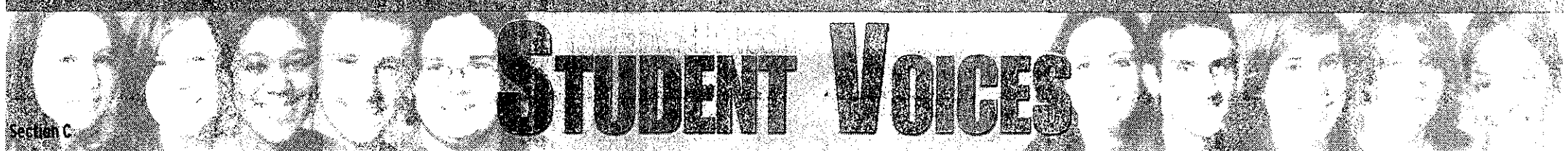


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LaJoy throws name in ring for supervisor

BY KURT KUBAN
STAFF WRITER

The worst kept secret in Canton is no longer a secret.

State Rep. Phil LaJoy ended all the speculation that he would enter the race to replace Canton Supervisor Tom Yack, who recently announced he will not run for re-election in the fall. LaJoy officially entered the race on Friday.

The Republican lawmaker has a long history of public service in Canton. In addition to serving his third term in the State House, LaJoy previously served 13 years as a Canton trustee.

Although LaJoy says he has enjoyed serving in Lansing, he will be term-limited and won't be able to run for re-election in the fall.

"The reality is I'm term-limited, so the timing is pretty good," said LaJoy, 63, who has lived in Canton since 1976.

LaJoy, who praised the job Yack has done during the last two decades as supervisor, said he is committed to the community and has a desire to maintain and build on the exceptional quality of life Canton offers its residents.

"I'm not the kind of guy who is going to come in and blow things up. Still I will bring my own ideas to the table," he said.

During his time in Canton, he was instrumental in the creation of the Canton Soccer Club and was the founder and first director of the Canton Soccer Tournament. He served on the board of Canton Chamber of Commerce, on the Community Advisory Council for the St. Joseph Mercy Medical Center, and as a member of the Michigan Higher Education Assistance Authority. LaJoy is also a member of the Lions Club, St. John Neumann Catholic Church, the Canton Township Hall of Fame, and is responsible for starting the Leadership Canton program.

"I love Canton. I have tried to serve Canton the best I could both on the board of trustees and in Lansing. With all the things I've done, I feel I know the community very well," he said.

LaJoy said the town, like the rest of the state, faces some economic challenges. He believes his experience in Lansing will benefit him as supervisor.

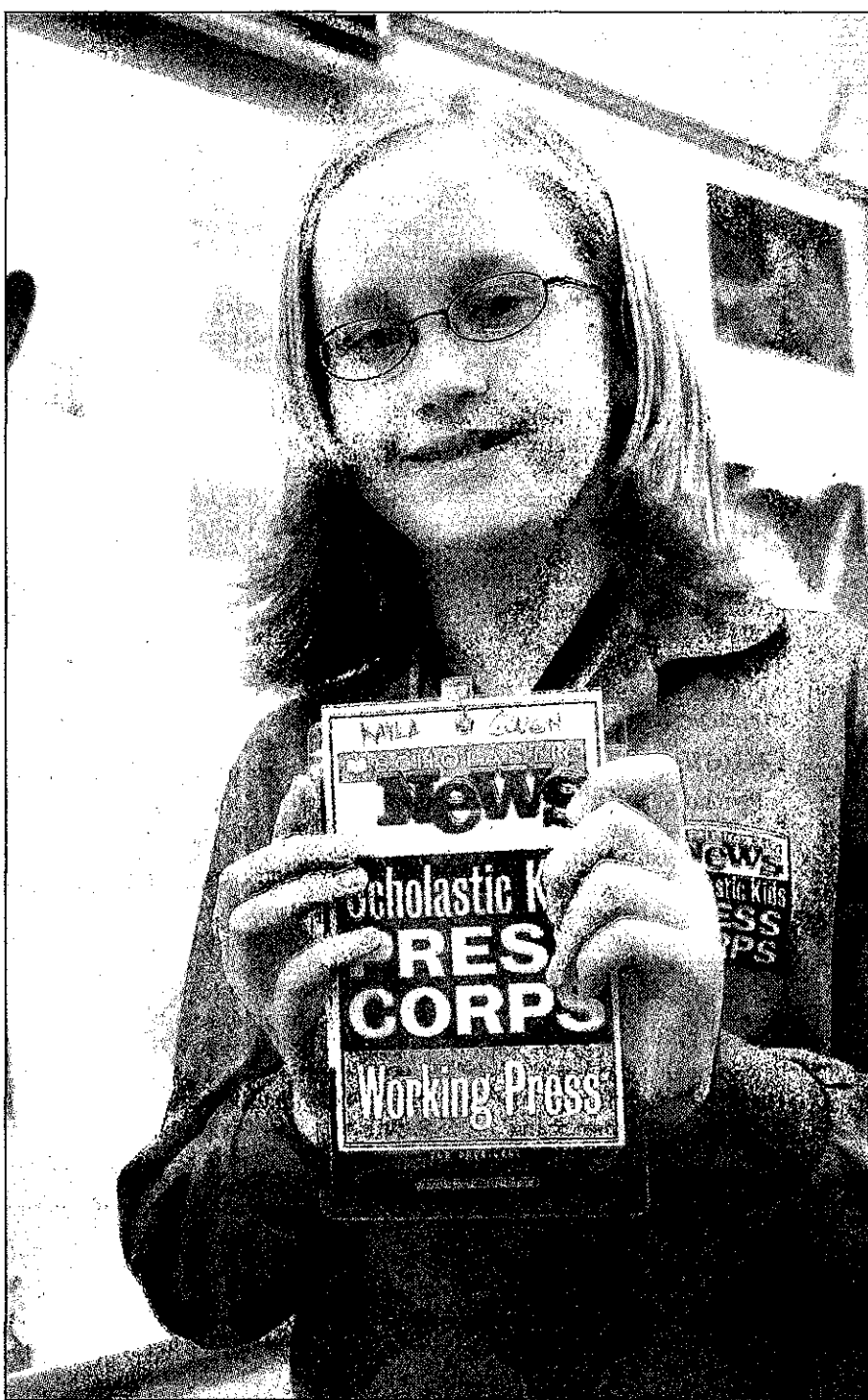
LaJoy also promised he would not run for the state senate seat currently held by Bruce Patterson, when Patterson is term-limited in two years.

"If I'm lucky enough to get elected supervisor, I'll end my career as supervisor," he said.

The LaJoy family is well known in Canton. He and wife of 40 years, Jean, are active. Both of their sons, Chris and Todd, also live in Canton. Todd LaJoy currently serves on the board of trustees and is rumored to be interested in running for his father's state House seat.



LaJoy



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Kayla Gough, a 9-year-old fourth-grader at Miller Elementary School, displays her press credentials.

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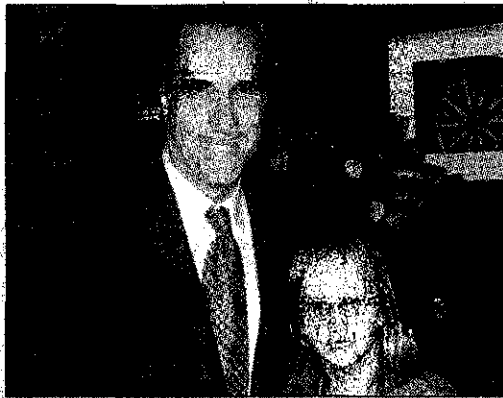
Young journalist gets bird's eye view of political world

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

As scores of reporters converged on the Detroit area covering the presidential candidates leading up to and during Tuesday's Michigan presidential primary, Kayla Gough of Canton Township was right there among them.

While many local and national reporters looked down on Kayla, it was only because the

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Fourth-grader Kayla Gough, a correspondent for Scholastic News, caught up with Michigan native Mitt Romney at the Detroit Auto Show.

Child abuse expert: Girl's injuries were non-accidental

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

A child abuse expert testified Thursday that the injuries that caused 2-year-old Allison Newman's death were the result of non-accidental trauma.

"None of the history provided matched the severity of the bruises," said Leena S. Dev, a faculty member at Mott Children's Hospital.

Dev was called as a witness by the state in its case against Carol Poole. The township woman, 42, has been charged with felony murder, first-degree child abuse and involuntary manslaughter in the September 2006 death of Allison, her foster daughter.

Poole said the child was injured after she fell over a second-story balcony during a game of "whirlybird."

Under cross examination, Dev admitted that the force sustained in the fall could have created Allison's injuries.

Defense attorney Mark Satawa further highlighted the toddler's absence of fractures in various stages of healing.

In making her determination about the child's injuries, Dev said she examined Allison as well as reviewed reports. One report described Poole as being suicidal



Poole

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Meet Miss Michigan USA

Canton's Elisabeth Crawford, the 2008 Miss Michigan USA, will be greeting the public as a model for Acura during the North American International Auto Show at the Cobo Center in Detroit. Crawford, who was crowned in September, says she's ready for the show. "This will be my first time at the auto show so I'm pretty excited," she said, adding that she was trained for the event in California. Crawford, who is an avid photographer, cancer awareness advocate and video producer, was born the daughter of two missionaries in Mexico, spent her teen years in Texas and moved to Michigan in 2005. For more information on Crawford, log on to www.elisabethcrawford.com. The auto show is open to the public through Jan. 27.

School board to get look at superintendent hopefuls

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The search firm hired by the Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education to find the district a new superintendent is expected to offer trustees a hand full of candidates at a special meeting scheduled for Monday at 7 p.m.

"We will have a good slate,

somewhere from three-five," said Roger Garvelink, senior consultant for Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates of Glenview, Ill., who said 21 applicants had been given at least somewhat serious consideration. "We have representation from both in-state and out-of-state. The candidates that we are more seriously considering are more from out-of-state than

in-state."

If the Board of Education likes the field of candidates, interviews are expected to be held Jan. 28-30. The interviews are open to the public.

Superintendent Jim Ryan will retire Feb. 28. The school board is hopeful of selecting a candidate that can be on board by July 1. Until that time, interim

Superintendent Ken Jacobs will be running the district.

"This is getting very exciting," said school board President Judy Mardigian. "I think the district, from what I'm hearing from the search consultants, is being very favorably viewed by applicants."

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Warming Homes and Hearts

The Heat and Warmth Fund (THAW) is a nonprofit organization established to provide low-income families with energy assistance during crisis. For the 2006-2007 heating season, THAW distributed more than \$9,528,000 in energy assistance to more than 8,600 household in Michigan.

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Coming Thursday in **filler**



Thousands of spectators will head to Plymouth this weekend for the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular to view beautiful ice carvings.

'Pins on Parade' sponsorship

The 2008 Leadership Canton class, in cooperation with Canton's Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and Public Art Committee, is looking for Canton businesses and community organizations to sponsor "Pins on Parade," a public art project designed to help welcome more than 40,000 visitors to Canton this spring for the United States Bowling Congress (USBC) Women's Championship Bowling Tournament. The tournament will be hosted by Canton's Super Bowl, located at 45100 Ford Road, and run from April 10 to July 6. Approximately 45,000 women bowlers from the United States, Australia, Bermuda, Canada, England, Japan, Puerto Rico, Saudi Arabia and Australia will compete in the tournament comprised of 9,000 teams. Organizers estimate the economic impact of the tournament on the Detroit Metropolitan area is estimated at \$40 million dollars. "Pins on Parade" will be 16 five-foot tall fiberglass bowling pins decorated by local artists and placed along major intersections of Ford Road between Canton Center and Lotz Road. The top ring of each pin will be painted to match the DDA's

color districts.

Businesses and community organizations wishing to sponsor the project will receive plaques at each art site, recognition in the newspaper, a certificate for each sponsor, and inclusion of pictures and sponsor recognition at appropriate Web sites. Sponsors will also have the opportunity to submit an artistic suggestion to the artists.

There will be several levels of sponsorship opportunities available. All sponsorships must be committed to and paid for by Friday, Feb. 15. For more information please call (734) 890-2050 or e-mail joycesilagy@wideopenwest.com.

Girl Scout cookies for soldiers

Satisfy your own sweet tooth and send some love and a taste of home to our troops. Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council (GSVHC) brings a great American tradition — Girl Scout cookies — to our military troops here and overseas. Show your support for America's soldiers and your local Girl Scouts. Buy an extra box of Girl Scout Cookies through the Cookie Share program.

GSVHC, in collaboration with Michigan veterans organizations and the USO of Chicago, will distribute Girl Scout cook-

ies to active and veteran military and their families. Make your purchase now through Jan. 27. See a Girl Scout, or call the Council at 1-800-49-SCOUT.

Through the Cookie Share program more than 2,000 cases were sent to our soldiers in 2007. Let's show our armed forces how much we care about them again this year. For only \$3.50 per box, your purchase will also help send a Girl Scout to camp, provide her with leadership opportunities and support so many other girl programs and initiatives.

The Velveteen Rabbit

The classic children's book "The Velveteen Rabbit" will come to life at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill on Friday, Jan. 25 and Saturday, Jan. 26. This new musical version of this classic story uses puppets, masked actors and magic to tell the tale of a stuffed toy rabbit who comes to life because of the transforming power of a boy's love. It is based on the popular book by Margery Williams.

Enchantment Theatre's production offers surprises galore, including larger-than-life puppets and magic.

This charming tale of love and devotion, creating an unforgettable theatrical experience for the whole family to enjoy, will take place at 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on Jan. 25 and 11:30 a.m. on Jan. 26.

Tickets are \$16 for adults; \$12 for seniors; \$12 for youths; and \$10 for group rates.

For more information or to purchase tickets visit www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater. Tickets can also be purchased at Summit on the Park by phone at (734) 394-5460 or in person. The Village Theater ticket office will also be open one hour prior to each performance.

Lacrosse meeting

Plymouth boys Lacrosse team is holding a parent/player meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 23 in room 401 at 7 p.m. in Plymouth High School. For more information, contact Cindy Martin at crsm1@comcast.net or (734) 981-4416.

Hall of Fame nominations

Nomination forms for Canton's Hall of Fame, Community Supporter and Community Achiever awards are now available at the Canton supervisor's office, the Canton Chamber of Commerce and on Canton's Web site, www.canton-mi.org. Completed forms are due back to the supervisor's office no later than Friday, Feb. 22.

The Canton Hall of Fame recognizes those individuals

who have made a long-time, long-lasting contribution to the Canton community. The Community Achiever award recognizes those individuals who brought attention to Canton as a result of a special or outstanding achievement in 2007 and the Community Supporter Award recognizes those individuals or groups who continue to make a regular contribution to the community. These contributions or achievements cannot be a result of the individual's employment.

The reception honoring the recipients will be held April 13 at the Summit on the Park. For more information, please call (734) 394-5188.

Franklin scholarship

For three years the James W. Franklin Scholarship has awarded \$1,000 scholarships to students graduating from a Plymouth-Canton high school and who participated in an organized swim program during their high-school career.

This year the scholarship award has been increased to \$1,500. Applications are now available in the counseling offices of Plymouth, Canton and Salem high schools. Seniors planning to attend a two- or four-year college are eligible to apply.

Applications and criteria for consideration are also available at www.jameswfranklin.com

Crafters wanted

The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters hosts its annual Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble Saturday, March 15. Exhibitors who hand-craft their own items are invited to submit an application to exhibit at the fourth annual event to be held at Plymouth High School in Canton.

The juried art event is produced each year by the PCMB to assist the music programs at the Plymouth-Canton Education Park.

Artists and crafters who are interested in applying for consideration to exhibit should visit www.pcmb.net/artcraft to download an application and submit with photos by Jan. 31. Only 100 exhibitors will be permitted to exhibit at this artistic event. Last year, more than 1,500 attendees visited the Spring Arts & Crafts Ensemble.

Plymouth High School is located at 8400 Beck Road. The Arts & Craft Ensemble will be held 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to more than 100 exhibits, there will be food, baked goods, a raffle, and entertainment by local musicians and artists throughout the day. Admission is \$2.



PARTYING FOR A CAUSE

Sujata Shah (from left), Melissa Sjue, and Wendie Delano joined a group that gathered on New Year's Eve at The Traditions of Canton Condominium Association Clubhouse to benefit underprivileged children. There was a live band, buffet style food, and many generous people whose monetary contributions will benefit St. Vincent DePaul Children's Services. Antonio's Cucina Italiana, bd's Mongolian Grill, Mexican Fiesta, CiCi's Pizza, Roly Poly, La shish, and Mariachi Mexican Restaurant donated the food, and Rose's Restaurant and Meijer donated gift certificates.

Alzheimer's Association seminar

The Facts about Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias will be discussed at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish social hall (downstairs) located at North Territorial and Beck 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 28. For further information call Doris at (734) 453-9730.

Canton Newcomers meeting

The public is invited to a valuable discussion on estate and will planning with Mark Linton of the law firm of Roberts & Freatman at the Canton Newcomers Wednesday Feb. 6, adult general meeting. Enjoy refreshments from Texas Corral Restaurant and Back Home Bakery, ask questions of Farm Bureau Insurance owner/agent Tammy Brown, sign up for more than 20 activities for the whole family, and participate in a raffle to benefit a local charity. A complimentary February newsletter is available at www.cantonnewcomers.org. Call Donna with any questions before the meeting at (734) 398-6487. The Newcomers are a social, civic and charitable organization. There meeting will take place at 7:15 p.m., at the Sunflower Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford - west of Canton Center.

Learn to read

The Community Literacy Council, a non-profit organization serving adults in Plymouth and Canton, will hold free training session from 1:30-4:30, Jan. 21 at the Plymouth District Library. The group is looking for people who would like to learn how to read during

free, private reading lessons. They are also looking for volunteers to help adult non-readers improve literacy skills. For more information, call (734) 416-4906.

Ab crunching benefit

Lady of America Fitness Centers are challenging you to choose an exercise program that both benefits your waistline and helps others in need. Ladies Workout Express of Canton invites you to train for the national Ab Crunch Challenge taking place on March 29. The fitness challenge, being held at more than 200 Lady of America, Ladies Workout Express and Work Out Express locations across the country, is hoping to raise \$1 million for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Ladies Workout Express members and non-members alike may participate in a free 10-week training, beginning Jan. 19, to build up strength and endurance to perform stomach crunches for one hour straight on the day of the Ab Crunch Challenge.

While there is no cost to participate in the ab crunch classes, Ab Crunch Challenge participants will raise money for St. Jude by recruiting friends, family members and co-workers to sponsor them in their effort.

These funds will help St. Jude in its ongoing fight against childhood cancer and other catastrophic diseases. The training sessions will take place Saturdays beginning Jan. 19th at 1 p.m. and Mondays beginning Jan. 21 at 5:30 p.m. at Ladies Workout Express, 6541 Canton Center Road in Canton.

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Canton Charter Academy looking to double in size

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
STAFF WRITER

If National Heritage Academies can demonstrate why an expansion of its Canton site would be in the best interest of the community, it could be on its way to doubling the size of its Ford Road facility.

The Canton Charter Academy, which opened its doors in 2000 and is chartered by Central Michigan University, is aiming to build onto its one-story, 50,000-square-foot building at Ford and Ridge roads. Enrollment would climb from 692 students to about 1,300.

The K-8 school has a waiting list of 1,130 students for the current school year.

"It's a good problem to have, but it's still a problem because we have to turn a lot of chil-

dren away," said Troy Palmer, the director of partner service for National Heritage's corporate office and its schools. "At that location, there is an intense demand."

The school's addition would be built upon land owned by Singh. In order for the project to move forward, the Canton Township Board of Trustees must approve amending a settlement agreement regarding the parcel, which is slated for apartments.

Community Planner Jeff Goulet said the approval would hinge on certain factors, such as the impact on traffic. Preliminary paperwork has been submitted to the township, Goulet said.

If the process goes according to plan, Palmer said the addition, which is expected to be a bit larger than 50,000-square-feet, could be open in



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Canton Charter Academy, located at Ridge and Ford roads, is planning a big expansion project.

September.

Academy Principal Claudia Williamson said the school has already received more than 300 applications for 40 kindergarten openings next school year.

"(As educators), we are thrilled that people are dying to get in here," she said. "There is a high demand and it's very exciting."

The school is accepting applications for next school year through Feb. 29.

Palmer said the waiting list for the township Academy exceeds any of National

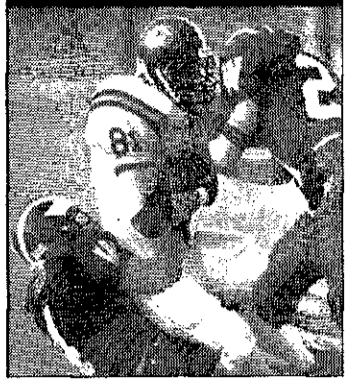
Heritage's 55 schools.

"It's very common to have a waiting list, but that one is unusually high," Palmer said, adding that parents appreciate the company's four pillars: parental involvement, student responsibility, academic rigor and moral focus. "Those things are very much a part of what we do. It's not lip service."

Palmer said he believes interest in the township academy will continue to rise but said the expansion would be a relief.

"We could capture a lot of the students on the waiting list," he said.

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9-year-old had yet to grow up enough for her to see eye-to-eye with her journalistic peers.

However, that didn't keep the fourth-grader from Miller Elementary from completing her job covering the election for Scholastic Kids Press Corps, which reaches an estimated 25 million teachers and students across the country in print and online.

Kayla was one of two student reporters assigned by Scholastic News to cover the candidates campaigning in Michigan. She caught up with up with Arizona Sen. John McCain, Michigan native and former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman, who was stumping for McCain, at the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Center in Detroit.

"We went to Mitt Romney's gaggle (press availability) and it was crazy because there were people yelling 'Gov. Romney, Gov. Romney,'" said Kayla.

Kayla said she was able to get a picture of Romney at the auto show, as well as after his victory speech Tuesday night in Southfield.

"He remembered me from the auto show and said 'nice to see you again, Kayla,'" said Kayla, who was surprised Romney remembered her name. "I had told him my name only once.

"Apparently (Lieberman) had had Scholastic kid reporters before because he noticed the bright red shirt and said 'come on,'" she said. "I asked him why does he support John McCain seeing as he's a Democratic Independent.

"John McCain was the trickiest to catch," she said. Kayla revealed she didn't receive any preferential treatment from fellow journalists who were mainly concerned about meeting their own deadlines. But, her small stature certainly helped at times.

"Normally it's a disadvantage, but a lot of times it comes in handy because they'll (those she interviews) see my face and they'll think they don't have to worry about slipping up and me catching that and putting it all over the paper," said Kayla. "I just want a good story for my



Scholastic Kids Press Corps correspondent Kayla Gough talks with Sen. Joseph Lieberman at the auto show in downtown Detroit.

readers."

To get the reporting job, Kayla had to submit a Scholastic News application, compose a letter as to why she would be a good reporter and a 400-word essay on what makes her community special.

"What stood out about Kayla was her attention to detail, which really blew me away," said Suzanne Freeman, executive editor of Scholastic News and the Scholastic Kids Press Corps. "Her essay was about what makes Detroit special, beginning with Henry Ford and how he started by making bicycles. It ended with how Michigan was a great place to live because of his work in putting together assembly lines, which brought together many different cultures.

"The program is a way to get kids excited about the world around them through the eyes of their peers," she said. "Kids talking to celebrities and reporting on what's happening in their communities that have national significance."

Freeman said Kayla showed real determination by getting her credentials for the auto show only a couple of days before the press previews.

"She talked her way through it while other reporters were turned away," Freeman said. "She knows what it takes to be a good journalist and gets it done by deadline."

Kayla learned quickly about meeting deadlines. Her mother, Kristen, a journalist herself, would type the stories as Kayla organized them.

"Meeting deadlines was pretty hard," Kayla said. "Some nights I had to go to 1 o'clock

(in the morning) to get my story in ... otherwise (any later and) it would have been old news.

"It has to be just the right words, you can't put anything that sounds like you're twisting it a bit," she said. "I definitely learned a lot about politics and how to write better, and how to get things done. It was fun being a part of it instead of just reading about it on the Internet."

Kayla's stories, according to her editor, were pretty much ready to print once they hit the editor's desk.

"I didn't do anything to her lead, and all I did was tighten some of the language," Freeman said. "I'm really proud of her."

While writing isn't new to Kayla, being a journalist was. "I'm more of a fantasy writer," she said. "I like to be able to write as free as I want, and being able to put everything into my own words is really a great experience."

As for her future, Kayla believes it will involve some kind of writing.

"There are three things I might want to be when I get older," she said. "I might want to write novels, I might want to be a journalist or I might want to be in public relations."

Don't be surprised if Kayla's future some day includes what is regarded as the highest of literary achievements, a Pulitzer Prize. Read Kayla's Scholastic News stories online at scholastic.com/election2008.

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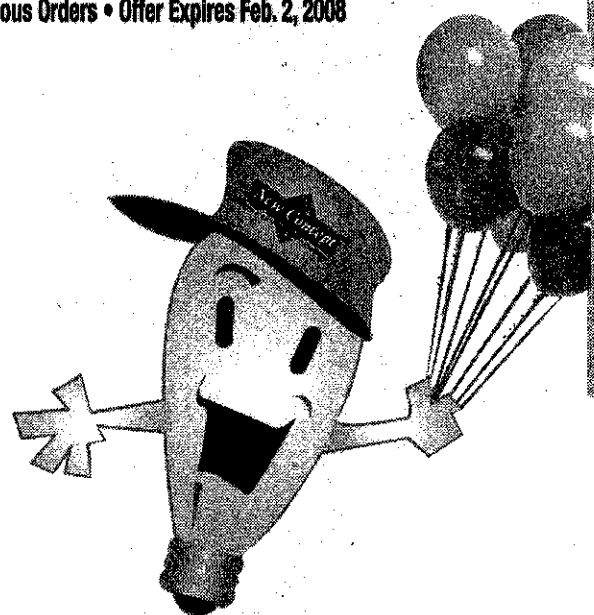
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Granholtm at Schoolcraft MLK event

Gov. Jennifer M. Granholtm will celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day on Monday, Jan. 21, by participating in the Second Annual "Governor's Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Youth Roundtable on Diversity and Michigan's Future."

The event will be held from noon to 2 p.m. at the Schoolcraft College VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. It will feature a roundtable discussion with a diverse group of Detroit area high school and college students on issues confronting Michigan's youth and what all Michiganders must do to help realize King's dream of equality and social justice.

"Dr. King was a champion of peace and tolerance and an advocate of service to our fellow man," Granholtm said. "His message of equality and opportunity for all resonates with strength here in Michigan as we work each day to uphold the ideals for which he fought so passionately."

Linda V. Parker, director of the Michigan Department of Civil Rights, will also participate in the discussion. Among the issues of concern the roundtable will focus on are the states' social, racial, and economic climate, as well as the future of Michigan.

WXYZ-TV Channel 7 news anchors Stephen Clark and Carolyn Clifford will be guest speakers for the event. This event is open to the general public, although only the invited youth may participate in the discussion.

State lawmakers invite comment at town hall event

The League of Women Voters' Oakland and Northwest Wayne County branches, in cooperation with Oakland Community College, will present a Town Hall Meeting with Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, and State Senate Speaker Andy Dillon, D-Redford Township, on Monday, Jan. 28 at OCC's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills.

The two-hour session begins at 7 p.m. in the campus' Smith Theatre. Admission is free and the public is invited.

The legislative leaders will respond to questions posed by audience members and a panel, comprised of Brian Dickerson of the *Detroit Free Press*, OCC political science professor Gerald Faye, and League of Women Voters Oakland Area President Eva Packard. Connie Ferguson, past president of the League of Women Voters of Michigan, will moderate.

The League is a nonpartisan organization which encourages active and informed participation in government. Membership is open to anyone 18 years of age or older who would like to participate in hands-on work which safeguards democracy and leads to civic improvement. For more information, call (248) 548-1097. The Orchard Ridge Campus is located at 27055 Orchard Lake Road, just south of I-696. Ample free parking is available in nearby campus lots.

State offers two options in college savings programs

Dear Rick: I just received an inheritance and I want to use the money to invest in my daughter's college education. She is 5 years old. I've heard you talk about two Michigan college savings programs. Which one would you recommend?

The two programs offered by the state of Michigan with regards to college education are the Michigan Education Trust (MET) and the Michigan Education Savings Plan (MESP). They are different types of programs and one is not necessarily better than the other. It depends upon your situation.

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In addition, they are not mutually exclusive. You can use both if you choose.

The MET is a pre-paid tuition program. Basically, you buy a contract for tuition in the future based upon today's rates.

You can buy as little as one semester of tuition or you can buy four years. The MET applies only to undergrad education.

There are different MET contracts based upon where the student goes to school. For example, you can purchase a contract for community college or for a four-year university. There is a different rate structure for different universities throughout the state. Tuition is more expensive at University of Michigan and Michigan State, so contracts for those universities are more expensive

than for other schools. However, just because you purchase a contract for one type of university doesn't mean that it's not usable at another university. There is an adjustment made so you don't lose out.

The MESP is an investment program. You can select from a variety of different portfolios in which to invest. Unlike the MET which covers tuition and mandatory fees, money from the MESP can be used for any qualified education expense tuition, room and board, books and required fees. In addition, where MET is geared for Michigan public schools, the MESP can be used for any public or private institution in the country. In fact, there are many international institutions where the money can be used. There is greater flexibility with

MESP when compared to the MET. I like both programs and I think it is a matter of personal preference, which one you choose. However, one thing to keep in mind is that the initial contribution is much lower in the MESP. You can open an account for as little as \$25. One benefit the MET and the MESP offer is you can deduct the contributions on your Michigan income tax return. A married couple can deduct up to \$10,000 while a single person can deduct \$5,000.

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

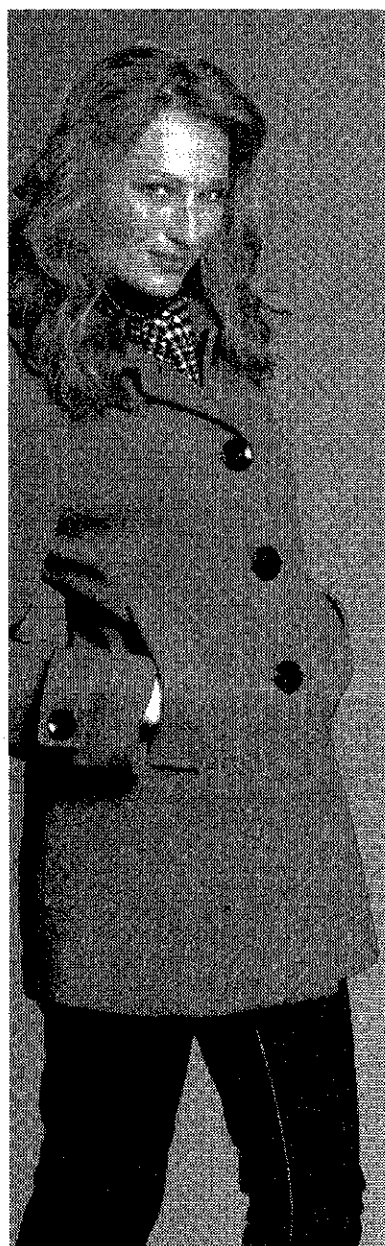


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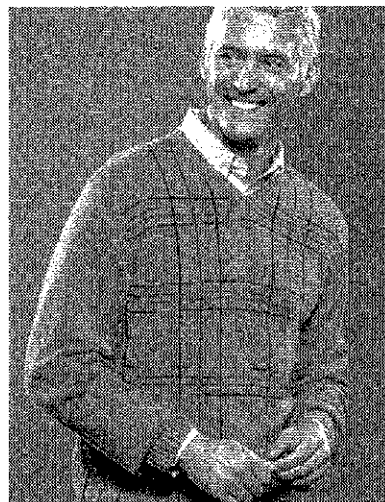
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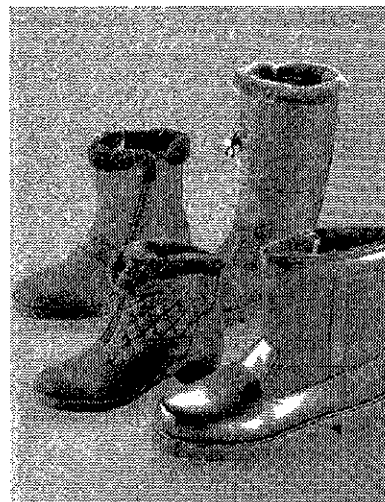
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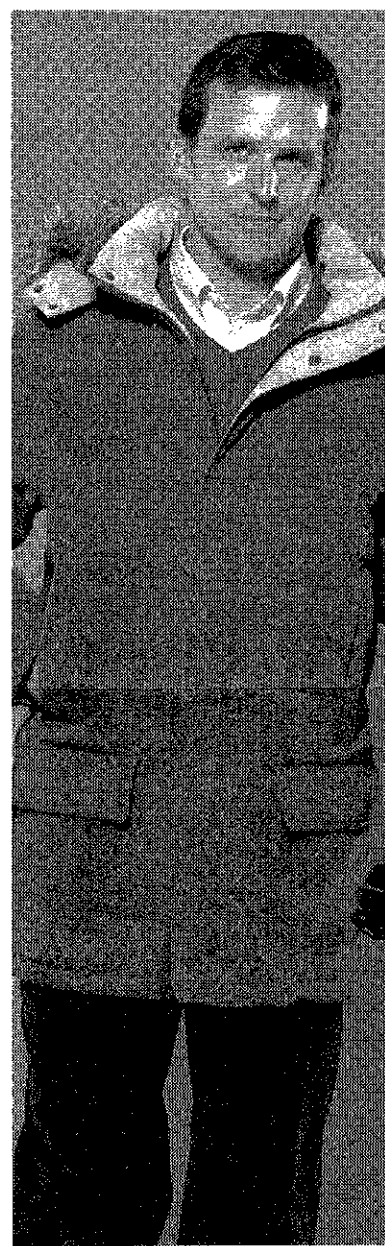
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Students show off auto show in posters

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

The North American International Auto Show and winning are synonymous for Steve Paulsen. He's lost track of how many consecutive years students in his graphic design class at the William D. Ford Career Technical Center have won awards in the auto show's annual high school poster contest.

And this year is no exception, with three students — Emily Browne of Westland, Jesse English of Wayne and Brittany Flora of Canton — walking away with \$1,250 in prize money for their designs.

"We found out we won just before Christmas," said Browne, a junior at John Glenn High School. "My parents, they were excited, it was like 'Oh, my God!'"

"I got to stop asking for gas money," added English, a sophomore at Wayne Memorial High School.

Browne received \$500 in prize money and two awards — Best Use of Color and a

second-place award for the 11th-grade entries — while English received \$500 for his first-place finish among 10th-graders in the Designer's Best of Show-Traditional category. Flora, a sophomore at Wayne Memorial, earned \$250 for a second-place finish for Most Creative among 10th-graders.

"I was a little surprised," Paulsen said of the judges' decision. "I thought all of our posters were good. A few I expected would get something didn't. Obviously, when the number of entries go up, it's harder to keep winning."

This is the 20th year for the poster contest, which attracted 617 entries, encompassing automotive themes, from 88 high schools around the state. Among those entries were more than 10 from Paulsen's students. The three winners were all first-year students.

"I didn't know anything about Photoshop until I took this class," Browne said. "I tried it and was surprised I won."

Browne describes herself as a computer nerd who knows her way around a computer. She

signed up for the class because it looked like fun and she'd get to be on a computer and not get in trouble.

"I get yelled at at home to get off the computer, I'm on it almost all day," she said. "I look at artwork and talk to friends."

Paulsen works with students, making suggestions to improve their entry. Browne, however, went with her original draft — the reflection of the Detroit skyline at sunset in a driver's side car window.

"I like colorful things," she said, adding that when she showed it to Paulsen, he liked it. She was excited, she said.

"She did all of the production, we just sat down and talked about it and she came up with the idea," Paulsen said.

English doesn't remember how many times he changed fonts, sizes and colors in putting together a poster that featured a blue car with a reflection of Detroit.

"I changed the font so many times, it wasn't funny," he said. "I changed it so much that I don't remember what I used. I did about five or six drafts, but



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William D. Ford Career Technical students Emily Brown (foreground) a junior at John Glenn High School, Jesse English (left), a sophomore at Wayne Memorial High School, and Brittany Flora (right), a junior at Wayne Memorial, show off their winning North American International Auto Show posters.

"I'm glad I made the changes." Flora did only two drafts. Her poster is two raffle tickets with the auto show name on them and a car in the middle. Her only change was scaling down the size of the car.

The prize money will come in handy for Browne, who plans to use it to buy a computer to do design work at home. Taking Paulsen's course has led her to plan for a career in graphic design.

English plans to spend some of his winnings and put the rest in savings. He said what he has learned in Paulsen's class has a lot to do with his future career plans.

"I want to be a video game designer. I love video games," he said.

Flora plans to save her money. She and her sister have just started saving money to get their own apartment.

Paulsen's students have a winning record with the contest. The first year, five or six students entered and almost all of them won because there were so few entries.

"This is the best contest for kids this age that I've found," said Paulsen, adding that he tries to teach the students how to be good designers. The reason is simple: "I know we've got a chance of winning, if

they have professional designers judge it. That's helps us out because I stress professionalism."

In addition to the prize money, the three students received tickets to the auto show and plan to attend to see their posters. All winning entries are on display at the auto show and on its official Web site, www.naias.com.

The poster entries were judged by an independent panel of recognized members from the local art community, along with auto show staff.

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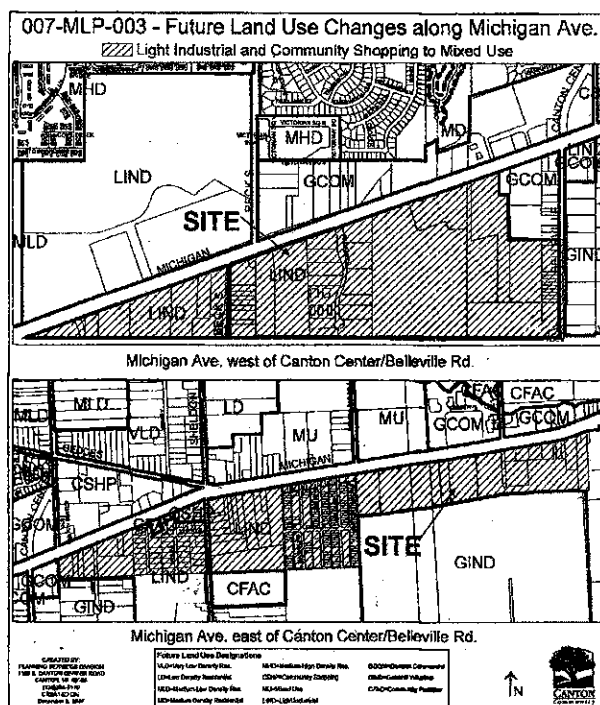
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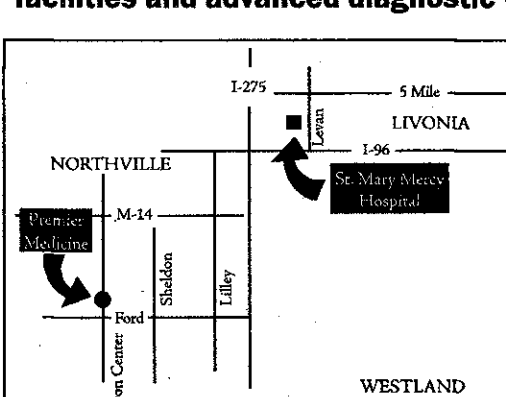
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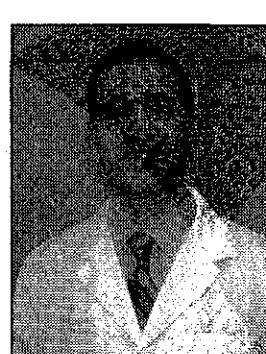
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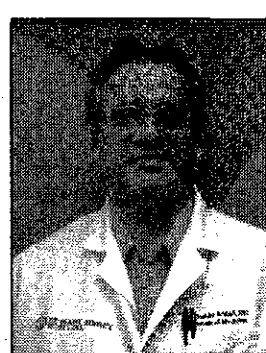
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and in "excruciating pain" about the situation. Dev said she did not take emotional factors into consideration. She also admitted that she didn't review one medical doctor's report that said it was impossible to classify Allison's injuries as accidental or intentional. After Dev's testimony, two of Poole's friends were called to the stand as defense wit-

nesses. Both women, who said they've known Poole for more than 10 years, described her as a loving, caring mother who was patient with Allison. Denise Kulas said she saw Poole play "whirlybird" with Allison on more than one occasion and said the child's knees would be near Poole's chest and her shins would lay against Poole's abdomen. "(Allison) would get all smiley, happy and start giggling," Kulas said.

When questioned by Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Jerry Dorsey IV on whether she would have expressed concern if she had seen Poole playing the game with the child near a second-story balcony, Kulas said, "I don't know." The prosecution is expected to call at least one more witness in the case. Testimony will resume Tuesday morning.

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Bells were ringin'

Kettle campaign passes goal

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

There was good news, bad news and great news, at least from the Plymouth Salvation Army's perspective, at the end of the 2007 Red Kettle Campaign.

The good news was the Army, which uses the kettle campaign as its chief fundraiser, surpassed its goal by more than \$1,000, raising more than \$206,000 in the monthlong campaign. The bad, though perhaps not surprising, news was the campaign fell short of last year's \$249,000 total. Factors in the shortfall, according to Salvation Army staffers, include the loss of three Farmer Jack locations which had been

key fund-raisers in the past, and the state of the Michigan economy.

The great news, according to campaign coordinator Kelly Boelter of the Salvation Army, is and continues to be the generosity shown by people in the Salvation Army's coverage area, which includes Plymouth, Northville, Canton and Belleville.

"We may be a little down, but the fact we still hit \$206,000 shows the amazing generosity of the people in these communities," Boelter said. "The economy is in such a state that even if it isn't affecting you, it's encroaching on people you know. That's why I think we made our goal. Everyone knows someone who is affected."

More than 300 bell-ringers put in more than 3,000 hours manning 19 kettle locations. The Red Kettles drew more than \$174,000 in donations, while another \$1,229 came from "counter kettles" placed at a dozen businesses throughout the community.

The annual Kiwanis vs.

Rotary contest helped raise more than \$29,000, with the Kiwanis winning the "competition" with \$14,864, about \$4,000 more than Rotary.

Among the bell-ringers were National Honor Society students earning community service points. Boelter used them largely at the Plymouth Kmart and the Kroger at Ford Road and Canton Center.

"Those kids were there every time, on time, through the duration," Boelter said.

It was also a busy season for the Salvation Army's Christmas social service programs. According to statistics, the Salvation Army adopted more families (202-183) than in 2006, and spent nearly \$10,000 (\$101,000) more on gifts.

Some 135 families, and 283 children, were helped by the Salvation Army's Toy Shop. More than 1,100 toys and 837 items of clothing were distributed.

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**PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

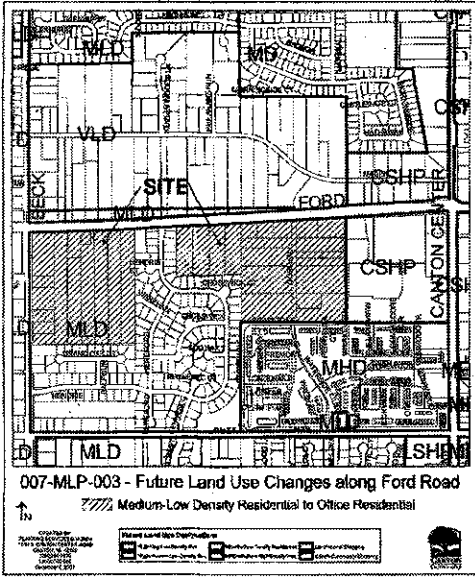
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Public Act 263 of 2001 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 4, 2008, in the **First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

CANTON TOWNSHIP FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM MEDIUM TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO OFFICE RESIDENTIAL FOR PARCEL NOS:

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Westland couple faces prostitution ring charges

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

A Westland couple was charged Friday with running a prostitution ring out of their Woodcrest Villa apartment on the city's north side.

Allegations against Davina Shirley Lloyd, 26, and Lanard Mack Henley, 24, surfaced after a 16-year-old girl came forward with her mother to tell police she had worked for the couple. The girl also had sexual relations with Lloyd and Henley, police Lt. Mark Engstrom said in court.

The charges came after an undercover officer arranged to meet a different prostitute, 18, Thursday night at the Fairfield Inn in Canton, Engstrom said. Authorities arrested the defendants on the scene and also seized a laptop com-

puter that contained sexually explicit pictures of girls, he said.

Officers from Westland and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, working in the Metro Street Enforcement Team, learned that as many as 12 young women had been involved in the prostitution ring, which Engstrom said operated for at least a year.

The prostitution services had been advertised on Craig's List, an online network that features free advertising for jobs, housing, personals and other services, Engstrom said. Authorities called a cell phone that Engstrom said belonged to Lloyd.

Lloyd appeared shaken as she and Henley appeared Friday afternoon for an arraignment in front of Westland 18th District Magistrate Don

Vandersloot. He ordered the defendants jailed in lieu of \$1 million cash bonds. Vandersloot entered not-guilty pleas for them and scheduled a Jan. 31 preliminary hearing to determine whether they should stand trial in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Lloyd told Vandersloot she was working two jobs and preparing to attend graduate school. She has had past run-ins with authorities for retail fraud and traffic tickets.

"I've been doing good. I've been trying to excel," Lloyd said in court.

Henley has had previous charges involving weapons and cocaine.

Henley was arraigned Friday on two counts of child sexually abusive activity and one count of transporting a girl for prostitution. As a habitual offender, he could face penalties ranging up to life

in prison, if he's convicted.

Lloyd was arraigned on charges of child sexually abusive activity, using a computer and the Internet for a crime, transporting a prostitute, pandering or inducing others into prostitution, and accepting earnings of prostitutes. Most of the charges against her are punishable by 20 years in prison.

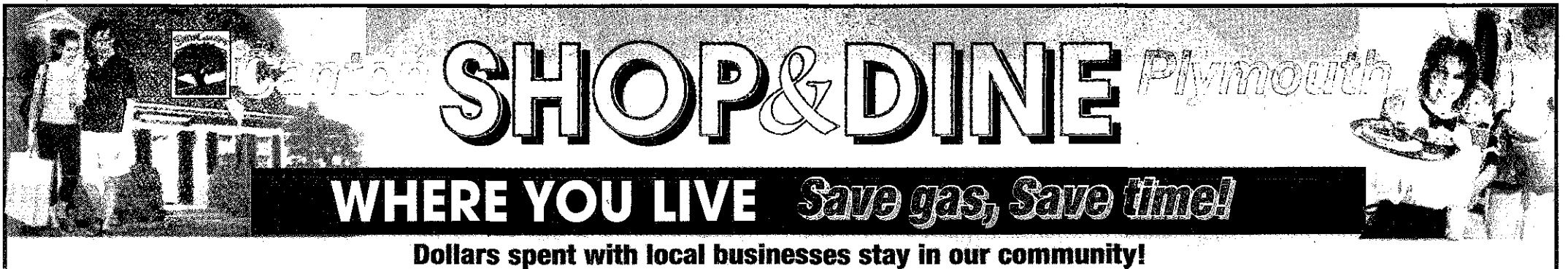
The case began to unfold after the 16-year-old girl, a runaway, told her mother what she had been doing, and the two of them went to the Westland police station in late December, Engstrom said. The girl told police that she had earlier met Lloyd in Detroit and had been asked to visit the Westland apartment, on Wayne Road south of Joy.

The 16-year-old girl has been turned over to juvenile authorities.

Several girls had stayed at Woodcrest Villa, and they would be driven for appointments with men who wanted to pay for sex, Engstrom said. The prostitute who was taken to Canton on Thursday night was to be paid \$125, he said. She has been cited for a misdemeanor of soliciting.

Some of the girls worked as prostitutes to pay off money they owed to Lloyd, Engstrom said in court. One prostitute told police she had been driven all the way to North Carolina to meet a customer, Engstrom said.

The 16-year-old girl was the only known minor involved in the prostitution ring. Engstrom credited the work of Westland police Sgt. Robert Swope, Officer Randy Thivierge and Wayne County Sheriff Cpl. Kevin Reed on the case. "They did great work," he said.



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Michigan Eye Doctor Helps Legally Blind

Dr. Sheldon Smith fits special glasses to help those with macular degeneration and other eye conditions keep reading and driving.

By Elena Lombardi

Most of us take things like reading, watching TV or playing cards for granted. But poor vision from conditions like macular degeneration, glaucoma, diabetes or cataracts makes these tasks difficult or even impossible. When people have insufficient vision to do the things they want to do, they have low vision.

Today Michigan Optometrist Dr. Sheldon Smith has the answers many of these people have been seeking. Dr. Smith, a Low Vision Specialist, helps people with these types of eye diseases see better. A Fellow of the International Academy of Low Vision Specialists, Dr. Smith is one of a select group of doctors serving the visually impaired.

"People don't know that there are experienced doctors who can help them with specialized low vision care," says Dr. Smith. "Many people are told by their own doctors that nothing more can be done for their eye condition, but there are ways to improve vision" says Dr. Smith. "We fit special devices to help patients meet their various visual goals."

Patients often end up using weak, clumsy handheld magnifiers trying to help themselves see better. Conversely, Dr. Smith prescribes hands free devices that are easier to use. "We use the same

telescopic devices surgeons use during operations," says Dr. Smith. "That's how powerful and convenient they are.

Special prismatic reading glasses and microscopes help make reading a little easier. Telescopic glasses primarily focus on distance objects like TV, passing neighbors or scenery. Telescopes can also be adapted to closer tasks like playing cards or computers. "Telescopes can even help people meet the vision requirement for driving" Dr. Smith explained. Michigan is one of the 46 states that allow bioptic telescopic glasses for driving.

Mr. Charles Willim, age 81, of Taylor came to get his driver license restored after macular degeneration reduced his vision to 20/70. Dr. Smith fit him with special driving telescopes that improved his vision to 20/40. A few weeks later Charles passed his road test and is now a licensed driver again. "Those telescopic glasses are pretty darn good" he said.

Buddy Standafer, age 70, of Westland had diabetic eye problems. He came to reinstate his driver license and read better. His regular vision as 20/200 but with special driving telescopes he saw 20/50. Prismatic reading glasses got him reading newsprint. Two months later his license was restored. "Now I see the traffic lights much better. I am happy to be on the road again. I tell a lot of people about Dr. Smith" Buddy said.



Buddy Standafer wearing driving telescopes

Dr. Smith also advises patients on using sun filters and nutritional supplements to prevent further vision loss. Special glasses and telescopes range in price from \$600 to \$2,500. "Every patient is unique, with different amounts of vision and individual goals," says Dr. Smith. "I strive to help patients resume doing what matters most to them. Meeting patient goals with suitable solutions ultimately improves independence and quality of life."

If you or someone you know is struggling with their vision, call Dr. Smith to find out how low vision care can help. There is help available. You just need to know where to find it. You can reach Dr. Smith and Suburban Low Vision of Michigan at

1-877-677-2020

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OUR VIEWS

Winter weather is no reason to stay inside

After a bit of a hiatus, Old Man Winter is back with a vengeance this weekend. The balmy weather looks to be gone for a while, leaving many of us yearning for spring. Such is life in Michigan.

However, there's no need to mope around the fireplace wrapped up in a blanket. Winter is what you make it, and in Michigan winter really can offer some wonderful experiences. All you have to do is bundle up and get out there. There's plenty to do if you look around.

For example, the Plymouth Ice Festival, which takes place in downtown Plymouth next weekend (Jan. 25-27), is celebrating its 26th anniversary. The free, family-friendly event featuring unique ice sculptures typically draws about 500,000 visitors to Plymouth's charming downtown. It is the oldest, largest ice-carving event in North America.

If you are a little more active, our state and our region offer plenty of winter activities, especially if there is a little snow on the ground.

Numerous parks in the area have great sledding hills for the kids and adults alike, including Waterford Oaks County Park, which features "The Fridge," a toboggan run that plunges down a 55-foot vertical drop then carry riders almost 1,000 feet at speeds greater than 30 mph. If that sounds too scary, a kiddie sledding hill is adjacent to The Fridge at this Oakland County park.

There are also plenty of sledding opportunities at the Huron Clinton Metroparks. In fact, the 13 parks in the system have plenty of winter activities, including cross country skiing. Ten Metroparks provide seasonal cross country ski trails, and five of those parks rent ski equipment. Winter is also one of the best times to see nature at the Metroparks, whether you are skiing the trails or hiking with a camera in hand.

Of course, you can't really sled or cross country ski if there is no snow on the ground. That's usually not a problem at the state's many downhill ski resorts, where there's usually plenty of snow. *Ski* magazine named Michigan the Midwest's Top Ski Destination, so you shouldn't have any problem finding a slope to match your skill level. While most of the slopes in the southern part of the state are small hills, if you head north, you can find some that are far more challenging.

And if that's not fast enough for you, you can always try your hand at snowmobiling, one of the most popular winter activities in our state. In fact, Michigan has more than 6,000 miles of maintained and interconnected snowmobile trails that touch just about every corner of the state.

So don't let Old Man Winter keep you inside. There's just too much to do out there.

Support local stores

This week, on a cold, sleeting evening, I left my doctor's office with a prescription for my infant daughter with two children in tow.

It was after dark when we got to Meijer. My daughter required an ointment that was a compound and needed to be mixed. We also needed a special order ointment. After toting my then sleeping daughter and my 5 year old through the sleet, I was told that they did not have the medication I needed, and if I ordered the ointment through them, it would take until next Tuesday to get it.

I nearly cried, in Meijer's defense they did offer to call Richardsons for me. My daughter was in terrible pain, I could not see either one of us surviving another night without her medication.

I called Walgreens, thinking its drive-through would be easier than getting out of the car, and it is closer to my home. I was told by the pharmacist that it they indeed had the medication, but that it would not be filled until tomorrow.

I asked why and explained that I had just come from the doctor's office, and that my daughter was in pain all through the prior night. I was told, "It is our policy that compounds take 24 hours."

I again asked if they had the medication, and a pharmacist, why it could not be done tonight. I was willing to wait, but couldn't it be filled tonight. "It is our policy that compounds take 24 hours," was Walgreen's reply.

So, I called Richardsons, and a very nice man answered the telephone. Yes, they had the medication. Yes, it was a compound that required mixing. Yes, if I brought it right over they would do it as they close at 10 p.m.

The other ointment I needed ordered will be in less than 24 hours - the same amount of time Walgreens needed to fill the script they had on hand in keeping with their corporate policy.

The big chain needed a week to help. Although they were kind enough to point in the direction of someone who could help sooner. The 24 hour drive-through

wouldn't help until the following day.

The local, independent man helped right away. Guess who is my new pharmacist? Sometimes we forsake the little guy because we can't buy groceries, or drive through his store. Isn't it lucky for us they don't forsake us?

Jennifer Moore
Canton

What's the world coming to?

Shortly after returning from a trip to do volunteer work before Christmas, the sign we put on our front lawn saying only "Peace" and the magnetic ribbon on my vehicle saying "Support the Troops - Oppose War" both disappeared.

We found out that this was not an isolated incident, as several of our friends reported their signs promoting peace were also stolen about the same time. Although the theft is petty, I find it deeply disturbing that someone would steal signs promoting peace just before Christmas. What is our world coming to?

Richard Abdo
Livonia

Social Security and women

All Americans need to understand at least the basics of the Social Security program. For women, there are reasons it can be especially important. Women tend to live longer than men and are more likely than men to get Social Security survivors benefits; probably have a greater financial need for Social Security retirement benefits, and collect them for a longer period of time; and are more likely to be affected by some Social Security provisions, such as changing their surnames after marriage or divorce.

Women can find helpful our special Web page "For Women" at www.socialsecurity.gov/women.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

On the left side of the page is a listing of "roles" that a woman may play in life, such as working woman, beneficiary, bride and widow. When you click on one of these roles, you are taken to Social Security information of interest to you. For example, "new mother" leads you to links on getting a Social Security number for your newborn, benefits for children and more.

On the right side of the Web page is a listing of Social Security programs - retirement, survivors and disability - as well as links to the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Medicare programs. And in the center of the "For Women" Web page are links to such topics as "Don't Outlive Your Retirement Savings."

This link is one that many working women will find helpful because it takes them to Social Security's financial planning Web site at www.socialsecurity.gov/planners. They can use the calculators to test different retirement ages or different scenarios for future earnings amounts. It also provides some detailed financial information about how marriage, widowhood, divorce, self-employment, government jobs and other life or career events can affect Social Security. It includes a link to a non-Social Security worksheet to help visitors decide how much is need to save and invest for a comfortable retirement.

In addition, Social Security offers a booklet, *Social Security: What Every Woman Should Know*, a handy reference tool for any woman who needs a basic understanding of how the Social Security retirement, survivors and disability programs work. It also includes information about the Social Security program, if they become widowed or divorced. And it addresses other Social Security issues that a woman may encounter, such as how to change her name, get Social Security numbers for children and ensure Social Security coverage, if she is self-employed or a household worker. Free copies of the *Social*

Security: What Every Woman Should Know are available on our Web site at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10127.html or can be ordered by calling toll-free (800) 772-1213, or by TTY at (800) 325-0778.

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Social Security

Wrong about bullying

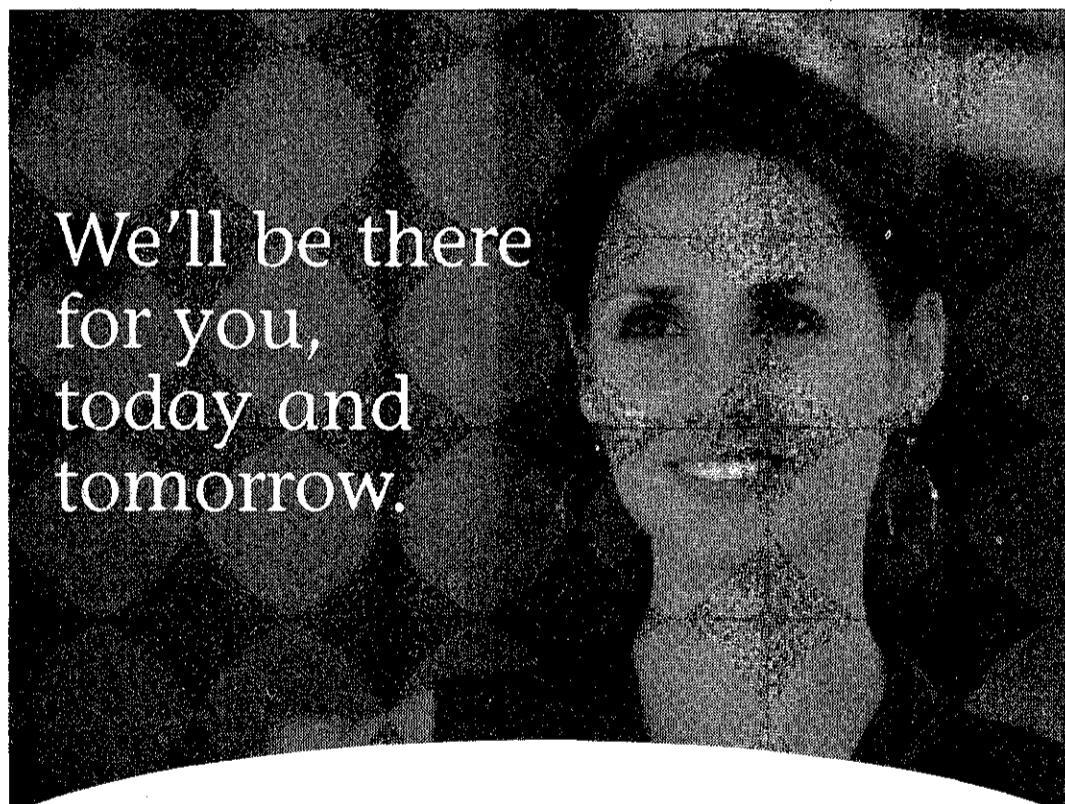
I believe the paper got it wrong. The Democrats weren't bullied out of putting their names on the ballot, they thought Michigan doesn't hold enough cards to bother with us. Those four candidates either were lazy or running with the tails between their legs while praying they did the right thing. If they can't take the heat now, what is Washington headed for?

Now Clinton! She is ready with a steam machine, she won't let no one get in her way. That is the way to be, to get things on in Michigan! That is what women are all about. Men sit on their butts with a can of beer - Bush - while the women take control and get it done!

If you can't stand up to Michigan you can't stand up for U.S. Get your name on the ballot, people, or you are not getting my vote! Sure, one vote doesn't count!

But considering how the last eight years went, this vote counts hugely. I certainly don't want Huckabee to be president. My husband is already calling him "Huckaberry Hound." That will be the slogan for the next four years, if some knuckle heads vote him in. Be aware of who you are voting for, names count. They trashed Bush's name hard. All this money they have spent on this election could have gone to the hungry and insurance that we all needed desperately now! Michigan needs some teeth pulling to get it out of the ditch, and that where we are now, in a ditch, a deep one. A Jaws of Life is what we need.

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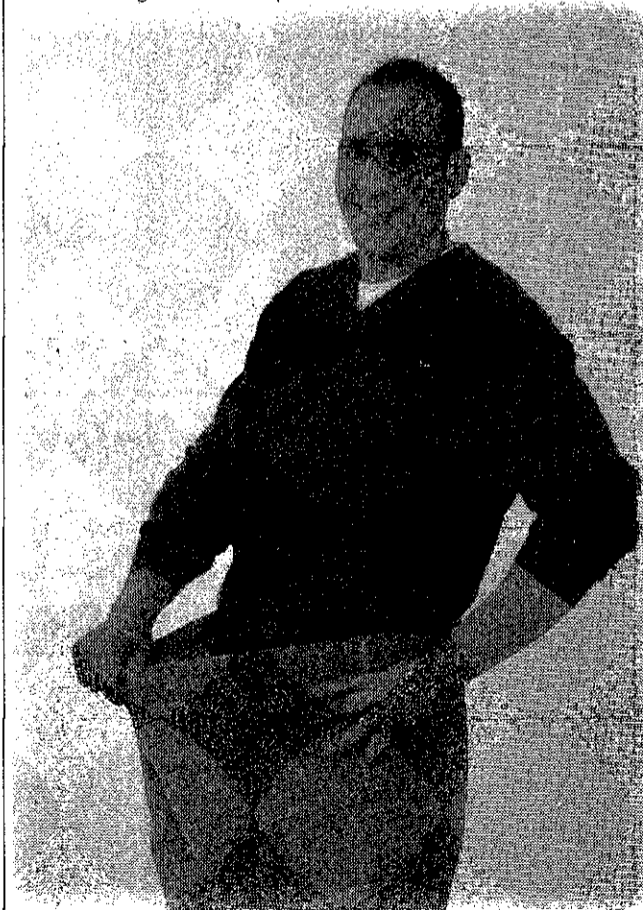
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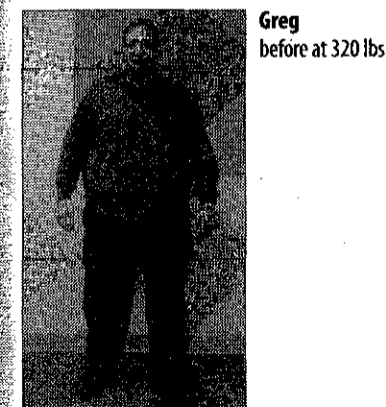
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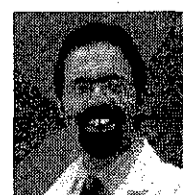
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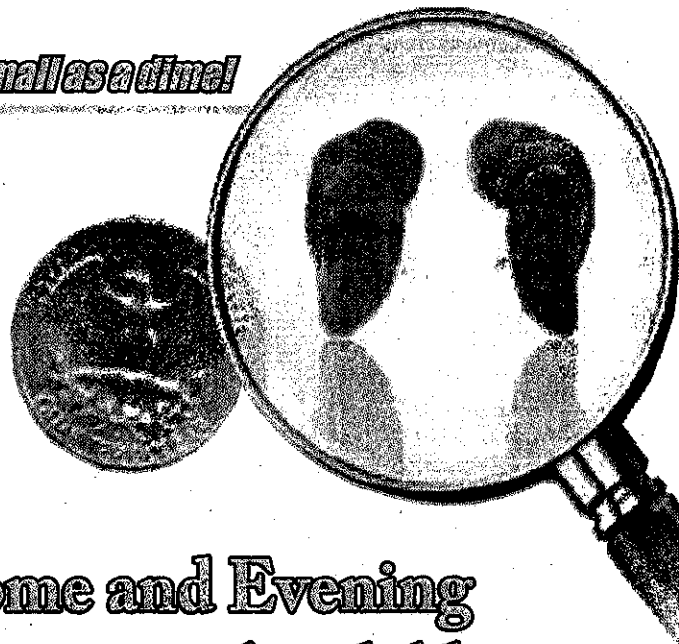
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Rocks give once-beaten Glenn major scare

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Talented basketball teams can often learn more about themselves during a walk over hot coals than they can from a cake walk.

Once-beaten Westland John Glenn, which has tasted its share of frosting this season, learned a lesson in the importance of playing hard for 32 minutes during Friday night's closer-than-the-final-score-would-indicate 70-62 escape over Salem.

BOYS PREP HOOP

The Rockets improved to 10-1 overall and 6-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division while the Rocks slipped to 4-7 and 2-4, respectively.

The Rocks played like the 10-1 team over the opening quarter-and-a-half as they executed almost flawlessly while building a 33-20 advantage.

But fueled by a revived defensive effort, the Rockets used a 19-2 run through the

latter stages of the first half and opening moments of the second to secure their third consecutive road triumph.

"Tonight's game was a lot like Tuesday's win over Churchill," noted John Glenn coach Dan Young. "Our energy level wasn't what it should have been early on and Salem dominated us for 13-and-a-half minutes of the 16 minutes in the first half.

"Defense and rebounding the ball got us back in the game. We finally started getting some energy defensively and it led to a better flow on offense.

"Salem's gotten better since the first time we played them (a 17-point Rocket win on Dec. 20). I give them a lot of credit — they were the better team for most of the first half."

After mounting their impressive second-quarter lead, the Rocks were plagued by pressure-induced turnovers that often led to easy baskets at the other end for John Glenn.

Salem turned the ball over just four

Please see **HOOPS, B2**

Sandhu's late triple lifts 'Cats to win

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Franklin would have been better off if Plymouth's Navraj Sandhu would have stepped toward the rim instead of toward the three-point arc during the closing seconds of Friday night's WLAA Western Division clash.

Sandhu, a senior guard, rolled off a high pick with the Wildcats trailing 48-46 and 20 seconds left in the game, secured a pass, took a step back behind the three-point line and

ticked the twine with a long triple to post the pivotal points in his

team's 51-48 victory in the Patriots' gym.

Senior Chris Daniels helped preserve the win when he blocked a Franklin shot at the other end with 14 seconds left. Plymouth secured the rebound and got the ball into the hands of Brandon Roberts, who capped the night's scoring with a fast-break layup.

Ryan Matthey's potential game-tying triple hit the back of the iron at the buzzer.

The dramatic outcome left both teams with identical records — 3-8 overall and 2-4 in the division.

Roberts led all scorers with 19 points. Sandhu and Daniels each finished with 11 points.

David Harvey pulled down a team-high eight rebounds for the winners.

Matthey led the Patriots with 17 points. Jeff Poole added 11.

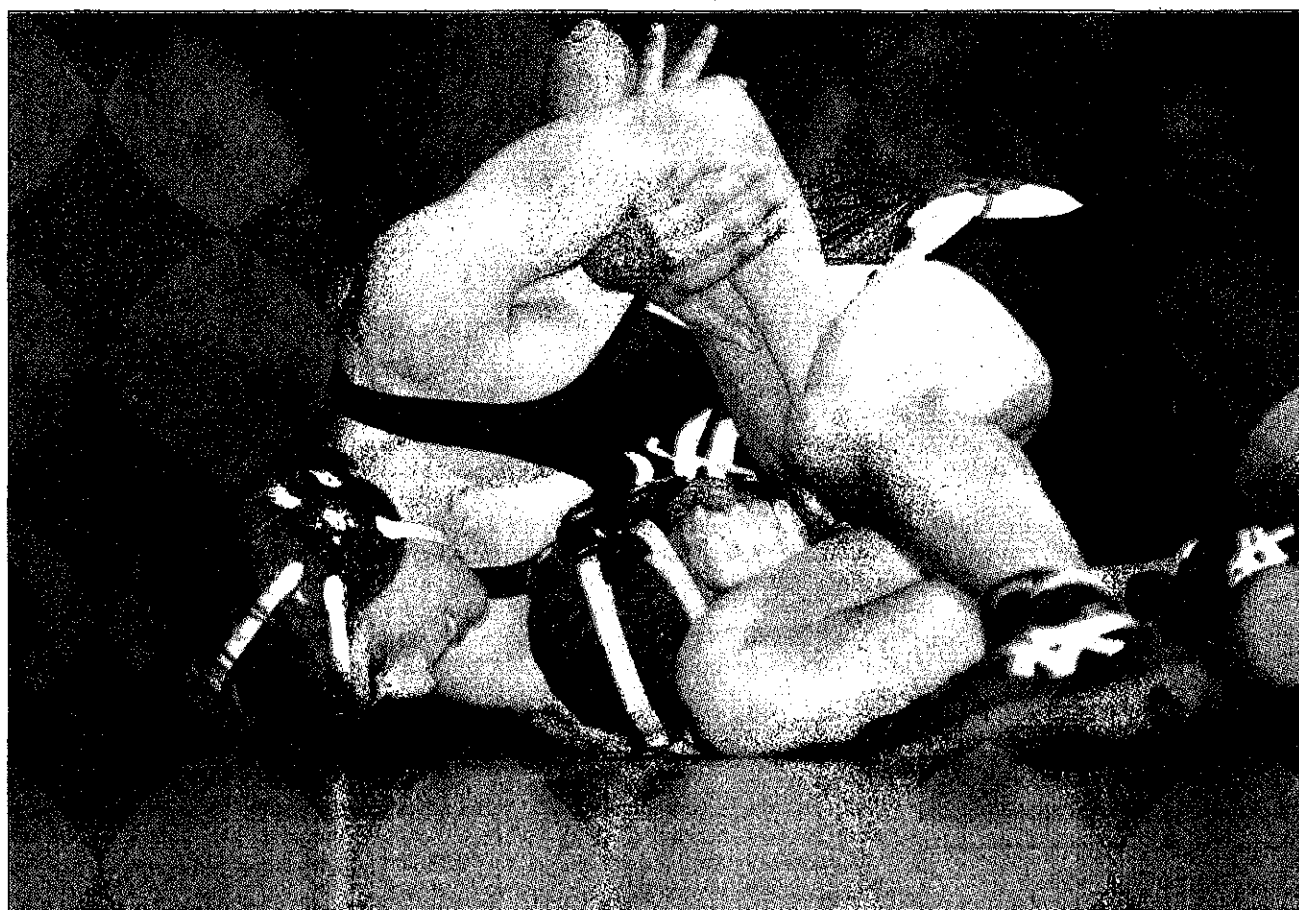
"We were down six at the half, but the boys really picked it up in the second half," said Plymouth coach Tom Van Wagoner. "We executed the play perfectly at the end and Navraj hit a huge shot."

"I thought Chris Daniels played extremely well, too. He scored, he had some key rebounds and some key blocks."

Franklin led 13-10 after one quarter and 25-19 at the break. The Wildcats cut their deficit to 37-36 after three quarters before mounting their final-quarter heroics.

Plymouth won despite a poor night at the foul line, where they drained just 6-of-13 attempts.

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Salem's Collin Gross (top) recorded a 13-10 victory over Walled Lake Central's Kenny Walker in the 152-pound contest of Thursday night's WLAA Lakes Division showdown.

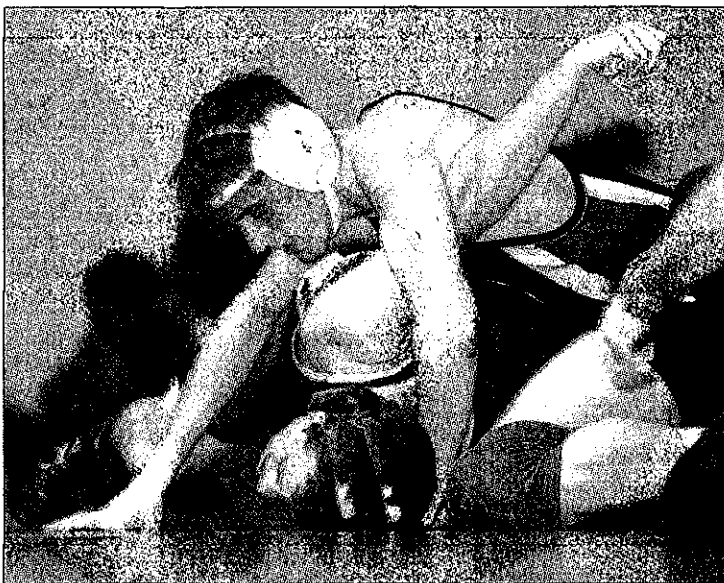
Salem comeback falls short

Down 30, Rocks make it interesting

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Salem's wrestling team went from zero to 30 in a heartbeat Thursday night, but the quick surge wasn't enough to overtake visiting Walled Lake Central.

The Vikings raced to a 30-0 advantage following Dave Kort's 7-1 triumph over Kevin Bennett in the 125-pound match. The Rocks then won six of the



Salem's Jeremy Epley pinned his 160-pound Walled Lake Central opponent in 3:33 during Thursday night's match.

Please see **WRESTLING, B2**



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Ryan Mack battles California's Lee Williams for control of the ball during a Major Indoor Soccer League game earlier this month at Compuware Arena. Mack was among the league leaders (27) heading into this weekend's games.

Home-grown talent

Birmingham's Mack enjoying banner year with Ignition

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

With kid-like enthusiasm and cheetah-like speed, Detroit Ignition mid-fielder Ryan Mack hustled from one side of the Compuware Arena artificial turf to the other during a recent Major Indoor Soccer League game against California.

As a pair of Cougars closed in, Mack steered a loose ball away from the boards to teammate Ricardinho, who was stationed at mid-field.

The 5-foot-9 energizer then darted toward the net in anticipation of a return feed.

A split second after he secured the give-and-go pass about 18 feet in front of the net, Mack planted his left foot and cocked his right leg back before unleashing a vapor-trailing missile toward California net-minder Sanaido, who somehow snared the blurred sphere with his padded gloves.

Mack didn't score, but he brought the 3,900-plus Ignition fans to their feet with his entertaining effort.

Not bad for a guy with two surgi-

cally repaired anterior cruciate ligaments.

Mack is back

A decade after being crowned Michigan's "Mr. Soccer," the Birmingham Seaholm Class of '98 graduate would be a front-runner for "Mr. Perseverance" if such an award existed.

Mack has not only overcome setbacks that would crush a lesser man's spirit, he's elevated his always-sharp game to a level that has placed him among the MISL's elite scorers this season.

"I think I'm a stronger person because of the lows I've gone through with the ACL injuries," said Mack. "I've learned to not let the little things get to me. I also learned to focus on the positives, knowing that I was eventually going to get back to playing."

"When I injured my right leg — my strong leg — it was easier rehabbing it because I knew what I was going to have to go through because of my first injury. It takes a good 10 months to a year of rehabilitation

to get back to 100 percent, but both my knees are definitely 100 percent now."

Members of the Milwaukee Wave would concur with that assessment following Friday night's 15-14 Ignition victory as Mack torched the Wave for a pair of goals.

Potent scorer

Following an injury-plagued 2006-07 campaign, Mack has exploded for 31 points in 14 games this season, which puts him on the fringe of the Top 15 scorers in the MISL heading into next Sunday's game against La Raza de Monterrey.

"This is a very tight team," said Mack, referring to the first-place Ignition. "It's a fun team to be a part of. We have a lot of good players in different positions. We have solid defenders, solid midfielders, solid forwards — everybody brings a different quality to the game."

Bright future

Mack was on the fast track to

Please see **MACK, B3**

SideLines

Hoop events

Canton Leisure Services is sponsoring the 2008 MRPA Hoop Shoot basketball skills competition and a 3-on-3 tournament on Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Summit on the Park. Both events are free of charge.

Boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 15 are eligible for the Hoop Shoot. Players will have 60 seconds to score points from various locations on the court. Winners will advance to area competitions as representatives of the Canton community.

Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. with the contests commencing at 9 a.m. Participants may pre-register or register at the Summit on the day of the event. All contestants are required to provide a valid birth certificate the day of the event.

The 3-on-3 tournament, which will be divided into boys and girls divisions of 3-4, 5-6 and 7-8 grades, will immediately follow the Hoop Shoot. Awards will be given to each division winner and runners-up. All games will be officiated and teams will be guaranteed two games.

For more information, call (734) 483-5600.

Teams will not be allowed to register after 9:30 a.m. the day of the event.

Plymouth/Canton Little League

Registration for the 2008 Plymouth/Canton Little League is fast approaching. Individuals can now register online, through the mail or at the walk-in registration set for Saturday, Jan. 26 from noon to 5 p.m. at High Velocity Sports, which is located at 46245 Michigan Ave.; or Saturday, Feb. 23 at Plaza Lanes, which is located at 42001 Ann Arbor Rd.

The fees for this season's leagues are:

- Minor League — \$110;
- Major League — \$120; and
- Junior League — \$130.

The Plymouth-Canton Little League is affiliated with Little League International and the Williamsport, PA Little League World Series.

All players will go through an evaluation process for a draft to assure balanced teams. The average number of players on each team is 12.

The season runs April through June. For more information, contact Don Lohrmann at (734) 756-7825.

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145: 1. Steve Cook (Belleville), 2. Shea Hasenaur (CC), 3. Raz Markosian (Stevenson), 4. Zaid Ammari (John Glenn), 5. Gramos Pallaska (Churchill).

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next seven matches to close to within 36-30 heading into the 189-pound clash between Salem's Blake Abbey and Brandon Decker.
Despite a valiant effort from Abbey, Decker notched a fall at the 1:53 mark to clinch the victory for Central.

Dave Burich in 3:33 to bring Salem to within 36-24.
Justin Root registered a pin over Ian Smith at 171 close the Rocks to within 36-30.

L'ANSE CREUSE TOURNAMENT

Several Rocks excelled in the Jan. 5 invitational at Harrison Township L'Anse Creuse.
The most heralded Rock was Epley, who captured MVP honors after going 6-0 at 160 pounds.

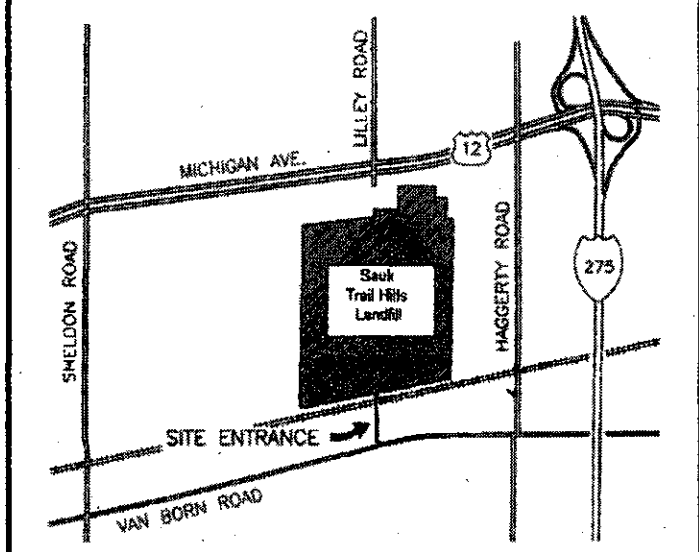
Get on the ball. Read today's SPORTS coverage!

PUBLIC NOTICE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Waste and Hazardous Materials Division (WHMD) has received from Allied Waste an application for a construction permit modification at 5011 South Lilley Road, Canton, Wayne County, Michigan Part 115, Solid Waste Management, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.11501 et seq as amended (Part 115) requires the DEQ to make a final decision on the permit application within 120 days of determining the application to be administratively complete, which, for this application, is May 8, 2008.

The applicant is proposing to reduce the amount of drainage sand in newly constructed cells from eighteen (18) inches to twelve (12) inches. The proposed change will not change the landfill footprint or increase the current permitted volume of the landfill. Final grades will be lowered to make up for airspace gained from the drainage sand reduction. The location of the Sauk Trail Hills Landfill is shown on the site map below. It is located in Sections 35 T2S, R8E, Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan.

The DEQ will hold a public hearing in the vicinity of the proposed disposal area if a request for such a hearing is submitted in writing by the applicant or the municipality involved, or if a petition containing a number of signatures equaling at least 10 percent of the registered voters of the municipality where the project is to be located who voted in the last gubernatorial election is submitted to the DEQ. Such a petition shall be validated by the clerk of Canton Township. Requests for public hearings should be submitted to the DEQ by Wednesday, February 13, 2008.



The complete application package may be reviewed by appointment at the Southeast Michigan District Office of the DEQ, WHMD, located at 27700 Donald Court, Warren, Michigan 48092, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, by calling Mary Nikitin at 586-753-3833. Copies of the complete application package may be ordered from this address for the cost of reproduction and mailing. A copy will also be available for viewing at the Wayne County Department of Environment at 3600 Commerce Court, Building E, Wayne, Michigan. Written comments or questions regarding this application should be forwarded to Thomas Fox at the address below. For general questions you may contact the above person by phone at 586-753-3853.

Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Waste and Hazardous Materials Division 27700 Donald Court Warren, Michigan 48092

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL Tuesday, Jan. 22 Salem at W.L. Central, 7 p.m. Canton Agape at Luth. Westland, 5:30 p.m. Southfield Christian at PCA, 7 p.m. Plymouth at Northville, 7 p.m. Canton at Wayne Memorial, 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 25 Salem at Livonia Churchill, 7 p.m. Agape at Macomb Christian, 7:30 p.m. Inter-City Baptist at PCA, 8:30 p.m. W.L. Western at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Canton at Livonia Franklin, 7 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL Tuesday, Jan. 22 W.L. Central at Salem, 7 p.m. Canton Agape at Calvary Christian, 7 p.m. PCA at Southfield Christian, 7 p.m. Northville at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Wayne Memorial at Canton, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 24 Huron Valley Lutheran at Canton Agape at United Christian, 6 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 25 Livonia Churchill at Salem, 7 p.m. Inter-City Baptist at PCA, 5:30 p.m. Plymouth at W.L. Western, 7 p.m. Livonia Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m.
PREP HOCKEY Monday, Jan. 21 Plymouth at A.A. Gabriel Richard at Yost Ice Arena, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 22 Livonia Stevenson at Salem at Plymouth Cultural Center, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 23 Canton at W.L. Western at Lakeland Arena, 7:20 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 25 Salem at W.L. Central at Lakeland Ice Arena, 8:20 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 26 Salem at Chelsea at Arctic Coliseum, 7 p.m. Warren Molt at Plymouth at Compuware Arena, 5:40 p.m. Canton at Redford Unified at Redford Arena, 2:35 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING Thursday, Jan. 24 W.L. Northern at Salem, 7 p.m. Northville at Plymouth, 6:30 p.m.
Canton at Livonia Franklin, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26 Observerland Invitational at Livonia Churchill, 9 a.m.
BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING Thursday, Jan. 24 John Glenn at Salem, 7 p.m. Plymouth at Canton, 7 p.m.
GYMNASTICS Tuesday, Jan. 22 Northville at Salem at Plymouth H.S., 7 p.m. Plymouth at Hartland, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Jan. 24 Livonia Red and Blue at Salem at Plymouth H.S., 7 p.m. Livonia Unified at Canton at Plymouth H.S., 7 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Monday, Jan. 21 Madonna at Rochester College, TBA.
Wednesday, Jan. 23 Madonna at Concordia, 7:30 p.m. Schoolcraft at OCC Orch. Ridge, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 26 Madonna at Davenport, 3 p.m. Schoolcraft at Henry Ford CC, 3 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Wednesday, Jan. 23 S'craft at OCC Highland Lakes, 5:30 p.m. Concordia at Madonna, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 26 Madonna at Davenport, 1 p.m. Schoolcraft at Henry Ford, 1 p.m.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Sunday, Jan. 20 Whalers at Windsor Spitfires, 2 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 25 Whalers vs. Oshawa Generals at Compuware Arena, 7:05 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 26 Whalers vs. Peterborough Petes at Compuware Arena, 7:05 p.m.
MAJOR INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE Friday, Jan. 25 Ignition at Chicago Storm, 7:35 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 27 Ignition vs. La Raza de Monterrey at Compuware Arena, 4:35 p.m.
TBA - time to be announced.

Big second half leads Mustangs over Chiefs

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"Steve Anderson contributed 10. Northville's defense sparked the second-half comeback as it held the Chiefs without a field goal and just three points in the fourth quarter. "We moved the ball well in the first half against Northville's 2-3 zone," said Canton coach Dan Colligan. "We were patient and we got the ball in the gaps. We did an excellent job defensively in the first half, too. The kids really got after it."
"Senior Neil Sharma paced the Chiefs with 10 points. Senior Will Tidwell added seven. Dan Kirkpatrick led the Mustangs with 17 points while

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Posler traded baskets before Marken converted an old-fashioned three-point play to put his team ahead 64-58 with 1:39 left.
The never-say-die Rocks cut their deficit to 64-62 on a Grant Stone jumper and a steal and layup from Ross Davis, but John Glenn closed it out by scoring the final six points.
Earl Hardison paced the winners with 20 points. Keshawn Martin added 16 thanks to a 10-for-10 night at the charity stripe and Anderson chipped in with 11.
Marken hit just 3-of-10 field goals, but six of his nine points came during crunch time. Stone had a stellar night for the Rocks, netting 23 points and four boards. Davis added 12 points and eight rebounds; Posler netted nine points and six caroms while Jesse Pointer contributed eight points.
John Glenn drained 22-of-26 free throw attempts (84.6 percent) and 21-of-45 field goals (46.6).
Salem was 8-of-15 from the line (53.5) and 25-of-58 (43.1) from the field.
Glenn's Austin Anderson and

SPORTS BRIEFS

PCS girls lacrosse Informational meetings will be held for parents and high school girls interested in playing lacrosse this coming spring on Jan. 24 and Feb. 7 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
The meetings will be held in the Canton High School library, not in the cafeteria as was the original plan.
The PCS Lady Warriors will field both varsity and junior varsity teams this season.
Tryouts will be held at East Middle School March 10-14 from 5:30-7 p.m.
Students must attend all five tryouts to make the team.
For more information visit www.pcs ladywarriors.com.
Salem baseball clinic The 2008 edition of the annual Salem Baseball Clinic will be held March 22 and April 5 in the Salem gymnasium.
The \$25 fee includes hours of instruction from the Salem coaching staff and the varsity team members; a snack and a T-shirt.
The camps will be broken up into four sessions: #1 - 11-15 year olds, March 22, 9 a.m. to noon; #2 - 7-10 year olds, March 22 1-4 p.m.; #3 - 7-10 year olds, April 5 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and #4 - 7-10 year olds, April 5 from 1-4 p.m.
Space is limited to 75 participants per session. Contact Cathy Posler at Posler5@gmail.com or (734) 451-0761.

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

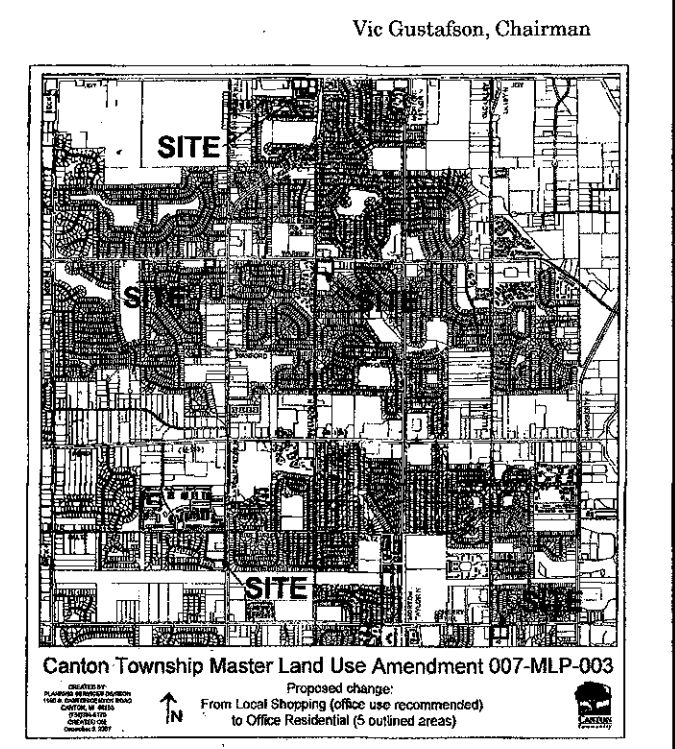
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Public Act 263 of 2001 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 4, 2008, in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan:

CANTON TOWNSHIP FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT- CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM LOCAL SHOPPING (OFFICE USE RECOMMENDED) TO OFFICE RESIDENTIAL FOR PARCEL NOS:

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089-99-0010-003, 089-99-0010-004. PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF CHERRY HILL AND LILLY ROADS.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, January 31, 2008 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



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FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT - TEXT AMENDMENT - CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND TEXT AS FOLLOWS:

Amend Policy 1.2.1 and create Policy 1.2.1b relative to Office Land Use as follows:

Policy 1.2.1a Establish a Local Shopping Land Use designation on the Future Land Use map for office and neighborhood commercial development intended to provide convenient goods and services that usually serve residents in the immediate vicinity. Local shopping Areas should be located at intersections of primary collector and arterial roadways. Intrusion of these uses into surrounding or adjacent residential areas shall be limited and local shopping areas should be spaced at least one mile apart. Office uses are encouraged to be located in tracts within local shopping areas adjacent to residential uses. Areas recommended for office use shall be indicated on the Future Land Use Map.
Policy 1.2.1b (NEW) Establish an Office/Residential land use designation on the Future Land Use map for office and condominium development. These areas should be located in areas adjacent to existing residential neighborhoods as a transition from higher intensity commercial or industrial uses. Areas designated for Office/Residential Use shall be indicated on the Future Land Use Map. Areas previously designated as "Local Shopping/Office Recommended" shall be re-designated to "Office/Residential". All areas designated on the future Land Use Map as Office/Residential shall allow for consideration of Office (O-1) and Single-Family Attached (R-6) zoning.

Amend Policy 1.5.2 and 1.5.3 relative to the Mixed Use designation Policy 1.5.2

The Mixed Use designation shall allow for the consideration of Light Industrial Research (LI-R), Office (O-1), and Regional commercial (C-3) and Multiple-Family Residential (MR) zoning, pursuant to the standard criteria for rezoning, and Proper transitions from one zoning district to another shall be maintained.
Policy 1.5.3 Use of the Planned Development District (PDD) option is encouraged to allow flexibility of use, layout and design. The PDD option also promotes clustering to foster preservation of open space and natural resources. Maximum residential densities shall be based on the maximum allowable density permitted by the underlying zoning district, calculated by the net acreage in each zoning district. Residential uses may not be considered in any area designated Mixed Use south of Michigan Avenue.

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MACK

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stardom following an accolade-filled high school career.

He made a sudden impact at Indiana University — a perennial collegiate powerhouse — where he earned second team All Big 10 honors as a freshman.

Things got even better his sophomore season, which was highlighted by his game-winning goal in a College Cup semifinal game against UCLA.

As a junior, Mack was named Big 10 Player of the Year and he led the Hoosiers' return trip to the Final Four.

After tearing the ACL in his left knee prior to his senior year, Mack sat out a season, but returned with gusto the ensuing career and led the Hoosiers to the quarterfinal round of the NCAA tournament.

Shortly after graduating with a degree in sports marketing in 2002, Mack was selected with the 24th pick in the 2002 Major Soccer League draft by the Chicago Fire.

"Chicago didn't feel I was consistent enough, so they

released me," said Mack. "I kept working and did well at the (Fire's) spring tryouts the following year, but then I injured the ACL in my right knee."

Following another long, grueling rehab, Mack resurfaced with the Syracuse Salty Dogs, an A-League team whom he played for in 2004 and '05.

"But then they folded," Mack lamented.

Which took him to the Virginia Beach Mariners for the 2006-07 season.

"But then they folded," Mack said.

The Mariners' sad fate proved to be a boon for the Ignition, who drafted the well-known local star prior to its inaugural 2006-07 campaign.

"It's great playing near my home, getting to see family and friends again," said Mack, who owns a condo in Royal Oak. "Ideally, I'd like to play for the Ignition another four or five years, then get more involved in coaching and get a job in pharmaceutical sales or something like that."

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Parkway can blame loss on PCA's Ross

Plymouth Christian Academy senior guard Sara Ross had a career night Friday night, much to the dismay of Sterling Heights Parkway Christian.

Ross ripped the nets for 25 points — 15 coming from five triples — to lead the Eagles to a 59-44 victory. PCA is now 6-4 overall and 1-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference's Red Division.

Parkway led 12-10 after one quarter before the Eagles soared to a 24-16 halftime advantage and 48-27 lead with eight minutes to play.

Megan Greve had a solid night in the paint for the winners as she registered 10 points and 10 boards.

Greve and Ross were a combined 8-for-8 from the free throw line. As a team, PCA was 13-for-16.

Emily Kress led the hosts with 13 points.

"We played well as a team tonight; we played hard," said PCA coach Carol Gerulis. "We competed the whole game — there were no letdowns."

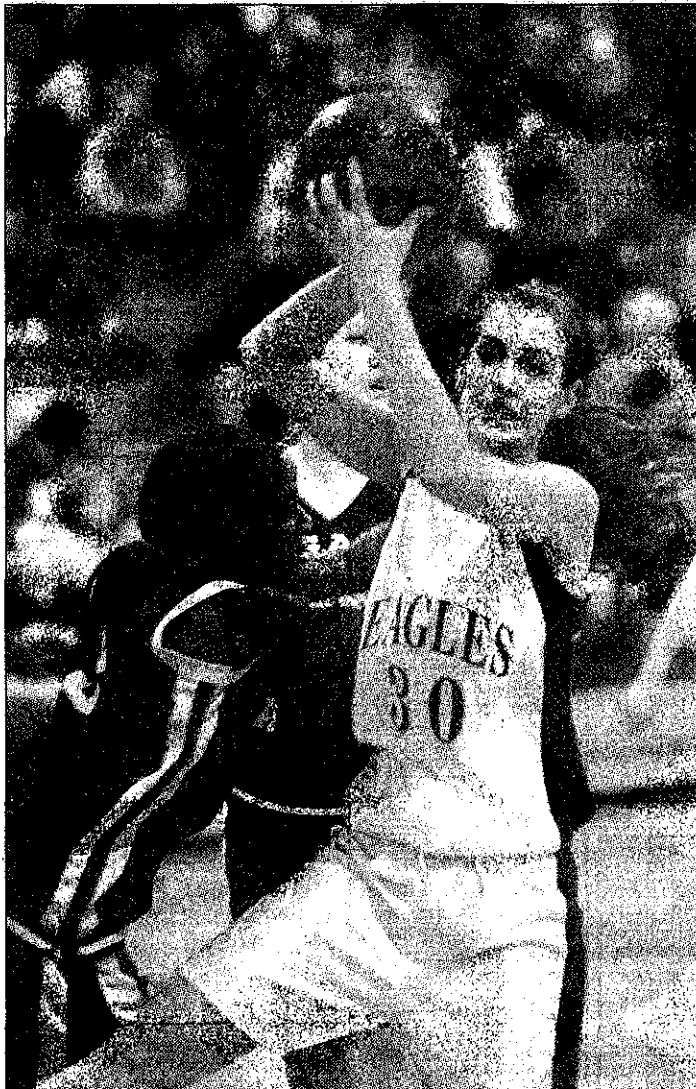
SALEM 57, JOHN GLENN 32: Three players scored in double figures Friday as the WLAA-Lakes Division leading Rocks (11-2, 6-0) rolled past host Westland John Glenn (5-8, 2-4).

Chelsea Davis led Salem with 16 points, while Sara Stone and Alaya Mitchell each added 15. Stone also tallied 16 rebounds (10 offensive) and five assists. Davis also had a nice night on the boards for the winners with 10 boards.

Brittany Brown led the Rockets with nine.

"As well-coached and much talent as they (Salem) have, they probably outrebounded us three-to-one," Glenn coach Mike Schuette said. "They got second, third and fourth opportunities."

Salem was 9-of-16 from the foul line, while Glenn was 10-of-14.



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth Christian Academy's Megan Greve, pictured in a game earlier this season, netted 10 points and 10 rebounds in the Eagles' 59-44 triumph over Parkway Christian Friday night.

NORTHVILLE 28, CANTON 21: On Friday at Northville, the hosts overcame an 11-9 halftime deficit to post a key WLAA Western Division victory.

The win improved Northville's record to 9-4 while Canton slipped to 3-10.

Senior forward Baylee Hollowell scored all but two of the Chiefs' points. Kaylie Martin netted the other two.

Sara Stern and Chelsea Atzinger both scored nine

points for the Mustangs.

The Chiefs' largest lead came with four minutes left in the third quarter when they owned a 17-11 advantage.

"We played well the first 20 minutes and then Northville

GIRLS PREP HOOP

turned up their defensive pressure on us," said Canton coach Brian Samulski. "Once they made a run in the third quarter, we were never able to get the lead back."

Hollowell hit 5-of-6 free throws. Northville was 8-of-11 from the line.

FRANKLIN 47, PLYMOUTH 41: Livonia Franklin evened the score Friday in its 47-41 girls basketball win at Plymouth.

The Patriots, who fell 47-46 to the Wildcats in a Dec. 20 meeting, used a 14-4 third-quarter run to improve to 10-3 overall and 4-2 in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

"It was a great victory for us," said Franklin first-year coach Dave McCall, whose team trailed 27-25 at halftime. "In the third quarter we forced some turnovers, got several steals and it turned things around."

Junior Brianna Taylor led a balanced Franklin attack with 13 points and 12 rebounds.

Twin sister Brittany Taylor contributed eight before fouling out, while Nicole Emery and Ashley Price each added seven.

Jessica Stailey also came off the bench to score six and came up with some key steals along with Emery and Samantha Floyd.

"They did a good job up-top on our 2-3 zone," McCall said of the trio.

Junior center Shaakira Haywood led the Wildcats (6-7, 3-3) with a game-high 23 points, while Kelsi Robinson contributed nine.

Ignition downs Wave

The Detroit Ignition defeated the Milwaukee Wave 15-14 Friday night to take sole possession of first place in the Major Indoor Soccer League.

The victory improved the winners' record to 11-4 while the Wave dipped to 11-5.

MISL scoring leader Greg Howes scored the first points of the match at 4:35 in the first quarter with a three-point goal off an assist from defender Tjani Ayegebusi. Ignition midfielder Ricardinho answered two minutes later with an unassisted two-point tally.

Howes scored another two-pointer for the visitors at 12:23 in the first, but Ryan Mack responded at 14:24 with two more points for Detroit. Less than 30 seconds later, Hewerton scored his 50th

MISL career goal with a three-point score off an assist from Ricardinho to put the Ignition up 7-5 at the end of the first.

Milwaukee scored first in the second quarter as midfielder Marcio Leite notched two points at 8:47, but the Ignition scored eight unanswered points to put the club up 15-8 midway through the third quarter.

Mack, Abraham Francois, and Jamar Beasley scored for Detroit during the offensive attack, with Beasley accounting for two of the goals.

The Wave would score six more points before the night was over, but the Ignition held on and came out with a 15-14 win. The Ignition will host La Raza de Monterrey (5-10) on Sunday at Compuware Arena.

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Winter blues

Seasonal affective disorder: a timely topic of discussion

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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It's an age old tradition to talk about the weather, but when gray skies and cold temperatures affect sleep and energy levels it's time to take action. Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) is a pattern of depression for which treatment may be as simple as sitting in front of a light box depending on whether the person has a severe or mild case of the blues.

Experts from the University of Michigan Depression Center discuss the disorder and answer questions about the latest research and treatments 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the Plymouth District Library.

The presentation is part of the center's Bright Nights series of public forums on depression continuing through April 22, at the Ann Arbor District Library's downtown branch. For more information, visit www.depression-center.org.

The Jan. 29 program in Plymouth offers an overview of SAD by Dr. Melvin McInnis followed by a panel discussion with Dr. J. Todd Arnedt, a psychologist and director of the University of Michigan Behavioral Sleep Medicine program, and Dr. Neera Ghaziuddin, an assistant professor of psychiatry. McInnis directs the Depression Specialty Clinic at the U-M Depression Center and the Heinz C. Prechter Bipolar Research group, and is the Thomas and Nancy Upjohn Woodworth Professor of Bipolar Disorder and Depression.

McInnis would like to see other physicians become involved in the panels to raise awareness about SAD and mood disorders in general.

"Seasonal Affective Disorder is the same as symptoms of depression - people feel sad, in a low mood. It's difficult to concentrate. There's an inability to enjoy yourself, a pre-occupation with death or suicide," said Dr. Melvin McInnis. "With less severe forms symptoms include diminished energy, low interest. People take longer to get their work done. One of the symptoms is people sleep longer. If individuals suspect they have a depressed mood they should talk to their primary care doctor, go to different Web sites and learn about depression and



Dr. J. Todd Arnedt demonstrates the use of a light therapy box at the University of Michigan Depression Center.

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"The lifetime prevalence of depression is 10- to 20-percent. One-third may have a pattern to their disease. A good percentage of people, probably 1/3 of the population, has a dip in their energy level and mood, but I wouldn't go so far as to call that illness. It's not unusual for that to happen. People do things to counter that - go to the gym, take a winter break to the south, use a light box in the morning. There are a number of strategies individuals can use to counter that. We have a number of light boxes to loan out to see if they'll help."

Dr. Norman Rosenthal was the first to describe SAD and pioneered the use of light treatment as a National Institute of Mental Health

researcher. His book, Winter Blues, was published in 1998.

"Seasonal Affective Disorder came to our attention in the early to mid 90s when the Rosenthal literature started to appear," said McInnis, a psychiatrist for 20 years. "Light therapy is a specialty light box with a higher intensity light, 10,000 lux, and usually used for 30-minutes in the morning and sits an arm's length from the individual. Within about two weeks of using the light we'll know if that intervention will be effective or not. Frequently what happens it's helpful but doesn't carry the day. It's one of a multiple pronged approaches to depression along with medication or psychotherapy."

As director of the U-M Behavioral Sleep Medicine program Dr. Todd Arnedt is trying to discover the link between sleep disturbances and depression. U-M researchers are investigating every aspect of depression from the cause to which treatments work best. Visit www.umeengage.org for information on studies. People without depression are needed to participate as well.

"Oversleeping seems to come with SAD," said Dr. Todd Arnedt, a clinical assistant professor in the U-M psychology and neurology departments. "Studies seem to show

patients responding to light therapy, people who do it more in the morning might respond better than those who do it in the evening. It moves the circadian timing system backwards so they can be sleepy earlier, be awake earlier. SAD might have a delayed circadian rhythm (or biological clock)."

Books and materials on SAD and depression will be available before and after the presentation in Plymouth. Ellen Stross, adult services librarian in Plymouth, encourages the public to browse the 616.85 call numbers at the library or visit www.plymouthlibrary.org for links to credible sources.

"Part of the mission of the center is to bring depression out in the open," said Ellen Stross of Ann Arbor. "We (as a public library) are in a position to raise awareness. The Bibliography in the program will list related informational materials including Web sites. There are books on it if you're living with someone with depression or for someone who's living with it. We have a lot of pamphlet materials by governmental agencies, books on suicide prevention, depression in seniors and those living with chronic illnesses."

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Excess weight may distort prostate test

Frank from Madison Heights e-mails saying that his doctor wants to repeat a prostate cancer test because his weight may be affecting the results. Is this possible?

Frank, it could be. A new study finds doctors reading the results of blood tests may be fooled into thinking obese men are disease-free. Researchers studied more than 14,000 men who had undergone treatment for prostate cancer. They found those with a high body mass index had a higher blood volume and lower PSA

concentrations, which is used to detect prostate cancer. The concern is some men could have a total amount of PSA in their blood to signal prostate cancer, but since obese men have so much more blood, doctors are getting a false negative reading. Men, this is another reason to shed those extra pounds and get on a nutrition and exercise plan.

Tom from Waterford e-mails and says as he gets older he is having a hard time remembering things. Is there anything he can do to boost his memory?

Tom, you may want to add some fish to your menu! Researchers studied more than 2,000 men and women. They found those who frequently ate fish scored better on memory, visual conception, motor skills, attention, orientation and verbal fluency tests. Experts say the more fish the study participants ate, the bigger the benefit. They believe it is the omega 3 fatty acids in the fish that are good for the brain. But they are now doing more research to see if there are other nutrients in fish which are helpful.

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. Contact him Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.

Keep your family safe this winter

The Michigan State Medical Society is urging homeowners to make sure the only thing coming out of their heating ducts this winter is warm air.

Many common household appliances can produce excess carbon monoxide (CO). Appliances that are potentially CO sources include furnaces, gas dryers, gas water heaters, space heaters, gas ranges, and any other fuel-burning appliance.

CO is a potentially deadly colorless, odorless and tasteless gas. Winter months are the most common time for CO poisoning. Symptoms include headaches, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, and confusion.

Unfortunately, CO is completely undetectable without a properly installed CO detector. CO poisoning mirrors symptoms of several other disorders and is therefore difficult to detect without a CO detector. Carbon monoxide detectors range in price from \$20 to \$60 and can be purchased from most hardware and home improvement stores. The detector alarm goes off when the level of CO reaches specific levels in various time increments.

"More than 15,000 trips to the emergency room could be prevented each year in the U.S. by simply installing a carbon monoxide detector," said Dr. Appa Rao Mukkamala, a Flint radiologist and president of the Michigan State Medical Society. In addition to the ER visits, more than 100 people die from unintentional CO poisoning each year in the U.S.

Inspecting the flame in gas burning appliances is the quickest way to detect a problem. Blue flames indicate normal gas emissions. Orange flames indicate a problem. In addition to the orange color, several other warning signs could be present. Moisture on the windows, loose masonry on chimneys, rusting or water streaking on a vent or chimney, and loose or missing furnace panels are all signs that a carbon monoxide risk could be present.

To prevent CO poisoning check all fuel-burning appliances, install CO detectors throughout the house near each sleeping area, never use charcoal in the house, and never use a gas range, oven or dryer for heating. Following these simple steps can help keep your family safer this winter.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

JANUARY

Lung cancer workshop

Deadline to register is Friday, Jan. 18, for the American Lung Association of Michigan workshop 2-4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at Weisburg Cancer Center, 31995 Northwestern, Farmington Hills. No charge. To register, call (248) 784-2000. The updated workshop will be presented by Dr. Antoinette Wozniak of the Karmanos Cancer Institute and includes information on current lung cancer treatments, strategies for symptom/side effect management and tools for survivorship. Lung cancer patients, friends and family members are welcome. Free booklets about lung cancer treatment and care provided.

Fibromyalgia lecture

7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, at the Farmington Community Library, 32737 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Please RSVP if you plan to attend a few days before the lecture to smo23915@aol.com or call (248) 344-0896. Admission \$5 to help pay for cost of room. April Vallarand, Ph.D. from Wayne State University School of nursing, will speak on medications for chronic pain/fibromyalgia including the newest medications available for Fibromyalgia. This is an opportunity to ask questions on the medications you may be on or thinking of asking your physician to prescribe.

Grand opening

St. Mary Mercy Hospital physician, Nabil Suliman, is opening Premier Medicine by offering free cholesterol, blood sugar, and blood pressure checks, refreshments, giveaways and a chance to meet the staff noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22, at 5958 Canton Center Rd., Suite 200, north of Ford, Canton. Premier Medicine is a primary care provider that also offers urgent care services. The physicians are also available to make home-bound visits for those unable to reach the office. For information, call (734) 454-5454 or visit www.premiermedicine.com.

Divorce support group

Legal aspects of divorce 7-9 p.m. Tuesday,

Jan. 22, with Laura Reyes Kopack, attorney with Brashear, Tangora law firm. Kopack presents an overview of the process of divorce including information on property settlements, custody, child support, visitation, spousal support, etc., in the Women's Resource Center (Room 225) of the McDowell Center, Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Call (734) 462-4443.

Thyroid cancer support

The support group is free and open to all thyroid cancer patients and survivors as well as their family members and friends, and meets monthly. The next group takes place 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at 1641 Charlevoix Drive, Troy, MI 48065. For more information, call Gwynne at (248) 740-9759. This support group is a local chapter of a National non-profit organization <http://www.thyca.org>.

Organic foods workshop

The difference between organic and conventional foods with Dr. William Karl, D.C. 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile. To reserve a seat, call (734) 425-8588.

Blood drive

8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at the Costick Center, 28606 W. Eleven Mile, Farmington Hills. Register online at www.redcross.org and enter Costick Center or call (248) 473-1800 to make an appointment. The Red Cross will be doing double reds collections. To encourage donations there will be Dunkin' coffee and hot chocolate coupons for participants and a raffle for a one year lease on a 2008 Mercury Mariner Premier with additional chances to win \$200, \$50 and \$25 gas cards.

Joint replacement seminars

To educate the community about joint replacement options Thursday, Jan. 24, at the Center for Joint Replacement at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. No charge. To register or for information, call (734) 655-2400.

Radiothon

To benefit the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan with JJ & Lynne,

morning talk show hosts of 94.7 WCSX Classic Rock radio, begins 6 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, and continues 15-hours. Jim Johnson and Lynne Woodison have supported the agency with Radiothon, raising nearly \$2.9 million to date for CLF, a 55-year old, independent foundation providing information, financial assistance and emotional support to Michigan families facing the challenges of leukemia and lymphoma. A group of Detroit-area leukemia or lymphoma survivors will tell their stories during Radiothon to raise money for the foundation that helped them cope during their ordeal with cancer. Opportunities to bid on unique experiences, items or auction packages such as sitting in the WCSX studios with JJ & Lynne or hearing your MyTunes playlist on the air are available on designated dates throughout the month of January. Radiothon events, including a guitar jam at Oakland Mall, the assortment of auction items and packages and information, including how to make a donation or bid on one of the great auction packages, can be found at the WCSX Website, www.wcsx.com.

Diabetic lecture

Help for the Diabetic: Learn how to make lifestyle choices, including diet, exercise and general health, presented by Carrie Ciaramitaro, RN, a diabetic nurse educator 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at St. Philip's Episcopal Church, 100 Romeo St., Rochester. Call (248) 651-6188. Free.

Sharing & Caring

Reducing cancer risk one meal at a time with registered dietitian Betty Boscarino, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, in Classroom 3-4, Area D on the ground floor at Beaumont Troy. Sharing & Caring offers education and support programs for breast cancer survivors. All are welcome. For more information, call (248) 551-8586. For possible schedule changes, call (248) 551-8588 prior to meeting.

Think trim classes

Give up dieting and find out why willpower or deprivation never work. Instead, change your thinking about food and learn how

to develop a healthy approach to eating and exercise. You won't have to give up the foods you love and you will acquire skills to be trim and healthy for a lifetime. Classes take place 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 24, at Macomb Community College, 44575 Garfield, Clinton Township (\$29); 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 26 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6, at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia (\$27), and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, at The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham (\$24). Presented by Lorraine Stefano, A.C.S.W. For details, call (248) 828-7333 or visit thinktrim.com.

Free yoga classes

Astarte Yoga is offering free weekend classes in honor of Yoga Awareness Day (Jan. 26), at Astarte Yoga, 21894 Farmington Rd., Farmington. For information, call (248) 427-0550. The sessions take place 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25 (Level 1-2); 8:45 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 26 (Level 1); 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 26 (Gentle); 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 26 (Level 2), and 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27 (Level 1).

Childbirth education class

Let's Get Ready to Have a Baby 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. There is a fee and registration is required. Call (734) 655-1162 for more information or to register. Learn what to expect during pregnancy, labor and delivery and make the entire experience more rewarding. These classes are based on the Lamaze Method and include exercise, relaxation, breathing techniques and comfort measures to assist expectant moms through the different stages of labor. Classes also include information on anesthesia options, medication, nutrition, family adjustment and the importance of the support person's role.

Blood drive

The Red Cross blood drive takes place 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 27, in the Parish Hall at St. Edith Catholic Church, 15089 Newburgh, Livonia. Walk-ins welcome. For information, call (734) 464-1222, ext. 309.

State-ranked Churchill crumbles Rocks, 9-0

State-ranked Livonia Churchill made quick work Friday of host Salem with a 9-0 boys hockey victory at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Garrett Miencier scored a pair of goals for the No. 3-rated Chargers (Division 1), who improved to 13-2 overall and 3-0 in the Lakes Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The game lasted just two periods as Churchill jumped

out to a 7-0 lead after one and invoked a running clock just 4:21 into the second.

Nathan Milam and Cody Atkins each added a goal and assist for the Chargers. It was Milam's 31st of the season.

Mike Woynick, Keith Yackley, Nick Harakas, Kody Strong and Josh Proben also tallied goals for Churchill.

Goaltender Aaron Crouse had to make just six saves in earning the shutout.

CANTON 5, FRANKLIN 2: Clark Albers and Ryan Lash each scored a pair of goals Wednesday to lead the Chiefs past host Livonia Franklin (4-9, 0-4) in a penalty-filled WAAA-Western Division game at Edgar Arena.

Brandon Pump gave Franklin a 1-0 lead at 2:36 of the first period from Alex Wypych, but Canton evened it at 1-all on Lash's first goal at 9:45.

Albers connected twice in the second period before Franklin's Dan Ostrosky pulled the Patriots to within, 3-2, at 7:09 of the second period off an assist from Jordan Chisholm.

Third-period goals by Lash and Mark Barath gave the Chiefs, who scored all five on power-play efforts, the victory.

Franklin took a total of 19 penalties, including one game misconduct, while Canton was whistled for 11.



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Canton's Anthony Bonnett, pictured above in a game earlier this season, and his teammates posted a 5-2 victory over Livonia Franklin Wednesday night.

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Aren't you glad holidays are over?

BY DAVID HOPPER
TEEN JOURNALIST

Dick Clark has returned to a state of hibernation, Santa's back to playing euchre (or whatever he does during ten months out of the year,) and 100.3 WNIC has returned to its usual programming. That means the holiday season (previously known as Christmastime) is over.



david hopper

Aren't you glad that a conglomerated radio station is there to remind you when it's OK to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ? That's just as good as going to church! But personally, I'm thrilled to see the holidays come to a close.

The season to be jolly is over and now it's time to post multitudes of unwanted products on eBay. Nothing puts me more in the spirit of Christmas than browsing unwanted gifts on eBay!

Be sure to check out my posting of mud flap scrubbers—because important people will always judge you by the underside of your car.

Of course, I have better reasons to see the holidays end.

As a young, Christian man, I'm simply elated to see my local retail stores take down those, "Happy Holidays!" and "Season's Greetings!" signs. Now I know that Jesus warned his followers that Christians would be persecuted. But when stores don't recognize my religious conviction, that's just too much for my fragile faith.

Think about it. If I can't count on my local Macy's or Nordstrom's to affirm my faith in the Almighty, where do you suggest I turn? Family? Friends? Church?

Don't be ridiculous.

That's one reason to be glad the "holidays" (I shudder to even say the word) are over.

I also think that it's wonderful that all the poor and starving people went back into hibernation (or wherever they go.) I'm not sure why, but it seems to me that the needy get extra hungry near the end of the year. Why else would the Salvation Army incessantly ring those bells for money?

And why else would clothing and can drives become so popular in December?

Surely, poor people don't need to eat the entire year! Otherwise, one would think people would be charitable enough to give the entire year—even if it meant cutting back on Starbucks. Clearly, people aren't this confused.

I'm also glad that I don't have to feel obligated to be nice anymore. During November and December, I always feel obligated to be kind. The other ten months out of the year, I can be a jerk!

Why just last week, I was driving through downtown Plymouth when I saw an elderly couple going to cross the street. If it had been during Christmastime, an inexplicable spirit of niceness would have compelled me to let them cross.

But the month is January, and that gives me permission to run over their frail toes as I try to beat the red light. I think the Jesus hobblerhead that I keep on my dashboard was even nodding with approval.

However, the best part of this new year and the end of Christmastime is obvious: we can prepare for Christmas: 2008 © (sponsorships are going fast!) You can never start preparing too early.

And this way, you don't even have to take your Christmas lights down.

Though maybe Dick Clark would do it. He's probably looking for something to do.

David Hopper is a senior at Plymouth High School.

How to handle Christmas?

A question
January through
December

BY MOLLY FESSLER
TEEN JOURNALIST

As the Christmas season drew to a close, P-CEP teachers and staff took down their evergreens, Santas and stockings that previously adorned their rooms.

Many students loved the Christmas atmosphere leading up to the holiday, but some students said they felt uncomfortable with the non-secular decorations.



molly fessler

A Muslim junior at Salem High School, who did not want her name

published, feels that traditional Christmas trimmings have no place in public schools.

"It makes me mad," she said. "Putting up Christian decorations is disrespectful to everyone. I go to a public school. I shouldn't have Christmas stuff or even Jewish things shoved in my face."

The teen says there should be no decorations during this year's holiday season.

"There is a separation between church and state in this country for a reason," she said.

On the other side of the coin, some students said they weren't bothered by the decor.

"I didn't really mind them," said Lydia Rund, a Jewish sophomore at Canton High School. "It was a nice feeling leading up to winter break."



MOLLY FESSLER

Lydia Rund helps to erase Christmas messages on the board in her classroom, upon students' return to school.

This past year, Christmas spirit was certainly not lacking anywhere at the park. Tinsel, ornaments and a few scattered menorahs could be found at every school.

The issue is whether religious materials should be allowed at all at the park. And if so, how can all holidays and beliefs be fairly represented?

It seems, at least for now, there is

no clear solution.

There are no current guidelines or rules about what may be displayed. Non-Christian students either don't care or have no outlet to express their frustrations, especially without appearing to be a grinch to their Christmas-celebrating peers.

Although every student, Christian or not, has a different

idea, opinion and answer to the struggle that is December at P-CEP, they pretty much agree on one thing.

"There is a lot of diversity at P-CEP," Rund said. "The decorations next year, and years to follow, should reflect that."

Molly Fessler is a sophomore at Plymouth High School.

Reach out to help: Key Club makes a difference

BY JILLIAN HATTIE
TEEN JOURNALIST

If you have any connection to Plymouth-Canton Educational Park, you know there is every club imaginable — truly something for everyone.



jillian hattie

If you want to celebrate your heritage, there are many avenues available.

For students wanting to someday practice medicine, there's HOSA.

If you dream of winning an Academy Award, then being a Thespian is a step in the right direction.

If you enjoy reading, the Great Books Club provides literature and conversation.

And, for the simple joy of helping others, the Key Club fits the bill.

The Key Club, which stands for "Kiwanis Educating Youth", is an organization that focuses on charity work. It is an off-shoot of the Kiwanis organization.

If you visit the official Kiwanis Web site, www.kiwanis.org, you'll see that the name "Kiwanis" means "we trade" or "we share our talents." It was coined from an American Indian expression, Nunc Kee-wan-is. Kiwanians are volunteers changing the world through service

to children and communities.

The Key Club uses its wealth of teenage volunteers to do a variety of things, such as volunteering at nursing homes, bell ringing during the holidays and cleaning up parks.

"Key Club is a great club to join, if you want to be satisfied with the feeling of helping others," said Plymouth sophomore Valerie Clanton.

About 50 people are currently in the club and so far this year they have collected money for UNICEF, packaged food for the homeless and supplied food to adoptable pets at the Humane Society.

While they occasionally receive thank you cards, that's not the main goal of their efforts, said Key Club treasurer BreAnn Martin.

"We don't expect thank yous," she said, adding that she joined the club because she "wanted to help the less fortunate."

In their meetings every other Thursday, Club president Gillian Reily discusses the different types of charities and events to sign up for.

Martin said there never seems to be a shortage of willing of teens signing up for each activity.

This club, she said, is a great testament to the power of volunteering, the power of positivity and the power of teenagers and that is Key.

Jillian Hattie is a sophomore at Salem High School.



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President Gillian Reily picks out things for pets at the Humane Society.



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Online gaming

Other addiction is a problem for many

BY JENNA GAMBINO
TEEN JOURNALIST



Jenna gambino

The biggest and most popular types of online games are Massively Multiplayer Online Role Playing Games or MMORPG for short.

These games, such as World of Warcraft and EverQuest, allow thousands of players all over the world to interact in a massive virtual world.

"My dad and I were watching the South Park episode (featuring Warcraft) and we were like 'Oh my God, that looks so awesome! We should get it!' So we did," said Canton High School senior Samantha Stepanovich.

This is only one way people start playing online role playing games. Others ways are advertisements on the web. Also, the graphics of the game attract people into playing.

People who are most vulnerable to becoming addicted to role playing games are isolated, prone to boredom or are lonely. Sometimes addicts are socially awkward because of feelings of being unattractive.

These games provide an opportunity for people to reinvent themselves in a way that boosts their confidence. Gaming addiction can begin as early as 8 years old.

Signs of addiction include playing for extensive periods of time (over 4 hours); limiting social activities and becoming restless or irritable when the game is unavailable. Other signs may include lying about game use and disobedience of time limits.

There are many ways to deal with addictions such as counseling. There are also Web sites that focus on web gaming and how it has affected the friends and family of gaming addicts.

Jenna Gambino is a senior at Salem High School.

Volunteers like 'making a difference'

BY MELISSA PENNINGTON
TEEN JOURNALIST



melissa pennington

Volunteering, doing selflessly for others and for the environment, or even simply helping out a friend.

Volunteering is the driving force behind millions of organizations in the United States and every year it seems teens are taking an interest. Helping raise money for charities and caring for others.

The Garden City High School Key club, funded by the Garden City Kiwanis, makes a big difference in our community here in Garden City. They raise money for various charities and twice a week a small group of students go to the Burger school for autistic students and try to make the day brighter for some of the kids there.

The students who take time out of their days to do volunteer work enjoy helping others and preserving their community.

Teens who try to make their community a better place show a strong character and willingness to work

hard in everything, not just their sports or other after school activities. This displays a soundness of personality and, in most cases a genuine concern for their community and the people that live in it. This makes them much more appealing in the eyes of boards of admission for universities.

It looks good to everyone, potential employers, colleges, scholarship programs etc. Teens who volunteer are seen as a potential asset to any organization. But more than that, volunteering gives many teens a sense that they are doing something important. That sense of accomplishment drives them to achieve more. Seeing teens doing good for others also seems to dispel some of the stigma surrounding today's teens.

The archetypal teenager, full of angst and causing trouble is one slowly but surely being replaced by a new view of teenagers. One that is hopefully much more positive than in recent years past.

Volunteering can serve a dual purpose, helping other people and helping oneself at the same time. Seeing a look of gratitude on the face of someone you've helped. Or the smile of a kid you've spent a half an hour playing games with, gives teen and adult volunteers alike

a feeling of pride. To be able to look at the result of something positive that they have made possible is an unparalleled thrill. But it also makes teens think, if these people need help, if this environment needs cleaning, who else in the world needs help? And what else can they as teens do to provide it? It's teens that volunteer who will be the leaders of tomorrow. And it isn't just teenagers getting in on the act either, the K Kids (Also Kiwanis sponsored) at the elementary schools are as big a help as their older counterparts.

Kristi Marshall, a junior at Garden City High School, goes to Burger School twice a week to play with the students and says, "I like to see all the kids every week and it's great to know that they look forward to seeing me too. I feel like I'm really making a difference to someone."

Be it helping people, animals, or the environment, teen volunteers make a big difference. There are millions of problems for the world to solve, and while teenagers can't solve them all, volunteering seems to be a great starting point.

Melissa Pennington is a junior at Garden City High School.

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Teens and alcohol a bad combination

The students interviewed for this story agreed to speak on the condition of anonymity.

BY RYAN BRIDGES
TEEN JOURNALIST



ryan bridges

As teenagers progressively make their way through adolescence, they are continuously faced with challenges and disturbing confrontations, one of them being alcohol abuse.

Along with this recurring abuse throughout the generations comes varying explanations. These include psychiatric problems, lack of parental/adult influence and intangibles, such as peer pressure and rebellion.

Teen drinking includes some shocking statistics.

According to a survey by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, teens that have been drinking prior to age 15 are four times more likely to develop alcohol problems than those who began drinking at age 21.

One teenager agreed with the results of the study. "Teen drinking is bad

because you can develop alcoholic behaviors early in life," he said.

Another national study on teenage drinking revealed that nearly one-third of all high school students who participated in the research claimed to have had a recent hazardous drinking experience.

Committing an illegal act as a minor could result in terrible consequences.

If a teen is found to have consumed alcohol or be in possession of it, they may be required to pay a fine, complete community service requirements and attend substance abuse classes.

If caught again, the penalties could be harsher and could possibly amount to jail time.

In admitting her own experiences with alcohol abuse, one teenage girl encouraged other youths to stay away from alcohol.



Alcohol's a temptation for a number of teenagers.

"My experiences have been negative," she said. "It's not worth the trouble it causes."

While another teen felt "drinking shouldn't be as big of a deal as it is," another said consuming alcohol

has become a regular activity for some minors.

"It's such a regular thing these days, it's not even a big deal anymore," he said.

Ryan Bridges is a junior at Father Gabriel Richard High School.

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Laboratory studies are often helpful. Instances of inflammation, certain markers such as the sedimentation rate and C- Reactive Protein show rising numbers. This change along with multiple swollen joints would confirm that inflammation is the source of pain.

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Wild game dinner supports good causes

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Tino DelSignore seems humbled when asked about the initials of the foundation he administers. CDS stands for his initials and the grandfather he's named after, Costantino DelSignore.

The foundation's annual Wild Game dinner was started as a fund-raiser for the church the elder DelSignore supported near his home in Fonte D'Amore, Italy after it suffered damage during World War II. In the early years the event was held in conjunction with the Italian American Club of Livonia. When the club decided to hold its own dinner dance, Tino DelSignore con-

tinued the Wild Game Dinner, giving the money to the Karmanos Cancer Institute in honor of his friend Anthony Leopardi who died of the disease at age 36.

This year's event takes place 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, Jan. 25, at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Tickets are \$70 and include an open bar until 11:30 p.m., hors d'oeuvres, family style dinner, live and silent auctions, and a casino night. For information, call (734) 462-0770 or visit www.cdsfoundation.net. Tickets can also be purchased at Laurel Manor (39000 Schoolcraft) 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

In addition to the cancer institute, proceeds go to the St. Mary Mercy Hospital

Cancer Center, Angela Hospice Home Care, Botsford Hospital Foundation, and the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund.

"We had the same group of guys form a committee," said Tino DelSignore. "We had 41 gentlemen show up to the last meeting. We have more and more people supporting the cause. We've raised over a quarter million dollars so far. It's all you can eat, all you can drink. It's a good cause.

"This year I'm excited because the laws have changed on gambling for nonprofits. We're going to have a casino night. It's like going to one of the casino's in town and there's a cash payout."

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Smith-Dalton
Chuck and Julie Smith of South Lyon announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristie Lynn Smith of Redford, to Derek Dalton, son Charlene Dalton of Belleville and the late Donald Dalton.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Thurston High School. She is employed at Ford Motor Co.

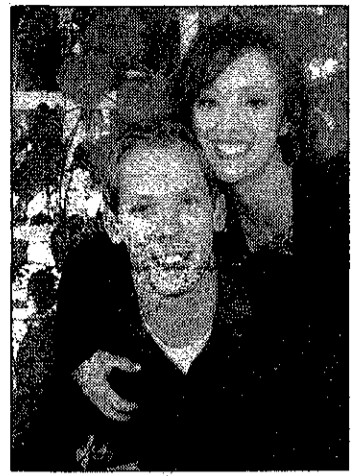
The future groom is a graduate of Thurston High School. He is employed by Ajax Paving Industries.

No wedding date has been set.

ENGAGEMENTS

Pistor-Schwab
Wilbey and Linda Pistor of Garden City and Pamela Hall of Englewood, Fla., announce the engagement of their daughter, Hope Marie Pistor, to Bryan Charles Schwab, son of Denise Schwab of Dearborn and the late Ronald Schwab.

An April 2008 wedding is planned for St. Raphael Church, followed by a reception at Plymouth Manor.



Perrell-Renner
Bruce and Terry Perrell of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth T. Perrell, to Colby S. Renner, son of Robert and Linda Renner of Tecumseh.

The bride-to-be is a 2002 graduate of Redford Union High School and received a bachelor of science degree in biology from the University of Michigan in 2006. She is currently a student at the U-M College of Pharmacy and will graduate in 2009. She is employed by Kroger Pharmacy in Milan.

The future groom is a 2001 graduate of Tecumseh High School and received a bachelor of business administration degree from Eastern Michigan



University in 2007. He is currently a manager of bd's Mongolian Barbeque in Ann Arbor and a corporate trainer. A May 2008 wedding is planned.

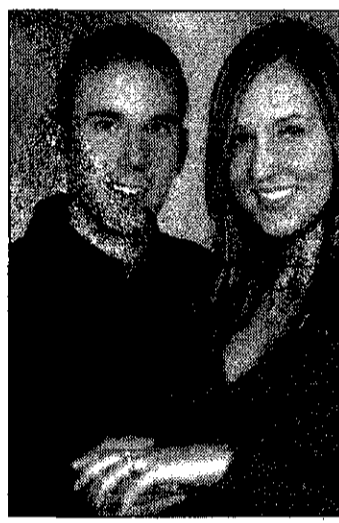
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Winners are judged by audience favorite. Alan performs magic and mind reading at Albert's on the Alley 9-11 p.m. every Friday.



Nasal-Mathis
Sandy and Frank Nasal of Dearborn Heights announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer M. Nasal, to Bradley W. Mathis, son of Ed and Debbie Mathis of Garden City.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Wayne State University and is employed by Crossmark Merchandising.

The future groom is employed by AAL Apartment laundries.

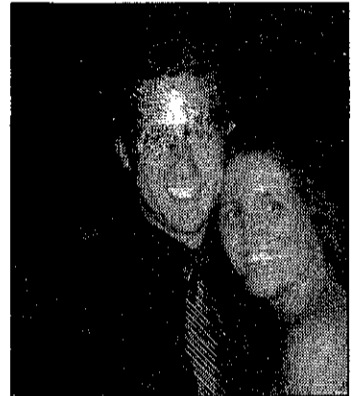
A February 2008 wedding is planned for Divine Child Catholic Church in Dearborn.

Jannausch-Bruce
Sandy and Jim Jannausch of Troy announce the engagement of their daughter, Katie Jannausch, to Douglas Bruce, son of Robert and Ruthann Bruce of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a registered nurse.

The future groom works in the construction industry.

A fall 2008 wedding is planned for St. Hugo of the Hills Catholic Church in Birmingham.

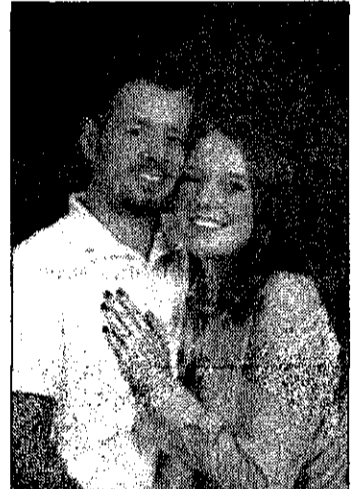


Davies-Wheeler
Paul and Wilma Davies of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Davies, to Michael Wheeler, son of Dale and Diane Wheeler of Westland.

The bride is attending Arizona State University, graduating this spring.

The groom is pursuing a career in law enforcement in Phoenix.

A wedding is planned for June 21, 2008, at Martha Mary Chapel at Greenfield Village followed by a reception at Laurel Manor.

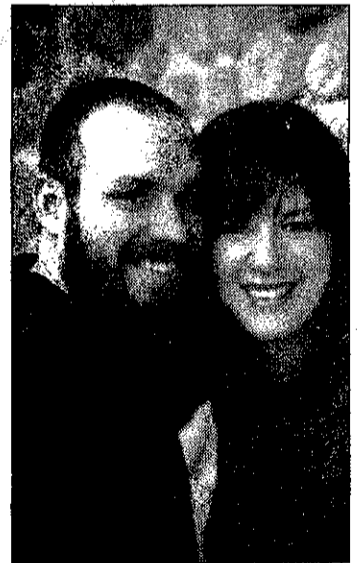


Male-Oswandel
Leonard and Elaine Male of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Melinda Joy Male, to Douglas James Oswandel, son of Kenneth and Virginia Oswandel of Livonia.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School and a 2005 graduate of Washtenaw Community College. She is a photographer in New York City.

The future groom is a 1996 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 2000 graduate of Michigan State University. He is Island Def Jam director of field marketing in New York City.

A wedding is planned for



May 31, 2008, at the St. John Center Chapel in Plymouth.

Young women sought for Court of St. Brigid

The Scholarship Program sponsored by the Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Rose Kennedy Division, will be held Saturday, Feb. 16, at the AOH Hall, 24242 Grand River, Detroit. Educational scholarships will be awarded to the winner and her court.

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The Court of St. Brigid will be in the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 17, in Detroit.

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The Arc of Northwest Wayne County, a grassroots nonprofit charitable organization, holds an Annual Dinner Dance each year to raise funds to improve the lives of people with developmental disabilities and their families.

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January 16, 2008, age 97 of Wayne. Beloved wife of the late Wayne A. Black. Dear mother of Wallene (Louis) Poteau, Gerald "Jerry" (Susie) Black and Jaynie Black. Grandmother of Kim (Mike) Foster, Kyle (Monica) Poteau, Kris (David) Wilson, Susan (Chris) O'Neal, Sally Black, William Nichols, Jr. and Joseph Nichols. Great Grandmother of Cateigh O'Neal, William Gavin, Elijah First, Anna, David and Morgan Sieja. Sister of Lillian Arthur, Carrie Yates, Ruth Pack, Evelyn Spitzer, Dewey and Ralph Luper, the late Faye Black, Mozelle Bagwell, Pauline Pugh, Paul, James and Clarence Luper. Service Monday 11 am at the Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood, Westland. Family will receive friends Sunday 1 - 9 pm. Memorials would be appreciated to Community Hospice or Rose Cottage. Please visit and post a tribute at: www.uhtfh.com

CLEON CROSBY McLAUGHLIN
Was born on October 25, 1945 in Lawrence, Michigan. He was the oldest son of Charles and Wyva McLaughlin, at the time of Paw Paw, Michigan. After growing up and graduating from high school in Michigan, Cleon enrolled in General Motors Institute (now Kettering University) in Flint, Michigan. He received his Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from GMI in 1967, and went on to complete a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering from Texas A&M University in 1969. After obtaining his degrees, he was stationed at Fort Knox during the Vietnam era. Upon completing his service in the Army, Cleon returned to Michigan and would maintain residency between Flint and Bloomfield Hills. He had a long, lucrative career in the automotive industry that included positions in engineering and sales. His work afforded him opportunities to see the world, as he made trips to Australia, Italy, China and Japan among other places. He retired from Mayne-McKenney, Inc. of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan in 2007. Cleon remained active in various sports and outdoor activities. Badminton was a regular activity for Cleon, as he participated in clubs in Michigan and played in tournaments across the country. He also enjoyed outdoor activities such as fishing, hunting and water sports. Planning for his retirement, he purchased a house on Lake Hartwell in Lavonia, Georgia where boating became a regular activity. He also enjoyed traveling, and simply spending time with family and friends. Cleon passed away on January 11, 2008 in Marietta, Georgia. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Wyva McLaughlin, and sister Julia Johnson. He leaves to cherish his memory: sister Alisa Runyan and husband Michael; sister Lilla Ballew and husband Brian; brother Calvin McLaughlin and wife Jacqui; son Chris McLaughlin and wife Jeannette; daughter Dione Swann and husband Eric; grandchildren Sarah Swann, Jason Swann, Connor McLaughlin and Jonathan Swann; additional family, friends and colleagues. A private service with family and close friends will be held at 10 am on Saturday January 19, 2008 at the HM Patterson & Son Funeral Home Chapel - 1157 Old Canton Road in Marietta, Georgia. In addition, a memorial service for friends and colleagues will be held in Michigan the afternoon of January 26th in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Cleon's memory to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements by H.M. Patterson & Son Funeral Directors 1157 Old Canton Rd. Marietta, GA 30068, 770-977-9485

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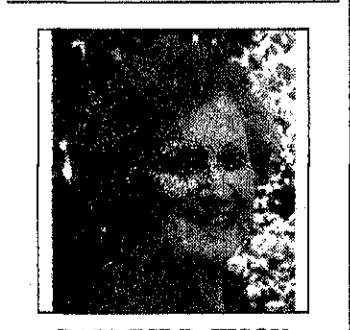
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Age 76, January 15, 2008. Mr. Aseltine passed away from cancer. He was a graduate of St. Mary, Redford. He retired from American Motors in 1984 with 30 years of service. He was an avid fisherman and gardener and a car aficionado. He was also a political activist and supporter of gay rights. Beloved husband of Dolores "Laura". Loving father of Kathleen (Mark Brautigan), Mary (Dave Guimond), and Bill (Jeff Stryken). Dear grandfather of five and great-grandfather of two. Visitation Thursday, 2-9pm O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River, Novi, 248-348-1800. Instate Friday St. Joseph Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon 10:30am until Funeral Mass 11:00am. Memorial donations to IHM Retirement Fund, 610 W. Elm Ave., Monroe, MI 48162 or St. Joseph Hospice. Online condolences: www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

JACKIE PATRICK McKINLEY
Age 77, January 14, 2008. Beloved husband of Mary. Loving father of Daniel (Melissa) McKinley and Michele (Bob Murr) McKinley. Services were held Friday at Fisher Funeral Home, Redford, MI. Memorials to the VA Hospital would be appreciated.

May You Find Comfort in Family & Friends



MARTHA HELENA (nee Weidner) VARNER
Of Berkley, MI. January 15, 2008. Age 85. Beloved wife of the late Orrie Blair for 52 years. Dearest mother of Carolyn (James) Scharret, Twighla Juszak, Veiva (the late Roy) Salacinski, Heather (Richard) Sprague, Frederick Varner and Evan (Patricia) Varner. Cherished grandmother of Lisa, Rachel, Erica, Ryan, Robert, James, and preceded in death by Elizabeth. Also survived by great grandchildren Jacob, Sarah and Lilibet. Dear sister of Vernon (Jean) Weidner, Evelyn (the late Wayne) Shaulis and Glen (Virginia) Weidner. Preceded in death by brothers Samuel, Frederick, Paul, Ervin and Donald. Also mourned by Dorothy Kaufman (sister-in-law) and Robert Dean Varner (brother-in-law) and many nieces and nephews. She was a master quilter, honored officially by the Mayor and City of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1982, designated as one of their "Traditional Folk Artists." Two of her quilts served as a backdrop for the Carter-Reagan Presidential Debate that was televised from Cleveland in 1980. These same two quilts also traveled around the world with the Peoples and Cultures Folk Art Exhibit that originated in Cleveland. She created over 500 quilts during her lifetime and won many awards for her handiwork. She resided in Berkley for over ten years. Prior to that, she was a resident of Cleveland Heights, Ohio for over 30 years, a resident of Ferndale, Michigan for 14 years, and had also lived in her home state of Pennsylvania for over 20 years, residing near Somerset and Johnstown. Funeral service was held Saturday at Peace Lutheran Church. The family appreciates memorial contributions to The American Cancer Society, 18505 W. Twelve Mile Rd., Southfield, MI 48076 or Peace Lutheran Church, 17029 W. Thirteen Mile Rd., Southfield, MI, 48076. view obituary and share memories at: www.DesmondFuneralHome.com



EARLINE D. TISON
Age 83, January 15, 2008. Beloved wife of the late Joseph. Loving mother of Dixon Tison, Alanah (Ted) Keese and Tena Rodriguez. Cherished grandmother of Ashton and Amber. A funeral service was held Friday, January 18th at THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME, downtown Farmington. Memorial tributes to Meals on Wheels, Costick Center, 28600 W. 11 Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48336. www.thayer-rock.com

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ANNIVERSARY



Hunters celebrate 50th anniversary

Gordon Hunter Jr. and Catherine (Vesloski) Hunter of Livonia are celebrating their 50th anniversary.

The Hunters were married Jan. 25, 1958, in Singac, N.J. They have lived in this area for more than 40 years.

They have three daughters, Heidi Hunter of Dewitt, Mich., Cindy Hunter of Northville and Judy Hunter of Gainesville, Fla. The couple have four grandchildren.

Gordon Hunter is retired from Fireman's Fund American Insurance Co. Catherine Hunter was employed by St. Mary Hospital and the American Red Cross.

The Hunters belong to Mt. Hope Congregational Church in Livonia.

A midsummer family gathering is planned.

Event raises funds for developmentally disabled

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Carolyn DiComo has a number of reasons for promoting the Italian American Club's annual dinner dance in Livonia, not the least of which is the food.

The Jan. 27 event benefits the residential St. Louis Center for people with developmental disabilities. In return for their support, guests will be treated

to a sit-down dinner preceded by a Culinary Extravaganza with appetizers and desserts provided by area restaurants, delis and specialty shops.

Tickets are \$50 for the dinner dance at the Italian American Banquet & Conference Center, 39200 Five Mile in Livonia. Call Gianna Prokop at (866) 990-IABC or Joe Yekulis at (734) 475-8430. Deadline for reservations is Jan. 18.

The day begins at noon with Mass followed by a social gathering, the Culinary Extravaganza, then the sit-down dinner at 2:30 p.m. The Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan performs arias at 3:30 p.m. The afternoon ends with dancing to live music from 4-6 p.m.

"The food - you'd have to stay there for a week to eat everything," said Carolyn DiComo who's been a member

of the club with her husband Don for 20 years.

Besides the food, DiComo admires the work of the St. Louis Center.

"I had a brother with disabilities and this wasn't available years ago," said DiComo. "This is a very caring residential community run by an Italian order of priests."

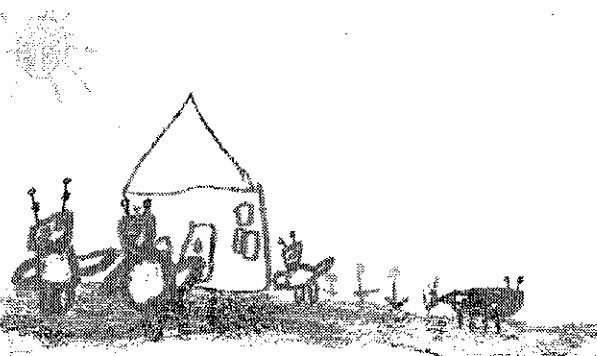
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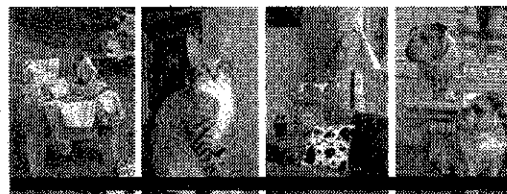
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SMF, 27, 5'4", chocolate complexion, pretty brown eyes, dresses, thick brows, looking for SM, 28-30, for friendship and possibly more. 2226022

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SMF, 20, 5'9", slim, long black hair, enjoys movies, concerts, and just having fun, looking for a nice, respectful man, to share life, casual dates, and all what happens next. 2239810

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SMF, middle-aged, attractive, enjoys dining, movies, plays and bowling, seeks a SM, 48-68, NS, good sense of humor and good values/morals. 2207254

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Loving, sincere SMF, 58, easygoing, looking for a good-hearted, Christian gentleman with the Lord in his heart to share life, laughter, happiness and possible LTR. 2225770

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GET TO KNOW ME
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SMW, 48, 5'11", 220lbs, part-time personal trainer, brown/eyes, degreed, outgoing personality, enjoys outdoors, working out, new activities, seeking friendly SM, age/ethnicity open. 2231308

JUST A CALL AWAY
SMW, 35, 5'11", 160lbs, enjoys the basic movies, dining out, and just having fun. Looking to share friendship and our relationship with loving, happy HW proportionate lady. 2229116

COOL DUDE SEEKS COOL LADY
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Attractive SM, 37, 5'11", 150lbs, searching for an attractive SMF, 28-44, with a nice attitude, who loves to laugh and have fun. 2249685

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SMW, 43, in shape, 5'9", 170lbs, brown/brown, looking for older woman, 50-60, fit and attractive, easygoing and secure, who knows how to have a good time in life. 2215226

CALL THE SOON
SM, 22, dry-blond/brn, 160lbs, well-built, likes mudding, working on cars, dirt bikes, 4-wheeling and more. Seeking an open-minded, fun SM, to share the good times and more. 2216248

LAUGH WITH ME
DWM, 48, 170lbs, physically fit, D/D-free, skilled tradesman. Loves cooking, movies, laughter, the outdoors and much more. ISO SMF, 35-50, HWF, laughter and honesty a must. 2246839

ARE YOU THE ONE?
SMW, 36, 5'10", 170lbs, blue eyes, respectful, fun-loving, down-to-earth, every thing in life. ISO SMF, 27-42, for friendship, possible LTR. Can you meet a lovely heart? 2246833

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Friendly, affectionate, warm, respectful SM, 43, NS, in search of an easygoing, honest, active woman, with God in her heart, hwp, for friendship, romance and more. No need games/terms. 2216248

WANT TO JOIN ME?
SMW, 33, social drinker, smoker, electrician by trade, looking for an outgoing, honest, fun lady with life interests, enjoy biking, hiking, snowmobiling, outdoor activities, quiet times. 2200127

HANDSOME & FUN-LOVING
Sincere, fun-loving, down-to-earth SM, 44, ISO romantic, honest, intelligent BF, 25-55, with great SOH, for companionship, possible LTR. 2236847

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DWM, 48, kind, hard-working, NS, seeks a HWF, 37-57, NS, for sharing of conversations, dates, fun and more. Possible LTR. 2226277

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SMW, 45, 6', blue/brown, 200lbs, MD, life on the shy side, enjoys quiet times, classic cars, bowling, more. Seeking SMF, ND, trustworthy, 35-55, in good shape, w/ similar interests. Possible LTR. 2224438

LET'S GET GONGI!
SMW 40s, attractive, good shape, great listener, enjoys good conversation, friendship, spontaneity, and much more. Seeking SMF, who knows how to date and more. 2212832

GOOD BETTER BEST!
SMW, 49, 5'7", 165lbs, blue/eyes, blue hair, enjoys the outdoors, fishing, etc. Seeks compatible SMF, to have and hold. 2239283

LET'S GET TOGETHER
SM, 34, looking for a compatible, fun fishing. Searching for SMF, 20-43, for possible relationship. 2249899

COULD IT BE YOU?
SMW, 48, 6'2", brown complexion, wavy hair, mustache/goatee, employed, mature, intelligent, hard-working, enjoys soul food, good company, romance. ISO very independent, intelligent, down-to-earth and active lady, for life and love. 2218723

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SMW, 51', 170lbs, black/brown, brown complexion, enjoys playing chess, walks, concerts, plays, more. Looking for drama-free, romantic, kind lady, good-natured and fun-loving to share the good things in life. 2216113

LOOKING FOR ME?
SMW, 36, 6', 240lbs, brown/brown, muscular, attractive, well-built, likes movies, dining out, travel, trying new things. ISO attractive, fit, honest, fun SMF to share the good times in life. Friendship/LTR. 2222219

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H LADIES
SM, 30, no kids, employed, independent, 5'7", medium complexion, braids, looking to meet a sweet, cool lady level-headed and real to share all the good things in life. 2222979

YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED
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SMW, 43, 5'11", 190lbs, NS, MD, d/d-free, attractive, honest, independent, open for activities. Seeking SMF, 20-55, for possible LTR. 2232401

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HELLO SEXY LADIES
Romantic, honest SM, 38, brown/brown, 165lbs, looking for similar/attractive, open-minded SMF, commitment-minded and caring who knows how to enjoy life to the fullest and appreciate a good man. 2225940

FRIENDLY AND FUN
SMW, 48, brown complexion, open-minded, sincere, warm and patient, seeks SMF, 21-40, to get to know and share all the good times in life. 2235738

LET'S TALK SOMETIME
Affectionate, sincere SMW, 40, 5'11", 190lbs, salt-n-pepper/brown, looking for a loving, sweet lady who shares fun and friendship. 2236283

HANDSOME MALE
SMW, 6', HWF, professionally employed, kind, considerate, confidence, likes concerts, travel, dining. Seeking SMF, 30-58, attractive, passionate, loving, affectionate. 2239497

WAITING FOR YOUR CALL
Affectionate SMW, 40, 5'9", 210lbs, dark brown/brown, easygoing, friendly, enjoys dining, movies, talks, walks, and waterfront talks, quiet times home. Looking for compatible lady who knows how to enjoy life. 2238130

YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED
SMW, 19, 6', 125lbs, seeks a cool, respectful, fun, 18-35, to meet, to share life, to have and hold. 2249180

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SM, 35, 5'5", 150lbs, trim, seeking a nice woman to enjoy life to the fullest and appreciate a good man. 2249200

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SMW, 18, 6'2", 190lbs, looking for cool, down-to-earth SMF, 18-27, no drama, disease-free, who keeps it real. 2246200

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WORKWISE
by Mildred L. Culp

Employers hire more people in January, when they have new budgets, than any other month. Get off your duff! Find out what doesn't work and do what does.

ROADBLOCKS

Do you doubt the season? A recent survey of 2,000 workers by Rasmussen Reports Inc., for Hudson, a division of the New York City-based global staffing company Hudson Highland Group Inc., finds that 21 percent of workers (up six percent over last year) are expecting declining work prospects. Be contrarian. Discouraged job seekers diminish your competition.

Psychic toll may be the most debilitating aspect of a job search; so minimize it by being efficient. Research what you want to do and decide. Don't apply here, there and everywhere with abandon, hoping that someone, somewhere will unlock your professional identity.

How can you know what you're looking for if you don't know what it is? Sit down on a peaceful day and commit to: - writing the ten work activities you're most willing to do;

- identifying the one you could stick with under the worst possible circumstances; and
- listing five or six tasks you could do related to that bottom-line skill.

Next, be discriminating about companies. Challenge yourself to identify the five key characteristics of the company you'd like to hire you. Then, research companies on the Web, in the library, in the newspaper and through friends and contacts, until you have a list of, say, 20 to explore. Your job hunt begins now.

Avoid self-deception by thinking that you're really job hunting when you're merely flirting with venues that don't require direct contact with people. These usually hinge upon advertisements of all kinds - newspaper, Internet and trade publication - an essential part of a search, but not its sole component, and only the beginning. People give you information that you won't find anywhere else.

PASSAGE

Your main objective is to stand out. New York City's Jackie Stone used uncanny imagination to open doors in 2001. She approached the head recruiter - a live body - at Google by sending her resume, and, more importantly, some cookies in the shape of dollar signs. Their centers read, "I can help make you money!" She received a call from the company, interviewed successfully and won an offer. Then there's Donna Maria Johnson, CEO of Indie

Business Media L.L.C., in Charlotte, N.C., who was a litigator with no employment law experience. Responding to a newspaper ad, she sent in her application to a P.O. Box. "I received a perforated, stamp-signed letter back," she says. "I didn't have the name of a person; so I knew that only a computer had seen my resume. I called the company and found out who the hiring person was and called him. He didn't take my call.

"I didn't leave a message," she continues, "lest I be considered a stalker. I found out who the vice president in the department was and prepared a brief cover letter for him, stating that I was the person for the job and that the job was also perfect for me. I overnights the letter to him, even though the company was located in the same city as I was."

The phone rang the next day. The boss of the hiring manager reported to the vice president. "The vice president had hand-carried my resume and cover letter down to her office the day he received it," she explains, "with a note: Interview her." One day later, Johnson interviewed. The following week, the offer came.

Today Johnson tells people that stalking isn't the answer, and neither is other "weird behavior." She advocates branding, especially in terms of developing Web presence that you can control, where you "speak for yourself." Begin



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Donna Marie Johnson hosts Indie Business TV from her Charlotte, N.C., studio. The program features business owners creating wealth while also managing home and family.

with reserving a domain - ideally, your name.com, even if you don't have the time or resources to set up a page today. Both Stone and Johnson succeeded by knowing what they wanted and approaching employers directly. (Dr. Mildred L. Culp is an award-winning journalist. Copyright 2007 Passage Media.)

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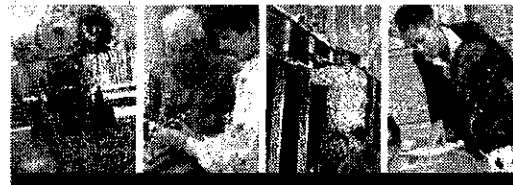
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When the Subaru B9 Tribeca made its debut two years ago, critics bashed its awkward-looking three-point grille and odd B9 prefix.

So for 2008, Subaru redesigned the front end and dropped the B9 designation with hopes to sell more units of the midsized crossover.

Now known simply as the Tribeca, a few other changes come with the rechristening, such as a larger engine and new rear styling to match the Chrysler Pacifica-esque front end.

The 2008 Subaru Tribeca is available in base and Limited trims. The \$29,995 base model comes with 18-inch alloy wheels, air conditioning, a tilt steering wheel, power front seats, full power accessories, cruise control, a CD/MP3 player with auxiliary input jack, a 7-inch display screen and keyless entry.

Opting for the Limited, which comes with a \$37,795 MSRP, gets you a moonroof, roof rails, leather seating, upgraded speakers, an in-dash CD changer, HomeLink, front seat heaters and memory for the driver seat.

Standalone options include satellite radio, a remote-start system, a navigation system with rear parking camera and on seven-passenger models only, a rear-seat DVD entertainment system.

An optional 50/50-split third-row seat increases the Tribeca's occupant capacity from five to seven.

Five-person Tribecas have 38 cubic feet of cargo room, and folding the back seat flat raises the total to 74 cubic feet. The seven-seat Tribeca has only 8 cubic feet of space behind the third row, which can fold flat into the floor when not in use.

With the split backrest you can carry long items like skis with two people sitting on either side of the cargo.

As for comfort, the second-row seats slide forward and backward nearly 8 inches, but lack the legroom needed by taller adults. The third row is just for show. It is way too cramped for anyone but small children, or girls who order nothings but

water and salads with no dressing at fancy restaurants.

Up front, the cabin features a wraparound cockpit decked out in metallic finish. This is complemented by the electroluminescent gauges and center-mounted information display that lights up well at night.

The Tribeca is the only SUV on the planet with a horizontally opposed engine, which is a V6 spread flat. This design is intended to lower the Tribeca's center of gravity, translating to improved stability in fast cornering.

The engine is a 3.6-liter 6-cylinder that produces 256 horsepower -- an increase of 11 horsepower over 2007. The sole transmission is a 5-speed automatic with a manual shift mode.

The tandem allows the crossover to tow up to 3,500 pounds when properly equipped and that makes it competitive for its class.

The gas mileage ratings are low compared to competitors at only 16 miles per gallon in the city and 21 on the highway. But the Tribeca is smaller than most other midsized crossovers, allowing it to maneuver around town with ease. Subaru's standard all-wheel-drive is another strong point, especially in Michigan weather.

However, the Tribeca's soft rear suspension allows a fair amount of body roll around corners.

On the safety front, every 2008 Subaru Tribeca comes with anti-lock brakes with brake assist,

traction control, stability control, front-seat side airbags, full-length side curtain airbags and active front head restraints.

A rollover-sensing program that redirects power and braking if a rollover is imminent provides added safety.

In National Highway Traffic Safety Administration tests, the Tribeca scored a perfect five-star rating for both front- and side-impact protection. It also received the top rating of "good" in frontal-offset and side-impact crash tests conducted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Overall, the 2008 Subaru Tribeca remains a solid performer in the crossover segment.

But for larger families who need a third row that people can actually sit in, comparable vehicles to test for yourself to see whether they're better for you include the Mazda CX-9 and Toyota Highlander. Kevin Koloian covers the auto beat from Detroit for Avanti News Features.

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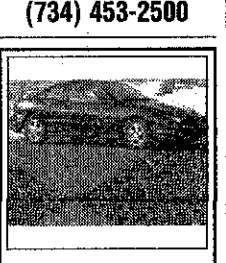
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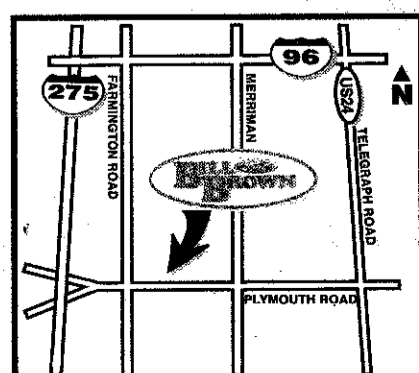
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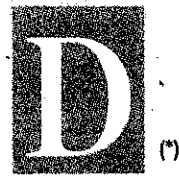
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New Homes



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Elliott's ranch design has abundant graciousness

Nestled within tall trees sits this 2,877-square-foot country ranch home. The Elliott (405-19) presents a covered porch area with many windows and skylights around the home. The dormer over the living room has a beautiful half moon window.

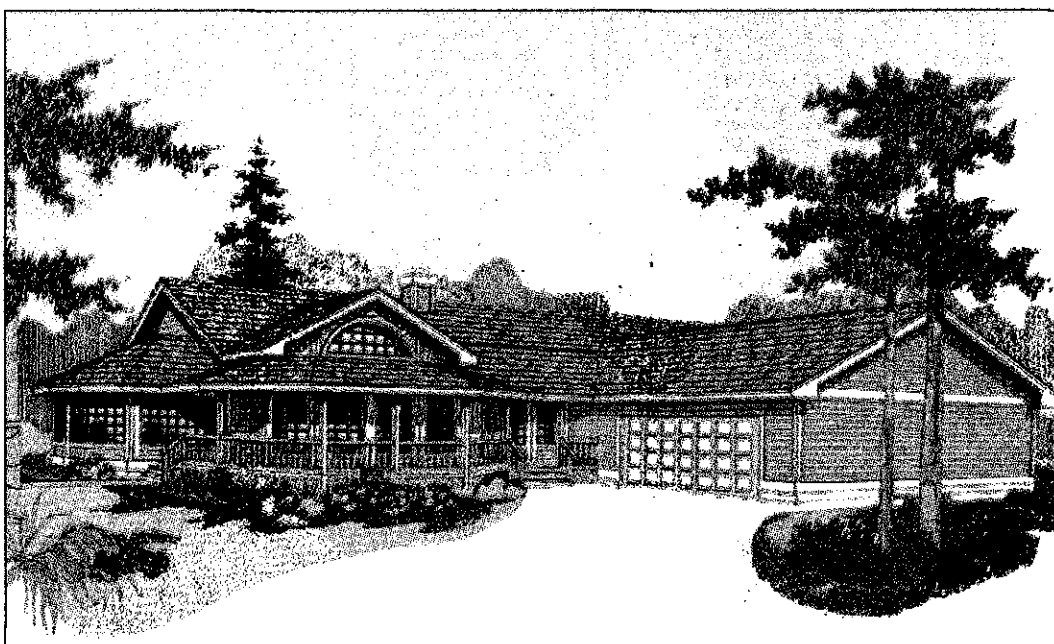
Upon entering the Elliott, there is no obstruction of view, only open spaces. The family room is directly in front of the door, the dining room on the right, and the living room on the left. Both the living room and family room is vaulted with the two skylights. The

family room also has a see-through fireplace into the dining room.

A skylight near the fireplace provides the dining room with extra light during the winter months. The kitchen area is off the dining room. To the left is a deep walk-in pantry, ideal for holding those extras a family needs. The cooking area has convenience of appliances around the wall area, and an island bar in the center. A breakfast nook with a skylight completes the kitchen.

The utility room, between the kitchen and garage, includes a sink, freezer, folding counter, and an area for the forced air unit and the water heater. Two bedrooms with wall closets are separated from the family room by a storage closet. Between the rooms are a full bath, with two vanity sinks, and a linen closet.

The master suite has been thoughtfully provided with a number of extra amenities. Light pours through the French doors that lead onto the deck, while skylights brighten the main part of the suite, and the bath area. The walk-in closet has cabinets as well as hanging area. An oval tub and a walk-in shower



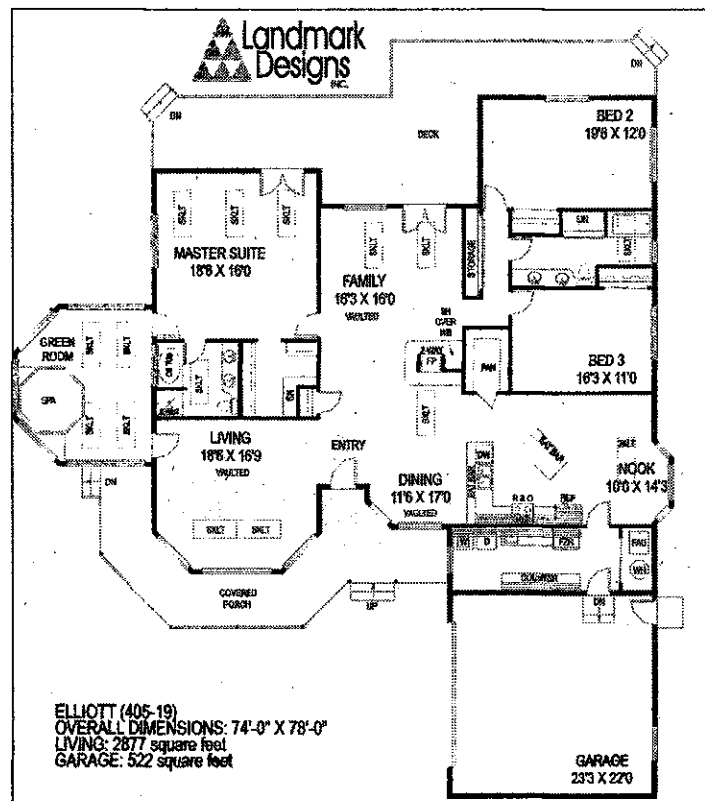
share one wall of the full bath, while opposite are two vanity sinks.

Near the bath is the finest luxury the Elliott offers, a green room with a spa. Also accessible to the family room, the green room has four skylights and five large windows. The light and spa makes this ideal as a green-house. Plants would thrive on the atmosphere of light and moisture.

This home emits a feeling of graciousness and welcome. It would make an ideal home for the retired couple, the couple whose children come to visit, or a family with children at home. The green room would be ideal for club meetings or the teen party.

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■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) kicks off the Sales and Marketing Council (SMC) programs for 2008 with a Roundtable

Discussion, "You're At A Networking Event ... Now What?" on Wednesday, Jan. 30, from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100 in Farmington Hills. Registration fees are \$10 for SMC members, \$20 for BIA members and \$45 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

■ Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and its Remodelers Council (RC) will present a Negotiating Skills seminar, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills on Thursday, Jan. 31, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The seminar is part of the Certified Graduate

Remodeler (CGR) series and counts toward CGR, Certified Graduate Associate (CGA) and Graduate Master Builder (GMB) designations.

Registration fees are \$155 for Remodelers Council members, \$175 for BIA members and \$200 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033.

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Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will sponsor a lien law seminar on Tuesday, Feb. 19, from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills. Registration fees are \$75 for BIA members and \$125 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1003.

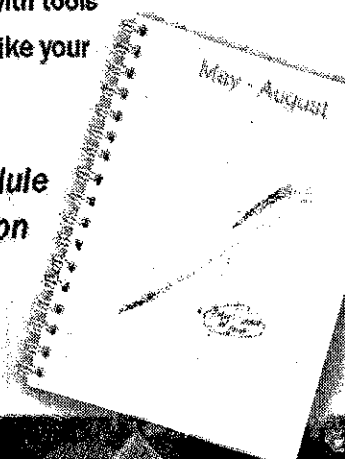
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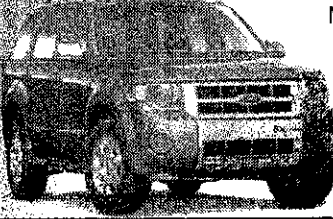
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- 23 Like pretzels
- 27 Person, place, or thing
- 30 Norwegian name
- 33 Is, for them
- 34 Possesses
- 35 —
- Wiedersahen
- 36 Cook slowly
- 37 Fluffy's doc
- 38 Round containers

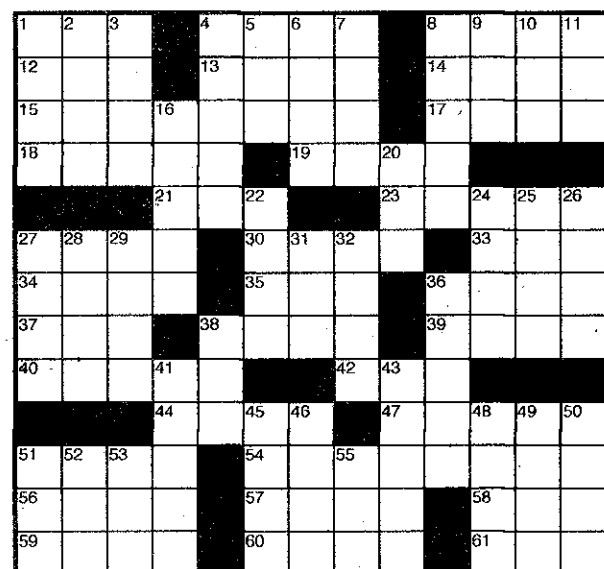
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- 1 Big blaok dogs
- 2 Persia, today
- 3 Hamlet, e.g.
- 4 Allay, as thirst
- 5 Yes, in Yokohama
- 6 Down Under rockers
- 7 Ricky Ricardo

Answer to Previous Puzzle

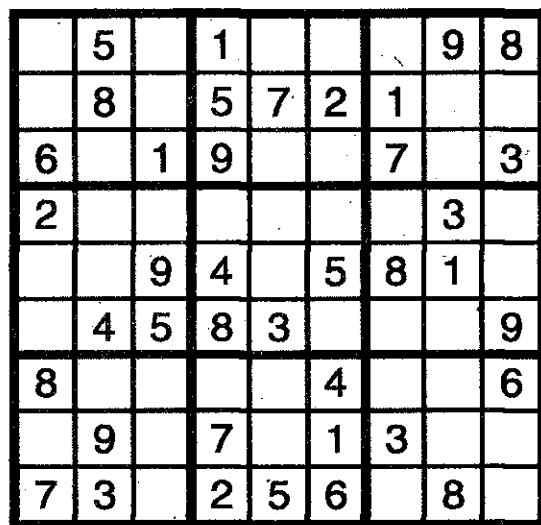
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- 8 Where Pago Pago is
- 9 Environmental prefix
- 10 So!
- 11 Authorize
- 16 Night followers
- 20 Set a price
- 22 Admirer
- 24 Better than never?
- 25 Safari
- 26 Somber evergreens
- 27 Exploding star
- 28 Used plastic
- 29 Till
- 31 Chafe
- 32 In that case (2 wds.)
- 36 Turnpike rumblers
- 38 Tie-dyed garment
- 41 Minnow kin
- 43 Type of power plant
- 45 Furry Jedi ally
- 46 Aria performer
- 48 Raise, as a question
- 49 Canyon effect
- 50 The — the limit!
- 51 Crow's call
- 52 "Yeoch!"
- 53 Greek P
- 55 Soccer goal

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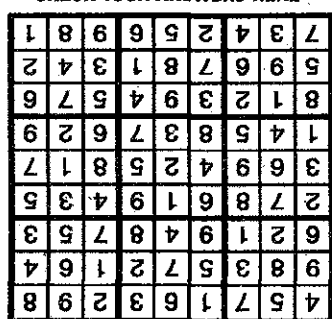
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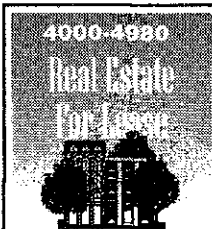
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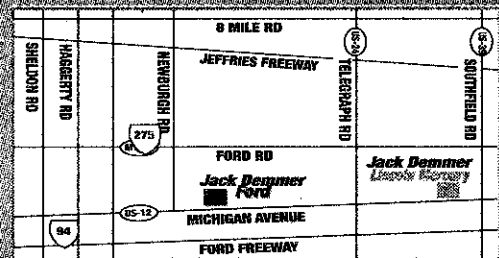
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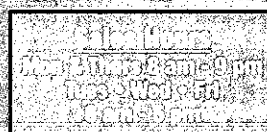
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