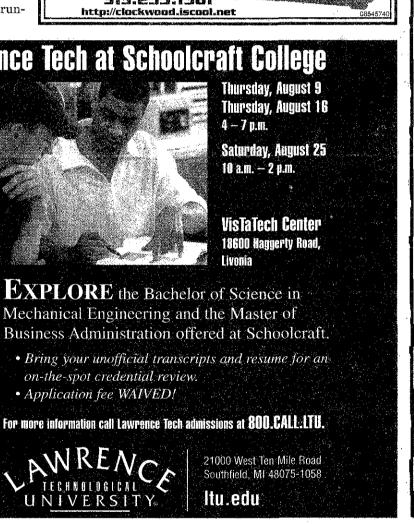


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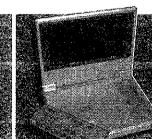
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# **Budget woes force cuts in P-CEP sports**

STAFF WRITER

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One full-time athletic director and two freshmen-level sports will be eliminated over the course of the next year at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park due to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' ongoing budget woes, according to Superintendent Dr. Jim Ryan.

Additionally, the cost for athletes to play the surviving sports was raised significantly this summer to help reduce a budget deficit that continues to jolt the district's athletics programs like an unblocked blitzing linebacker.

The P-CEP's staff of two athletic directors - which was pared down from three when Plymouth High School A.D. Terry Sawchuk's position was cut following the 2006-07 school year — will dwindle to one full-time "Park-wide" athletics administrator next summer, Ryan confirmed. The lone A.D. will be assisted by three parttime athletic directors who will work out of each of the three schools.

The P-CEP's two present A.D.'s - Sue Heinzman and Tom Willette — will have to re-apply for the one remaining position just like all other prospective candidates because it is a new position, Ryan explained.

Sawchuk, who served as the Plymouth athletic director since the school was opened in 2002, was named an assistant principal at Discovery Middle School in Canton earlier this summer.

Members of the Board of Education also voted to cut freshmen baseball and softball beginning next spring and to raise the "Play to Participate" fees to

\$180 for the first sport (up from \$150) and \$100 for the second (up from \$80). Athletes can play a third sport during a school year for no charge. Also, students who qualify for the federal free lunch program are not required to pay the "Play to Participate" fees.

The hike in participation fees, which will take affect immediately, will put a \$75,000 dent in the deficit, Ryan said.

"I realize people are not going to be pleased with these moves, and I don't blame them, but the Board has had to make \$4.2 million in cuts and even after that we're facing a \$3.6 million deficit," said Ryan. "One man called me after he found out that freshmen baseball was going to be cut and he said, 'If you could cut apple pie, you'd probably do that, too.'

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#### **CHANGES IN THE WIND**

Following are some of the budget-related changes that will affect P-CEP athletes over the next year:

Rising costs: The fees for "Pay to Participate" for Plymouth, Canton and Salem athletes will be \$180 (up from \$150 last year) for the first sport and \$100 (up from \$80) for the second;

■ Staff reduction: One of the two current athletic director positions will be eliminated prior to the 2008-09 school year; the lone A.D. will oversee sports at all three schools with assistance from three part-time administrators (one at each

■ Don't play ball: Freshmen baseball and softball programs were eliminated; respective booster clubs are trying to raise funds to save programs.

## **Local icers** set for elite showcase

Several Observerland high school hockey standouts have been invited to participate in the prestigious 33rd annual Hockey Night in Boston's "Summer Showcase of the Stars," an event that has been a proving ground for up-andcoming stars since 1975.

The showcase kicked off July 28 in Salem, NH, with

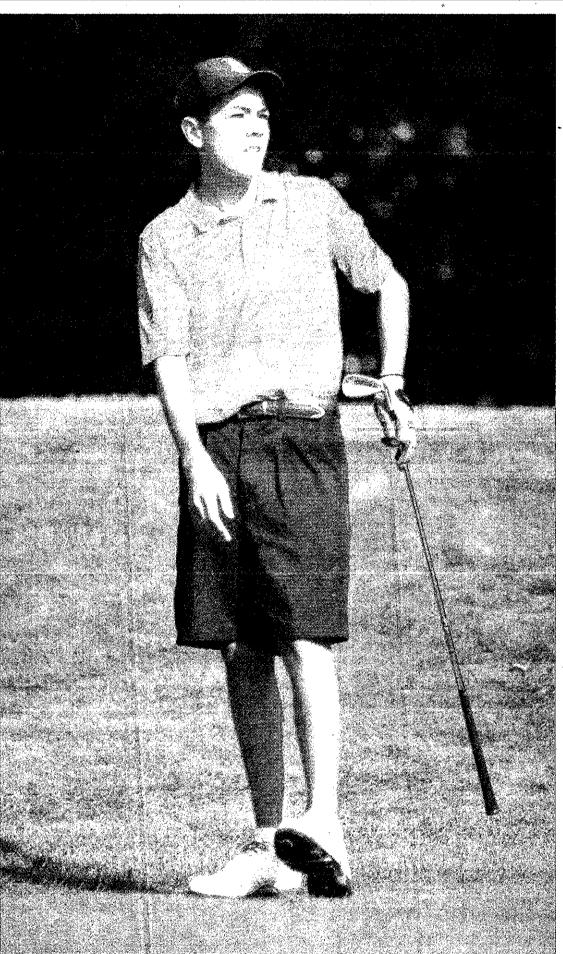
An All-Star series will be held prior to the tournament's championship game on Aug. 13.

a unique jamboree-style format that will have 12 of the 18 teams playing six mini-games against six different opponents. The Michigan players will converge on Salem Aug. 5-13 for a series of three 20-minute period contests, including playoffs.

The games will be witnessed by a host of college and NHL

An All-Star series will be held prior to the tournament's championship game on Aug. 13. Close to 50,000 spectators are expected to witness the games.

The local players who will be displaying their skills at the showcase include: Ian Barnaby (Canton Crush/Plymouth Twp.), Alex Kolpacke (Novi Catholic Central/Livonia), Max Popour (Waterford Kettering/Clarkston), Chris Schaefer (Farmington Falcons/ Northville), Mat Topolweski (Motor City Chiefs/West Bloomfield), Joey Ramirez (Farmington H.S./Farmington Hills), Patrick Smiatacz (Plymouth H.S./Plymouth), Cole Rochowiak (Garden City Midgets/Livonia), David Williams (Birmingham Seaholm/Bloomfield Hills), Adam Messina (Brother Rice H.S./Bloomfield) and Louis Ronayne (Livonia Midgets/ Northville).



Livonia's Mike Panek, who attends Novi-Detroit Catholic Central, captured the Boys 15-and-under Division at the Meijer Junior Tour's final stop at Paint Creek Country Club.

## Top 50 Tour makes final stop of year

BY DAN STICKRADT STAFF WRITER

Under the hottest temperatures of the season, Megan Clemence was equal to that heat Wednesday at Paint Creek Country Club.

The recent Lake Orion High School graduate fired an 81 under humid conditions on the hilly and picturesque course to win the 16 & Older Division on the final day of the regular season to the Top 50 Jr. Golf Tour, which is in its fifth season.

Clemence was one of four champions - all from the Observer & Eccentric coverage area - who captured a flight in the final tune-up on the tour's upcoming state championships, Aug. 13, at Flushing Valley Country Club near Flushing.

Clemence plays on the Southeast tour and will face off against top golfers from the Central Michigan and West Michigan tours in the state tournament.

"This is the first time I've won it," said Clemence, who is fifth in the Southeast tour 16 & Older Division with 313 total points. "I was having a pretty good day."

Chelsea McCulley of Allen Park was second in the 16 And Older Division, six shots back at 87. Abigail Hall of Troy was third with a 91 and Marni Weinstein of Farmington Hills

claimed fourth with a 93. Tour leader Minjoo Lee of Clarkston skipped the event. Joo has 600 total points, more than any player from any division on the tour.

Joining Clemence on the winners board were Derrick Burns of Clarkston (Boys 16 & Older), Michael Panek of Livonia (15 & Under Division) and Gabbie Yurik of Oakland Township (Girls 15 & Under Division).

Yurik, who sits in third on the tour with 289 points, shot an 87 to lead her division. Tourney leader Renee Kuczeski (545

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Former Pistons coach Chuck Daly speaks to an audience Thursday night at Garden City Hospital.

## Daly still coaching

## Prostate health Hall of Famer's concern

Chuck Daly was known as a highly successful coach while making his rounds around the world of high school, college, professional and even international basketball.

Daly guided Penn to the NCAA Final Four, coached the Detroit Pistons to two NBA titles, and led the illustrious "Dream Team" to an Olympic gold medal at the 1992 Barcelona Games.

These days, the 77-year-old Daly is trying to get a different message across. The Hall of Fame coach, who spends most of (benign prostatic hyperplasia,) which affects nearly 8 million men in the U.S., including Daly. BPH is a medical condition that, in most

cases, means the prostate is enlarged, but not cancerous. It's also not life-threatening, but left untreated, can lead to constant timeouts to the bathroom.

his days in Florida, stopped by Thursday night at

Garden City Hospital to give a free talk to create

awareness for a male mid-life opponent - BPH

Over half the men in their 60s, and 90 percent of men over the age of 70, have BPH.

Daly shared the stage with area urologist Dr.

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#### Proben qualifies

Livonia Churchill senior Josh Proben fired an even-par 71 to win the Boys 17-18 age group July 30 at the Kensington Metropark Golf Junior Golf Tournament.

The 17-year-old Proben shot 3-under on the front nine and now qualifies to play in the Metropark Junior Championship, Thursday, Aug. 9, at Lake Erie Metropark in Brownstown.

Josh's 13-year-old twin brothers, Ben and Nick, eighth graders at Frost Middle School, also competed in the Boys 13-14 age division, shooting 98 and 101, respectively.

#### Big Day tickets

The Westland John Glenn Booster Club is offering discounted pre-sale tickets at \$7 for students and \$9 for adults for the Big Day III Prep Football Showdown when the Rockets take on Livonia Franklin beginning at 8 p.m., Friday, Aug. 24, at Eastern Michigan University's Rynearson Stadium.

The all-day ticket includes admission for the Warren Cousino-Fraser game at 2 p.m. followed by the Allen Park-Detroit Finney game at 5 p.m.

The Glenn Boosters will offer the advanced tickets at the south entrance of the schoolfrom 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 and Thursday, Aug. 9; 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, Aug. 11, and 4-8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 16 during Glenn's four-way scrimmage between Southgate, Trenton and Algonac.

Tickets at the gate are \$10 for students and adults. (Children 5-andunder are free).

#### Run Thru Hell

The Pinckney Running Club will sponsor its annual Run Thru Hell, a 4.8- and 10-mile foot race beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11 at the Hell Creek Ranch, located on Cedar Lake at Patterson Lake Road.

Pre-registration, received by Aug. 4, is \$17. Late registration is \$22. Trophies will go to the top six finishers in each

age group. You can sign up online at www.gaultracemanagement.com.

Call (734) 878-6640.

#### Hole-in-one club Zach Osburn, 10, of

Plymouth, used a 9-iron to ace the 105-yard, No. 1 hole at Fox Hills' Strategic Fox on July 27. Osburn fired a round of 37 for nine holes.

#### P-CEP ticket prices Ticket prices for

Plymouth-Canton 🗟 Educational sporting events were announced recently. Single-event admission prices will be \$5 for adults; and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Entire-season family passes (good for two adults and all of their children) will run \$125 while student season passes will coast \$30.

The passes are only good for regular-season

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA **AUGUST 23, 2007**

Observer & Eccentric | Sunday, August 5, 2007

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2007 at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township 1150 S. CANTOÑ Administration Building located at CENTER ROAD, CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Vicki Welty and Steven Johnson.

Acceptance of Agenda

Michael A. Boggio Associates, Inc., 30100 Telegraph #216, Bingham Farms, MI 48025, for vacant property located on Canton Center Road, east side of New Canton Center Road between Michigan Ave. and Geddes Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance 4.02.B, 2.14.A, to allow trash enclosures and loading spaces to be located in the front yard (Old Canton Center) area of the proposed commercial

Parcel 129 99 0002 710 (Planning)

CH Canton, LLC of Emagine Theater, 2842 Colonial Trail, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304, for commercial property located at 39535 Ford Road, south side of Ford Road between Lotz and Superior Parkway Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 2.0, Section 2.10.B, relative to requirements for lots and parcels to be located on a public road or township approved private road

Parcel 049 99 0001 711 (Planning)

Joseph Alcodray, 21731 Beechcrest, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127, for residential property located at 1753 S. Lotz, north side of Palmer Road between Lotz and Hannan Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 26.00, Section 26.02, variance of 12 ft from required 85 ft minimum lot width in R3. Zone R-3

Parcel 096 99 0009 701 (Planning)

Tariq Murtaza, 1572 Brookline St., Canton, MI 48187 for vacant property located at 1382 Brookline St., east side of Brookline St. between Ford and Saltz Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 26.00, Section 26.02, variance of 13.5 ft from the required 70 ft lot width in R-5. Zone R-5

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Approval of the August 9, 2007 Minutes

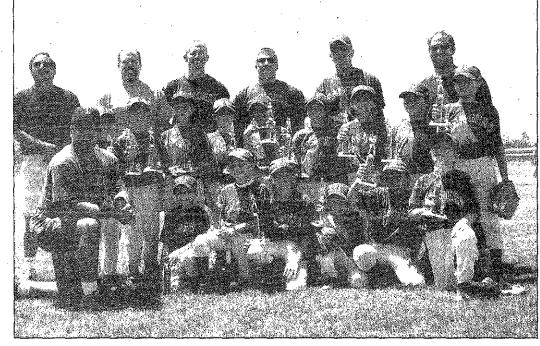
Written comments need to be submitted prior to 5:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188.

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### Rangers take title

The Rangers captured the 2007 9U GCYBSA championship last month. The team went 9-2 during the regular season before outscoring their foes 36-4 in four post-season contests. The team consisted of Timmy Baldwin, James Baldwin, Cody Borke, Colton Borke, Jack Campbell, Nolan Corker, Ricky Covault, Josh Doering, Gregory Goodbred, Jacob Hodgson, Luke Krupski, Carson Pakula, Ben Phillips, C.J. Regula and Jacob Silvester. The coaching staff included Rick Covault (head coach), Mike Baldwin, Steve Borke, Jeff Campbell, Mike Corker, Gordie Goodbred, Kevin Krupski, Chad Schroeder and Darrin Silvester.

#### 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 pm, Thursday, August 16, 2007 for the following:

INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS OF BECK AT CHERRY HILL, CANTON CENTER AT SALTZ AND HAGGERTY AT PALMER

Project includes the geometric intersection improvements of Beck at Cherry Hill by providing bituminous roadway widening for exclusive right turn lanes in all four quadrants; Canton Center at Saltz by providing concrete exclusive right turn lanes in 3 quadrants along with traffic signal items; and Haggerty at Palmer providing exclusive 10-inch nonreinforced concrete right turns for east and westbound Palmer including mast arms and traffic signal items, drainage improvements, placement of concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk including sidewalk ramps, storm structures and sewer pipe installation, driveways, pavement markings, signage, restoration and related work.

Bid documents are available to pick up at Canton Township Hall, Engineering – 2nd Floor, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. A nonrefundable fee of \$60.00 will be charged for the bid packet. A 5% bid bond will be required.

Bid documents are on file and available for review at Canton Township Hall-Engineering 2nd Floor, Construction Association of Michigan, Reed Construction Data, McGraw Hill Construction Dodge, and Construction News Service of Michigan, Inc.

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TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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### Salem tennis tryouts

Tryouts for the Salem boys tennis team will begin Monday, Aug. 13. For more information, contact head coach Bill Nelson at (734) 604-1364.

#### Salem golf tryouts

The Salem girls golf team will be holding tryouts beginning Monday, Aug. 13, at St. John's Golf Course in Plymouth Township. Contact head coach Rick Wilson at (734) 416-7762.

#### Grizzlies tryouts

The Plymouth Grizzlies 13U travel baseball team is holding tryouts for the 2008 season on Aug. 26 and Sept. 9 from 3-6 p.m. at Heritage Park. Players must be 13

years old or younger on April 30, 2008, and reside or attend school in Plymouth or Canton. Contact Rob Sudz at sudzy190@aol.com.

#### YMCA news

SPORTS BRIEFS

■ The Plymouth Family YMCA is accepting registrations for its fall soccer program.

The leagues are for children between the ages of 4-11. Practices will begin the week of Sept. 17 and games will commence Sept. 29. There will be six practices and six games per team. The cost is \$67 for program members or \$99 for community members. All participants need a YMCA youth sports reversible jersey, the cost of which is \$15. The registration deadline is Sept. 10. For more information, call (734) 453-2904.

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

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

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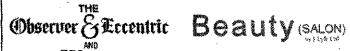
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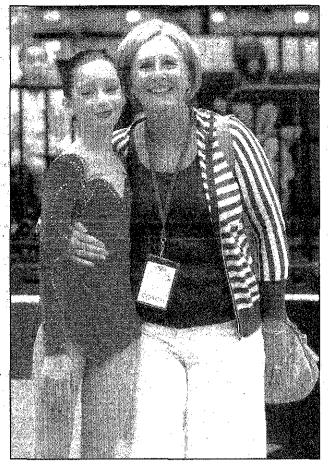
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### Silver medalist

Rosie Rae, 9, a fourth-grader at Kennedy Elementary School in Livonia, earned a silver medal with a second place finish in Juvenile Girls Figures, July 25, at the 2007 USA Roller Sports Figure Skating Championships held in Omaha, Neb. She is coached by Vickie Hudson (right) of the Skatin' Station in Canton. The event was the largest roller sports competition in the U.S., qualifying older skaters for the World Class Team junior and senior competition this October in Brisbane, Australia. Rae, who started skating less than two years ago, qualified to compete at the national level by finishing first in June at the Great Lakes Regional in Loveland, Ohio. The regional included skaters from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

"These cuts are painful, but unfortunately they're necessary."

Ryan pointed to relatively low tryout numbers in freshmen baseball and softball as one of the primary reasons those sports were targeted. Just 72 ninth-graders tried out for baseball at the three schools last spring, he said,

And Plymouth and Canton didn't even field freshmen softball teams this past year due to low numbers," Ryan continued. "Salem had 11 girls on its freshmen softball team."

Heinzman said the respective sports' booster clubs are already working on plans that could prevent freshmen softbali and baseball from meeting a sad demise.

"The members of the booster clubs are working hard to try to save the freshmen programs," she said. "If they can

raise enough money, there could still be teams, but the parents would probably have to drive the players to the away games and each player may have to pay around \$150 before the season starts to help cover the cost of the umpires and coaches."

Heinzman said that she and Willette are determined to make sure that not one student-athlete is prevented from participating in a sport due to financial reasons.

"Just like there are 'No Child Left Behind' programs, we want to make sure there are no athletes left behind here at the Park," she emphasized. "If anyone knows of an athlete who may not be able to afford to pay the 'Play to Participate' fee, they should contact either myself or Tom Willette and we'll do whatever we can to

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#### TOP 50 JR. TOUR RESULTS - PAINT CREEK

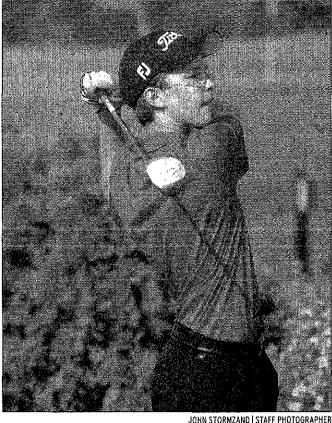
Here are the results of the Top 50 Jr. Golf Tour's final day of the regular season, Aug. 1, at Paint Creek Country Club in Orlon Twp.

BOYS 15 & UNDER: Michael Panek (Livonia) 76; Andrew Rickerman (Canton) 77; Charles Vana (Holly) 80; Brjan Turner (West Bloomfield) 81; Shani Patel (Bloomfield Hills) 83; Kyle-Gordon (South Lyon) 84; Zachar Conrad (Canton) 84: John Keller (Farmington Hills) 86; Evan Inger (Grosse Pointe Park) 88; Matthew Sheperd (Oxford) 88; Richard Commyn II, (Walled Lake) 88; Zachary Mick (Shelby Twp.) 89; Jack Harris (Milford) 92; Ryan Nowlin (Bedford Corners NY.) 92; Nick Williams (Farmington Hills) 93; Owen Franks (Northville) 97; Kyle Wesley (Lake Orion) 99; Jeremy Burstein (Farmington Hills) 103. BOYS 16 & OLDER:

Derrick Burns (Clarkston) 72: Brent Yurik (Oakland) 74; Vishal Shah (Troy) 75; Brandon DeVita (Fenton) 77; Derek Estrada (Highland) 78; Robbie Sims (Clarkston) 78; James Uelmen (Ferndale) 78; Travis Dodson (Garden City) 79; Jeff Kohl (Bloomfield Twp.) 80; Brandon Stone (Clarkston) 80; Kosta Ramirez (Dearborn) 80; Christopher Zak (Gross Pointe Woods) 80; Joseph Veltri (Rochester Hills) 82; Trevor Seiter (Auburn Hills) 83; Joe Rubino, (Shelby Twp.) 84; Jason McRae (Howell) 86; David Gebard (Commerce Twp.) 86; Jarred Horner (Clarkston) 86; Andrew Bogus (Lake Orion) 88; Eric Keast (Plymouth) 88; Scott Waldo (Novi) 99; Mason Meisner (Rochester Hills) DNF. GIRLS 15 & UNDER:

Gabrielle Yurik (Oakland Twp.) 87; Renee Kuczeski (Troy) 96; Maggie Hughes (Lake Orion)

Megan Clemence (Lake Orion) 81: Cheisea McCulley (Allen Park) 87: Abigail Hall (Troy) 91; Marni Weinstein (Farmington Hills) 93; Theresa Broniak (Plymouth) 115.



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Zach Conrad of Canton watches his drive split the fairway during

points) of Troy was second at 96 and Maggie Hughes of Lake Orion was third at 103.

Burns, who is only 17th in his division with 178 total points, fired a 72 to

top all golfers on the day. Brent Yurik of Oakland Township was two strokes back with a 74 and Vishal Shah of Troy carded a 75.

Brandon DeVita of Fenton was next with a 77 and Derek Estrada of Highland, Robbie Sims of Clarkston and James Uelmen of Ferndale all tied for fifth with a 78.

Shah's 577 tour points leads the pack heading into the state finals.

Panek's round of 76 won the vounger boys division by just a stroke, edging Andrew Rickerman of Canton (77). Charles Vana of Holly (80), Brian Turner of West Bloomfield (81) and Shani Patel of Bloomfield Hills (83) rounded out the top five.

It was the second individual win on the summer for Panek.

Vana is the tour card leader with 587 points.

## No ordinary ace: \$10,000 shot spans 3 generations

STAFF WRITER

Hole-in-ones have become common place in the game of golf, but Brighton's Robert Padget calls his \$10,000 ace shot "priceless."

Padget, playing in the Livonia Junior Athletic League golf outing July 27 at Fox Creek, used a 6-iron on the 150-yard, No. 3 hole to record his first-ever hole-in-one.

"It was a pretty shot," the 67-year-old Ford Motor Co. retiree. "I used my 150-yard club. It was the right height when I hit it. It bounced once and dropped it in. But the greatest thing is that I had my grand kids there when I did it. They gave me 'high-5s.' It's a wonderful moment, something I'll keep for the rest of my life.'

Ironically, Robert's son, Bob, Jr., of Westland, a coach in the LJAL, was scheduled to play in his foursome, but was "voted off" by his three sons, Robert III, 16; Blake, 13; and Dylan,

"They were very excited that they were going to be with me," said Robert, Sr., who has a total of 12 grand children. "They couldn't wait until the their father came in to tell them what happened. That's more important than the money.'

And speaking of money, Padget isn't sure how he'll spend it all.

"After paying the bar tab – I bought everybody a round of drinks – and taxes, I'll make a gift," he said. "I may go on a European river cruise. My wife (Cathy) and I love to travel."

Ironically, Padget's wife, Kitty, beat him to the punch. She carded an ace six years ago at Fox Hills.

"I've come close, within a foot or two," Robert, Sr. said of his past near-misses. "I've been trying to play catch-up with her ever since.'

Robert, Sr., however, was bound to get his ace. The for-

tently shoots anywhere "from the low to mid-80s, and into the 90s."

mer Canton resident consis-

He plays 27 holes each Tuesday – 18 in a morning men's league at Brighton's Timber Trace, and nine later in the day in the evening at Fox Hills. Robert, Sr. also plays the third Wednesday of each month with a group that travels around to different area courses.

And on Friday nights, Robert, Sr. and Kitty play in a couples league at the Links of Whitmore Lake.

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Kenneth Lim and fielded questions from the audience.

"I ignored the symptoms, it started at age 50," Daly said. "The three years I worked for Turner Broadcasting I always scouted and needed to find out the closest urinal. I used to get up three to four times per night. Finally I said, 'I need to see someone." When you talk about seeing a urologist, especially young guys, they want to run and hide. If you have similar symptoms, simply see a urologist and he will help you."

Daly now endorses a medication called Uroxatral. He also receives two prostate screenings each year.

"So far, so good," he said. "It's under control and I hope to keep it that way."

Daly, who coached high school basketball in Punxsutawney, Pa., still maintains his sense of humor.

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He told the mostly middleage men's audience: "I'm going to tell you what Liz Taylor told her seventh husband. 'I'm going to make this brief."

Daly enjoys his summer returns to Michigan and reflected on his career in Detroit.

"I was here nine years, five unusual years," he said, "I left in '92. I was talking to Matt Dobek (Pistons Media Relations) the other day and he said we've had eight coaches in the last 15 years. So I'm proud of the nine years I lasted. I never made money until after I left here, so leave some money at the door (laughing).' Daly is an avid golfer and

recently had his knee replaced. "I got a new knee," he said.

"That's because I had to get down on my knees all the time begging those (NBA) guys to play."

Daly still keeps close tabs on the NBA and he commented on the recent blockbuster trade between Boston, which

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obtained All-Star Kevin Garnett, and Minnesota.

"For the immediate future, it's a great trade, it makes them a contender, but only time will determine that because you've got to develop chemistry," Daly said.

As far as the Pistons resigning Chris Webber, Daly offers: "With him (Webber) it's 50-50, I don't know how he felt the way things ended up. I've heard different teams have shown interest. I don't know where he's at as far as his health or whether he wants to return. It's a gruelling season and he's been there before."

Daly's talk was sponsored by the Prostate Cancer Education

Council, a non-profit organization.

Gary Ley, President and Chief Executive Officer of Garden City Hospital also urged the audience to get a prostate screening.

"The best health provider is you," he said.

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## 3 Bucks gain PDL All-Star nods

As the No. 3 seed in this vear's United Soccer Leagues-Premier Developmental League postseason, the defending national champion Michigan bucks are very wellrepresented on the 2007 63-

member PDL's postseason lists. Thirty teams were represented by the 44 players selected to the Central, Eastern, Southern and Western All-Conference Teams. The unbeaten regular season champion Hampton Roads Piranhas became the first team since the introduction of All-Conference Teams in 2003 to have five players honored on their respective All-Conference Team. There were five previous instances of teams having four players honored (Cape Cod 2006, Ocean City 2005 and 2004, Central Florida 2004, and Chicago

The Kansas City Brass and Michigan Bucks had the next highest number of honorees

with three players selected. Seven teams had two players honored.

Michigan's three honorees on the Central Conference First Team included forward Kenny Uzoigwe, midfielder Nate Jafta and sweeper Michael Holody.

On the 11-member PDL

Dream Team, the top players from all four conferences, Uzoigwe and Jafta were voted ion by head coaches and general managers. Also on the list were goalkeeper Evan Newton (Hampton Roads Piranhas), Defensemen Dwayne Demmin (Mississippi Brilla), David Horst (Hampton Roads Piranhas) and Josh Howard (Kansas City Brass); midfielders Sean Franklin (San Fernando Valley Quakes), Bruno Guarda (DFW Tornados) and Ciaran O'Brien (Tacoma Tide); and forwards Pablo Campos (Fresno Fuego) and Andrew Wheeler (Hampton Roads Piranhas).

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# Corner during 2008 season

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STAFF WRITER

The wheels fell off fast for the Redford Rebels in Wednesday's finale of their debut season, suffering a 10-4 setback to the visiting Huntington Woods Cats.

After the Rebels raced out to a 2-0 lead in the second against Cats under the lights at Capitol Park, starting pitcher Ryan Smith suddenly lost the strike zone in the top of the fourth.

Before the frame ended, 12 Cats came up to the plate and seven scored - with six walks and three wild pitches doing most of the damage.

Despite the sudden momentum switch, the Rebels did not quit and tacked on a couple late runs to bring a smile of satisfaction to manager Bruce Corner.

"They (Cats) didn't hit the ball hard on us," he said. "They really had just one hit all night, but that's baseball. But we never quit, and that's one of the things I was most

impressed about with these guys. One of our mottos is (play) seven innings."

Keying Redford's early rally were back-to-back doubles by Smith (Thurston) and Bobby Ray (Redford Union), followed by a run-scoring fielder's choice off the bat of Jeremy Wafer (Thurston). Ray later brought in a run with a sacrifice fly.

According to Corner, who was ejected midway through the contest for disputing an umpire's ruling on a play at third base, the season didn't go as well as he hoped.

- believed to be the first of its kind in Redford - finished with a record of 9-18 in the Midwest Alliance Travel Baseball League.

The U-16 travel team

But Corner has more than enough optimism that the program will begin to gain some steam entering into "This was a great experi-

ence for the kids," Corner said. "It was a great experience for the coaching staff as

well. When you're going in as a first-year team, you know you're going to have some ups and downs.

He said the team's coaches will try to get a jump on next year by talking to high school athletic directors about pinpointing prospective players and by monitoring players during the winter as they practice at the Bullpen, a facility in Farmington Hills.

'We'll add a few more pieces and get fired up for the spring," Corner said.

Meanwhile, the Rebels opened the home-and-home series Tuesday against the Cats with a 7-5 road victory.

Earning the victory was Bobby Ray, with a completegame one-hitter and eight strikeouts.

Leading the hitting for Redford were Jesse Hess (two hits), Joe McCulloch (two hits, two RBI) and Jason Ellrich (double, two runs, two RBI). Contributing a two-run single was Mark McRobb, while other RBI were collected by Eric Ely and Zac Carroll.

## Redford Rebels hope to turn A's seize Capitol Park crown with 2-1 triumph versus Reds

STAFF WRITER

Charlie Finley is somewhere up their smiling after the West Division champion A's edged the East Division champion Reds, 2-1, for the first-ever Capitol Park Senior Little League title for ages 13-15 held on July 27 in Redford.

Ryan Showalter's RBI sacrifice fly in the bottom of the eighth inning scoring Joe Solimanto accounted for the game-winning run. Solimanto led off the inning with a walk and advanced to third on a wild pick-off throw.

The championship game featured strong pitching and defense.

A's pitcher Anthony Stadler went 7.1 innings, allowing only Reds counterpart Bobby

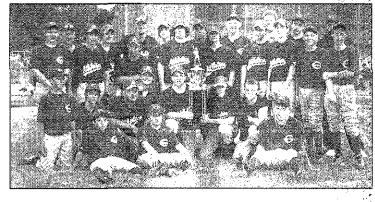
Andrus, celebrating his 14th birthday, worked himself in-andout of trouble for five innings.

Following the game, A's manager Tom Allison accepted the championship trophy with his team congratulated by Reds coaches Bill Sullivan, Brian Gehan and Derek Street in a show of sportsmanship.

The A's, who captured the West Division with a 10-2 record, used one big inning to dispose of the Mets (managed by Tom Small) in the tournament on July 23.

In second game, the Reds held off a determined Dodgers squad, managed by Mike Klix and Brian Luark, 7-5, as catcher Dallas Martin made a diving catch of a two-out pop fly in foul territory with the tying runs on base.

On July 25, the West Division



The 2007 A's roster includes Tom Allison, assistant coaches Curt Smart and Vince Griffin; players Tyler Cooley, Jacob Corr, Erik Elrich, Justin Forrestall; Nick Griffin, Ryan Griffin, Robert Kniffen, Kyle Peltier, Steve Rakowski Ryan Showalter, Joe Solimanto, Anthony Stadler. The 2007 Reds roster includes manager Bill Sullivan; assistant coaches Brian Gehan, Derek Street, Pate D'annunzio and Laurie D'annunzio; players Bobby Andrus, Ben Baker, Robbie D'annunzio, Svd Davis, Ben Gehan, Brandon Kremhelmer, Dallas Martin, Jordan Mayes, Ryan Powell, Justin Street and Tylar Street.

Braves took advantage of a fielding miscue to score the gamewinning run in the bottom of the ninth inning to beat the East Division Indians, coached by Jimmy Matties and Robert Calverly, in a battle of secondplace teams.

On July 26, the Braves, coached by Dan Bisaro and Jerry Tierman, fell to the Reds in a slugfest, 13-12.

With the Reds leading 13-10 in the bottom of the seventh inning, the Braves' Dylan Bross brought his team to within two on an RBI ground rule double which traveled 325 feet to left field.

Colin Aldridge followed with an RBI line single to center, but the game-tying run was denied on the play thanks to an Andrus' laster-like throw to the plate for the game-ending out.

Capitol Park picnic

The Capitol Park Senior Little League will stage a picnic for players and their families, along with an early registration for next season at a reduced cost, from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5 at Capitol Park, which featured a lush new infield grass and red clay infield topping.

The first-year league is comprised of players from the Redford-American Little League and North-Redford Central Little League with boundaries including Telegraph and east of I-275 on the west; Nine Mile road on the north; and Joy Road on the south. For more information about the league or registration for 2008, call Bill Sullivan at (313) 535-8143.

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## Concealed stays perfect in CABA tourney

Concealed Security remained the only undefeated team through Thursday's double\* elimination round of the 11year-old Continental Amateur Baseball Association World Series held in Crystal Lake, Ill.

Concealed, 5-0 in pool play, clubbed three homers in an 11-4 triumph over Lake County

Austin Stevens (Livonia) drilled a 3-run homer in the second inning to make it 4-0 followed by John Slater's round-tripper on the next at-bat for a five-run margin. Brennan Williams (Commerce), who went 3-for-4, contributed a 2-run homer in the sixth.

Mike Vomastek (Livonia), Alex Roed (West Bloomfield) and Slater each collected three hits in the victory to keep Concealed and Elk Grove (Ill.) as the only undefeated teams in the double-elimination bracket.

Six other teams remained alive with one loss. On Wednesday, Concealed

defeated Rockford (Ill.), 14-6, and the Indianapolis Express, 12-4, both four-inning mercies.

Jake Ginser (Commerce) went 2-for-3 with four RBI, while Williams added two hits, scored twice and knocked in two runs in the win over Rockford.

Vomastek also had two

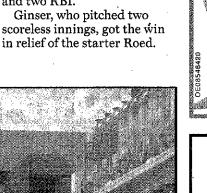
this and two RBI, while Jake Semak (Livonia) had three RBI, a hit and two walks.

Rockford pitchers walked seven batters.

Slater, the winning pitcher, allowed four earned runs on six hits and two walks in four innings.

In the win over Indy, Concealed rallied for a 4-0 deficit with six runs in the top of the second inning and six more in the fourth.

Roed led the way with three hits and two RBI. Dee Jawad and Ginser each added two hits and two RBI. Ginser, who pitched two



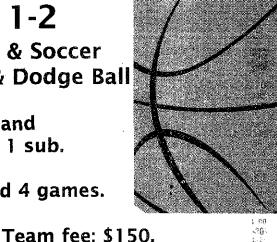




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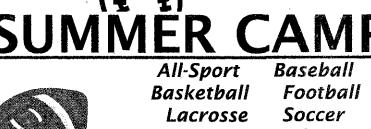


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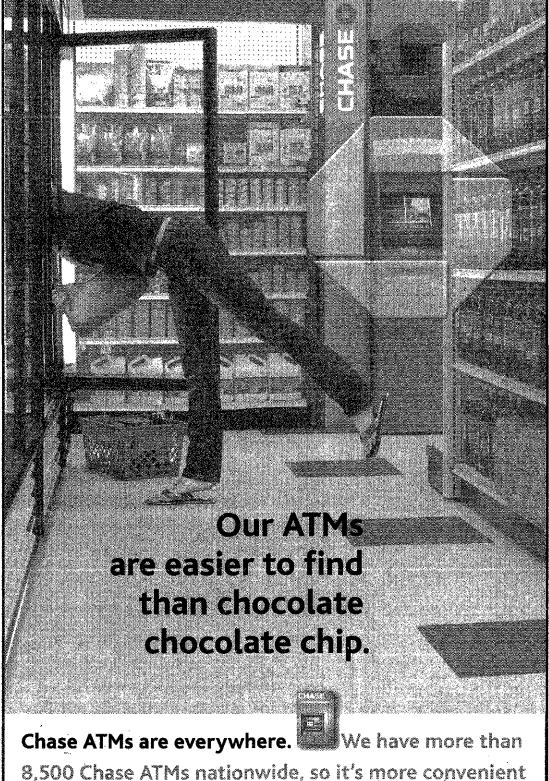
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## Living your life with no distractions

here is something so gratifying and simplistic about watching a beautiful sunset as the day comes to an end or just spending time sipping a cup of your favorite tea early on a quiet Sunday morn-

These are just two things that give some of us pleasure, but for many of us these simple, gratifying things get overlooked, passed over and pushed to the back of our lives.

I am sure you've heard the saying "Take time to smell the roses." Well, in this day and age, we seem to be



**Bobbie Jones** 

confronted with so many distractions that some people don't even know what roses are anymore, and that is a sad commentary. So how many

distractions do we have to deal with in everyday life? Believe me, I have seen them all, from the latest in

fancy technology, from iPods to flat screen TVs. Hunting equipment seems to be a big one and the all famous "big boy" toys — cars, ATVs, boats and the like.

Work for many of us is a common distraction as you may already know. How many times have you heard this excuse or even used it yourself: "Honey, I can't go to your family reunion — I have to work."

Sounds familiar, right? And even with all the forms of distractions we have, nothing seems to satisfy. I have watched individuals spend 15 minutes on video games, then move on to chatting on the computer, then jump to watching TV and the next thing that comes out of their mouth is, "I'm bored."

Believe me, I can't see how that is possible; if I did all of that I'd need a nap, but maybe that's just me.

I can't begin to express how grateful I felt when a self-professed got-to-have-it gadget guy friend of mine finally said the words that inspired me to write this piece. After weeks of trying to plan a gettogether, trying to juggle schedules and commitments and just everyday life, we finally got a chance to have dinner and catch up on each other's lives.

When my friend told me he knew all the time he spent collecting the latest upgrades in satellite radio and golf equipment that he would never use and how all of this was just a form of distraction and he knew life had so much more to offer, I was so thankful for his self-

My friend and I aren't the only ones who long for a simpler time and more peace and control over our lives, but let me be the first to say that if we don't step up and do it for ourselves, no one else will.

Prime example of what I mean: I am so tired of trying to have a conversation with someone and every other minute their cell phone is going off and rest assured that every call that comes in is most important and must be answered right away — NOT!

The only people I can think of that may be that important when it comes to phone calls are the president of the United States or some other world leader. And trust me, I am not friends with Mr. Bush or former Prime Minister Tony Blair.

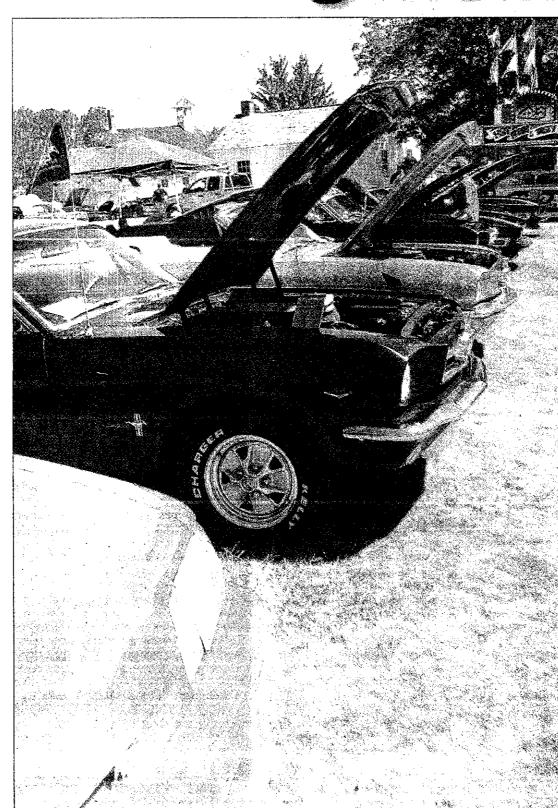
So with that said, I have made it a goal to ditch the cell phone well, not chain myself to it is more like it. I must admit I never did, but the simple fact of seeing people act like they can't live without it makes me cringe and it is one big distraction.

Let your family and friends know that quality time with them is important, more so than any gadget could ever be. Believe me, my friends, the iPhone won't raise your kids or plan their birthday parties.

So if you want your life to mean something, it's up to you. It's up to all of us to make the necessary changes that will garner us a life worth living.

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# Mustang memories



The 19th-annual Mustang Memories car show, Sunday, Aug. 12, at Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia, will include about 40 categories.

Last year's Mustang Memories event drew more than 350 cars to Livonia's Greenmead Historical Park.



## Ford buffs gather to talk about the cars they love

BY BRAD KADRICH

f there's one thing car buffs love, it's a chance to hang out and talk with other car buffs.

If everything goes as hoped next weekend, between 400-500 Ford enthusiasts will have the chance to do exactly that when the Mustang Owners Club of Southeastern Michigan hosts its 19th annual "Mustang Memories" car show at Livonia's Greenmead Historic Park, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 12.

CARS ON DISPLAY

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Car enthusiasts will gather to have their autos judged in some 40 different categories, both stock and modified, and to help raise money for charity.

Mostly, though, they come for each other. "It's

the kind of show that shows off the hard work participants put into their cars," said Bob Paul of Plymouth, who will once again take part in the show. "It's a place for fellow car enthusiasts to get together."

The show drew some 365 cars and 1,300 spectators last year, and show organizers are hoping for a better turnout this year.

"The interest in Fords is still there," said Mike Rey, the show chairman and club vice president who hopes this year's show draws 1,500 spectators. "The Mustang is definitely one of the most popular cars.' It's the club's third year at

Greenmead. The show used to be held at the Wilson Barn on Middlebelt at West Chicago, but it outgrew that site.

When club officials started scouting other sites, Greenmead seemed a natural fit.

"We had so many entries, we didn't have any place to put the cars," Rey said of the barn. "Greenmead is perfect. It gives us plenty of room and a great ambience."

Please see MUSTANGS, C2

## Magical garden

## Boy Scouts transform area at historical park



Scoutmaster Bob Tacoma plants day lilies alongside the renovated Newburg Church Garden at Greenmead Historical Park.

BY ANGELA HARRIS CORRESPONDENT

The overgrown lilac bush did not want to come out. Neither did the massive trees or weeds sprouting from every possible inch. But after 12 hours of gardening, more than 30 volunteers led by Boy Scout Matthew Macinkowicz of Troop 1382 of Livonia, transformed the Newburg Church garden at Greenmead Historical Park. The troop is based out of VFW Hall 3941 in Livonia.

"I thought, 'oh, my Lord. This is never going to get done," said Holly Root, a volunteer Scout mother when she first saw the garden. "Now, it looks wonderful. It's great for the community."

The garden is an area used

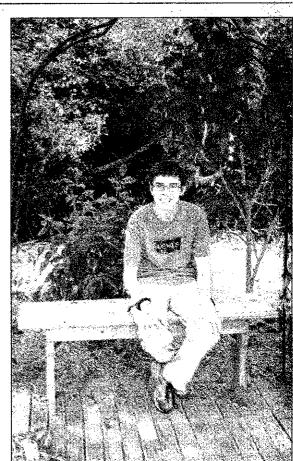
for photographs by people celebrating events at the church located in the historical park at Newburgh and Eight Mile in Livonia. It is especially popular for wedding photos.

After removing a 10-foot lilac bush, an 8- by 4-foot evergreen, 4- by 4-foot evergreen, and several small trees, the volunteers transformed the overgrown garden into a "place for anyone to come and sit and look at nature and enjoy," Root said.

#### MANY HANDS

Volunteers rebuilt the brick retaining wall behind the garden and sitting area. They also mulched, replanted with period appropriate flowers and refurbished the paths. Antique

Please see GARDEN, C2



Matthew Macinkowicz sits on the bench under the arbor in the newly renovated sitting area in the garden next to the Newburg Church at Greenmead Historical Park.



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15, left. of Livonia and other volunteers move mulch into the Newburg Church Garden at Greenmead.

**Boy Scout** 

bricks now outline the inner gardens to create a uniform boundary.

The garden helps to capture the romance of the Victorian era using roses, coral bells, balloon flowers, scabiosas, alyssum, yellow corydalis, and various other flowers and shrubs from the turn of the 20th century.

was amazed at how neat it looks," said Marian Renaud, program supervisor at the historical park. "There is a variety of species in such a small space. It's very quaint. It's a very serene little place. It's a great accent for the church.'

To keep the workers hydrated throughout the project, Trader Joe's of Northville donated multiple cases of water, vitamin water and snacks.

"We like to get involved in the community and any chance we have to help the community, we feel it's a situation where everyone wins," said Chris Franklin.

The project, which took place on June 30, and July 1, was Macinkowicz's Eagle Scout

project, which has been in the planning since December 2006 when Macinkowicz approached his aunt and Advanced Master Gardener Ann Marie Macinkowicz-Harris about helping her do the restoration.

"The church garden had to be completely renovated because it had become an overgrown eye sore," Macinkowicz-Harris said. "Each year, it became more of an overwhelming task to maintain the integrity of the garden."

#### **MAKING CHOICES**

Supervising the workers and making the decisions was the hardest part for Macinkowicz because he was afraid he would not always make good deci-

"It only takes a minute to make a bad decision that you will regret for the rest of your life. I saw that in a movie once," Macinkowicz said.

Prior to the project, Macinkowicz, who has Asperger's syndrome, a form of autism, was concerned about having enough volunteers to accomplish everything that needed to be done, but said he was wrong.

"Saturday was good because we got a lot of work done,"



Jade Piechota, 17, of Livonia plants hydrangea in the Newburg Church Garden at Greenmead Historical Park.

Macinkowicz said. "The garden looks tremendous, beautiful, gorgeous."

The purpose of doing the project is to teach the scouts about project management and give them an opportunity to control and run a project with children and adults start to finish, said Bob Tacoma, Scoutmaster.

"It is a really big job and everyone worked well together," Tacoma said. "It was really

Assistant Scout Master Rick Cummings said he enjoyed watching the "good scout spirit' and teamwork that everyone showed despite being together for such a long time.

Through working on his project, Macinkowicz said he learned how to be in charge and that a lot can happen over

#### **'EXCEEDED MY EXPECTATIONS'**

"I was somewhat concerned about Matt in his role because of his disability and that he

may become overwhelmed," said Henry Macinkowicz, Matt's father. "I am really proud of how he handled it. He exceeded my expectations."

Macinkowicz's project included multiple tasks and times of reassigning roles, something that other projects may not have, Henry Macinkowicz said.

Not only did Macinkowicz have to plan roles for the day of the project, but also purchase the plants, make sure the proper tools and supplies would be available on the day of the event, plan around events at the church, and plan a budget which was submitted to the historical park for approval.

"He even set the weather up," Henry Macinkowicz said. "It was perfect weather - not too hot.' Cummings said he was very

impressed with Macinkowicz's leadership and the job he did. "Hats off to Matt,

Cummings said. "He has a heart of gold."

In addition to the stock- and modified-class judging, categories also include daily driver and display class. Club members will have their cars judged separately, and "Best of Show" trophies will be handed out.

Rey said judging categories were expanded this year because owners of cars other than Mustangs felt they were being bunched together with cars that belonged in other categories.

And club members will have their cars judged by members of the Mustang Club of Mid-Michigan to avoid the appearance

"It's really a Ford and Mustang show, so we added a lot of classes to reach out to try and get everybody accommodated," Rey said. "Our member cars will be judged separately so people don't think, if we get a trophy, it's because we're a club member."

The show obviously showcases Mustangs, from as far back as 1964, as well as other Ford

vehicles. But Rey said the most popular just might be the most recent ones, as new as 2005.

Rey said when he joined last vear, the club had "maybe four or five" people who owned the newer

"Now that's probably more like 20 or 25," Rey said. "Interest in the new cars has gone way up.

They're very popular." While participants will be vying for the various trophies, they'll also be trying to raise large

sums of money for charity. Proceeds from the show will benefit, in part, the American Red Cross, the American Cancer Society, Children's Hospital of Michigan, the Humane Society of Monroe County, Gilda's House and Rainbow Connection.

Last year's show raised some \$7,000, and Rey said they're hoping to at least match that.

That was a huge number and far exceeded what we expected to do last year, and if we could raise that again, that'd be great," Rey said. "That's definitely important to us. It's us giving back. It helps the club keep going, and if we can give back, that's a great feeling."

And while that's all well and good, in the end the car enthusiasts will be just as happy about simply being together.

"It's a chance for car enthusiasts to talk to people about restoration," said Paul, the Plymouth man who helps run a car show in Plymouth every week during the summer. "There's a lot of camaraderie that comes out of this."

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### Holiday cards help support research

It's Christmas in August at the American Lung Association of Michigan (ALAM). As part of its efforts to raise funds to support lung health research, education and advocacy, ALAM is currently selling holiday cards.

The cards come in a variety of styles and price ranges. Interested customers may request an album to examine, and cards may be customized with an imprint of an individual's, family's or company's name. Half of the card purchase is tax deductible.

Purchases made before Sept. 30, will be entitled to a 20-percent early buyer discount. Large quantity discounts also are avail able. Albums and card orders can be drop shipped anywhere in the contiguous U.S.

Proceeds from the sale of cards will support the organization's mission to prevent lung disease and promote lung health. ALAM has embarked on a year-long, statewide Catch Your Breath: Women's Lung Health Campaign to raise awareness about women's lung health and funds for research into lung disease.

More than 70,000 women will die this year from lung cancer, more than from breast, ovarian and cervical cancers combined. Nearly 10,000 Michigan women are living with life-threatening lung diseases such as lung cancer, asthma, emphysema, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Thousands more have died. At the same time, lung cancer in never smokers is on the rise. Non-smokingassociated lung cancer is higher among women than men, and second-hand smoke has been established as a major cause.

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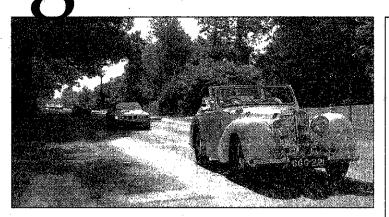
Sir Callaby is no "trailer queen." Hermann Schaller of Clarkston wouldn't think of carting his 1949 Triumph 2000 Roadster dubbed Sir Callaby because of its aristocratic design created by Frank Callaby — like a trophy, on the back of a trailer bed. He likes to get behind the wheel of his prized vehicle and drive to Detroit Triumph Sportscar Club events, vintage auto shows, to dinner with club members and for an occasional spin in the country.

"Of course, I'd never drive in the rain. I have to be careful in traffic because people don't expect a turning signal coming out the side of a car," said Schaller, whose car uses an old fashioned turn signal called a trafficator.

He'll exhibit Sir Callaby in the prestigious Concours d'Elegance next weekend at Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester Hills. It's Schaller's first time participating as an exhibitor. He hopes to drive in the Concours motoring tour from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., on Friday, Aug. 3, as well as display Sir Callaby from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on the grounds at Meadow Brook.

"Some of the exotic cars at Meadow Brook's Concours may not really be used. They are trailer queens, brought in by trailer and put on display," Schaller said, adding that some are too valuable to risk driving on city streets.

"It's nice to have an old car and drive it. I like taking the back



Hermann Schaller of Clarkston will show his 1949 Triumph Roadster at the Concours d'Elegance, held on the grounds of Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester Hills

roads out towards Fenton. I'll meet members for dinner at a club event. Last year I drove about 1,200 miles. This year it definitely will be more, may 2,000 miles."

Like Schaller, Dana Hansen of Rochester Hills likes to drive his sporty 1970 De Tomaso Mangusta GT Coupe around town. He's also a first-time Concours d'Elegance exhibitor this year.

"I was quite honored to be asked in the show. I'm a do-itvourselfer. I did amateur car restoration in the past. Cars have been my life," said Hansen, who also owns a replica of a 1965 Shelby Cobra.

He likes to drive the Mangusta to local cruises, car shows and to dinner out with his wife.

"I was so taken with the design and styling of this car that I created an information Web site, Mangustainternational.com. It's generating so much interest in the Mangusta community."

#### **FEW MANUFACTURED**

The car, one of about 401 produced by De Tomaso from 1967-71, turns heads wherever it goes. Car designer Giorgetto Giugiaro was about 19 years old and working for Ghia when he designed the Mangusta GT's shark-like exterior. American designer, Tom Tjaarda, who later designed the exterior of the Pantera, styled the Mangusta interior. The car has an American Ford engine in the back of the vehicle, Italian body and a German transaxle.

"My wife and I came out of a restaurant once and noticed nose prints on the back. I just chuckle to myself. I'm not an attention type person. I am passionate about cars."

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What: 200 vintage autos on display When: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 5 Where: Meadow Brook Hall, on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills

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They and the car hood are made of aluminum. The rest of the car is steel.

"All of the elements combined result in a unique style car. It is very low in height — 40 inches from the ground to the roof of the car — and it's also quite wide because it's an Italian design. To me the car is styling first and functionality second. When you sit in the car you conform to the form. There's no chance the car will accommodate you."

Hansen said he spent an entire winter removing and dismantling everything "from the driver's seat back."

Being able to speak with the car's last owner and it's first owner helped with research.

"I was so drawn to the car before I owned it. I went to Meadow Brook and saw the car parked there. I was talking to its owner when the original owner and his wife walked up. We stay in touch and I've learned a lot of neat stories about the car."

First-time exhibitors at Concours d'Elegance

Hansen, who works in the 'tooling side" of the auto supply industry, suspects about 200 Mangustas are left in the world. Four of them are in Michigan.

Schaller, who also works in the auto supply industry, saw the Triumph 2000 Roadster for the first time while on a trip to Singapore.

"I said that would be the car for me. Then I was looking for one and they are hard to find."

Schaller, who grew up in Germany, joined a Roadster club based in England.

"They pointed out to me one car for sale in the states and one in England."

#### **MAKING IMPROVEMENTS**

He found Sir Callaby in Chicago, Ill., owned by an attorney who "didn't know much about technology."

"That is not a good idea for a car," said Schaller, who has improved the brakes, cooling system and other mechanical systems since buying the car in 2006.

The car is as original as is reasonable or possible. When I bought it, it didn't have the original engine. The outside of the car and the interior is one of the most original of its kind. Cars didn't have flashing turning signals, they had trafficators that came out of the car like a hand. My car still

has that. "It's the last car built with a rumble seat and has a second windshield that comes up to protect people in the back. It's pretty

The car won honors in other shows last year, including the top people's choice and judge's choice award at one event. At a show in southwest Michigan, it received the sponsoring club's president award for being the most interesting vehicle.

"I've always liked nice classic lines. You know what's wrong with today's car? Performance-wise they are famastic, but they don't have the charm that cars used to have specifically the interior with old instruments and the wooden dasid oards.

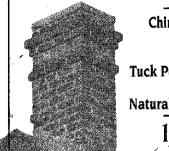
"They've become so well done and reasonable," Schaller said, with a sigh. "In former times, cars were rolling sculptures."

Schaller is looking forward to the Concours d'Elegance. Like Hansen, he also was invited to fill out an application to be considered for the show.

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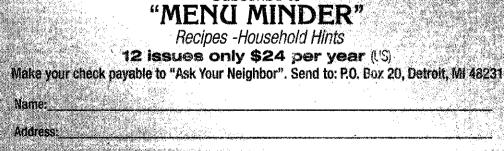
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Mike and Kathie Woods of Deshler, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Woods, to Nick Bocik of Toledo, Ohio, son of Jack and Kathy Bocik of Canton,

The bride-to-be is a 1999 graduate of Patrick Henry High School and 2003 graduate of Bluffton College with a degree in child development. She is employed as a child care resource and referral specialist with N.O.C.A.C.

The prospective groom is a 1999 graduate of St. John's Jesuit and a 2003 graduate of Bowling Green State University with a degree in criminal justice. He is employed as a police officer



with the city of Toledo. A September 2007, wedding is planned for Immaculate Conception Church in Deshler, Ohio.

#### Cantrell-Hoeft

John and Sandra Makula of Garden City announce the engagement of their daughter, Korey Michelle Cantrell, to Ronald Hoeft, son of Lou Hoeft of Wayne and John Hoeft of Battle Creek.

The bride-to-be attended Eastern Michigan University and has a degree in psychology. She is employed with Starfish Family Services.

The prospective groom is employed by Sverdrup.



A May 2009 wedding is planned.

#### Koss-Beckman

Pat and Mary Koss of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Marie Koss of Westland, to Robert Alan Beckman, son of Linda Beckman of Clarkston.

The bride-to-be is a 2000 graduate of Madonna University with a bachelor of science in nursing. She is a registered nurse at Garden City Hospital.

The prospective groom is a 1998 graduate of Oakland University with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering. He received a master's degree at OU in engineering management. He



is employed at Toyota Boshoku America as a lead engineer.

A Sept. 29, 2007, wedding is planned for St. Sabine Catholic Church in Dearborn Heights, followed by a reception at Burton Manor in Livonia. The couple will take a Hawaiian cruise for a honeymoon.

They will make their home in Westland.

### Hodur-Coccia

Diane Angela Hodur of Dearborn Heights and Michael James Coccia of Livonia are planning to be wed May 16, 2008, at Lovett Hall at

Greenfield Village. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Czeslawa Hodur of Dearborn Heights. She is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is a gymnastics instructor at the Livonia

Family Y. The prospective groom is the son of Rebecca and James Coccia of Livonia. He is graduate of Eastern Michigan University and works as a wine



representative for J. Lewis Cooper.

#### WEDDING

#### Karakula-Martin

Jessica Karakula of Livonia and Travis Martin of Indiana were united in marriage Aug. 5, 2006, at St. John's Chapel in Plymouth.

Jessica is the daughter of Barbara and Stephen Karakula. Travis is the son of Verna Dell Martin.

Jessica graduate from Ladywood High School and Eastern Michigan University. She teaches in Leavenworth, Kans.

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#### Andover High School

Class of 1987 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 11,

Class of 1957 A 50-year reunion is planned for Sept. 15, 2007, at Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester, Looking for alumni. Call Mary Lou Norkiewicz (Ehrmann) at (248) 375-5406, Jim Greenless at

#### Berkley High School

Contact Kim (DeWilde) Everingham at (734)422-0087 or e-mail info to kimsliasophia@gmail.com. Reunion for further information and details.

#### Birmingham Seaholm

A 45-year reunion is planned for 7 at Camp Ticonderoga Restaurant, Troy. For information: www. at gfrontier@aol.com or Charlotte

A 30-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 8, or by e-mail kharning@yahoo.com.

at the Livonia Marriott. Contact

Class of 1967 For information contact Contacts: Sandy Rhodes Luoma at sandysgarden2003@yahoo.com, Sue Smith

A 45-year reunion, 6 p.m. Saturday, Crooks Road in Troy. Dinner, dancing and cash bar. Other weekend events will begin on Friday, Sept. 21 and will continue through Sunday, Sept. 23. For information, e-mail

A 55-year reunion on Sunday, Aug. 5, at the O'Kelly Banquet Hall, 23663 Park St., Dearborn, Reunion begins at 2 p.m. with buffet dinner at 4 p.m. Call Marianne Hoak (313)274-9064 or Carolyn Haseltine Chambon (734)420-

#### Dearborn Fordson Class of 1969

Planning a reunion for 2007. Please Shoebridge @ Klivingston@nu-core.

#### Class of 1977

A 30-year reunion, Friday, Aug. 3 to Sunday, Aug. 5, 2007. Contact Val. Schulte (Wrenbeck) at msugrad81@

A 50th Reunion is being planned for Sept. 29, at Weber's Inn in Ann Arbor. Looking for January, June and Summer '57 graduates. If interested in attending or know of the whereabouts of other classmates, contact

#### Detroit Central High School

Class of 1947 A 60-year reunion, noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 19, 2007 at Drake Park, between Maple and 14 Mile Road in West Bloomfield. Contact Jack (Jake) Ginsburg at (248)842-1738 or Paul

#### **Detroit Cody** Class of 1957

A 50th reunion at the Embassy Suites, Livonia Oct. 5. 2007. Cost is \$90 per person, complete with dinner, open bar, memory book, CD, champagne toast and much more. This invitation is to all 50s graduates. Call 800-859-9502 or email loret@wideopenwest for details. Cost is \$90 per person, complete with dinner, open bar, memory book, champagne toast and much more.

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#### Classes of 1967, 1968

Reunion 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, 2007, at Laurel Manor, Livonia. Discounted tickets before March 1. Contact Dave Junquist at (810)667-9131, Web site www.geocities.com/ cooleyreunions67. All classmates are encouraged to register for inclusion in memory book at www.classreport. org/usa/mi/detroit/cooley/1967

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Class of 1967

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#### (Lane) at (248) 627-2447.

Class of 1987 A 20-year reunion is planned for Nov. 24, 2007. Looking for all current contact info for alumni from class of 1987. Web site is www.BHSreunion1987.com

Class of 1962 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, 2007, seaholm62.org. Contact: Greg Frontier (Bosworth) Follis at cafollis@myblue-

#### light.com. **Bishop Borgess**

Class of 1977 2007, at George Murphy's, Livonia. For more information, call (248)685-8747

#### Class of 1987 A 20-year reunion, Sept. 15, 2007,

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#### Burt Elementary and Junior High (Detroit)

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#### Clawson High School Class of 1962

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**Detroit Cooley** Class of 1957

A 40th reunion will be held 6:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, at Laurel Manor Special Event Center in Livonia. Seeking January, June and summer graduates from 1967. For information, call Ellen (Neihoff) VanderRoest at (248)684-7705 or email chuckandelvan@comcast.net.

#### Class of 1977

Class of 1967

Looking for classmates for a 30-year reunion. Information at henryfordhighschool.com.

#### **Detroit Holy Redeemer**

Class of 1957 A 50-year reunion. Oct. 12, 2007, at O'Kelley KofC Council, Dearborn. In interested in attending or know the whereabouts or former classmates, contact John Duff at oliverlynn@aol. com or phone (734)261-3346.

#### Detroit Mackenzie Class of 1957

Looking for graduates to attend a reunion scheduled for Oct. 19, 2007. Call Eleanor at (734)425-8278.

#### **Detroit Osborn**

Classes of 1970, '71, '72 Saturday, Oct. 27, 2007. Best Western Sterling Inn, Sterling Heights. Alumni can update their addresses by either calling Sharon at (734)261-3264 or e-mailing celebrationstoremember@ yahoo.com. Visit Web site at ctrinc.

#### divincinet.com **Detroit Western**

Class of 1962 A 45-year reunion will be held in Sept., 15, 2007 at Warren Valley Country Club, Dearborn Heights. Seeking information on classmates from that year. All other classes welcome. Contact Helen Knights at (734)285-4927 or Ralph Brighton at (734)513-7499. Classes of 30s, 40s. 50s

Sept. 21, 2007, Dearborn Hills Golf Club. \$25. Contact Simon Hachigian at (313)565-4997.

#### **Detroit Redford** Class of 1967

A 40-year reunion, Friday, Aug. 17, at Embassy Suites, Livonia. Buffet dinner with cash bar. \$60 per person, Contact Sandi911@comcast.net or call (248)646-8134.

#### **Detroit Southwestern** Class of 1957

A 50-year reunion is being planned for September 2007. Looking for January and June graduates, If interested in attending or know of the whereabouts of other classmates, contact Angie (Conz) Maccani at (313) 532-4379 or Ken Suski at (313) 291-5450.

#### **Detroit St. Theresa** Class of 1961

Sept. 22. 2007. For information, contact Dick Johnson at Sttheresa1961@

#### East Lansing High School

Class of 1957 A 50-year reunion, Aug. 24-26. For information, contact Linda Foster at

#### (517)543-3041. St. Mary of Redford

All classes St. Mary of Redford School Alumni "All Class Sock Hop" (Reunion) will be Saturday, Oct. 6; 4 p.m. Mass, 6 p.m. Reunión. For information, contact: Dave DiPonio at ddiponio@wadetrim: com or (313) 363-6153 or Jamie Sloan at jes521970@aol.com or (248) 391-0607. The Sock Hop will be held in the "Old" SMR Gym on Mansfield in

Detroit. Reservations by Sept. 14.

#### Fordson High School **Garden City High School** Class of 1972

A 35-year reunion is planned for Saturday Oct. 13, 2007. For more information, contact Lori Howe Richardson at (734)421-7808 or Ihowerich@hotmail.com or Sharon Burke Parkila at: (734)421-3108 or sparkila72@aol.com;



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MARK CUMBO

Age 49, passed away on June 2, 2007 after a brave battle with pancreatic cancer. Mark is survived by his wife, Norma, daughter Jordan, son Evan, mother Joan Cumbo, siblings Ron Cumbo, Denise (Rick) Brewis, Robert Cumbo, Kathy (Tim) Williams, Janet (Spencer) Krueger, Jim Cumbo and mother-in-law Pati Bonanno. mother-in-law Pati Bonanno. Preceded in death by his father, Milton, brother, Paul and father-in-law Bill Bonanno. Along with being a very loving and devoted husband and father, Mark was very active as an usher at St. Edith, he coached and played hockey for the Livonia Hockey Association and was dedicated to his work at Lenover's Building Products in Livonia. He will be missed by many friends and family. Mark was laid to rest on July 2, 2007 in the Cremation Garden at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

### MARILYN G. DRAHEIM

(nee Vent) Age 70, August 1, 2007. Loving wife of 48 years to Robert, devoted mother of son Craig of Battle Creek, also survived by many nieces and nephews. Marilyn was a dedicated and caring elementary school teacher to hundreds of children and taught in the Wyandotte, Flint and Garden city school districts A Memorial gathering of family and friends will be scheduled at a later date. Arrangements were made by the Cremation Society of Michigan. Memorials may be made to the charity of your choice.

#### REGINA M. LESNAU

August 3, 2007, age 85. Loving wife of John. Beloved mother of Sharon Waller, Bob (Marilyn), John (Mary Ann), Jim, and Roman (Kathleen). Grandmother of 12, great-grandmother of 20, and great-great-grandmother of one. Family will receive friends at A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road (between Maple and Big Beaver) Monday 2-9 PM. Memorial Service Monday at 7 PM. View obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



SHARON LEE (Dever) MOCK Returned with grace to our Savior,

August 1st, 2007, after a valiant fight with illness. Born Nov. 1st, 1946, in Detroit, MI, she was a graduate of Farmington High School. Married to Kevin D. Mock, of El Paso, Texas, she made her home in Fayetteville, AR. After her husband's death in 1989, she returned to care for her parents, Maurice F. and Betty F. Dever, of Farmington. A Lover of books and fine arts, her craft work was much admired, and was featured in national publications. With Kindness and generosity, she worked for the Farmington Goodfellows at Christmas time, crochet work for Preemies and supplied funds to Forgotten Harvest. She extended herself tirelessly to work in Family History and discovered not only past relatives, but a host of cousins, she made dear friends with her clever cards and letters she created. She leaves to mourn two beloved daughters. Shannon Lewis of Westville, OK and Meghan (Keith) Banton, of Rapid City, SD, and three loving grandchildren, Brealyn Lewis, Maclane Lewis and Delaney Holland. She was a caring daughter to Maurice F. Dever of Farmington, and a wonderful sister to Susan (Martin) Zapinski, of Farmington, and Michael (Kit) Dever of Jackson, MI. A devoted aunt to Tracye (Mark) O'Brien, Tonye (Daniel) Nadwornik, Terrye (Andrew) Kraft, Tandye Zapinski, Jason Dever and Faith Dever, she also leaves a host of grandnieces and nephews and host of friends she made around the country. Affiliated with the University Baptist Church of Fayetteville, AR, she still kept old friends at 1st United Methodist Church of Farmington, MI and new friends at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Days Saints in Livonia, MI. She leaves in sorrow, her mother-in-law Pat (Bud) Brake and family of Texas, and her oldest friend Shirley (Dennis) Palm of Westland, MI. She is pre-deceased by her husband, Kevin Mock, her mother, Betty F. Dever, her aunt, Virginia Dever and her granddaughter, Faye Elizabeth Lewis. Services were held August 4th, 2007. Memorial tributes suggested to

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## It's important to limit your cholesterol intake

Robert from Farmington Hills e-mails saying he has high cholesterol. How important is it for him to lower it?

Robert, it is extremely important! A number of studies proved lowering your overall cholesterol can reduce your risk of heart disease and stroke. More than 100,000,000 Americans suffer with high cholesterol and experts

have found what you eat is a major cause

of the condition. So what can you do? Cut

down on saturated fat and avoid trans fat.

Research found trans fats increase your LDL, the bad cholesterol, and decreases your HDL, the good kind.

Limit your daily cholesterol intake to less **Principles** than 200 milligrams a day and increase your complex carbohydrates and fiber, Peter Nielsen which includes fruits, vegetables and whole

Frank from Novi says he is having a hard time remembering things he never used to forget, like telephone numbers. What can he do? Well Frank, the first thing you need to do is exercise your brain. That is right, just like you exercise your body you

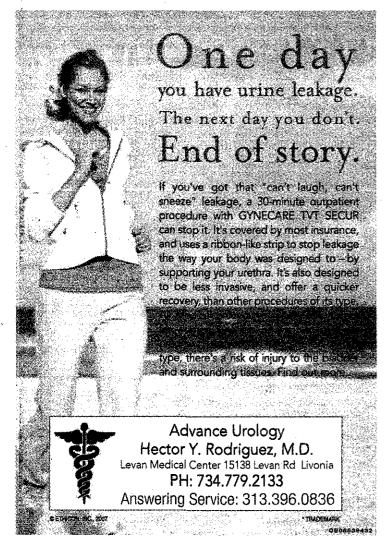
need to do aerobics for your brain. Researchers studied thousands of patients suffering with memory loss and found three things you can do right now to improve your memory.

First, expand your brain. You can widen your brain regions by reading aloud, drawing a picture or writing down information.

It will help you remember it later. Next, repeat, repeat,

When you want to remember something you just heard, repeat it out loud. Finally, challenge yourself. Do activities that force you to concentrate like crossword puzzles or try a new hobby or project which requires skills you aren't familiar with.

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### Cyberknife beams radiation with precision accuracy

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

yberknife technology is not only changing the way Dr. Geoffrey Thomas treats patients at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, but who he treats.

The neurosurgeon would never have considered removing a tumor in the 96-year-old man he saw two weeks ago, but that was before the hospital purchased a \$4 million Cyberknife, which isn't a knife at all but a robotic radiosurgery system designed to emit beams of radiation with precision accuracy.

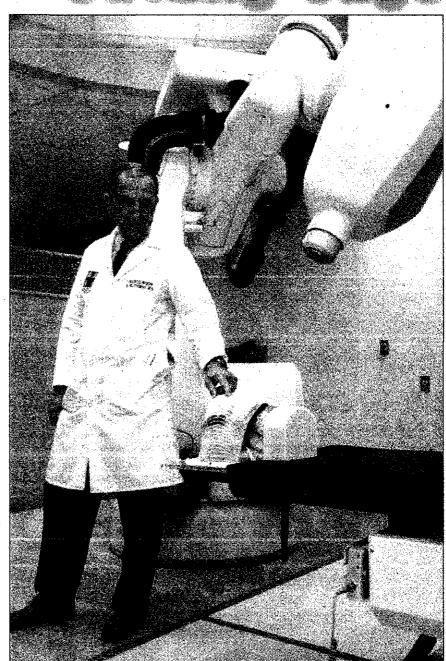
Thomas was all smiles as he talked about the man who still rides his bike. Cyberknife uses image guidance technology and computer controlled robotics to treat previously inoperable tumors. "I might have said we can't treat you because of risk,' said Thomas. "We're treating tumors of the brain, benign and malignant. In the past, I didn't want to take out the tumor because of the risks and location. Before I would watch it grow until the benefits of surgery might outweigh the risks. With brain tumors there is more risk than a tumor on the back of the hand. We usually wait for something to happen. Now we can treat early. I'm seeing more patients with tumors because Cyberknife is giving me more ways of treating patients."

The FDA approved the Cyberknife System for treatment of tumors of the head and base of the skull in 1999 and tumors everywhere else in the body in 2001 because of its effectiveness. Dr. John Adler, professor of neurosurgery and radiation oncology at Stanford University Medical Center, developed Cyberknife in 1987 after completing a fellowship with Dr. Lars Leksell, founder of radiosurgery.

"Effects of radiation are affecting over time. Sixty percent (of tumors) will eventually shrink. Others will not grow," said Thomas. "Research has shown it does work over time. We're able to treat a lot of cancer in the spine with incredibly safer treatment. Radiosurgery has been around for a while (to treat tumors in the brain). With Cyberknife we can treat different areas of the body.

### **EASIER TREATMENTS**

Cyberknife makes treatments easier for patients by reducing the amount of visits from five days a week for fiveto six-weeks, to one to three sessions. It is performed on an outpatient basis.



Dr. Geoffrey Thomas explains how the Cyberknife System at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital is able to avoid critical areas such as the eyes.

"When you ask a patient, coming every day for five-six weeks is a huge stressor," said Thomas. "They're sick and not necessarily driving themselves. With Cyberknife for some benign things they can play golf the same day. Acute side effects are small. Fatigue is not nearly anywhere as bad as standard radiation. Some people have headaches. One lady we treated her three days before her vacation and two days after. The goal is to keep them active."

Thomas explains the technology as the robotic arm moves around the head of the mannequin on the table. Surgeons, radiation oncologists, physicists, and Cyberknife therapists work as a team to develop a plan to deliver radiation from up to 200 different points.

'We discuss the dose, is it right for the patient, how long the dose, from which direction it's going deliver," said Thomas, who works on the plan with Dr. W.M. Sahijdak, in the radiation oncology department at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. "All cross in one point. Each beam doesn't do much but they concentrate the dose of radiation which is huge. You can miss the eyes. That's what the planning does. There's a finite number of positions to miss critical structures."

Movement of the lung, prostate, pancreas and other organs due to breathing creates an accuracy problem when delivering radiation. Not the areas to be treated.

so with Cyberknife because of a tracking system that detects movement and corrects for it throughout treatment.

"It compiles a model so it knows how the lungs move and (Cyberknife) moves with them. If I'm off by a millimeter it won't let me treat," said Cyberknife therapist Sylvia Davidson, who delivers the treatment. Davidson spent time in California at Accuracy, which manufactures Cyberknife, learning the system. "It delivers much larger doses of radiation. What's different is the tracking system. It's three-dimensional with two different X-ray systems in the room so I can correct for movement. Four cameras in the room allow us to see the patient from all angles.

"While conventional radiation lasts 20 to 30 minutes, a patient's on the table for a Cyberknife treatment one to 2½ hours. Conventional can only give so much (radiation) because healthy tissues are in the way. If you're treating an area as big as a dime, you've got tons of healthy tissue surrounding the area. If you can shrink the margin you're delivering less radiation to healthy tissue."

#### **PATIENT COMFORT**

Less radiation to healthy tissue can improve patient comfort, says Matthew McMullen, a medical physicist whose job begins with software to integrate CT scans, MRIs and PET imaging into a plan for

"With the machine, we don't need to give a margin at all because the robot or knife tracks to where the patient moves. It's fundamentally different from how we treat patients," said McMullen.

Donna Ingleby-Burr was diagnosed with endometrial cancer in January.

While performing a hysterectomy in February, physicians discovered the cancer had spread to the Canton woman's left lung.

Because she has severe chronic emphysema, she wasn't a candidate for standard radiation.

Ingleby-Burr turns 80 in

August. "I went in and they planted gold beads in my lung. Cyberknife hones in on the area where gold beads are," said Donna Ingleby-Burr. "With regular radiation I would have 25 to 35 treatments. I had it in four. It's so concentrated. There's nothing invasive. I got up from the

since starting chemo in April. "I would tell anybody go for it. I feel great. I'm eating like a pig. That's important when you're a cancer patient. You need every ounce. This has given me a chance at life."

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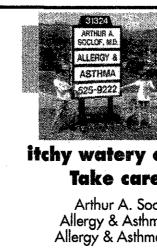
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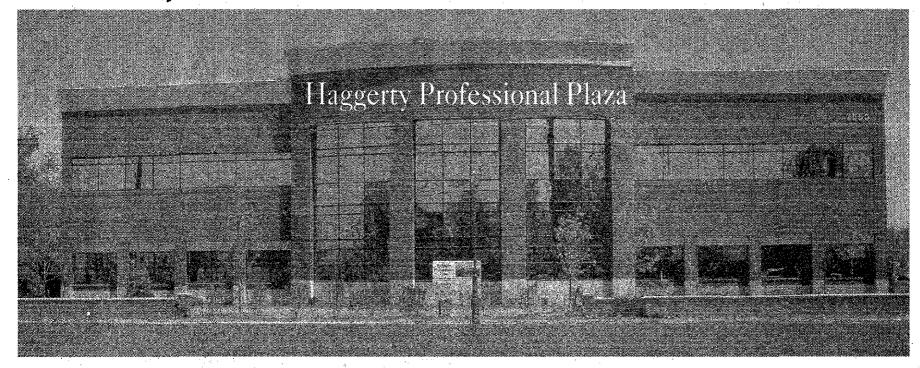
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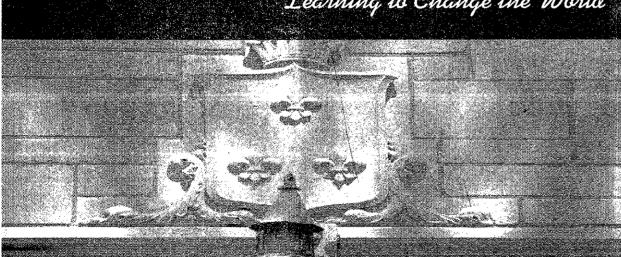
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## I've had it: Job stress levels can be reduced

Low morale, health and job complaints, and employee turnover often provide the first signs of job stress. But sometimes there are no clues, especially if employees are fearful of losing their jobs. Lack of obvious or widespread signs is not a good reason to dismiss concerns about job stress or minimize the importance of a prevention program, according to the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.

Step 1 - Identify the Problem. The best method to explore the scope and source of a suspected stress problem in an organization depends partly on the size of the organization and the available resources. Group discussions among managers, labor representatives, and employees can provide rich sources of information. Such discussions may be all that is needed to track down and remedy stress problems in a small company. In a larger organization, such discussions can be used to help design formal surveys for gathering input about stressful job conditions. Regardless of the method used to collect data, information should be obtained about employee perceptions of their job conditions and perceived levels of

Design an employee survey. Measure employee perceptions of job conditions, stress, health, and satisfaction.

Collect objective data. Analyze data to identify problem

locations and stressful job conditions. Regardless of the method used to

collect data, information should be obtained about employee perceptions of their job conditions and perceived levels of stress, health, and satisfaction. The list of job conditions that may lead to stress and the warning signs and effects of stress provide good starting points for deciding what information to collect.

Objective measures such as absenteeism, illness and turnover rates, or performance problems can also be examined to gauge the presence and scope of job stress. However, these measures are only rough indicators. Data from discussions, surveys, and other sources should be summarized and analyzed to answer questions about the location of a stress problem and job conditions that may be responsible - for example, are problems present throughout the organization or confined to single departments or specific jobs?

Survey design, data analysis, and

experts from a local university or consulting firm. However, overall authority for the prevention program should remain in the organization.

Step 2 - Design and Implement Interventions. Once the sources of stress at work have been identified and the problem is understood, the stage is set for design and implementation of an intervention strategy.

In small organizations, the informal discussions that helped identify stress problems may also produce fruitful ideas for prevention. In large organizations, a more formal process may be needed.

Target source of stress for change. Propose and prioritize intervention strategies.

Communicate planned interven-

tions to employees.

Implement interventions. Certain problems, such as a hostile work environment, may be pervasive in the organization and require company-wide interventions. Other problems such as excessive workload may exist only in some departments and thus require more narrow solutions such as redesign of the way a job is performed. Still other problems may be specific to certain employees and

interventions. Some interventions might be implemented rapidly (e.g., improved communication, stress management training), but others may require additional time to put into place (e.g., redesign of a manufacturing process).

Step 3 - Evaluate the Interventions. Evaluation is necessary to determine whether the intervention is producing desired effects and whether changes in direction are needed.

Time frames for evaluating interventions should be established. Conduct both short- and long-term evaluations.

Measure employee perceptions of job conditions, stress, health, and satisfaction.

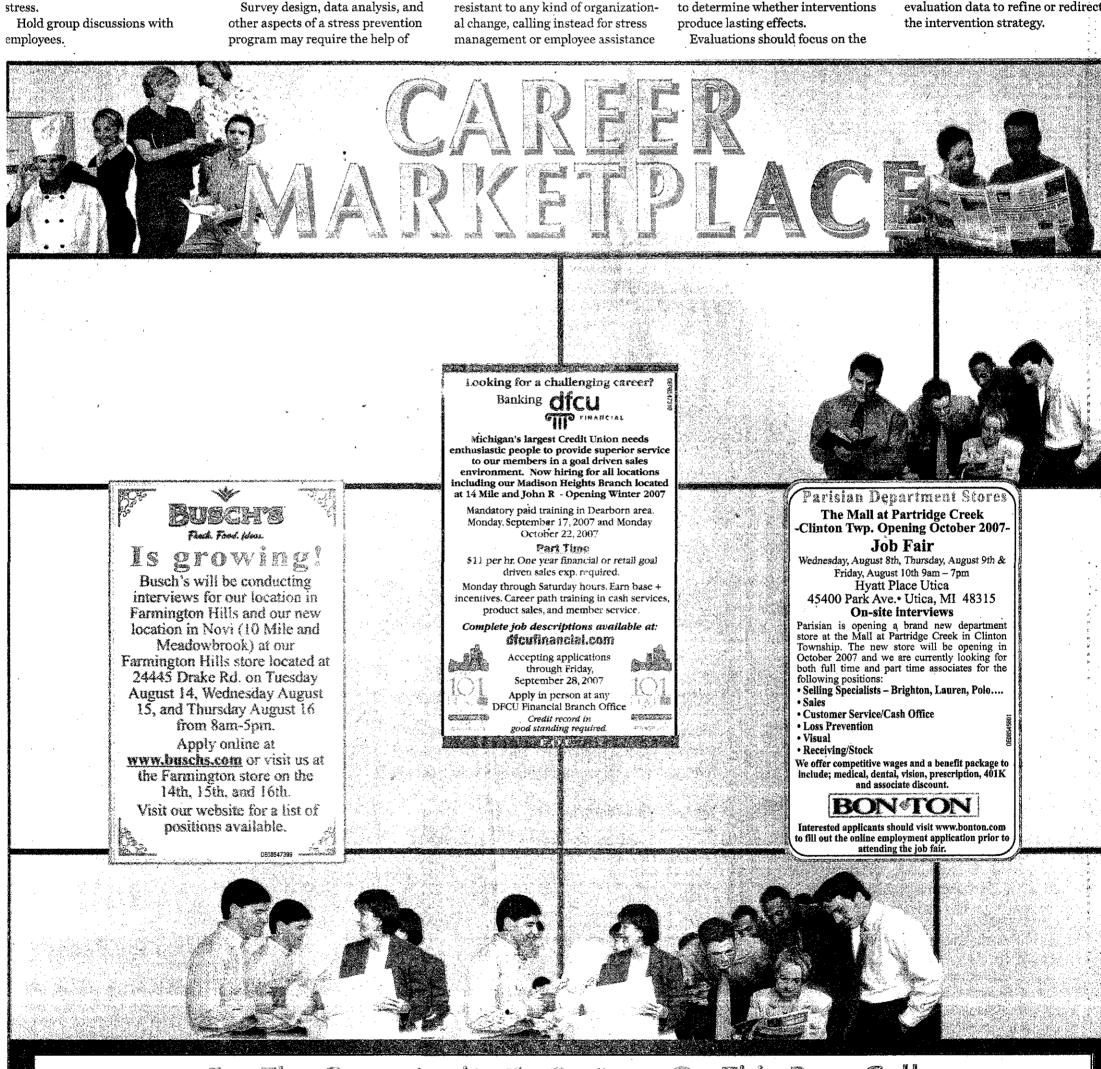
Include objective measures. Refine the intervention strategy

and return to Step 1. Organizational change steps should receive both short- and longterm scrutiny. Short-term evaluations might be done quarterly to provide an early indication of program effectiveness or possible need for redirection. Many interventions produce initial effects that do not persist. Long-term evaluations are often conducted annually and are necessary to determine whether interventions



same types of information collected during the problem identification phase of the intervention, including information from employees about working conditions, levels of perceived stress, health problems, and satisfaction. Employee perceptions are usually the most sensitive measure of stressful working conditions and often provide the first indication of intervention effectiveness. Adding objective measures such as absenteeism and health care costs may also be useful. However, the effects of job stress interventions on such measures tend to be less clear-cut and can take a long time to appear.

The job stress prevention process does not end with evaluation. Rather, job stress prevention should be seen as a continuous process that uses evaluation data to refine or redirect the intervention strategy.



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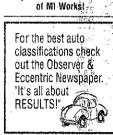
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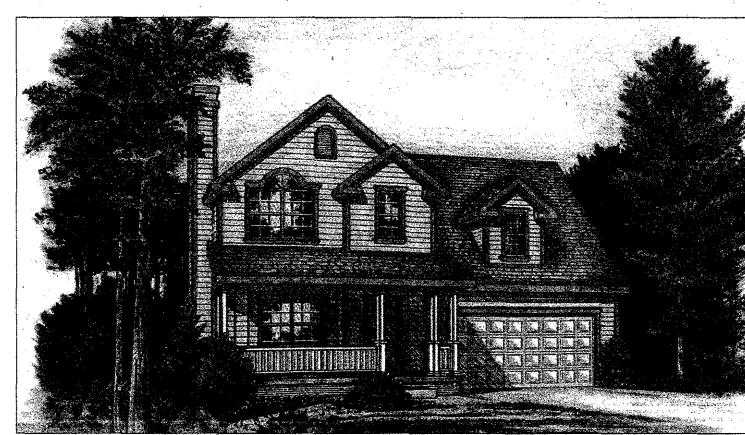
## Kincaid home flooded with daylight from windows across the front of country ranch

The country ranch style of the Kincaid (D6710) has a classic appeal. There is a large dormer providing light into an unfinished storage room upstairs, while the large windows across the face of the home bathe the interior with sunlight. There is a two-car garage and a large covered porch. This home is narrow and compact, ideal for the smaller lots of today's market.

The Kincaid has 1,297 square feet of living area, divided between two floors. An unfinished basement is available. Crossing the covered porch, entry is direct into the living room. A large fireplace is on the outside wall, a closet is just inside the door on the right, and the sweeping staircase is just beyond. Dividing the living room and kitchen is a half bath.

The kitchen and dining room spreads across the rear of the home. The kitchen has a cabinet pantry and a window over the sink. Large windows overlook the back yard off the dining room. A door between the two rooms opens onto a three-season porch. Numerous windows make this room bright and cheery. A side door goes off to the yard area.

The second floor has the master suite and two other bedrooms. The master suite has its own bathroom with a tub, and a large walk-in closet. Between the master suite and the other two bedrooms is another full bath with the washer/dryer across the hall, behind folding doors. A door opens off this area to the unfinished storage room. While this room is listed as



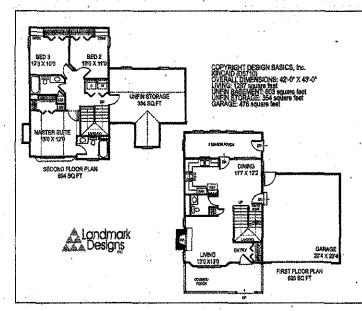
an unfinished storage room, with the numerous windows, it could be made into a play room for the kids, a sewing room for Mom, or Dad's hideaway computer rooms. The ideas are limitless.

Bedrooms 2 and 3 each have wall closets and a builtin desk, ideal for the studying students. Both rooms have large windows and good sized.

Overall, the Kincaid is a great home for the new family that needs to have younger kids next to them at night, or for the family that needs a smaller home with the potential to grow larger in the future. This is possible with

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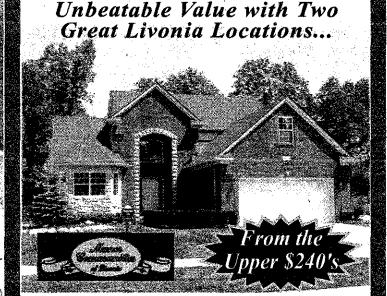
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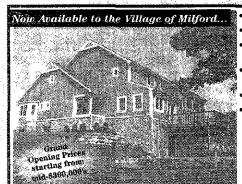
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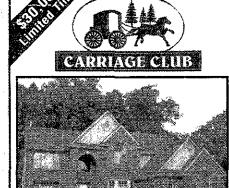


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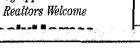
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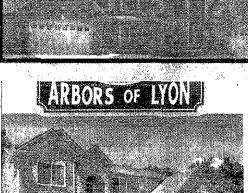
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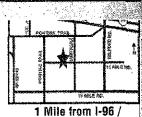
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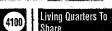
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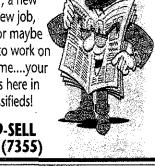


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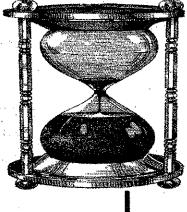
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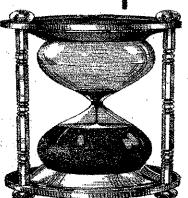
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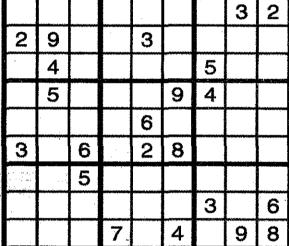
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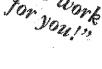
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In just its fourth year, the Pontiac G6 gets a new racecar-inspired addition to its lineup in the fall. The GXP coupe and sedan bring a new,

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performance-oriented dimension to the G6 that hasn't been seen before. They will be available with both base and Street edition packages. To set the 2008 Pontiac G6 GXP apart from other G6s a few aesthetic upgrades have been

made, including sporty hood scoops, revised front and rear fascias and dual exhaust openings. The G6 GXP Street edition models are easily identified by their unique front fascia, which features new fog lamps and polished stainless steel

grille inserts with chrome. Standard features for all GXPs include a tilt/ telescopic steering wheel, automatic climate control, power windows, power door locks, power mirrors, AM/FM/CD player, variable intermittent

wipers and theft-deterrent system. A rear spoiler is also part of the GXP package, but is specific to either the coupe or sedan. The coupe model receives a larger, more aggressive "hammerhead" spoiler.

Base G6 GXP models come with standard 18inch aluminum alloy painted wheels, while those opting for the Street edition will receive a unique 18-inch wheel. Black chrome-finished 18-inch aluminum wheels are also available.

Stand-alone options include power adjustable pedals, six-way power seats, heated seats, leather seating surfaces, in-dash six-CD changers and remote vehicle start.

All G6 GXP models are powered by a 3.6-liter V6 engine that is good for 252 horsepower and is mated to an electronically controlled six-speed automatic transmission.

This is an advanced transmission with state-ofthe-art clutch-to-clutch shift operation, designed for high-performance front-wheel drive applications.

Clutch-to-clutch operation allows for easier



The 2008 Pontiac G6 GXP has sporty hood scoops and a polished stainless steel grille. While it looks faster than last year's model, it still has the same engine.

operation. The six-speed automatic improves vehicle performance by up to 8 percent and increases fuel economy by up to 4 percent over the current front-wheel-drive four-speed automatics, Pontiac says.

On the road, the G6 GXP delivers the type of responsive ride and handling characteristics that Pontiac's performance series is known for.

This G6 is equipped with a GXP-specific sporttuned suspension, as well as the ground hugging StabiliTrak electronic stability control system, as standard equipment.

G6 GXP models have sporty, driver-oriented interiors with red racing-style gauges and true-red LED instrument backlighting

The GXP convertible offers a rare option for a non-luxury priced car, a retractable hardtop. The operation takes less than 30 seconds with the touch of a button.

While stylish, the main drawback to this hardtop design is that it takes up considerable trunk space when lowered.

And cargo space is already at a premium. The GXP has a meager maximum interior cargo volume of 14 cubic feet.

Safety is provided by ABS brakes side head curtain, dual stage front and side air bags with passenger sensing system rear head restraints front seatbelt height adjusters emergency trunk release handle and panic brake assist.

In National Highway Traffic Safety Administration crash testing, the 2007 G6 sedan and coupe, which are virtually the same as the GXP, earned a perfect five-star-rating for protection of the driver in frontal impacts and four stars for protection of the front passenger.

The GXP comes with General Motors'36 month/ 36,000 mile bumper-to-bumper warranty, 60 month/100,000 mile powertrain warranty and 60

month/100,000 mile roadside assistance warranty. If you seek a sleek racecar-inspired ride, the GXP will be a good economical choice.

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2008 Pontiac G6 GXP Vehicle class: Sedan. Power: V6 engine.

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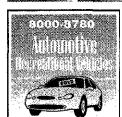
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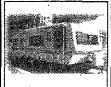
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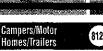
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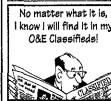
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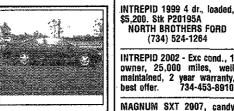
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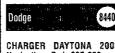
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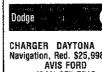


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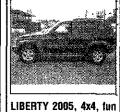
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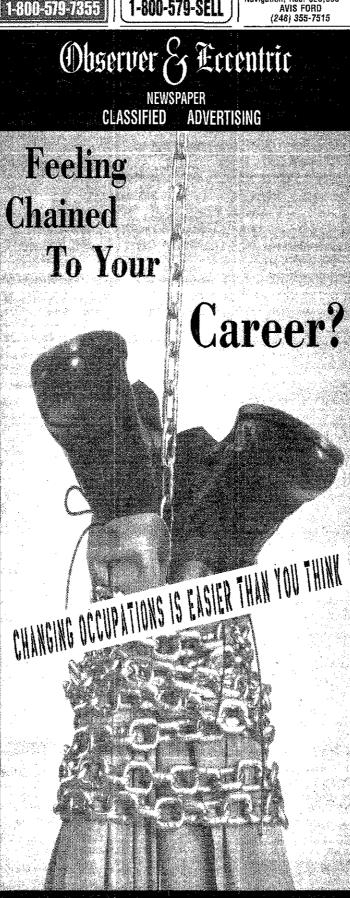


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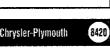
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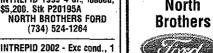


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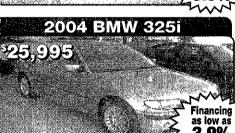
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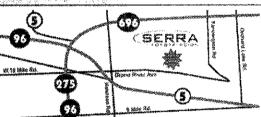
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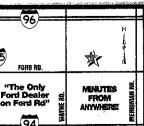
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