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# Bonds paving way for school improvements

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Construction projects at nearly a dozen Plymouth-Canton school buildings are expected to be completed in time for the start of classes on Tuesday, Sept. 4.

"We're still going through the punch lists, but the buildings will be ready for students," said Ken Jacobs, assistant superintendent for administrative services. "One thing we pride ourselves on is being on time and under budget."

This summer's construction projects included complete remodeling at Eriksson, Field, Hoben and Hulsing elementary schools, as well as Pioneer Middle School. The projects included new windows, ceilings, carpet, tile, roofs, air conditioning and a complete paint job.

One of the major projects, which took more than a year to complete, was the \$4.5-million refurbishment of Miller Elementary, where there are now closed classrooms instead of the open school concept in which there were no floor-to-ceiling walls or doors in the classrooms.

"That was a big project, we gutted the whole building," Jacobs said. "It was completed Aug. 1, and the staff is back in the building. We're doing our punch list and getting it ready for the first day."

Jacobs said Salem High School will continue to show signs of construction, but it won't be unmanageable for staff and students.

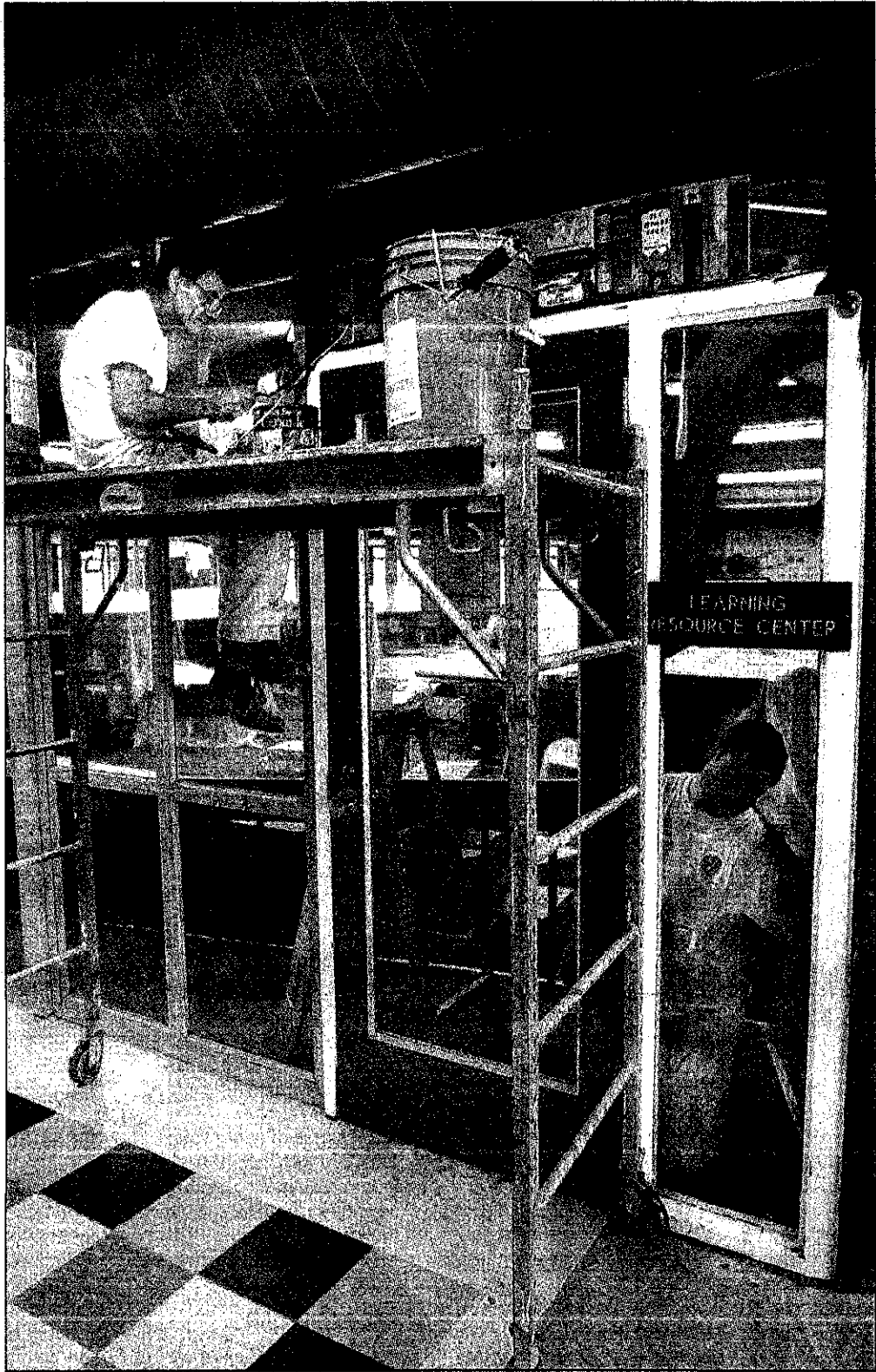
"We are four science rooms short, but we have five swing rooms where we will move them in another part of the building until they are completed," added Jacobs. "We would have liked to have it all done."

"Last year our challenge was getting electrical parts from Mexico," he said. "This year it's getting the cabinetry from Texas."

The three-year, \$10 million heating, ventilation and air conditioning system at Salem has been completed.

Gallimore Elementary has a new gymnasium/

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Pioneer Middle School had major heating and air conditioning work done. Donald Corbett, working under the ductwork, and Tasso Liangis paints the doorframe at the entrance to the learning resource center.

# 'I was so out of it'

Murder suspect says her statements to police should be thrown out

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

Carol Poole says she has a good reason why the courts should suppress the statements she made to police after her foster daughter, Allison Newsman, was rushed to the hospital: "I was so out of it."

Poole, who has been charged with felony murder, first-degree child abuse and involuntary manslaughter in the death of the 2-year-old child, took the stand Friday during an evidence hearing in Detroit.

"I did not have the presence of mind that day to voice logical thoughts," she said. While admitting to making up three lies of how Allison got the injuries that caused her death in September, Poole, 42, testified that she was unable to think clearly when she spoke with Canton detectives.

"My state of mind was do what they tell me to do," she said, adding that her only focus was on being with Allison in the hospital.

Poole's attorney, Mark Satawa, previously called a forensic psychologist who testified that she had "emotionally and psychologically collapsed" before giving her statement



Poole

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# Teen center looks to expand after-school programs

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

They've designed it to be "a parent's dream" and now they're just waiting for parents to jump on board.

Canton's teen center, BLOCK (Building Leaders Out of Canton's Kids) is having an open house to promote its services from 5 to 8 p.m. Sept. 4 at the 44237 Michigan Avenue facility.

BLOCK was created in 2001 as an after-school program to serve underprivileged children, but has morphed into a full-fledged center that targets all Canton kids ages 11 to 17.

Laura Schulz, BLOCK staff counselor, said the center is a haven for kids and is especially popular with middle schoolers.

"At that age, kids don't have a lot of safe environments that they can pick from so that's what makes the job rewarding," she said. "I feel like we're making a difference."

## BLOCK

**When:** Sept. 4, from 5-8 p.m.  
**Where:** BLOCK Teen Center, 44237 Michigan Avenue in Canton  
**What:** Learn about the BLOCK's after-school programs

One of BLOCK's main thrusts are its after-school programs for middle school students.

Parents can choose from several options including a package for \$160 per student, per semester that involves the child being picked up from school and taken to the BLOCK building everyday until 6:30 p.m. Other packages are available that call for the student to be picked up from home, taken to the BLOCK facility and then taken back home at the end of the day.

While at the facility, Schulz said students have free reign in the computer lab, video game room, lounge area and quiet homework room.



Bridget Maul, 12, shoots pool at The Block. She spends a lot of time there after school playing video games, working on a computer, and playing pool.

There's a kitchen for snacks and small meals along with a game room featuring air hockey, pool and other activities.

"Kids love it here and parents love the program," Schulz said.

For more information call (734) 398-5570 or log onto <http://leisure.canton-mi.org>.

# Bandit hitting unlocked cars at day care centers

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

Canton police are on the lookout for a thief that is stealing purses and other items from unlocked cars at a number of Canton day care centers.

According to Sgt. Rick Pomorski, it is believed the same man has hit at least three day care facilities in the last couple weeks, beginning Aug. 13 at Rosey's Romper Room on Canton Center Road. Child Time, located on Lilley Road, was hit twice — Aug. 17 and again on Thursday. Wee Care, located on Palmer Road, was hit on Wednesday.

In each case, the bandit has waited in the parking lot for a parent to pull up and take their child inside. Once they are inside, the thief pulls up next to the car, and steals purses or other items, including a diaper bag. Pomorski said all the cars were left unlocked.

Police were able to get surveillance

video from Rosey's Romper Room, which shows a male driving a white or light colored SUV, most likely a Jeep. Pomorski said the video footage isn't the best, but they believe the suspect is a male (either white or a light skinned black) with black hair.

"This guy will spend 15-20 minutes in the parking lot early in the morning, just waiting for a parent to pull up. In some cases, the cars have even been left running, and this guy takes advantage of it," Pomorski said.

After stealing the purses, the suspect has traveled to local Meijer stores and the BP gas station at Ford and Haggerty to use the victim's credit cards.


In addition to locking their cars, Pomorski said parents should be on the lookout for the bandit, so they can contact police.

"Anyone that sees a suspicious vehicle, likely a Jeep with a lone male in it, they should report it. We would like to get a license plate number," he said.

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## AROUND CANTON

## Board of trustees to meet

The Canton Board of Trustees will hold a regular meeting at 7 p.m., Aug. 28 at the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

Agenda items include a site plan for the Village Garden Retail Center in Cherry Hill Village; consideration to award contract for the intersection improvements of Beck and Cherry Hill, Canton Center and Saltz, and Haggerty and Palmer to

Dan's Excavating; consideration to purchase mast arms and associated traffic signalization equipment for the intersection improvement project; consider award to Hart Pavement Striping Corporation for the annual pavement striping of various township-owned roads and parking lots; consider award of contract for parking lot and sidewalk improvements at Summit on the Park to Best Asphalt, Incorporated; set tentative millage rates for Dec. 1, 2007 tax levy; consider purchase of laptop computers for school resource officers; and consider patrol vehicle replacement.

For the complete agenda, please visit the township's Web site at [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org).

## Mom to mom sale

Sunflower Village Homes Subdivision in Canton is having its first Mom to Mom Sale on Saturday, Sept. 15 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The sale will be held at the Hanford Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford Road in Canton (located halfway between Beck Road and Canton Center Road). Moms will be selling baby and kid's clothes, toys, baby equipment, etc. There is no admission fee.

## School registration

Registrations are now being accepted at St. Michael Christian School in Canton for fall 2007-08. The school offers 3 year old preschool through fifth grade, including the new Young Fives program.

The academic program is taught by qualified and credentialed teachers. The school strongly supports the development of the whole child in a small class size setting. For more information, call (734) 459-9720.

## Home buying seminar

Shore Mortgage and Remerica Realty will host two upcoming free home buyers/credit repair seminars. The first will take place at 7 p.m., Sept. 11 at Remerica Realty, 7277 N. Lilley Road in Canton. The second will take place at 7 p.m., Sept. 19 at Shore

Mortgage, 1741 N. Canton Center Road in Canton.

Topics will include repairing and improving your credit score, down payment assistance, and the home buying process. To register or for more information, contact Richard at (734) 776-5635.

## Coffee meetings

The Canton Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Development Authority and Leisure Services will host two upcoming Coffee Meetings to provide information about marketing opportunities in Canton's downtown district.

The meetings will take place from 8-9:30 a.m., Sept. 11 at Buffalo Wild Wings, 41980 Ford Road, and 8-9:30 a.m., Sept. 14 at T.G.I. Fridays Restaurant, 44250 Ford Road. Topics will include ShopCanton for the Holidays, the 2nd Annual Holiday Fest on Ford Road, holiday window murals, 2008 Women's Bowling Championship, updates on Ford Road construction project and more. Reservations are required. Call the Chamber office at (734) 453-4040. Reservation deadline is Friday, Sept. 7.

## Boyer's Barn Bash

The inaugural Boyer Barn Bash will be held 4-11 p.m., Sept. 15 at the Cady-Boyer Barn, 500 N. Ridge Road in Cherry Hill Village. Tickets are \$35.

Everyone Welcome. All proceeds for the Cady-Boyer Barn. The event will include a pig/lamb roast, plenty of side dishes, beer, wine, soda, as well as music and entertainment.

Tickets can be purchased at the Canton Chamber of Commerce, Canton Township or Holiday Market. The event is being sponsored by Boyer's Meat Processing and Holiday Market.

Lawmakers to host education meeting  
Michigan Congressmen John D. Dingell and Dale E. Kildee will be hosting an Education Town Hall meeting on Thursday, Aug. 30, from 3-4:30 p.m. in the Ypsilanti High School Auditorium, 2095 Packard Road, in Ypsilanti.

At the forum, Dingell and Kildee will be discussing the upcoming review and reauthorization of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB). Kildee is chairman of the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary and Secondary Education, which has held eight hearings this year on NCLB and has primary jurisdiction over NCLB reauthorization efforts.

The forum will provide an opportunity for school teach-

ers, faculty, and administrators to learn more about NCLB reauthorization discussions before participating in a question and answer session with their Representatives.

For directions or further information, please contact Dingell's office in Dearborn at (313) 278-2936.

## Music Together classes

Harmony and Me presents Music Together Classes this fall in Canton. Music and movement mixed-age classes for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and the adults who love them.

Fall session classes available Sept. 15 - Nov. 17. Saturday morning classes now added for fall. Open registration runs through Sept. 5. Register on-line at [www.HarmonyAndMeKids.com](http://www.HarmonyAndMeKids.com), or call (248) 489-9330.

## 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) 973-1145.

## Car wash benefits veterans

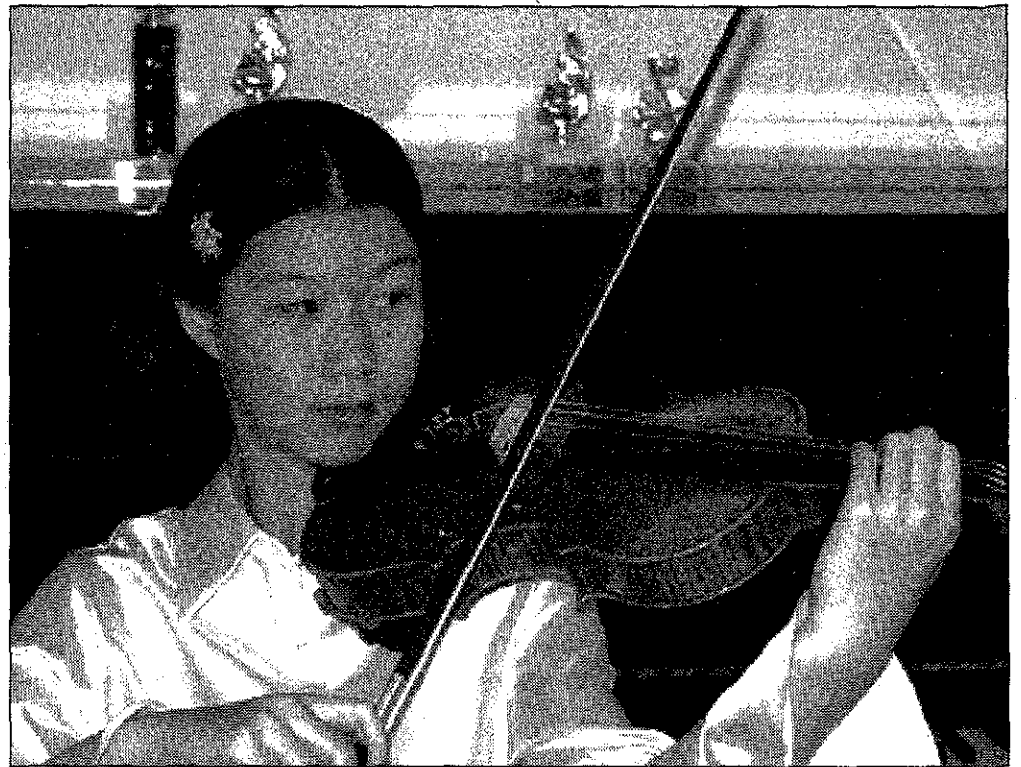
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 528 Plymouth/Canton will be at Lighthouse Car Wash, 41869 Ford Road in Canton, on Sunday, Aug. 26 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Members of Chapter 528 will be there to wash and dry off your cars. The money raised goes to help all veterans.

## Corn Maze help

The folks at Maybury Farm in Northville need volunteers for the Maybury Farm Corn Maze, which begins Friday, Sept. 21 and runs through Oct. 30. Volunteers are needed on Fridays from 4:30-9 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays (first shift) 12:15-5 p.m. or (second shift) 4:30-9 p.m. Volunteers do not have to work every weekend.

Drivers are also needed who can drive the wagons with either a tractor or team of horses.

To volunteer or for more information, call Shari Peters, president of the Northville Community Foundation, (248) 374-0200.



## Help an aspiring musician

Amy Sun, a Canton resident and eighth grader at East Middle School, has been chosen out of 1,600 campers to play violin in the Blue Lake International Youth Symphony Orchestra. She has played the violin for seven years, and is the concertmaster of the DSO Civic Philharmonic Orchestra and the Plymouth Canton Community School's orchestra. Amy wishes to play the violin professionally in the future. The Blue Lake International Youth Symphony Orchestra is composed of the top high school musicians from around the country, and the orchestra tours the Midwest United States and Europe, where musicians stay with host families while performing in historic concert halls. However, the cost of the program is more than \$5,000 per student. Amy Sun has already raised funds from baby-sitting and tutoring small children, but she needs additional help. To make a donation on her account, contact Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp at (800) 221-3796.

## Mom to mom sale

Tri-City Christian Center in Canton is having their Fall Mom to Mom Sale on Saturday, Sept. 8, from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Table rentals are sold to capacity with more than 75 moms selling their kids' clothes, toys, baby equipment, etc. There is a \$1 admission fee.

Tri-City is located at 3855 Sheldon Road in Canton, just north of Michigan Avenue.

## Summit shutdown

The Summit on the Park community center will be closed for annual maintenance from 3 p.m. on Aug. 30 to 5:30 a.m., Sept. 4.

For more information, call Canton Leisure Services at (734) 394-5460.

## School supply drive

The Plymouth Salvation Army is collecting school supplies to provide to needy families in its Plymouth-Canton-Northville-Belleville service area.

All types of school supplies are needed; however, Salvation Army officials are especially hoping to collect backpacks.

For more information, call (734) 453-5464.

## Art exhibition

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is hosting the artwork of Ron Depentu

of Canton through Sept. 2. The exhibition is a result of involvements ranging from near photographic like images to nonobjective expression. Throughout the years, Depentu was constantly involved with the investigation and utilization of appearance of depth and motion on a two dimensional surface that gradually progressed to the actual penetration, raising, bending, and building up of material. His works are in private collections in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Florida, California, and Washington.

The show is free and open to the public Monday - Friday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 7-9 p.m. and Sunday from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

For more information about activities at the Village Theater visit [www.canton-mi.org/village-theater](http://www.canton-mi.org/village-theater) or call (734) 394-5300.

## 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). You don't need to be "new" to Canton to attend the meeting or to become a member.

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](http://cantonnewcomers.org).

## Preschool openings

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## Vigil aims to convince U.S. to end Iraq war

Local members of the liberal political action committee MoveOn.org will hold a candlelight vigil to call on Congress to vote to end the war in September. The local group hopes the vigil, set for 7 p.m. Tuesday in downtown Plymouth's Kellogg Park, will convince U.S. Rep. Thaddeus

McCotter, (R-Livonia), to vote to end the war.

"It's time for the Bush Administration to stop looking through rose-colored glasses and realize that the surge has been a total failure," said Bob Mosher, local MoveOn member. "Rep. McCotter must 'Stand Up in September' and vote to

end this religious civil war that can't be won." Participants in the vigil will read from a "War Toll Calendar" to honor and remember the soldiers that have died in the past year in the war in Iraq.

Vigils like this one are part of national Take A Stand Day, a coordinated day of action to end the war initiated by the

Americans Against Escalation in Iraq coalition, including MoveOn.org Political Action, VoteVets.org, the Service Employees International Union, True Majority and others, Mosher said.

A similar vigil a few weeks ago in Kellogg Park drew a sparse crowd.

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# Back in style

Canton couple opens new salon with focus on customers

BY BRAD KADRICH  
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Dawn Connors had already worked with Jacinda Burdziak at four other hair salons, so when her long-time friend told her she was opening her own salon in downtown Plymouth, joining her wasn't a difficult decision.

And now she's glad she did, because Burdziak's new venture, Vanity Salon, appears to be gaining momentum.

"It's absolutely outstanding, because it's all about the customer," said Connors.

"(Burdziak) is very successful in the salon industry, she runs a very professional salon, and what I like about her as a businesswoman is what goes for one goes for all. She doesn't have special rules for special people."

It's a rule Burdziak is applying at Vanity, her second salon venture (she also is a former owner of Plymouth's Salon Trio). She and husband John opened Vanity last month, after John - a builder by trade - got it built out from a design they did together.

It's a return to entrepreneurship for Jacinda, who sold her interest in Salon Trio after she and John married in 2001. The couple wanted to focus on starting a family and sold Trio "to free up our time and focus on that," according to John.

Now, with daughter Ava now 4 and daughter Lola is 1, the Burdziaks decided it was time to get back in.

"It took some convincing on my part," said John, who is the son of former Canton Township Trustee John Burdziak.

The one caveat the couple, who live in Canton, decided early on was they'd own their own building, not seek a place to rent. They wanted somewhere with great parking that would draw heavy foot traffic, and found just such a building in the 3,000-square-foot space on Penniman.

In addition to the great location, building ownership also helps the couple secure some financial stability for the burgeoning family.

"We were only interested in owning the building," John said. "It was in keeping with our life change and our family ... we did it for them. The intent was for the future of our daughters. That's really important to us."

Once that was settled, Jacinda began gathering her staff, which now numbers more than 30. In addition to more than two dozen stylists, she brought in two nail technicians, a barber to handle men's hair and an aesthetician specializing in skin care, facials and body waxing.

Jacinda, who celebrates 20 years in the industry in October, has worked with nearly all of



The two-floor, 3,000-square-foot Vanity Salon opened last month on Penniman, across from the post office.

them at some point.

"I think I'm a good businesswoman, especially in terms of customer service," Jacinda said. "I make an effort to make sure everyone's fairly treated. Nothing's about me, it's all about (the stylists)."

The salon is designed with all of that in mind. It's an airy two floors, with 17 styling/color chairs. In addition to shopping locally when possible, the Burdziaks brought in a lot of fixtures from Italy. The salon is painted with warm, natural textures.

None of the stylists are on staff; all of them are independent contractors. Jacinda takes a rental fee, and the stylists earn their own money.

"My whole goal, my vision, was an upscale, independent contractor salon focused on customer service," Jacinda said. "Everyone loves the spaciousness the salon offers. The energy is very positive. It's definitely a good vibe."

She'll keep the staff well-educated with in-salon seminars and workshops, keeping up with what she said are ever-changing trends in the industry.

"Education is important; it keeps you current and motivated," Jacinda said. "Fashion changes by the season, and you have to keep up with the trends. This industry changes so much, if you don't, you can get stagnant."

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John and Jacinda Burdziak designed their new venture, Vanity Salon, together, and John did the building.

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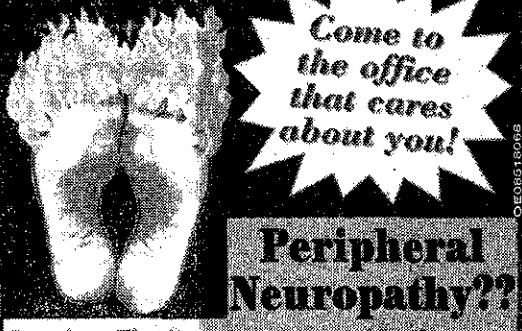
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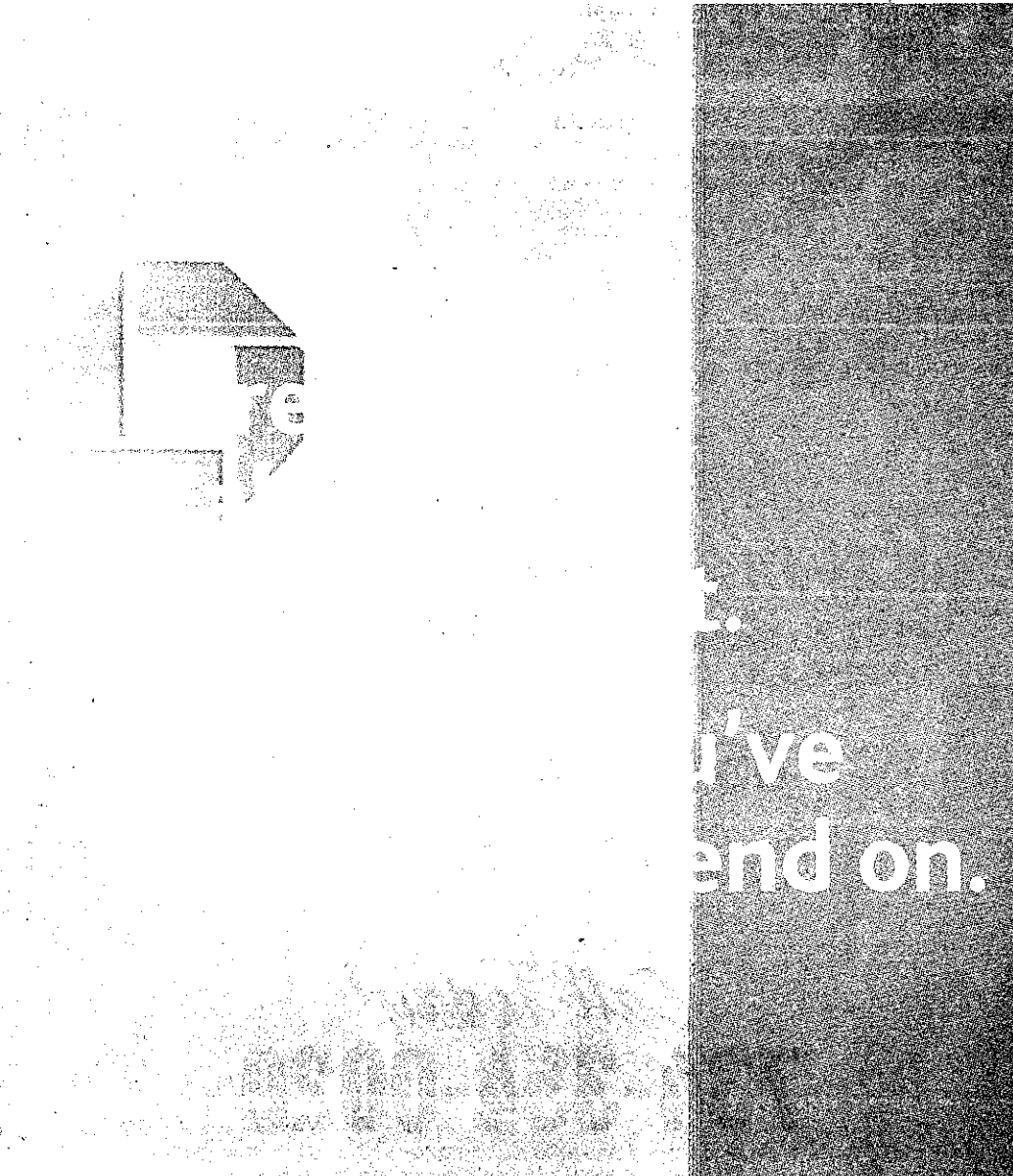
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# Residents raise concerns about Lilley Road project

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS  
STAFF WRITER

Everything was going fine until Katherine Gothard saw her swimming pool in a picture.

"It was almost like a fluke," she said. "I said, 'Whoa, hello, wait a minute.'"

Gothard, 47, has lived in her Hanford Road home since 1989 and felt compelled to attend a recent meeting to learn about the township's plans to reconstruct a section of Lilley Road.

The project, which is scheduled to begin Monday, will cover a mile-long stretch of Lilley from Ford to Warren. In addition to widening the road, enclosing a storm sewer system and replacing the existing bridge over Willow Creek, creating right-turn lanes on the northeast and southwest corners of Lilley and Hanford could be tacked onto the construction.

The intersection was previously named one of 34 that the township needed to improve within 10 years by Canton's intersection action committee.

"Since we are doing work in the

area, it moved up the list," said Township Engineer Todd J. Zilincik, who added that talks of altering the intersection are premature. "Nothing is set in stone," he said.

The \$1.9 million Lilley Road project is slated to wrap up in mid-November and is designed to lessen traffic congestion, improve the safety of making left turns, fill in sidewalk gaps and improve drainage. More than 15,000 vehicles travel the road every day, but it will only be open to local traffic during construction.

The state will pay 80 percent of the project's cost while Wayne County will kick in the remaining 20 percent. Zilincik said the township will cover \$40,000 for the sidewalk additions.

Candice Clifton, 29, moved across the street from Gothard four years ago and said her suspicions were raised when she noticed a surveyor outside her home last month.

"I asked what was going on and he told me that he didn't know," she said, adding that her husband later called township offices to inquire about the situation. "They said the work had absolutely nothing to do

with Hanford and we breathed a sigh of relief."

Gothard, who raised her concerns at the meeting, said she felt ambushed when she saw an aerial photograph of the area that featured the right-turn lanes on Hanford.

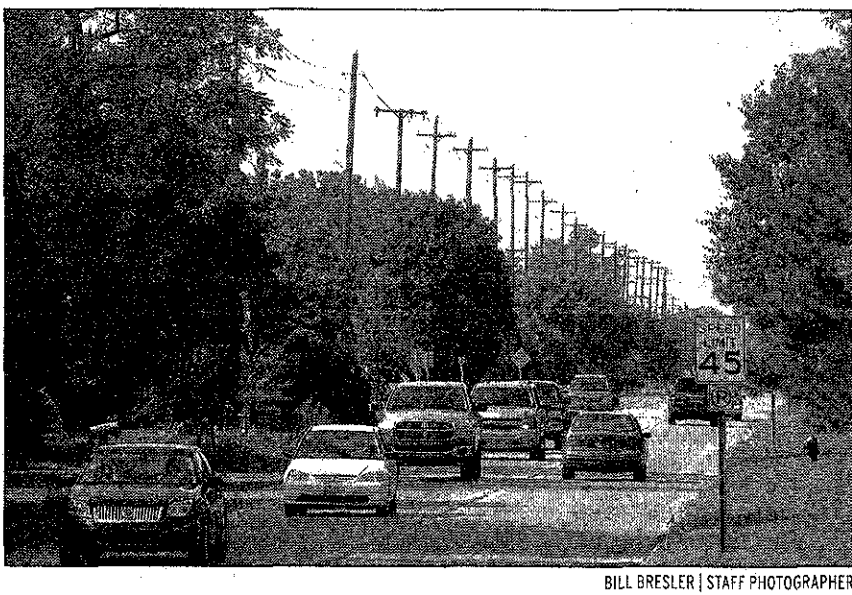
"When were they planning on telling us," she asked angrily.

Hanford Road resident Billie Wright-Ericson received a notice about the informational meeting, but decided to forego it since she had no major concerns about the project. She was unaware of potential plans to improve the Lilley/Hanford intersection.

"I wish we would have been told," she said.

Wright-Ericson lives in the first home off of the southwest corner of the intersection and stands to lose the tree that her twin daughters play under. The 3-year-old girls are disabled and mainly play in the front yard because one of them can't maneuver her wheeled walker in the family's backyard.

"I will not feel comfortable having them out there if cars can get that close to them," she said.



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The reconstruction of Lilley Road from Ford Road north to Warren Road will start Monday.

If the intersection project does move forward, Zilincik said officials will meet with the affected homeowners to get their feedback and opinions.

"It seems like (Gothard) is trying to stop this before it gets out of the gate," he said.

If the talks go smoothly, there's no guarantee the work could happen within the Lilley Road construction time frame, he said.

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cafeteria floor. West Middle School, as well as Farrand and Fiegel elementaries, are getting improvements to parking lots, as well as separate bus drop-off and parent pick-up loops.

A big challenge for Jacobs has been Mother Nature.

With all the recent rain, getting asphalt in the parking lots has been delayed.

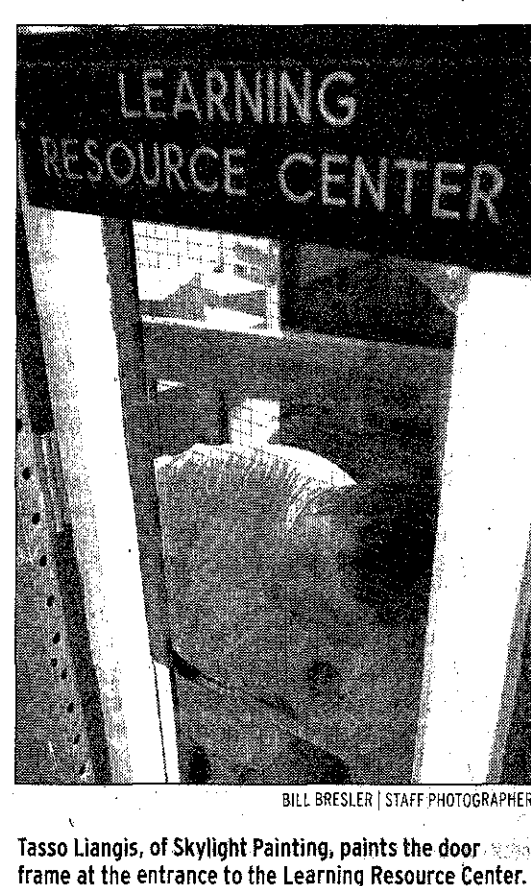
"We're fortunate to have all our sites ready for asphalt," Jacobs said. "We hope to have it down on Monday and Tuesday."

This is the third year of the district's five-year renovation plan, which is funded by the 2004 bond revenues.

Board of Education trustees have heard the complaint by some district residents the renovations are using funds that could be used pay for educational programs in the classroom.

"The money that our community so graciously approved in the past to improve our schools can't be used, by state law, to operate our schools," said Trustee Steven Sneiderman. "We can pass bonds to improve the buildings, but not for such things as busing, teacher's salaries or buying educational materials."

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Tasso Liangis, of Skylight Painting, paints the door frame at the entrance to the Learning Resource Center.

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*If your child has complained of neck, back or shoulder pain, an overweight backpack may be a contributing factor.*



The United States Consumer Product Safety Commission reports that backpack-related injuries resulted in over 6,500 injuries in 2000 alone.

Most backpack injuries are caused by excessive weight distributed unevenly on the back and shoulder. A recent study in Italy found that the average child carries a backpack that would be the equivalent of a 39-pound burden for a 176-pound man or a 29-pound burden for a 132-pound woman. Of those children carrying heavy backpacks to school, 60 percent had experienced back pain as a result. A good indicator of an overweight backpack is to look at your child's posture. If he or she leans or bends forward, the backpack is most likely too heavy. Backpack weight should be no more than 5 to 10 percent of the child's weight. You can calculate the recommended weight simply by taking your child's weight and dividing it by 10.

The American Chiropractic Association (ACA) offers the following suggestions to help in the prevention of backpack related pain:



- Buy a smaller backpack. This way, your child will only carry the necessities
- Distribute the contents evenly. The heaviest items should be close to the body. These items should also be flat to prevent poking or rubbing the back.
- Talk to teachers about sending handouts and workbooks home instead of textbooks.
- Talk to your child about the risks of back and neck strain. Teach them to lift heavy objects properly. Bend at the knees and not with the back.

A second common backpack related pain is associated with the misuse of the shoulder straps. As many as one third of backpack users in the 8 to 12 year old range don't carry their backpacks properly. The majority of children

wear their backpacks slung over one shoulder putting all the weight on one side of the body.

When it comes to straps, parents should remember these tips from the ACA:

- Make sure the straps and back are padded. Unpadded straps can be irritating to the shoulder
- Make sure your child uses both shoulder straps. This distributes the weight evenly and can help in preventing misalignment of the spine and muscle fatigue.
- Use backpacks that have a strap around the hips. This helps with weight distribution.
- Adjust the straps to fit your child. The backpack should be no more than two to four inches below the waist.

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# Paying off a mortgage depends on how much cash is needed

A couple years ago I bought a new house and I made the mistake of getting an adjustable rate mortgage. The rate has increased substantially and I am now paying over 7½ percent. I owe a little over a \$100,000 on my mortgage. I am retired and I have an annuity coming due that I can cash out without penalty and pay the mortgage off. My broker, who originally arranged for the adjustable rate mortgage and sold me the annuity, wants me to refinance the mortgage and then to transfer the old annuity into a new variable annuity. My Social Security and pension covers my living expenses, however, I will need some additional money on a monthly basis if I choose to refinance. I have no other deduction other than my mortgage. Which way do you think I should go?



Money Matters

Rick Bloom

Cash out your annuity, pay the taxes and use the proceeds to pay off your mortgage. This will solve your cash flow problem and allow you to begin saving money on a regular basis. Since you are not in the position of needing

income, the monthly savings can be invested in a growth product to provide you with income.

Many people make the decision to keep a mortgage because of the tax write-offs. Even though taxes are important, they are not the most important item. The most important item is how it affects your individual balance sheet.

In your situation, paying off the mortgage allows you to increase your net worth which is exactly what you want to achieve. In fact, by paying off the mortgage it may have no impact on your tax situation. After all, many people who are retired find that if they did not have mortgage they would be entitled to take the standard deduction which offsets any loss of the interest deduction.

The key question of whether you pay off your mortgage or not deals with your cash flow. If you have enough money coming from Social Security and pensions to cover your living expenses, then having a mortgage may make sense. If you are in a situation where you need income from your investments to cover living expenses, then paying off a mortgage is probably the way to go.

My reasoning is that when you look at what income investments are paying versus the cost of money, generally, you would be borrowing money at a higher rate than the income you

would get by investing.

**About 10 or 15 years ago, my husband and I did a Living Will along with a Living Trust. Nothing has changed in our family situation. Do we need to do anything?**

You need to make sure your estate plan is up to date.

It is important to remember you do estate planning not to avoid probate or to save on taxes, which good estate planning accomplishes. The real reason is simply because you love your family. The goal is to make things as easy as possible on your loved ones.

Throughout our lives we try to protect our loved ones, we should do the same upon our death.

I recommend a Medical Durable Power of Attorney. A Living Will basically is a statement that says if you do not have a quality of life, you do not want to be around. The problem with this document is it does not define quality of life and it does not appoint someone to make that determination.

A Medical Durable Power of Attorney includes the information in a Living Will but goes further to name an individual who will make the determination about quality of life.

It is important for everyone to have a current

Medical Durable Power of Attorney as even rules regarding those documents have changed over the last few years.

The Living Trust that was drafted 10 to 15 years ago may or may not need any changes made. Each Living Trust stands on its own and without reading the document it is impossible to tell whether an amendment is required. Every two to three years you should sit down with an estate planning attorney to make sure the document is up to date and meets your needs.

As for the Medical Durable Power of Attorney, you do not have to see an attorney to draft this document. Michigan offers a free fill-in-the-blank form known as the Michigan Patient Advocate Form. It is available in many locations including public libraries.

Like everything else in our lives, change is constant and it applies to estate planning. If you haven't done any estate planning it's about time.

**Rick Bloom** is a fee-only financial adviser. Observer & Eccentric readers can submit questions at [money matters@hometownlife.com](mailto:money matters@hometownlife.com). For more information, visit Rick's Web site at [www.bloomassetmanagement.com](http://www.bloomassetmanagement.com). You can hear Rick on noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK 1400 AM.

## Butterfly Benefit boosts lung health

The American Lung Association of Michigan (ALAM) will hold its black tie fund-raiser, The Butterfly Ball, 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 3, at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center. Proceeds from the event will go for lung health research, education and advocacy.

The event will pay tribute to the General Motors Corp. for its development of FlexFuel vehicles, to community leader and philanthropist Sue Nine of Bloomfield Hills and to TV and

radio personality Charles Pugh of Detroit. GM, Nine and Pugh will be honored for helping to advance the mission of ALAM: promoting lung health and preventing lung disease.

The evening will be highlighted by music from Rhythm Society and include a cocktail reception, dinner, dancing and a live auction, featuring trips, dinners and a variety of experiences. Barbara L. Whittaker chairs The Butterfly Ball committee.

The ball is part of the asso-

ciation's yearlong, 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-smoking-associated lung cancer is higher among women than men, and second-hand smoke has been established as a major cause.

The public is invited. Tickets are \$250 per person, and sponsorships are available. For tickets and information, contact Jessica Jimenez, development specialist, (248) 784-2018 or [jjimenez@alam.org](mailto:jjimenez@alam.org).

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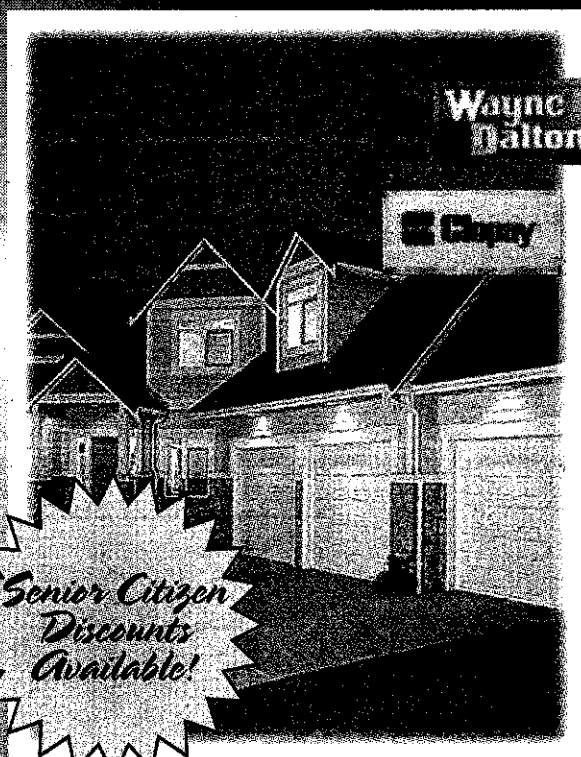
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# Woman ticketed after son disturbs peace

Police ticketed a Canton woman after her neighbor complained that she allowed her teenage son to disturb the peace.

On Tuesday, the complex manager at Carriage Cove Apartments flagged down an officer that was there on another complaint and said that one of her residents had complained about a neighbor.

The woman, 49, said she lives above another woman, 41, who wouldn't open her front door after her son, 13, began banging on it and yelling. The woman reported that she was woken out of her sleep by the noise and that this wasn't the first time the teen had been locked outside his mother's apartment.

When police questioned the boy's mother, she said the teen had been at a friend's house since the day before and hadn't been knocking on her door. The complex manager told the officer she saw the teen exiting the unit that day.

When the boy was called home, he confirmed his mother's story and said he had been with a friend.

The woman is scheduled to appear in court on Sept. 4.

**Woman victim of identity theft**

A 54-year-old Canton woman reported Wednesday that someone had opened a Citibank account in her name and had bought \$3,000 worth of items at Sears with the card.

The woman, who told police that she didn't give anyone permission to do this, said Citibank dissolved the charges and will help her work with credit bureau agencies.

There are no suspects.

## Ex-husband ordered to stay away

The ex-husband of a Canton woman was warned to stay away from his ex-wife's house after she reported Monday that he stole a canoe from her garage.

The woman, 37, said she recently noticed the item was missing but believes he took it in early July. She told police that her ex knows that she keeps the back door to her garage unlocked and had their 15-year-old daughter call and ask whether he had taken the canoe.

She said she doesn't want

the canoe and doesn't want to press charges, she just wants him to stay away from her home.

When police called the man, 38, he said that he had been trying to contact his ex-wife about the canoe, which is his, but that he hadn't heard back from her.

He also said the canoe was outside, not inside, the garage. The man went on to tell police that the only reason his ex-wife was upset was because of a dispute surrounding their oldest son.

## Man finds stolen bike

A Canton man waited a few hours to hear from someone before he reported a found bicycle that had been left at his home.

The man, 31, lives on the

140 block of Robyn and said his mother-in-law spotted a red, BMX-style bike near the side of their home Tuesday afternoon.

He then brought the bike to the front of their property and waited for someone to come get it.

After a couple hours passed, the man took the bike, which has been valued at \$200, to the police station. Officers ran the item through the system but it had not been reported stolen.

## Teen busted for violating curfew

A while back, a Canton officer warned a 16-year-old girl about breaking the township's curfew rule. When he caught up with the same teen on

Wednesday, she didn't get off so easily.

At around 1 a.m., the officer was called to the area of Beechwood and Beechwood Court for possible drug activity when he found the teen driving around with a passenger.

When he stopped the girl and asked to see her identification, she replied that she only had a pay stub on her, but gave her name.

The officer reported that he remembered stopping the teen before for violating Canton's curfew, but had only given her a warning and released her to her mother. This time, the girl's mother was called in to come get her and the teen was ticketed and is expected to appear in court.

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## POOLE

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to police.

During her testimony Friday, Poole's voice quivered and cracked at moments and she told the court that she was nervous.

Allison's paternal grandfather, Kenneth Newman, sighed sarcastically when Poole said she was suicidal after the toddler's death.

"I didn't want to live my life without her," Poole said.

Newman's wife, Debbie, wiped away tears when Poole began to talk about Allison's injuries.

"She's trying to cover her guilt," she said. "This is all a big act."

When Satawa asked why she signed and initialed a form waiving her Miranda rights, Poole answered, "because they told me to."

Under cross examination, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Jerry Dorsey IV attempted to refute Poole's claim that she felt threatened by the police by saying she had been allowed to use her cell phone while in the back of a police cruiser and that she had been free to go home that night.

Poole said she offered multiple stories to police because she wanted to end the questioning as soon as possible.

"I wasn't thinking," she said. "I wanted to get out of that room."

Poole offered four stories for Allison's injuries including that she had bumped her head in bed, fell from a vanity and fell in a bathtub. The last story she told, which she says is the truth, is that she and Allison were playing "whirlybird" when the child accidentally flew over a second-story balcony.

Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Ulysses W. Boykin will hear arguments from Satawa and Dorsey regarding the police statements on Sept. 21.

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"Most Detroiters are unaware of the extensive Ohio canal boat system, which operated within 60 miles of here from the 1830s until the early 20th Century," said Bluewater Chapter Trip Chairman Jim Bradford.

The Canal Boats and Railroads Tour departs from The Henry Ford Centennial Library at 16301 Michigan Avenue in Dearborn by deluxe motor coach at 9 a.m. for Waterville, Ohio, southwest of Toledo. The Toledo Area MetroParks have restored locks and a section of the 1830s Miami & Erie Canal, which ran from Toledo, Ohio on Lake Erie to Cincinnati on the Ohio River.

Trip highlights include a leisurely one-hour trip up the canal on The Volunteer, an 1830s mule-drawn canal boat replica. Featured are stops at the Isaac Ludwig Mill operating saw and grist mill, an opportunity to shop in the General Store offering collectibles and gifts, a view of the large 19th Century Lock



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The tour then heads to Smitty's for a late 2 p.m. lunch. After lunch, there's a short jaunt to the Nickel Plate Road railroad depot in Waterville for a 90-minute train ride on the Toledo, Lake Erie & Western

Railway's Bluebird passenger train pulled by an 1950s Alco diesel locomotive.

Tickets are \$85.00 per person and must be ordered in advance.

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## Writers group holds songwriters seminar

The Detroit Writer's Guild Songwriters Seminar will be 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at the second floor ballroom of the Student Center, Wayne State University.

The seminar for aspiring songwriters will include converting poetry to songs, melodies, rhythms, copyrights, songwriter's contracts, publishing, sampled music and music loops, collaborating, and other legal matters. Learn from professionals in the business such as Eric Morgeson (Studio A), Melvin Moy (Masterpiece Studios) Joel Howton (Musician / Arranger), Stephanie Hammonds

(Entertainment Attorney) and Howard Hertz (Entertainment Attorney).

All music genres addressed. Admission is a \$25 donation (\$15 for students). To register, send Name, Address, Telephone and email with your check or money order payable to the Detroit Writers Guild to: DWG Songwriters Seminar, 18600 Conant Avenue, Detroit, MI 48234.

For more info: visit [www.detroitwritersguild.com](http://www.detroitwritersguild.com) or call Sharon Floyd, 313-862-9453. The Writer's Guild is a non-profit organization.

## Ask about fire safety on your child's college campus

When you start packing your children up for college, consider their fire safety while they are away from home. The 2006-07 academic year was the most fatal one on record, as compiled by Campus



Tom Kiurski

Firewatch, a group dedicated to making colleges and universities across America fire safe.

There have been 20 campus-related fire deaths in the past academic year, and the total of campus-related fire fatalities since January 2000 until present is an astounding 113. These are young men and women who died while away to prepare for their future.

Ask college representatives how many fires have occurred in the past year, and find out if the residence halls are equipped with automatic fire sprinkler systems. There has been nothing more effective in saving lives from fire by having a working automatic fire sprinkler system. Unlike the movies, only the sprinkler head(s) closest to the fire will activate. This will usually control or contain the fire until the fire

department arrives.

Another lifesaving device that is necessary is a smoke alarm. Hopefully your child's college has a fire alarm system. If they do not, purchase a battery-operated smoke alarm for their room. They are simple to mount (or keep on top of a dresser), and easy to maintain. You may need to give your child a call to remind them to change the batteries at least once a year. By having working smoke alarms, the chances that you will die in a fire decrease by half. Make sure you have

working smoke alarms in your home, and test them regularly.

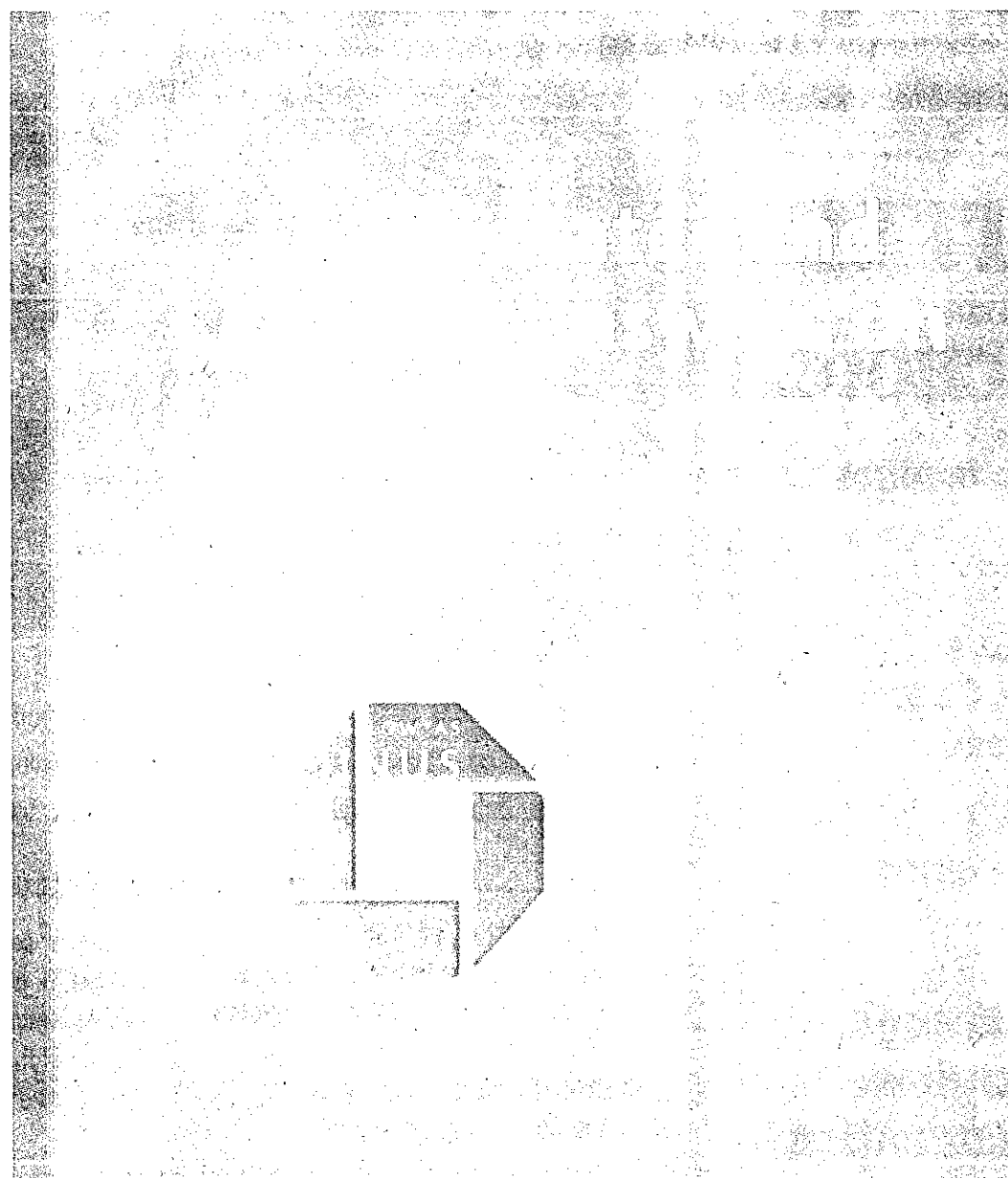
Find out if candles and Halogen lamps are prohibited in the dorm rooms. If they are not, they should be. If they are not prohibited, let your child know how dangerous these items can be. Unattended candles can easily find combustibles in small dorm rooms and Halogen lamps have bulbs that operate at temperatures over 1,000 Degrees Fahrenheit.

Go over the fire alarm procedure with your child before leaving them on their own.

Find the stairs out of the building, and practice using them. Find out where the fire extinguishers are located and make sure your child knows how to use them. Locate the fire alarm system and review how to use the alarm system, as well.

Your child may be leaving home for an extended period while away at college. If you have not discussed the items outlined above, take a few minutes to do so

Tom Kiurski is a Livonia firefighter.



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The Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan partners with the Detroit Zoo and AM 580 Motorcity Favorites to offer day of fun Wednesday, Sept. 5, when seniors age 62 and older, and one caregiver, are able to receive free admission and parking to the Detroit Zoo from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit the VNA of Southeast Michigan booth in the community resource area. Receive free blood pressure checks and pick up a complimentary Consumer's Guide to Home Health Care. For more information, call (800) 882-5720 or visit www.vna.org

Road rally

A Road Rally to benefit Steppin' Out/AIDS Walk Detroit is planned for Friday, Sept. 14. This task-oriented, timed "treasure hunt" will begin at 7:30 p.m. from the parking lot of the Royal Oak Farmer's Market. Participants may enter as individuals

or as a group, a \$5 donation per person is suggested. Prior registration required. For more information, call (586) 212-1348, or e-mail carrscompadres@yahoo.com

Suicide Loss Support Group

New Hope Center for Grief Support is offering an ongoing support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide. This monthly group meets 7-9 p.m. on the second Thursday and fourth Monday of each month at the First United Methodist Church in Northville located at 777 W. Eight Mile Road. No registration is necessary for this monthly drop-in support group. For further information about this group or about the many other free, age and loss specific groups offered for children, teens, and adults, please call New Hope Center for Grief Support at 248-348-0115 and visit us at www.newhopecenter.net

Charity golf

The Fourth Annual Hope Charity Golf Classic will be held at Travis Pointe Country Club Sept. 17. The event is open to the public and will include lunch, golf, a cocktail hour, dinner, and live auction. Proceeds will benefit Hope Clinic, an interdenominational Christian non-profit organization located in Ypsilanti, was founded in 1982 to provide free medical care to

the uninsured. All donations are tax deductible. Non-golfers who wish to take part have the option to attend only the evening events. To sign up or for more information contact Melissa Burkhart at (734) 484-2989 or e-mail mburkhart@thehopeclinic.org

Ballet auditions

The Ann Arbor Civic Ballet holds open auditions 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 20 at Sylvia Studio of Dance, 3900 Jackson Road, Suite 6, in Ann Arbor. Experienced male and female dancers 12 years of age and older are invited to audition. Women should bring pointe shoes. Call (734) 668-8066 or visit www.annarbortciviballet.com for more information.

Gardeners meet

The Gardeners of Northville & Novi meets the second Tuesday of the month September through May at 6:30 p.m. Locations rotate between Novi Civic Center and the Northville Library. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call (248) 231-2334 or visit our Web site www.gardeners-northville-novi.org

Beating stress

Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, a holistic physician and clinical nutritionist, presents "Beat Stress - Be Happy," a workshop designed to reduce stress, 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 4, at the Civic Center

Library, 32777 Five Mile in Livonia. Learn what you can do to help increase your ability to handle stress through diet, nutrition, exercise, and lifestyle changes. No charge for this class. Limited seating, reservation required. Phone (734) 756-6904 to make a reservation.

The Ann Arbor Art Center ART FACTORY announces 2nd Annual pottery sale

The Ann Arbor Art Center Art Factory at 220 Felch presents the second-annual pottery sale 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sept. 8-9. Organized and hosted by volunteers, students and instructors, the two-day event is an opportunity to purchase both decorative and functional ceramics made by over two dozen local artists. A portion of the proceeds go to support the education programs and of the Ann Arbor Art Center. Participating artists include Patty Nowak, Ivy Tso, Kat Moore, Terrie Faber, Randy Torno, Sue Wedemeyer, Tom Birchard, Laura Korch, Daria Kim, Carole Tomsik, Jane Purcell, Carol Repasky, Charlene Harris, Mike Dolan, Meghan McNally, Sarah Webb, Robin Jackson, and Kathy Pustell. Art Center instructor artist, I.B. Remsen will be doing the firing at two Raku workshops which will also be held at the Felch location from 4:30-7 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. For more information, contact Astrid Reed at (734) 994-8004, Ext. 114, explore www.annarborart-center.org, or visit the Ann Arbor Art Center at 117 W. Liberty in downtown Ann Arbor.

Fall Harvest Festival

Plans for the Grass Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce's Fall Harvest Festival, which takes place Sept. 15, in this quiet farming community are progressing. Artists, crafters, and businesses will line the village main street, while five farms will be open for tours from the Jackson County Family Farm Fest event. The Michigan's Center for the Photographic Arts Fall Focus Festival will feature the photographic art of 800 children from the area, as well as hayrides, fresh cider and donuts, and horse and buggy rides through the village. Quality live musical entertainment, including the "The Shyguys," winners of the Grass Lake Third Annual Battle of the Bands, will play during the entire event in the gazebo/depot park area, and food vendors will be available at the site throughout the day. For more information on this event, visit www.dalefisherphoto.

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Health class

Dr. Carol Ann Fischer, a holistic physician and clinical nutritionist, presents "Is It Really Your Thyroid?" 6-8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 17, at the Alfred Noble Library, 32901 Plymouth Road in Livonia. Learn the thyroid's link to heart health, digestive issues, emotional stress and more. There is help the natural way. Help your body get back on track with safe, natural, effective alternatives. No charge for this class. Limited seating, reservation required. Phone (734) 756-6904 to make a reservation.

Mercy scholarships

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

Travel clinics

When traveling to a foreign country, a vaccination and travel consultation could be just as important as a passport. From diseases you may have already heard of such as hepatitis, to the more exotic illnesses like Japanese encephalitis, Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's TravelWise Travel Clinic can provide the vaccinations and information you need to consider. This new service, from VNA provides inoculations for many common diseases including influenza, pneumonia, meningitis, tetanus and diphtheria, in addition to vaccinations specific to your travel destinations such as hepatitis A and B and typhoid. Additionally, VNA is a certified provider of the yellow fever vaccine. In order to prepare for VNA's travel consultation, individuals should bring their anticipated travel dates, itinerary and lodging plans. Past immunization records and a list of allergies and current medications will also help. For appointments, cost, on-site clinics and general information, contact the

VNA TravelWise Travel Clinic at (248) 967-8755 or visit www.vna.org.

Heartland Hospice

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

Register for St. Genevieve School

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

Card party/luncheon


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

Hospice training

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

Literacy Council tutors

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



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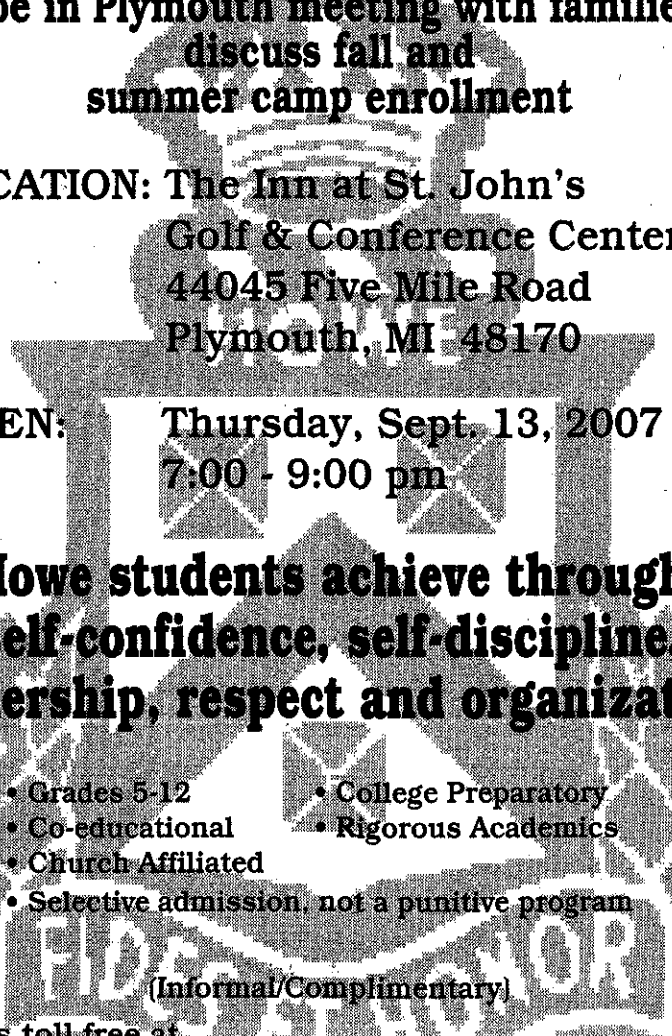
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Debra Bonde, founder and executive director of Seedlings Braille Books for Children in Livonia, is a finalist for the "Stand On A Better World" award from Mannington Mills, a leading manufacturer of fine flooring.

Mannington Mills has recognized Bonde for her work in furthering the non-profit mission of increasing braille literacy by making braille books for blind children, locally and around the world.

Mannington Mills celebrates women across the U.S. who are

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For the first time, Mannington Mills has added an additional award category,

Better Your World, which allows an opportunity for the public to cast a vote online for one of the finalists from Aug. 15 through Sept. 7. The winner of the Better Your World Award will receive \$10,000.

Visit the Mannington Mills award web site at [www.standonabetterworld.com/vote/](http://www.standonabetterworld.com/vote/) to read about Debra Bonde and the other women making a difference. Through this program, Mannington Mills hopes these stories will raise awareness and encourage others to make a difference.



Debra Bonde

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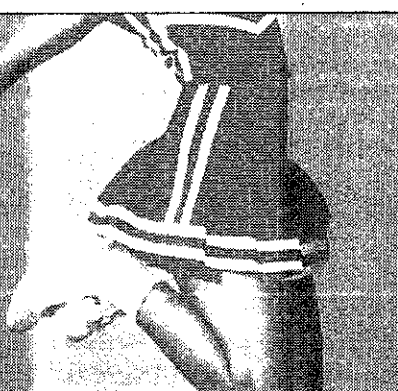
The event helps fund student scholarships at Schoolcraft College. Since its inception in

1991, Culinary Extravaganza has raised more than \$1.5 million to support Schoolcraft students.

More than 50 restaurants, pastry shops and beverage vendors will offer samples at this year's Culinary Extravaganza. Other activities include a wine tasting seminar, a silent auction and tours of the college's culinary kitchens.

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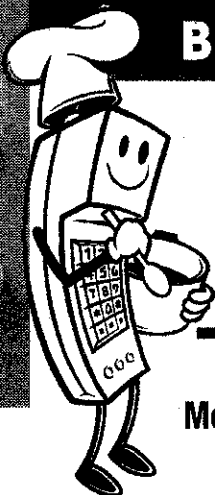
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# Suspect nabbed in Internet sex sting

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

A Plymouth Township man was arraigned in 31st District Court in Hamtramck Friday morning after being charged with sending sexually explicit images of himself over the Internet to an undercover Wayne County Sheriff's deputy posing as a 13-year-old girl.



Debrincat

Judge Paul Paruk set bond at \$10,000. Debrincat's preliminary examination is scheduled for Aug. 30.

Wayne County Sheriff

charged with two four-year felony counts of illegal use of the Internet and two misdemeanor counts of distributing obscene material to a minor.

Warren Evans said when Debrincat, who is single, began communicating with the undercover deputy in June, the online chat room conversation almost immediately became sexually suggestive, before turning more graphic.

Evans said Debrincat used a Web camera to expose his genitals to the undercover officer, despite the fact the "girl" said her grandmother was nearby.

"When he allegedly sent the images, Mr. Debrincat did so believing that the young girl was at home with her grandmother nearby," Evans said. "That just shows how shameless these individuals are and

how eager they are to traumatize our young children for their own pleasure."

According to Evans, when Debrincat again contacted the officer's online profile he sent her images of himself masturbating.

When deputies arrested Debrincat they also seized his home computer, which they will examine for evidence.

"If our officer chatted with him long enough, the suspect likely would have attempted a sexual rendezvous," Evans said. "However, we already had enough evidence to arrest him and we wanted to get him off the street before he had

a chance to victimize a real child."

Debrincat is the 132nd suspected child predator to be arrested by the Sheriff's Internet Crimes Unit in the past three-and-a-half years, with the unit maintaining a 100-percent conviction rate.

"The issue, particularly for me, is that the number of predators is staggering," Evans said.

"The number of solicitations our officers get are in the hundreds per person, and it's only the tip of the iceberg."

Evans said the Internet Crimes Unit consists of only

a handful of officers, which makes it difficult to keep up with the number of online predators.

"In our economy, we can't hire new officers to handle the epidemic, and we need the help of parents and grandparents to police Internet usage in the household, and if they suspect anything suspicious to give us a call," Evans said.

"These aren't just predators who reside locally, it's a nationwide network of people with perversions that drive or fly here to harm our kids."

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## Hacker Golf Scramble tees up for MS

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
STAFF WRITER

A family of duffers faced with a loved one's diagnosis of a debilitating disease of the central nervous system is putting the call out, again, to all golfers to pick up their clubs and play a round for charity. Barring that, they'd at least like people to come out and eat for charity, which is just as good.

The Fifth Annual Hacker Golf Scramble, a benefit golf outing raising money for Multiple Sclerosis outreach and research, is being held again this year starting at 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 9, at Beacon Hill Golf Club, 6011 Majestic Oaks Drive, in Commerce Township.

Scott and Ruth Crichton lived in Redford for 46 years. Years ago, their niece was diagnosed with MS and the family struggled to find some way to help.

"We couldn't really do anything for her personally," Scott Crichton said. "We decided we'd do what we could to raise money to help wipe out the disease. I and a lot of my friends are golfers and an outing was a practical way to raise money and have a good time."

In the four previous years of the fund raiser, the Hacker Scramble has raised more than \$46,000 for MS research. This

year, they're hoping to crack the \$60,000 mark.

"We usually get between 110 and 140 golfers," he said. "The vast majority are golfers but there are some people who just come for the dinner."

Tickets to participate in the scramble are \$100 and dinner-only tickets are \$50. In both cases, \$25 of every ticket goes directly for the cause.

The effort is still looking for corporate sponsors as well as participants. A donation of \$200 will get a company logo or business card on an 11- by 17-inch placard at an individual tee and information about the company in a package of information given to every golfer.

The big sponsorship, the business that will give away large prizes to hole-in-one golfers, so far is Shuman Chrysler Jeep in Walled Lake.

"They're giving away car, a trip and a set of golf clubs," said sponsorship Manager Debbie Huet.

"Last year they were giving away a Chrysler Crossfire."

National MS Society Michigan Chapter vice president for marketing and development Leslie Kota describes events like the Hacker Scramble as third-party events and vital to the work the chapter does.

"The National MS Society

puts on a variety of events like the MS Walks and Bike Tours to raise funds," she said. "Hacker and events like it are third-party: We don't organize them, other people take on the responsibility of organizing them for us. They're absolutely important, every dollar is helpful towards our mission."

Of course, the National MS Society is working to eradicate the disease, but that's not all they do. Kota said there are an estimated 16,000 people living with the disease in Michigan and each person with the disease represents another seven who are impacted.

The Michigan chapter expects to raise more than \$3 million over 2007 and about \$275,000 of that is expected to come from third-party events like the Hacker Scramble.

The National MS Society has a number of programs and services dedicated to helping families and caregivers of MS patients and events like the Hacker Scramble go a long way toward keeping those programs up and running.

Attendance at the event is limited to the first 144 golfers and 56 dinner guests. To participate in the scramble or to merely have dinner, contact the Crichtons at (248) 684-0020 or e-mail at [schricton@comcast.net](mailto:schricton@comcast.net).

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# Shutting down government won't cure the state's ills

Summer doesn't mean the state budget fights are on vacation. Gov. Jennifer Granholm wants tax hikes, the Republicans don't and the House Democrats are caught in the middle. What's going on is a classic case of gridlock, and the buzz around town is that the governor will try to cure legislative logjam with dynamite: a government shutdown.

Shut down the government and blame it on the Republicans? Make those patented Granholm five-hankie speeches? Tow the tame media around for some visuals of closed-down parks — maybe with a sobbing little kid outside a chained-shut gate and then make the speech for higher taxes? Heck, it worked for Clinton against Newt Gingrich, so why not? Actually, there are lots of reasons. A shutdown is a stunt and a very risky gamble. It's unnecessary, irresponsible and dangerous.

It's dangerous because a shutdown throws the state's string-and-duct-taped financial condition into a maelstrom of uncertainty. And folks, Michigan's fiscal state is even more dicey than you think. Michigan can't afford any more explosions, and those billion-plus operating deficits are just the tip of the iceberg.

Let's start with the biggest bomb, the same one that's all but blown up the U.S. automakers: legacy costs. Pensions aren't the real problem, it's "OPEB" or "Other Post-Employment Benefits," basically everything but the pension — mainly health care. The state has been paying OPEB costs on a pay-as-you-go basis, which is like covering the minimum on your credit card.

But a new accounting rule is coming into effect called GASB 45, which will require governments to get actuarially determined figures for their OPEB costs and carry them on the books as liabilities. Michigan's unfunded liability for public employees, including teachers, is estimated by Credit Suisse to be \$22.745 billion.

That \$22.745 billion liability compares to total state government assets of \$30.427 billion. That includes the Mackinac Bridge, state parks, Mackinac Island, the Capitol Building, etc. Even more daunting, the new financial guidelines strongly prefer pre-funding of these liabilities, so Michigan has to start putting money aside for this huge obligation, as well as rethinking whether it can continue to promise these benefits to future employees.

But this won't be so easy. At the same time we have to start putting money aside, we

find ourselves with less money in the bank. A recent publication from the non-partisan Citizens' Research Council, "Michigan's Deteriorating Cash Position," explains it all.

Briefly, "From fiscal year-end 2000 through fiscal year-end 20003, Michigan exhausted over \$2.99 billion in its major funds cash reserves (General, School Aid and Budget Stabilization Funds) to support spending in excess of ongoing revenues. As of fiscal year-end 2006 major cash fund balances were negative \$1.3 billion, a net change of more than \$4.2 billion over six years." In other words, instead of balancing spending to income, we blew through over \$4 billion of cash reserves.

This is dire — and damning. It started under Engler, but accelerated under Granholm. We spent more than we took in and ate up our savings, all to stave off making the hard choices, as well as the day of reckoning. Well, that day isn't here, but it's coming fast. This fiscal fecklessness has left our coffers so bare that even if Michigan wanted to save money by converting teachers to a defined contribution plan, we lack the cash to do it.

Not only that, but the drained reserve means we lack a cushion for routine cash-flow situations. The state collects money in the latter part of the fiscal year with property taxes, but has major payouts in the School Aid Fund in August. Michigan could find itself in a cash crunch which it can only cover by borrowing — yet we're currently at our constitutional limit for short-term borrowing. Hence School Aid and General Fund have borrowed from other state funds to meet daily needs and the manageable pool of common cash is lowest since 1992.

Folks, this is not a situation to be solved by pulling higher taxes out of a magician's hat. Michigan needs plain old-fashioned fiscal prudence, and willingness to look at both reality and the bottom line squarely. A final thought from MIRS News: "Since Gov. Jennifer Granholm issued her latest moratorium on new hires, transfers and promotions on March 29, the state Budget Office has granted at least 2,373 exceptions, the state budget office confirmed." That's \$40 million worth! Brave words and bold initiatives only work if you really do them.

A House committee on OPEB obligations is now meeting and seems to be facing the problem unflinchingly. Granholm needs to do the same, and above all avoid the dangerous, reckless political gamble of a government shutdown. Michigan's fiscal house is too shaky to be playing with dynamite.

Chuck Moss (R-Birmingham) represents the state House 40th District.



Chuck Moss

# College-bound? Here's a list to make and check twice — and more

Even though Christmas is four holidays away, parents of high school seniors are already making their list and checking it twice. But this list is about getting back to school. Pencils? Check. Assignment book, organizer, or electronic planner with optional music download capability? Check. Pre-faded jeans with factory-installed rips and a waistline that's miles away from your child's waist? A tough call.

List of colleges to consider for life after high school?



Patrick O'Connor

If this last item isn't on your list, you're not alone, and you're not too late, but it's time to get busy. The good news here is this item is easy to achieve. Unlike back-to-school shopping, which involves many stops and lots of snacks, developing a list of colleges to consider only involves two steps and lots of snacks.

For some parents, the biggest challenge in making plans for college is making them with their child, not for their child. Senior year comes at a time when students want to make their own decisions about everything, which is natural. But parents have an interest in their child's college plans, since college plans have a direct impact on their child's future, the relationship parents will have with their adult child, and of course, their household budget, as parents determine the best way to pay for college.

So step one is to buy a pizza.

Sitting down over a family snack is a great way to begin the college discussion. Parents start the conversation by saying they want to make sure they're doing everything they can to help their senior without hassling them — so you'll all sit down once a week to discuss college. Parents can find out how college plans are going, and the student doesn't have to worry about getting ambushed with a college question on the way out the door with their friends Friday night. And if the student wants to talk about college some other time, that's a bonus — as long as they avoid ambushes, too.

After about two or three of these weekly family meetings, the second step is the school counselor's office. The counselor is the person who will be processing the paperwork for your child's college applications, so you want to make sure everyone is working off of the same information about the application process, and focusing on your child's interests and needs.

Having an adult in the high school who supports your child's college plans is a tremendous bonus. For many schools, however, counselors are challenged with an enormous number of students to serve; the national average is over

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500 students per counselor, and some counselors have caseloads over 1,000. The key here is to build a good relationship with the counselor, support your child, and respect the counselor's time, all at once. Begin this relationship by calling the counseling office for a 20-minute appointment in early September with the counselor, the parents, and the senior. At the meeting, the parents should ask the following five questions:

■ What should my child focus on as a student this year? "Senior year isn't just about prom and graduation — it's another year for the student to learn more about themselves and the world around them. The counselor may have some ideas on how you child can reach that goal. This is the perfect time to hear them.

■ Can we tell you a little about our child that we think would help you with their college plans? Very few counselors will say "no" when you ask this question, so this is your chance to share your insights into your child's life after high school. Just be sure to keep it to about 3-5 minutes — practice at home before going to the meeting.

■ Does my child have a realistic list of colleges? To be fair to the counselor, have your child drop this list off to the counselor a few days before the meeting.

■ What are the deadlines for submitting applications to you? With so many students to work with, the deadline to get the applications to the counselor is probably earlier than the date the applications are due to the college. Make sure you know these earlier dates, since missing them can cause delays and close options.

■ What's the best way to get in touch with you? Most counselors are either e-mail or phone people, so you want to find out the method that's going to get your questions answered the fastest.

These two simple steps will go along way in building a solid college plan in a way that meets everyone's needs and probably leave time to buy more school supplies to boot!

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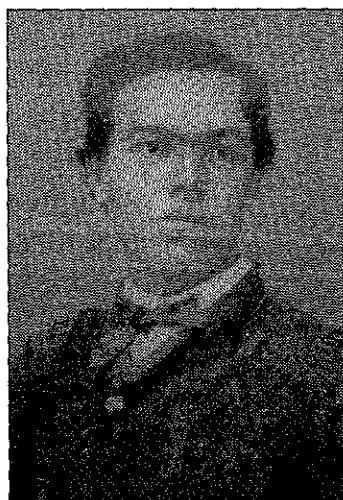


# Regimental records

200-piece collection offers Civil War perspective

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Historical Museum has received a donation of Civil War memorabilia that Director Elizabeth Kerstens called "priceless." The nearly 200-piece collection, which included photographs, enlistment and commission papers, service pins and the muster book for the 2nd Michigan Infantry Regiment — information about every soldier in the 2nd Regiment — was donated this summer by former Our Lady of Good Counsel Pastor John Sullivan on behalf of the family of Capt. John C. Hardy.



The Plymouth Historical Museum has received a nearly 200-piece Civil War collection donated on behalf of the family of Union Capt. John C. Hardy.

Before he left to become pastor of St. Owen in Bloomfield Hills in July, Sullivan donated the collection that was given to him by Ortonville priest

John J. Hardy — a son of the Civil War veteran — before he passed away.

"When I go to Civil War shows, you always see bits and pieces," said Dan Packer of Plymouth Township, a Civil War historian who is cataloging the collection at the Plymouth Historical Museum. "You hardly ever see it all together."

"The provenance (background) is good," he added. "A lot of times when you get historical things, you don't know where it came from, or where it's been. In this case, we know."

The items are in exceptional condition, having been passed only from Hardy to his son, and eventually to Sullivan before being donated to the museum.

"Hardy volunteered in 1861 when President (Abraham) Lincoln gave the call for

volunteers for the insurrection of Fort Sumter in South Carolina," Packer said. "Hardy lived in Detroit, but went with the 2nd Regiment in Adrian."

"Hardy said he was 17 years old on his papers, but he was really only 15 when he joined," Packer added. "He started as a private, enlisted several times, and ended up as a full captain by 1865, when the war ended. He fought over 20 major battles, and was severely wounded in one."

Hardy was known as the "Hero of Petersburg" for capturing three dozen Confederate soldiers by himself. It was at Fort Steadman, during General Ulysses Grant's Petersburg campaign in Virginia, that Hardy was cited for conspicuous gallantry.

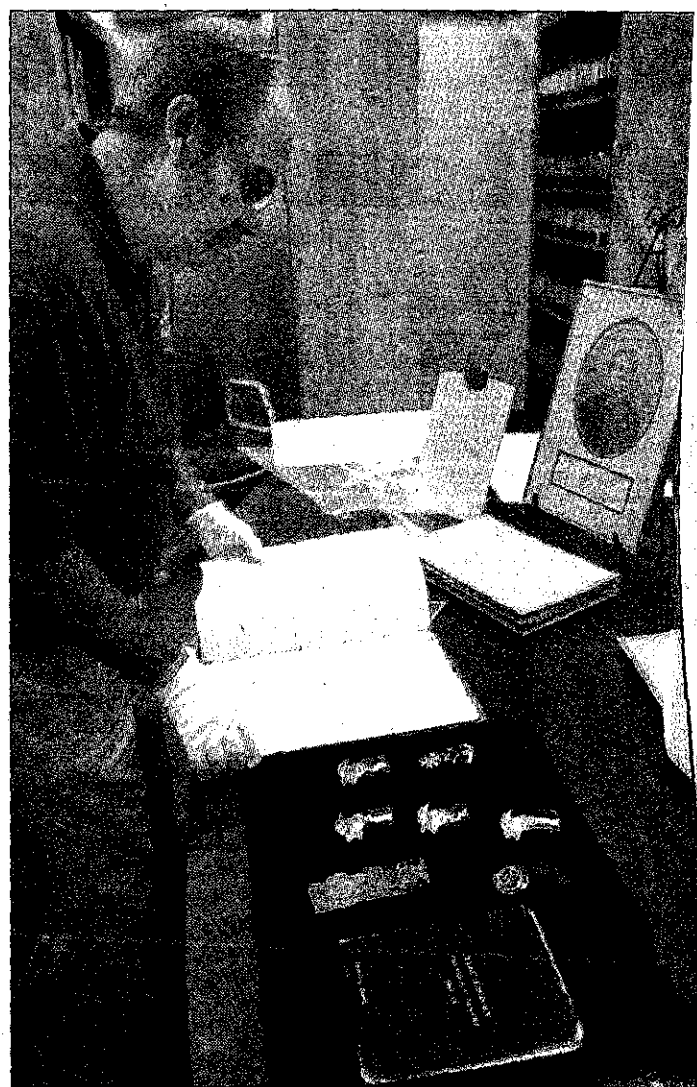
"The story goes that (General Robert E.) Lee's army tried to break out of Petersburg, and when Hardy saw a rebel poking his face out of the door of the Confederate headquarters he went charging through there with his musket, by himself," Packer said. "When he opened the door, there were 35 Confederate officers and soldiers. He told them 'give it up, you're surrounded,' and they surrendered. He became the hero of Fort Steadman."

Also included in the documents are Hardy's ordnance records for ordering ammunition during the Civil War.

"One document showed he ordered 3,500 bullets during the siege of Petersburg on April 1," Packer said. "On April 2 they were expended, so he had to get more bullets, and wrote out a form every time he needed them."

Kerstens said the fact the documents have been in very few hands the past 140 years makes this collection unique.

"The Hardys took good care of this, it's in fabulous condition," Kerstens said. "From an archival standpoint, this is fantastic. If it hadn't been for priests taking care of it, the items would probably have been sold piece-meal, or thrown away."



Dan Packer looks over Civil War records at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Packer is in the process of cataloging each item with a description, number and photo to be put in the museum's computer database. He wears white gloves to pry documents that have been glued to albums.

"Finger oil destroys documents, and putting it in light destroys it after a while," Kerstens said. "Even putting it in plastic could, over time, accelerate deterioration. However, we probably won't see that in our lifetime."

The Civil War collection enhances the Plymouth Historical Museum's Lincoln collection, which is the state's largest.

"It multiplies the value of the Lincoln collection because we have a whole collection from contemporary people," Kerstens said.

The Civil War memorabilia was given by Sullivan to one of his parishioners, Jack Grant

of Plymouth Township, who is also the museum's treasurer.

"I saw Fr. Sullivan at church one day and he told me to stop by after Mass because he had something to donate to the museum," Grant said. "I picked up a stack of things and took it to the museum and started cataloging it, and suddenly realized 'holy smokes, this is quite a collection.' We've really got a treasure here."

In 1993, Hardy's descendants donated the only remaining regimental flag for the 2nd Michigan Infantry, one of Hardy's muskets and several other items to the state of Michigan. The rest of the collection is at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

"We'll probably have 2nd Michigan Regiment ancestors anxious to see this collection," Packer said. "This is a jewel in the crown for us and this museum."

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BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

#### Versatile volunteer

Just call Lisa Sasaki the "anti-couch potato."

Who has time to settle into an easy chair and channel surf when you're serving as the chairman of golf outings, volunteering several hours a month to charities, participating in a golf league, playing regularly on a competitive over-30 soccer team and participating on a recreation softball squad?

Oh, and she's also a vice president at Comerica, a position that requires frequent travel.

How does the 42-year-old Canton resident fit all these activities into her Franklin Planner? With a potent combination of enthusiasm, boundless energy and an enviable passion to help those in need.

"As a volunteer, Lisa is very, very committed to our cause," said Cameron Hosner, the president of Vista Maria, a Dearborn Heights-based charity that assists abused, neglected and poverty-stricken women and children. "She's one of those people who has come in and really made a difference. We're privileged to have her knowledge and support."

"Vista Maria needs to raise around \$600,000 a year just to break even. It's people like Lisa who make it possible."

Sasaki's role is a multi-faceted one at Vista Maria. She has served as a chairperson for the organization's Women-Fore-Women Charity Golf Outing, which recently raised \$13,000 for Vista Maria. Sasaki also donates time as a Vista Marie fund-development advisor and as the treasurer of the Clara B. Ford Charter Academy, which will open soon on a 42-acre spread located near the intersection of Warren and Outer Drive in Dearborn Heights.

"It's cool being able to help make a difference in some of these young girls' lives," said Sasaki, a native of Chicago and graduate of the University of Michigan. "When you talk to some of these girls and you realize the abuse and neglect they've lived through in their short lives, it makes you realize how fortunate most of us are."

"The time I put into Vista Maria is well worth it."

#### Sports of all sorts

Sasaki admitted her two favorite athletic endeavors are soccer and golf. She's a defender for the Michigan Magic, which competes in the "A" Division of the 42-team Great Lakes Women's Soccer League.

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#### THE SASAKI FILE

**Name:** Lisa Sasaki;  
**Age:** 42;  
**Home:** Canton;  
**Birthplace:** Chicago;  
**College attended:** University of Michigan;  
**Profession:** Vice president at Comerica;  
**Interests:** Volunteers several hours a month at Vista Maria, a charitable organization that offers intensive core treatment services to women and children who have been abused and neglected; she also participates in a number of sports, including golf, soccer and softball;  
**On volunteering at Vista Maria:** "When you talk to some of these girls and you realize the abuse and neglect they've lived through in their short lives, it makes you realize how fortunate most of us are."

#### PREP SOCCER

## Pilots can barely fly over Salem kickers

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Salem's relatively young and inexperienced boys soccer team grew up in a hurry Thursday night against state power Warren DeLaSalle.

Almost too quickly, as far as the Pilots were concerned.

The Rocks battled to the end before falling, 2-1, to the host Pilots. It was the season-opener for both squads.

"Obviously, I wasn't happy with the outcome, but I couldn't have been more pleased with how we played," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy. "It's beneficial to play outstanding teams like DeLaSalle early in the season because you can learn a lot about your team and what things we need to work on."

McCarthy was complimentary when it came to the play of first-year varsity goalkeeper Sasa Mirkovic.

The sophomore stopped 12 Pilot shots.

"A couple of Sasa's saves were tremendous," said McCarthy.

Trailing 1-0 at the half, Salem drew even 15 minutes into the second half when Garrett Rogers headed in a pin-point pass from Alex Tramel.

"Alex did a great job of getting the ball on the flank quickly before crossing a pass in Garrett's direction," said McCarthy. "Then Garrett just outjumped the defense and headed the ball past their diving keeper."

DeLaSalle scored the game-winner with approximately 20 minutes left.

"We had a few opportunities at the end, but we couldn't finish," said McCarthy.

Salem will square off with cross-campus rival Plymouth Monday at 7 p.m. at the P-CEP varsity soccer field.

#### W.L. CENTRAL 2, PLYMOUTH

**O:** On Wednesday in a WLAA cross-over game played on the P-CEP turf stadium, the Vikings posted a shutout in both teams' season debuts.

"It was a disappointing effort," said Plymouth coach Jeff Neschich. "We played OK late in the first half and midway in the second, but we have to be more consistent."

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## Sidelines

#### Rocks fall

Salem's football team opened its 2007 season with a 29-18 setback at Pinckney Friday night. Details of the game were not available as of Friday night's deadline.

#### Youth hoop league

Madonna University will stage a Sunday Youth Basketball League beginning Sunday, Sept. 9 through Oct. 28, at the MU Activities Center.

Ages 10-12 will report at 3 p.m. followed by ages 13-15 at 5 p.m. on Sept. 9. Each day will consist of a skill-building session and a league game.

Included in the \$100 cost is league jersey, league games (plus play-offs) and skill building drills.

For more information, call (734) 398-5975 or (734) 432-5591.

#### Run Like Wind 5K

The ninth annual Run Like the Wind 10-kilometer run and 5K run-walk starts at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 1, at the Nankin Mills Picnic Area in Hines Park in Westland.

All proceeds will go back to the sport of running through support of youth track clubs and the Michigan Running Foundation Scholarship Fund.

Race day fees are \$20 (with shirt) and \$15 (no shirt).

Awards and a special prize will go to the overall and masters (40-and-up) male and female winners. Medals will also be awarded to the top three finishers in each age group.

For more information, call Chuck Block at (517) 702-0226.

#### Kickball league

Canton Leisure Services will be offering a fall adult kickball league Sept. 10 to Oct. 22. The Monday night league includes doubleheaders that will be played at the Canton Sports Center. Game times will rotate between 6:30-7:30 p.m. and 8:45-9:45 p.m. Team registration is \$250.

There is also a \$10 referee fee per team per game paid at the field. Awards will go to league and playoff champions.

You can register in person at the Summit on the Park; or by calling (734) 483-5600 beginning Aug. 8.

#### Coaches: Please call

The area's high school coaches are encouraged to call in results of their games to Observer Sports Editor Ed Wright, who can be reached at (734) 953-2108 or at ewright@hometownlife.com.

The deadline for Sunday editions is 11 p.m. Friday; the deadline for Thursday editions is 11 p.m. on Tuesday.

## 'Hahn'orable mention

### Sophomore to lead Plymouth runners

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

#### GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY PREVIEW

Add All-State track-and-field two-miler Kelly Hahn to an already talented and experienced Plymouth girls cross country roster and what do you get?

A team that could make some serious waves in the Western Lakes Activities Association in 2007.

"We're looking good so far," said Plymouth coach Mary Kerwin. "Any time you can add a runner who finished fourth in the state in the two-mile like Kelly did to the group of girls we have coming back, you have to be excited."

Hahn, who is only a sophomore, moved to Plymouth from Pennsylvania in January and sparkled for the Wildcats' track-and-field team in the spring. She's no stranger to cross country, having run for her high school team last fall.



Kelly Hahn

"Kelly is not only a great runner, but she has a fantastic attitude," Kerwin noted. "She's very coachable and does everything she's asked."

Kerwin got her first glimpse of Hahn's talent at last year's Division 1 Regional track meet at the P-CEP stadium.

"I saw her run the two-mile and she ran a great race," said Kerwin. "The thing that impressed me the most was that she was sprinting at the end even though there was no one around her."

A pair of juniors — Beth Heldmeyer and Molly Slavens —

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## Sensational second

The Michigan Nationals U12 girls soccer team, which included several Observerland-area players, was runner-up at the U.S. Club Soccer National Cup tournament in Burlington, N.C. earlier this month. The team, which is made up of girls from five southern Michigan soccer clubs, lost in a shootout to Soccerop of Charlotte, N.C., in the championship contest. The team went undefeated at a Regional tournament in Indianapolis, outscoring their foes, 13-0. Pictured (front row from left) are Emily Bush, Megan Buckingham, Caroline Egan, Danielle Glogovsky, Jennifer Thelen, Margaret Metzger, Suzanne Miller, (back row from left) head coach Andy Vanover, Anna Turnbull (Canton Celtic), Tori Norris, Gina Goble (Canton Celtic), Claire McHugh, Jenny Fichera, Rachel Winters (Canton Celtic), Cassidy Ebach, Madi Lewis (Canton Celtic), Leah Hill and assistant coach Sarah Mudry.



# RUNNERS

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will give the Wildcats a potent 1-2-3 punch. Heldmeyer was the lone Plymouth runner to qualify for the D1 state meet in 2006 while Slavens has already earned two varsity letters.

"Both Beth and Molly have been among our top runners the previous two years," said Kerwin. "Beth is a very steady, consistent runner. She puts everything she has into everything she does. She has the heart of a lion."

"Molly's been one of our top seven runners the past three years. She's a great leader; she gets all of the girls involved in everything."

Plymouth's top five will be rounded out by seniors Pam Bhullar and Lauren Ahearn, both of whom will serve as captains.

"Pam is a brilliant girl, she's very smart and it shows in her running," said Kerwin. "She's a very hard worker. You ask her to jump and she asks, 'How high?'"

Returning contributors Paula Green and Julie Forrester, both sophomores, are the early-season No. 6 and 7 runners. Seniors Katie Balaze, Annie Bergmans and Laura Hahn — Kelly's older sister — will provide valuable depth to the Wildcats' cause.

## SALEM

The perennially strong Rocks endured a rebuilding year in 2006 as four-year star Hannah Cavicchio (who now runs for Grand Valley State University) was the lone Salem runner to

advance to the D1 state meet.

Veteran coach Dave Gerlach is banking on a group of young but unproven harriers to lead the Rocks back toward the road to success.

"I'm positively optimistic," said Gerlach, whose teams were regular participants at the D1 state meet prior to last season. "We were a little down last year and we're definitely going to miss Hannah, but we have a group of first-year runners and some returners who have really impressed me so far. The entire group is stepping up and working hard."

Junior Kelley Determan, last year's No. 2 runner for the Rocks, takes over the No. 1 role.

"Kelley trained extremely hard over the summer because she knew she was scheduled to be our No. 1 this year," said Gerlach. "I think she learned a lot from Hannah last year about what it takes to be successful."

Three first-year runners will fill out the Rocks' top four slots, at least early in the season: junior Linda Ling, sophomore Jordyn Moore and freshman Mackenzie Rogers.

Senior captain Sabrina Burcroff, returning senior Freyal Shah, junior Emma Van Hoof and freshman Kara Booms will also play vital roles for the Rocks this fall. Others battling for varsity points include senior Lauren Olson, Kristen Dondzila and Kortney Marsh.

Gerlach gave a nod to Livonia Churchill and Northville as the teams to beat in the WLAA.

"Plymouth has some very talented runners, too," he added.

The Rocks open their season Aug. 30 at the Lutheran Westland Time Trials at Nankin-Mills. Their first invitational is set for Sept. 9 at Birmingham Brother Rice.

## CANTON

First-year coach Eric Pahl inherits a team that is paced by one of the top runners in the WLAA, junior Sarah Thomas, who placed 43rd at the D1 state meet in 2006.

"Sarah is a great leader and a hard worker," said Pahl, who served as an assistant coach at Canton last year. "She ran a 19:02 at the state meet last year and she's looking to break the school record of 18:54 this year. Obviously, based on what she's done in the past, she has a very good shot at it."

Pahl has set high goals for the Thomas-led Chiefs.

"I'd like to win the City Meet, win the division and finish in the top three in the conference and at the Regional," he said.

While Thomas is the Chiefs' top weapon this season, she's far from the only one. Freshman Rachel Rohrbach has shown amazing potential in early-season workouts while seniors Katherine Raymond and Brittany Dempsey will provide talent and leadership.

"Katherine is a good, hard worker and is a very consistent performer," said Pahl.

Other key contributors include junior Katherine Galm and Paula Schubatis; and sophomores Margaret Murphy and Melanie Kulczyk.

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# Whalers to rely on youth to repeat as OHL champs

A week before the start of training camps, there's plenty of good cheer around the Ontario Hockey League.

Even though the Plymouth Whalers graduated a core that led them to their second OHL Championship since 1990, there's a talented group of younger players returning along with Whaler pups that should make the 2007-08 season interesting and entertaining.

Training camp kicks off with the Whalers' annual golf outing, which is set for Tuesday at Fox Hills Golf Course in Plymouth.

The Whalers will officially get down to business on Wednesday with off-ice testing. Plymouth hits the ice in scrimmages on Thursday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 3-5 p.m.; and Friday from 9-11 a.m. and 3-5 p.m. The scrimmages are free and open to the public.

Plymouth gets the pre-season started with its traditional Labor Day weekend home-and-home series with Windsor. It will host the Spits on Saturday, Sept. 1 at 4 p.m., at the Computware Sports Arena before traveling to Windsor on Monday, Sept. 3, for a contest at Windsor Arena.

Following are some Plymouth story lines worth watching as training camp and the season unfolds:

**GOALTENDING:** With Washington-draft Michal Neuvirth and Nashville-draft Jeremy Smith returning, Plymouth starts the season with arguably the best goaltending depth in the OHL, if not the Canadian Hockey League.

Neuvirth and Smith split the regular season last year, but Neuvirth became Plymouth's lead goaltender in the 2007 playoffs.

Smith and Neuvirth are good friends and Smith took a professional attitude when he sat last spring during the Whalers' championship run.

"Coach (Mike Vellucci) said it's not me, I didn't do anything to get pulled out, it's Michal playing really well," Smith told the Vancouver Province during the 2007 MasterCard Memorial Cup. "You've just got to live with that. It just makes you work harder. I'm ready to go whenever coach gives me the nod. I've got nothing against Michal or anything like that."

Neuvirth has been signed by Washington and was hoping to start his professional career within the Capitals' minor league system. But with veteran goaltenders already in Washington's system at Hershey in the AHL and South Carolina of the ECHL, Neuvirth will start the season with Plymouth.

**OVERAGES:** In Evan Brophy, Steve Ward and Jared Boll, the Whalers had perhaps their strongest overage class-ever last season.

Vellucci will eventually choose three out of a 1987-birthday group that includes Wes Cunningham, Steve Whitely, Sean O'Connor, Andrew Fournier, Joe McCann and Zack Shepley.

OHL Teams can start the season with more than four overages, have to cut to four by the middle of March and

decide on three by January 10. If you're new to the OHL, you'll see quite a bit of movement among 1987 birthdays around the league, probably right on up to the OHL's Final Trade Deadline on Jan. 10.

**YOUNG VETERANS:** Third-year veteran Chris Terry (66 points) is the leading scorer returning and AJ Jenks, Vern Cooper and Kaine Geldart will see their share of ice time. Add Joe Gaynor, Steve Lock (just over from Peterborough) and Brett Bellemore will anchor the Whalers defense and fan-favorite Jozef Sladok will get more ice time along with Leo Jenner. A pleasant surprise could be Jordon O'Neill, who moves the puck well.

**WHALER PUPS:** Plymouth fans will probably enjoy watching Whaler rookies Taylor Carnevale, Chad Rutkowski and RJ Mahalak up front and Josh Bemis and Tom Kane on the blue line. Given the fact that Plymouth is a younger overall group this season, all five (plus more) will see their share of ice time.

**THE WEST DIVISION:** It's fair to say the West Division is evenly matched, at least to start. Sarnia and Windsor have the most veteran players returning, so there is plenty of optimism in both cities.

Saginaw graduated Patrick McNeill and Tom Pyatt and goaltender Ryan Daniels looks to pick things up. Sault Ste. Marie always works hard and overage goaltender Kyle Gajewski is playing for a pro contract.

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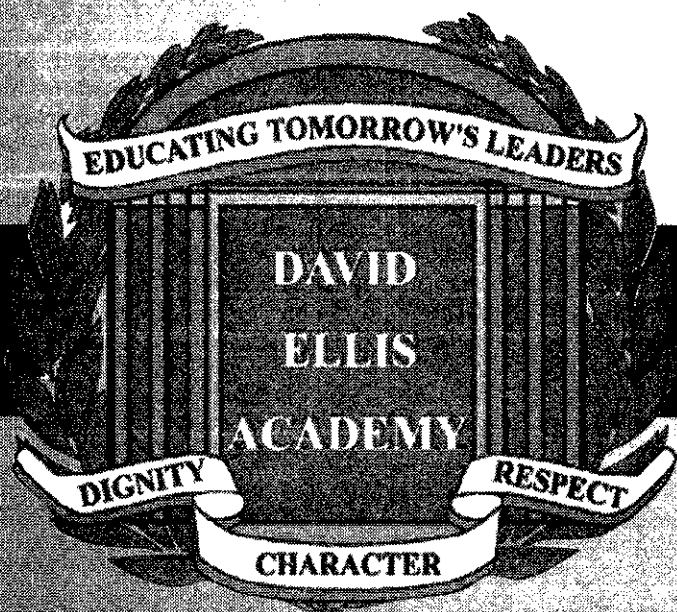


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## SASAKI

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A 15-handicap golfer, Sasaki runs and participates in the Comerica Golf League, which plays a summer-long, once-a-week schedule at Rackham Golf Course.

"Growing up, there always seemed to be a couple people on every team with bad personalities that disrupted the teams' chemistry, but that's not the case with the soccer team I play on now," she said. "We have a great group of ladies, some of whom played on the first varsity women's soccer team at Michigan State. It's a competitive league, but we have fun too."

Sasaki said sports and volunteering share a common, vital thread.

"The No. 1 thing with both is that you need teamwork to succeed," she said. "It's tough to be successful when you're in it alone."

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Lisa Sasaki

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## Chiefs on the right course after rough spring season

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Canton — the girls high school golf team that calls Hilltop home — will be shooting to get closer to the Western Lakes Activities Association mountaintop in 2007.

Veteran head coach Dan Riggs isn't sure where his vastly improved team will finish, but he's pretty sure it will be higher than the Chiefs' near-the-bottom standing this past spring.

"We're head and shoulders above where we were last year," said Riggs, who is starting his 26th year of coaching golf at Canton. "It remains to be seen where we'll end up because our league is so strong, but we should be improved."

Riggs said his sport's switch to the fall has far more pluses than minuses.

"The biggest positive about playing in the fall is that the weather is so much nicer," he said. "I can remember playing matches in April when it was snowing out."

"The only negative is that the courses are more crowded, but if our girls are playing a little too slow and there are people behind us, we let them play through. I love the move to the fall."

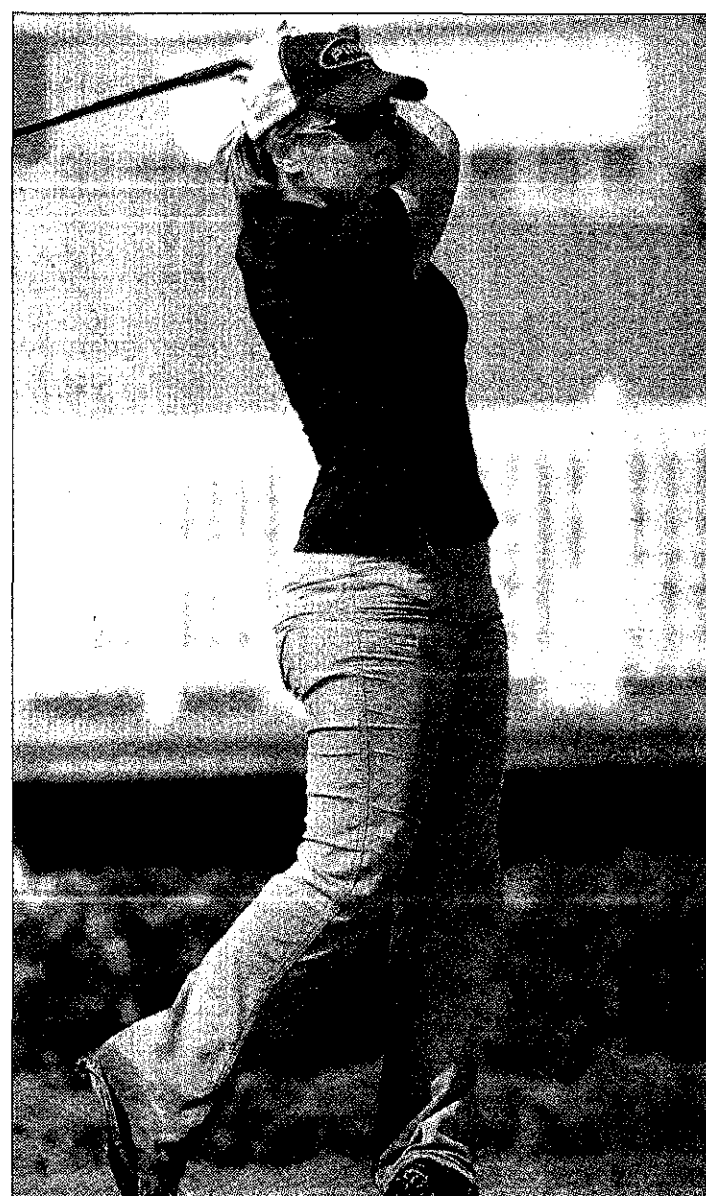
The Chiefs will be led by a quartet of returners: juniors Kara Gregory and Chelsea Osburn, who will be the No. 1 and No. 2 players, respectively; along with senior Amy Provost (No. 3) and junior Alexandra Wee (No. 4).

Other key contributors will include Mary Elizabeth Wintler, sophomore Breanna Hicks, senior Joanna Alexander and junior Michelle Nagy.

The Chiefs will open their season Monday at home against Westland John Glenn. The first tee shot is set for 3 p.m.

### PLYMOUTH

The Wildcats will be led by



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Senior Patricia Burns returns to lead the Plymouth golf team this fall.

### PREP GOLF PREVIEW

senior Patricia Burns, a four-year varsity player. The only other returning varsity player for coach Chris Moore's team is senior Missy Gosbee.

"Missy had her best year last year, and we are hoping that the scores will be even better this year," said Moore.

Other returning players who should get an opportunity to gain some varsity experience are Liz Cizek (sophomore), Maggie Kelly (senior) and Megan Haggerty (sophomore).

Moore is also enthusiastic

about the play of freshmen Chloe Marentic, Christy Pattison and Stephanie Sgambati; and sophomore LeAnn O'Shaughnessy.

"Our overall team goal is to improve each week," Moore concluded.

Plymouth will open the season Sept. 7 with a duel meet against cross-campus rival Canton at Hickory Creek Golf Course in Canton.

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All Ignition home games will take place on weekends with nine games on Friday, two on Saturday, and four on Sunday.

A month-by-month breakdown of the club's schedule has the Ignition beginning the season with five contests in November and six in the month of December. In 2008, the club will play six games in January, five in February and six in March. The regular season concludes with a set of back-to-back games in April.

The Ignition competes in four back-to-back matches, the first two of which include an away contest in the first game of the set with a home game to follow. The remaining two series consist of a home outing followed by a road game.

The club faces six of its eight MISL opponents four times each and plays the expansion Orlando Sharks and La Raza de Monterrey three times each during the regular season.

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## One moment in time can be unforgettable

Every generation has an event, one moment in time that marks its unforgettable place in history.

This blind-siding, heart-wrenching event usually takes the life of a beloved figure. Whether actor, activist, singer or heart throb, no one will ever forget where they were or what they were doing when the tragic news broke.

Crowds gather, tears flow and mobs of people are unable to wrap their minds around what has happened. It's called grief unspeakable and when it happens it seems like the entire world has stood still.

Argentina secured its moment in time when it lost its precious Evita - Eva Peron - during the early 1950s. The 1960s delivered its own overwhelming tragedy with the horrible assassinations of John F. Kennedy, Bobby Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

During this time we were a nation lost in grief.

The world lost Elvis Presley in 1977 and even though I was in my own little world at the time I remember exactly where I was when I heard of John Lennon's passing in 1980.

But, during my adult life I can't remember a time that has so held a nation of people captive like the event that took place Aug. 31, 1997, in the wee hours of the morning. My Chicago hotel room and unplanned vacation did little to shield me from the unbelievable shock. In the early morning hours I awoke to my husband telling me that Lady Di, as Princess Diana was so affectionately called, had been in a car accident on the streets of Paris.

Naturally, I thought it was bad dream, so I dismissed what my husband was saying and turned over to go back to sleep. The 7 a.m. news slapped me back into reality. My mouth must have hung open in disbelief for at least two hours that morning.

During the following days and weeks after Princess Diana's tragic death, in my state of confusion and sorrow I grieved, as did we all. I can't remember a day that tears did not fall from my eyes during some point during the day. I remember my girlfriend telling me she was the same way. There was a deep hole of despair that we could not pull ourselves out of.

I cried for the tragic way Diana's life was taken. And, oh how I cried for those boys, her sons who'd just lost their mother, and how would they ever learn all the things she would never teach them because now she was gone?

Diana had her problems and was called by some lost and confused at times. But I have not met a human being yet who hasn't fallen into that category at one time or another during their life.

After her divorce from Prince Charles, Diana seemed to have spent the remainder of her life looking for love, something she felt was lacking in her marriage. She also seemed to be a ball of contradictions and her love-hate relationship with the press would prove to be her downfall.

However, with all that aside, Diana taught the Royal family as well as the world some needed life lessons. She taught us about the power of human touch and how important it is. Caring and consideration, love and compassion - all things we seemed to be losing a grip on - she put on the world stage for everyone to see.

It has been 10 years since Diana's untimely demise and the one thing I can be sure she taught us all is that no royal crown or any sparkling palace hall, or any bulging bag of cash could ever take the place of love, simply loving one another.

Diana knew it all too well; this lesson should be imbedded in our hearts forever.

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Ducks stand by ready to be adopted and entered in the Detroit Duck Derby which will raise money for Gleaners Food Bank.

## Just ducky

Feed a hungry child by adopting a duck

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER



Left to right, Debbie Blanchard, general manager for Merri-Bowl, Phil Goodman of Community Bowling Centers, and Deborah Dillard of Gleaners hold some of the rubber ducks that will be racing to help raise money for Gleaners Food Bank.

The Detroit race takes place as part of Gleaners 14th annual Fall Harvest Family Event, 1-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, at Belle Isle in Detroit.

Deborah Dillard looks with trepidation at the dozens of yellow rubber ducks perched on a table at Merri-Bowl Lanes in Livonia. She can only imagine the work it will require to detag 15,000 of the quackers before they can float down a canal next to Belle Isle Casino in the first ever Duck Derby to benefit the children's programs of Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan.

Gleaners is renting the ducks from Cincinnati after that city's race to raise funds for hungry residents.

Every dollar spent to adopt a duck from Gleaners buys three healthy meals for one hungry child.

The Detroit race takes place as part of Gleaners 14th annual Fall Harvest Family Event, 1-3:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, at Belle Isle in Detroit. The adoption fee for ducks is \$5 each, or \$25 for five ducks to swim in the race plus one extra feathered friend with the Gleaners logo that will be mailed to the supporter.

Duck Adoption forms are available at Merri-Bowl, Super Bowl in Canton and the

14 other Community Bowling Centers including Troy Lanes, Classic Lanes in Rochester Hills and Plum Hollow Lanes in Southfield through today or by calling Dillard, Gleaners development director, at (313) 923-3535, ext. 260, or sending an e-mail to ddillard@gcfb.org. The centers just finished their Strike Out Hunger campaign to collect canned goods for Gleaners.

"We thought it was important to bring in food and raise money," said Phil Goodman, community relations director for Community Bowling Centers.

It's Dillard's goal "to have everybody in the state of Michigan adopt a duck to cure hunger." Proceeds go to the children's food programs, which provide lunches for children during the summer and all year long. Gleaners is celebrating its 30th anniversary of feeding hungry people this year by working with more than 400 social service partners including churches, food pantries, the Salvation Army and Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

The Duck Derby is actually a licensed raffle. According to Gleaners, each duck will be marked with a number which relates to the number on each raffle ticket/adoption paper.

Please see **DUCKS, C3**

## Dream a little dream

Creativity is key to band mates

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

By day, Lisa Norton works on a variety of projects to promote Angela Hospice's end-of-life services, but when the sun goes down, just about anything goes as the 26-year-old Livonia violinist takes to the stage with el boxeo.

Creativity is key to Norton's life, whether she's writing a press release about the Livonia nonprofit's Oct. 13 fund-raiser to help patients and their families, or sewing jellyfish costumes for friends who dance in the band's show.

"We play mostly instrumental," said Norton, who interned at Angela Hospice while earning a degree in English and fine arts at Madonna University. "We originally had keyboards, but have gone through different configurations. At the end of 2003, we played our first show - just the three of us - and realized we'd found our niche."

Norton began playing viola in fifth grade in Livonia Public Schools, but didn't switch to violin until starting the band in 2001. Although she enjoyed painting during her college days, music and sewing have become a big part of her life. Norton, her brother and a couple of friends have been talking about starting a T-shirt business since she silk-screened images onto clothing for the band known for its unique music and show. One of the most creative moments on stage is when Norton wears tap shoes to solo on a ceramic tile left over from her bathroom floor.

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Lisa Norton, Danny Sperry and Zach North at the Saginaw County Fair. Lisa said she especially had fun playing the venue where the ferris wheels in the background were lit up and fireworks were going off.



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# Del Signorees invite community to share evening of memories

**BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN**  
STAFF WRITER

John and Lina Del Signore never dreamed that closing their Livonia restaurant would leave such a void in the community. One year later they continue to hear about how much customers miss Fonte D'Amore which the Livonia couple owned for nearly 40 years.

On Friday, Sept. 7, the Del Signorees rekindle the warmth and atmosphere of the traditional Italian restaurant while serving up delicious food at their Laurel Manor Banquet Center, 39000 Schoolcraft in Livonia. The Fond Memory Evening - Memories of Fonte D'Amore begins at 6 p.m. with cocktails and a Deluxe Open Bar. At 7 p.m. guests can once again enjoy the specialties of Fonte's menu at strolling food stations. Tickets are \$40 and must be reserved by Wednesday, Sept. 5, by calling (734) 462-0770.

"When we sold Fonte last year Betty Jean Awrey, one of the legendary customers, said we have to have an annual celebration," said John Del

Signore. "There are so many memories. We have to do something. We're going to do the same thing we did at Fonte, the same menu. We had been there since 1968. We had plenty regular customers."

Even though Bob and Betty Jean Awrey sold their Livonia bakery two years, they continued to eat at Fonte until it closed Aug. 12, 2006. Over the years Awrey had volunteered with organizations such as the Livonia Symphony Orchestra and knew she could always count on the Del Signorees' support. Angela Hospice, the Karmanos Cancer Institute and St. Mary Mercy Hospital were recipients of the couple's generosity.

"They participated in everything for the community. They've been a big supporter of this community and the community has supported them. It was just a place to meet and greet. It was a happening place," said Betty Jean Awrey.

Fonte D'Amore served authentic traditional Italian food which came from the old country until son Luciano Del Signore updated the menu in the late 1980s. The restaurant



John and Lina Del Signore have boxes and boxes full of photos, newspaper clippings and other memorabilia from Fonte D'Amore, the restaurant they closed last year after nearly four decades in business. John Del Signore holds a photo from earlier days, when dried grapevines decorated the dining room.

ed, modern Italian. We had upscale waiters and probably had the most important wine list in the area.

"I think the party is a nice idea. People will have an opportunity to see each other. If you were a client that dined every Friday night, there were probably 40 other people who did the same."

Livonia businessman Bill Phillips is looking forward to the Sept. 7 event. He became a regular customer back in 1974 after opening one of his businesses in the area.

"I was looking for a place to have lunch and went quite often. Lunch turned into dinner and family events," said Bill Phillips, owner of Phillips Service Industries. "The food was excellent Italian food. Service was always very, very good. We got acquainted with staff over the years and John and Lina and the family. It's not unusual for us to go to their home or them to come to ours. We've seen the kids grow. It's been a good relationship. They're very good close friends. John and I used to go hunting and fishing together and bring it back and cook it."

The Del Signorees have been good friends of Mary Lou Andrew and her late husband Dan from the beginning of the restaurant. Dan served on the city of Livonia's Planning Commission.

"Our family was there for First Communions, Confirmations, graduations, after weddings and funerals. Everything that was important in our life was there," said Mary Lou Andrew who's lived in Livonia 39 years. Andrew is planning to attend the Sept. 7 event with her daughter Ann King and her husband Steve. "The food was excellent. They prepared Dover sole at your table and it was just perfect. I want to say I'm fond of the family but the food was delicious."

Lina misses the customers as much as they miss her and John. "I cried for three weeks," said Lina Del Signore. "I never dreamed in my life that customers would come up and say can you sign this menu, can you take a picture with us. We have a case of memories from customers, notes and photos."

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## Kids wanted for scary workshops, spooky show

Motor City Youth Theatre presents Scary Workshops resulting in an Awesome Spooky show Oct. 12-14, at Grantland Street Playhouse, 27555 Grantland, Livonia.

Students in all grades through 12th are welcome. No experience necessary. Workshops begin Sept. 9, and continue to Oct. 11.

Students in grades K-12 will be placed according to age, skills and interest.

Each MCYT Scary Workshop will include five weeks of classes (seven sessions) and will be included in the final performance. The cost is \$40 per five-week class.

Classes will be held Sept. 9, 16, 23, 30, and Oct. 7 at the times listed. Additional rehearsal sessions will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, and 6 p.m. Thursday,

Oct. 11.

For more information, visit [www.mcyt.org](http://www.mcyt.org).

Scary Stories runs 1-2 p.m. Students will improve their acting skills while rehearsing and performing scary dialogues, plays or skits such as The Great Pumpkin, Macbeth's Witches, Goosebumps stories, and The Tell Tale heart.

Creepy Improv follows 2:05-3:05 p.m. during which time students improve their speaking, acting and movement skills through scary and funny theatre games. Open to beginners and experienced actors.

Spooky Songs is scheduled 3:10-4:10 p.m. when students will improve their individual and choral skills while they learn, rehearse, and perform spooky songs such as The Addams Family and Monster Mash.

Spooky dances rounds out the offerings 4:15-5:15 p.m. Students will improve their group and/or individual spooky dance skills with songs such as Thriller and Monster Mash.

Motor City Youth Theatre is also looking for terrific dancers, singers and actors for its fall production of CATS which takes place 6 p.m. Sept. 9-10. All grades through High School. Exceptions may be made for Grizzabella and Old Deuteronomy.

Grantland Street Players is looking for adult actors, singers and dancers for its fall production of Silk Swords - The Whisperers, a supernatural, psychological thriller being performed 6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 3-4.

All auditions, rehearsals and performances will be held at Grantland Street Playhouse.

## Area college to hold auditions for Mockingbird

Henry Ford Community College will hold auditions for its fall production of Harper Lee's To Kill a Mockingbird 7-9 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Aug. 28-29, in the Adray Auditorium of the Mackenzie Fine Arts Bldg. of the Dearborn campus at 5101 Evergreen Road.

The production, directed by Judith Fletcher, runs from Friday, Nov. 23 to Sunday, Dec. 2, and includes 5 matinee performances for middle and high school students.

Since the play is a college Theatre Division production, course enrollment is required.

Bring resume and photo (desired, not required). Attend either or both evenings. Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script.

For more information, call the director at (313) 845-9772 or send e-mail to [ariadne-diva@aol.com](mailto:ariadne-diva@aol.com).

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## BAND

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driven rock band. The group doesn't even have a lead guitar, only Norton on electrified violin, her brother Zach on bass and former Churchill High schoolmate Danny Sperry on drums.

Originally, the band was started with friends Jenny Gumina and Lars Hedelin, a Swedish exchange student. Gumina left in 2003, as did Hedelin, who designed the cover for el boxeo's *Awake & Dreaming* CD released in 2006.

Today, Gumina works with Norton at Angela Hospice processing donations. Norton says she enjoys her day job because she feels she's helping people.

Founded in 1985, Angela Hospice served 1,359 patients last year, from young children to seniors.

"The band is a natural with all of us being friends and all of us being interested in music," Norton said. "We realize we're not really a commercial sound, but it would be great to do commercial soundtracks. Most of it for us is just having fun. We'd like to be able to tour."

Last summer, el boxeo traveled west for 3½ weeks to play

in clubs, bars, art galleries and house shows in Texas, California and Washington state.

"In rural areas where there's not a lot of venues, people book shows in their house. It might be in a house, but they have shows every week," Norton said. "We're like a party band. There's so much energy that my favorite place to play is house shows. There's so much energy in smaller venues. (Financially) we usually break even on tour. You stay with people you meet. You're getting to see the whole country through a van window. It's the complete absence of stress to just go and play music. It's an amazing lifestyle."

Zach Norton and Sperry enjoy touring so much they took off this summer to play with Child Bite after performing at the Blind Pig in Ann Arbor and Elbow Room in Ypsilanti in late June with el boxeo.

Both Wayne State University students return Monday from engagements in Boston, New York City, Philadelphia, Georgia and Tennessee. While Zach, the group's 24-year-old bass player, enjoys the rowdier punk music of Child Bite, el boxeo's post-rock can sound like country or heavy metal.

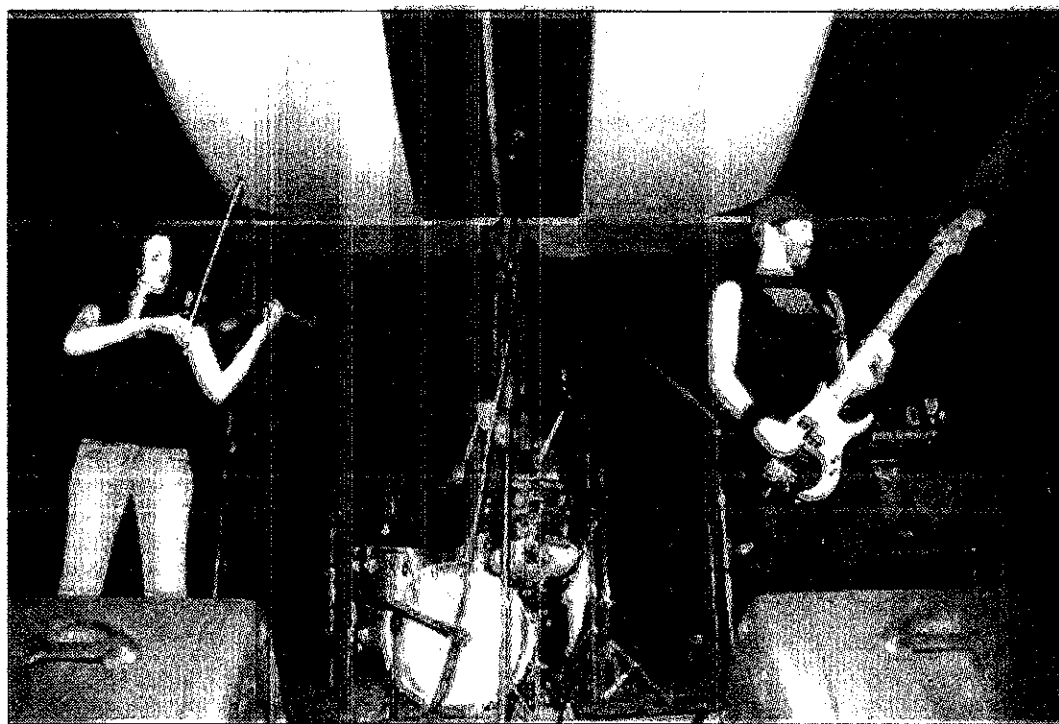
Zach originally came up with the band's name after seeing a poster about the sport of boxing in his Spanish classroom. He says the two bands "satisfy different creative needs."

"I thought it was nice, but it's sort of an annoying band name because you have to tell people how to spell and pronounce it," said Zach Norton, who's majoring in public relations and would eventually like to work in "the nonprofit sector like his big sis" or in journalism. Norton has been involved with the Wayne State newspaper *The South End* and believes "newspapers are a vital institution in the world today and serve an important purpose."

In the meantime, Zach and the rest of el boxeo plan to spend the month of September writing songs for their new CD with Suburban Sprawl Music, an independent record label and musical collective started in 1999 in Livonia.

"We don't have any lofty goals," Zach said. "It would be nice to have the band together and keep making cool music, keep making interesting but still accessible music."

Lisa Norton says many of their creative ideas come from Sperry, who's studying graphic design and print making at



Lisa Norton (left), Danny Sperry and Zach Norton perform at the Saginaw County Fair Aug. 3.

Wayne State. The 23-year-old Detroit drummer plans to eventually earn a master's degree in fine arts.

"I've always really been into music. I started playing bass guitar, then saved up and bought a drum set and that clicked. I've been playing drums since seventh grade," Sperry said. "I usually describe el boxeo's music as high-energy instrumental music. It's the

instrumentation that sets us apart. I'm not sure of many other bands that consist of drums, bass and violin."

Lisa Norton says onstage she has to laugh to herself.

"It's kind of this chaos to me and somehow it all works," she said.

el boxeo's *Awake & Dreaming* CD is available in independent records stores, at their shows and the Web site

www.suburbansprawlmusic.com.

"One side the music is awake, the other dreaming," Norton said. "The awake side is bare-bone and alive like on our shows. Dreaming is where we got to experiment more. On the Web site, we have people in Japan order our CD. That goes with the dream part of it."

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## DUCKS

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Winners will be determined when each duck is caught in a chute at the finish line. If circumstances prevent the duck race, the winner will be drawn in a traditional raffle at the event. Supporters have an opportunity to win \$5,000 if their duck crosses the finish line first. Second prize is \$1,500. Third prize is a \$1,000 shopping spree at Somers Collection in Troy.

Prior to the race, one in every 3,333 ducks will be selected and

their number kept in a secure envelope. After the ducks cross the finish line, race officials will determine whether the duck is one of the preselected million-dollar winning ducks. If not, the million-dollar prize will not be awarded.

The race begins at 2:30 p.m.

"We need sponsors for prize money," Dillard said. "Chrysler has donated \$30,000. Florine Mark of Weight Watchers is one of our supporters. We still need volunteers to detag the ducks. After the race, we need volunteers to scoop them out. We have to account for each duck."

Anyone interested in volunteering at the event or selling ducks through their work place, service

club, store or school, should contact Dillard, who is hoping individuals and families will support Gleaners as well by attending the Fall Harvest Event on Sept. 15.

"We'll have lots of activities and games for the kids," Dillard said. "The fest includes hot dogs, ribs, chicken. It's a family event."

For more information about Gleaners, the Sept. 15 event, or Celebrity Duck Auction 6-9 p.m. Monday, Sept. 10, at Tavern on 13 in Southfield, visit www.gcfb.org. National and local celebrities such as Dustin Hoffman, Chris Hansen of NBC News/*Dateline* and the legendary Eartha Kitt have decorated Derby Ducks, which will go

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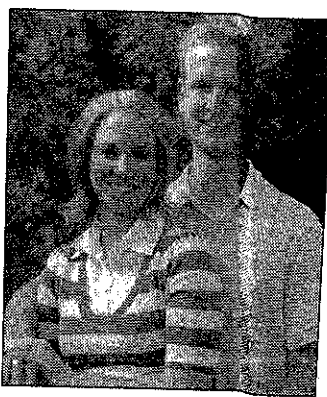


**Raetz-Maurer**  
Jessica Lynn Raetz and Jeremy Allen Maurer were united in marriage on June 9, 2007, by Rev. Dr. Mark Jensen at North Congregational Church in Farmington Hills. The bride is the daughter of Thomas and Leslie Raetz of Livonia. She graduated from Livonia Stevenson High School and Central Michigan University, and is employed as an advertising senior account executive with Moroch Partners in Novi. The groom is the son of James and Emily Maurer of Birch Run, Mich. He gradu-

ated from Frankenmuth High School and Central Michigan University, and is a sales senior account executive at General Electric in Troy. The bride was attended by Maid of Honor Melissa Raetz, and Erin Schlappi and Cherice Watts. The groom was attended by Best Man Kevin Rosinski, and Michael Gregory and Matthew Kosal. A reception was held at the Detroit Yacht Club on Belle Isle. 200 people attended. The couple honeymooned in St. Lucia. They are making their home in West Bloomfield.

ENGAGEMENTS

**Sullivan-Kiefer**  
Patrick and Ellen Sullivan of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Ellen Jean Sullivan, to Zachary Kiefer of Hazel Park. The bride-to-be is a 1997 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 2001 graduate of Western Michigan University with a degree in occupational therapy. She is employed by Excel Rehabilitation in Waterford. The prospective groom is the son of Kenneth and Denise Kiefer of Lake Orion. He is a 1996 graduate of Lake Orion High School and a 2000 graduate of Allegheny College in Pennsylvania. He received a master's degree from



Michigan State University in Environmental Engineering in 2003. He is employed at NTH Consultants of Detroit. An October, 2007, wedding is planned for Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church in Detroit.

WEDDINGS



**Brown-Hardin**  
Erin Nicole Brown and David Matthew Hardin were married July 14, 2007, in Hawaii. The bride is the daughter of Richard and Katherine Brown of Livonia. She is a 1999 graduate of Franklin High School and a 2004 graduate of College for Creative Studies. She is employed as a production designer at Click Media in California. The groom is the son of Wendy Hardin of St. Clair Shores and Bill and Pam Hardin of Canton. He is a 2000 graduate of Grosse Pointe North and a 2004 graduate of College for Creative Studies. He is a senior animator at Sony Pictures in California. The bride was attended by maids of honor, twin sister Erica Brown and older sister Katie Brown, and attendants, friend Leslie Mason and groom's sister Jenny Hardin. The groom was attended by bestman, brother Steve Hardin and attendants Justin Bott, Avedis Ekmekjian, Garrett Kelley, George Kokos and Jason Parent. The Rev. Rosemary Hill officiated. A reception was held at the Hawthorne Valley Country Club. The couple honeymooned on a cruise around the Hawaiian Islands. They are making their home in California.

Home repair expert builds following

BY JAY M. GROSSMAN  
STAFF WRITER

With a flick of the switch, Heidi Baker promises to spice up your romance.

All it takes is the installation of a dimmer switch in the bedroom — a project the average Jane could probably do in less than 15 minutes.

"Mood lighting is a must to creating a romantic bedroom, so a dimmer switch is critical," said Baker, author of *Be Jane's Guide to Home Empowerment*.

The do-it-yourself home improvement author offers tips for a variety of projects, from changing toilet seats to adding new counter tops. Her book is aimed at women, especially young singles, who are about to enter the home market.

She'll share some of her remodeling tips, along with personal tales about life in the toolbox, during a book-signing appearance at the Baldwin Public Library, 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30. The library is located at 300 W. Merrill Street and the presentation is free to the public.

Baker, 38, grew up in Birmingham and was attending Groves High School when



Authors Heidi Baker, left, and Eden Jarrin wrote a do-it-yourself home improvement book for women.

her family moved to California. She began learning about home improvements after purchasing a 1,800 square-foot condominium in Los Angeles.

"Like most people, I was house rich and cash poor," she said. "The condo needed changes and I didn't have money to make the improvements, so step-by-step I learned on my own."

It wasn't easy. Baker said most of the hardware store clerks called her "sweetheart"

and tried talking her into hiring a professional when it came to remodeling projects. She ignored the advice and kept plugging along.

By the time she finished, friends were already asking her for advice on everyday home improvement projects.

"Most people feel silly when you ask someone at a store to explain the difference between a pair of pliers and a wrench," she said. "We wanted to create a book that would take those gorgeous pictures you'd see in a magazine and then show you how you can transform a room into one of those pictures." The book breaks a house up into five separate rooms:

- A cookable kitchen.
- A family room for families.
- A romantic bedroom.
- A spa-licious bathroom.
- A dining room for special occasions.

Baker co-authored the book with Eden Jarrin, a close friend who shares her gung-ho attitude toward new kitchen cabinets. The two also run a Web site called bejane.com and produce an online television show.

They certainly found a niche to cultivate. Baker said mortgage lending companies like

JACOBS-MESSINA

Vincent Messina and Christine Jacobs will be married Dec. 22, 2007, at St. Johns Center in Plymouth, Michigan.

Vince is the son of Frank and Marlene Messina of Monroe. He is a 1987 Graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1992 Graduate of Western Michigan University. Vince is the President of Messina Concrete, Inc.

Christine is the daughter of Diane Carriero and Richard & Gail Urchyk. She is a 1989 graduate of Lapeer East High School and a 1993 graduate of the University of Michigan. Chris is a real estate investor.

The couple, along with Chris'



daughter, Avery, will make their home in Plymouth during a honeymoon in Hawaii.

LANCE-LARSON

Michael and Cheryl Lance of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Alissa Lance of David Aaron Larson of Redford, son of Patricia Krantz and Paul Larson.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and Eastern Michigan University. She is employed as a kindergarten teacher.

The future groom is a graduate of Redford Thurston High School and Henry Ford Community College. He is employed by MAHLE Powertrain.

An Oct. 27, 2007, wedding is planned for St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in New Boston followed by reception at Warren Valley Golf and Banquet Center; couple will honeymoon in Hawaii.



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FEDRIGO-CHEVALIER

Laura Fedrigo and Gregory Chevalier will be married Oct. 12, 2007, at the Callaway Gardens in Atlanta, Ga.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Larry Fedrigo of Novi and Denise Fedrigo of Livonia. She is a 1995 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. She was an undergraduate at the University of Michigan and attended graduate school at Central Michigan University. She is employed in marketing for the Atlanta Silverbacks of the Professional Soccer Association.

The prospective groom was born in Troy, Mich., and grew up in New York. He is a graduate of the University of Albany.



He is a former professional soccer player and is currently a personal trainer.

OTT-DAVIS

Brian Ott and Robin Marie Davis were wed May 19, 2007, at Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary Catholic Church with the Rev. Philip Racco.

The bride is the daughter of Rob and Mary Davis of Oakwood Village, Ohio. She has a bachelor's degree from Ursuline College in Cleveland and a master's degree from Cleveland State University. She is employed by Adoption Network in Cleveland.

The groom is the son of Mark and Janet Ott of Canton. He is a graduate of Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. He is employed by PsyMax Solutions in Cleveland.

The bride was attended by Kelly Davis, maid of honor and sister-in-law; bridesmaids, Brittany Williams, Diane Mallin, Nicole Monastero, Anuradha Bhama and Lauren Ott. Katie Kessler was the flower girl.

The groom was attended by Ravi Chekka, best man and groomsmen, William Stewart, Jason Law, Brian Kubit, Adam Russell and Richard Davis.

A reception was held at the Cleveland Zoo Primate and Aquatics Building. The couple will honeymoon at Walt Disney World. They will make their home in Mayfield Hts., Ohio.

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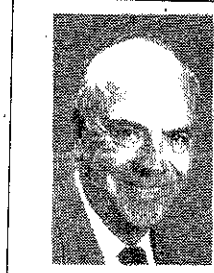
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TIMOTHY O. BRENNAN

Age 83. Passed away at his home in Livonia on August 23, 2007. Tim will be greatly missed by his beloved wife of 57 years, Donna, his five daughters, Kathleen Schoenrock, Mary Brennan, Maureen Cvach, Laura Jahn and Theresa Wallis, their spouses and his thirteen grandchildren. A World War II Veteran, Tim obtained degrees from the University of Detroit and Wayne State University. He worked as a teacher and administrator for the Detroit Public Schools, and later as an Assistant Professor of Economics at Madonna University. He was an avid athlete and played golf and softball into his eighties. Visitation Saturday 5-9 pm and Sunday 1-9 pm at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia. Funeral Mass Monday, August 27, 2007, 10:30 am (instate 10am) at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd., Livonia. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in Detroit or a charity of your choice. Please sign Tim's online guest book at: www.rgharris.com

RAMEY BURGESS

Age 75. Died August 23, 2007. Burial Romulus Cemetery. Uht Funeral Home, Westland

CLAIRE R. HASKE

Died August 17, 2007 at the age of 93. She was born in Detroit, Michigan January 21, 1914, the daughter of Joseph and Philomena Permen. The Miller Family Park in Plymouth Township was made possible by the donation of land in 1998 by Claire in loving memory of Peter, Adele and Keith Miller. Pete called her the proverbial care-giver. She retired as a L.P.N. at Clinton Memorial Hospital in St. Johns. After she retired, Plymouth was her home away from home as she traveled from St. Johns to Plymouth in good and bad weather to care for Pete and Adele in their final illnesses. She also fulfilled a promise she made to Adele to help Pete with the raspberries-a promise that she kept for 14 years. Long-time Plymouth area residents will remember the raspberry stand on Ann Arbor Trail that was operated until Peter's death in 1996. The donation of the raspberry land for the park was another promise fulfilled to Pete and Adele. The park was dedicated in July 2001. At the dedication of the park, Claire's daughter Judy spoke on behalf of the family in saying my sisters and I are very proud of our mother for her strong devotion to our aunt and uncle during their illnesses and for her donation of the property for the park. Thanks mom for teaching us to have heart and for the importance of a giving spirit. Claire is survived by three daughters, Gail (James) Nutter of Perry, Susan (Michael) Greiter of Edmonton, Alberta, Canada and Judith (James) Judd of Shawano, WI, five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Herman, and five brothers and sisters, including Adele Miller. Arrangements by the Osgood Funeral Home, St. Johns

MILTON GERALD KITCHEN

Age 75, died August 21, 2007 at home or complications of Parkinson's disease. He was born September 4, 1931 to Charles and Agnes Kitchen in Detroit, MI. Milt was a success in the work place and the home. He was President and Treasurer of DM Kitchen Building Company which he founded with his late brother Donald in 1964. Of all his numerous accomplishments Milt was most proud of his family. He is survived by his wife Janet and five daughters: Susan Van Dyck (James), Karen Kitchen Chauncey (James), Susan Byrum (Lee), Kim Kitchen Peary (Rick) and Linda Thurber (Cleveland); 12 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Milt is also survived by his sister Lois Joyce. He is predeceased by his brothers Donald C. Kitchen and Maurice E. Kitchen. Milt graduated from Redford High School in 1949. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1951-1955. He was a Trustee at Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church and a member of the Economic Club of Detroit. Milt was also a member of the Association of General Contractors of America and the Construction Association of Michigan. A memorial service will be held Monday, August 27, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. at Kirk in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills, MI. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Michigan Parkinson's Foundation, Kirk in the Hills or Angela Hospice.

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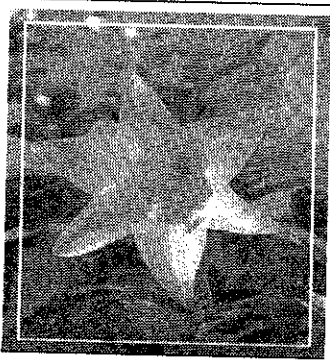
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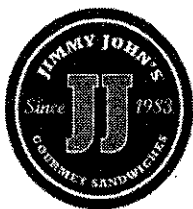


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# Fun to the core

Art & Apples brings family activities, fine art and tasty apple desserts to Rochester

BY SHARON DARGAY  
STAFF WRITER

If you're intent on showing your work at this year's Art & Apples festival in downtown Rochester, forego the paint and clay, metal and glass.

Try creating in MacIntosh. Or Winesap, with overtones of Granny Smith. You might win a handmade pie plate for your culinary artistry.

"It's our first annual pie bake-off. This is open to everyone," said Karen Cuthbertson, festival director and events coordinator at Paint Creek Center for the Arts, the organization that benefits from the annual post-Labor Day fair.

"The idea came about because we wanted to incorporate apples into this year's festival, more than had been done in the past. We didn't want to conflict with people selling pies, but we wanted to give people an opportunity to show their own pies."

With approximately 265 artists juried into the annual event, held in Rochester Municipal Park, Art & Apples has always been heavy on painting, sculpture, metal, jewelry, ceramics, baskets, drawing, fibers, glass and other fine art creations.

This year, with the festival's inaugural bake-off, visitors will

be reminded that Michigan's second largest art fair is about apples, too.

"We haven't received too many applications yet. We're hoping we will get more before the deadline of Aug. 29," Cuthbertson said. "We do have a few rules. Apples can be the only major fruit involved in the making of the pie."

Judges will consider presentation, taste and quality when selecting the top three winners. Entrants will bake their pies at home and drop them off in time for 10 a.m., judging on Saturday, Sept. 8, the second day of the three-day event. Applications are available from [www.artandapples.com](http://www.artandapples.com). The entry fee is \$10.

"We hope to have at least 15 pies. We hope our pie bakers will stick around for the judging," Cuthbertson noted.

The bake-off is just one of several new attractions at the festival this year, which runs from 4-7:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 7, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 8 and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 9.

## PICKLES AND RIBS

Ski's, a new vendor this year, will serve up deep-fried pickles, Oreos cookies and traditional Polish foods. Brett's BBQ, another new addition to the food court, will keep the Jamaican jerk chicken and baby-back ribs flowing.

"We have fabulous favorites coming back," Cuthbertson added. "Miller's Big Red is a favorite and the Rochester Junior Women do an apple blossom that is incredible. It's nice because you can find something to snack on or a meal to take home for dinner."

The festival "kids zone" with its take-home art projects is expanded this year and organizers have added an "activity zone" geared to older children.

"We wanted to do something interactive for families that come here but need a break from the artwork," Cuthbertson said. "We'll have a rock climbing wall available all weekend. South Street Skate Park will be there offering anyone an opportunity to decorate their deck — that's what they call the board in a skate board."

The Henry Ford's interactive Rouge Factory Tour will be on hand and M-Chip child ID program will be available on Saturday.

JC Drum and Music Center of Rochester will give everyone a chance to try their hand at drumming from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., on Saturday, Sept. 8. The JC Drum Circle is among the entertainment that's new to the festival. "We have a few new groups. I was trying to do something different this year," said Chris Dunstan, festival entertainment coordinator.

She included The Novel Citizen, an "indie rock band" on the main stage schedule, which generally features folk music, local high school bands and dance studios. The group will perform at 3:30 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 9. Dunstan also moved some musical acts into the children's art area this year.

Zippity2Dads, new to Art & Apples, will perform from 1-1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, and again from 1-3 p.m., on Sunday, Sept. 9, in the children's area.



Youngsters work on take-home projects at Art & Apples.

## FAMILY-FRIENDLY

Shawn Ryskamp of Oxford, one half of the singing duo, which also includes Tagg Smith of Waterford, said Zippity2Dads performs both educational concerts at elementary schools, as well family shows at festivals.

"Our wives are both teachers and Tagg and I have been performing for a number of years together. We thought we might as well put something together for the schools."

Their most popular show for

schools focuses on the pillars of character, including respect, caring and trust. It's also the subject of their 2006 CD, *Thumbs up for Character*. Their 2007 CD, *Having Fun in Zanzibar*, includes family-friendly songs they've performed at festivals, including the National Cherry Festival in Traverse City.

"Some of our influences are the Everly Brothers, Barenaked

## ART & APPLES FESTIVAL

**What:** Fine art booths, entertainment, food, kids activities  
**When:** 4-7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9  
**Where:** Rochester Municipal Park, located north of University and west of Main in downtown Rochester  
**Shuttle:** Cost is \$3 per adult round trip for service to and from Rochester High School, located at University and Livernois, in Rochester Hills. Shuttles run from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday  
**Web site:** [www.artandapples.com](http://www.artandapples.com)

Ladies, the Beatles. Tight harmonies, acoustical stuff," Ryskamp said. "Now we're playing concerts as well as being educational."

Zippity2Dads describe themselves as "Closer to the Beatles than Barney."

"We're not annoying to parents. We're for everybody," Ryskamp said.

Cuthbertson suggests that visitors set aside several hours to see everything at Art & Apples this year.

"We try to have a variety of things for everyone. A family could easily spend the whole day," she said. "With over 250 artist booths this year, they'll definitely have their work cut out seeing all of it."

For entertainment schedules, vendor menus, list of artist and parking shuttle schedule, visit [www.artandapples.com](http://www.artandapples.com).



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Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road  
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Briefcase, Fax, Bags of clothes, approx. 28 boxes, and misc. items

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A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, September 6, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following item:

Z 07 -14 986 Harding Non-Use Variance Requested  
Side Yard Setback, Detached Garage  
Zoned: R-1, Single Family Residential  
Applicant: Richard Blomberg

Z 07 -15 625 Sunset Non-Use Variance Requested  
Side Yard Setback, 2nd Story Addition  
Zoned: R-1, Single Family Residential  
Applicant: David Donaldson

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following:

**SITE PLAN APPROVAL:**  
SP 07-06 V.F.W. Post 6695  
1426 S. Mill  
Proposed Storage Building  
Zoned: ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor  
Applicant: John Harmala, AIA

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL USE AND SITE PLAN APPROVAL:**  
SP 07-07 Change of Use from Residential to Office  
820 Starkweather  
Zoned: MU, Mixed Use  
Applicant: Adanac Contracting, LLC

**CHANGE OF USE AND SITE PLAN APPROVAL:**  
SP 07-08 Change of Use from Office to Restaurant  
744 Wing  
Zoned: B-2, Central Business  
Applicant: Paul DePalma

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL USE AND SITE PLAN APPROVAL:**  
SP 07-09 Proposed Addition of Office  
873 N. Mill  
Zoned: MU, Mixed Use  
Applicant: Tim Mizerowski

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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Plymouth, MI 48170  
(734) 453-1234, Ext. 206

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## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA SEPTEMBER 13, 2007

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, September 13, 2007 at 7:00 PM**. The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON 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

- Joe VanEsley, 44675 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187, for vacant property located on the east side of Morton Taylor Road between Palmer and Cherry Hill Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 2.00, Section 2.24.A, variance of 18ft from the required 25ft minimum wetland setback for a future home site and a variance of 20ft from the required 25ft minimum wetland setback to accommodate a driveway area to the home site.  
Zone R-5  
Parcel 091 99 0001 717  
(Planning)
- Joe VanEsley, 44675 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187, for vacant property located on the east side of Morton Taylor Road between Palmer and Cherry Hill Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 2.00, Section 2.24.A, variance of 15ft from the minimum 25ft wetland setback to accommodate a future home site.  
Zone R-5  
Parcel 091 99 0001 718  
(Planning)
- Joe VanEsley, 44675 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187, for vacant property located on the east side of Morton Taylor Road between Palmer and Cherry Hill Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 2.00, Section 2.24.A, variance of 5 ft from the 25 ft wetland setback for a future home site and a variance to allow a 20 ft wide driveway through the wetland setback area.  
Zone R-5  
Parcel 091 99 0001 719  
(Planning)
- Patti Franz, 23544 Hoover, Warren, MI 48089, for commercial property located at 45490 Michigan Ave. (7-11/Citgo), north side of Michigan Ave. between S. Canton Center and Geddes Roads, appealing Sign Ordinance Article 6A.00, Section 6A.15, sign variance.  
Zone C-3  
Parcel 129 99 0002 710  
(Building)
- Bryan L. Amann, 355 North Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48187, for residential property located on the north side of Cherry Hill Road between Beck and Canton Center Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 26.00, Section 26.02.b, variance of lot width to depth ratio.  
Zone R-3  
Parcels 063 99 0032 000  
063 99 0036 000 (Part of)  
(Planning)
- Enterprise Leasing Co. of Detroit, 29301 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills, MI 48334, for commercial property located at 44625 Michigan Ave., south side of Michigan Ave. between Sheldon and Canton Center Roads, appealing Zoning Ordinance Article 3.00, Section 3.03, substitution of an existing non-conforming use with a more restrictive use (used car sales to car rental).  
Zone C-1  
Parcel 134 01 0027 301  
(Planning)

### Approval of the August 23, 2007 Minutes

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

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## REUNIONS

As space permits, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print, without charge, announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48170. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person, and a telephone number.

### REUNIONS

**Garden City East**  
**Class of 1977**

Saturday, Oct. 6. Casual attire. Cost is \$35 per person. Contact Teri Harrelson (Falconer) at (734) 421-2286 or Kim Orsette (Gallinat) at (734) 762-6357 or GCEAST1977@aol.com.

**Bishop Borgess**  
**Class of 1977**

A 30-year reunion Saturday, Sept. 8, 2007, at George Murphy's, Livonia. Call (248)685-8747 or by e-mail kharning@yahoo.com.

**Class of 1987**

A 20-year reunion, Sept. 15, 2007, at the Livonia Marriott. Contact borgess87@hotmail.com for more information.

**Dearborn Fordson**  
**Class of 1969**

Planning a reunion for 2007. Please contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kayninilu@aol.com or Kathy Shoebridge @ Klivingston@nu-core.com.

**St. Mary of Redford**  
**All classes**

St. Mary of Redford School Alumni "All Class Sock Hop" (Reunion) will be held Saturday, Oct. 6; 4 p.m. Mass, 6 p.m. Reunion. For further information, please contact: Dave DiPonio at ddiponio@wadetrin.com or (313)

363-6153 or Jamie Sloan at jes21970@aol.com or (248) 391-0607. The Sock Hop will be held in the "Old" SMR Gym on Mansfield in Detroit. Reservations required by Sept. 14.

**Detroit Chadsey**  
**Class of 1957**

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 Pat Gorski-Zielinski, (989) 366-9288.

**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 lorel@wideopenwest for details. Cost is \$90 per person, complete with dinner, open bar, memory book, champagne toast and much more.

**Detroit Cooley**  
**Class of 1957**

A 50-year reunion, Sept. 28-29, 2007, Sheraton Novi Hotel. Contact: Sharon (248) 334-7641 or Sue (734) 632-0350 Email: shadden@med.wayne.edu.

**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

**Detroit Cooley**  
**Class of 1947**

A 60th reunion luncheon 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 26, at Vladimir's, 28125 Grand River, Farmington Hills. For information, contact Dave Vaughn at (248)380-6939 or Reta (Ansell) Steinhilber at (248)851-4682.

**Classes 1960-63**

6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, 2007, at St. John's Armenian Cultural Center, 22001 Northwestern Hwy., Southfield. For information and tickets, call Joyce (Karagozian) Obenhoff (586)754-3984, Sharon (Wand) Witberg (586)977-1469 or (586)864-2352, Roger Avie (248)476-5400 or Robert Postolian (248)788-2746.

**Detroit Denby**  
**Class of 1947**

A 60th reunion will be held noon to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, at Lakeland Banquet Center. Contact Lucille at (734) 427-0579.

**Class of 1952**

Seeking alumni for a 55th reunion Oct. 21 at the American Polish Century Club. For more information, call (586)468-

2259 or (586)286-3352.

**Class of 1957**

A 50th reunion is planned for Sept. 7, 8, and 9, 2007, at the Thomas Edison Inn, Port Huron. Seeking lost graduates, January/June classes. If you are not yet on the mailing list, please e-mail maroonfowl@aol.com or call (248) 642-0249.

**Detroit Girls Catholic Central**  
**Class of 1967**

Searching for classmates of the class of 1967 for a 40th reunion this summer/fall. Contact Diane Kangas (Krok) at (586)446-9011 or Mary Mezzardi (Winowiecki) at mmezzadri@hotmail.com.

**Detroit Henry Ford**  
**Class of 1967**

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**

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 of 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.dvincinet.com

**Detroit Redford High School**  
**Class of 1954**

Friday, Oct. 19, 2007, at Embassy Suite, Livonia. \$40 per person. Classes of 1953 and 1955 are invited. For more information, www.redfordhighschool-reunion.com or Doug King at (248)478-3621 or dking000@ameritech.net.

**Detroit Western**  
**Classes of 30s-50s**

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

**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 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@aol.com.

**Farmington High School**  
**Class of 1977**

Looking for classmates to plan 30th reunion. Call Elaine (Stewart) Conn at (248)-476-4821 or shakaconn129@yahoo.com.

**Garden City High School**  
**Class of 1957**

A 50-year reunion, 6 p.m. to midnight, Sept. 29, 2007, at the Amvet Hall, 1217 Merriman Road, Westland. For information contact, Chet Troczynski at (734)426-4558 or Bertha Wodarski at (734)421-4140.

**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 lhowerich@hotmail.com or Sharon Burke Parkila at (734)421-3108 or sparkila72@aol.com.

**Class of 1987**

Searching for all class of '87 Alumni for a 20-year reunion. Need to find current information on alumni (name, address, phone, email, etc.). Contact GCHSClassof87reunion@comcast.net or call Sheryl (Pietryka) Catton at (734) 367-0898.


**Class of 1989**

Need classmates to register online with names, addresses and email addresses to Paula at gch-1989reunion@hotmail.com and check out web site at www.myspace.com/gchs20threunion. The reunion date has not been set yet. In addition to our class we are also looking for members in the classes of 87,88,89 for a combination reunion.

**Garden City West**  
**Class of 1977**

A 30-year reunion 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22. For more information, call Diane Payne at (734)525-0995 or Ann Collins at (248)360-0632 or check

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**John Glenn High School**

**Class of 1967**

Holds their 40 Year Reunion 6:30 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Sept. 22, at Embassy Suites, 19525 Victor Parkway, Livonia. Cost is \$66.50 per person. For more information, visit [www.classmates.com](http://www.classmates.com) or contact Nancy Smith, Class President, at [NLee007@aol.com](mailto:NLee007@aol.com).

**Lamphere High School**

**Class of 1977**

A 30-year reunion 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29, at Cranks Banquet Center, 27900 Hoover Road, Warren. Contact Michelle (Van Sice) McCullough at [mam43@comcast.net](mailto:mam43@comcast.net) or Julie (Johnson) Szuminski at (586) 403-3792 for information on registration.

**Livonia Franklin**

**Class of 1969**

A reunion is in the pre-planning stages for 2007. For more information, contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: [Kayniliu@aol.com](mailto:Kayniliu@aol.com).

**Class of 1966, 1967**

A 41st and 40th reunion will be held

Oct. 20, 2007, 6:30 to midnight. Tickets are \$50. Call Tom Kujath at (248) 888-9535.

**Livonia Bentley High School**

**Class of 1967**

The Livonia Bentley High School Class of 1967 gathers for its 40th reunion on Saturday Oct. 27, 2007, at the Radisson Hotel, Laurel Park in Livonia. Alumni can update their address by calling Sharon at 734-261-3264; e-mailing to [celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com](mailto:celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com) or visiting [ctrinc.divincinet.com](http://ctrinc.divincinet.com).

**Livonia Stevenson High School**

**Class of 1987**

The Class of 1987 at Stevenson High

School meets for its 20th reunion on Saturday, October 20, 2007, at St. Mary's Cultural Center in Livonia. Alumni can update their address by calling Sharon at 734-261-3264; e-mailing to [celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com](mailto:celebrationstoremember@yahoo.com) or visiting [ctrinc.divincinet.com](http://ctrinc.divincinet.com).

**Redford Thurston High School**

**Classes of 1957, 1958**

A 50-year reunion is planned with several events Sept. 14-16 at Embassy Suites, Livonia. For information, contact Ron Beller at (989) 652-9724 or e-mail at [Admiral741@yahoo.com](mailto:Admiral741@yahoo.com) or Marian Keegan Hierholzer at (248) 349-

2697 or e-mail at [Mamia@comcast.net](mailto:Mamia@comcast.net)

**Classes of the '80s**

Thurston High School's '80s Reunion Committee will host a 2007 THS Multi-Year Reunion from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at the Hyatt Regency, in Dearborn. A limited number of first-come/first served tickets at \$59 per person will be available and no tickets will be sold at the door. E-mail Andrea Gambotto (Class of '86) at [andshaffer@netscape.net](mailto:andshaffer@netscape.net) or Dan Phillips (Class of '82) at [DanielP422@yahoo.com](mailto:DanielP422@yahoo.com). Representatives from graduating classes of '80, '82, '88 and '89 are sought.



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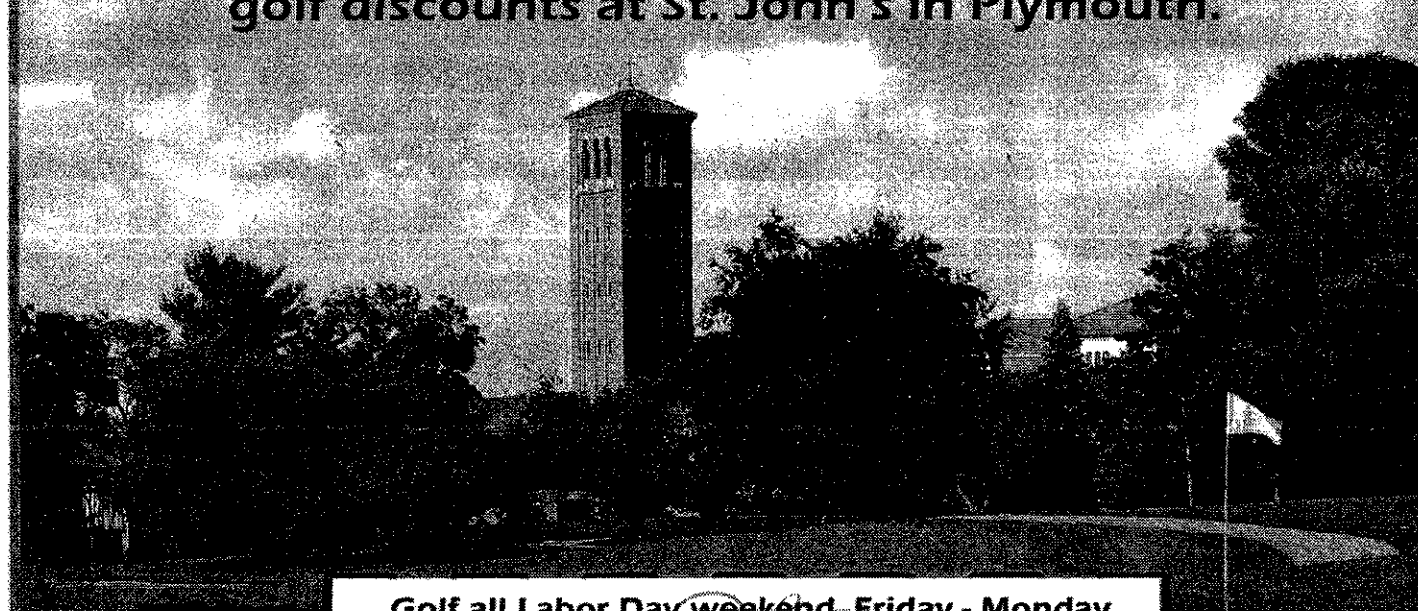


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## Keeping healthy heart may help prevent dementia

Tim from Sterling Heights e-mails asking for help decreasing his chances of developing dementia.

Tim, the key may be in taking care of your heart. A new study followed more than 450 elderly people. They found those with cardiovascular disease showed sharper declines in cognitive function than those with healthy hearts. Researchers believe reduction of blood flow to the brain due to heart disease may be gradually eroding cognitive function.

Doctors say reducing cardiovascular risk factors such as high blood pressure and high cholesterol will not only be good for your heart, but will improve blood flow to the brain and help cognitive function.

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If you have a health or fitness question you would like answered in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, e-mail Peter through his Web site [www.peternielsen.com](http://www.peternielsen.com). Contact him at Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.

## Light the night

### Walkers take steps to cure blood cancers

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

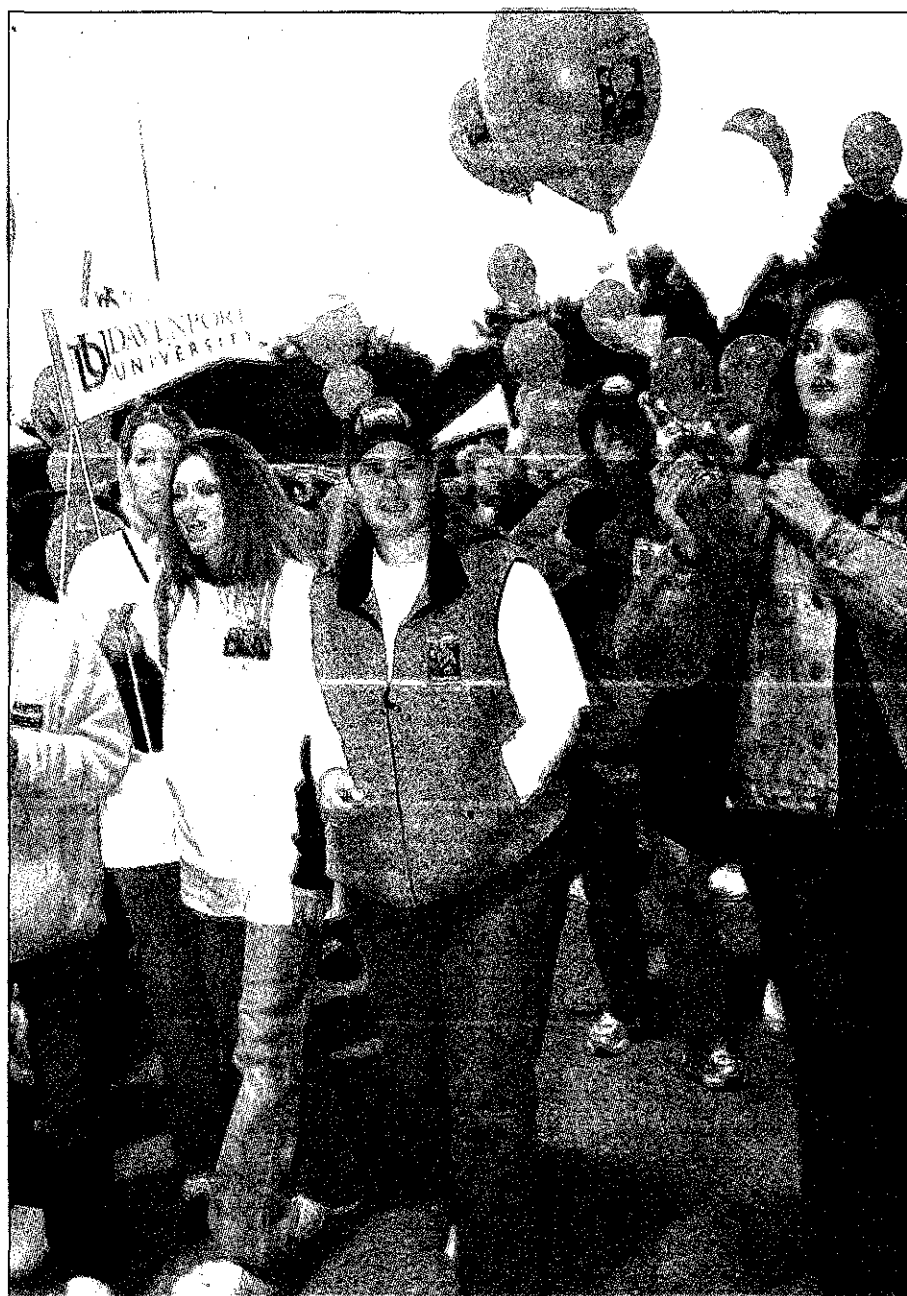
Jeff Rysenga is still trying to deal with the fact there is no curative treatment for the leukemia doctors diagnosed three years ago after he felt a lump on his neck. "It was hard for me to understand, telling me I have cancer and not to do anything about it," said Jeff Rysenga who shares a Berkley home with wife Ann and three children. "The doctors said because there is no cure we want to save the treatment for when you need it. I didn't have night sweats or elevated white cell counts. I was feeling fine. They put me on watch and wait. The problem I had I couldn't just move on. I needed some way of releasing energy around that issue. I called the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and got some information that was helpful in getting used to this diagnosis."

Not long after being told he has chronic lymphocytic leukemia Rysenga reached out to the nonprofit and became involved in Light the Night Walks. This year he's chairing the Metro Detroit Walk Friday, Sept. 28, at Memorial Park in Royal Oak, one of seven statewide walks to raise money for blood cancer research and improve the quality of life for patients and their families. For more information or to register, call (800) 456-5413 or visit [www.lightthenight.org/mi](http://www.lightthenight.org/mi).

After a brief program beginning at 6:45 p.m., walkers leave the park carrying lighted balloons - white for survivors, red for supporters, or gold in memory of a loved one who lost their battle with blood cancer.

"What's really neat about it is we try to make the actual walk itself almost a party atmosphere with great food. We have entertainment. It's just fun. The reason we do that is the hard work of raising money is over - the Tupperware parties or selling candy bars at work or their kids going around the neighborhood with coffee cans," said Rysenga, 46, who works in product development for OnStar by General Motors. OnStar chose the Society as the focus of its charitable work this year.

"We do kind of a three mile stroll carrying those balloons starting just after dusk. To see all those people walking



Last year 1,200 supporters took steps to raise funds for blood cancer research and patient services for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

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# Fund-raisers help continue research

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Ryan Gliesman thought his fatigue was due to the stress of working as a mortgage banker until he "felt a hard object in his stomach". The 29-year old Farmington Hills man would soon discover his enlarged spleen was a symptom of the leukemia diagnosed by doctors in January.

Today, he's back at his desk at Quicken Loans in Livonia thanks to Gleevec, a medication he takes once a day to combat the chronic myelogenous leukemia. Gleevec is among a new generation of drugs that target specific proteins which cause cancer cells to grow and multiply. A bone biopsy revealed Gliesman carried the Philadelphia chromosome that produces an abnormal protein which tells the bone marrow to keep making abnormal white blood cells. Gleevec blocks the signal.

"It's the first cancer drug that's a target therapy. Chemo kills both good and bad. This targets the one condition. I

kind of put my faith in modern medicine. I don't ask as many questions as people might. I'm keeping a positive attitude. The only cure is having a bone marrow transplant and there's a high fatality rate with that and they usually only do if a necessity," said Ryan Gliesman who isn't sitting around waiting for his condition to worsen.

On Oct. 5, more than 30 friends, family members and co-workers will join him for the Light the Night Walk in Gallup Park in Ann Arbor.

"I was very fortunate to have support from all my family and friends," said Gliesman. "As soon as I got diagnosed my girlfriend found out about the walk and had a fund-raiser. A corn toss game raised \$1,500 at her parents' home. It's kind of like horseshoes. We got some of the local businesses to contribute."

If you're interested in fund-raising for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, visit [www.lightthenight.org/mi](http://www.lightthenight.org/mi) or call (800) 456-5413.

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## WALK

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with the balloons, it's kind of an emotional thing."

In 1949 when the Society was founded the survival rate for acute lymphocytic leukemia (ALL), the most prevalent childhood form, was 4 percent compared to 85 to 86 percent today.

"The Society's mission is to cure blood cancer and improve the quality of life for patients and families," said Peggy Pattison, deputy executive director of the Michigan Chapter. "We spend about \$60 million a year on research across the world. We have researchers everywhere trying to find a cure. We take the best research and do what we can to support who can make leaps and bounds to finding a cure."

Pattison is proud of the progress made in treating blood cancers. Since the 1960s, the five-year survival rates have more than doubled. That's important when every 10 minutes someone dies of blood cancer.

"I think it's important to understand our further progress is dependent on everyone. Support from each of the communities allows us to continue to move forward. Public awareness is important as well to understand what blood cancers are. There's a little bit of a misperception. Some people believe leukemia is just a blood disorder and it's a cancer, to understand Hodgkin's and Non-Hodgkin's are blood cancers, and we're here to help with all forms of blood cancer."

The Society offers a variety of services to assist in dealing with blood cancer.

Education programs for patients and medical professionals make the latest information available. Society staff is waiting to talk to patients from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday about treatment, clinical trials and how

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PEGGY PATTISON, deputy executive director of the Michigan Chapter

to cope. First Connection connects newly diagnosed patients to a peer volunteer. Teleconferences and Web casts with medical professionals take place more than 25 times a year on topics of interest to patients and caregivers free of charge. Support groups establish communication between blood cancer patients. The Society's financial aid programs provide up to \$500 for any expense to do with treatment, including transportation to and from centers, and certain medications. While this particular program is not on a needs basis, the new co-pay assistance for premiums and prescriptions is based on an individual's financial situation.

Laura Dodd, as director of special events for the Michigan Chapter of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, is working to raise \$300,000 from the walk for research, and educational and financial programs. Last year about 1,200 people participated.

"This year we're hoping for 1,500 to 1,800. People can even walk up the night of, but if they become involved earlier we can raise more money," said Laura Dodd. "We give them all the supplies to do fund raising parties at their house with silent auctions. One woman when it came time to shave her head had a party called Shave to Save and charged people \$25 to shave their heads as well. There's all kinds of interesting ways (to raise money), not just a knocking on doors sort of thing."

For more information about blood cancers, visit [www.lls.org](http://www.lls.org).

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## AUGUST

### Benefit today

4-8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26, at the Knights of Columbus, 19801 Farmington Road, Livonia, to raise money for medical bills for Alex Chimpouras, a Clawson woman fighting ovarian cancer. Tickets are \$10 and include hot dogs and chips. Tickets for pop and beer can be purchased and there will be a full bar. For more information, call Patty Schneider at (734) 266-2476 or Peggy Grainer at (248) 442-7571 or e-mail to [pschneider25@aol.com](mailto:pschneider25@aol.com).

### Treating arthritis naturally

7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 27, with Dr. William Karl, D.C., at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 33000 Civic Center Drive on south side of Five Mile, between Farmington and Merriman. Find out which foods help, which hurt. No charge. Seating limited. For reservation, call (734) 425-8588.

### Divorce support group

7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 28, an attorney from The Law Firm of Victoria discusses divorce issues such as child support, custody, property settlement, pensions, spousal support, post-judgment issues, the firm specializes in family law for women only, in the Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. For information, call (734) 462-4443.

### Sharing & Caring event

Screening Breast MRI: How to determine high-risk status with Whitney Ducaigne of the Cancer Genetics Program, William Beaumont Hospital, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, in the hospital's Cancer Center First Floor Classroom, 13 Mile and Woodward, Royal Oak. Sharing & caring offers educational and support programs for breast cancer survivors, their family and friends. Call (248) 551-8585 for information.

## UPCOMING

### Celebrate Life

A 5k run/walk Saturday, Sept. 15, to raise money St. Mary Mercy Hospital cancer patients who are uninsured or underinsured, begins at 9 a.m. (7-8:30 a.m. registration) on hospital grounds, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Runners/walkers who register on or before Sept. 7 will be guaranteed a race T-shirt. For those registering after Sept. 7, T-shirts will be provided until supply is gone. Volunteers needed on race day. Call Carlos Junca at (734) 655-1402 to volunteer or for more information. Register online to participate in the race at [www.stmarymercy.org](http://www.stmarymercy.org) and click on Celebrate Life.

### Prostate screening

And educational sessions offered 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Charach Cancer Treatment Center at DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. No charge. Participants will learn warning signs, receive a diagnostic test and collect pertinent information on prostate cancer. All men over age 50 who do not have a history of prostate cancer and have not had a Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) blood test and/or digital rectal exam within the past year are eligible and encouraged to participate. This program is for men who have not been screened or whose previous tests have shown no abnormalities. Men who have attended a screening in the past and had a positive test result should follow up with a physician. Each participant of the annual program receives a blood test and digital exam by a urologist who will look for abnormalities in the prostate. Registration required. Call (888) 362-2500 by Wednesday, Sept. 5. Appointments limited so early registration is encouraged.

### Liver walk/5K run

To take strides to fight liver disease Saturday, Sept. 8 (9 a.m. registration begins, walk steps off 10 a.m.) at Stony Creek Metropark, Shelby Township. 100-percent of proceeds from walk go towards fighting liver disease in Michigan. For information or to register, call (888) MY-LIVER (695-4837) or

visit [www.liverfoundation.org/chapters/michigan](http://www.liverfoundation.org/chapters/michigan).

### Walk'n Roll benefit

Sunday, Sept. 9, at Kensington Metropark in Milford and Stony Creek Metropark, Shelby Township. Registration begins at 9 a.m. with walk kick-off at 10 a.m. Presented by ALS of Michigan to raise funds for Michigan programs and services to benefit people with Lou Gehrig's Disease. For information and to register, call (800) 882-5764 or visit [www.alsomichigan.org](http://www.alsomichigan.org).

### Dawn Farm fund-raiser

1-6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9, at Dawn Farm, 6633 Stony Creek Road, Ypsilanti. Jamboree includes pony rides, moon bounce, farm animals to pet, entertainment for the family and tours of the 74-acre working farm. Live and silent auction. Admission is free. Funds raised through the auctions help Dawn Farm to provide care for recovering addicts and alcoholics who have no financial resources. For more information, call (734) 485-8725 or visit [www.dawnfarm.org](http://www.dawnfarm.org).

### CHADD meeting

Children and Adults with Attention-Deficit Disorder meets Monday, Sept. 10 at Way Elementary School on W. Long Lake Road, just east of Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills. Registration begins at 7 p.m. with the program running 7:30-9 p.m. The Parent Group will have Janet Rosen PhD, an Educational Specialist giving Tips and Strategies for your AD/HD Child to be Successful in School. The Adult Group will have Philip Parker MD, psychiatrist, speaking on Medication Treatment for Adults with AD/HD: Back to the Future. Meetings free to members, \$5 donation per non-member family. For information visit [www.chadd.net/527](http://www.chadd.net/527) or call (248) 988-6716.

### Educational classes

The Alliance for the Mentally Ill begins the fall Families in Action 10-week series of educational classes 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, for family members in the tri-county area whose loved one is experiencing some form of mental illness, at St. Regis parish center in Bloomfield Hills. The cost for 10-sessions is \$20 per person, \$30 per couple, includes a workbook. Since space is limited, call (248) 348-7196 for program and registration information, or register on the AMI web site at [www.amiokland.org](http://www.amiokland.org).

### Diabetes presentation

Take care of your feet and they will last a lifetime presentation 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan Road, Livonia. Please use Main Entrance on Five Mile. For more information, call (734) 655-8961. The speaker is St. Mary Mercy Hospital podiatrist, Peter Galea, DPM. This is a St. Mary Mercy Hospital Diabetes Support Group presentation, however all are welcome. A new topic is presented on the second Wednesday of each month for adults with diabetes and family members at no charge. Pre-registration not required.

## MEDICAL DATEBOOK

### Treating thyroid disorders naturally

7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12, with Dr. William Karl, D.C., at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 33000 Civic Center Drive on south side of Five Mile, between Farmington and Merriman. No charge. Seating limited. For reservation, call (734) 425-8588.

### Bariatric seminars

The Michigan Bariatric Institute (MBI) at St. Mary Mercy Hospital offers three laparoscopic (minimally invasive) surgical weight loss options including Gastric Bypass, Adjustable Gastric Banding, and Sleeve Gastrectomy. Learn more at one of the next free monthly Educational Seminar 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Call (734) 655-2693 or 1-877-Why-Weight to register for free Seminar.

### Breather's club

A support group for persons afflicted with lung disease meets at noon on the third Wednesday of each month at DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. Pre-registration not required for the free program. For details, call (248) 937-3314.

### Post-polio conference

Presented by Michigan Polio Network, a nonprofit providing information and education on the late effects of polio, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 21-22, at Soaring Eagle Casino Conference Center, Mt. Pleasant. Keynote speaker is Dr. Daniel Ryan, medical director, St. John Post-Polio Clinic. Cost is \$45. Pre-registration required for conference and hotel reservation. Call (248) 476-2477 or (313) 885-7855.

### Salt and your health

Are you tired of depriving yourself of salt, learn why unrefined salt is a healthy food and should be part of everyone's diet 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21, with Dr. William Karl, D.C., at Zerbo's Health Food Store, 34164 Plymouth Road, east of Stark, Livonia. No charge. Seating limited. For reservation, call (734) 425-8588.

### Kadima benefit

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at the Max M. Fisher Music Center in Detroit. Features the music of Joshua Nelson and the Kasher Gospel Singers. Cost is \$100. Call (248) 559-8235, ext. 128. All proceeds will allow Kadima to continue to provide comprehensive treatment programs for people who suffer from mental illness.

### Diabetes Review

The American Diabetes Association and Great Lakes Medical Supply hold a series of free, one-hour educational seminars, at the Jewish Vocational Service (JVS), 29699 Southfield Road. A certified diabetes educator will speak about diet, exercise, medications, stress, the importance of glucose testing and A1C testing. To register, call Felicia McGee at (888) DIABETES, Ext. 6697. Locations and dates include 11 a.m. to noon Sept. 29, at Walsh College, 3838 Livernois, Troy; 6-7 p.m. Oct. 9, Royal Oak Public Library, 222 E. 11 Mile, and 11 a.m. to noon Nov. 3, Alfred Noble Branch Library, 32901 Plymouth Rd., Livonia.

### Women's cancer walk

The National Arab American Medical Association (NAAMA) is partnering with Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute for the Fourth Annual Walk for Women's Cancer Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Detroit Zoo. Gates open 8 a.m., walk begins 9 a.m. Funds raised will help continue current programs for those affected by women's cancers as well as help to develop new support and education programs offered by Karmanos throughout the year. For details or to register, call 1-800-KARMANOS and ask for Patient and Family Support Services.

### Holiday cards

The American Lung Association of Michigan (ALAM), a part of its efforts to raise funds to support lung health research, education and advocacy, is selling holiday cards in a variety of styles and price ranges. Interested customers may request an album to examine, and cards may be customized with individual's, family's or company's name. Purchases made before Sept. 30, will be entitled to a 20 percent early buyer discount. Large quantity discounts also available. To see samples of the cards, visit [www.buyholidaycards.com](http://www.buyholidaycards.com). To preview an album or for information, contact Betty McNeil at (248) 784-2030 or toll free at 1-800-543-5864.

### New parents support group

Meets at 10 a.m. on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. For details, call (248) 858-7766.

### H.U.G.S. support group

Help, Understanding and Grief Support Group and counseling for parents who have suffered a pregnancy or newborn loss, meet 7-9 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month, at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. For information, call (248) 937-4847. There is no pre-registration required.

### Hospice volunteers needed

Looking for caring volunteers to provide in-home companionship visits to patients with life-limiting illnesses and/or respite support for their caregivers and families. Weekday availability preferred. St. John Hospice provides services in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and St. Clair counties. Mileage reimbursement available. For information, call (800) 248-2298 or visit [www.stjohn.org/Hospice](http://www.stjohn.org/Hospice).

### AA support group

Alcoholics Anonymous and the Al-Anon (for family and friends) groups meet 10 a.m. every Sunday, at Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. For information, call (248) 706-1020. No pre-registration required.

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### UPDATE ON FIBROMYALGIA

The pain in fibromyalgia has proved vexing not only to patients, but to their physicians. At present, the greatest advance in the treatment of fibromyalgia is not how to treat its pain but learning where the pain originates. Research indicates that fibromyalgic pain starts in a pain center in the mid brain, an area of the spinal cord just above the cerebellum.

This pain center has its own characteristic receptors and chemical stimulators. For that reason medications such as Prozac and Paxil, and a number of tranquilizers used to treat fibromyalgia have not worked well. These medication act on brain centers higher in the brain that are constituted differently and exhibit different responses to drugs than the mid brain pain center.

At this time no medication specifically acts to reduce the pain sensitivity of the mid brain pain center in patients with fibromyalgia. Finding a drug that will raise the mid brain pain threshold is the focus of energetic pharmaceutical research. Likely within 2-3 years an effective drug will come forward.

Until that time, the best therapy for fibromyalgia is daily exercise, ideally done early in the morning. Early exercise creates endorphins, chemicals that act as the body's own pain medication.

These endorphins are excellent but last only 24 hours. Thus a patient with fibromyalgia needs to exercise daily and consider exercise a medication. Until good drug therapy appears, exercise is the treatment of choice for fibromyalgia.

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To register, call the Canton Senior Center at (734) 394-5485.

Participants will learn about new traffic laws, rules of the road, and defensive driving techniques in this 8-hour course.

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Learn how to compensate for changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time; how to handle problem situations such as left turns, right-of-way, freeway traffic, trucks, and blind spots; what to do if confronted by an aggressive driver; when to use a car phone; how medications may affect driving; how to properly use anti-lock brakes, air bags, and safety belts, and how to assess one's own and others' abilities via a Personal Driving Capability Index.

Persons with disabilities are encouraged to request, in advance, any special arrangements they may need to participate in the AARP Driver Safety Program.


Please contact the course instructor or the manager of the facility where the course is to be held at least two to three weeks prior to the course.



## Artists Club show

More than two dozen members of the Livonia Artists Club show their work Sept. 4-28, at Livonia City Hall on Five Mile, east of Farmington road. Pictured here is Stormy Weather, an abstract watercolor by Yvette Goldberg of Livonia. The exhibit features a variety of media including watercolors, oils, photography, and acrylics.

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The charity luncheon will recognize and honor Remarkable Women from across Metro Detroit while raising funds to support research and the advancement of women's medicine at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, Beaumont Women's Heart Center and U-M Cardiovascular Center.

Women representing all areas of business and from diverse walks of life will attend the luncheon. Guest speakers include Linda Kaplan Thaler, New York advertising guru and best-selling author of "Power of Nice," Glinda Bridgforth, financial expert, author and featured guest on Oprah's "Debt Diet," and Mireille Guilano, accomplished international author of "French Women Don't Get Fat" and "French Women For All Seasons," who has been featured on Oprah, The Today Show, NBC's Dateline, CNN, etc. Several local media personalities, such as Sherry Margolis with Fox 2 News will also participate in this event.

Tickets are \$60, \$55 for Weight Watcher Members. To register, visit [www.florineonline.com](http://www.florineonline.com), or call 888-3-Florine. ext. 1377.

## ATTENTION LANDLORDS

The Plymouth and Dearborn Heights Housing Commissions will be hosting a Landlord Informational Session on Friday, September 14, 2007 at 2:00 pm. at the housing commission offices, 1160 Sheridan, Plymouth, MI. 48170. This session is open to all landlords with rental property in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Washtenaw counties who are interested in learning about the Housing Choice Voucher Subsidy Program. If you want to know more about the program, how to become a Section 8 landlord and explore a new opportunity to expand your tenant base, you are encouraged to attend. There is no cost to attend the session however you must pre-register by calling (734) 455-3670.

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## Simply Self Storage

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## Good money management can send you back to school

BY JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

It's a tough gig.

You're trying to save money so you can get back to school. Back to school so you can train for a career, not just another job.

But you're on a tight budget already. In fact, it seems like you're squeezing your nickels so tight the buffalo are screaming. After all, you're only spending your money on essentials like food, clothing, housing and transportation.

Where's the extra money going to come from? Well, there may be leaks in your budget — and those leaks can be in some surprising places. The soda you pick up each day, the fast food you have for lunch a couple of times a week, for example, can set you back \$60 or more a month. Ouch!

Sure, you need food, but fast food, that's an expensive want. It's easy to confuse wants with needs, but learning the difference can be key to gaining a brighter future.

Capt. Malinda O'Neil, corps commander with her husband for the Wayne-Westland Salvation Army, sees that needs/wants issue often, "especially the people who at the end of the week say, 'Man, I don't know

where my money went.'"

O'Neil herself found she was spending a lot on coffee at Starbucks, and was able to cut down on that.

She finds people at all income levels may not pay attention to little things. "So they buy a Pepsi for \$1.25" at a convenience store. A larger number of pop cans would be cheaper at grocery store, however, she noted, "or do you really need Pepsi?"

O'Neil was talking about budgeting with a woman who will carry bottles of water and an apple in a cooler when she's out and about, so she doesn't have to stop and buy expensive items. "That I thought was a good money-saver. So I think planning really helps save a lot," O'Neil said.

A lot of Salvation Army clients go to Rent-A-Center for furniture. They end up paying over a long time, and by the time an item's paid for it may need replacement. She recommends finding a thrift store or garage sale and buying there, and adds some new retailers have good deals even on new purchases.

"I think the biggest thing for all incomes is planning," she said, and avoiding impulse purchases. "Most times you can plan ahead." Salvation Army centers are often available to help with financial planning.

The Salvation Army has teamed up with the National Endowment for Financial Education to help their clients handle money wisely. In a publication put together on "Adult Financial Mentoring," the two organizations summarize information to help people become financially self-sufficient and move away from public assistance.

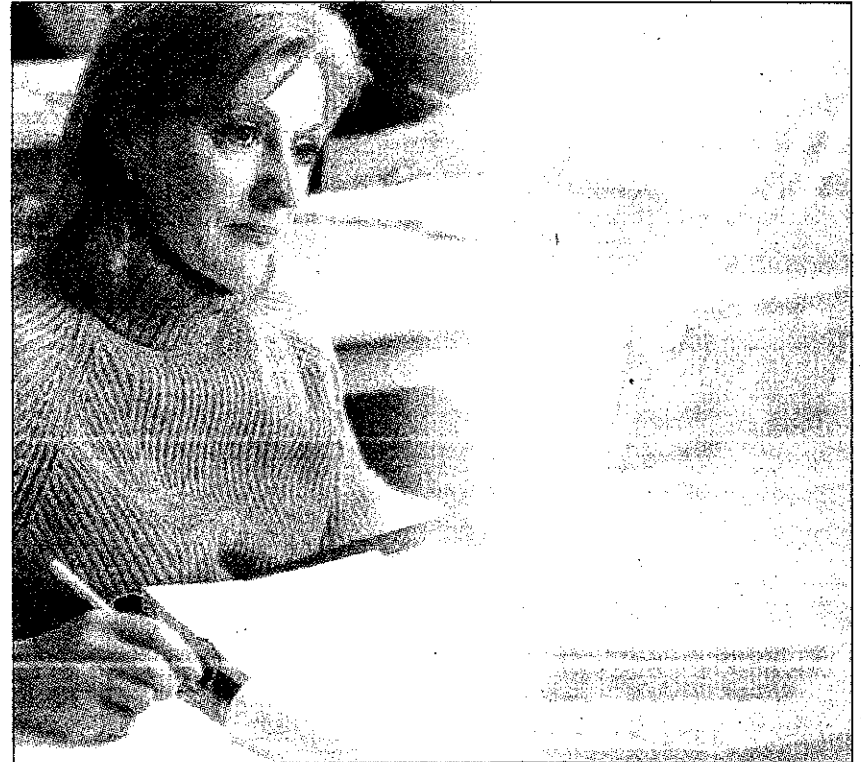
One key suggestion is to keep a spending diary for a few weeks. By jotting down every purchase and the amount — no matter how small — you may be surprised at how much money you spend on unnecessary things. Purchases like pop and chips may not seem like much individually, but can quickly add up.

The publication identifies parts of a spending plan: identify income, list expenses, compare income and expenses, and make changes.

To identify income, determine how much money comes in each month. Pay stubs, bank deposit records and other records of income will help.

To list expenses, determine how much money is spent each month. List all expenses, and don't forget to include the items from the spending diary.

You can then add up the income and expense lists, and compare the two. If there's not enough money to



pay all expenses, it's time to make some financial decisions.

Options for making changes include eliminating expenditures. That's where the spending diary comes in handy. Are there items that aren't necessary and could be eliminated? Working additional hours is another change, although it may not necessarily solve the underlying problem that caused the debt in the first

place.

A couple of suggestions include cutting optional phone services such as call waiting, call forwarding, and three-way conference capabilities. Rent-to-own purchases are the most expensive way to buy anything, the "Adult Financial Mentoring" publication notes, and fast food is expensive food.



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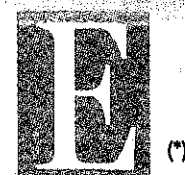
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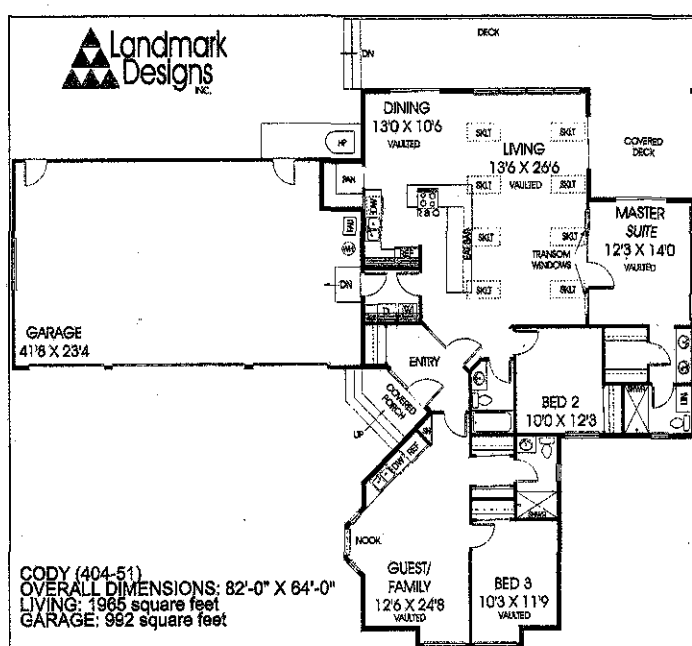
## Natural sunlight bathes Cody from windows, skylights

The Cody (404-51), with 1,993 square feet, meets the needs of a growing family with ease. There are numerous windows and skylights. The natural sunlight was designed into this large home to dispel winter's gloom.

The Cody also features the guest room/family room with its own kitchen, bathroom and bedroom areas. While not entirely separate from the balance of the home, it is uniquely designed to be independent, if needed. This area can be used for the guests that visit, the mother (or mother-in-law) that comes to live, or a returning college student.

The utility room is off the entry way to the left. It has a plant shelf on the wall. Next to the utility room is the kitchen. It has an "L"-shaped counter with an eating area. There is a large pantry for the storage of those extras needed in the kitchen.

The dining room and living



room form one large room that surrounds the kitchen area. They are both vaulted and very

light and open. These two rooms contain numerous skylights. There is a deck off the dining

room area, and a covered deck off the living room that also is off the master bedroom.

The vaulted master bedroom has a large walk-in closet, individual sinks, a bathroom with a shower and the linen closet. The sinks and the closet are separated from the main bathroom by a door. Access to the covered deck enlarges this bedroom and gives the feel of the outdoor.

For a study plan of the Cody (404-51), send \$15 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd. E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 or call (800) 562-1151. Be sure to specify plan name and number. Compact disks, with search functions are free of charge, to help you search our portfolio for your dream home (\$5 shipping and handling will apply). Save 15 percent on construction plans using the code (LOE48) online, mailing, or calling (800) 562-1151.

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#### More BIA

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan's (BIA) Sales and Marketing Council (SMC) presents Real Estate Continuing Education course on Monday, Sept. 17, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at BIA Offices, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. Lori Chmura of Middleton Training will present the course that meets the state-mandated requirement for six hours of Real Estate Continuing Education. Registration fees are \$60 for SMC members, \$80 for BIA members and \$100 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan's (BIA) Sales and

Marketing Council (SMC) presents "How To Succeed In A Challenging Market" on Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2007 from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Hotel Baronnette in Novi. Joe Colletti of Joe Colletti and Associates, L.L.C. will show on-site sales professionals how they can adjust for market conditions and still perform at a high level of success. Registration fees are \$35 for SMC members, \$55 for BIA members and \$75 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

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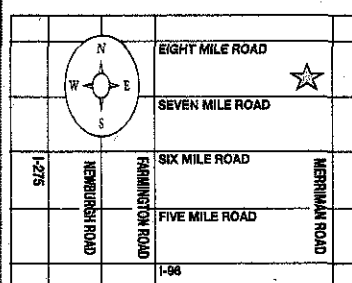
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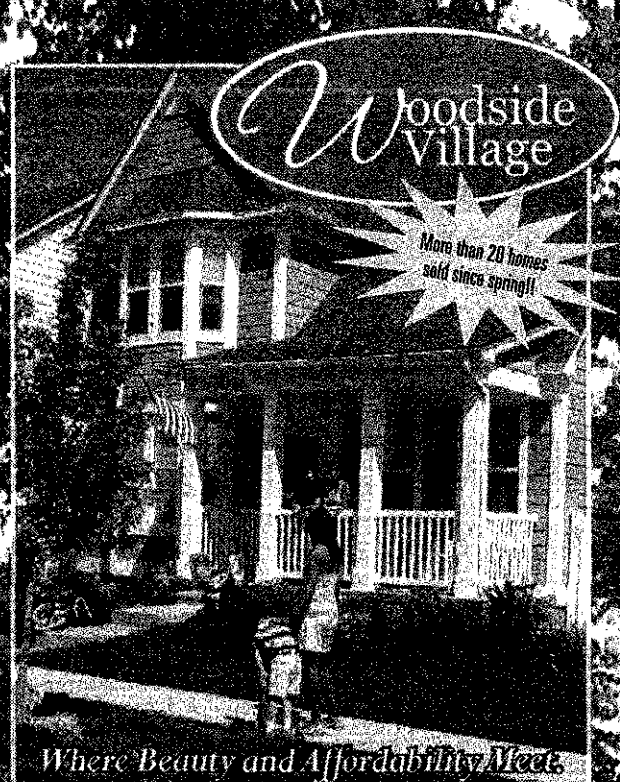
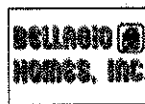


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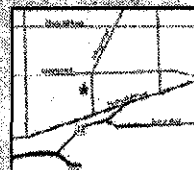
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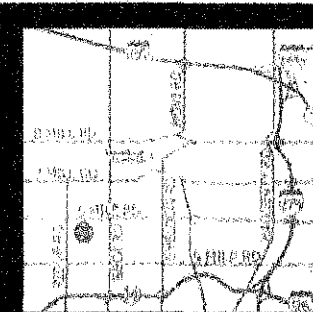
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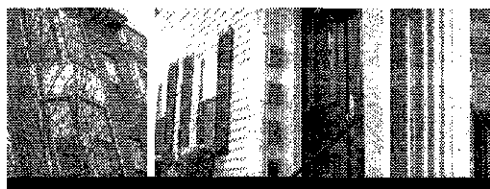
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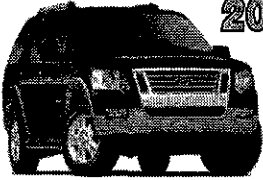
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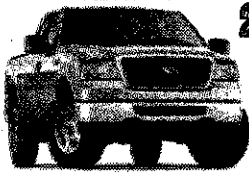


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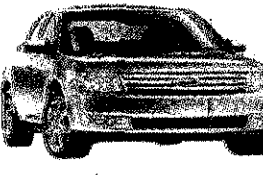


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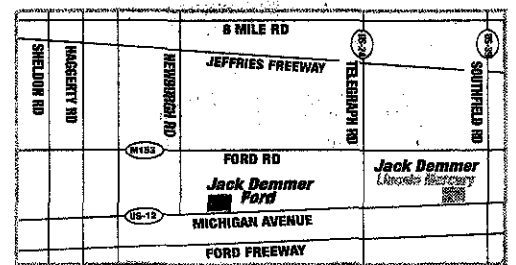
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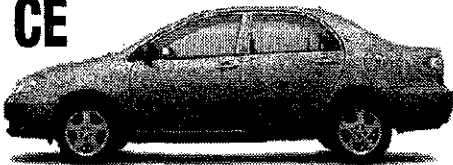
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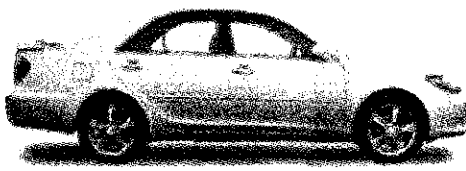
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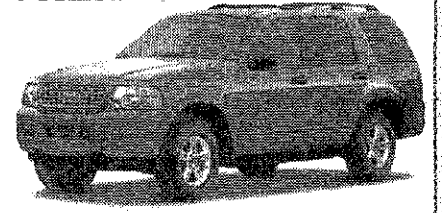
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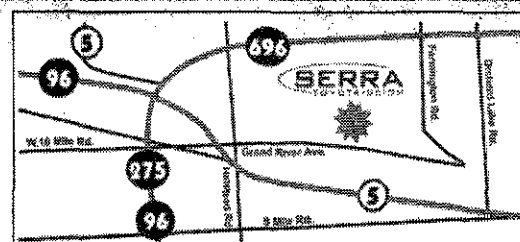
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**FEATURES INCLUDE:**

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**FEATURES INCLUDE:**

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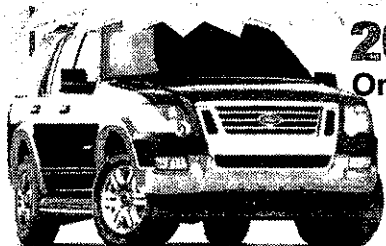
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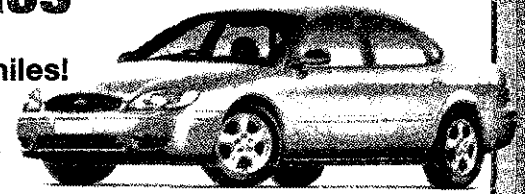
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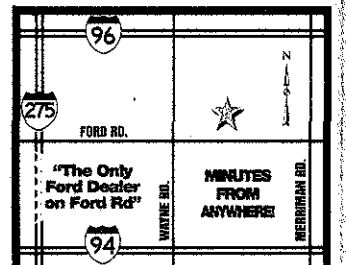
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#### ACROSS

- 1 Pull hard
- 4 Luxury resort
- 7 Calcium source
- 11 Severe of the news
- 13 Yes, in Tokyo
- 14 Length times width
- 15 Roy Rogers' wife
- 16 Eliminate
- 17 Art studio, maybe
- 18 More frilly
- 20 Spotted pony
- 21 Gross!
- 22 Tayback or Damone
- 23 Hot dog topping
- 26 More gung-ho
- 30 —
- 31 Wiedersehen
- 32 Famous cathedral town
- 33 Springtime activity

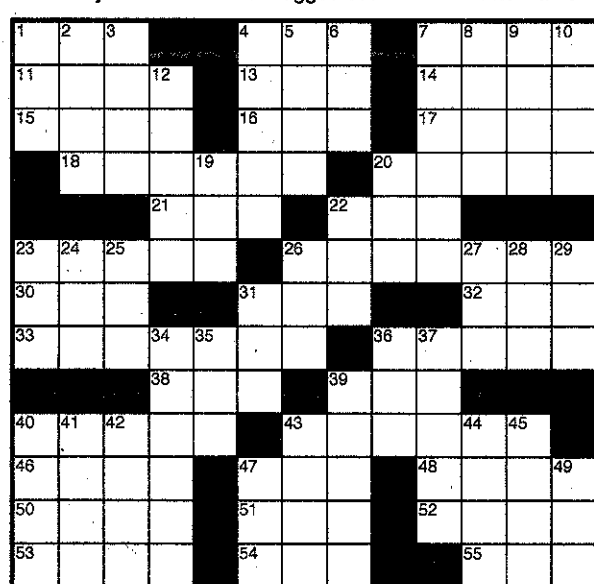
#### DOWN

- 36 Multiplex offering
- 38 Towel's place
- 39 Sea dog
- 40 Water holder
- 43 Have in mind
- 46 Viking name
- 47 Mauna —
- 48 Two semesters
- 50 Banshees do it
- 51 Startled cries
- 52 Likewise
- 53 Team
- 54 Scrooge's oath
- 55 Gore —
- 1 Koppel or Danson
- 2 River in Asia
- 3 — monster
- 4 "Beauty and the Beast" remake
- 5 Poker holding
- 6 Relief
- 7 Ill will
- 8 Common metal
- 9 Bugged out

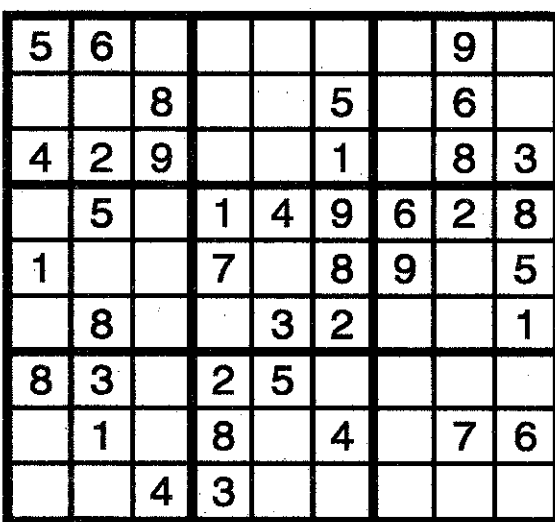
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LOTUS TUCKS  
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ORAL NOOK  
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### SUDOKU



Level: Beginner

#### Here's How It Works:

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

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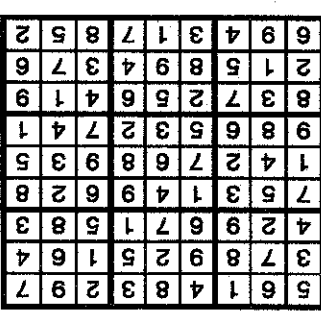
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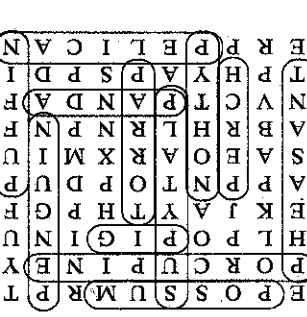
THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

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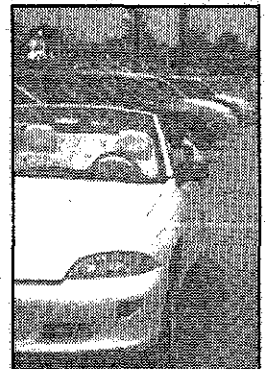
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## 2007 Dodge Magnum R/T: the first 'muscle wagon'

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By Dave Menard  
Avanti News Features

When was the last time you heard someone get excited about the prospect of buying a station wagon? For years, the station wagon was the ultimate fuddy-duddy symbol of America; who could forget the wood-paneled wagons with the third-row seat that faced out the back?

My family had one and it was decidedly un-hip (sorry, Dad). Families needing passenger and/or cargo room now opt for SUVs. That's OK, but most SUVs can't give you the ride and handling that a car can give you.

Now, though, the station wagon is back. Dodge has put some style and muscle into the station wagon and the result is the Magnum.

The Magnum comes in four versions: the SE rear wheel drive, the SXT all-wheel drive, the R/T RWD and the R/T AWD. Our test car is the Magnum R/T RWD with the optional Road/Track Performance Group, and it's what I would call a "muscle wagon."

You can see its muscle when you look at it. Similar to the Charger sedan, the Magnum features a long hood, a tough-looking grille and a wide stance. The R/T comes with fog lamps, performance exhaust, liftgate floodlamps and 18-inch wheels.

Adding the optional Road/Track Performance Group (\$2950) will add 20-inch aluminum chrome-clad wheels and performance tires (plus some other stuff we'll get to in a bit). A roof rack is optional, as is a sunroof. It's a good-looking package.

The Magnum gets its performance muscle from the standard 5.7-liter HEMI V8 engine, rated at 340 horsepower and 390 lb-ft. of torque. That's plenty of power to get moving quickly and passing smoothly, and gas mileage is a respectable (for a V8) 17/25 mpg.

The Magnum takes regular unleaded gas, although Dodge recommends you use mid-grade (\$9 octane) instead. It's mated with a five-speed automatic Auto-Stick transmission. It moves through the gears nicely when left on its own, but you can shift it yourself, if you like.

On the road, the Magnum R/T handles well and is fun to drive. The optional Road/Track Performance Group has a lot to do with that; it features a performance exhaust system and an upgraded steering and suspension system.

The suspension system is an independent SLA with high upper "A" arm, gas-charged shocks and stabilizer bar up front and in the rear it's a five-link independent system with coil springs, gas-charged shocks and isolated suspension cradle. The upgraded system adds self-leveling shocks and a link-type stabilizer bar. It gives you good road feedback



Dodge has put some style and muscle into the Station Wagon and the results is the Magnum.

without a punishing ride, which is nice for long trips.

The Magnum corners nicely and is easy to maneuver and park with the power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering. The Electronic Stability Program is standard.

Four-wheel anti-lock brakes with brake assist are standard on the R/T and they work very well.

Inside, the Magnum gives you a performance-car feel. It's nicely laid out with everything within easy reach of the driver, and power-adjustable pedals are standard.

The Road/Track Performance Group Package gets you leather-trimmed seats with suede inserts and they're comfortable and provide good support. The center console provides a space for your cell phone. The Electronic Group option (\$630) gets you an instrument panel display screen, vehicle information center, security alarm, steering wheel mounted audio controls and a garage door opener.

There's plenty of leg- and headroom in the Magnum, and the power seats are easy to adjust. The advantage to buying a wagon, as opposed to a sedan, becomes clear when you open the liftgate. There's plenty of room for cargo and the 60/40 split rear seats fold down to add even more cargo space. A rear cargo organizer is optional (\$160).

The Magnum R/T comes with a nice set of standard features: Air-conditioning, power locks and windows, rear window defroster and rear window washer/wiper, cruise control and keyless entry. The Road/Track Performance Group adds dual-zone automatic air, heated seats and automatic headlamps.

The standard audio system is an AM/FM/CD system with six Boston Acoustics speakers and a 276-watt digital amplifier. An integrated GPS navigation system (\$1895) is

optional, as are a rear seat DVD entertainment system (\$1150) and a Bluetooth hands-free communications system (\$360). Sirius satellite radio with a one-year subscription is included with the Magnum R/T.

The Magnum R/T comes with an advanced multi-stage airbag system and a tire-pressure monitor; if you opt for the Road/Track Performance Group you get the Protection Group included. That will give you supplemental front and rear side curtain airbags and self-sealing tires. The Protection Group costs \$440 as a stand-alone option. With the optional towing package, the Magnum can tow up to 3,800 pounds.

The 2007 Dodge Magnum R/T RWD starts at a little over \$31,000. Add the Road/Track Performance Group, GPS navigation system, rear cargo organizer, Bluetooth hands-free communication system and the Electronics Convenience Group and you're at a little over \$38,000. For that dough you get a station wagon that looks, drives and handles like a muscle car, but is practical enough for you to use as the family car.

Dad would be proud.  
Write Avanti NewsFeatures Senior Editor Dave Menard at [avanti054@aol.com](mailto:avanti054@aol.com).

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Vehicle class: Special purpose.

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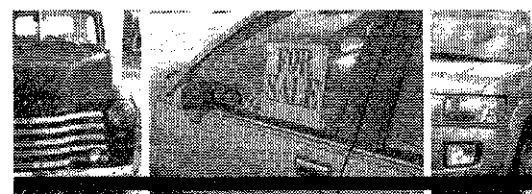
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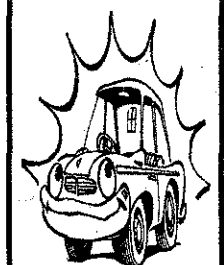
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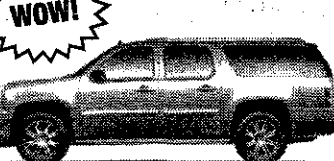


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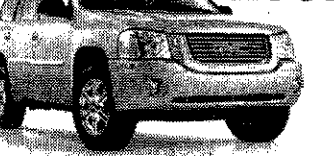


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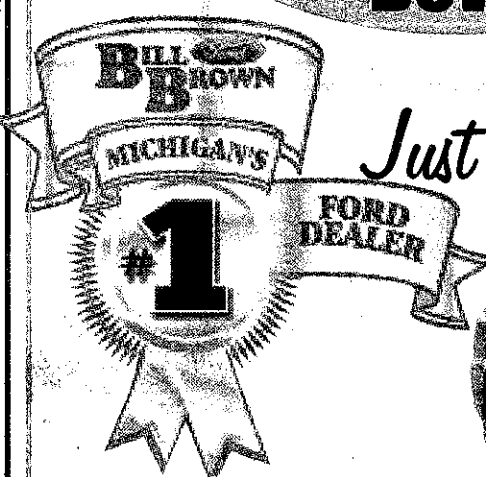


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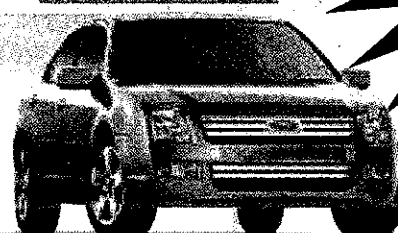
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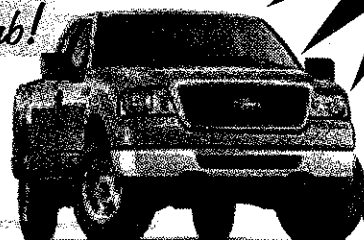


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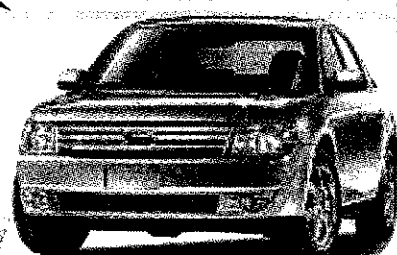
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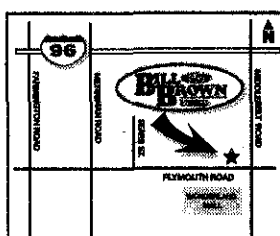
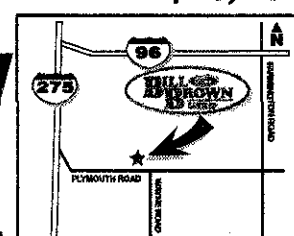
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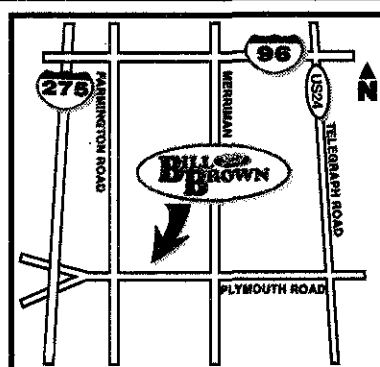
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