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Woman charged in late-night home invasions



Malmsten

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Becky Sue Malmsten, 49, of Westland has been charged in connection with approximately 10 late-night home invasions in Canton.

Police believe that a person has been driving through township neighborhoods after dark looking

for homes with open garage doors. Once such a home was discovered, Canton Sgt. Rick Pomorski said the thief would pull into the residence's driveway, enter the garage and then enter the home.

Pomorski said there has been no indication that the thief was ever confronted by a homeowner.

Members of the Western Wayne Community Response

Team arrested Malmsten early Wednesday morning in the Westland area and she was arraigned Thursday in 35th District Court on charges of home invasion, a 20-year felony and larceny from a building, a 4-year felony. Malmsten is also facing a charge of being a habitual fourth offender, which is punishable by up to life in prison.

In 1992, Malmsten was released from prison after she pleaded guilty to possessing more than 25 grams of cocaine and receiving stolen property. In January 2007, Malmsten's probation from a larceny charge ended. In February 2008, the Westland woman wrapped up another probation period stemming from a larceny charge.

In the latest string of robberies, Malmsten was identified after a vehicle she was driving was captured on gas station surveillance films.

Malmsten's bond was set at \$25,000 cash and her preliminary examination is scheduled for Friday in 35th District Court.

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Penny Rhein, president of United Home Health Services, and geriatric care manager Angelina Muscat.

Healing at home

Agency celebrates 25 years of serving patients where they feel most comfortable

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

United Home Health Services is celebrating a quarter century of family and healing this year.

The accredited company was founded by five health care professionals working out of an old house in Plymouth with less than a dozen workers. Today, the non-profit agency that provides in-home medical care and therapy is located in a suite at 2200 Canton Center Road and has nearly 100 employees.

While Penny Rhein, who began working for UHHS shortly after it opened, chuckles about all the changes the company has undergone in the past 25 years — the business didn't have a single computer when it was started — she says some aspects of the company have held firm.

"We have always had a family atmosphere," said Rhein, UHHS president. "We have



Clinical Director Linda Mlynaczyk sets up hoods that are used to test the safety of masks used by employees working with clients who may have infectious diseases.

a great deal of care for one another and we really care about our patients."

Rhein started out with UHHS as a nurse and went through the ranks becoming a clinical director and vice presi-

dent before taking the job as company president.

"This is so much more than a job for me," said Rhein, a Canton resident. "I'm passion-

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Enrollment continues steady climb

BY TONY BRUSCATO
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools administrators are confident the district will once again record a significant increase in enrollment over last year.

The unofficial count after classes resumed Sept. 2 indicated there were 204 more students enrolled throughout the district: Seven more elementary students from the official count day in September last year, 33 more middle school students and 164 at the high school park. Total enrollment has increased from 18,726 students last year to a tentative 18,930.

School districts throughout the state record official counts on the fourth Wednesday in September and report them to the state, which is used to determine how much funding will be given each district.

"I'm always concerned, until we get the final count, that we haven't made the budget," said Steven Sneiderman, school board treasurer, referring to the 140-student increase built into the 2008-2009 budget. "That means we don't get as much funding as we thought we were going to get in the budget, which means cutting programs, which I don't want to do."

"It's always good having a growing school district, but that also has problems in terms of space," he said. "Especially with the state mandating, over the next couple of years, all-day kindergarten. As a growing school district, that will be difficult for us to implement."

■ It appears the high price of gasoline means more students are busing to school.

"We're noticing our bus ridership is up 8-9 percent from last year," said Dean Mileto, transportation supervisor. "I believe it's due to the high fuel prices that parents have experienced, so now students are riding our buses."

"That has caused us some issues with overcrowded buses," he said. "We are working very diligently on getting those issues solved."

■ P-CCS will spend \$2,000 to have a Canton Fire Department EMS unit stationed during



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Enrollment is up by more than 200 students in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

varsity football games.

"Because of our trainers and doctors on staff we can stabilize and feel comfortable we are clearly within safety guidelines to provide appropriate response time to any kind of injuries," said Superintendent Craig Fiegel. "Booster clubs meeting with the athletic department still felt a need, and we compromised by putting someone (Canton Fire Department) out there for varsity games only. The money would come out of the concession stand funds."

■ The Board of Education voted to spend \$31,125 to purchase an orchestra pit filler for the Salem High School Gloria Logan Auditorium.

"There is an eight-foot drop from the stage to the cement floor of the orchestra pit, and over the years several people have been injured falling into this pit," said James Larson-Shidler, assistant superintendent of business services in a memo to Fiegel. "The orchestra pit filler will be an important addition as it will alleviate the safety concerns while increasing the size of the stage significantly when the pit is not in use."

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Teaming up for the GOP

The Michigan delegation at the recent Republican National Convention included a number of locals, including (from left) Nicole Traxler-Wright, of Northville, Robert Law, of Northville, Melissa Fazio, of Commerce, Delores Newell, of Canton, Gary Sowpell, Canton, Chris Roosen, of Northville, and Shannon Price, of Canton. They are standing in front of the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul, Minn.

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Budget meeting

The Canton Board of Trustees will hold a study session meeting to discuss the budget at 6 p.m., Sept. 16 at the Canton Administration Building.

Library budget hearing

The Canton Public Library Board of Trustees will hold a special Budget Hearing Meeting at 7:30 p.m., on Thursday, Sept. 18 in the library's Conference Room. The public is welcome. A copy of the budget is available at the Adult Reference Desk.

New ordinance officer

The Canton Public Safety Department recently hired Joseph Urbanek, 27, as a new ordinance officer for the Ordinance Enforcement Unit. Candidates for employment with Canton Public Safety go through a rigorous testing process that includes a written test, interviews, medical and psychological examinations and an extensive background check.

Urbanek is in the process of



Urbanek

completing an orientation/training period. Once trained, he will be one of four ordinance officers responsible for enforcing property standards in the community. In addition, each ordinance officer is assigned to a community policing team, allowing them work directly with police officers and fire inspectors on problems occurring in their commercial and residential areas. Urbanek will be assigned to Community Policing Area 4, made up primarily of the southwestern quadrant of Canton.

For more information on the Ordinance Enforcement Unit or Community Policing visit Canton Public Safety's new web site at www.cantonpublicsafety.org.

POW/MIA service

There will be a POW/MIA service at 6 p.m., Friday, Sept. 19 at the Canton Veterans

Memorial west of the Canton Township Administration building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton. For more information, contact John Spencer at (734) 397-8975 or johnscott44@yahoo.com.

All Saints health fair

All Saints Catholic School, 48735 Warren Road, Canton, will host a safety and health fair from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 27. Highlights for the kids will include the Canton Fire Department's smoke house, fire and EMS vehicle tours, face painting, physical fitness competitions, inflatables, and bicycle safety tips. Highlights for the adults include Blue Cross & Blue Shield screening for blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose, and body mass index, as well as parent information on child safety and health, free car seat inspections by Canton police officers, and child safety identification.

Antique appraisal clinic

The Canton Historical Society is hosting another DuMouchelle Antique Appraisal Clinic from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 27, at the Cherry Hill School (corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads). By appointment only,

and limited to three hand-carried items. The cost is \$10 for each verbal appraisal and \$15 for each written appraisal. To schedule an appointment, call (734) 254-0729. All proceeds benefit the Canton Historical Society.

Plymouth-Canton Junior Miss

Plymouth-Canton Junior Miss is looking for Senior High School girls who reside in Plymouth or Canton to participate in the 2nd annual Junior Miss Scholarship Program. There is an orientation meeting at 6 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 21 at the Westland Friendship Center located at 1119 Newburgh Road, Westland. Bring a parent along. If you have any questions you can contact Marissa Sarnecky at (313) 215-3512 or e-mail at pcjrmis@yahoo.com.

Canton Chiefettes events

The Canton Chiefettes pom pon teams present "Dancin' thru the Decades Variety Show" at 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 20 at the Salem High School Logan Auditorium. Tickets are on sale now for \$5 and are available from Chiefette team members and parents or can be pur-

Welcome to the community

Canton Newcomers President Kelly Olszewski welcomes new Plymouth-Canton Schools Supt. Craig Fiegel at the club's 37th season kickoff meeting on Sept. 3. Fiegel did a meet and greet with club members. "Whether or not members or guests had school age children, we wanted to be the first community group since the school year began to give a big welcome to Dr. Fiegel," said Newcomer Noreen Rybar. The Newcomers are a social, civic and charitable group welcoming long time residents, those brand new to the area and everyone in between. The group's next meeting is 7:15 p.m., Oct. 1 at the Sunflower Clubhouse located at 45600 Hanford, west of Canton Center. For more information or to become a member of the club, or to get a complimentary newsletter, visit the Web site www.cantonnewcomers.org, or call Noreen at (734) 981-0486.



chased for \$6 at the door on show day. For more information visit our Web site www.cantonchiefettes.com

The Canton Varsity Chiefettes are holding a kids pom pon clinic from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Sept. 13 at the Canton High School gym. The clinic is open to children ages 5-14. Pre-registration is now open on the Chiefettes Web site at www.cantonchiefettes.com or contact Chiefette parent, Sarena Bouse, at microhouse1@comcast.net. Cost is \$35 per child and includes a T-shirt and snack.

Discounts are available for additional siblings. Parents are invited to come see their daughters perform at noon on the day of the clinic.

All girls attending the clinic will be invited to perform at the Canton Chiefettes Variety Show on Saturday Sept. 20 and at a Canton Varsity football game.

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Same day registration is also available at 8:30 a.m. but enrollment is limited to the first 100 participants.



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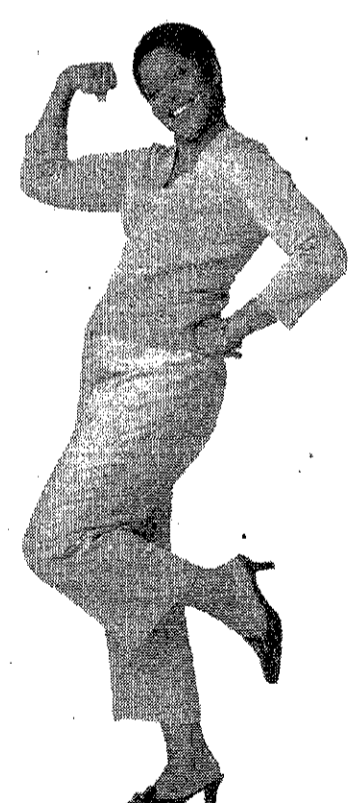
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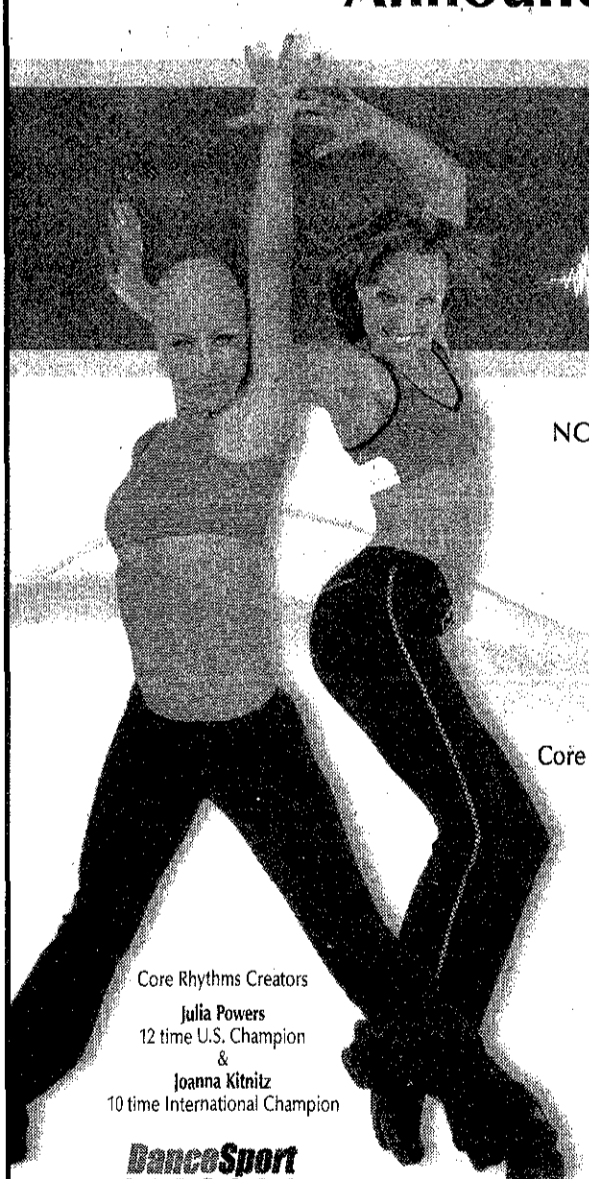
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New restaurant keeps owner busy

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Since opening the doors of the M & M Cafe, Vangjel Manushi's life has been a non-stop grind of rising early and going to bed late — and he likes it that way.

"So far, business has been good," said Manushi, a married father of two. "I'm happy."

But despite shrugging off his own lack of down time in operating the 4-month-old Cherry Hill Road eatery, Manushi, 47, says the restaurant business can be grueling and isn't for those that have a problem putting in a day's work.

"You don't get a break," he chuckled. "This is a hard business."

Backed by his family's history — Manushi's father worked in the restaurant industry — and a group of loyal customers that drop by the cafe multiple times a day, the Canton resident says

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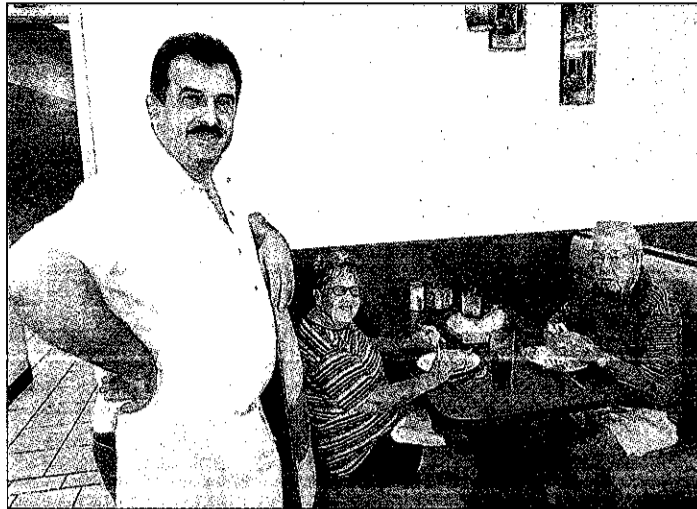
he's glad he took a chance on opening his own place.

"I wanted a job for myself and I wanted to be close to home," Manushi said, adding that in preparation for branching out on his own, he sold his share of the Village Coney Island in Birmingham.

Decorated in peaches and bronzes, the restaurant sits in the plaza on the northeast corner of Cherry Hill and Sheldon roads.

Popular menu choices include gyros, the grilled chicken pita and BBQ ribs.

As he breaks out into a smile, Manushi points to a



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M & M Cafe owner Vangjel Manushi and regular customers Ann and John Weber.

handmade sign on one of the windows that promotes the cafe's Friday special of fish and chips and says that a crowd of people waited at the door last week to get into the restaurant.

Waitress Stacey Weiss said the smoke-free restaurant has

a calming atmosphere.

"I came here for breakfast the first week it opened and I loved it," she said.

"People are comfortable here — it's family."

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Trial pushed back for cop accused of torturing girlfriend

BY TIFFANY L. PARKS
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The jury trial for a suspended Detroit police officer accused of torturing his ex-girlfriend has been pushed back to December.

The state's case against Gary Allen Steele, 43, was scheduled to begin Aug. 13 but has been moved to Dec. 15.

The trial will take place before Judge Ulysses W. Boykin in Wayne County Circuit Court. Boykin's clerk was unavailable for comment

on the date change.

Steele, who has been detained on a \$5 million bond since the March 4 incident, allegedly hit his former girlfriend, Kimberly Ann Golematis, with a baseball bat before firing a gun near her head.

The incident took place at Golematis' Canton home after the couple ended their six-month relationship. Golematis testified at Steele's preliminary exam that he was at her residence to get the last of his items when the two began

arguing.

Steele allegedly made Golematis fall after striking her leg with a bat. Golematis said Steele then straddled her and fired three gunshots near the left side of her head. During the incident, Steele allegedly made several references to his former police partner, Brian Vieau, who committed suicide after killing his estranged wife, Tracy Vieau, in February 2007.

The incident ended soon after Golematis said she told Steele that he was hurting her.

The charges against Steele include torture and assault with intent to murder, both felonies punishable up to life in prison, and assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, a 10-year felony.

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ate about what we do."

The company, which has patients all over western Wayne County and some areas of Oakland and Washtenaw counties, has a slogan of "United in our caring," and operates under the belief that people tend to get better when they're at home.

The company offers nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, medical social work, nutritional counseling and has certified home health aides.

In the past year, the company began offering private duty, caregiver and companion services.

Angelina Muscat, UHHS social worker, said the offshoot of the company's skilled home care has been a success.

"Whether people need someone to give them personal care in bathing or grooming or just want a companion, we have been able to do it," she said, adding that the private duty services include transportation, housekeeping,

medication reminders, grocery shopping and meal preparation and Alzheimer's and dementia care.

UHHS Community Liaison Mary Jane Swanson said the services haven't been exclusive to seniors and recalled a few younger patients that needed basic care during the day while their relatives were working.

"We can offer piece of mind," she said. "This was a logical extension of our core business because we were always referring patients to other agencies for things like transportation and we finally said, 'Gosh, we can do that.'"

Given the personal nature of their business, Rhein said she knows it can be difficult for some to open their homes to strangers, but says that UHHS performs a thorough screening of its employees, including background checks and drug tests.

"We hire people they can trust," she said, adding that her own mother and mother-in-law have been serviced by the company. "When I talk to (potential employees) I always ask what

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was their calling because this job is about love and commitment."

As the company prepares to roll out another 25 years, Muscat said she believes the business will "continue to grow and expand its boundaries."

Swanson agreed and said no matter what changes affect the healthcare industry, the main mission of UHHS will remain the same.

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Cox issues warning on auction rate securities

Attorney General Mike Cox recently issued a warning for Michigan investors who have purchased an investment product known as Auction Rate Securities (ARS) and are unable to fully access their funds. Cox began investigating ARS investments in May 2008 after receiving complaints from consumers.

"Investors need to have confidence in our financial system, and that includes providing promised liquidity to consumers who purchased Auction Rate Securities," said Cox. "I am committed to protecting Michigan citizens from losing their hard-earned money. Today's announcement serves as an alert to Michigan citizens who may have invested in Auction Rate Securities to contact the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation if they believe their investment was misrepresented to them."

The sales practices related to ARS securities are cur-

rently the focus of a multi-state task force that includes Michigan. The investigation into ARS practices is continuing and has already yielded numerous nationwide settlements with broker-dealers, including: Merrill Lynch; Morgan Stanley; UBS; JP Morgan Chase; Citigroup; and Wachovia Securities.

Cox urges any investors who have purchased ARS securities from any source to contact the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation (OFIR) to register their complaint. OFIR, by statute, is the securities regulator for the State of Michigan, and is working in conjunction with the Attorney General's office on resolving this issue. OFIR will share all complaints with the Attorney General's office, and forward complaints to the North American Securities Administration Association (NASAA). OFIR may be contacted by calling (877) 999-6442 or visiting www.

michigan.gov/ofir.

Earlier this year, the ARS market experienced numerous failures and collapsed. The market failure prevented investors who had purchased ARS securities from accessing their funds. Since the ARS failures, the Attorney General's office has received numerous complaints from investors. In many cases, investors have complained that they were misled about the nature of ARS securities, and not provided with relevant information. In particular, many investors report that they were informed that ARS securities were a liquid "money market" type investment that was suitable for such things as short-term cash reserves. These investors often purchased ARS securities with short-term cash funds, which then could not be accessed.

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In session

Teen Court moves to Wayne High

BY SUE MASON
STAFF WRITER

Students at Wayne Memorial High School will have a chance to be a part of the legal system through an in-school Teen Court program.

Housed in a second-floor classroom the Teen Court has all the trappings of an actual courtroom with a witness stand, judge's bench and jury box. It'll even have a judge who will preside over the hearings planned to take place once a week at the Wayne high school.



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

29th District Court Judge Laura Mack stands in the new teen court room at Wayne Memorial High School.

"The more the classroom actually looks like a real courtroom, the more the jurors and juvenile offenders will respect the proceedings," said 29th District Court Judge Laura Mack who will preside over the hearings.

A diversion program for first-time low level misdemeanor offenders for youths ages 11-16, Teen Court is a "peer review" program that functions as an alternative to the formal juvenile justice system.

Juvenile offenders appear before a jury panel made up of high school students. The "jury" doesn't make a determination of guilty or not guilty. Its sole function is to come up with the sentence for the offender. If the juvenile complies with the sentence imposed by the teen jury, he or she won't have a juvenile record for the offense.

Mack has been holding Teen Court since March of 2006, but has run into difficulty because it was held

after school and student jurors and offenders were required to come to her courtroom on Sims. She approached the school district earlier this year about including it in the business and personal law class. When she received the go-ahead from then principal John Albrecht, she enlisted the help of the Wayne Rotary Club in funding the renovation of the classroom. The club "enthusiastically" approved.

"We want something like this to impress on them that they are in court, we want to impress on them that this is serious," said Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Brian Morrow who attended a recent ribbon cutting ceremony. "They have to admit guilt, but the teen court doesn't adjudicate, it comes up with the consequences."

According to Morrow, Mack has "ramped it up a notch or two" in getting the program into the school.

"We'll make it work and

with Judge Mack's enthusiasm it will work," Morrow said. "We'll now be able to get more kids involved. Our goal is to show kids how court works or interest them in careers as a lawyer, police officer or judge."

Mack plans to hold court once a week at the school and will include juvenile offenders who would be placed on probation through the 29th District Court's juvenile diversion program. About 30 youths have gone through the program since it started, and Mack envisions Teen Court expanding even more, possibly three times a month. The plus is the ability of having more students involved in the proceedings.

"The goal is to increase their confidence in the justice system," she said.

"This is a way for them to buy into it without being in trouble. It really is a great thing."

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5 residents vie for Wayne-Westland board seat

BY SUE MASON
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Wayne-Westland school board will have a field of five candidates from which to select its newest member.

Shawna Walker of Westland, Lori Mirales-Smith of Westland, Jack Garret Jr. of Wayne, Donna Chapman of Westland and Bhagwan Dashairya of Westland met the 4 p.m. Monday deadline to submit letters of interest in filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Frederick Weaver last month.

School board trustees will interview the five candidates during a special meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 15, at the school board offices on Marquette, west of Wayne Road. The interviews will last 20-30 minutes, during which board members will ask candidates the same set of questions as well as individual questions.

Following the interviews, board President Martha Pitsenbarger will call for nominations and conduct the vote. A minimum of four votes will be needed to select a new trustee who will be sworn in to office on Sept. 16.

A formal swearing will conducted at the board's Sept. 22 meeting.

Walker was a candidate in the May 2008 school election, finishing third behind incumbent Cindy Schofield and newcomer William Gabriel.

She is a student at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and works as an optical technician. She has helped her children's school when needed and volunteers with Looking for My Sister, a domestic violence program, and is active in the women's ministry at Pure Word

Missionary Baptist Church in Detroit.

Mirales-Smith is an order processing manager for LMS North America. She has been active at Schweitzer Elementary School, serving as PTA secretary, vice-president and president and has been the policy board chairperson for the Stottlemeyer Head Start program and policy council chairperson for Wayne County Head Start. She also was a parent volunteer for the district's sinking fund project.

Garret is a lieutenant with the Wayne Police Department. He also is a parent volunteer at Schweitzer Elementary as well as a Early Literacy Volunteer (ELV) for the reading program.

Chapman has an associate's degree in business management and marketing and is working on an associate's degree in accounting. She has three children who attend Wayne-Westland Schools.

Dashairya, who also campaigned in the May school election, is the owner of a consulting business in the areas of sales, marketing, customer service, information technology and systems development and design. He has served on the Wayne-Westland Superintendent Advisory Board and Building Improvement Team.

Weaver resigned from the board after he took a job in Midland and changed the address on his driver's license. The change of address also affected his voter registration, making him no longer eligible to serve on the board. His replacement will serve until June 30, 2009.

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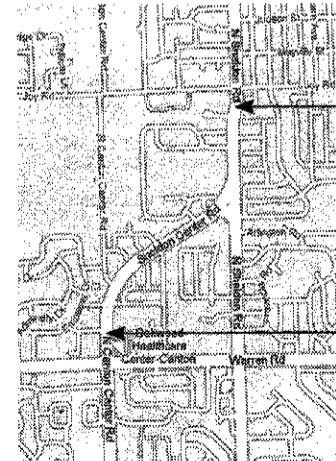
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WAYNE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES IN COOPERATION WITH CANTON TOWNSHIP ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING FOR THE CANTON CENTER ROAD /SHELDON CENTER / SHELDON CONNECTOR PROJECT (WARREN TO JOY) CANTON TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN T2S. R.8E.

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- Project Overview with Preliminary Plans
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OCC conference focuses on AD/HD

The ninth annual Michael Golds Memorial Conference on Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (AD/HD) is scheduled for Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills, from 8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26.

The conference is again sponsored by Michigan Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder (CHADD), Oakland Community College and the Michael Golds Memorial Fund.

"We are pleased to be recognized as Metro Detroit's premier conference on AD/HD," said OCC Counselor Mary Jo

Schuster, one of the conference coordinators. "This year we have expanded our presentations to 20 different sections by national and area experts on every aspect of the impact of AD/HD on individuals and their families."

Keynote speaker will be Yvonne Pennington, Ph.D., speaking on "Raising Amazing Kids to Adulthood Even if One Has AD/HD". Her son Ty Pennington is the star of ABC's hit show "Extreme Makeover Home Edition".

The conference is designed for physicians, therapists, educators, social workers, students, adults with AD/HD and their family members.

Topics will include Cognitive Behavior Therapy for Adults with AD/HD; Ten Steps to Better Career Decisions; Accessing AD/HD in Minority Groups; Knowing the Facts of Your Life with AD/HD in Planning for College and Success in the Real World; Survival Tips for Women with AD/HD; Neurobiology of AD/HD; Your Defiant Teen; and School District Responsibilities Regarding Students with AD/HD.

Pennington will conduct a session entitled Unveiling the Underlying Issues of AD/HD and What to Do About Them.

The annual OCC event honors the memory of the late

Michael Golds who struggled with AD/HD. He was academically successful for the first time upon enrolling at age 30 at Oakland Community College. Golds graduated with honors from Eastern Michigan University and was in his second year of graduate school in Florida when he died in a tragic accident.

His parents, Barbara and the late Jack Golds of West

Bloomfield, established a memorial fund at OCC for an annual symposium to help others understand and better cope with the impact of AD/HD on their lives. Dr. Jack Golds, 74, passed away July 30.

General admission for the conference includes lunch. It is \$59 before Sept. 15 or \$75 at the door.

Early registration guarantees a luncheon spot. Students

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For a detailed conference description see the CHADD Web site: www.chaddmi.com. For registration information call Marie Faulkner at (248) 522-3645.

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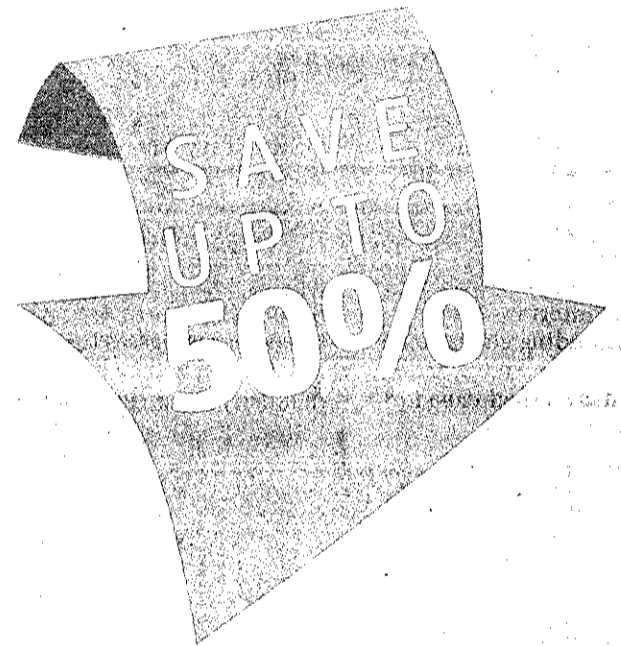
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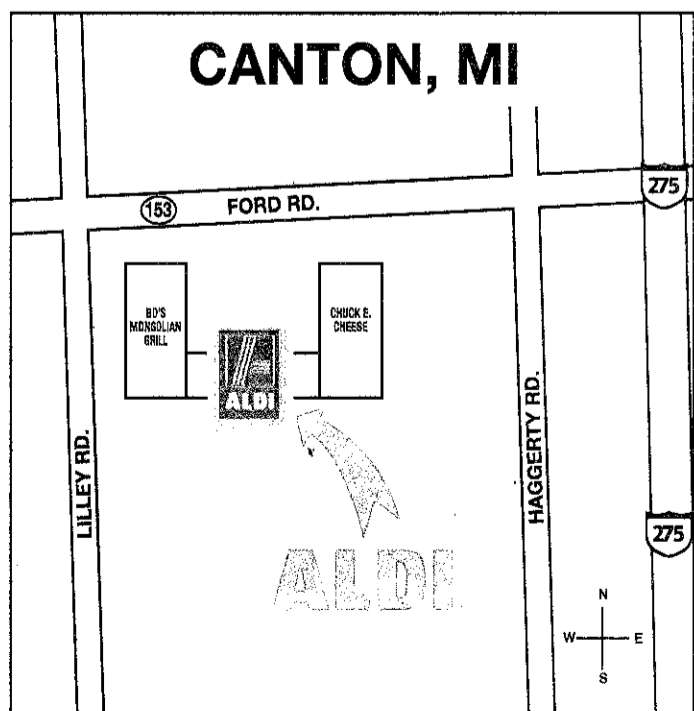
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Woman skips cab fare

A 22-year-old Canton woman was tracked down by Canton police after she jumped from a cab without paying her fare Tuesday morning.

The woman, who was found working at JCPenney, said she was angry with the service provided by the taxi company because she called for the cab at 6:40 a.m. but the driver didn't reach her home until 7:10 a.m. and she was late for work.

The 57-year-old taxi driver told police the woman was rude when he picked her up from her apartment on the 8000 block of Nectar Drive and became irate as they got closer to the Ford Road department store.

As she yelled that she wasn't paying her \$13 bill, the woman jumped out of the cab. Later that day, police officers went to JCPenney and spoke to a store manager who said the woman had arrived to work late and appeared out of breath.

The woman, who admitted being hostile with the taxi driv-

er, told officers that she had the money to pay the bill but didn't feel the cab service warranted payment. The officer then instructed her to pay the company as soon as possible and she said the debt would be paid by the end of the day.

Some guys never learn

Canton police arrested a Westland man, 24, Sunday night after he ran a flashing red light on Van Born Road. The man, who has three drunk driving convictions, had a blood-alcohol level of .18. The legal limit is .08.

When an officer asked the man, who has a suspended license and three outstanding warrants out of 18th District Court in Westland, how much alcohol he had consumed, he answered, "Not that much."

The man, who was riding with a 27-year-old Canton woman, was then taken into custody and the vehicle he was driving was towed.

His outstanding warrants are for operating a vehicle while intoxicated, failing to

report an accident and a weapons offense.

Large fight breaks out

After receiving a flood of calls reporting a fight at The Crossings of Canton apartment complex Sunday night, police arrived at the scene and the "extremely large" group of individuals fighting in the parking lot dispersed.

Officers reported that about 20 calls came in regarding the group fight on the 8000 block of Honeytree.

Township police had been dispatched to that area twice before the fight occurred on reports of loud noise. They spoke with a 35-year-old woman who said she was having a back to school party for her daughter.

Officers noted that she agreed when they advised her to monitor the party's noise level and keep all the attendants inside her residence but they returned to the scene to advise her once more.

Upon their third visit to the area, those that didn't run told

officers they didn't know anything about the fight. Officers ticketed the 35-year-old woman for violating the township's noise ordinance and she is scheduled to appear in 35th District Court on Sept. 23.

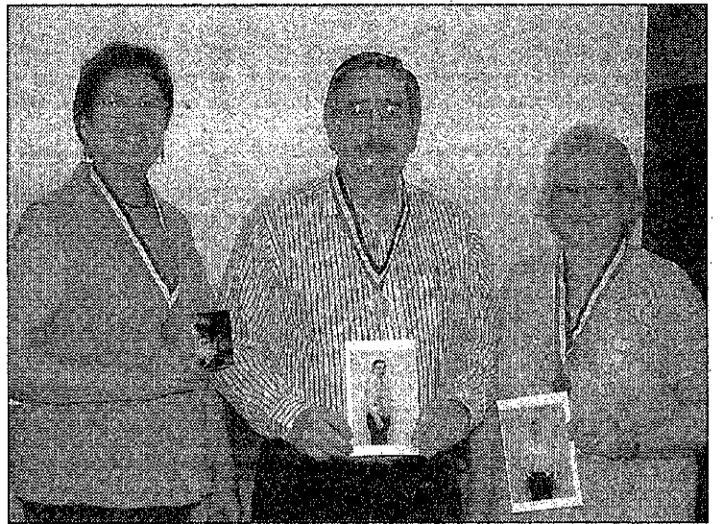
Truck vandalized

A 12-year-old boy accused of vandalizing his neighbor's truck last weekend says he isn't responsible for the damage.

Police were called to the 41000 block of Old Michigan after a township woman, 37, reported that her Chevy S-10 truck had been scratched and sprayed with white paint. She told officers that she believed the 12-year-old did the damage because her son had confronted him about throwing rocks at homes. When officers spoke to the boy, he told police that he had been with a friend's home all day except for when they walked to the store for a Faygo soda pop.

A 33-year-old township man confirmed the boy's story.

Tiffany L. Parks



Weight loss champions

A total of eight people completed Canton Chiropractic Clinic's Weight Loss Challenge. The eight competitors lost a total of 92 pounds in 12 weeks. Paul Basala, of Canton, took first place by losing 13.3 percent of total weight. Second place went to Betty Noian of Canton (left), and Sharon Eggen of Canton took third place. The next challenge are starting begins on Sept. 16. Registration will be ongoing and will cost \$39 for the 12 week class with \$10 donated to FIT KIDS, a non-profit foundation, and the rest goes back to participants in cash and prizes. To register or for more information, call (888) 233-0602.

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Doctoral research award

Katherine Porter of Canton, a doctoral student Eastern Michigan University, has received a Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation Student Award for psychology research, which will help her complete her dissertation project. Porter's dissertation is titled "The Impact of Prior Sexual Victimization and Victim Identification on Threat Recognition in a College Sample."

Student travels to Boston University

Canton's Kurt Tseng participated in this summer's Boston University Tanglewood Institute (BUTI), a program of musical study and performance that is recognized internationally as an outstanding educational experience for young artists. Tseng has studied viola for

six years. He is a junior at Plymouth High School, he is the son of Wen-Jane Ting and Cliff Tseng.

He was among the 340 students selected from auditions across the country and abroad to work with members of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, BU faculty, and world-renowned visiting artists. While in residence at Tanglewood, these young instrumentalists, singers and composers keep a demanding schedule of rehearsals, practices, master classes, and concerts.

Albion scholarships

Several local students will be attending Albion College this fall, and have earned a merit-based scholarship at the institution. They are:

■ Fan Chen received an Albion College Trustee Scholarship worth \$15,500. Chen begins classes this month, and will be majoring in music. She is the daughter

of Hao Chen and Qihua Fan of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

■ Nicholas DeVinney received an Albion College Trustee Scholarship worth \$16,000 and a Roscoe Sleight Scholarship worth \$1,000. DeVinney, who begins classes this month, is majoring in chemistry.

He is the son of Loren and Victoria DeVinney of Canton and a graduate of Rudolf Steiner High School.

■ Jessica Eimers received an Albion College Presidential Scholarship worth \$14,000. Eimers begins classes this month, and is majoring in education. She is the daughter of Michael and Mary Beth Eimers of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

■ Trevor Floyd received an Albion College Presidential Scholarship worth \$14,000. Floyd is majoring in biology. He is the son of Richard and Lisa Floyd of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth High

School.

■ Tyler Floyd received an Albion College Presidential Scholarship worth \$14,000. Floyd is majoring in physical education-athletic training. He is the son of Richard and Lisa Floyd of Canton and a graduate of Plymouth High School.

■ Rachel Kain received an Albion College Webster Scholarship worth \$12,500 and a Roscoe Sleight Scholarship worth \$1,000. She is the daughter of Blair and Theresa Kain of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

■ Jill Slabey received an Albion College Presidential Scholarship worth \$14,000. Slabey is majoring in political science, with a concentration in the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service.

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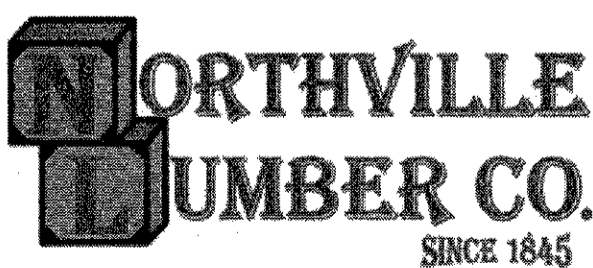


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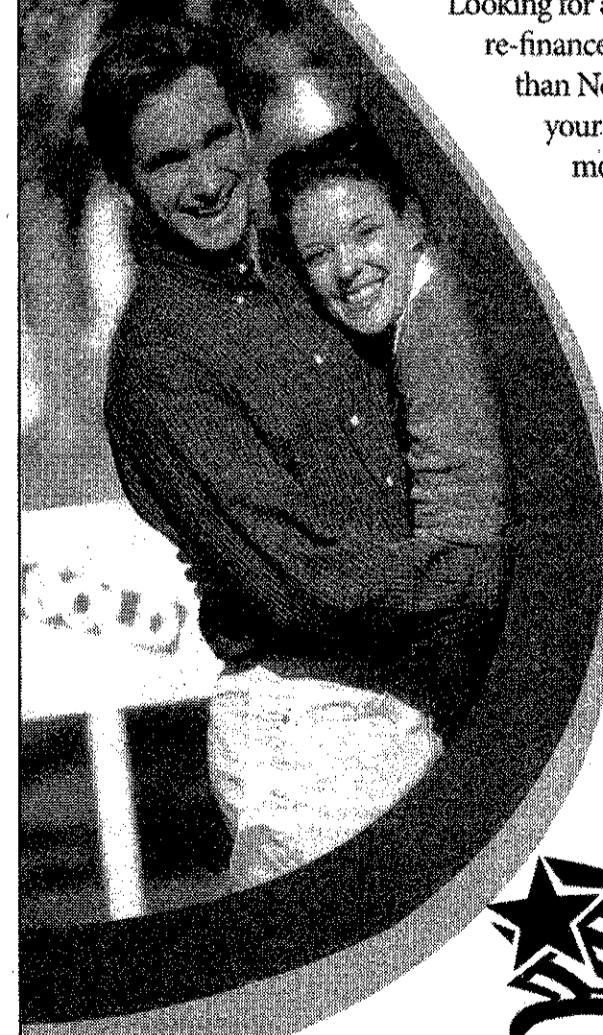
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team can also keep a substantial amount of money in cash. At the end of June, the portfolio had more than 20 percent cash in the portfolio. The fund has had a very solid track record for the last 10 years. Because the fund has substantial turnover in its portfolio, I recommend purchasing it within an IRA portfolio. The reason is when a fund has substantial turnover

there tends to be greater tax consequences. I should also note that the fund does have a 5.5 percent commission and has high management fees. However, even taking the fees into consideration, the fund has had very solid performance. Because of the way the fund is managed and the fact that it is not diversified, I recommend it for someone

who wants to be moderately aggressive to aggressive and for a small portion of a portfolio.

Q: Dear Rick: I have a revocable trust which names my three children as beneficiaries. All my assets are in my trust except for checking and savings accounts which are co-owned with my children. If one of my children gets divorced, can the ex-spouse sue for any of these assets?

A: The money in your revocable trust — at this point — is not at risk. Your children are the beneficiaries of the trust and have no ownership interest. Therefore, if one of your children gets divorced, their spouse would have no claim on the assets in your trust.

It is a different issue when it comes to the money in your checking and savings account. The money in your checking and saving account is in your name and in the name of your children. Therefore, if one of your children does get divorced, it is possible a portion of the money would be at risk.

Although your argument would be you reported all the tax consequences on the money and your children's names were on the account for convenience purposes only, it is possible they could go after some of the money. It would be unusual, but not beyond the realm of possibility.

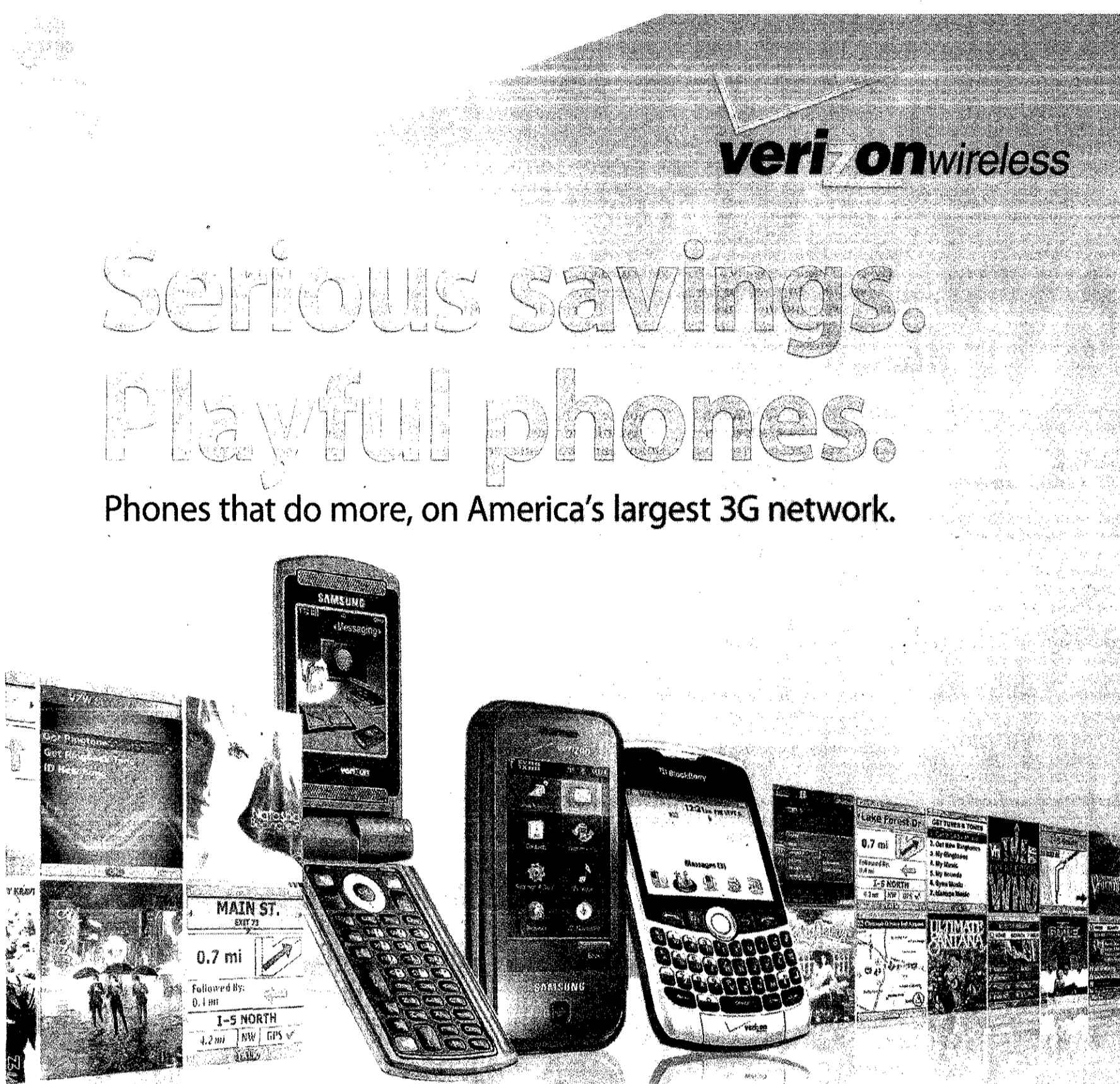
I recommend if you keep a substantial amount of money in your savings account, re-title the account into the name of your trust. By doing this, you would eliminate any possibility the money would be subject to any sort of divorce proceedings.

In addition, give your children the right, pursuant to a power of attorney, to access the checking account, but not as co-owners. There is a difference between being a co-owner and being an additional signatory.

Q: Dear Rick: I read with interest your article in the Aug. 31 Observer & Eccentric regarding inheriting an IRA. If my IRA is all "tax-deferred," will my heirs have to pay the deferred taxes when inheriting this money?

A: Yes, unless the money is a Roth IRA. When anyone inherits a traditional IRA, the money is subject to income taxes. You do not necessarily have to pay the taxes in one lump sum, as there are different methods a beneficiary could use to spread the tax out over a number of years. However, that money is subject to income taxes.

The one exception is a Roth IRA. When you inherit a Roth IRA, there is no income tax. 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 from noon to 3 p.m. Sundays on WDTK-AM (1400).



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OUR VIEWS

Have take-charge approach to numbers in local economy

The numbers should be of no surprise to you. Office and commercial vacancy rates in southeast Michigan are high and, in some cases, are expected to grow.

Even in Troy, where local officials dispute figures released by companies that track such things, the numbers are substantial. The office vacancy rate is 18.76 percent.

"That's huge," said Brian Murphy, Troy's assistant manager for economic development.

Also facing the impact of a tough economy is Livonia, where office vacancy rates are slated at 20-22 percent.

The impact of problems in the auto industry is hitting hard in both towns. Industrial vacancies are at a rate of 11.81 percent in Troy and 10 percent in Livonia.

They aren't alone. Southfield is reporting an overall vacancy rate of 18 percent and Farmington Hills a rate of 14.32 percent.

But if you think it's just bigger cities made up of offices and industrial complexes that are having problems, you'd be wrong.

The Rochester Downtown Development Authority is reporting an office vacancy rate of 11 percent and a retail rate of 8 percent.

Even in Birmingham, the impact of the economy is being felt. The vacancy rate is reported currently at 5 percent, and expected to grow to 7-8 percent.

While that news, culled from different sources, appears to be a lot of doom and gloom, there is a hopeful story that goes beyond what the numbers seem to imply.

"A lot of vacancies are going up in key communities," said Dennis Toffolo, a deputy Oakland County executive. "But at the same time, we're finding a lot of investors are coming into the county and buying buildings."

Toffolo has some numbers of his own. He heads the county's Emerging Sectors program, which targets business in such areas as information technology, health care and alternative energy.

"We've had more activity in the last three months than in the past two years," he said.

But his numbers also show that the highest vacancy rates are found in the small office building market.

There are some lessons to be learned in all of this. First, numbers are important, but they don't tell the whole story.

Second, if you build it, they — investors and industries — will come. That means some small office buildings and small industrial shops may have to be redeveloped.

Perhaps the most important lesson of all is that, if we want to improve the economy in Michigan, we'll have to do more than just look at numbers.

Here's a look at what readers are saying about stories on our Web site, www.hometownlife.com:

■ In response to *With 'hands tied' Canton officials approve controversial church plans:*

TheDarkKnight wrote: "What's controversial about this plan? Other than the lot similarities, there really isn't much in common with 'Hindu Temple revisited.'" There isn't a pair of 35-foot tall towers like the temple. I don't believe there's a steeple. I think recall they substantially lowered their roof line. The temple had only one driveway where the church will provide two. Wasn't there some festival at the temple where the goers were land-locked and drove between homes to exit? This was all conveniently dropped when it became the best interest of the temple to turn it to a racial debate. I have for years watched with interest the planning commission meetings on local access cable and from what I recall this church has bent over backwards with the board, staff and neighbors. I think these neighbors just plain don't want anything behind their homes and would love it if the forested land remained undeveloped. Boo hoo! Maybe they'd like condos or apartments better with all THAT traffic.

■ In response to *Resident says Yack used e-mails to influence Canton primary election:*

Under Michigan's Freedom of Information Act, the fee the township is charging is legal. The Act reads: Fees for Public Records: A government agency may charge a fee for the necessary copying of a public record for inspection or

COMMENTS FROM THE WEB

providing a copy of a public record to a requestor. A public body may also charge for search, examination and review and the separation of exempt information in those instances where failure to charge a fee would result in unreasonably high costs to the public body. The fee must be limited to actual duplication, mailing and labor costs. The first \$20 of a fee must be waived for a person who is on welfare or presents facts showing inability to pay because of indigency.

While labor costs are permissible, clearly Yack and the Gang are going to make this as difficult as possible.

■ In response to *Obama's message of unity was life-altering one:*

porchparty wrote: "Well written and inspiring. Unfortunately, although Obama can give inspiring speeches, he lacks the experience to run a nation. I find it rather scary that people are being hypnotized by someone who has charm and can give good speeches, rather than someone who knows what is really involved in running a government, has real experience, and also wants to bring unity to our country. Obama's mentor throughout his adult life has been someone who preaches hatred and prejudice ... so don't you wonder what his true feelings are? I seriously doubt he wants to unite the people of our country. But, I do see where young people who have limited exposure to real life issues can be mesmerized by him. Just please do this country a favor though, and continue to check out his true experience, and the type of people he has chosen to be friends with. That tells way more about the person than the type of speeches he makes."

dan43 wrote:

Some good points, Porchparty. Can you really say for certain that Jerimah Wright is Obama's "mentor?" Just because he attended the church doesn't mean that he abides by every sentence Wright utters. In terms of uniting the country, I'm not sure how you can make that claim.

The fact that the man's name is Barack Obama shouldn't mean a thing. Would you feel better if his name was Joe Smith? He had no control over the fact that his father was Kenyan.

I would ask you and other McCain supporters to examine the issues and make your decision based on the candidates' stances on those issues. To date, I've heard little from McCain other than the standard "cut taxes" Republican credo. Trickle down economics don't work ... it just makes the rich richer. John McCain isn't George W. Bush, but I've not seen much evidence that he will deviate from the current policies which have our economy in the toilet, record deficits and foreign relations at their lowest point in decades.

Close2broke wrote:

"I just threw up in my mouth a little. "son of a goat herder." He was the son of a privileged, well educated youth, who went on to work with the Kenyan government, which by the way was one of the most corrupt and violent governments Kenya has ever had."

edjew wrote:

"They are both just mouth pieces for two parties that claim to have different philosophies, but don't. There is no difference between either party. Whichever is elected just goes to Washington, ignores the will of the people

and further bankrupts the country. Vote Libertarian."

■ In response to *Keep the legal drinking age at 21:*

dodgeram wrote: "We have certain things in life set up for certain ages for a reason. You don't go into kindergarten until you're 5 because that's when kids are ready. You don't drive until you're 16 because that's when most kids are ready. You may be ready to be an adult at 18, but that doesn't mean you're ready for alcohol. And remember, if the drinking age goes down, insurance rates will go up. No one wants that right now."

TrueLivResident wrote: "There is not enough information about the survey performed by Nationwide Insurance. Who did they survey, what was their ages, location, income, education, etc?"

I honestly cannot believe that the 78% mentioned in this story against lowering the drinking age, are a true representation of a valid cross-section of America.

If we as a nation can ask and or demand our men to register for selective services as well as get drafted, or we ask our 18-year-old males and females to go to a war-torn part of the world and risk their lives for us, I think they have earned the right to legally drink if they so choose.

If our 18-year-olds can help to elect a president or change laws, then they have also earned a right to drink legally.

Discriminating against these young adults by saying they are somehow a greater risk to our society if they drink, is the same as saying you cannot drive if you are over the age of 60 because of the increased risk.

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Chiefs' defense stands tall against Wildcats

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Since this is hurricane season, it would be appropriate to label Canton's defense as a Level 4 storm Friday night against Plymouth.

It was no Ike, but it delivered some blows.

The Chiefs used a game-long surge to wreak havoc with the Wildcats' offense in Canton's 26-16 victory played before a large crowd at the PCEP varsity football stadium.

The eye of the storm was manned by Pat Madish, who compiled nine tackles and one tackle for loss; Nick Sweda, who recorded eight stops and an interception; and Donnie Barlow, who registered six tackles and two assists against the Wildcats' high-powered offense.

"I thought our defense really

battled," said Canton coach Tim Baechler. "Their offensive line blocks well and their tailback runs the ball well; he's tough to bring down."

"I was very happy with the defense. That's something when you can hold a team like Plymouth has to 16 points."

Baechler didn't hesitate when asked who the senior-laden defense's leader was.

"Bryan Gerst," he said. "He makes a lot of our checks and calls and he's a great emotional leader."

Gerst admitted his emotional state was 180 improved compared to one year ago when Plymouth handed the Chiefs a 22-20 setback.

"That was hard; I was crying," he said of last year's loss. "This win was redemption, not revenge, because last year's loss really hurt."

Why is Canton's defense so effective this season?

"We have a lot of strength, speed and discipline," he said. "Everybody is doing their own job — that's Canton football right there."

Canton struck first 4:10 into the first quarter when junior quarterback scored on a keeper that from 4 yards out. Senior Dan Stoney drilled the extra point to make it 7-0.

Plymouth chipped into its deficit midway through the second quarter when sophomore kicker Kyle Brindza banged a 41-yard field to cut Canton's lead to 7-3.

The defense-dominated first half concluded with Canton kicker Dan Stoney's 28-yard field goal that made it 10-3.

Please see **FOOTBALL, B2**



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Canton quarterback Kevin Delapaz hands to Kiere Daniels in a game earlier this season. Both players played key rolls in the Chiefs' 26-16 victory over Plymouth Friday night.

Signlines

CEBL registration

Registration for the Plymouth-Canton Community Education Basketball League (CEBL) will take place Tuesday, Sept. 16, from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at Pioneer Middle School, which is located on Ann Arbor Rd. (approximately a half-mile west of Sheldon).

The CEBL offers age-based divisions for players from third grade through high school.

For more information, send an e-mail to cebl@pccs.k12.mi.us.

JV Lions win

The Canton Lions junior varsity football team defeated Redford, 20-6, on Sunday, Sept. 7. Tristan Rainey led the offense with a pair of TD's while Allante Wheeler added one.

Extra points were scored by James Hall and Charles Turfe.

The Lions' defensive standouts were Daniel Jipping, Daniel Kilgore, Forest Hall, Tyrece Smith, Kyle Murray, Kenny Arnold and Andrew Hunt.

Prep drag racing

Beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, Milan Dragway with host Michigan's largest high school drag racing competition.

High school students throughout Michigan and Ohio will compete in the quarter-mile event for prizes and trophies. Racers will be divided into four brackets that will crown a winner and runner-up in each class, along with the overall King of the Hill champion. The four classes allow a format for all racers, with or without experience. An instructor's race will also be included. A Smokey Burnout and stereo sound contests are also featured.

The cost is \$20 to race. All competitors must have a driver's license, student I.D. and signed consent form. Cars must have seat belts. Helmets are required for 13.99 and quicker.

Admission is \$12 (children 12-and-under free).

For more information, call (734) 439-7368, or e-mail race director Chris Baxter at cbaxter@milandraway.com.

Stevenson races past Salem, 40-7

Livonia Stevenson bounced back from last week's loss to Howell with a convincing 40-7 football win Friday night at home over Salem.

It was the South Division opener for both teams in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

Stevenson, which led 27-0 at halftime, rushed for 308 of its 404 total yards led by junior Austin White, who finished with 174 on 13 carries. The 6-foot,

187-pound White scored on touchdown runs of 11, 46 and 5 yards — all coming in the first half.

Wade Stahl, also a senior, added 62 yards on eight carries including a 4-yard TD run with 8:51 left in the first quarter and a 10-yard TD run with 3:40 remaining in the third period after Salem scored its lone TD when Heath Parling hit senior wide receiver Shawn Lyons on a 38-yard scoring pass.

Junior Johnny Pauley, who added 63 yards on five attempts, ended the scoring with 2:50 left in the game on a 2-yard TD run.

Stevenson quarterback Jacob Gudeman was 7-of-8 passing for 96 yards, while Salem's duo of Parling and Jake Peterson were a combined 8-of-14 for 79.

The Rocks, now 0-3 overall and 0-1 in the KLASA-South, had 214 total yards with Enrique Pardo rushing nine times for a team-high 81 yards.

Defensively, Stevenson (2-1, 1-0) was led by senior safety Wyatt Stahl.

Neither team committed a turnover.



Parling



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4 Friends father/son teammates include: Randy and Tom Cummings, Joe Jouppi, Mike and Matt Keller, Jeff and Chuck Gonyea, and Rich and Brian Zesawa.

4-EVER FRIENDS

Softball teammates become like family over 30-year career

BY ED WRIGHT
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

As 4 Friends pitcher Ron Rice arched a fluorescent yellow softball toward the strike zone early Thursday evening on Field 9 of the Canton Sports Center, he was doing much more than delivering the first pitch in a Class D game against long-time rival Plymouth Rock.

The 61-year-old Canton resident was scripting the next chapter in an incredible 31-year tradition that has forged friends together like brothers and offered fathers a chance to compete side-by-side with their sons.

In an age when recreational athletic teams have a difficult time staying together for a season, the nucleus of 4 Friends has not only endured three decades together — it has flourished together.

"Sometimes we'll play a

team and one of the guys will say to us, 'My father played against you guys,'" said Tom Cummings. "Oh, yeah, I'll say, 'Well, what's he doing now?' They'll say, 'Oh, he hasn't played in 10 years.'"

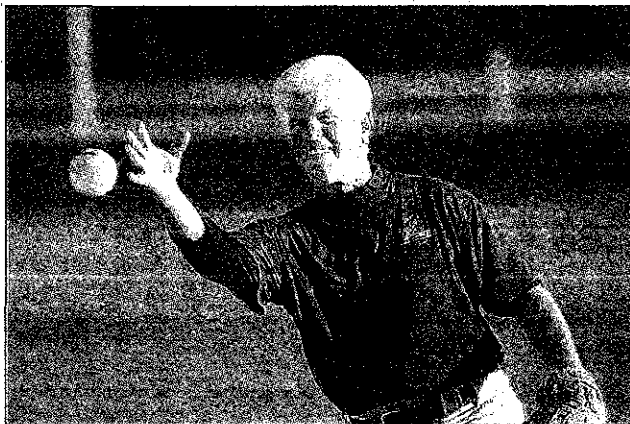
Ageless wonders

Thanks to the three sets of father-son duos on the roster, there's no such thing as a generation gap on the 4 Friends squad — unless you count the 20-foot gap that separates second baseman Jeff Gonyea from his first baseman father Chuck Gonyea.

Five years ago, the left side of the diamond was manned by the father-son team of Mike and Matt Keller, until Mike was transferred to Grand Rapids.

"It really hurt to have to leave these guys," said Mike Keller. "I

Please see **SOFTBALL, B2**



Canton resident Ron Rice delivers a pitch during a slow-pitch softball game Thursday night. Many of Rice's 4 Friends teammates have been playing together for over three decades.



John Ruane, a resident of Livonia, has played with the core group of players for 29 years.

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Rock kickers tranquilize Lions, 2-0

Salem's boys soccer team, which earlier in the week was ranked No. 1 in Division 1 by the Soccer Coaches Association, white-washed South Lyon, 2-0, Friday night in a Kensington Lakes Activities Association game. Salem is now 10-0-1 overall and 3-0-1 in the division.

Josh Pascarella scored the first goal for the Rocks. He was assisted by Alex Tramel. Travel scored the second goal unassisted.

Sasa Miskovic was spectacular in goal for the winners, who also received strong mid-field play from Jeremy Stoychoff.

PREP SOCCER

CANTON 12, WAYNE 0: On Thursday afternoon at Wayne, the Chiefs recorded a lop-sided, mercy rule-shortened triumph thanks in part to a huge efforts from Kyle Breitmeyer and Joey Krizanek, both of whom registered four goals and two assists.

The game was stopped at half-time due to the Michigan High School Athletic Association's eight-goal mercy rule.

Nick Turnbull and Tai Walther shared goal-keeping duties for the Chiefs, who improved to 5-2-3 overall and 3-1 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association's South Division. The Zebras slipped to 0-9-1 and 0-4, respectively.

Also netting goals for the winners were Josh Hurst, Scott Zech, Brandon Tolinski and Ussef Bazy. Additional assists were chalked up by Collan Baker, Kyle Biega, Kevin Zemanski (two) and Mitch Reinhard.

CHURCHILL 1, PLYMOUTH 0: One goal is all the Chargers needed Wednesday night to notch their fourth straight victory.

Etienne Lussiez volleyed shot into the upper corner midway through the second half to give the Chargers a 1-0 KLAASouth Division win over host Plymouth.

Czech Republic exchange student Jacob Herout headed the ball into the goal area off a restart that was initiated by a free kick from Matt Regan as the Chargers improved to 4-2 overall and 4-0 in the South Division.

"It was good we figured out a way to score," Churchill coach Reid Friedrichs said. "We hit a couple of crossbars. Plymouth played tough. It was a hard-fought, physical game."

Churchill goalkeeper Adrian Motta made three saves to post the shutout.

Plymouth, 0-3-1 in its last four outings, falls to 3-6-1 overall and 1-2-1 in the KLAASouth.

TENNIS RESULTS

PLYMOUTH 8, LIVONIA FRANKLIN 1
Sept. 10 at Plymouth
No. 1 singles: Stephen Payne (LF) defeated Pat Onoro, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3; No. 2: Aaron Zhang (P) def. Peter Lee, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Matt Dunning (P) def. Joe Kosinski, 6-0, 6-0; No. 4: Pat Bailey (P) def. Mike Geraci, 6-1, 6-2.
No. 1 doubles: Max Korpalski-Andy Mitchell (P) def. Chad Barton-Steve Trapp, 6-3, 6-7 (2-7), 6-4; No. 2: Wen Ning-Alex Berk (P) def. Nate Warwick-Walt Alfonso, 6-1, 6-2; No. 3: Tom Eggleston-John Lopus (P) def. Mike Kaplan-Bill Shafter, 6-2, 6-1; No. 4: Drew Leist-Cheng Chen (P) def. Joe Trudell-Aaron York, 6-3, 7-6; No. 5: Don Henry-Grant Senkbiel (P) def. Chase Semonick-Alex Wood, 6-0, 6-0.
Franklin's dual match record: 0-4 overall, 0-2 KLAASouth Division.

SALEM 6, LIVONIA STEVENSON 3
Sept. 10 at Salem
No. 1 singles: Brett Foster (Salem) defeated Chris Martin, 6-1, 6-2; No. 2: Erik Koch (LS) def. Brock Foster, 6-1, 6-2; No. 3: Dion Walker (Salem) def. Clayton Northey, 2-6, 6-1, 7-5; No. 4: David Benson (Salem) def. Kevin Francisco, 6-1, 6-2.
No. 1 doubles: Josh Perrin-John Kang (Salem) def. Giang Nguyen-Kyle Fan, 6-3, 6-1; No. 2: Jose Peres-Andy Steinman (Salem) def. Josh Rochette-Simjae Holman-Rayos, 6-1, 0-6, 7-6 (8-6); No. 3: Paul Franchina-Vince Sabatini (LS) def. Surya Nagaraja-Alex Porambo, 6-1, 6-1; No. 4: Tyler Foley-Zenik Pelek (Salem) def. Garrett Adams-Dave Kruse, 6-7 (3-7), 6-2, 6-2; No. 5: Josh York-Lukas Rudis (LS) def. Bodan Pelek-Andy Reyes, 6-3, 6-2.
Stevenson's dual match record: 1-2 overall, 1-1 KLAASouth Division.

CANTON 9, LIVONIA CHURCHILL 0
Sept. 8 at Churchill
No. 1 singles: Mike Darouie (Canton) defeated Akshay Moorthy, 6-3, 6-2; No. 2: Justin Liedel (Canton) def. Alex Clos, 6-2, 6-3; No. 3: Ryan Hanz (Canton) def. Ziwin Deng, 6-2, 6-0; No. 4: Riley Hoernschmeyer (Canton) def. Erik Newman, 6-1, 6-2.
No. 1 doubles: David Kang Jeremy Lindbauer (Canton) def. Dan Landstrom-Mike Appel, 6-3, 6-0; No. 2: David Ding-Adam Payne (Canton) def. Eric Slusarski-Vishal Joshi, 6-3, 4-6, 6-1; No. 3: Satosh Shannmuga-Abhi Katti (Canton) def. Mike Houghan-Rushi Patel, 6-2, 6-2; No. 4: John Mosly-Jim LaFontaine (Canton) def. Cam Norscia-Matt Cezat, 6-7 (3-7), 6-4, 6-1; No. 5: Steve Lee-Rob Millus (Canton) def. Ryan McPherson-Eric Stromberg, 6-2, 6-4.
Churchill's dual match record: 3-2 overall, 1-1 KLAASouth Division.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday, Sept. 19
Wayne Memorial at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Novi at Salem on PCEP JV football field, 7 p.m.
Canton at John Glenn, 7 p.m.
PREP BOYS SOCCER
Tuesday, Sept. 16
Wayne at Plymouth, 7 p.m.
Salem at South Lyon East, 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Canton, 7 p.m.
Roeper at PCA, 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 18
Plymouth at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Northville at Salem, 7 p.m.
Canton at Franklin, 7 p.m.
PCA at Agape, 4:30 p.m.
PREP VOLLEYBALL
Tuesday, Sept. 16
PCA at Oakland Christian, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 18
Inter-City at PCA, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 20
Plymouth and PCA at UM-Dearborn Invitational, 9 a.m.
BOYS AND GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Tuesday, Sept. 16
Franklin at Plymouth at Cass Benton, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem at Cass Benton, 4 p.m.
Churchill at Canton at Cass Benton, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 20
Salem and Canton (boys only) at Jackson Invitational at Sharp Park, 10 a.m.
BOYS TENNIS
Monday, Sept. 15
Churchill at Plymouth, 4 p.m.
Salem at South Lyon, 4 p.m.
Wayne Memorial at Canton, 4 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 17
Wayne Memorial at Plymouth, 4 p.m.
South Lyon East at Salem, 4 p.m.
Canton at John Glenn, 4 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 19
John Glenn at Plymouth, 4 p.m.
Northville at Salem, 4 p.m.
Canton at Franklin, 4 p.m.
GIRLS GOLF
Monday, Sept. 15
Franklin at Plymouth at Hickory Creek, 3 p.m.
Stevenson at Salem at Fellows Creek, 3 p.m.
Churchill at Canton at Hilltop, 3 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 17
Plymouth at Canton at Hilltop, 3 p.m.
Novi at Salem at Fellows Creek, 3 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 19
Churchill at Plymouth at Hickory Creek, 3 p.m.
Salem at South Lyon, 3 p.m.
Canton at Wayne, 3 p.m.
GIRLS SWIMMING
Tuesday, Sept. 16
Ladyswood at Canton, 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept. 17
Salem at Northville, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 18
Plymouth at John Glenn, 6:30 p.m.
Canton at Franklin, 6:30 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Tuesday, Sept. 16
Madonna at Aquinas College, 7 p.m.
Henry Ford CC at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 18
Concordia JV at Schoolcraft, 7 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Wednesday, Sept. 17
Macomb CC at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m.
Madonna vs. Concordia at Livonia's Greenmead Field, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 20
Madonna at Davenport, 3 p.m.
Schoolcraft at Parkland (Ill.), 11 a.m.
Sunday, Sept. 21
Schoolcraft at Heartland (Ill.), noon.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Tuesday, Sept. 16
Davenport JV at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m.
Madonna vs. Concordia at Livonia's Greenmead Field, 4 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 19
Oakton CC (Ill.) at Schoolcraft, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 20
Madonna at Davenport, noon.
Sunday, Sept. 21
Schoolcraft at Jackson CC, 1 p.m.

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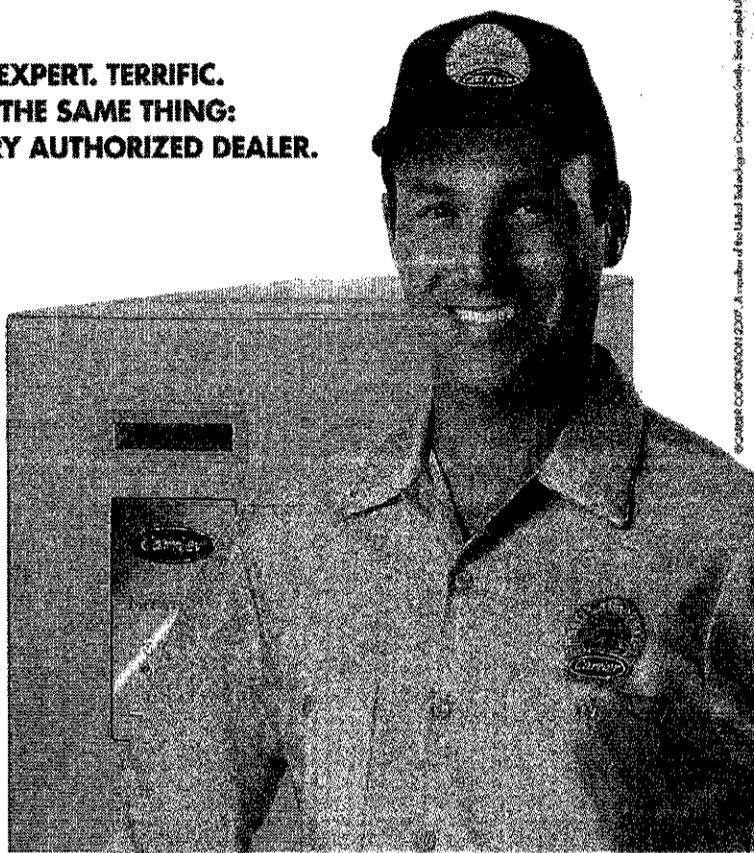
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Hugh Gallagher, editor (734) 953-2149. hgallagher@hometownlife.com

Angela Hospice offers grief support for youth

Grief is complicated at any age, but for children and teens it can be especially difficult. That is why Angela Hospice developed its Children & Teen Grief Support Groups which begin Thursday, Sept. 25.

Sally Loughrin and her fellow social work staff will facilitate 8-week sessions for children and teens who have recently lost a loved one. Groups for grades 1-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12 will meet 5:30-7 p.m. each Thursday through Nov. 13.

"Children and teens experience feelings of grief similar to those of adults after a loved one dies, but their reactions are quite different depending on their developmental ages," said Loughrin, an Angela Hospice social worker with over 25 years of experience in counseling grieving children.

Loughrin said that young people may not have the words or the understanding to express their feelings. They may show their grief behaviorally if they lack adequate coping skills.

"Children and teens often feel alone in their grief," said Loughrin, "so participating in grief support groups provides an

avenue for them to be with others who have had similar losses."

Using various play therapy techniques such as games, books and storytelling, the social workers at Angela Hospice help children and teens learn to understand and cope with the complicated feelings that accompany the death of a loved one.

"We will do a lot in the group to help children learn to express the uncomfortable feelings of grief in healthy ways," said Loughrin.

While the children and teens are in their group sessions, parents and guardians are invited to attend their own group that will focus on developing strategies to help their grieving children and teens.

All meetings take place at Angela Hospice Care Center, 14100 Newburgh Rd., Livonia. Dinner will be served each week at 5:30 p.m., prior to the group sessions. All groups are free, but registration is required due to limited space. To sign up, call Loughrin at (734) 464-2683.

For more information about Angela Hospice and a complete list of support groups, visit www.angelahospice.org.

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

SEPTEMBER

Asthma presentation

From 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, in the auditorium at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile and Levan, Livonia. Speaker is Jason Paris, MD, Allergy and Asthma Specialist, St. Mary Mercy Hospital. Paris will provide an overview of asthma, what works and what you can do to live a healthy life with asthma. No charge. To register or for information, call (734) 655-8950.

Secret of health

With Lorraine Stefano 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Sept. 18, and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23, at the Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham. (248) 644-5832 or www.communityhouse.com, and 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 27, and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft at Levan, Livonia. (734) 432-5804 or www.madonna.edu. For information, call (248) 828-7333 or visit www.thinktrim.com.

Alzheimer's and intimacy

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, is hosting a workshop "Intimacy and Sexuality with Alzheimer's Disease" 1-3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, in the auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. The speaker is Stefanie Sinks, the Counselor/Care Manager at the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Michigan Chapter. No charge. Registration required, call (734) 655-8950.

Health fair/open house

Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 20-21, at DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, 1 William Carls Drive, Commerce. Hours 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, 1-4 p.m. Sunday. On Sunday bring the family for a day of fun, food and games, tours of radiology and surgery departments. Learn about healthy living from fitness guru Peter Nielsen under the main tent. On Saturday receive screenings including blood pressure, blood glucose, and body fat along with height and weight measurements (no charge). Doctors will be on hand to speak about stroke awareness and heart health, and answer your health related questions. A healthy cook-off also planned. For information about the hospital, visit www.hvsh.org.

Plus-size clothing sale

The Michigan Bariatric Institute and St. Mary Mercy Hospital host the sale for the community 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, in the hospital's Auditorium, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. Reasonably priced, gently used clothing for sale for women (sizes 14-32) and men (sizes 40-60, and up to 5XL). For information, call the Michigan Bariatric Institute at (734) 655-2692.

Diabetes expo

Learn more about preventing and managing diabetes at the American Diabetes Association's Diabetes Expo 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at Rock Financial Showplace, Novi. The event features speakers discussing the latest diabetes treatments, healthy cooking demonstrations and exercise sessions. Free health screenings. A special Youth Zone provides interactive games for children. No charge. Pre-register at www.diabetes.org/detroitexpo. For information, call 1-888-DIABETES, ext. 6697.

Celebrating survivorship

10th annual Sharing & Caring symposium. 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Royal Park Hotel, 600 E. University Dr., Rochester Hills. Cost \$45, includes breakfast, luncheon and wellness activities. To register, call (800) 633-7377. For information, call (248) 551-8585.

Da Vinci awards

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Michigan Chapter 2008 da Vinci Awards at a gala event (black tie optional) featuring a cocktail reception and displays of award winners followed by a gourmet dinner and awards program Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Ritz-Carlton in Dearborn. For tickets, sponsorship opportunities and information visit: <http://www.davinclawards.org>.

Detroit walk for PKD

Saturday, Sept. 20, at Boulton Park, Troy. Registration begins 9 a.m., walk at 10 a.m. For information contact Henry Allemon at (248) 892-9020 or hallemon@aol.com. The nonprofit PKD Foundation leads the fight against polycystic kidney disease through research funding and patient education. For information visit www.pkdcure.org or call 1-800-PKD-CURE.

Stomp out stigma

On Sept. 20 the Community Network Services Anti Stigma Program holds its 1st Annual Stomp Out

Stigma 5K Run/Walk at Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road, Clarkston. The goal of the Run/Walk is to raise funds to support the continuation of the award-winning Anti Stigma Program and to promote mental health awareness. Since its inception in 2005, the program has conducted over 150 presentations and reached over 6500 people. Registration 8-8:45 a.m. Race starts 9 a.m. To register, go to www.cnsantistigma.org/event.html. Call Amy Yashinsky at (248) 871-1403 or ayashinsky@cnsmi.org for more information.

Crohn's fund-raiser

In memory of Jessica Rowe who died from complications of Crohn's disease a little over a year ago at age 25. The Mini-Golf Outing takes place 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at PUTTERZ miniature golf and games, 2675 Washtenaw, Ypsilanti. All proceeds will be donated to the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation. Still looking for prize donations. Call Pat at (734) 434-283, Roger (313) 608-4903, or Sharon (734) 788-6391 for information.

Ovarian cancer walk

Janis Warren Walk for Ovarian Cancer 9 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, at Drake Sports Park, 6801 Drake Road, West Bloomfield. Proceeds go to cancer research at the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute in Detroit. For more information, visit janiswalk.org.

Charity ride

Annual David and Wanda Harrison Memorial Charity Ride Sunday, Sept. 21, includes a raffle drawing for a custom designed and soon-to-be built Harley Davidson-powered motorcycle, and a fully-escorted, scenic 50-mile ride through northern Oakland County back roads and the Lynyrd Skynyrd concert at DTE Energy Theatre. Registration \$30 for driver, \$25 passenger, includes lawn seat concert ticket, VIP parking, lunch at the start and official ride pin. Since concert tickets are limited, pre-registration encouraged. Visit www.leukemiamichigan.org or call (248) 353-8222. Proceeds support Michigan families battling leukemia and lymphoma through support services provided by Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan.

AIDS Walk Michigan

Presented by the HIV/AIDS Resource Center and Hemophilia Foundation of Michigan Sunday, Sept. 21, a 5K walk through downtown Ann Arbor. Event kicks off with free registration beginning at noon and ribbon-cutting at 1 p.m. Walkers who raise \$25 or more in donations receive an AIDS Walk Michigan T-shirt. This is a fun-filled, heart-warming day for kids, adults and pets. To register individually, as a team or to volunteer, visit www.aidswalkmichigan.org.

Mothers, daughters, sisters luncheon

Geralyn Lucas, a 13-year breast cancer survivor and author of "Why I Wore Lipstick to My Mastectomy," will be the keynote speaker at the fourth annual Mothers, Daughters, Sisters & Friends Luncheon Wednesday, Sept. 24, at Shenandoah Golf, Banquet & Country Club, 5600 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Proceeds from the luncheon benefit the future Franee & Benson Ford Jr. Breast Care & Wellness Center at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital, opening spring 2009. Tickets \$100; boutique shopping and valet parking included. For tickets or more information, call (248) 853-3636.

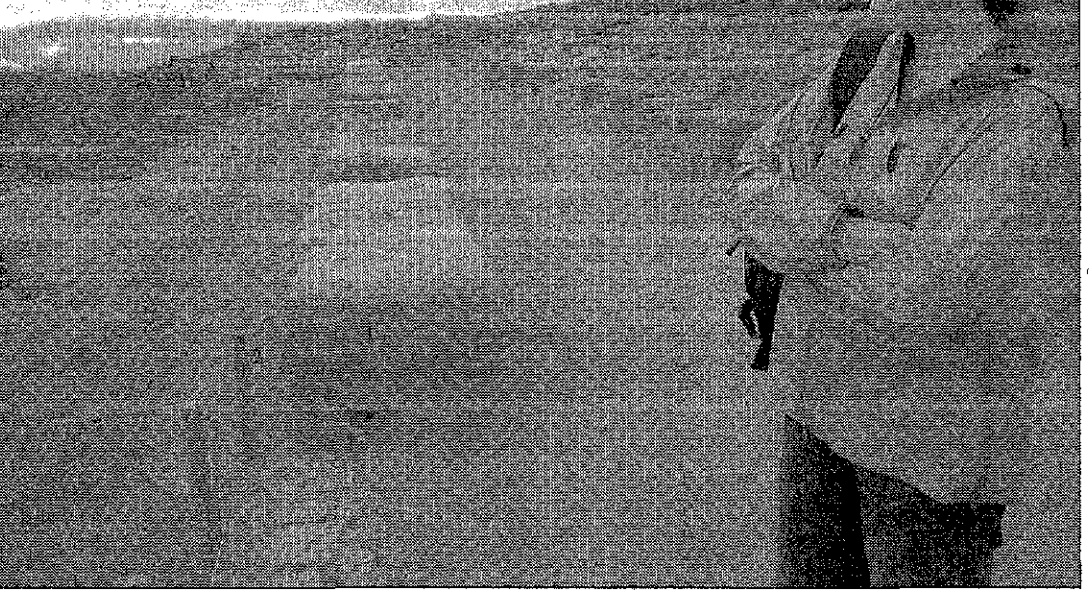
Free foot screenings

Some 82,000 Americans lose feet or limbs to diabetes each year. That's because the disease can cause you to lose feeling in your feet - and little injuries can turn into big infections without you knowing it. The American Diabetes Association offers free foot screenings 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, at 23 locations in Michigan. Local podiatrists will volunteer their time to conduct the exams and answer your questions. To find a foot screening site near you or for more information, call 1-888-DIABETES or visit diabetes.org/detroit.

Heart to heart du Vintage

Gala fund-raiser with strolling dinner, live auction, music by Simon Vitale band, and a chance to view a number of limited edition classic cars from Peter Ministrelli's private collection 6:30-11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, at Franklin Hills Country Club in Franklin. The evening helps uninsured and underinsured women receive care at the Ministrelli Women's Heart Center at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak as well as contribute to the development of women's heart services at Beaumont, Grosse Pointe. Tickets \$275 per person. Patron-pair tickets \$1,000. Sponsorships available. For information, call (248) 551-9951.

Celebrating survivorship



RAYNER RAMIREZ/NBC NEWS

Anne Thompson spent two weeks reporting from the Amazon in July after receiving an all clear from her oncologist. Thompson, who is chief environmental affairs correspondent for NBC News, was diagnosed with breast cancer in March 2007.

Symposium offers inspiration for breast cancer patients

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
& E STAFF WRITER

When Anne Thompson learned she had breast cancer in March 2006, she decided to keep the devastating diagnosis secret so as not to distract from the news she was reporting. Later, she realized her experiences could help others fighting the disease. On Sept. 20, she returns to the Detroit area to speak at the Celebrating Survivorship symposium presented by the education and support group at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. Thompson is one of three women sharing their stories at the Royal Park Hotel in Rochester Hills. The former Farmington Hills resident was an award-winning reporter for WDIV-TV in Detroit from 1986 until leaving to become a national correspondent for NBC News in 1997. Today she is chief environmental affairs correspondent for NBC Nightly News with Brian Williams, Today on MSNBC, and online at www.msnbc.com.

The diagnosis came as a surprise to the then 48-year-old Thompson as she has no history of breast cancer in her family, never smoked and leads a fairly healthy lifestyle. Her ob/gyn discovered the Stage III cancer during a routine annual exam. Thompson went through 16 weeks of chemotherapy to reduce the size of the tumor then underwent a lumpectomy followed by six weeks of radiation. In July she returned to the oncologist for an all clear to spend two weeks in the Amazon as part of her job. She believes strongly if stories on cancer lead the news every day, more would be done to find a cure.

"It helped reading and hearing survivor stories because I needed a lot of strength. You go through some very dark times. Every time somebody told me a story I learned something," said Thompson. "We have made so many advances in cancer treatment it's easy to think our work is done, but 1,500 people die a day from cancer. The fight isn't over. We can't declare victory. There's nothing more frightening, at least for me, than having an illness that you can't do anything about. We need to keep funding research so my niece doesn't have to go through what I went through."

Thompson kept working during her treatment. Every two weeks she received chemotherapy on Thursday then went back to reporting the following Tuesday.

"I needed to feel normal," said Thompson. "I tried to turn my job into a cancer-free zone. My bosses at NBC were wonderful when I said I'd like to keep working through this. The only time it became difficult was when I lost my eyelashes. It used to take me an hour to put them on."

Thompson hasn't lost her sense of humor. In fact it was laughter that kept her going thanks to friend and former co-worker Bernie Smilovitz, WDIV-TV sportscaster. During the Celebrating Survivorship symposium, Smilovitz will introduce Thompson to the audience. Thompson comes back to Michigan every year to participate in Smilovitz's celebrity golf tournament for Gleaners Community Food Bank. "I've been friends with his family for 20 years," said Thompson, who now lives in Manhattan. "It was Bernie's job to make sure he would make me laugh. He called me every day."

Christine Clifford Beckwith believes in the power of humor so much she travels around the country as a motivational speaker. Beckwith is a 14-year survivor of breast cancer. She has written six award-winning books including "Not Now...I'm Having a No Hair Day." Beckwith was senior vice president of an international marketing firm when diagnosed with Stage III breast cancer at age 40.

She underwent surgery, then 10 months of chemotherapy and 33 days of radiation. She'll be sharing the humorous side of her experience. Her Cancer Club (cancerclub.com) is designed to provide humorous and helpful products for people with cancer including a prayer list and suggestions for brightening the day of a friend or loved one with cancer.

"Six weeks after diagnosis I woke up in the middle of the night, went down to the family room

CELEBRATING SURVIVORSHIP

What: 10th annual Sharing & Caring symposium with speakers Anne Thompson, NBC News correspondent; Beverly Kirkhart, author of Turning Setbacks into Comebacks; and Christine Clifford Beckwith, author of Not Now...I'm Having a No Hair Day
When: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20
Where: Royal Park Hotel, 600 E. University Dr., Rochester Hills
Cost: \$45, includes breakfast, luncheon and wellness activities. To register, call (800) 633-7377. For information, (248) 551-8585



Christine Clifford Beckwith used humor to make it through the dark days after her diagnosis of breast cancer.

and sketched out 50 cartoons of things that had been said or done to me about cancer that were off-beat in a whimsical way. I had never drawn before, went back to bed and thought what was that. I had truly entered the Twilight Zone," said Beckwith, who searched for books humorously dealing with cancer

but found only one by Erma Bombeck. "I thought maybe I was on to something. I started journaling my cancer experience through cartoons. Six months later I had enough to make a book. Since that day I focused my entire life on helping other cancer patients see the forest through the trees."

Dawn Kramer hopes to attract everyone — not just breast cancer survivors — to the symposium. In addition to the speakers who include Beverly Kirkhart, author of "Turning Setbacks into Comebacks," Kramer planned the luncheon and wellness activities such as a walk along Paint Creek Trail, tai chi, Reiki, and meditation. Kramer is program coordinator of Sharing & Caring, which provides monthly speakers and a support group for breast cancer survivors.

"It's inspirational and messages of hope," said Kramer, whose mother died of breast cancer. Kramer, who lives in Bloomfield Hills, is vigilant about receiving clinical breast exams twice a year. "This year's symposium is not focusing on breast cancer as a disease but on leading a long and fulfilling life after a breast cancer diagnosis. It's not just for breast cancer survivors. Their message of hope and inspiration is for all."

Beckwith's cancer was so aggressive she was basically told to get her affairs in order. Instead she made a bargain with God to live to see her 8- and 10-year-old sons graduate from high school. The youngest earns his college degree in May.

Today she's working on two more books and hoping to see her four step children graduate from high school. The youngest is 10.

"My cancer has been a true gift to me. I've been doing some creative things that I never knew I had inside of me," said Beckwith, who lives in Minneapolis, Minn. "My advice to cancer patients is to look at the long term, not short term. Their treatments are probably going to take between six months and a year, some indefinitely. Because of that you should try to look at the things that make you laugh and search them out. If it's watching funny movies, rent some funny movies. Let family and friends know it's okay to bring laughter into your life. But my main message is research all possibilities, new drugs, methods of surgery. Take control of your own health. Don't ever be afraid to ask people for help."

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Early-season games as predictable as weather

That didn't take long. After an opening week of prognostication bliss, it was back to Earth (turf?) with Week 2 selections. Teams that came out on fire during the openers (*say after me* — Garden City, Redford Union, etc.) failed to spark last week and got lit as a result.



Tim Smith

Others did turn it around, meaning there could still be hope for the Detroit Lions against Green Bay — oops, guess not.

That's the problem with early season grid picks. High school coaches are still finding out about their own players and what they can do under Friday night lights, let alone opponents scouted only by watching film taken during preseason scrimmages.

Or flickering weekly. Whatever the case may be, coaches need to break down the next game. Pigskin prognosticators must circle one team or the other and hope for the best. Everybody can wipe the slate clean the following Monday and repeat the cycle. Isn't football great?

Now, let's get down to brass tacks and check out how yours truly, Livonia-Westland Sports Editor Brad Emons and Plymouth-Canton Sports Editor Ed Wright fared in Week 2.

After having a near-perfect opening week (10-2), I took a prat-fall. Out of the 14 games, I managed to correctly pick just six of them, giving Wright ample room to elbow his way past me into first place thanks to his 10-4 mark. Wright now has a two-week record of 18-8, two games ahead of my 16-10 tally.

Meanwhile, Emons had a so-so second go-around, with his 7-7 record giving him a third-place total of 14-12 entering the third week.

Frankly, for Emons and myself, we just put too much stock into teams that had big wins in Week 1 duplicating that success. Both of us might be a bit more cautious when

going down the list of games this time. Hey, we're learning about these teams just as the coaches are. So, without further ado, here is a look at this week's matchups:

FRIDAY'S GAMES (ALL GAMES START AT 7 P.M. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN (0-2, 0-0) AT LIVONIA CHURCHILL (1-1, 0-0): In order for the winless Rockets (six points scored over two games) to get on track, they will need to find the end zone. That might be tough to do if they don't have the football — the host Chargers ran for 428 yards last week and figure to grind out some long drives again this week. **PICKS:** Smith (Churchill); Emons (Churchill); Wright (Churchill).

LIVONIA FRANKLIN (1-1, 0-0) AT WAYNE (0-2, 0-0): The Patriots rolled up 56 points in their win over Walled Lake Western, and should be able to keep their offense in high gear against the Zebras in this matchup of Kensington Lakes Activities Association South teams. **PICKS:** Smith (Franklin); Emons (Franklin);

Wright (Franklin). **SALEM (0-2, 0-0) AT LIVONIA STEVENSON (1-1, 0-0):** It's been a tough start so far for the Rocks, and this week's matchup against Kensington Lakes Activities Association Central foe Stevenson likely won't do much to lessen the pain. The Spartans will be fired up to put a 35-21 loss to Howell behind them. **PICKS:** Smith (Stevenson); Emons (Stevenson); Wright (Stevenson).

CLARENCEVILLE (2-0, 1-0) AT HARPER WOODS (2-0, 1-0): The Trojans raced into the season with two impressive wins, but the Pioneers could prove to be a competitive speed bump in Week 3. Harper Woods also is undefeated, and has outscored its opponents 69-20 so far. This could be one of the best matchups of the week. **PICKS:** Smith (C'ville); Emons (C'ville); Wright (C'ville).

LUTHERAN WESTLAND (0-2, 0-1) AT HAMTRAMCK (0-2, 0-1): One of these Metro Conference opponents will get off the schneid after two losses to open the season. **PICKS:** Smith (Hamtramck); Emons (Lutheran Westland); Wright (Lutheran Westland).

PLYMOUTH (2-0, 0-0) AT CANTON (2-0,

0-0): These two Kensington Lakes Activities Association South powerhouses will battle it out in perhaps this week's most compelling game. On display will be a contrast in styles, with the smash-mouth Chiefs against Plymouth's high-octane offense. **PICKS:** Smith (Plymouth); Emons (Canton); Wright (Canton). **YPSILANTI (0-2, 0-1) AT GARDEN CITY (1-1, 0-0):** The Cougars look to bounce back from a disappointing loss to Taylor Kennedy in this Mega Blue tilt. They also will be geared up for their home opener and could have a field day moving the football against the winless Phoenix, who gave up 32 points last week. **PICKS:** Smith (Garden City); Emons (Ypsi); Wright (Ypsi).

INKSTER (1-1, 0-1) AT REDFORD THURSTON (1-1, 1-0): In a Mega Conference crossover matchup, the host Eagles will need to pull out all the stops against some of the Vikings' offensive threats in order to make a game out of it. Thurston is enjoying momentum from a 41-0 rout over River Rouge. **PICKS:** Smith (Inkster); Emons (Inkster); Wright (Inkster).

REDFORD UNION (1-1, 0-1) AT

WOODHAVEN (1-1, 1-0): Two Mega White squads will go head-to-head in hopes of cracking the .500 barrier. The Panthers' running game needs to have more success than it did last week in a loss to Wyandotte Roosevelt, but it won't be easy as the Warriors' defense is coming off a shutout against Taylor Kennedy. **PICKS:** Smith (Woodhaven); Emons (RU); Wright (Woodhaven).

STAR INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY (0-2, 0-0) AT REDFORD COVENANT (1-1, 0-0) — 4 P.M.: Host Covenant will be looking to repeat the win-loss-win cycle of the first three games in 2006 and 2007, the school's first two years. The Falcons should go along with the script, having been outscored 99-0. Star International defenders will have all they can handle with Spartans' big guns Jamonne Chester, Dajuan Hollowell and Dominique Williams. **PICKS:** Smith (Covenant); Emons (Covenant); Wright (Covenant).

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Cyprien Ngizehayo survived the Rwandan genocide and made his way to Freedom House. His wife, Claudette, remains in their native country until he can save enough money to bring her here. Ngizehayo now lives in Chicago where he works for a nonprofit that sends relief to Rwanda and helps reunite families.

Freedom House

Dinner draws light to those fleeing persecution

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O & E STAFF WRITER

Jodee Fishman Raines won't soon forget the feeling that came over her when she visited Freedom House. The nonprofit organization temporarily houses men, women and children seeking asylum in the United States or Canada. Founded in 1983 as the Detroit/Windsor Refugee Coalition to help people escape from El Salvador, Freedom House was originally based at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Corktown and later moved to its present location in an unused Convent of St. Anne's Church in southwest Detroit. Today, Raines is one of the supporters of the mission to assist increasing numbers of people fleeing persecution. On Thursday, Sept. 18, they'll gather for a fund-raising dinner at Bentley's Restaurant in West Bloomfield. Among the guest speakers is Jack Gun, a Holocaust survivor and Cyprien Ngizehayo, who survived the genocide in Rwanda.

"I was at Freedom House at dinner time. There were people sitting at the dinner table from different

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ANNUAL FREEDOM HOUSE DINNER: NEVER AGAIN

What: A fund-raising dinner to benefit Freedom House
When: 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18
Where: Bentley's Restaurant, 5586 Drake Road, West Bloomfield
Tickets: \$100 for dinner, \$125 for champagne pre-glow with guest speakers, and available by calling (313) 964-4320. For information about Freedom House, visit www.freedomhouse.org

Telling tales

2-day festival celebrates storytelling

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
O & E STAFF WRITER

Antonio Sacre likes to joke about growing up in a Cuban and Irish-American household. He'll tell audiences about the experience during the Detroit Story League's Festival Friday-Saturday, Sept. 19-20, at the Livonia Civic Center Library. Sacre and Lynette Ford, an African-American storyteller headline the event that includes day-long workshops and performances for children and adults.

Sacre travels from Los Angeles for the storytelling festival, Ford from Ohio. Sacre's father originally emigrated from Cuba in 1960. He's looking forward to introducing "his lovely and quirky family."

"Food is important," said Sacre, 39. "Cubans have a really big meal that happens at 1 in the afternoon and as kids we're not allowed to leave the table until the oldest person leaves. My great aunt in her late 80s chewed her food 50 times and we'd watch her for hours, but it was good because we would hear things about what it was like in Cuba."

Tales would be told as well. One of his grandmother's favorites was the story of the barking mouse which Sacre turned into a children's book. Sacre spoke Spanish fluently as a kid but quit after he was teased. He went back to being bilingual in his teens.

"The story, *The Barking Mouse*, is about a cat who comes to eat the mice and mother mouse barks and scares the cat away. The moral is it pays to speak another language," said Sacre who went to graduate school for theater performance at Northwestern University in Chicago where he learned about storytelling.

Today Sacre writes one-man plays and performs them around the country when he isn't storytelling. He's told stories in 45 of the 50 states.

"I found out storytelling encompassed a lot of what I was, my two cultures, and I like to be silly for kids," said Sacre. "I'm excited about Detroit Story League. I know Lyn very well, she's an incredible teller. We're so different and I can't wait to see what she will tell. I'm going to take the workshop."

Ford is doing the 90-minute session on fables that have crossed cultures and can be used as teaching tales to develop character in young listeners. She is a fourth-generation storyteller. Her *Home-Fried Tales* can be traced back to her father who was a terrible cook but a wonderful storyteller. Ford began storytelling as a preschool teacher.

"My grandfather on my mother's side told a lot of tall tales. His father, my great grandfather and great aunts in the family told so I just kind of absorbed it. Dad could tell wonderful scary stories and kind of twist folk tales such as *The Three Bears*, *Red Riding Hood*," said Ford who by the end of the year will travel to 25 states to tell stories. "They'll have a good time. It will encourage them to remember the stories of their childhood and share more stories in their family. I'm the oldest and would tell scary stories to my younger sister to get her out of my hair. She wouldn't let me get my homework done."

With tellers like Sacre and Ford, Louise Lieberman is guaranteeing everyone will have a good time at the Detroit Story League Storytelling Festival. The Farmington Hills

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Lynette Ford brings her "Home-Fried Tales" to the Detroit Story League Festival at the Livonia Civic Center Library.



PHOTO BY KRISTIN BURNS

Antonio Sacre tells stories about growing up in a Cuban and Irish-American household.

STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

What: Detroit Story League's annual two day festival of telling and workshops
When: 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19 (adult story night with reception); 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, storytelling workshops begin, 4 p.m. Family Performance (all ages) follows
Where: Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile at Farmington Rd.
Cost: \$50 for two days, \$45 Saturday, \$15 Friday evening (\$12 age 60 and up), and \$2 Saturday Family Performance, Call Winifred Madsen at (313) 824-6368, or Louise Lieberman (313) 522-4735 or send e-mail to louisielieberman@yahoo.com

Pet sitters hit 10 years of going to the dogs

BY BRAD KADRICH
OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Ten years ago, Roberta Chapman (she was Cubbin, then) was working as a veterinary technician, an animal lover who got this crazy idea when some of her clients couldn't find a place for their pets to stay when they had to leave town.

Ten years later, Chapman and her husband, John (they married last year at the Michigan Renaissance Festival) preside over a pet sitting business, Comfy Creatures, that has expanded to more than 200 clients, six "sitters" and a half-dozen communities.

"We went from doing everything ourselves to six sitters pretty quick," Roberta said. "It just sort of exploded."

Operating Comfy Creatures out of their Livonia home (they just moved from Wayne), the Chapmans offer a variety of services to their clients, ranging from taking them for a walk and a "potty" break during the day to repeated daily visits if a client is out of town on vacation or for work.

There are also some ancillary services; for instance, sitters will water plants, bring in the mail and take out the trash. The company will stay overnight if a client wishes, and the



John and Roberta Chapman have two dogs of their own at home, Gypsy and Mouse.

Chapmans just started offering to board pets at their Livonia home.

Comfy Creatures offers its services in Westland, Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Northville and Farmington (the latter two are fairly new additions).

And the whole thing stems from Roberta's love of animals.

"Growing up, I wasn't allowed to have dogs or cats ... between my sister and I we had pretty much every caged animal imaginable," Roberta said. "When I was a kid, I'd go to neighbors and ask, 'Can I walk your dog?' When I got my own

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place, I could finally have animals."

Now she and John have a household of their own, including a chihuahua (Mouse), a shepherd-husky mix (Gypsy) and three cats: Ceric, Symphony and Mystic. That doesn't count the hundreds of pets they call "extended family."

"They're always happy," John said of the pets. "They give you unconditional love. You really have to be pet-crazy and passionate about it."

While it may seem like a small-town service, pet sitting is actually pretty big business. According to Pet Sitters International, it's a \$72 million industry. PSI has some 8,000 member businesses. The vast majority of pet sitters (98 percent) work for independently owned compa-

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John and Roberta Chapman, at home with Gypsy and Mouse, are celebrating the 10th anniversary of their pet-sitting business, Comfy Creatures.

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woman is just beginning to tell stories so she's excited about the workshop with Corinne Stavish of Southfield on Getting Starting.

"We try to get new tellers every year so people in the area can see a variety," said Lieberman, festival co-chair with Winifred Madsen. "Both are well-thought of and acknowledged tellers."

A group of people from the Detroit Story League usually goes to the national conference in Jonesboro, Tenn. every year to scout out the best of up and coming storytellers, said Madsen who joined the league in 1990. She grew up listening to stories of her mother, grandmother and father. Madsen did a lot of reading and telling stories to children during her 30 years as a librarian for Detroit

Public Schools.

"We often get the big stars before they get expensive. We do have wonderful tellers every year," said Madsen, 80. "I believe in storytelling. It's live, spontaneous, the opposite of our plastic world. There's a kind of current that goes between audience and teller, as a teller you get to enjoy the response. People learn a lot through narrative."

Madsen tells stories in schools, nursing homes, private residences, and churches. On Saturday, she shares an old Chinese folk tale during the brown bag lunch between workshops. "I enjoy a good story and enjoy choosing stories for an audience," said Madsen. "There are just certain stories that speak to you when you read them."

To learn more about the headline storytellers, visit www.livnordstoryteller.com and www.antoniosacre.com.

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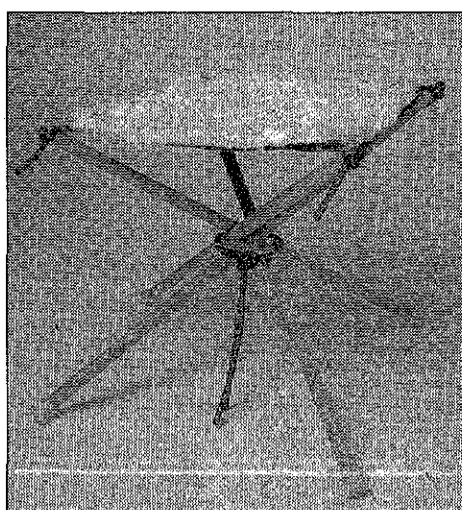
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Polish National Alliance to hold Meet & Greet

The Polish National Alliance, District X, Council 54, presents A Meet & Greet Social Event 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at the Orchard Lake Banquet & Conference Center on the campus of Orchard Lake Schools, 3535 Indian Trail, Orchard Lake.

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All PNA Lodge members are invited to meet national, district and the new Council 54 officers as well as the directors and choreographers of Polish dance ensembles. Talk with the youth who have just returned from dance performances in Poland and learn about upcoming events. The Polish National Alliance strives to promote and share their Polish Culture and heritage with the communities. PNA Council 54 sponsors two children's dance groups, one adult group, one young adult group, and a Polish Language school.

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nies (like Comfy Creatures), many (84 percent) owned by women. Pet sitters make an estimated 17.4 million visits per year to clients' homes.

And they all take it seriously. "We're taking care of people's biggest investment, and something most precious to them, after their children — their pets," John said. "They should have someone who's serious about doing that." The Chapmans are certified in pet first aid, they and their sitters

are bonded and insured, and they also work with pets on behaviors such as jumping, biting and house training. Full-fledged dog training is on the horizon, and that's where it's going to stay for now. "It's just not the time," John said. Roberta is in her Xanadu as

a sort of combination pet sitter/grandmother, and doesn't see anything but good things ahead. "You can only have so many pets of your own," she said with a laugh. "It's nice to have our clients' pets as, like, surrogate grandchildren. I can't imagine ever working for anyone else again."

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GARDEN CALENDAR

All about roses
Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, 49875 Willow Road, between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) Roads in Sumpter Township, just south of Belleville, plan to retire and close their popular rose nursery in October. They've reprised some of their most requested programs for their last month in business:
■ Success with climbing roses: 1 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 14; repeated 11 a.m., Monday, Sept. 15, includes slide presentation and garden demonstration of selection, training and pruning.

NEW GARDEN CALENDAR CONTACT
If you have an item for the garden calendar, please submit it at least two weeks prior to the event to Sharon Dargay at sdargay@hometownlife.com

■ Seven steps to success with roses: 1 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 21 and 11 a.m., Monday, Sept. 22 includes a fast-paced slide talk, perfect for novice rose growers.

■ Winter preparation for roses 1 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 28, Oct. 5 and 12; repeated 11 a.m., Monday, Sept. 29, Oct. 6 and 13, includes a garden demonstration of techniques that prepare roses for winter survival.
All events, except the propagation workshop, are free. (734) 461-1230
Gardening presentations
Learn about fall planting during a series of free presentations at 7 p.m., Wednesdays in September at English Gardens stores:
■ Planting spring-flowering bulbs on Sept. 17

ENGAGEMENTS

Vance-Vesey
Bob and Cherie Vance of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Jill Vance, to Sean Vesey of Farmington Hills. He is the son of Mike and Kathleen Vesey of Livonia. Both the bride and groom are graduates of Stevenson High School in Livonia.
Jill graduated in 1999 and earned her bachelor's degree in Japanese from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in 2003. She is working toward her master's degree at Wayne State University and has worked for the past four years at DENSO International, a Japanese auto supplier in Southfield, where she is senior specialist in the Heavy Duty Logistics group. Sean graduated high school in 1998 and gained his certification as a



firefighter from Schoolcraft College before continuing on to earn his EMT license in 2005. For the past five years he has worked with the Farmington Hills Fire Department.
The couple is planning a September wedding at St. Aidan Catholic Church in Livonia, followed by a reception at Wabeek Country Club in Bloomfield Hills. They will make their home in Novi.

Citizens for Peace opens third film series

The Citizens for Peace Film Series begins 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26, at Madonna University with "Blood and Oil." The thought provoking film series is now in its third year in Kresge Auditorium on the campus at Schoolcraft and Levan in Livonia. Discussions will be led by a local facilitator after each movie. A \$5 donation per event is appreciated.

"Blood and Oil" shows how concerns about oil have fueled war for at least 60 years and calls for radical rethinking of U.S. energy policy. According to one reviewer, the hour-long documentary is a clear, dispassionate, riveting history of American and Middle Eastern oil. Informative, not polemic or political, the film gives a historical perspective as to why the U.S. is in Iraq.

On Oct. 3 "Election Day" takes viewers on a journey around the country as the drama of election day 2004 unfolds. Shown are the good and the bad of voting in America. Dearborn is one of the featured locations.

"On the Line" on Oct. 10 gives an inside look at the people behind one of the largest non-violent movements in America today: the movement to close the School of the Americas/WHINSEC, a U.S. Army school that trains Latin-American soldiers. The 55-minute documentary features Martin Sheen and Susan Sarandon.

On Oct. 17, "Tim Wise: On White Privilege" tackles whether there really is a level playing field for blacks and whites. Concepts that white people don't think of that confront blacks throughout their lives are discussed in this fast paced video of author/lecturer Tim Wise. He is among the most prominent anti-racist writers and activists in the U.S., and author of two books: "White Like Me: Reflections on Race from a Privileged Son," and "Affirmative Action: Racial Preference in Black and White."

Madonna University is located at 36600 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia. For more information about the film series or Citizens for Peace, call Bob Frank at (734) 522-1721.

Actors sought for murder mystery

Inspire Theatre is holding auditions for "Ten Little Indians" by Agatha Christie 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 15-16, at 33445 Warren Road, Westland. Rehearsals run 6:30-9:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, and 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday. Performances take place Friday-Saturday, Nov. 7-8, and Thursday-Saturday, Nov. 13-15.

Come prepared to do cold readings. The theater company is looking for actors of all ages. The story revolves around 10 people invited for a weekend at an island mansion by a Mr. U. N. Owen, but he isn't on the island. At dinner a record is played accusing each of the guests of murder. Suddenly the first of them is dead then the next. Who is the murderer? Will guests be able to unravel the mystery before they become the next victim? Send e-mail to lenfisher@sbcglobal.net

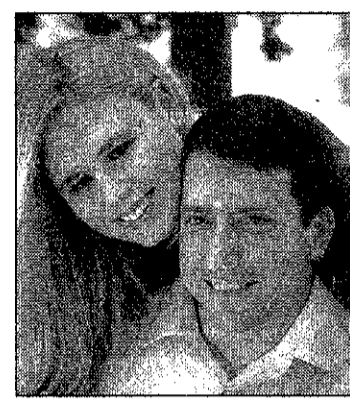
Crafters wanted for boutique

Crafters are still needed for the boutique which is part of the Redford Suburban League's celebrity fashion show and luncheon on Oct. 15, at Burton Manor in Livonia. Proceeds from the Fall Festival of Fashion go to the Burger School for Students with Autism in Garden City.
Rich Fisher and Doris Biscoe once again host the event, which features the latest designs from Lord & Taylor and the Men's Wearhouse. The boutique opens at 9 a.m. Tables are \$45 each, lunch \$15. Crafters can come in at 7 a.m. to set up. Call Sara Gorman at (313) 937-8583 or Josetta Howes at (248) 960-0853. Tickets for the fashion show and luncheon are \$45 per person. Call Miriam at (734) 981-6003.

Thibault-Waineo
Dr. and Mrs. Roger Thibault of Bowling Green, Ohio, announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Marie-Ange, to Marcus Glenn Waineo, son of Glenn and Jane Waineo of Canton, Mich.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bowling Green High School and earned her bachelor's degree from Bowling Green State University. She works as an admissions advisor for the online campus at ECPI College of Technology in Virginia Beach, Va.

Marcus graduated from Plymouth Salem High School and from the University of Michigan, where he earned dual degrees in computer sci-



ence and mathematics. He currently works for the U.S. Department of Navy as a computer scientist in Norfolk, Va.
A September wedding is planned at Nazareth Hall in Grand Rapids, Ohio.

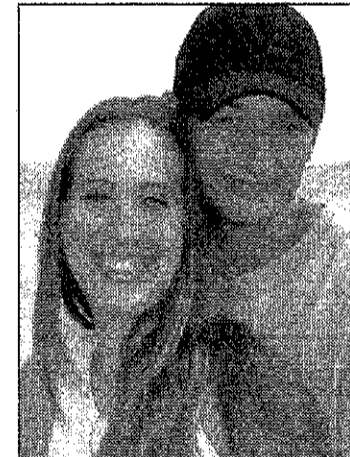
Wurth-Parkila
Lawrence and Colleen Wurth of Allen Park announce the engagement of their daughter, Kylene Wurth, to Eric Parkila of Las Vegas. Eric is the son of Arvo and Sharon Parkila of Garden City.

The bride-to-be is a 2001 graduate of Allen Park High School and a 2007 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, where she earned a degree in education. She works as a teacher for Las Vegas schools. Her fiancé is a 2001 graduate of Garden City High School and a 2007 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn, where he earned a



degree in electrical engineering. He works for JTI in Las Vegas.
The couple is planning an October 2008 wedding in Michigan.

Flek-Noreen
Lawrence and Wanda Flek of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Candace Flek of Westland, to Frederick Noreen III, son of Rick Noreen and Marie Frizzell. The bride-to-be is a Stevenson High School graduate and works as a medical biller. Her fiancé is a graduate of Taylor High School and works as a carpenter. The couple is planning a Sept. 20 wedding at Dearborn Hills Golf Club.



BIRTH

Steger
Jeff and Jennifer Steger of Livonia announce the arrival of their son, Elliot Lee Steger. He was born July 27, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. His grandparents are Jack and Beverly Lee of Ray Township, Mich. and Jerry and Bernadette Steger of Midland, Mich. His great-grandparents are Dolores and Ed Cieslinski of Auburn, Mich.; Annie P. Lee of Royal Oak, Mich. and Lois Steger of Bay City, Mich.



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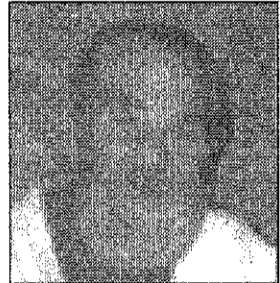
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MARILYN LORRAINE CLANCY

Of Farmington. August 30, 2008 at 75 years of age. Marilyn was born and raised in Detroit, Michigan by her parents, Adolph and Siama Larson. She graduated from Cooley High School in 1951, married her beloved husband, James Donald Clancy in 1952 and continued her studies at Wayne State University, earning a degree in Library Science. Marilyn went on to work for the Farmington Public School System, first at East Middle School and then at O.E. Dunckel Middle School where she retired in 1991. Marilyn was an avid reader and an aspiring quilter. She enjoyed camping, square dancing, and traveling. Marilyn surrounded herself with a great love of nature, where her gardens and feeders attracted many birds, butterflies, swans, and squirrels. They brought her endless enjoyment as she would quietly observe life over a cup of tea from her kitchen table. Marilyn was preceded in death by her husband James. She is survived by her daughters Colleen Davison and Debra Clancy, her granddaughter Megean Giolitti and husband Chris, and her beloved great-grandchildren Johnny, Rosie, Joey, and Emma. Her life will be celebrated in a private memorial service where her ashes will be released to join her husband. Rest in peace knowing that your memory will live on in our hearts forever. To send a private condolence to the family go to: www.coatsfuneralhome.com and select Guestbook

LEONARD "SONNY" FERGUESON

September 9, 2008. Age 72 of Wayne. Beloved husband of Mary. Dear father of Sandra Ferguson and Kimberly (Paul) Conner. Son of Sarah Baker and the late Benjamin Ferguson. Brother of Betsy Davis. Loving grandfather of Gerald Cantrell, Shania Fernandez, Cody Ferguson and Eric and Katelyn Conner. Great-grandfather of the late Ava Cantrell. Services were held Friday, September 12th at the Uht Funeral Home, Westland. Burial was made at Parkview Memorial, Livonia. Please send tributes and view memorials @: www.uhtfh.com



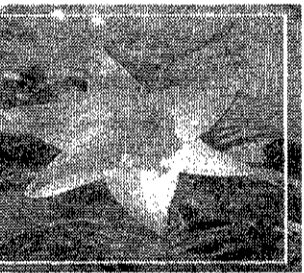
SUE ANN HOLLAND (nee Anderson)

Age 37. August 3, 2008. Beloved daughter of the late Ivar and Estelle Anderson. Loving sister of Ivar G. (Lee Ann) Anderson. Cherished niece of Nancy and Robert Viverito, Jean and Sandy Branzler, and George Wickstrom. Dear aunt of Stephen and Brian. Sue loved animals, especially her pet dogs, Tonka and Ernie, and was deeply committed to the conservation and preservation of wildlife, particularly wolves. She was active in all forms of outdoor recreation, including camping, snowmobiling, skiing, ATV and horseback riding. She enjoyed pop culture in all forms and loved to watch movies. Her varied musical tastes ran from classical to rock to country-western. She embraced New Age Spirituality, including the Wicca teachings, crystal healing and consulted horoscopes and tarot cards for guidance. She loved her work as office manager of Aberdeen Van Lines in Commerce Township, Michigan, which she joined in 1994. She is survived by her family and many friends, who she loved dearly. Memorial services were held at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, MI. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Defenders of Wildlife. www.thayer-rock.com



MARIE C. RIX

90, formerly of Plymouth died on September 12, 2008 at Tecumseh Place, Tecumseh MI. She is survived by her children Patricia (Terry) Patton of Ann Arbor, Carolyn (Tom) Rougeaux of Mt Juliet TN, Kathy (Randy) Tripp of Adrian, and Doug (Jane) Rix of Rockford IL; grandchildren Heather Patton (Mark Hilgers), Justin (Leah) Tripp, Sara (Jeff) Johnson, and Holly Tripp; great grandchildren Taylor and Emily Patton, Makenna and Mason Johnson, and Drew Hilgers and one sister Dorothy Dixon of Berkley MI as well as nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband Gilbert in 1998, her parents, grandson Bradley Patton and his wife Kristin, great grandson Nathan Patton, a sister Della Brinkman and a brother Edgar Armbruster. Funeral service 11 AM Monday September 15th at Risen Christ Lutheran Church, 46250 Ann Arbor Rd, Plymouth MI. Visitation 2 pm to 8 pm Sunday at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W Ann Arbor Rd (btwn Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Memorial contributions can be made to Tecumseh Place, 1309 Southwestern Drive, Tecumseh MI 49286 or Hospice of Lenawee County, 415 Mill Street, Adrian MI 49221. To share memories, please visit vermeulenfuneralhome.com



TONI M. KNEIDING

Age 34. Died suddenly September 7, 2008. Beloved daughter of Rickard and Patricia. Loving sister of the late Kristina. Dearest granddaughter of Maxine Kneiding and Linda Achille. Will be missed by her numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Toni Kneiding, M.A. was the Associate Dean of the Education and Human Service program at Baker College of Owosso. She taught in the early childhood education program and models passion and enthusiasm of the development of young children's minds. She was an advisor for the T.A.L.L. (Teachers as Lifelong Learners) student club. Toni has also presented several early childhood seminars for the Bentley campus. Toni has been with Baker College of Owosso for almost 2 years and has played an integral part in continuous improvement of the early childhood program on our campus. Toni was a former consultant for the Office for Young Children in Lansing and has many years experience in the early childhood field. She had professional affiliations with Central Michigan Association for the Education of Young Children (CMAEUC), Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society (KON), Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health (MIIMH), National and Michigan Association for the Development of Young Children (NAEY) (MIAEYC), National Family Literacy Association (NFLA), and National Parents As Teachers Association (PAT). Toni also was certified in many areas of special training for the early age and has used these certifications and experience in advancing our program as well as serving as a facilitator for other childcare providers in the area. Visitation Thursday 1-8pm and Friday 1-8pm at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile Road, Livonia, with a Prayer Service at 7:00pm Friday. Funeral Service Saturday 11:00am at the funeral home. Interment Glen Eden Cemetery. Contributions may be made to Breast Cancer Research.

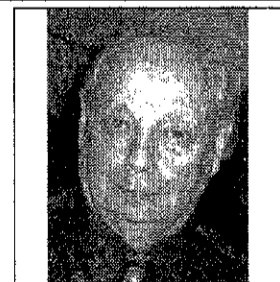
ARTHUR L. SPEASE, JR.

Age 66, of the Rarity Bay Community, Vonore, TN. Passed away Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at his home with his wife at his side. Art was a graduate of Elizabethtown College and Penn State University. He was a retired mechanical engineer holding many patents related to the automotive industry. Art was an avid golfer and participated in many activities in Rarity Bay including the Rare Notes. He was preceded in death by his father, Arthur L. Spease, Sr. Survived by his wife of 46 years, Jackie Spease; sons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Kathy Spease, David and Jenny Rose Spease, Mary and Amy Spease, Matthew and Tricia Spease; grandchildren, Jake, Alex, Andrew, Hannah, Nathan, and Garrett; mother, Ruth Spease; brother and sister-in-law, Carl and Rachel Spease; sister, Arlene Starr along with nieces and nephews. The family will receive friends from 6 to 7 pm Saturday at Click Funeral Home in Lenoir City. Memorial Services will follow at 7 pm with Rev. A.J. Crawford officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or Carls Hospice. Click Funeral Home, Lenoir City, TN is in charge of arrangements: www.clickfuneralhome.com

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EUGENE ALLEN HAMMAR

Age 79, of Garden City, passed away September 8, 2008. Beloved father of Mark Hammar, Scott Hammar, Pamela (Sobhi) Safah and Laurie (Mike) Ziolkowski. Loving grandfather of Belal (Rana) Safah, Khaled Safah and his fiancée Lamis, Emily (Khaled) Safah and Lindsay Safah. Great-grandfather of Mariam Lily Safah. He is also survived by his sister, Dorothy Johnson of Drummond Island, MI and half-sisters Nancy Garner of Mayville, MI and Mabel Holsberry of Millington, MI. Eugene was born May 26, 1929, in Royal Oak. He moved to Garden City in 1956 from Nankin Twp. He served in the Army and is a veteran of the Korean War. He retired from A&P Food Stores of Detroit in 1987. Donations, in lieu of flowers, may be made to the American Heart Association at www.americanheart.org. Final arrangements entrusted to the John N. Santeu & Son Funeral Home, Garden City. Interment will be in the family plot on Drummond Island.

Lumber yard marks 108 years with sale, prizes

Customers who buy from Mans Lumber and Millwork during its 108th anniversary weekend, Sept. 26-27, will get a gift and the opportunity to enter a contest for Detroit Red Wings tickets.

The family-owned lumber yard will discount in-stock deck material from Trek and AZEK, in-stock hardware, paint, paint supplies, tools, doors and special order items during the celebration.

Doug Mans, company president, said "customers have come first" for more than a century.

The Mans family began selling coal and peat in Trenton during the early 1900s, later expanding the business to include four lumberyards, two kitchen and bath design showrooms, floor coverings, a finished carpentry and millwork shop, an installed products division, equipment rental and more.

Look for the anniversary celebration and sale at the company's Trenton and Canton locations. Canton store hours are 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Friday and 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, at 47255 Michigan Avenue, Canton. (734) 714-5800. The Trenton store is open 7:30-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday and 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday, at 3300 West Jefferson, Trenton. (734) 676-3000.

ECO-FRIENDLY
Kurtis Kitchen and Bath Centers will host an Eco-Friendly Open House featuring 'green' remodeling and home construction, 5-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25. Representatives will be on hand to answer green building and remodeling questions, and to offer tips on selecting the right cabinetry and appliances for anywhere in the home. Featured lines include KraftMaid, Wellborn Cabinetry, Formica and EnergyStar. Kurtis employs Habitat for Humanity's

Detroit ReStore's Deconstruction Services to hand dismantle customers' old kitchens and baths. Salvaged building materials are then sold to benefit Habitat for Humanity. Kurtis Kitchen and Bath Centers include locations in Livonia, Rochester Hills and Royal Oak. Call 1-888-KURTIS-1 or visit www.KurtisKitchen.com.

CHARDONNAY AND CHAIRS

Take a seat and sip some wine at DWR Birmingham Studio's Wine + Design event, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 8.

Customers may sample wine as they shop and save 15 percent when mixing or matching six or more chairs, stools and tables from the store's dining assortment, including Bottega, Allegro and Presto collections.

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Odor in new Bosch dishwashers testament to poor quality

In the year 1907, Mr. Frederick Louis Maytag invented the first wooden tub washer called the Pastime. The tub was made of the best cypress Maytag could find and this washer became a boon to housewives who historically used backbreaking washboards to clean clothes.

Back then, Frederick Maytag was quoted as saying, "In all business, there is a factor which cannot be compensated for in dollars and cents or computed by any measure. It has no relation or connection with the mer-

cenary and is represented only by the spirit of love which the true craftsman holds for his job and the things he is trying to accomplish."

Mr. Maytag was not the only corporate head that thought this way back in 1907 and the following years. There were many, and this country enjoyed the quality products they deserved for their hard earned dollars.

In today's world we have seemed to have done a flip-flop.

This lack of quality that many consumers experience is filling up all sorts of Web sites, and the manufacturers don't like seeing their names under any form of unsatisfactory complaint. It doesn't take a genius to figure out how to stop these complaints. Simply stop the problems.

Here is an e-mail sent to me from

Nancy: "I have a Bosch, stainless steel interior dishwasher purchased in 2004. We are empty nesters, so it takes a few days to fill up the dishwasher to run a full load. We run it more often because the odor the dishwasher emits is awful! We have had this problem since we purchased it. I have had the company out three times to check it and no one seems to find a problem. I have called the manufacturer with no results. I have run products through a cycle, which helps the smell for just a few days more. The food catcher never has anything in it because we rinse all dishes before placing them in the dishwasher. HELP! I can't stand the smell any longer."

After reading this e-mail I asked my darling wife Valerie what she

thinks of our 2-year-old Bosch stainless steel tub dishwasher. She said, "I love how quiet it is when it operates but I can't stand the smell in it. I have to make sure I turn it on each day — sometimes just a rinse cycle — or else there is an odor that is putrid. I also think it takes too long for a regular cycle and I can't put in as many dishes as I could in my old Kitchen Aid."

So you see folks, we have basically the same complaint as Nancy does. And then I went to the computer and found that we are not alone with this odor problem. What is going on here? Maybe someone can tell me how he or she solved this problem. They have tablets for sale now that you can put into your washing machine to take care of odor problems.

This means that they now produce

washing machines which have a built-in odor problem with no cure except to give it a pill. This quality story becomes more amazing every year doesn't it?

Mr. Fred Maytag would be astonished that I spent \$1,000 for a dishwasher — and that wasn't even the most expensive model. I might have been better off finding an old wooden tub wringer washer, and never having a complaint about the quality of manufactured products made today. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m. Saturdays on WAAM 1600. His phone number is (734) 971-1600 Ext. 28. Do you have a question about an appliance or have a problem with one? E-mail it to kabramcz@hometownlife.com and it will be forwarded to Joe Gagnon.

The Reunion Calendar runs Sundays in the newspaper as space allows, and online in its entirety at www.hometownlife.com. Submit your reunion announcement at least two weeks in advance to Wensdy Von Buskirk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, Mich., 48150, or e-mail wvnb@hometownlife.com.

Benedictine High School

Class of 1973
35th anniversary class reunion, Oct. 4, 2008, Vladimir's, 28125 Grand River Ave., Farmington Hills. Social hour begins at 6 p.m.; family-style dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$60 per person. Advance reservations are required. Contact Jody Hrymak Kirsch, (734) 522-0661, or bennyhigh73@twm1.rr.com.

Berkley High School

Class of 1958
50th Reunion, Sept. 19-21, 2008, at Somerset Inn, 2601 W. Big Beaver Road, Troy. All members of Jan. 1958, June 1958 and Jan. 1959 are invited. Events include Friday evening hospitality party; Saturday tour of BHS, lunch and dinner-party at the hotel; Sunday brunch and golf outing. Contact csingerbhs58reunion.org for access to www.bhs58reunion.org, or call Jackie Yorgen Castine, (248) 332-5984.

Birmingham High School

Class of 1958
Birmingham High, the city's only high school in 1958, will host a 50-year reunion Oct. 3-5 at Marriott Centerpoint, Square Lake Road &

Opdyke. Events include a Friday evening open bar hospitality party; Saturday tour of BHS and evening dinner party; and Sunday brunch. Reservations required for Saturday dinner. Contact Chris Carlson (248) 649-0105 or Rosemary Jafano Schneidt (586)247-4463. For more information, to enter your contact info or register, visit www.birmingham58.com.

Bishop Borgess High School

Classes of 1970, '71, '72, '73 and '74
A combined reunion. Oct. 4, 2008, Hellenic Cultural Center, \$60. Dinner Buffet, Open Bar, Midnight Snacks and Music. No ticket sales at door. Contact (248) 442-0946 or bbhsfirstfive.com

Class of 1988

A 20-year reunion will be held on Oct. 11, 2008 at the Fairlane Club. Tickets, \$50 per person, include dinner, drinks and music. No ticket sales at door. For more information visit www.88reunion.net, e-mail borgess1988@gmail.com or call (313) 410-3750.

Brighton High School

Class of 1989
Planning a 20th reunion and searching for classmates. Please sign up at "Yahoo groups-brighton high school class of 1989" for more information.

Cass Technical High School

Classes of 1964-67
Reunion dinner dance, Saturday, Nov. 15. Call Rita, (313) 567-8133.

Class of 1959

50th reunion with a 3-day weekend of activities June 5-7, 2009. Events will include a Saturday evening dinner party at Plum Hollow Country Club in

Southfield. For information, visit www.casstech59.com or contact Marge Casstech59.com; or contact Marge Casstech59.com; Debbie Friedman, (248) 626-3729; or Steve Sperling, (248) 360-9658.

Cherry Hill High School

Classes of 1983-84
25th Reunion, 6 p.m.-1 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28, 2008, Hawthorne Valley Country Club, Westland. Cost, \$50 per person, includes dinner and open bar. Casual attire. Advance tickets only by Sept. 30. Call Lori Westerholm, (734) 834-6796, Mory (Potvin) McCollough, (734) 658-1014 or Renee (Scott) Liske, (734) 425-7826

Clarkston High School

Class of 1998
A 10-year reunion will be held at Deer Lake Athletic Club in Clarkston, 6:30 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008. The evening includes dinner, entertainment and/or dancing and cocktails. Ticket price TBA. This is an adult dinner, and each alumnus is welcome to bring one date. For more information, look on MySpace and Facebook, visit http://clarkston1998reunion.myspace.com, e-mail chs1998grads@hotmail.com, or call Samantha at (248) 884-8658.

Crestwood High School

Class of 1968
A 40th class reunion Oct. 4, 2008. For information, contact Gail Goodall Welch, (313) 937-3477 or e-mail CHS1968Sec@yahoo.com.au.

Class of 1978

A 30 year reunion will be held Friday, Nov. 28 at the O'Kelly K of C Hall in

Dearborn. Contact Diane (Verostick) Kapelanski at (734) 981-0091 or dianekap@comcast.net for more information.

Dearborn Edsel Ford

January Class of 1958
A 50th reunion will be held Oct. 3, 2008 at the Dearborn Inn. Call Nancy McGregor Ketko at (248) 851-5257 or Pat Keoshian Holmes at (734) 427-0256 for further information.

Dearborn Fordson

Class of 1969
Planning a reunion. Please contact Kathy Nisun at (248) 363-5679 or e-mail: Kaynini@aol.com or Kathy Shoebriidge@Klvingston@nu-core.com.

Detroit Cass Tech

Class of 1958
A 50-year reunion, Oct. 11, 2008. For details, call Isabelle at (313) 882-4626 and at casstech58.com.

Detroit Chadey High School

Class of 1957
An Alumni Dinner will be held Saturday, Oct. 11, 2008 at American Legion Post No. 32, at 9315 Newburgh in Livonia. Contact Pat at 734-522-1284.

Detroit Chadsey High School

Class of 1958
A 50-year reunion, Friday, Sept. 19, 2008, at Burton Manor, Livonia. \$55 per person. Contact Mike Poterala, (248) 548-4829 or mspoterai@comcast.net.

Detroit Christ the King Elementary

Class of 1963
A 45-year reunion is being planned for 2008. Searching for classmates. The reunion date has not been set. Contact

Dennis Place at (734) 354-0223 or e-mail denplace@bigfoot.com.

Detroit Eastern High School

Classes up to 1958
All classes invited to reunion Sunday, Oct. 5, 2008, at the Ukrainian Cultural Center, 26601 Ryan Road, in Warren. Doors at 1:30 p.m., dinner at 3 p.m., open bar. \$30 per person, must be paid before Sept. 29. Call Bob Butler, (586) 412-9998; or Terry Des Rivers Edwards, (313) 885-2562 or (313) 300-6385.

Class of 1958

50th reunion weekend, "Mix and Mingle" 7 p.m.-midnight Oct. 10, 2008, "Sinbad's, Detroit;" "Gala Banquet," 7 p.m.-midnight, Oct. 11, Western Golf & Country Club, Redford; "Back to Mack Church Service;" 10 a.m. Oct. 12, Genesis Lutheran Church, Detroit. \$125 package pricing, individual pricing available. Call Delores Sykes Cotton, (248) 353-7452 or Patricia Anderson Solomon, (248) 580-5203; e-mail EHS1958reunion@aol.com; or visit www.Classmates.com "Eastern High School."

Detroit Holy Redeemer High School

Class of 1958
A 50th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 4, 2008, at O'Kelley K of C, Dearborn. Contact Mary Burns at (313) 937-3979 or burnsmay@aol.com for information.

Detroit High School of Commerce

Class of 1958 January, June and August
A 50-year Reunion will be held Saturday, Sept. 20, 2008. Contact Bester King, (248) 547-1693, or Jackie Wilkinson, (313) 861-0834.

Detroit Western High School

Classes of 1930s, 40s and 50s
Annual reunion, all classes welcome, 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, Dearborn Hills Golf Course. Call (313) 565-4997 or (248) 427-0673 to reserve your spot by Sept. 5.

Class of 1978

A 30-year reunion is planned for Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008. For more info, contact Donna Willingham at (313) 605-0377 or e-mail western1978@att.net.

Detroit Winship School

Class of 1956
Members of the eighth grade graduating class of 1956 who are interested in planning a reunion, should call Beth Weingarden at (810) 695-7882.

Edwin Denby High School

Class of 1953
Seeking classmates for Dinner Reunion, 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, 2008 at Capital Banquet Center, 123 31 Mile Road, Warrenton, Mich. Contact Doris Burrows Firestone at (586) 266-3319, Jean Sindon Like at (586) 268-4954 or Bob Pinder, (248) 332-8028, for details.

Farmington Harrison High School

Class of 1998
A 10-year reunion will be held at Andiamo Italia's Dirty Martini Lounge, 6-10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008. Purchase advance tickets, \$55, by sending a check payable to "HHS Class of 1998" c/o K. Crites, 4105 N. Sheridan Road, Chicago, Ill. 60613. A limited number of premium priced tickets will be available after Nov. 1. No tickets at the door. Contact Kelly English Nelson at HHS1998.Reunion@hotmail.com.

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Well-educated DWF, 59, dark blonde/green, full-figured, interested in finding friendship leading to more with a WM, 30-50, to share life with. ☞283237

SPONTANEOUS WOMAN

Fun-loving, outgoing, honest, goal-oriented SF, 39, plus-sized, with herpes, would like to meet an understanding male, 28-49, for possible relationship. ☞288800

A POLISHED DIAMOND

Attractive, sexy SF, 34, seeks true gentleman. You won't be disappointed when we meet! ☞287657

A NEW BEGINNING

SF, 47, 5'4", likes action movies, swimming, dancing, plays, outdoors, just having fun. Seeking SM, 45-55, for friendship or more. ☞289151

PERSONABLE AND SPECIAL

SWF, retired, talented, fun-loving, attractive, 132lbs, 5'7", blonde, seeks well-groomed gentleman, 65+, to share life and enjoy each other's company. ☞891247

GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR?

WF, 48, 5'3", brown/brown, has pets, N/S, great sense of humor, looking for WM, 45-55, who likes dining out, museums, movies, reading and more, to do things with. ☞280581

HOMEBODY SEEKS SAME

SF, 44, 5'2", 165lbs, black hair, brown eyes, light complexion, N/D, enjoys movies, bowling, dining, plays, concerts, reading. Seeking SM, 39-51. ☞284368

VERY ATTRACTIVE

SF, 37, mother, looking for attractive, sexy, tall, dark-complexed, employed, intelligent BM, 35-40, for friendship possibly leading to LTR. ☞282115

DOWN-TO-EARTH

Asian woman, 5'2", 110lbs, slim, attractive, independent, loving, caring, enjoys movies, fine dining, travel, quiet times at home. Seeking very handsome W/AM, 47-56, N/S, clean-shaven, HW proportionate, for friendship first. ☞281229

ZOOMER SEEKS ADDED ZIP

SF, 55, passionate about life, enjoys the outdoors, good political discussions, dancing, movie. Would love to meet a man engaged in life. 63-70. ☞284371

ARE YOU THE ONE?

SF, 42, 5'1", loves long tan food, music. Looking for SM, 32-39, who is successful, financially secure, has a good head on his shoulders but also has a wild side. ☞284915

GIRL NEXT DOOR

Sugar and spice and... attractive blonde enchantress, 5'5", 50s, enjoys cooking, travel, drives, more... seeks soul-mate, call me; serious replies answered. ☞283677

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

Good looking SF, hip, intelligent, mature, spiritual, seeking a SM, 57+, 40-50, physically fit, good looking inside and out, loving, who likes traveling, for friendship first leading to LTR. ☞147858

MATURE MAN WANTED

SF, 33, 5'4", 110lbs, caramel complexion, brown eyes, short blonde hair, wears glasses. Seeking tall, muscular SM, 25-40, who enjoys bootcamps, movies, dining, water. ☞287856

ONE GOOD WOMAN LEFT

SF, 47, 5'7", full-figured, N/S, likes roller skating, canoeing, exercise, theater, travel. Seeking a gentleman, 45-70, who is healthy, fun-loving, financially secure, looks decent. ☞287305

WARM SMILE

SF, 21, N/S, looking for SM, 21-40, for friendship first, possibly more. Call me, let's talk and get to know each other! ☞287167

ONLY SERIOUS NEED REPLY

Voluptuous SF, 42, would like to meet a nice, successful SM, 35-50, who would like to become acquainted with a woman and who is ready, willing, and able to commit. ☞277603

COULD YOU BE THE ONE?

Bright, spunky, pretty SF, 47, educator, outgoing, pretty eyes, wishing to meet a kind Jewish man, 45-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. ☞230694

EARTH BABY

DWF, 52, 5'10", 130lbs, N/D/Drugs, many interests, family-oriented, honest, loyal, easygoing, optimistic, seeks friendship first, possible LTR with SD/WM, 45-60. ☞289168

SEEK SPECIAL PERSON

Romantic, fun-loving, open-minded woman, 61 years young, 5'3", seeks a man, 60-68, with the same qualities, who enjoys dancing, concerts, dining out, travel, long drives and more. ☞289125

KEEP COOL

SF, 18, 5'3", looking for cool, down-to-earth, attractive SM/WM, 18-25, who keeps it real. ☞287598

SEEKING SINCERITY

SF, 54", 120lbs, likes people, looking for down-to-earth, family-oriented SM, 40-50, with same interests. ☞286507

ARE YOU THE ONE?

SWF, 36, long brown hair, N/S, athletic build, grey, animals lover, in search of attractive, fit, funny, easygoing SM, 27-43, with no children, for dating, possible LTR with right guy. ☞286634

COULD IT BE YOU?

SF, 44, professional, hard-working, independent, enjoys church, shopping, more. Looking for a SPM, 44, employed, open-minded, warm-hearted and considerate, to share all life has to offer. ☞283988

HELLO TO THERE

SWF, 39 years young, seeks SM, who enjoys life's simple pleasures. I enjoy dining out, computers, movies, the parks, walks, travel and life in general. Friendship first. ☞241288

DOWN-TO-EARTH AND HONEST

SF, 36, 5'10", N/S, short hair, no children, looking for SM, 35-50, who enjoys festivities, travel, spending time together. ☞280950

LET'S DANCE IN THE RAIN!

Patric SF, 38, 160lbs, brown eyes, mother of two, enjoys cooking, music, church. Looking for SM, 35-75. ☞281372

GREAT-LOOKING BF..

35, seeks serious, mature, financially secure man for LTR. Call me, you won't be disappointed! ☞283172

BEAUTIFUL SF..

37, seeks SM, 30-50, who is spontaneous and knows how to have fun. Casual relationship first, maybe leading to more. ☞271853

LET'S GET TOGETHER

SF, 54, 5'8", N/S, enjoys life's simple pleasures. Seeking SB/WM, 48-62, N/S, for friendship or more. ☞282444

LOADS OF FUN

Active WF, young 50s, good sense of humor, enjoys different music, travel, dining out, dancing, more. Seeking decent, kind, honest man for indoor and outdoor activities. ☞283342

FUN & OUTGOING

SF, 18, 160lbs, brown eyes, loves walks on the beach, movies, basketball. Seeking SM, same age, for friendship or more. ☞288708

WHY NOT CALL?

SF, full-figured, seeks a SM, 37-50, for friendship, possible LTR. Call me, let's get together and get to know each other. ☞281724

COUNTRY GIRL

Good-natured, classy, attractive, fun-loving SWF, 54, platinum blonde, 5'5", HW-proportioned, enjoys travel, horseback riding, exercise, dancing. Seeking SM, 55-65, N/S, N/Drugs, for serious relationship. If you love motorcycles call me. ☞786645

LADY IN THE WOODS

SF, 60, 160lbs, brown eyes, loves walks on the beach, movies, dog lover, classy, sassy and fun, seeking compatible, outdoorsy, rugged, good-natured, male to share the good things in life. Livingston county. ☞210247

STILL SEEKING

Very cute SF, 57, 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, confident male, 45-58, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. ☞211388

NURSE

Attractive SF, 64, 5', 133lbs, dark hair, blue eyes, fair skin, looking for N/S, honest gentleman, 60-70, who has numerous interests including history, traveling, and home life. ☞408879

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countries in Africa, people with their families. It's kind of hard to imagine what they went through. Their world is so different from what any of us experience," said Raines, vice president of programs for the Erb Family Foundation in Birmingham and former executive director of The Jewish Fund.

Raines believes there is a connection between the Jewish community and Freedom House and that's why she became personally involved.

"The theme never again for the dinner parallels similarities of what the Jewish people suffered under the Holocaust and what people are currently suffering today in different parts of the world. As a Jewish person the plight of these people appeals to my sense of justice," said Raines who serves on the honorary dinner committee. "The distant relatives on my father's side there's almost nobody left, That's what happened to Jewish families, whole families that were gone. Out of 8 million Jews 6 million died. There were people who came who were turned away by our country and that's unacceptable."

Pegg Roberts is working on behalf of the residents of Freedom House to provide opportunities for a new life. The stories she hears nearly every day send chills through

Americans used to the freedoms of this country. People from Rwanda, Uganda, Zimbabwe, the Democratic Republic of the Congo have left their families behind in search of asylum. Others like the two nuns from Uganda fled religious persecution, Freedom House is the only organization in the country that provides housing, legal aid, education, language training, and job placement for people seeking asylum.

"One family we had was a mother with two sons, 7 and 11, She was from Congo where they're taking the male children and forcing them in the army so she fled, She left behind her husband and her daughters. She got asylum and is in the process of sending for them," said Roberts, Freedom House executive director. "Another woman from Uganda whose husband has been politically active in opposition of the current government they broke into her home, beat her husband beyond recognition and raped her and took her to jail for three days and raped and beat her. A friend helped smuggle her out of the country and she landed in New York. A cab driver gave her \$150 and told her to get to Freedom House. Each story is more incredible."

Roberts could go on and on about the refugee from Uganda whose father was from one tribe, his mother from another so he was safe

from neither. Originally there were 21 in his family. Now he and his son are the only ones left, Annually Freedom House provides services for over 300 people with similar stories. Last year three doctors from Uganda and Congo were accepted into medical schools and have gotten scholarships so they can begin to practice medicine here. Another man is in divinity school to become a minister and wants to share his story with people on a different level.

"You cannot even walk by Freedom House without it grabbing you and changing you forever, their courage, intelligence, compassion, They just touch your life in ways you've never been touched before," said Roberts of Royal Oak. "Many have a number of children left behind. Applying for asylum is extremely difficult and can take anywhere from six months to two years, In the meantime your family is in danger or in hiding in their home country, You have to take blood testing and DNA to prove your children are your children, Often that impacts our residents, I'm so moved by this African culture, If you see a child whose parents were murdered you pick this child up and that child is yours from that day forward. We're hoping people will become sensitized to what we do to these families, I always believe in America doing the right things, We're founded on the freedom of religion, political,

racial/tribal, sexual orientation. In Africa gay people are murdered. The theme, never again, draws light to the fact it happens every single day. We're going to be seeing more Iraqis as time goes on."

Michael George is already seeing an influx of refugees from the war-torn country of Iraq. As chairman of the Chaldean Federation of America in Farmington Hills, he is leading the resettlement effort. George is expecting more than 10,000 Iraqis to settle throughout the U.S. this year.

"Freedom House is working with us to help the refugees from Iraq for resettlement purposes in the metro area," said George. "Freedom House handles detainees and asylees, We assist in resettlement of refugees. We work together because we have a common cause. These people that are here originally came as students or came on vacation and didn't want to go back, They don't have any rights here, Freedom House feeds people, clothes them like we do. Refugees come ignorant of their rights, making a living and have no problem finding a home. Asylees try to find a permanent residence because they're illegal aliens. There's no one else to do that work. What would these people do without Freedom House?"

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by Mildred L. Culp

Your workday can be extremely grim when cuts compel others to leave. A literature on downsizing has evolved over the last ten years to tell the others what to do, whether it's to find a completely different career, take a vacation or start a business. You may fall victim to survivor's guilt.

"Government and utilities are also good bets for riding out future recessions," he adds, "although right now the competition for jobs (especially in government) is going to be intense because of people out of work in the private sector."

Take a close, hard look at these three current possibilities, where resistance to applicants may be low: health care, education and high tech. Do any of them appeal? If not today, take another gut check tomorrow. If you get to a "yes," prepare to job hunt.

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You might discover that you have a million work-related (and personal) reasons to stay put. Industries with least resistance might seem dull. You'd prefer to take your chances on a company in an industry you love rather than conduct a full-fledged job search in other industries where you could transfer your skills. Don't come to this decision lightly.

Phoenix psychologist Andrew Shatte, co-managing director of Adaptiv Learning Systems L.P., headquartered in King of Prussia, Pa., a training organization specializing in change management during downsizing, maintains that accurate thinking is the lifeblood of resilience. "We hear a lot about survivor's guilt," he explains, "but little of the sadness, anxiety, frustration, anger and even shame and embarrassment that survivors feel, which gets in the way of their rebounding. Guilt really isn't the predominant emotion. You see anxiety and frustration because of the workload."

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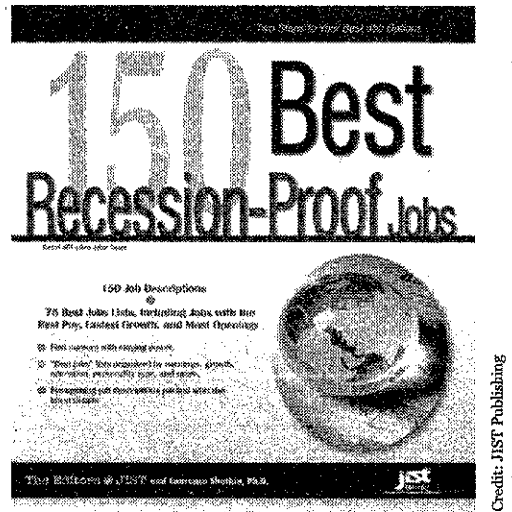
emotions as loss and anxiety to help nurture feelings of composure and self-control. Next, it brings to the surface the "large-scale belief systems which are often broken by the events of downsizing," he says. This step promotes problem-solving and the courage to embrace opportunities that evolve at work. The third and final step is countering the distance most people feel after a downsizing by reconnecting with the company.

Shatte states that, to facilitate reconnecting, think about:

- "why you joined the company;
- "the good reasons you stayed; and
- "whether you're focusing on the negative rather than positive."

He mentions that your existential crisis will fall away "if you believe that you're giving back in some fashion, such as by providing a service to your organization, community or country or by mentoring the next generation."

John Baker, founder and president of Ready Thinking L.L.C., in Eden Prairie, Minn., also a change management consulting firm, notes, "Learning why the company needed to take such drastic steps as reducing its employee base - such as freeing up capital for other business lines, reducing expenses or re-allocating resources - allows individuals to begin to move away from the paralyzing emotions of being a victim and being out of control. Then (they can) aim at helping the organization move to these aspirations. By doing



Andrew Shatte and Laurence Shatkin have a Ph.D.

this, survivors become a part of an exciting story of re-invention and renewal." Of course, for some people, the loss of colleagues only indicates that the survivors could be next.

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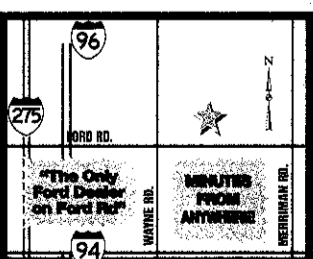
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NOTICE This is a notice that the Redford Township Cooperative Preschool has closed as of July 23, 2008. If you are owed any debt you have 30 days from this notice to contact the RTCP. Please send all request in writing to 12895 Berwyn, Redford, MI 48239. 313-536-0668

The proposed FY 2009 budget for Oakland Conservation District will be approved at 7:00 pm Sept. 24 at the District office 12451 Andersonville Road, Davisburg during the Director's meeting. Public is invited to comment. 248-328-0594

Legal & Accepting Bids
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HENRY FORD HEALTH SYSTEM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES NOVI CLINIC
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1004 David Calhoun
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1711 La-Mia Martin
2001 Ruth Huginie
2015 Donna Crawford
2019 Shaun Laird
2503 George Bocker
2523 Juliana Piner
Goods are to be sold to satisfy landlord lien. All goods will be sold to highest bidder for cash. 1-800-Mini Storage reserves the right to reject any bids and reserves the right to bid on unsold units. Contents include but are not limited to furniture, appliances, household goods, clothing, boxes & more.

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Antiques/Collectibles
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Arts & Crafts
7040

SCRAPBOOKING & STAMP SUPPLY SALE Sat, Sept 20, 10-4. St. Matthew's Church, 5885 Venoy in Westland.
Rummage Sale/ Flea Market
7080
Redford Aldersgate Church Annual Fall Rummage Sale. Sept. 20th, 9-2pm. 10000 Beech Daly, Plymouth & W. Chicago.
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REDFORD Estate Sale Sept. 16-21, 9am-4pm, 18266 MacArthur, S. of 7 Mile, E. of Inkster.

SOUTHFIELD Sept 16-20, 9am-5pm. 28604 Spring Arbor Dr. btwn Southfield & Greenfield off 12 Mile. Antiques, dishes, tools & more.

LIVONIA 87491 Myrna, N. of 5 Mile, W. of Newburgh. Sept. 18-19, 9am-3pm. Clothes, Christmas, golf, etc.

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LIVONIA MOVING SALE - 17429 Brookview Dr., 1 blk W of Middlebelt, 2 bks N of 6 Mile. Sept. 18-20, 9am-4pm. Furniture, children's toys, decorative items & household.

LIVONIA Nottingham Woods 31900 Balmoral Dr., 6 miles W of Merriman. Sept. 18-20, 9am-5pm. Antiques, glassware, primitive.

NOVI 41262 Marks Dr. btwn 8 & 9 Mile, off Meadowbrook. Household, some computer, clothing (some large size) & much misc. Thurs., 9/18, 9am-5pm & 9/19, 9am till noon.

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Tons of stuff! Starts Sept. 18, 9am-5pm, Thurs - Sat. 25099 Sullivan Lane 48375.

Garage Sales
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CANTON Multi-Subs, Cherry Hill Orchard, Stonegate, Oak Vale, S. of Cherry Hill, N. of Palmer, E. & W. of Lilley, Sept. 18-21, 9-5pm.
CANTON Multi-family! Sept. 18-20, 47232 Larchmont, Sunflower Sub., N/Ford, E/Beck. Crafts, Department 56 Dickens Village, Christmas, etc. Hallmark classic cars.
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GARDEN CITY
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PLYMOUTH 48017 Green Valley Dr., in Trailwood Sub-own. Ann Arbor Rd. & Ann Arbor Trail, Sept. 18-19, 9am-5pm. Multi-family. Lots of toys, bikes, strollers, baby items, some Lonaberger baskets.
PLYMOUTH 4741 Napier Ct., off Napier btwn Warren & Ann Arbor Rd., Sept. 18-20, 9-4. Multi-Family. Lots of good stuff at reasonable prices.

PLYMOUTH
5 Family Sale. 46522 Southview Lane, btwn Sheldon & Beck, off of Ann Arbor Trl. Sept 18-20.

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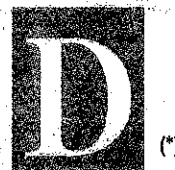




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New Homes



Sunday, September 14, 2008

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Gloria provides glorious conveniences throughout

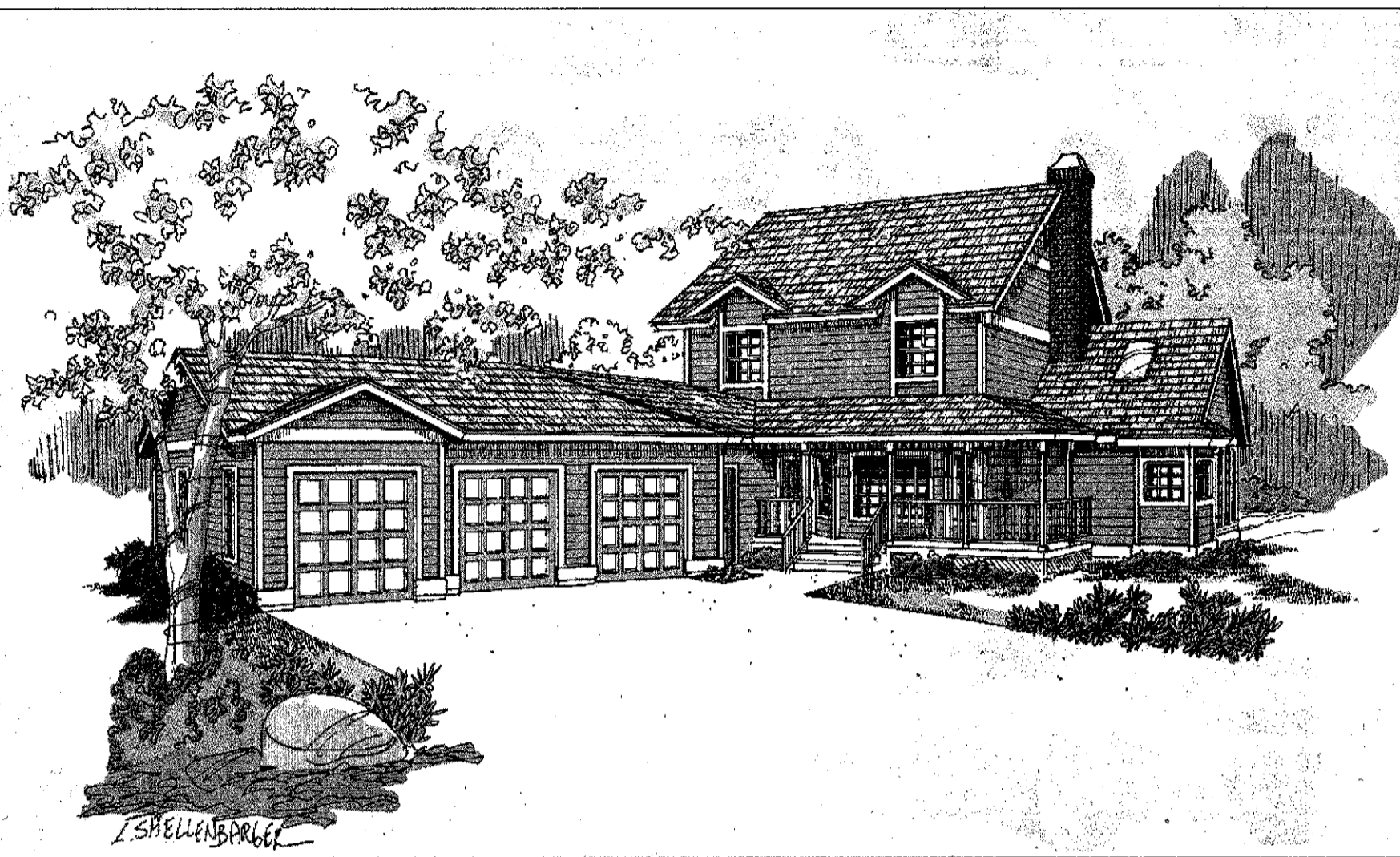
Farmhouse offers 2,170 square feet of great features

The glorious Gloria is a generously proportioned farmhouse at 2,170 square feet with many windows and pleasing features found throughout. The entry is three steps up to a covered porch, right next to the garage and parking area. A convenient service door to the three-car garage is located to the left of the front steps, with the alternate garage entry to the home just inside. The entry is convenient to the utility room, master suite and half bath.

Inside the vaulted entry of the Gloria, a curving banister leads to the open railing on the second floor. Left of the stairs is an entry into the master suite. This luxurious, vaulted space is complete with an overhead fan, sidelights on either side of a patio door leading to a private deck, and an entertainment center built in to the space under the stairs. The large walk-in closet has a window at the end and a three-piece mirrored door entry. Sinks occupy both sides of the entry to the bath area. A skylight overhead and glass block brightens the spa and double-fixture shower.

To the right of the entry is the dining room with a bay window providing the table with natural light. Further right, the kitchen is well-equipped with a double entry pantry, center island and an informal breakfast nook. A unique corner sink offers a spot for small plants or a fresh bouquet of flowers. The combined space of the kitchen and nook is bright and cheerful. In addition to a high-vaulted ceiling with skylights over the island and nook area, the rear corner is nearly all windows, including a patio door to a private deck.

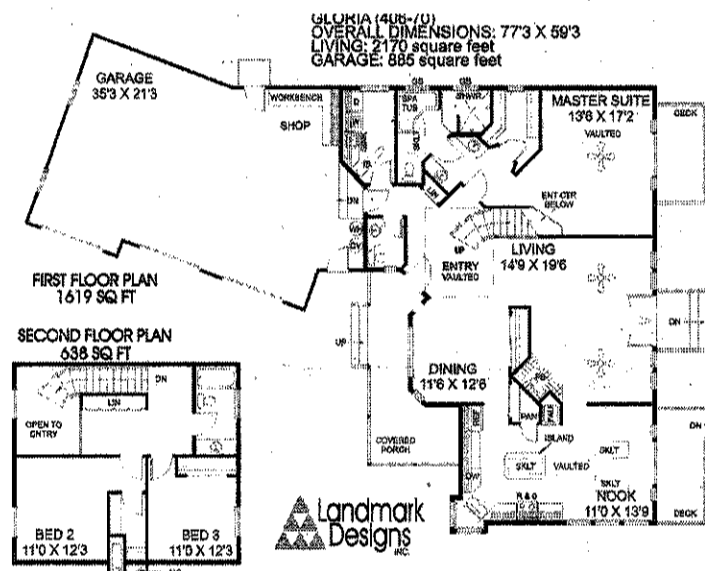
From the nook and entry, the spacious living room has overhead fans and French doors leading to a stoop and steps into the back yard.



Double windows on each side of the doors continue the abundant use of natural light, while heat comes from a pellet stove on a hearth angled toward the center of the room.

Upstairs are two bedrooms. While they are the same size, one has a wall closet and the other has a walk-in closet. This would make an ideal guest room, if needed. Against the stairwell is a large, generous linen closet with the full bath opposite.

For a study plan of the Gloria (406-70), send \$15, to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Rd., Cottage Grove, OR 97424 or call (800) 562-1151. Be sure to specify plan name and number. Compact discs, with search functions are free of charge, to help you search our portfolio for your dream home (\$5 shipping and handling will apply). Or you may order or search online at www.ldiplans.com. Save 15 percent on construction plans using the code (L0E48) online, mailing, or calling (800) 562-1151.



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Condo operation

Meisner & Associates will present "Introduction to Successful Condominium Operation," a four-week course, 7-9 p.m. Oct. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at the Bingham Farms office, 30200 Telegraph, Suite 467. The course is for those interested in serving on a board of directors of a condo, co-op or community association, as well as developers and managing agents who are assisting these boards. All attendees will receive a copy of attorney Robert Meisner's booklet, "Condominium Operation: Getting Started and Staying on the Right Track."

Advance registration is required. For registration information, call (800) 470-4433 or e-mail bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. Checks should be payable to Meisner & Associates, P.C. Cost is \$95 per person, with \$85 each for additional attendees from the same association.

New role

The Michigan Association of Realtors (MAR), a statewide trade association representing more than 26,000 real estate brokers, associate brokers and salespersons announced 2008 President Jeff Young will assume a new role with the Realtors Information Network (RIN), the National Association of Realtors (NAR) for-profit subsidiary. Young will join RIN as the new vice president of Association and Broker

Relations and Marketing. This new position will enable him to use his expertise as a broker and association leader to develop and implement several of NAR's key data initiatives including the Realtor Property Network, a national database that will include data from Michigan.

"Jeff has been and will continue to be an asset to the members of MAR," said Chief Executive Officer Bill Martin. "His keen ability to work with local leadership and to develop strategies to meet the needs of our members translates well in his role at NAR. We thank him for his contributions to MAR over the last decade and look forward to his continuing achievements." Young has served in a number of leadership positions at his local board, MAR and NAR. Up until accepting this position, he has been an owner of Woodland Realty and most recently, the vice president of Coldwell Banker Woodland Schmidt, based in Grand Haven.

"I am sincerely pleased about starting this new and exciting stage in my career. After nearly 14 years as a Realtor, I look forward to taking on new professional challenges which will allow me to contribute to the real estate industry on a broad based level," said Young. "Most importantly, I remain proudly connected to the Realtor family. I've been introduced to a number of bright, energetic and talented Realtors and association/MLS management teams from across the country and I'm thrilled to have this opportunity to represent NAR/RIN in working with these folks."

Young will be tasked with leading NAR's communication and outreach efforts to brokers, boards, and MLS's for the RPR and other RIN projects. He will also be a key part of the RIN management team, helping develop project priorities and overall strategy for all RIN initiatives.

RIN is tasked with managing the operation of Realtor.com announces a restructuring that will position RIN to add management responsibilities for the Realtors Property Network (RPR), formerly referred

to as the Gateway, and future NAR technology initiatives. NAR will be renaming RIN soon to indicate a new beginning.

Under the direction of RIN President & CEO, Bob Goldberg, and COO, Ken Burlington, RIN's restructuring from a project based organization to a more functional based approach, positions RIN to leverage the skills of its staff to the highest level, while providing the flexibility to manage Realtor.com, RPR, and future RIN initiatives with a collaborative, team-based approach.

BIA

Apartment Association of Michigan (AAM) will present an Economic Forecast And Legislative Update For The Multifamily Rental Industry on Friday, Sept. 19, from noon to 2 p.m. at PI Banquet Center, 28847 Franklin Road, Southfield. Registration and networking begin at 11 a.m.

Attendees will be provided with information on our local and national rental markets, along with a status report on state legislative issues facing the residential rental industry.

Economic Forecast keynote speaker is David Littmann of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy. Market Update speaker is Kevin Dillon of Hendricks & Partners, sponsors of the event. Legislative Update speaker is Joseph Palamara of Karoub Associates.

Registration fees are \$20 per person for AAM members and \$30 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

Apartment Association of Michigan's (AAM) Property Management Council (PMC) will sponsor a Fair Housing for Maintenance Staff seminar on Wednesday, Sept. 24, from 9 a.m. to noon at AAM Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Kathleen Mable of Ann Arbor-based Success on Site will provide fair housing information specifically geared for on-site leasing consultants. Topics include telephone tech-

niques and proper documentation, Internet and e-mail communication, leasing tour, resident communication and team building. Situations that are encountered every day will be the basis for the presentation.

Registration fees are \$69 for PMC members, \$79 for AAM or Building Industry Association members and \$99 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) and its NAHBR Professional Remodelers Council (NAHBR) will sponsor Certified Aging-in-Place (CAPS) seminars: "CAPS I: Marketing and Communication Strategies for Aging and Accessibility" on Wednesday, Oct. 1; "CAPS II: Design/Build Solutions for Aging and Accessibility" on Thursday, Oct. 2; and "CAPS III: Business Management for Building Professionals" on Friday, Oct. 3. The three seminars will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, in Farmington Hills.

Don Pratt, CAPS, CGB, CGR of Wake-Pratt Construction will teach strategies and techniques for marketing, designing and building aesthetically enriching, barrier-free living environments. To be certified as an Aging-In-Place Specialist, participants must complete all three courses and submit a graduation application to the NAHB University of Housing. Upon approval, graduates may use the CAPS designation.

This course counts toward precertification and continuing education competency for the State of Michigan.

Registration fees are \$155 per course for NAHBR members, \$200 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$250 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present "Condominium Flexibility: Cleaning Up After The Flood" on Friday, Oct. 10, from 8:30 a.m. to

noon at Association Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway in Farmington Hills.

The inherent flexibility of the Michigan Condominium Act makes it possible to reposition and reformat existing residential projects. Participants will gain an understanding of the risks and opportunities related to stepping into an existing project.

Topics include: using expansion, contraction and convertibility rights to your advantage; developer-retained rights; successor developer liabilities and rights; association administration in the stalled project; and escrow and lien issues peculiar to the Condominium Act.

Speakers for the seminar are Jim Babcock of Babcock Building, Bill Freeman of Freeman Cotton & Gleeson, P.L.C., Greg J. Gamalski of Giamarco, Mullins & Horton, PC, and Phil Seaver of Seaver Title.

Registration fees are \$10 for BIA or Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$25 for guests. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) will present Green Built™ Training on Wednesday, Oct. 15, from 9 a.m. to noon at Association Headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, in Farmington Hills.

Chris Pratt of Wake-Pratt Construction will discuss building with materials and methods that result in Green Built™ certification. Building Green offers a change from selling cost per square foot to making an environmental statement.

Topics in this training include building more energy-efficient, more durable and more environmentally sustainable homes with emphasis on indoor air quality and low impact development.

This course is required for all builder members of Green Built™ Michigan.

Cost for the training is \$65 per person. For registration information, call (248) 862-1033 or register online at www.builders.org.

Sunday PUZZLE CORNER

Challenging fun for ALL ages

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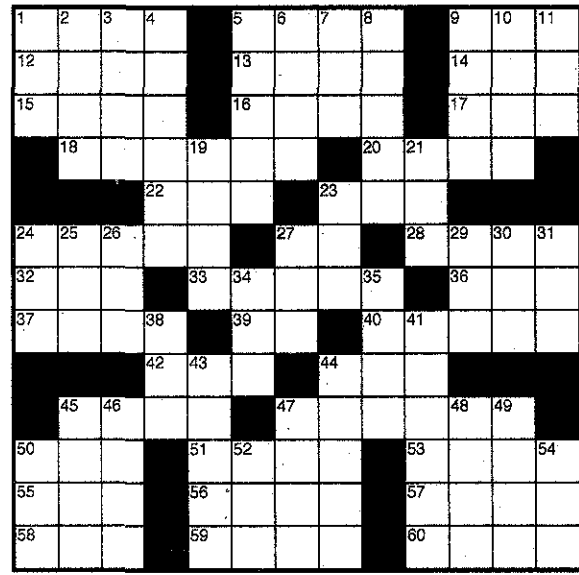
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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

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CHECK YOUR ANSWERS HERE

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Open Houses 3030

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734 W. Southfield Rd South off Maple, North of Lincoln, on W Side of Southfield Rd
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Designed by Victor Saroki in Bloomfield Hills. Over one acre in gated BOHC. Master Craftsmanship through out this European style tudor. Large Gourmet kitchen with high end appliances, butler pantry, wet bar. Living room and dining room with fireplace. Spectacular master suite. Finished lower level with wet bar, exercise room & media room. BOHC membership included. Developer to buy back on three year anniversary of closing (asking price). 4 bedrooms, 5.2 baths \$2,895,000 27138390 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

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Fabulous new construction in gated Bloomfield Open Hunt Club. Designed by Alex Bogart, built by Deneweth. First floor master wing features his & her closets, dressing room, large bath suite and private access to library. All bedrooms are suites with walk in closets. Gourmet kitchen opens to family room. Living room has private wet bar. Four car garage. BOH membership included. Developer to buy back on three year Anniversary of closing. Asking Price. 4 bedrooms, 4.2 baths 27154105 \$2,395,000 SKBK Sotheby's Int'l 248-644-7000

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Open Houses 3030

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28484 Elmwood, N. of Ford, E. of Inkster. Updated super sharp ranch, C/O, immediate occupancy. \$59,900 Paul Klebba 734-718-1611 Keller Williams

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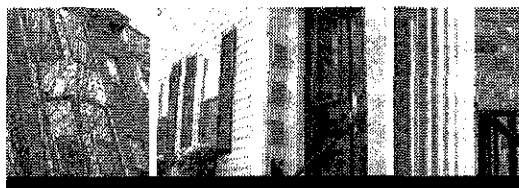
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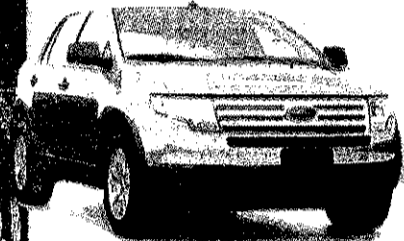


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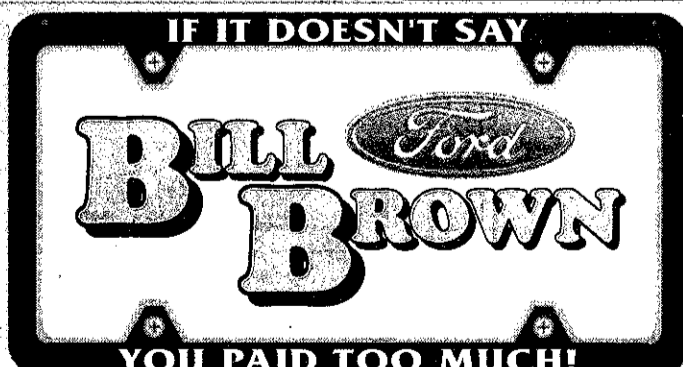
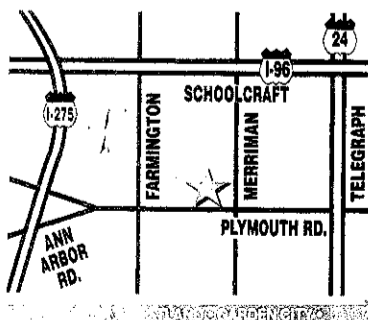
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