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Golf pro tips

Canton golf pro Tami Bealert will offer free 10-minute golf lessons during the month of May in conjunction with the 11th annual Play Golf America's PGA Free Lesson Month. Bealert is a pro at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at Napier and Ford roads.

"There are so many things that you can learn in a 10minute golf lesson," said John Spear, owner and manger of Hickory Creek. "This is a great opportunity for anyone, from the beginner to the scratch golfer, to come out and get introduced to the game of golf



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Remembering mom

Compassionate Care Hospice will be conducting a Mother's Day Remembrance from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 2. at its Canton office, located at 5820 Lilley Road. During this two-hour program, participants will create a memorial stepping stone, personalized to capture the special memory of their loved one. Materials will be provided, along with helpful resources to support the

bereaved. Contact Ann Christensen, bereavement coordinator, at (734) 983-9050 to register. There is no charge for this

Windshield art

New temporary art going up along Ford Road business corridor

BY TONY BRUSCATO OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Art is in the eye of the beholder. And you have to look no further than the Ford Road corridor in Canton Township to see 11 new pieces of art that adorn the road-

They are new sculptures in place for the next year, replacing previous pieces of temporary art along Ford Road.

"It's a one-year exhibit the Downtown Development Authority is sponsoring," said Kathleen Salla, DDA coordinator. "We work in partnership with Canton's Public Art Committee.-We like the variety of art it brings to the community."

The DDA and Public Art Committee receive suggestions from Midwest Sculpture Initiative in Blissfield, Mich., which puts out the call for artists to submit photos of their sculptures. Canton representatives then review the selections and choose which ones they want on display.

'We use a blind jury process in which all the artists are assigned a number so we don't know their names, to make for an even playing field," said Ken Thompson of Midwest Sculpture Initiative. "I'm happy to have Canton select one of my pieces. It's the first time."

Thompson's sculpture, titled "Don't Look for Profound Meaning," will be displayed along Ford Road at the Willow Creek shopping center where Marshall's is located — by the end of the week. The remaining 10 sculptures are already in place.

'In my field you need opportunity to exhibit your work, and as an artist the opportunities are few and far in between," Thompson said. "That's why I started this group a few years

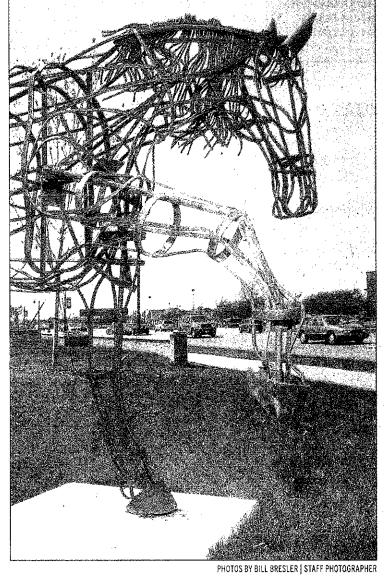
"We put the art in areas where you can drive there and, if you want, get out of your car and walk past them," he added. "Maybe we'll get some people who are curious about the art and take a closer look at it."

Salla said for \$15,000, Thompson's company will put down concrete pads, attach the sculptures, put up signs identifying the pieces and take them away in a year.

"We try not to dictate what kinds of art we want because that would limit our selection," Salla said. "Since Ford Road is primarily a retail corridor with 45 mile-perhour traffic. The sculptures must be visible from a windshield.

Salla said there are three sculptures in front of Target and Willow Creek, two at Canton Cinema 7 and New Towne Center (Kohl's) and one on the southwest corner of Ford and Lilley (Richardson's Super Drugs).

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Steel Horse, by Trevor Korns, is one of two new sculptures in front of the Canton



Super Power, by D.W. Martin, is also located in front of the Canton Cinema.

School board approves new band director

BY BRAD KADRICH OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

If the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band makes it to nationals in Indianapolis again next year, it'll be doing it under its third director in as

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Tuesday approved the hiring of David

THE ARMBRUSTER FILE

- · Who: David Armbruster · What: Director of Bands, Plymouth-Canton Schools
- · When: Takes over near the end of school year
- Info: Current director of bands, Northmont High School, Clayton, Ohio; bachelor and master's degrees, Western Michigan University; plays the trumpet in several jazz bands

new. director of bands. Armbruster accepted the position this week. When he comes to Ply-

Armbruster

as the

district's

mouth-Canton, he will be responsible for the overall band program, as well as directing both the concert and marching bands.

Armbruster replaces Martin Montoya, who led the band last year on an interim basis after former director Marc Whitlock dropped out due to a family situation. Armbruster will finish school in Ohio, be in Plymouth-Canton for rehearsals in early May, then will move to the district permanently for the last week of school.

"He's got all the qualifications we were looking for," said Ray Bihun, the district's assistant superintendent for human resources. "He's a musician himself, he's taken his groups to state finals. He was the best interview."

Armbruster has been the director of bands at Northmont High School in Clayton, Ohio, since July 2006. A Class AA high school with some 200 students in three concert bands, the school is a consistent Bands of America regional finalist and national semifinalist. In two years, Northmont's concert band program grew from 120 to more than 200 students.

He's excited for the opportunity to work with a program with the reputation Plymouth-Canton enjoys.

"I'm excited at the opportunity to work in a district and a community that so readily supports music education and the arts and the advancement of this curriculum in the school district." Armbruster said. "I definitely want to keep up the tradition of excellence that has been established and keep pushing forward."

Before moving to Northmont, Armbruster spent five years as co-director of bands at Jenison (Mich.) High School, where he served the marching, symphonic, concert and jazz bands, among other responsibilities. While at

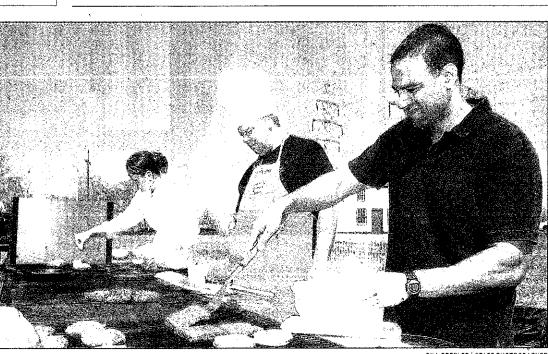
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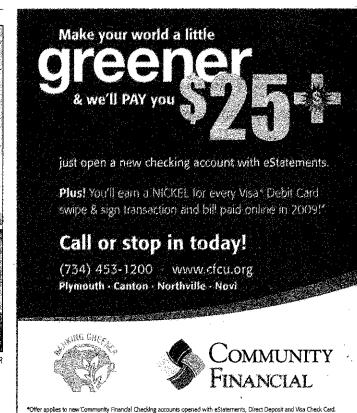




Building a better burger

Canton's first farmers market for 2009 opened with a special event, the Best Burger Blowout. Burger chefs Kelly Collins, Doug Walter and Clint Kokinasidis work the hot grill. For a story and more photos please see page A10.

BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Volunteers honored

Several Canton residents were among those recently honored by Angela Hospice. The Canton residents (and



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the amount of time they have volunteered) are Lindsay Burke (five years); JoAnn Erpelding (10 Years); Maureen Hassien

(3,500 hours); Alberta Karll (2,500 hours); Steve Sawchuk (five Years); and Carole Watson (1,000

The hospice took the opportunity to say thanks last week

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during National Volunteer Week. Hawthorne Valley Country Club in Westland hosted a dinner and awards ceremony for Angela Hospice's volunteers on April 21, where awards were presented to volunteers who had reached milestones for each five years or 500 hours of service. Erpelding received her 10-year pin.

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Volunteers assist the organization in a multitude of ways, whether providing companionship for patients, completing clerical tasks, answering phones, baking cookies and pies, or any of the other duties they embrace. Volunteers make up the heart and soul of many organizations, and Angela Hospice is no exception.



their upcoming Book and Author Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 13, at

morning correspondent and author Paula Tutman will be the featured speaker. Her first novel, Deadline! is a mystery set in Baltimore and utilizes many of the author's experiences as a crime reporter in the early 1990s. Released by the publisher last summer, Ms. Tutman has presented Deadline! at the National Press Club's Annual Book Fair and will appear next month at the Ann Arbor Book Fair and Book Expo America in New York City. For print and audio

to be published later this year. Tickets, which cost \$25, are available for purchase at any of

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excerpts, author background

and book ordering, visit dead-

linethebook.com. A sequel has been written, Deadline!

Library luncheon

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Conference will take place from 5:30-9 p.m., Monday, May 4 at Summit on the Park in Canton. If you are caring for an aging parent or spouse or if you are a member of the sandwich generation-this event is for you. Learn about giving care, finding resources and ways to cope with challenges.

Workshops will be held on the following topics: Alzheimer's & Dementia; How to Manage Stress; Legal & Financial Issues; Medicare/ Medicaid: Nutrition for Seniors; and Veteran Benefits.

The free event will also include Oakwood Hospital health screenings, vendor tables, door prizes, and giveaways, as well as free massages and refreshments. For more information, call The Senior Alliance at (734) 727-2031. Wavne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency at (313) 843-2550 x 233, or the Wayne County Senior Citizens Service at (734) 727-7357.

Adopt-A-Road clean-up

Volunteers are sought to help clean up the shoulders along Geddes Road and Beck Road on Saturday, May 2, at 9 a.m. for the Adopt-A-Road program. Picking up the trash and debris from the roadside and ditches not only makes the area look better, it also cuts down on pollution of the soil and water that occurs during runoff.

Wayne County trash bags and reflective vests will be supplied for the morning event. Call Greg Greene at (734) 855-6192 or see www. gcgreene.biz for more information and to volunteer.

Slavens coffee hour

State Rep. Dian Slavens (D-Canton) is inviting residents to share a cup of coffee and conversation with her at an upcoming coffee hour on Monday, May 4, from 9 a.m.



to 10 a.m. at the Canton Big Boy, 45250 Ford Road in Canton. "Getting input from the community about the

issues that

are important to them and their families allows me to better represent our community at the Capitol," Slavens said. "I'm eager to sit down with residents and listen to their ideas and concerns. I know that Michigan is facing tough challenges right now, and I am fighting every day to create more good-paying jobs for our workers to help get our economy back on track."

Slavens holds regular coffee hours throughout Canton, Belleville and Van Buren Township. If your business is interested in hosting a coffee hour, please call her office tollfree at (888) 347-8021 or send an e-mail to DianSlavens@ house.mi.gov.

Perennial exchange

Canton's Community **Excellence Committee** will hold its fourth annual perennial exchange in conjunction with Canton's Farmers Market on Sunday, May 3 from 9-11 a.m. at the historic Bartlett-Travis House, located at 500 N. Ridge Road. The exchange is open to everyone and is an excellent opportunity to exchange plants, meet other gardeners, and share garden designs and ideas.

In order to participate, gardeners will need to thin out their extra perennials and place them in a bag that is clearly labeled. Tables will be set up at the event to place perennials; however you do not need to bring a perennial in order to participate in the

exchange.

In addition to the exchange, Canton's Farmers Market will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will offer fresh produce, organic foods, distinctive edibles, live plants and other merchandise. To find more information about Canton's growing Farmers Market visit leisure. canton-mi.org or contact the Market Master at (734) 394-5323.

Bentley Fun Fest

Bentley Elementary, 1100 S. Sheldon Road in Canton, is having its Fun Fest on Saturday, May 2, from 11 a.m-3 p.m. The event will have activities, games and prizes for all ages, including more than 20 raffle prizes and a 50/50 raffle. There will also be a "Lock Up" area hosted by the Canton Police Department (lock up friends, teachers, or family members), as well as inflatables for the children. Refreshments will include snow cones, cotton candy, hot dogs, ice cream, and more. For more information, call (734) 646-7513.

Relay For Life Canton

The American Cancer Society Relay for Life is a unique community event that allows individuals from all walks of life to celebrate life for cancer survivors, to remember loved ones lost and to rally together as a community to fight cancer. The Canton community will hold this year's event at Heritage Park on Saturday and Sunday, May 16-17 from 10 a.m.-10 a.m.

For more information, please contact Sarah Cousineau, event chair at cantonrelay09@comcast.net or Kelsey Soper, ACS staff partner at Kelsey.soper@cancer.





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W-W chief takes voluntary wage freeze

BY SUE MASON **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

The top three administrators in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools will take a voluntary wage freeze for 2009-2010.

The wage freeze is part of several contracts, including those for Superintendent Greg Baracy and Deputy Superintendents Charlotte Sherman and Gary Martin, that were approved by the Wayne-Westland school board at its meeting Monday eve-

Baracy will continue to receive his base salary of \$176,611 for one year under the terms of a contract that will expire on June 30, 2013. In succeeding years, he will receive the same increase that members of the Wayne-Westland Central Office Administrators Association received in their contract that was approved by the board last month.

"After 12 years as superintendent, Dr. Baracy continues to exhibit a high energy level when dealing with all aspects of school district operations," said board President Martha Pitsenbarger, reading from a prepared statement. "Despite Michigan's many challenges and ailing economy, he and



found extraordinary ways to contain costs and preserve educational programs." Baracy will

continue to receive com-

pensation for having a doctoral degree, meeting merit pay goals and an additional 2 percent of his base salary quarterly in recognition of an added workload in overseeing the district bond issues and sinking fund. The district also will continue to make contributions to a retirement savings plan on his behalf and provide \$5,200 for the purchase of life insurance policy.

Baracy returned five of his paid vacation days to the district. He will now receive 37 vacation days, 12 paid holidays and three personal days each year. He also will receive the same health care package and long-term disability and life insurance benefits that WWCOAA members receive and will be reimbursed, using rates recognized by the IRS, for use of his personal vehicle for district business in excess of 50 miles.

"The give-back of vacation days and freezing wages is appropriate," he said. "It's a

sign of good will to the community and a recognition of the issues this school district is facing.

The vote came after the board gave Baracy an "outstanding evaluation" of his performance in eight areas, including curriculum and instruction, business and finance, intergovernmental relations, professional leadership and personal qualities.

Baracy's contract, as well as improvements at schools in the district, became the focal point of supporters of the district's teachers following a four-day strike who claimed his compensation was out of line with larger school districts like Plymouth-Canton's here newly hired Superintendent Craig Fiegel received a starting salary of \$195,000.

In his 12th year, Baracy is the district's longest serving superintendent. According to Pittsenbarger, the board recognized Baracy's "great leadership during these difficult

"Dr. Baracy has been very, very dedicated to the students for the 12 years he has been superintendent," she said. "We didn't ask him to take the pay freeze, he offered, showing that he is very aware of what is facing this state."

According to Baracy, both

Sherman and Martin decided to follow his lead in taking pay freezes for 2009-2010. The salaries for the two deputy superintendents will remain at

\$145,345. Trustee William Gabriel praised the work of Martin, head of Administrative and Business Services, and Sherman, who's in charge of **Educational Services.**

"I want to thank them for their service," he said. "I worked along side them ... this year and I learned a lot. They're hard workers, very dedicated workers.

The school board also approved a four-year agreement with the Wayne-Westland **Educational Secretaries** Association. According to Kelly Bohl, executive director in human resources, the salary schedule increases follow that of the teachers' agreement. Under the new contract, secretaries will work the Friday before Labor Day in make it easier for parents to register their children for school. The contract also eliminates longevity and includes "some adjustments" to co-pays for health care, Bohl said.

All of the contracts were approved by unanimously by the school board.

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Feds force Canton food company to recall products

BY TONY BRUSCATO OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Safety Inspection Service (FSIS) reports Mucci's Food Products, Inc. of Canton Township is recalling frozen meat and poultry pasta products "which are adulterated and misbranded because they were prepared without the benefit of federal inspection."

The frozen meat and poultry pasta products were produced from May 1, 2008, through April 24, 2009. Each product bears the establishment number "19177" or "P-19177" inside the USDA mark of inspection, as well as the Julian Dates of "1218" to "1149" located at the bottom of the

The frozen meat and poultry pasta products were distributed to restaurants in southeast Michigan and to brokers and distributors in California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri and Ohio.

Vince Mucci, president of Mucci's Food Products, said he was declining comment on the recall until next week.

FSIS has received no reports of illness due to consumption of these prod-

The following products are subject to the recall:

• 10-pound boxes of "Mama Mucci's Pasta. Italian Sausage & Broccolini Ravioli (egg

pasta) • 10-pound boxes of "Mama Mucci's Pasta, Tuscan Chicken Ravioli (jumbo egg pasta)"

• 10-pound boxes of "Mama Mucci's Pasta, Veal & Porcini Baci (Mama's Kisses) (egg pasta)"

• 10-pound boxes of "Mama Mucci's Pasta, Italian Sausage Baci (Mama's Kisses) (egg pasta)"

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pasta)" • 10-pound boxes of "Mama Mucci's Pasta, Papa

Joe's (Pre-cooked) Ravioli" • 3-ounce/6.75-pound boxes of "Mama Mucci's Pasta, Roasted Chicken Cannelloni, Made With

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John Glenn High School is taking the idea of being true to your school one step further by asking parents, families and supporters to "Drive one 4 UR School."

The Westland high school along with North Brothers Ford and the Ford Motor Company are sponsoring a "community launch" day 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 2, to let people take the all-new Fusion, Flex or other Ford vehicle. For each test drive, the school will receive \$25 from North Brothers Ford and Ford Motor Company. Organizers hope to

attract 300 participants and raise \$7,500 for the school.

The test drive is open to people 18 years and older who have valid driver's licenses. Only one test drive per househóld and a maximum of 300 total test drives will be eligible for the \$25 donation. The test drive course will be determined prior to the event and will need to be followed closely so that all 300 test drives can be completed within the time limit to earn the maximum donation. The money will go to the student activities fund.

"Call your student's grandparents, aunts, uncles, neighbors or anyone willing to help John Glenn High School and ask them to come in and test drive a new Ford," said Principal David Ingham in a letter to parents. "It is a great way to experience Ford's new line up and support John Glenn High School's clubs and activities at the same time."

In addition to the test drive, there also will be a pancake breakfast from 9 a.m. to noon and cookout from noon to 3 p.m. There also will be a car wash,

free sports team clinics - basketball, soccer, football, wrestling, swimming, and others - a free JROTC rock climb clinic, Gantry School Store Spirit sales, free face painting and dunk tank as well as clubs and activities displays. Students also will be able to place their class ring orders with Herff Jones.

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Stealing muscle pills

Security at Wal-Mart, 39500 Ford Road, caught an 18-year-old Garden City man Tuesday stealing muscle enhancement pills by putting the bottle down the front of his pants. The suspect told police he was "just being stupid" and thought he "could get away with stealing them." Getting caught with the \$19.78 bottle of pills resulted in a retail fraud charge against the teen.

Break in

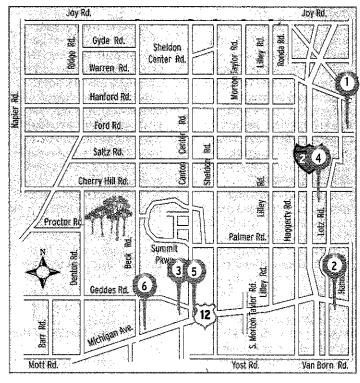
The homeowner of a residence in the 40100 block of Michigan Avenue arrived home Tuesday to find an empty six-pack of beer and an empty bottle of wine under her front porch. After looking in the refrigerator the victim discovered it was hers. A while later a man stopped at the house and said he drank the beer and wine because he heard the woman who lived in the house was dead. The man, who said he was homeless, then walked away.

Police later saw him walking and arrested him on charges of breaking and entering and burglary.

Retail fraud

A man was charged with second degree retail fraud for attempting to steal three brass knobs worth \$89.97 from Home Depot, 49500 Michigan Avenue, on Tuesday. Police say the man put the knobs in a cart, and grabbed some insulation before heading to the back of the store. He used the insulation as a shield while he put the knobs down the front of his pants. He was

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arrested after walking out the store and charged with second degree retail fraud. The suspect reportedly had two previous retail fraud charges.

Vandalism

A man who lives at 198 Magnolia Court told police he parked his car outside the building on Sunday about 1:30 a.m. and two hours later found the windshield had been broken. Two months ago, the victim said his car was keyed while parked in the same lot. He didn't want an investigation, but said he suspected his soon-to-be ex-wife, an ex-employee or a neighbor.

Cart full of beer

A beer representative told managers at Kroger,

45540 Michigan Avenue, Monday he saw a man push a cart full of beer out the door without paying. The man was long gone by the time store representatives searched the parking lot.

Stolen X-Box games

6 A 22-year-old Ypsilanti man was charged with second-degree retail fraud for stealing 15 X-Box games from Target, 47330 Michigan Avenue, Sunday. The suspect reportedly put the games in a cart and went to the shoe department where he pulled a Target bag out of his pants. He put the games in the bag and walked out the story with \$449.85 in video games. He told police he needed the money.

Woman saved from fire by neighbors, 'guardian angel'

BY TONY BRUSCATO **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Seventy-five-year-old Joanna McKay of Canton Township believes in guardian angels. And she has no doubt that one was watching over her Saturday night when - with the help of neighbors - she escaped a fire that caused extensive damage to her home.

McKay, who lives with her daughter, Angela Stratton, and two grandchildren in the 45000 block of Holmes, had returned home from a night with friends at the Purple Rose Theater in Chelsea. No one else was home, so she decided to play solitaire on her computer when the night dramatically changed.

"I was just settling down for a nice evening when the door bell rang, but nobody was there," McKay said. "I put the porch light on and went back to the computer, but I heard hissing and banging, like someone was trying to get in through the window.

"I got up and went to the telephone to call 9-1-1 and heard a loud crash of glass," she added. "The telephone was dead, so I went down the hall and through the door leading to the garage."

While McKay thought someone was breaking into her house, neighbors saw a much different picture — flames shooting out the front window and smoke billowing from the

While McKay was attempting to find her way out of a darkened garage, her next door neighbor, Howard Mishne, was sitting in the lower level of his home watching television when another neighbor pounded on the front door.

"She came over to alert us there was a fire next door, and when my wife screamed 'fire'



Howard Mishne and Ken Matthews look at the fire-damaged home, where they helped 75-year-old Joanna McKay to safety.

I was up the stairs in two seconds flat," Mishne said. "When we got outside and saw flames coming out the front window, I knew that if someone was inside they were in extreme danger.

"There was a car in the driveway and I assumed they were all inside," he added. "My neighbor, Ken Matthews, and I ran to the side door of the garage and I kicked it in. At that point smoke was billowing out and we were screaming, 'Anybody in there?'"

McKay was in the garage, but couldn't find her way out because it was pitch black.

"I got disoriented, and instead of going to the side door I ran straight into the (overhead) garage door," McKay said. "I heard someone yell, 'Is anyone in there?' and it was Howard. The sensor lights (at the side door) went on and I could see his silhouette and found my way to him. He was my lifeline."

Mishne had taken a few steps inside the garage and held out his hand. When the two connected, he led McKay to safety.

"When I got outside, there was a slew of people," said McKay, who escaped with her bichon frise dog, Sammy. "My great niece died 14 years ago, and like a guardian angel I believe she rang the doorbell to distract me from the fire."

McKay, who wasn't seriously injured, was taken to a hospital by family members as a precaution.

'We were only moments away from not having a good outcome," Canton Township Fire Chief Mike Rorabacher said. "She was in the garage where there was smoke, no electricity for the lights and she couldn't find her way out.

"We know it was some kind of electrical device that started the fire," he added. "There was a TV and a space heater in the room, but we're not sure which one it was. We do know it wasn't the house wiring."

Oddly enough, Mishne is an insurance adjuster who has handled hundreds of fire claims.

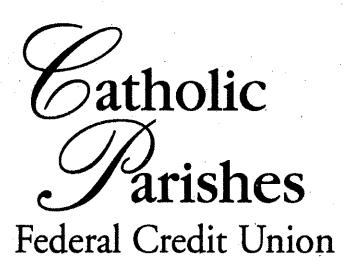
"I've seen the aftermath and where people have died (in fires)," Mishne said. "I couldn't have it happen to my neighbors."

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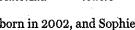
Tell us in 100 words or less why you want to have lunch with the Fox 2 personalities at Buddy's Pizza in Farmington Hills. E-mail your entry to BuddysDiningStars@gmail. com by 5 p.m. Thursday, May

The contest winner will be treated to a limo ride from Class Plus Limo, a makeover courtesy of Christine from the Beauty Salon in Birmingham, a \$100 gift certificate from Reaver Diamond Co. in Southfield and a dance exhibition by the Fred Astaire Dance Studio in Bloomfield Hills.

In addition to her weekend role, Centofanti is also the Fox 2 Health Works editor. She joined WJBK FOX 2 in April 1997.

Centofanti balances a busy life as a journalist and mother. She and husband, Keith, are parents to three children: son Casey, born in 1999, daughter Ellie,





born in 2002, and Sophie, born in 2005.

Towers joined the Fox 2 weekend family as a features reporter. He was named co-anchor earlier this year.

"I love my time with my TV family Deena and Justin (Ryan, meteorologist)," said Towers, who spends his free time at the movies and with his daughter, 6.

When not working weekends at Fox 2, Towers hosts mornings at 97.1 The Ticket on the Jay & Bill show.

Buddy's Pizza will make a donation to the Ronald McDonald House in recognition of this month's "dining stars."

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Taxpayers responsible for knowing when tax is due

Each week, Wayne County Treasurer Raymond J. Wojtowicz will be using this column as a regular forum to inform you about the tax process and to answer the questions most frequently asked about property taxes.

Always remember that your property is your most precious asset. Do not risk losing it for nonpayment of property taxes. If in doubt, ask questions.

Important Tax Information about Real Property:

Know when tax bills are due and to whom they are payable. Do not assume that the seller will pay the taxes in the year of sale. If you do not receive a summer and/or winter tax bill, call the city, township or village treasurer where the property is located and request a tax bill. At the same time, check to make sure the treasurer has your correct mailing name and address. Do not send a check in the mail and assume that the check reached the treasurer.

Q: My bill has someone



Treasurer

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else's name on it, what should I do? A: First

make sure it is your bill, i.e. check the permanent parcel number and legal description. If it is your bill, most likely there has been a recent

ownership change and the taxpayer information hasn't been updated. If this is the case, you may pay on the bill you received. Contact your local assessor's office and make sure there is a Transfer Affidavit on file. Again, please note it is the taxpayer's responsibility to pay the taxes by the due date. For further assistance, call Tax Information at (313) 224-5990.

Q: If I can't pay my tax bill on time will it affect my credit rating?

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Q: Why do I have interest and penalty on my delinquent taxes?

A: By State law, interest and penalty result when real property taxes are paid late. In order to avoid interest and penalty being added to your taxes, pay current taxes before the last day in February.

Q: I did not receive a current property tax bill. Will the county waive the interest and penalty on my delinquent taxes?

A: Failure to receive a tax bill will not waive interest and penalty. There is no provision for waiving delinquent interest and penalty. State law holds the taxpayer responsible to know that taxes are paid on time (whether or not taxpaver has received a tax bill).

Contact your local treasurer if you do not receive your cur-. rent tax bills. The summer bill is mailed in July and the winter bill is mailed in December. The deadline to pay current taxes is the last day in February.



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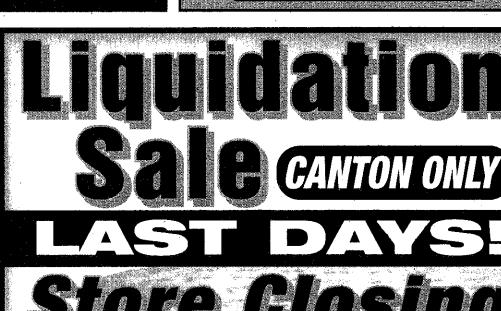
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Alum helps Wayne High students reach goals

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Zeb Hancock says the \$200 he could earn if he meets his academic goal this semester isn't what's motivating him to improve his grade point aver-

"I think it's about what it means to meet my goal," said Hancock. "I know I'm doing better overall."

"He's a new man," said teacher Tom Morgan. "A senior at Wayne Memorial High School, Hancock is among 80 students who have signed contracts saying they will meet their academic goal - a grade point average they selected - by the end of the semester as part of the Helppie Family Charitable Foundation's Champion Program.

The program is the idea of school psychologist Bill Gray, who with the help of Principal Valerie Orr, got a "big bad trophy" and worked with students to get their names on it. The students also hooked up with adult "champions" to help them succeed.

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"I found kids tend to set high goals, to sustain it is hard work," said Gray. "The essence of the whole thing is hard work."

That's where Richard Helppie, managing partner of the Vineyard Capital Group and a Wayne Memorial Distinguished Alumni, came in, providing the financial incentive for the students to meet their goals. The foundation focuses on medical and educationally challenged children.

Helppie met with students recently to hear their success stories and to encourage them to succeed.

"It's not where you start or where you end, it's what you do in between," he said. "Success

comes a lot less frequently than failures. If you have a goal, make it a good goal and don't let anyone talk you out

"The hardest part of life is achieving your goal. You have to be motivated to go to the next level," he said.

Hancock can relate. He didn't like the feeling of being a failure and when chosen for the program, he made a commitment.

"I don't want to let Mr. Morgan down, I made a commitment to be part of something," he said.

And he is.

Hancock has turned failing grades into five A's and one B and he's now talking about playing basketball at the college level.

"I don't feel I've done a lot," Morgan of Hancock's turnaround. "I talk to him weekly. He's doing much better overall."



Former Wayne Memorial graduate Richard Helppie is greeted by junior Taylor LeBlanc before gathering with students in the Champion's Program. With him is Principal Val Orr and Wayne-Westland School Supt. Greg Baracy.

'PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER'

Hancock's success is mirrored in other students like junior Breanne Blair who was in the first semester of the program. She has improved her grade point average from 2.0 to 3.6.

"It wasn't so much about me, but about being part of something bigger and not doing anything," she said.

Annie James admits there are times when she's wanted to get down on herself and give up, but hasn't given in to the temptation.

"I tell myself that no matter what happens, I have to keep working," she said.

One hundred students were

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selected for the second semester to compete for the award, including some 30 students, like Blair, who successfully completed their first-semester goals. The students have to have a "champion," an adult who works at the high school, to advocate for them. Their goal is created by their advocate and Bill Gray or social worker Kelly Hayes. Once accepted in the program, they have to complete a contract and have it signed by their parents and champion.

Students who achieve their goals will have their name engraved on the four-foot tall trophy. They also will receive

a framed photograph of themselves with the trophy and a check for \$200.

According to Gray, the program has altered relationships between adults and students in the school and has every student in the building wanting to be in it. Students in the program serve as a behavior and academic role model for their classmates, so much so that parents are requesting that their child be enrolled in the program, he said.

"The \$200 isn't the reason they're participating," Gray added. "Most don't care about the money, they care about the trophy."

The foundation has provided \$9,000 a semester for the program, however, Helppie said that based on its success, more money will be added.

In talking with students, Helppie asked them, "What do you do if you don't make your goal?" There was no hesitation in their response: "Try again."

"I never need much, but there were people who wanted to help me, and that's what I

want to do," Helppie said. Superintendent Greg Baracy praised Helppie for his commitment to Wayne Memorial.

"Mr. Helppie is an extraordinary man, he's a genuine individual who has not forgotten where he came from and is willing to share his inspiration and hope with others," he said. "He's genuinely appreciated by the students, the administration and the school board for what he is doing."

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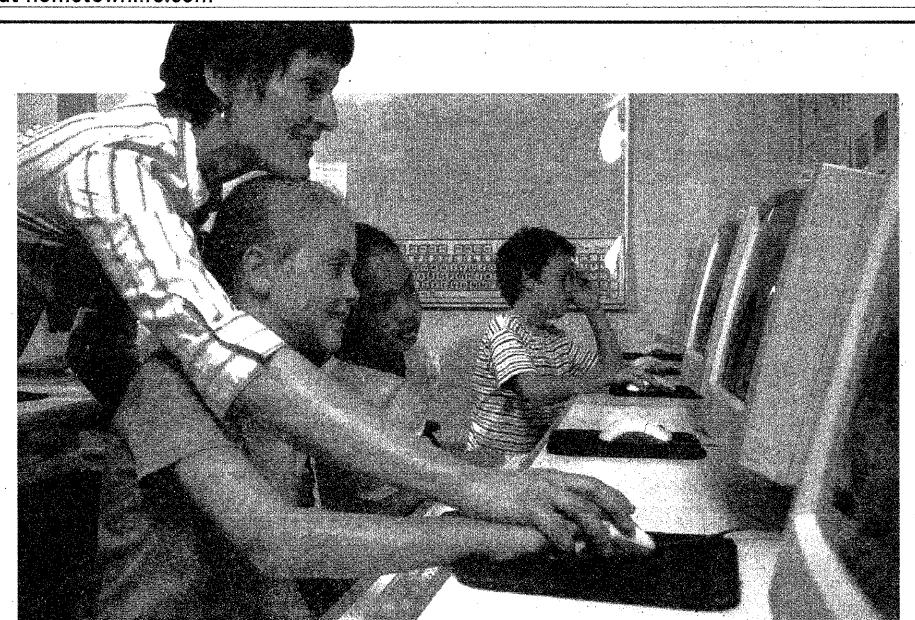
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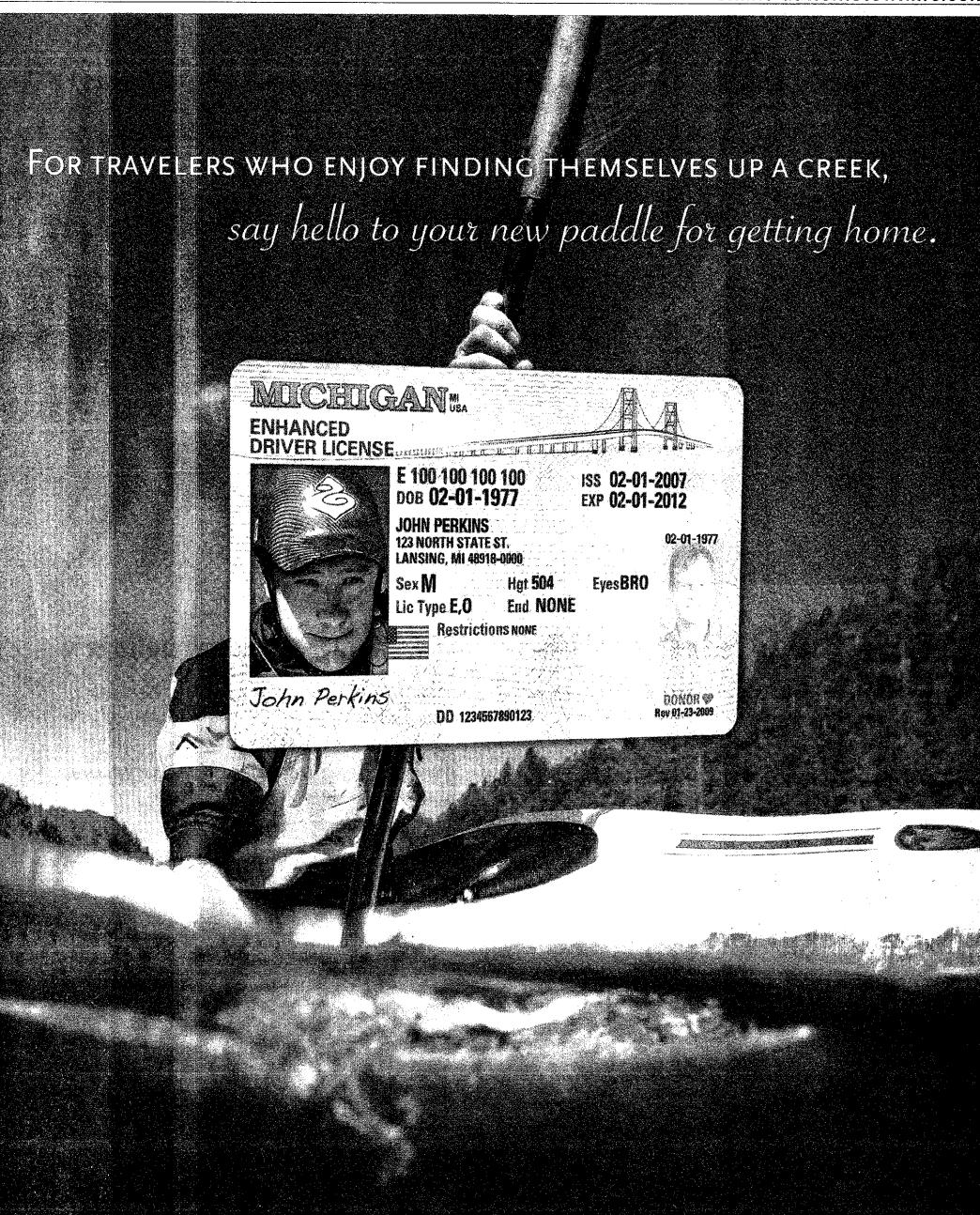
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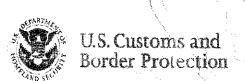
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"the word" is with a series of speakers highlighting the fair, which runs Friday-Sunday. Sponsored by Ford Motor

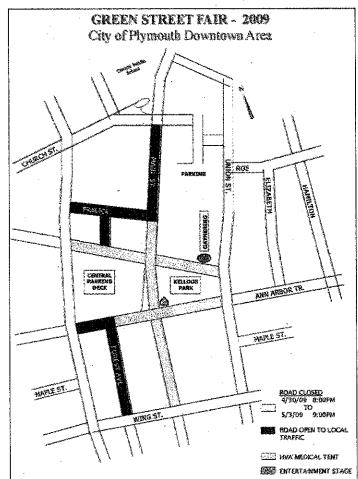
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"Any event where you can put the general public, who has questions, face-to-face with someone like (Majeske), it's a great thing," said Green Street Fair organizer Raychel Rork. "People are going to be able to talk to her and find out exactly what Ford is doing."

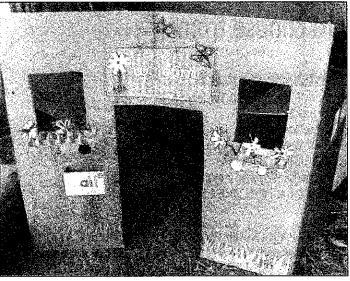
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"What Really is Green Transportation," Carrie Majeske, manager of Sustainability Strategies, Ford Motor Co.; 12:30 p.m., "The ABC's of Greening Your Family," Jennifer Noonan, author, We Can All Live Green; 1 p.m., "Sustainability & the Green Industry/Rain

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• Saturday, May 2 — 10:30 a.m., "Are Household Cleaners Creating a Toxic Soup?" Kevin Riley, Wow Green; 11 a.m., "The ABC's of Greening Your



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Family," Jennifer Noonan, author, We Can All Live Green; 11:30 a.m., "A Chef's Garden: A Professional Cook's Guide to Amateur Gardening," Steve Simpson, Art Institute of Michigan; noon, "The Green Path — Steps To Saving Energy Economically," Dave Congdon, Mechanical Energy Systems; 12:30 p.m., "Sustainable Hardscape Products/Eco-Friendly Lawn

Care," Jeremy Christensen, Michigan Landscape Design Services, and Rick Lazzell, Ecoscape Environmental Design; 1 p.m., "Greening Your Wallet and the Planet," Jennifer Noonan, author, We Can All Live Green.

• Sunday, May 3 — 10 a.m., 'Special Events Recycling," Roger Cargill, Schupan Recycling; 10:30 a.m., "Green Crafting for the Whole

Family," Lish Dorset, co-founder, Handmade Detroit; 11 a.m., "Greening Your Wallet and the Planet," Jennifer Noon, author, We Can All Live Green; 11:30 a.m., "Tips for Organic Vegetable Gardening," Nancy Szerlag, The Detroit News; 12:30 p.m., "Right Plant-Right Place/Low Maintenance Landscaping," Jeremy Christensen, Michigan Landscape Design Services, and Rick Lazzell, **Ecoscape Environmental** Design.

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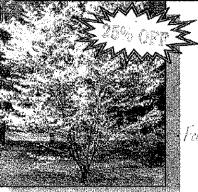
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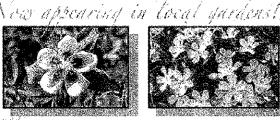
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Open for business

Farmer's market makes season debut with plenty to choose from

BY TONY BRUSCATO OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Canton Farmer's Market opened a new season on Sunday, featuring plenty of locally grown produce and other wares from local vendors. It also opened with a special event, the Best Burger

Jane Sauchak visits the Canton Farmer's Market several times a month because it's only a short walk from her Cherry Hill Village home.

"I come here twice a month, sometimes three times, because I can walk here and I can buy local produce," Sauchak said. "That's why I really come here, for the produce. I want to support my community.

"And, I like the fact it's on Sunday and doesn't interfere with other farm markets on Saturdays," she said. "There's

something different every week." Sheila Jager of Belleville has been selling her aromatherapy

CANTON FARMER'S MARKET

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candles at the Canton Farmer's Market the past three years.

"I've always had a nice profit coming here," said Jager. "It's laid back and people understand the difference between chemical candles and candles made from plants. I'm happy

The market is on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. through Oct. 25 at the Bartlett-Travis House, 500 N. Ridge Road at Cherry Hill Road in Cherry Hill Village. For information visit leisure.canton-mi.org or call (734) 394-5460.

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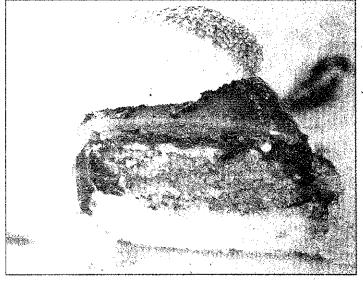


LOCAL NEWS

Jessica McGowan, of Kapnick Orchards, offers apples, cider and baked goods.



After the competition ended, David McGrath sampled one of the burgers judged by his dad, David McGrath. Unfortunately, this piece of burger belongs to sister Samantha McGrath, and she reaches to take it back.



This burger was cooked by Kelly Collins, who cooks at Five Restaurant at the Inn at St. Johns and is a culinary arts student at Schoolcraft College. Her burger features onions sauteed with wine, roasted sweet red pepper, and sesame buns custom-made at Holiday Market. Her burger placed in the top three, so she'll compete at the Liberty Festival.



Carrie Dichiaro and 2-year-old son Ayden, look at honeycomb, sold by Bob Jastrzebski of the Canton-based Bobilin Honey.

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Annual Bookstock brings out the bargain hunters

Jodi Goodman, one of three co-chairs of Bookstock, said she can tell attendance is up this year at the annual used book and media sale going on through Sunday at Laurel Park Place, Livonia.

"I haven't had time to shop myself," she said. "It's bad for me, good for the sale."

The weeklong sale benefits about a dozen literacy and education programs in metropolitan Detroit, raising more than \$350,000 in the six years since its inception.

grandson Tyler Tarcha.

But there are still plenty of books and other media materials to choose from, Goodman said.

"We're still restocking," she said, adding that the economy may be one reason attendance is up. "I think people are looking for value in everything they do." Diana and Jim Tarcha of Livonia found a stack of children's books for 3-year-old

"The price is right!" Jim said. Everything will be half off Bookstock prices on Sunday, the last day of the sale,

Goodman said. Sale hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.

Laurel Park Place is at Six Mile and Newburgh, east of 1-275. For more information, call (248) 645-7840, Ext. 365, or visit www.bookstock.info.

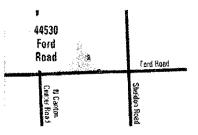


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Storyteller crafts tales of 'strength,' value DIRECTOR

OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Storyteller Debra Christian is a firm believer in her craft.

"I will tell a story until I can't breathe anymore," the Plymouth Township resident said. "It's that connection and humanity that people need."

Christian is a speech and language pathologist at Douglas Elementary in the Garden City schools. The mother of sons ages 23 and 24 has been storytelling for 23 years, and is glad she could share stories with her children at school and Boy Scouts.

Christian, the speaker for the Plymouth-Canton branch, American Association of University Women luncheon April 25, began telling stories at work. She found children responded.

"I realized there was more than just an educational value." said Christian, just back from Kalamazoo, where she spoke at the state PTA Conference. That group's theme was "Together We Are Stronger."

"I told stories about strength," said Christian, who finds her craft the perfect vehicle to teach.

At her AAUW program at Karl's Cabin, she began with



Christian

trip years ago to Morocco in Africa with a girlfriend. 'I was really excited," she

said. "We took a ship across the Straits of

Gilbraltar."

They went to Fez, traveling through the Sahara which wasn't flat as she imagined. "There were a lot of hills," Christian said.

She became ill, and needed a Coca-Cola to settle her stomach. She ended up with the local mint tea - and more than she bargained for in the appearance of a handsome man.

"I thought that it was Omar Sharif," she recalled. "My stomachache went away."

Abdul turned out to be a government agent assigned to travel with them. He was solicitous and got them settled in at their hotel, then asked her out.

"I did make it back to the room by 10 o'clock," said Christian, who'd left her passport behind with instructions to contact the U.S. Embassy if necessary.

Each day in Morocco got better with the two spending time together. Christian described the medina, marketplace, which was big. "You could get lost in there," she

She rode a camel, and was in Tangiers her final day where Abdul arranged a private tour of the Malcolm Forbes estate. He'd lavishly filled their hotel room with flowers and gifts.

Abdul told her he had both bad and good news, the bad that he was leaving: "The good news is I still have 30 minutes," she told her laughing audience. "That's a whole other

More recently, Christian took the 21-hour flight to Cambodia in Asia. "I was again going into a culture I didn't really have time to research," she said. From Phnom Penh she and her friend traveled into the jungle, where they needed to traverse a challenging course.

"I'm looking at this mile, thinking I don't know," she remembered. "I'm not 23 any-

They managed the trek, and a group of Japanese tourists took their photo to record the accomplishment. "We spent the whole day at the temples," said Christian, who also saw Vietnam on that trip.

In Vietnam, she visited silk

markets and wanted a blouse made. There was a big sports event on, and the local women didn't want to sew that night.

At 11:30 p.m. her hotel phone rang, and the blouse

was delivered to the lobby.
"Very good for big woman," the
merchant said. "Very good."

Christian also rode in a rickshaw pushed from behind by a bicyclist: "If I die, tell my sons I love them," were her words at the time.

She also told of trips to Poland, to a church said to heal people. Her first trip was with a Jewish friend who wanted to see the Black Madonna. She briefed him and asked what he thought when they came out.

"He said You never told me to look up."

The second time at the Polish church with a girlfriend was a Holy Day, and the atmosphere was like a carnival.

On that trip, a woman was bleeding from her face and bruised. "I was able to determine her husband had beat her. All of those people and not one stopped to help this woman."

Christian helped to wipe her face with tissue and talked as best she could with the language barrier. She doesn't know what happened after the

woman left: "But I've never forgotten her."

Great stories come from home, too. Last fall, she had a kindergarten student who reached her heart. "I've been all over the world but sometimes it really hits when you're home."

The boy said he missed his grandma. "She's in heaven. Do you know how to get there?" He said travel is in an airplane flown by angels.

The boy told Christian she couldn't get to heaven just yet: "No, not now, because once you go you can't come back. It's out of the mouths of babes."

AAUW members and guests were glad to be at the Saturday program, which originated from President Jan Blumberg, principal of Henry Ruff Elementary in the Garden City district and Plymouth-Canton AAUW president.

"Jan knows Debra from Garden City schools," said Dawn Parker of Canton, program chair and a second-grade teacher at Hoben Elementary in the Plymouth-Canton district. "It's very nice she agreed to be here.

"She is a busy woman," Parker said in her introduction. "It was so nice of her to come."

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Jenison, all concert and jazz bands received Division 1 ratings at district and state band festivals.

Armbruster, who holds bachelor and master's degrees in music education from Western Michigan University, has been an adjudicator for the Michigan Scholastic Marching Band circuit and the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association.

He is the lead trumpet for the Sinclair Jazz Orchestra and also plays trumpet for the Bob Gray Jazz Orchestra.

Armbruster, whose sister was a student here and whose parents were band boosters, was offered the Plymouth-Canton job at the end of a second search process, which included internal applicants Montoya and Amy Boerma. Boerma has since been placed on administrative leave pending reassignment. Bihun wouldn't comment on why Montoya was not selected.

The first search process ended with former P-CEP band director David McGrath at the head of the list. McGrath. who led the P-CEP band to the national championship in 1999, withdrew at the last minute.

Ironically, McGrath was the band director when Armbruster was a student at

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OUR VIEWS

Food donors prove hearts are huge

In this awful economy, with more bad news piling up day after day, foreclosures coming one after the other, and jobs being lost in record-setting numbers, families are often left wondering where their next meals are going to come from.

A couple of weeks ago, the Plymouth Salvation Army, an organization dedicated to helping just such fami-

lies, had to be wonder- in less than a week, ing the same thing.

The pantry, a staple in the fight against hunger, was down to everything from some 25 bags - less than a week's worth based on the 106 fam- paper. It's been a ilies the Salvation time of networking Army - which serves Plymouth, Northville, Canton and Belleville and, according to - had helped in March alone. It got so bad staffers had to hit the staffer, "an answer to grocery store with an a prayer." unbudgeted amount of money to shop for

the pantry shelves were brimming with tuna fish to toilet and reaching out one Salvation Army

basics just to get by. They needn't have worried, though.

Once word got out the need was there, the people, corporations and civic groups responded - as they always do. The phone started ringing. The money poured in. The food donations came in by the grocery cartfull.

In less than a week, the pantry shelves were brimming with everything from tuna fish to toilet paper. It's been a time of networking and reaching out and, according to one Salvation Army staffer, "an answer to a

"I walked into the food pantry (after the donations) and was just overwhelmed to see all the food," Laurie Aren, the Salvation Army's director of Family and Community Ministries who said she's been a part of the Salvation Army for five generations, said in a note to the Observer. "The need is so great and with summer coming, it's going to continue to be great. It's humbling for me to be part of such a community."

There are a couple of ways to help: Bring in some food or drop off a check (they take cash, too). And the fact the Salvation Army got past this crisis doesn't mean there won't be another one.

The need is rising - In the first three months of 2009, the Salvation Army serviced 273 families, hitting a high point in March by seeing 106. That's more than triple what they saw two years ago (31 in March 2007).

Didn't help out during the recent pinch? You get another chance Saturday, May 9, when postal carriers in Plymouth and Canton conduct their annual food drive. Donors can simply leave food donations on their porches, and postal carriers - who in our area have added "hunger" to the list of things (rain, sleet, snow nor dark of night) to the things that won't keep them from their appointed rounds - will do the rest.

Considering the postal carriers brought in nearly 19,000 pounds from generous donors last year, the Salvation Army's food pantry should be in great shape.

There's no dollar figure available for how much help poured in in such a short time, but the folks at the Salvation Army don't figure that stuff in dollars and cents anyway. Their success is rooted in the size of the community's heart, something the folks around here continue to prove can't really be measured at all.

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COMMUNITY VOICE

Asked at the Summit at the Park in Canton: What are you looking forward to as summer nears?



"Ice cream, any kind."

Jennifer Alberts, 30, Westland



"Having a beer. It's the warm weather, sitting out on the deck, which reminds me of summer."

Jessica Mutschler, 27, Canton



"Play a little golf. It's very relaxing."

Hassan Eirada, 59, Canton



"Being on the boat in the lake and jet skiing, feeling the warm weather."

Farah Abdulahad, 22, Northville

Listen to students

I, along with several of my peers, greatly disagree with the forced administrative leave of Amy Boerma. I was in her concert band class last year, and I can truly say she deeply cared about all her students and only ever did what was best for them. Her record is beyond what should be required of a director at Plymouth-Canton. She has received straight one's at festival for 14 straight years. However, her scores alone are not what made Mrs. Boerma a great director. She also has a true passion for music, and loves to help those who wish to be good at it. She made class fun, and exciting, as well as educational.

I do not see what is wrong with her. The school board has ignored all letters, e-mails, and speeches by parents and students alike, not only on the Mrs. Boerma issue, but the issue of the possible re-hiring of Mr. Montova, as well. It seems as though they do not care what the students - the ones who have direct interaction with these people — think or who they would want to be their director.

Paul Shanks Class of 2010

Canton

I was a graduate of Canton High School in 1997 and was a drum major of the marching band. I was even a teaching assistant for Amy Boerma my last year of high school so I got to work with her extensively. She was new on the job, but I feel like I got to know her very well in the two years we had together. She would always be there to give me advice about anything or come to my aide when I was having difficulties. I will never forget the time I was getting picked on at school and she came to my side and helped me stick up for myself. My sister also played under her all through high school, and never once complained about Mrs. Boerma's behavior. She is a good soul and I know always had the students best interest at

Boerma's a good soul

Since graduating, I have gone on to become a professional musician, serving in one of the top military bands, the US Army Field Band. I have received both Undergraduate and Master's degrees and won international music competitions. None of my successes would have been possible without the influence and direction of my teachers - and Amy Boerma is certainly no exception. I am deeply saddened by the news of her removal and I hope superintendent knows the quality of person he is removing from on of the top high school music programs in the country.

Sgt. Christopher Blossom Columbia, MD

Decision was wrong

First off, the article on the Observer Web site about our former director, Amy Boerma, is incorrect. It states that her return for the 09-10 school year is pending. The school board plus Julie Kaminski, the PCEP Music Department Chair, both said that she was not coming back, ever. Whatever they're telling you is most likely a lie. When all of us students went to the last meeting on Tuesday, they hardly addressed any of our questions/statements. They didn't tell us anything we didn't already know. Just the usual "This was such a hard decision to make" crap. Mrs. Boerma is a wonderful teacher and her reasons of being booted are wrong. She was like a mother to all of us. Some hot-headed student just had to call her an inappropriate name. Many students have regretted ever reporting anything bad about her. That's all I have to say.

> **Nathan Kolin** PCEP band member

What do you think?

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Remember migratory birds

Because of my work with wetlands wildlife habitat I've had the opportunity to research issues regarding migratory bird paths and obstructions to them. In Texas there's much concern about the use of wind vanes in the redhead duck nesting and migratory areas. Some wind vanes were put up only to discover later that they pose obstacles to the birds' natural migratory and nesting patterns.

If Canton could include language in the wind vanes (turbines) ordinance that prohibits the siting of any wind vanes in any bird migratory paths now, that would save Canton a "big Texas-sized headache" up the road

Kathy Brown

Another football team needed

After hearing about the Detroit Lions getting a new team logo, I started wondering why we haven't added a new logo in Plymouth-Canton? We need another kids recreation football team like there is no tomorrow! Our school district has grown leaps and bounds over the past 30 years. We even have three high schools now, but still only two kids football teams. Two football teams that have waiting lists that are completely unattainable, unless you "know someone" that is.

So what is a parent to do when you have a son that gets great grades, goes to Sunday school every week, is very athletic, plays many other sports and just wants a chance to try football? You get frustration as a parent and complete disappointment as an elementary school kid. Isn't it time that someone started another football league in Plymouth-Canton so that more kids have an opportunity to play? Enough with the politics, these are kids.

Jill Engel Canton

Michigan must go green

The Second Annual Green Street Fair is set to kick off on Friday, May 1. This three-day event in downtown Plymouth is an excellent opportunity for residents of all ages to learn about the benefits of green, organic and ecofriendly products and services. The Green Street Fair gives us the opportunity to not only pass on a healthy state and planet to our kids, but an opportunity to turn our economy around.

We are facing two very serious challenges here in Michigan — an economic crisis that has devastated our state, and an unsustainable lifestyle that is threatening to leave our children a world in far worse condition than the one we inherited. By embracing a more greenfriendly lifestyle and promoting renewable energy and sustainable business practices, we can help revive our economy, create good-paying jobs and protect our natural resources all at the same time.

In the midst of a deepening economic crisis and continued destruction of our natural resources, it is clear that we must pursue aggressive strategies to preserve our way of life and our planet, as well as boost our economy. Getting our workers back on the job is all about finding sectors in the economy that are ready to grow and create employment opportunities, and the renewable energy industry is one area that is ready to provide both resources and jobs.

As your State Representative, I'm committed to passing legislation that will create good-paying jobs while leaving a cleaner, more sustainable world for our children. The most effective way we can do this is by working to diversify Michigan's manufacturing-based economy by fostering our renewable energy industry.

We've already taken major steps toward establishing a greener future. Last year, Michigan enacted a renewable portfolio standard, which requires 10 percent of the state's energy to come from renewable resources by 2015. This year, my colleagues and I expanded tax incentives to businesses involved in the production of advanced battery technologies, such as those found in hybrid and electric vehicles like the new Chevy Volt. The \$555 million in tax credits will help solidify Michigan's place as a leader in this new technology and create jobs for our hard-working residents. It is expected that the initial tax credits alone will create tens of thousands of jobs and inject about \$18 billion into Michigan's economy by 2020.

These tax breaks are already paying off. Four companies recently announced plans to invest more than \$1.7 billion to launch high-tech battery manufacturing facilities in Michigan and create more than 6,600 jobs.

While the daily news reports over the past few months have been saturated with our state's bleak economic situation, there are some positive developments that are starting to take hold in Michigan and events like the Green Street Fair gives us the opportunity to see some of things many of our local businesses are doing to grow our economy and preserve our planet. I encourage everyone to get out this weekend and enjoy the green festivities as a way of helping make Michigan a leader in the green revolution.

state Rep. Marc Corriveau Northville

Boerma should stay

What is the school district administration thinking by reassigning music teacher Amy Boerma? My daughter is currently a student in the Wind Ensemble at Plymouth Canton Educational Park. She went from having an award winning music teacher to having a "minimally qualified" substitute teacher. I can't imagine Mrs. Boerma capable of any infraction that would warrant her reassignment at such a crucial period in the school year.

Mrs. Boerma not only provides quality music instruction for students within her classes, she also provides support and stability to all students in the entire music program. She is a teacher who is genuinely concerned about and dedicated to her students. She challenges and encourages her students to reach their full potential. Many former students have pursued music as a career because of her enthusiasm for the arts.

My daughter and many other students now want to drop out of the music program at the Park. What explanation could you possibly give them that would justify taking away one of the best music instructors in the state?

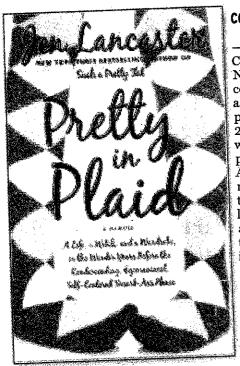
At the April 21 school board meeting, over 60 of Mrs. Boerma's students came out in support of her. Many more students wrote letters of support to the school board. At the meeting, one mother read her son's letter while her son openly wept over the prospect of losing his teacher and mentor.

Not only is the administration discouraging Mrs. Boerma's students, it is also inviting a lawsuit. Mrs. Boerma is represented by a strong teacher union and seems to have a legitimate case against her wrongful reassignment. Why would they impose the entire district to such a costly risk?

I plead with the school board to think sensibly before they make any hasty decisions about the future of Mrs. Boerma and all her devoted students.

Lorraine Hallinen

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PRETTY IN PLAID

BIRMINGHAM — Jen Lancaster fans are invited to break out their favorite 80s fashion for a "Pretty in Plaid" event at Borders in Birmingham 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 5. The New York Times bestselling author, who began her literary career as a blogger at www.jennsylvania.com, will sign copies of "Pretty in Plaid: A Life, A Witch, and a Wardrobe, or the Wonder Years Before the Condescending, Egomaniacal, Self-Centered Smart-Ass Phase."

The book is for anyone who has ever found themselves defending the merits of neon tights or a navy blue pantsuit; decided that blue mascara and pastel eye shadow make a winning combination; or that a poncho is a fashion statement.

"What I love about 80's style is no other decade has been as iconic in terms of fashion and its direct relationship to pop culture," Lancaster said. "Even in my rural high school, kids defined exactly who they were sartorially. We had the Madonna wanna-bes, the Flashdancers, the Breakdancers, the Headbangers, the Stray Cats Rockabilly Boys, etc. And a little later, once I hit college, we had the Miami Vice Dudes, the Junior Stockbrokers, and the Heathers."

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14TH ANNUAL WOMEN'S SHOW

NOVI - The 14th annual Michigan International Women's Show will come to Rock Financial Showplace in Novi today through May 3. The event includes shopping, makeovers, cooking demonstrations, entertainment, giveaways and more. Highlights include Justin Martin from "High School Musical 3: Senior Year"; beach volleyball star Gabrielle Reece; Author and Junkmaster Sue Whitney; and Cooking Light magazine's Executive Chef Billy Strynkowski. Show hours are 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday; 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$9, adults; \$5, youth 6-12; and free, children 5 and under. Advance tickets, which include a one-year subscription to "Ladies Home Journal," are \$8 online; \$7 at Kroger. Call (800) 849-0248 or visit www. InternationalWomenShow. com.

CONSIGNMENT SALE

NORTHVILLE Consignment Clothiers of Northville will celebrate its 20th anniversary 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, May 2. The entire store will be on sale for 25 percent off. Astute Artistry will be do makeup applications, brow shaping, lash application, airbrush foundation and threading for small fees. Specialist Kristine Rondeau RN, BSN (Youthology) will perform and consult on Botox injections (\$10 a unit) from 11 a.m.-

6 p.m. The party also includes free chair massages, gift certificate drawings, appetizers and special racks of clothing put out just for the sale. Consignment Clothiers is located at 42937 W 7 Mile Road in Highland Lakes Plaza. Call (248) 347-4570.

MR. SONG IN SOUTHFIELD

SOUTHFIELD — Centro Properties Group announced a 5,018-square-foot lease has been executed with Mr. Song Millinery at Southfield Plaza, on Southfield Road between 12 Mile and 13 Mile in Southfield, Mr. Song Millinery is an exclusive ladies custom hat designer and manufacturer, offering unique style and exceptional quality. Mr. Song Millinery has been operating for 26 years in Detroit and has been steadily expanding over the past decade through a boutique network of fine retailers. Mr. Song's designs are seen in more than 500 boutiques nationwide and in many countries around the globe. Aretha Franklin, the Queen of Soul, chose to wear a Luke Song original design during the historical 2009 Presidential Inauguration. Mr. Song Millinery is projected to open at Southfield Plaza in the fall of 2009.

Southfield Plaza was built in 1970 and renovated in 2002. It is home to such retailers as Bath & Body Works, Boston Market, Footlocker, GNC and Payless Shoes.

DINO THE TAILOR

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DERBY DAY FASHION

BIRMINGHAM - Molly McDonald is sponsoring a Derby Day Race fashion event at Toast restaurant in Birmingham on May 2. Event includes a red carpet fashion show, raffle and silent auction of fashionable items including a hat by Mr. Song Millinery. All proceeds benefit the Pink Fund, providing financial aid to women and men afflicted with breast cancer. Visit thepinkfund.org.

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Book signing

A scene from "20th Century Retailing in Downtown Detroit." Authors will sign and discuss the book May 13 at the Detroit Historical Museum. Call (313) 833-1801 or visit www.detroithistorical.org.

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RETAIL IN DETROIT

DETROIT - The Detroit Historical Society continues its Author Series with the new Arcadia Publishing title "20th Century Retailing in Downtown Detroit" 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 at the Detroit Historical Museum. The book, coauthored by Michael Hauser and Marianne Weldon, features more than 200 rarely seen images and chronicles the glory days of downtown Detroit retailing on Woodward Avenue.

The program includes the sale of rare and historic images depicting downtown's historic landmarks and events, as well as a book signing and discussion by Hauser. Proceeds will benefit educational

programming at the Detroit Historical Museum. The cost is \$10 or free for DHS members. Call (313) 833-1801 or visit www.detroithistorical.

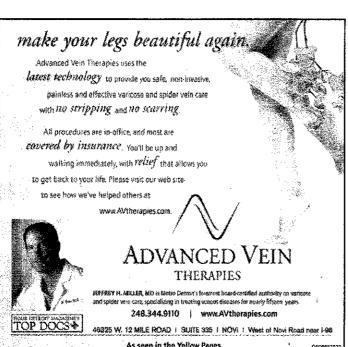
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ANN ARBOR — Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan's spring fundraiser, Fashionistas 2009, will provide guests with an evening of exciting spring fashions and an a chic way to support Girl Scouting 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 14, at Kensington Court, 610 Hilton Blvd., Ann Arbor. Alicia Smith, morning news anchor for WXYZ TV is celebrity emcee for the fashion show and dinner. More than 40 baskets will be raffled off, filled with jewelry, golf items, gift certificates, tickets to the University of Michigan home opener and two one-week stays in a condo in the ski resort community of Winter Park, Colo. Organizers hope to raise \$25,000 for Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan. Tickets are \$40 per person, or \$360 for a table of ten. Call (734) 971-8800 or visit www. gshom.org.

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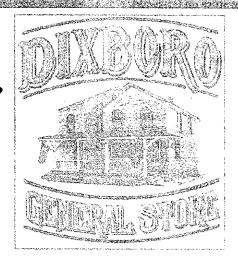




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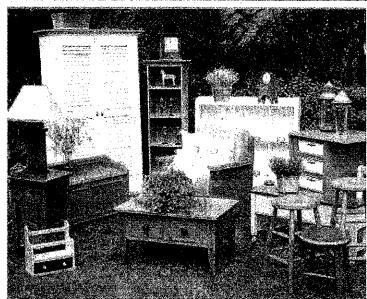
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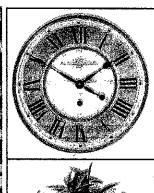
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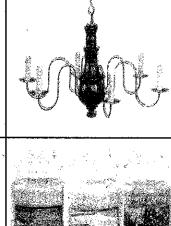


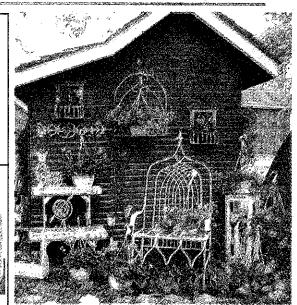
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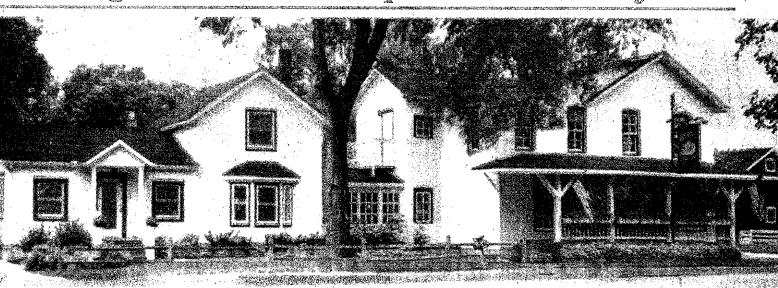


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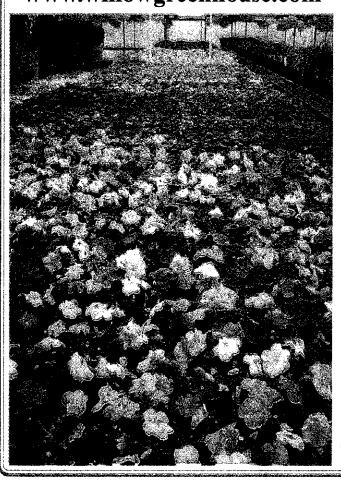




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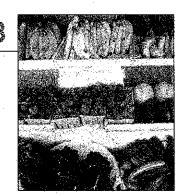
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HOMETOWN LIFE



Observerland Relays will feature speed to burn

BY ED WRIGHT **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

Gentlemen, start your hamstrings!

The 39th Annual Observerland Boys Track & Field Relays - which is the equivalent to auto racing's Indy 500 when it comes to seizing the area's track-and-field bragging rights — will unfold Saturday afternoon at Livonia Churchill High School.

All indicators point to a fast and furious competition that may come down to the final lap of the final

"We lost a lot off last year's team (to graduation), but the guys have been stepping up and running well lately," said Scott Shaw, whose Livonia Stevenson squad will be defending its 2008 title. "Salem is looking good. They beat us in a dual meet earlier this year. They don't have a lot of superstars, but

they don't have any weak spots. Northville, Churchill and CC (Novi Catholic Central) should all be right there, too.'

Salem coach Kyle Meteyer said he's anxious to see how his team performs while carrying higher expectations than normal into this vear's event.

"This is a very important meet for us; I know the guys are fired up," said Meteyer, who has led the Rocks to a 4-0 dual-meet record following Tuesday's emphatic victory over Northville. "I told the guys tonight that from here on out - starting with Observerland the meets just keep getting bigger and bigger.

"I think a lot of teams have a shot at winning. Stevenson is coming on strong, Plymouth has a lot of depth and CC is always strong, especially in the field events. We're looking forward to Saturday."

This year's Observerland field

includes 17 teams that will compete in three open events — the 110-meter hurdles, 1,600-meter run and the 100-meter dash - and 13 relays.

The teams that have shone in the previous Observerland competitions have been the ones that have displayed the most depth. However, it doesn't hurt to have a superstar or two - someone who can churn out points in multiple events like Plymouth's Elmar Engholm, a Swedish exchange student who has excelled in the mile and two-mile this season.

"I like our chances of doing well this year," said Plymouth coach Kurt Britnell. "It should be a pretty wide open meet with a lot of teams in the hunt at the end."

"Our goal is to score in as many events as possible," said Canton coach Bob Richardson. "There are

OBSERVERLAND RELAYS

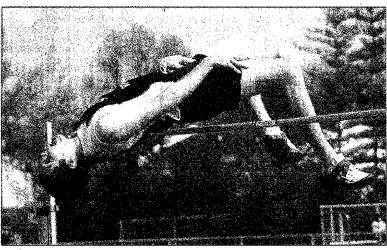
What: 39th annual Observerland Boys Track & Field

When: Saturday, May 2. Field events begin at 3:30 p.m. with exception of pole vault (2:30 p.m.); running event prelims at 6:30 p.m.; finals at 7 p.m. Where: Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh Road,

Livonia (between Ann Arbor Trail and Joy Road). Competing schools: Livonia Churchill (host), Livonia Franklin, Livonia Stevenson (defending champion), Livonia Clarenceville, Canton, Salem, Plymouth, Plymouth Christian Academy, Farmington, Farmington Hills Harrison, Garden City, Redford Thurston, Redford Union, Westland John Glenn, Wayne Memorial, Lutheran High Westland, Northville, Novi-Detroit Catholic Central. Open events: 110-meter hurdles, 1,600 run, 100 dash. Relay events: shot put, discus, pole vault, high jump, long jump, 6,400 (4 x 1,600), distance medley, 800, 3,200, sprint medley, shuttle hurdles, 400, 1,600. Admission: \$5 adults and students (children under-5

and seniors 62-and-over free).

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Salem's Zach Gaskell won the high jump Tuesday with a leap of 6 feet, 3 inches.

Raising the bar

Salem track-and-field resurgence builds momentum with dominant win

BY ED WRIGHT OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

Following a several-years-long dry spell, Salem's boys track-andfield program is once again as

solid as the Rock of Gibraltar. The Rocks' resurgence was confirmed Tuesday afternoon when they dismantled Northville, 95-42. to improve their dual-meet record to 4-0. The Mustangs entered this spring with a two-year unbeaten string.

Salem placed first in 12 of the 16 events and would have won all but one if not for Mustang standout Ali Arastu, who captured gold in both hurdles events and the long jump.

Zach Gaskell was Salem's answer to Arastu as he won the high jump, 400-meter dash and ran the second leg for Salem's victorious 800-meter relay foursome.

"Our guys are doing all the right things at the right times," said Salem coach Kyle Meteyer, whose squad also placed first in Friday's North Farmington Raider Relays. "I'm thrilled because unlike any

'The upper-classmen on this team have been working hard at this for three or four years, and they're seeing the fruits of their labor."

KYLE METEYER, Salem track coach

previous team that I've coached, we don't seem to have a weak spot. We have sprinters, field events, distance and hurdlers.

"The upper-classmen on this team have been working hard at this for three or four years, and they're seeing the fruits of their labor."

Judging by his pair of first in the throws, you would have thought Salem's Dana Baltazar was flinging pieces of fruit — not dense chunks of metal. Baltazar sparked the winners' field-events dominance by winning the discus with an effort of 143 feet, 8 inches, and the shot put with a toss of 50-11.

Field-event stars Baltazar, Gaskell and pole vaulter John



Salem's Pat Patin earned first-place points in three events during the Rocks victory over Northville Tuesday afternoon. Patin is pictured above during the closing stretch of the 100-meter dash, which he won in 11.3 seconds.

Krutty staked Salem to a daunting lead heading into the running events by combining to win four of the five competitions.

Arastu prevented the clean sweep by taking the long jump with a leap of 20-

"He's one of those kids every track coach wants on his team," Meteyer said, giving props to Arastu. "He can run any event from the short sprints to the 800, and he

can long jump. He was single-handedly responsible for at least 15 of Northville's points today."

Pat Patin joined Gaskell as three-time Salem winners Tuesday afternoon. The fleet-footed senior won the 100- and 200meter dashes and led off for the Rocks' triumphant 400-meter relay team.

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Three Splitz Gymnastics gymnasts qualified for the Level 9 Nationals at the Regional event held April 18 and 19 in Muncie, Ind. Heading to the national competition in Tupelo, Miss. May 8-10 are (from left) Lindsey Russell, Kayla Spicher and Kelsey Stamm.

Trio of young gymnasts earn berths to Nationals

A trio of local gymnasts have earned the right to compete against the country's elite performers.

East Middle School eighth-grader Kayla Spicher, Plymouth High School sophomore Lindsey Russell and Plymouth High School junior Kelsey Stamm qualified for the Level 9 Nationals, which are set for May 8-10 in Tupelo, Miss., during the Level 9/10 Regional meet held April 18 and 19 in Muncie, Ind.

All three gymnasts train at Splitz Gymnastics in Canton.

"In order to earn a spot to Nationals, these girls had to place in the top six in the all-around in their age group," noted Splitz

coach Eileen Spicher. "It was a very competitive field, but these girls turned in solid performances to earn the trip to Mississippi."

The local threesome will be representing Region 5, which covers the states of Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Kentucky.

"Region 5 is the strongest region in the country and it's such an honor to represent it at events like this," Spicher said.

Kayla Spicher, 13, competed in the Junior 5 age group. She placed second on vault with a 9.325, fourth on beam with a 9.175; seventh on floor exercise with a 9.275

Please see NATIONALS, B2

GAME WRAPS

Canton baseball team buries Zebras in 3

Canton's baseball team made short work of an overmatched Wayne Memorial squad Monday afternoon as the Chiefs prevailed 15-0 in a mercy rule-shortened game that last just three innings.

Cody Blakita was a oneman offensive wrecking crew for the winners, barely missing the cycle after clouting a double, triple and home run. The junior second baseman also tormented Zebra pitching with

five RBI. Seth Tschetter contributed two hits and two RBI while Alex Dixon excelled on the mound, yielding just one hit while striking out six in three frames.

The victory improved Canton's record to 9-4 overall and 4-3 in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association.

Chargers edge 'Cats in slugfest

On Monday, sophomore Ben Matigian went 4-for-5 with a solo homer, double and two RBI as Livonia Churchill (6-6-1, 4-3) outslugged the host Wildcats (6-6, 2-3), 13-12, in a KLAA South Division match-up.

Churchill jumped out to a 9-2 lead after two innings before Plymouth rallied with nine runs in the bottom of the third. The Chargers regained the lead with three in the fourth and one in the top of the fifth before holding on.

Devin Moynihan went 2-for-5, including a 3-run homer in the first inning. He finished with four RBI.

Plymouth was led by Mati Priebe (3-for-4; two RBI) and Mike Nadratowski (3for-4 including a two-run triple in the third).

Churchill reliever Steve Hovermale picked up his second win going the final 4.1 innings. He allowed two runs on four hits. He fanned two and did not allow a walk.

Matt Skubik was the losing pitcher in relief for Plymouth.

Madonna softball team advances to playoffs

Battle Creek's Bailey Park is Madonna University's next destination on the road to the NAIA National Women's Softball Championships.

The Crusaders, 47-9 overall, will be the top seed starting Thursday in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference playoffs after capturing the regular season title over the weekend.

The Crusaders needed a split Saturday at home in a double-header against Aquinas College to get a share of the title and they got it with a 3-1 victory in the opener at MU's University Field.

Winning pitcher Jess Irwin fanned 16 and allowed just two hits and two walks.

MU scored twice in 5 the bottom of the fourth inning.

Cat Sidor (Livonia Churchill) led off with a single followed by a sacrifice bunt by Danielle Richardson and a walk to Ashley Shay to load the bases.

Tori Turner's one-out looper eluded the gloves of Aquinas second baseman Jacki Plough and the Crusaders went up 2-0 on the error.

The Crusaders put the game away in the bottom of the fifth on back-to-back triples by Brittney Seero (Canton) and Sidor,

One person's view of Tiger's impact on golf

By David Graham

As golf fans, we have all seen it and all have been part of it. Isn't it amazing how Tiger Woods creates interest in golf tournaments?

When he is in a tournament, galleries grow dramatically and TV ratings sky rocket. Why is that? In my humble opinion, there are a number of reasons for this extraordinary popularity:

• He is a great player. He has extraordinary power. Beyond that, he has such extraordinary touch around the greens. He can shape shots, too. Stuck behind a tree? No problem just draw the ball around the tree and leave it below the hole for a very makeable birdie putt.

• His creativity is legendary. At the Buick Open years ago when Fluff Cowan was still his caddie, we watched in awe as he put on a virtual clinic practicing out of a sand bunker. Fluff would drop two balls in the bunker; Tiger would hit each ball, with the first coming out low and with a lot of spin. The second would be high and soft and both would land next to the hole. Over and over they practiced this drill, alternating between the two types of shots. Oh yeah, the whole time he held his left arm behind his back and was making the shot just gripping the club in his right hand.

He is a great athlete. If he

Online poll:

weren't a great golfer, he is so strong and so fit; you could easily envision him as a star NFL Defensive halfback or an NBA point guard.

• He is handsome and has a stunningly beautiful wife and two healthy kids are the All American family. He looks so strong you aren't surprised when you read about his workout regimen. So the guy looks like a stud and truly is dressed for success on the course. His clothes complement his physique, and he is simply the total package. No surprise that women, young and old are absolutely drawn to him. But the fact is guys are drawn to him, too. I have seen more men in their Sunday red shirts and Tiger Nike golf caps because it is Tiger cool.

· He has succeeded in making thoughtful comments about the stuff he knows about, golf. He avoids controversy. He could have acted sooner in support of Fuzzy Zoeller years back when Fuzzy made his unfortunate comments regarding the Masters'Champions dinner menu. But time has helped us forget his oversight.

• He seizes the moment better than anyone before him. He just seems to thrive under pressure and seek out those opportunities when he has to perform when everything is on the line. We all have watched in awe as he has rolled in putts to win the Arnold Palmer Invitational at

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Bayhill on the 18th green the last two years in a row. How about the putt on 18 to force the playoff with Rocco Mediate at Torrey Pines South at last year's U.S. Open? And how cool are those fist pumps he employs after dropping yet another great

· When Tiger returned to his first tournament this spring in Arizona following knee surgery and an extended period of rehabilitation, there were a couple of schools of thought on how he would perform. One group said it would be a long time before he would get his tournament game back while another seemed to think that he would turn it on immediately and pick up where he had left off: Winning. I was honestly split in my view. I did not think he would win the WGC event in Arizona however I also felt that if he had, I would not have been surprised. The mystique and legend simply grows bigger with each championship won.

Will he break Jack Nicklaus' record for major championships? In my mind, the only question is when And that is why Tiger has had such an impact on the game of golf.

David Graham is the Executive Director of the Golf Association of Michigan and lifelong fan of the game of golf.

PREP STATE RANKINGS

Girls Soccer

Division 1 - 1, Portage Central: 2, Rochester: 3, Lake Orion: 4, Novi; 5, Utica Eisenhower: 6, Plymouth Canton; 7. Northville; 8. Livonia Chruchill; 9. East Kentwood; 10. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central. Honorable Mention — Troy, Troy Athens, Lowell, Auburn Hills Avondale, Okemos.

Division 2 – 1. Birmingham Marian; 2. Caledonia; 3. Spring Lake; 4. Holland Christian; 5. East Grand Rapids; 6. Grand Rapids Chrsitian; 7. East Lansing; 8. DeWitt: 9. Chelsea; 10. Plainwell.

Honorable Mention — Birmingham Seaholm, Fruitport, Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Dexter, Flint Kearsley Division 3 — 1. Birmingham-Detroit Country Day; 2. Williamston; 3. Flint Powers Catholic; 4. Hudsonville Unity Christian; 5. Grandville Calvin Christian; 6. Frankenmuth; 7. Pontiac Notre Dame Prep; 8 Montrose: 9. Richmond: 10. Brooklyn Columbia Central.

Honorable Mention — Grand Rapids Covenent Christian, Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard, Grosse lie, Ithaca Division 4 — 1. Ann Arbor Greenhills; 2. Madison Heights Bishop Foley; 3. Plymouth Christian; 4. Saginaw Valley Lutheran, 5. Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic; 6. Royal Oak Shrine; 7. Auburn Hills Oakland Christian; 8. Charlevoix; 9. Grand Rapids NorthPointe Christian; 10. Holland Black River Academy. Honorable Mention - Marine City Cardinal Mooney, Kalamazoo Christian.

Baseball

(By the coaches association)

Division 1 - 1. Birmingham Brother Rice; 2. Saline; 3. Warren DeLaSalle; 4. Saginaw Heritage; 5. Hudsonville; 6. Grosse Pointe North; 7. Davison; 8. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central; 9. Lowell; 10. Grand

Division 2 – 1. Dearborn Divine Child; 2. Mt. Pleasant; 3. Pinconning; 4. Milan; 5. St. Clair Shores Lake Shore; 6. Holland Christian; 7. East Grand Rapids; 8. Monroe Jefferson; 9. Mt. Morris; 10. Grand Rapids

Division 3 - 1, Niles Brandywine; 2, Riverview Gabriel Richard; 3, Jackson Lumen Christi; 4, Shepherd; 5. Bridgeman; 6. Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central; 7. Madison Heights Bishop Foley; 8. Carrolton; 9. Clinton; 10. Mayville.

Divilons 4 – 1. Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett; 2. Climax-Scotts; 3. Harbor Springs Harbor Light Christian; 4. Frankfort; 5. Sterling Heights Parkway Christian; 6. Saugatuck; 7. St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic; 8. Lutheran Westland; 9. Lake Leelanau St. Mary's; 10. Mt. Plesant Sacred Heart.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

PREP BASEBALL
Thursday, April 30
PCA at Inter-City Baptist, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, May 1 Friday, May 1
South Lyon East at Canton, 4 p.m.
Stevenson at Plymouth (DH), 4 p.m.
Salem at John Glenn (DH), 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 2
Canton at Lumen Christi (DH), 11 a.m.
Plymouth at Milford, 11 a.m.
PCA at Lutheran Westland
Tournament, TBA
BOYS & GIRLS TRACK & FIELD
Saturday, May 2
Observerland Relays at
Churchill H.S., 3 p.m.
Plymouth, Salem girls at W.L. Western
Stafford Relays, 9 a.m.
Canton girls at Stevenson
Invitational, 10 a.m.
PREP SOFTBALL
Friday, May 1

Friday, May 1
Stevenson at Plymouth (DH), 4 p.m.
Salem at John Glenn (DH), 4 p.m.
Frankllin Rd. at PCA, (DH), 4:30 p.m.
South Lyon East at Canton (DH), 4

p.m. Saturday, May 2 Salem Invitational, TBA PCA at Lutheran GIRLS TENNIS Friday, May 1

Plymouth at Churchill, 4 p.m. South Lyon at Salem, 4 p.m.
South Lyon at Salem, 4 p.m.
Wayne at Canton, 4 p.m.
Saturday, May 2
Plymouth at Woodhaven Invite, TBA
Salem at Pioneer Quad, 8 a.m.

BOYS GOLF

Thursday, April 30 Salem at Northville
at Tanglewood G.C., 3 p.m.
Friday, May 1
Canton at Wayne at
Woodlands G.C., 3 p.m.
Churchill at Plymouth at

Fox Hills, 3 p.m. Salem at D.G.C. at Detroit Golf Club, 9 a.m. GIRLS SOCCER

Thursday, April 30 Franklin at Canton, 7 p.m. John Glenn at Plymouth, 7 p.m. Salem at Northville, 7 p.m. PCA at Roeper, 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 1 W.L. Northern at Canton, 7 p.m. Plymouth at A.A. Greenhills, 4:30 p.m. Washtenaw Christian at PCA, 4:30

BOYS LACROSSE

Saturday, May 2 Ypsi Lincoln at Canton, 1 p.m. Plymouth at OLSM Invitational, 1 p.m.

TENNIS WRAP

SALEM 7 LIVONIA STEVENSON 2

Monday at Stevenson No. 1 singles: Alli Carpenter (S) defeated Paige McNamara, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Carli Marschner (LS) def. Mallory Rojo, 6-2, 6-3; No. 3: Anna Norman (S) def. Gabrielle Sabatini, 6-3, 7-5; No. 4: Laura Gumpper

(LS) def. Morgan Spencer, 7-6(3), 6-2.
No. 1 doubles: Rachel Norman/Ariel Rojo (S) def. Shannon Dwight/Ashley Benvenuti, 7-5, 6-2; No. 2: Kerry MacDonald/Alex Lamb (S) def. Christine Steinmeyer/Danielle Jagodzinski, 6-3, 6-4; No. 3: Victoria Brotz/Kayla Zabowski (S) def. Calla Miller/Melissa Martinez, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1; No. 4: Ashley Davis/Katio Flotopor (S) dof. Signa Foogle/Kolsov. Katie Fletcher (S) def. Siona Enea/Kelsey Futrell, 6-0, 6-0; **No. 5:** Emma VanHoof/ Bethany Haller (S) def. Andrea Burford/ Michele DeBeaudry, 6-4, 6-1.

Michele DeBeaudry, 6-4, 6-1. SALEM'S RECORD: 2-2.

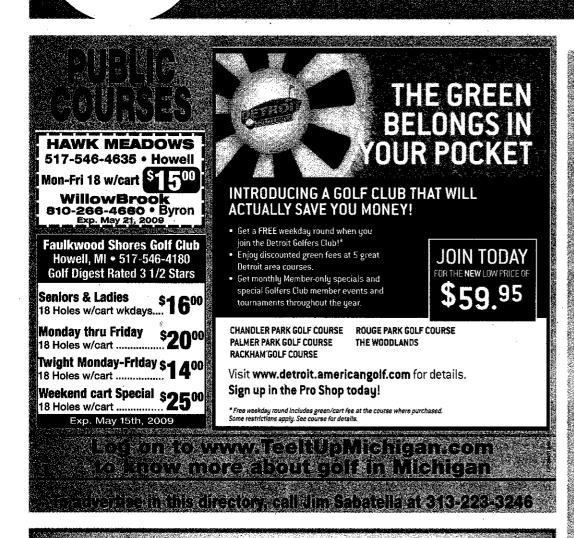
PLYMOUTH 6 LIVONIA FRANKLIN 3

Monday at Franklin

No. 1 singles: Angelica Woods (LF)
defeated Chelsea Craig, 6-1, 6-0; No. 2:
Emily Wisniewski (LF) def. Jessica Bracey,
6-1, 7-5; No. 3: Sarah Mitchell (P) def. Angela
Tomassini, 6-4, 6-1; No. 4: Gina Matar (P)
def. Pobagga Spanger 7-5, 6-1 def. Rebecca Fenner, 7-5, 6-1.
No. 1 doubles: Katie Binger/Lindsay

Stemberger (P) def. Crystal Henderson/ Jennifer Rellinger, 6-2, 6-2; **No. 2:** Stephanie Beicher/Lindsey Fenner (LF) def. Radhika Patel/Julia Fratila, 7-5, 7-6(3); No. 3: Allison Santori/Lauren Jeong (P) def. Sarah Noffze/Jaclyn Horsell, 6-3, 6-1; **No. 4:** Claire Marchesano/Annie Mackenzie (P) def. Annie McLeod/Katherine Zurenko, 6-4, 6-2; **No. 5:** Britta Swanson/Kayla Griffey (P) def. Angela Browning/Jaclyn Kurc, 7-6(6), 6-4.

PLYMOUTH'S RECORD: 3-2.



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PLYMOUTH 90 JOHN GLENN 47 April 28 at Plymouth Shot put: 1. Arancibia (JG), 40 feet, 7 inches; 2. Kyle Brindza (P), 38-3; 3. Smith (JG), 37-7.75. **PLYMOUTH 90**

(JG), 37-7.75.

Discus: 1. Arancibia (JG), 137-5; 2. Keith Choma (P), 137-5; 3. Kyle Brindza (P), 135-9.

Long jump: 1. Dante Fox (P), 19-5; 2. Matt Roberson (P), 19-4; 3. Bonner (JG), 18-11.

High jump: 1. Pawan Dhaliwal (P), 5-11; 2. Boyd (JG), 5-5; 3. Johnson (JG), 5-3.

Pole vauit: 1. Grant Senkbeil (P), 10-0; 2. Dan Conklin (P), 8-6; 3. Andy Bihn (P), 8-0.

3,200-meter relay: 1. Plymouth (Ken Lomske, Derek Lax, Justin Heck, Matt Neumann), 8:42; 2. John Glenn, 9:08.6.

110 high hurdles: 1. Brandon Piligian (P).

Neumann), 8:42; 2. John Glenn, 9:08.6.

10 high hurdles: 1. Brandon Piligian (P), 16.06; 2. Pavan (JG), 16.86; 3. Cole (JG), 19:11.

100 dash: 1. Langford (JG), 10.94; 2. Ayler (JG), 11.14; 3. Boyd (JG), 11.49.

800 rélay: 1. Plymouth (William Askew, Vic Hicks, Billy Smith, Adam Adabiyaebola), 1:37.19; 2. John Glenn, 1:46.70.

1,600 run: 1. Jimmy Eiben (P), 4:55.26; 2. Matt Neumann (P), 4:56.14; 3. Stephen Balaze (P), 4:56.58.

400 relay: 1. John Glenn (Langford, Scales, Boyd, Ayler), 44.4.
400 dash: 1. Warren Buzzard (P), 52.23;
2. Kenne (JG), 53.73; 3. Jalen Woolridge (P),

300 hurdles: 1, Doug Deykes (P), 43.71; 2. Pavan (JG), 44.91; 3. Brandon Piligian (P), 46.98. **800 run:** 1. Justin Heck (P), 2:11.39; 2. Warren Buzzard (P), 2:13.56; 3. Ken Lomske

200 dash: 1. Langford (JG), 23.23; 2 Ayler (JG), 23.62; 3. Dante Fox (P), 24.05. **3,200 run:** 1. Joe Porcari (P), 10:13.44; 2. Derek Lax (P), 10:21.89; 3. Matt Neumann

(r), 10.44.30.

1,600 relay: 1. Plymouth (Ken Lomske, Vic Hicks, Warren Buzzard, Jalen Woolridge), 3:39.98; 2. John Glenn, 3:45.83.

PLYMOUTH'S DUAL-MEET RECORD:

SALEM 95 NORTHVILLE 42

April 28 at Salem 3,200-meter relay: 1. Salem (Alex Lang, Zach Basanese, Shawn Quinn, Dan Martin). 110-meter high hurdles: 1. Ali Arastu

100 dash: 1. Pat Patin (S), 11.3. 800 relay: 1. Salem (Pat Patin, Zack Gaskeli, Scott O'Connor, Dominique

1.600 run: 1. Frank Griffiths (N), 4:36,8. 400 relay: 1. Salem (Pat Patin, Cortney Frazier, Davon Mullins, Dominique Williams)

400 dash: 1. Zach Gaskeli (S), 52.2. 300 hurdles: 1. Ali Arastu (N), 39.6. 800 run: 1. Dan Martin (S), 2:04.9. 200 dash: 1. Pat Patin (S), 23.2. **1,600 relay:** 1. Salem, 3:30.4. **Pole vault:** 1. John Krutty (S), 11 feet, 6

High jump: 1. Zach Gaskell (S), 6-3. Long jump: 1. Ali Arastu (N), 20-3.25. Discus: 1. Dana Baltazar (S), 143-8. Shot put: 1. Dana Baltazar (S), 50-11 SALEM'S DUAL-MEET RECORD: 4-0

> LIVONIA FRANKLIN 72 **CANTON 65**

April 28 af Franklin Shot put: 1. Nate Coleman (LF), 45-11.5; 2. Sean McAuliffe (LF), 44-8.5; 3. Jay Woolfork (LF), 43-6.5.

McAuliffe (LF), 136-3; 3. Coleman (LF), 122-2 **High jump:** 1. Zach Spreitzer (C), 5-11; 2. Kevin Beadle (LF), 5-9; 3. Hudson Cadet (LF)

Long jump: 1, Isaac Cadet (LF), 20-8.5; 2. Adam Payne (C), 19-0.5; 3. Nick Alaniva (C),

Pole vault: 1. Beadle (LF), 12-6; 2. Eddie Koelzer (C), 12-0: 3, Alaniva (C), 11-0, (LF), 16.24; 2. Sherif Hassanien (C), 16.37; 3.

ndon Tower (LF), 17.84. 300 hurdles: 1. Hassanien (C), 40,29; 2. Hyatt Ali (c), 43.1; 3. Wludyka (LF), 44.31.

100 dash: I. Paul Voegele (LF), 11.36; 2. Tino
Benavides (LF), 12.04; 3. Chris VanTuyl (LF), 12.1.

200: I. Voegele (LF), 23.59; 2.1. Cadet (LF),

61; 3. Richard Duncan (LF), 24.2. **400:** 1. Mike Beasley (LF), 52.72; 2. Jordan 800: 1. Josh Hurst (C), 2:02.5; 2. Keith Zech

, 2:03.96; 3. Ryan Tarhanich (LF), 2:06.72. **1,600:** 1. Spreitzer (C), 4:47.27; 2. Miles Iton (C), 4:52.83; 3. Josh Osinski (C), 4:55.79. **3,200:** 1. Osinski (C), 10:38.83; 2. Austin

Jones (LF), 10:45.72; 3. Greg Reed (C), 10:50.84. 400 relay: 1. Duncan, I. Cadet, Mike Baumgardner, Voegele), 44.4; 2. Canton, 46.48; 800 refay: 1. Franklin (Beasley, Voegele,

I. Cadet, Duncan), 1:433.99; 2. Canton, 1:35.93; 1,600 relay: 1. Canton, 3:34.29; 2. Franklin, 3:38,78; 3,200 relay: 1, Canton, 8:30,15; 2.

Franklin's dual meet record: 3-1 overall, 3-1 KLAA South Division.



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Plymouth's Matt Roberson, pictured above in a meet earlier this year, helped the Wildcats improve to 3-0 with a resounding victory over John Glenn Tuesday afternoon.

NORTH FARMINGTON RAIDER RELAYS

April 24 at N. Farmington H.S. BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Salem, 68: 2. Farmington Harrison, 58; 3. Holly, 51; 4. Royal Oak, 48; 5. Hartland, 38; 6. (tie) Dearborn Edsel Ford, 28; Ypsilanti, 28; 8. North Farmington, 24; 9. Westland John Glenn, 21; 10. Oxford, 20: 11 Replactor Stange Crack, 11: 10. Oxford, 20; 11. Rochester Stoney Creek, 11; 12. (tie) Garden City, 4; Wayne Memorial, 4; 14. Harrison Township L'Anse Creuse, 2,

6,400-METER RELAY: 1. Royal Oak (Filippis, Brennan, Kempf, Lilly) 18:32; 2. Hartland, 18:49; 3. Salem, 18:50; 4. Holly, 19:33; 5. N. Farmington, 19:45; 6. Oxford, 19:50.

SHUTTLE HURDLES: 1. Harrison

(Lukwago, Akafelu, Dukes, Janzen) 1:03.18; 2. Holly, 1:06.21; 3. N. Farmington, 1:06.71; 4. Hartland, 1:06.9; 5. Salem, 1:07.21; 6. Edsel

800 RELAY: 1. Harrison (Burbridge, Davis, Chapman, Pride) 1:30.81; 2. Salem, 1:30.83; 3. Ypsilanti, 1:33.77; 4. N. Farmington, 1:34.52; 5. Stoney Creek, 1:35.77; 6. Oxford,

RAIDER RELAY: 1. N. Farmington (Davis, Anens, Carruthers, Browning) 6:06.09; 2. Harrison, 6:08.87; 3. Oxford, 6:11.21; 4. Salem,

6:12.88; 5. Holly, 6:14.18; 6. Royal Oak, 6:15.62. SPRINT MEDLEY: 1. Royal Oak (Hahn, McCutchen, Kennedy, Brennan) 3:41.27; 2. Harrison, 3:41.52; 3. Ypsilanti, 3:46.05; 4. John Glenn, 3:48.46; 5. Holly, 3:48.9; 6. Salem,

DISTANCE MEDLEY: 1. Royal Oak (King, Gaulier, Filippis, Kempf) 11:15.37; 2. Hartland, 11:18.87; 3. Salem, 11:20.9; 4. Stoney Creek, 11:46.84; 5. Holly, 11:51.24; 6. Edsel Ford,

400 RELAY: 1. Harrison (Burbridge, Ferguson, Davis, Pride) 43.52; 2. John Glenn, 44.12; 3. Salem, 44.46; 4. Stoney Creek, 45.06; 5. Edsel Ford, 45.34; 6. N. Farmington, 45.46. 1,600 RELAY: 1. Harrison (Chapman,

Success, Dukes, Davis) 3:29.18; 2. Royal Oak, 3:29.72; 3. Oxford, 3:33.43; 4. Salem, 3:33.63; 5. Ypsilanti, 3:36.0; 6. Holly, 3:38.24. **POLE YAULT:** 1. Salem (Kruddy, Hernandez, Draplan) 33-0; 2. Holly, 32-0; 3. Oxford, 31-6; 4. Garden City, 29-0; 5. Edsel

Ford, 21-0: 6. N. Farmington, 20-9. SHOT PUT: 1. Salem (Baltazar, Frazier, Merall) 139-11.5; 2. Edsel Ford, 115-5.5; 3. Holly,

113-7.5; 4. Royal Oak, 113-5; 5. L'Anse Creuse, 113-2.5: 6. John Glenn, 110-3.5. **DISCUS:** 1. Salem (Merhi, Baltazar, Frazier) 352-1; 2. Holly, 327-11; 3. Hartland, 319-6; 4. Royal Oak, 318-0; 5. Edsel Ford, 317-6; 6.

HIGH JUMP: 1. Ypsilanti (Barksdale, Atkins, Onyebuch) 18-0; 2. Holly, 17-6; 3. Edsel Ford, 17-6; 4. Wayne, 17-2; 5. Hartland, 17-0; 6.

LONG JUMP: 1. Hartland (Selfridge, Anderson, Lee) 58-1.5; 2. John Glenn, 57-1 3. Edsel Ford, 57-1.5; 4. Ypsilanti, 56-4.5; 5. Holly, 54-3; 6. Royal Oak, 54-1.5.

GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

chanan (P), 94-5; 3. Sanders (IG), 66-7. **Long Jump:** 1. Payne (JG), 17-2; 2. Scott G), 15-9; 3. Rebecca Knox (P), 14-1. **High Jump:** 1. Rachel Hille (P), 4-7; 2. Pole vault: 1. Reagan Engstrom (P), 7-0;

Rebecca Knox (P), 6-6. **3,200-meter relay:** 1. Plymouth (Molly vens, Nicole Traitses, Julie Forster, Kelly

100 high hurdles: 1. Mandy McManus), 17.81; 2. Walton (JG), 18.97; 3. Jenna

Hamed (P), 20.26. **100 dash:** 1. Payne (JG), 12.86; 2. Krystal Whitlow (P), 13.19; 3. Christine Sammut (P),

i.65. **800 relay:** 1. John Glenn (Payne, anchez, Brown, Scott), 1:54.61; 2. Plymouth,

1,600 run: 1. Julie Forster (P), 5:47.1; 2. jula Green (P), 5:51.5; 3. Kelsey Reineri (P),

400 relay: 1. John Glenn (Payne, inchez, Brown, Scott), 54.27; 2. Plymouth,

400 dash: 1. Rebecca Knox (P), 1:06.5; 2. ellas (JG), 1:07.1; 3. Rachel Hille (P), 1:09.2. **300 hurdles:** 1. Mandy McManus (P), 2. Jenna Hamed (P), 55.48; 3. Walton 800 run: 1 Julie Forster (P) 2:3918: 2

lly Hahn (P), 2:44.6; 3. Hamlett (JG), 2:45.1. **200 dash:** 1. Scott (JG), 27.08; 2. Rebecca ox (P), 28,95; 3. Brown (JG), 29,51. **3,200 run:** 1. Molly Slavens (P), 11:39.1; Paula Green (P), 12:19.1; 3. Nicole Traitses

1,600 relay: 1. John Glenn, 4:40.9; 2. PLYMOUTH'S DUAL-MEET RECORD:

> **LIVONIA FRANKLIN 90** CANTON 42 April 28 at Franklin

Shot put: 1. Savannah Haig (LF), 32 feet, 5 inches; 2. Nicole Price (LF), 29-10; 3. Discus: 1. Haig (LF), 102-0; 2. Milican (LF),

Discuss. 1. Halg (EF), 102-0, 2. Milican (EF 0-3; 3. Jill Hakala (C), 77-8. High jump: 1. Liz Hollaway (LF), 4-10; 2. mily Quint (LF), 4-9; 3. Meghan Powers .F), 4-7.

.F., 4-r. **Long jump**: 1. Hollaway (LF), 14-6.25; 2. Lu .), 14-5; 3. Phayin Winans (C), 14-1.5. **Pole vault**: 1. Quint (LF), 10-6; 2. Powers .F), 9-0; 3. Meghan Lark (LF), 7-6. **100-meter hurdles**: 1. Senneca Scott F), 17.2; 2. Jen Mueller (LF), 17.3; 3. Quint

300 hurdles: 1. Scott (LF), 50.3; 2. annon Niznik (LF), 51.5; 3. Megan Howard 100 dash: 1. Kathryn Chinavare (LF), 13.3; Ashley Banks (C), 13.6; 3. Corinne Haro F), 13.7.

200; 1. Chinavare (LF), 28.2; 2. Scott (LF), 400: 1. Beth Swanberg (C), 1:04.3; 2. Cathy (LF), 3.5; 3. Banks (C), 28.8.

400: 1. Beth Swanberg (C), 1:04.3; 2. Cathy uang C), 1:05.8; 3. Schmidt (C), 1:06.3.

800: 1. Mallory Church (LF), 2:38.7; 2. nca Kubicki (C), 2:40.3; 3. Lizzie Gatzek



Salem's Kelley Determan approaches the finish of 3,200-meter relay in the Rocks' dual meet with Northville. Results of the meet were not available as of Tuesday night's deadline.

1,600: 1. Megan McPherson (LF), 5:34.6; 2 Sara Thomas (C), 5:51.1; 3. Kubicki, 5:51.8. 3,200: 1. Thomas (C), 12:31.1; 2. Brittany 13:22.8; 3. Catharine Studzinsk

400 relay: 1. Franklin (Haro, Mueller, Quint, Chinavare), 53.1; 2. Canton (Lindsey Schmidt, Marina Milad, Huang, Swanberg), 54.2; 800 relay: double disqualification; 1,600 relay: 1. Canton, 4:29.6; 2. Franklin, 4:48.7; 3,200 relay: 1. Canton (Thomas, Gatzek, Swanberg, Kubicki), 10:23.2; 2. Franklin, 10:35.4.

Dual meet records: Franklin, 4-0 overall, 4-0 KLAA South Division; Canton, 1-1 overall,

FROM PAGE B1

a number of teams that could win it. Northville and CC are always up there and Salem is on the rise."

Farmington and Harrison are always competitive in the 100-meter dash, the sprint relays and the field events.

"You need a lot of depth to o well, particularly in the distances," Farmington coach Chip Bridges said. "That puts us in a bit of a tough position.

"We'll try to do well and not wear anyone out, because our priority is the dual meet (Tuesday) and the (OAA) league meet the following Friday.

"We'll go there to do some nice things, challenge ourselves in a few areas and see

what we've got."

Harrison has its Junior Formal dance Saturday, but coach John Reed hopes to send a quality contingent to Observerland.

"We're going to try to do everything we can to get all our guys ready to go for that," he said. "The kids are saying they're not going (to the dance), but I'll believe it when and second in the all-around I see it. If we can get everybody with a 36.90. there, we can be real competi-

The meet will start at 2:30 p.m. with the pole vault competition. Finals should commence around 7 p.m.

Admission is \$5 for adults and students. Kids under 5 years old and people over 62 will be admitted free of charge.

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Young bowler puts up big numbers

ere is new name to remember – Branden Posky.

Here is what he just did in his youth leagues over three consecutive sessions:

• April 14 – 659 series in the 11 a.m. Saturday

Preps League at

Ten Pin Alley

Taylor Lanes • April 15 - 645 series the next day at Town 'N' Country Lanes in Westland. • April 21

Al Harrison

which included a 265 game at **Taylor Lanes** again in the

- 704 series

Preps League.

If you do the arithmetic, that comes out to 2,008 pins. What is truly amazing is that

Posky is a 9-year-old. The Livonia resident is a fourth grader and a B student

at St. Raphael Grade School in Garden City.

According to Linda Allen, youth league director at Taylor Lanes, Posky has raised his season average from 134 to 163.

He gets a lot of spin on the ball, and is quite accurate with his delivery," Posky's youth coach Joe Goutana said.

His grandparents, Jim and Liz, have been supportive and helped get him into bowling five years ago.

Branden has a great attitude in bowling, understanding that taps and near-misses are all part of the game so as not to get all upset when that happens.

He also has a good concept of playing the lanes, a rare quality for someone so young.

This youngster has future All-Star written all over him.

· Mayflower Lanes in Redford announces the King of the Hill summer sweeper, open to both men and women, at 9:15 p.m. Wednesdays beginning May 6 (with \$300 guaranteed first

place money every week). The format is three games

across three pairs of lanes. The field is cut in half and each game one-half until the last bowler is standing.

Also offered is the Men's Classic Trio at 7 p.m. Thursdays beginning May 14.

It is a four-game format with \$22 weekly dues. The handicap index is 80 percent from 630 (100 percent over 630).

For more information, call Mayflower Lanes at (313) 937-8420.

n The Pro Bowlers regional tour is coming soon to Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

It starts at 7 p.m. Friday, May 22 with the pro-am event. This is an adult team handicap format, four per team and any combination men or women.

The fee is \$25 per person (\$100 per team).

First place is \$1,000 guaran-

For more information, call

(313) 928-4688. n A 100-year-old woman bowler, Emma Hendrickson of

New Jersey, was shown on the local TV news recently. She bowled here last year when the USBC Women's Championships at Super Bowl in

Canton. Of course, she was only 99 at that time when I interviewed her for this column. She now holds the record as the oldest woman bowler to compete in the USBC or Women's International

championship. That completes this report for today starting with a nine yearold and finishing at 100.

That's covers the full spectrum.

Bowling Congress national

Al Harrison is a resident of Southfield, and a member of the Bowling Writers Association of America and the Detroit Bowling Hall of Fame. He can be reached by e-mail: tenpinalley710@yahoo.com

Russell, 15, placed fourth in the Senior 3 all-around, posting a score of 35.925. She was fourth on vault (9.125), second on bars (9.25) and second on floor (9.45).

Stamm, 17, placed second in the Senior 7 all-around, thanks to a score of 36.625. Stamm placed second in the beam and floor events and fifth on the

A pair of Splitz gymnasts

- Canton High School senior Emily LaFontaine and Plymouth junior Megan Valentini — also competed at Level 10 for the first time in Muncie.

"This is the highest level for these girls and they were competing against a very competitive field," said Spicher.

Competing in the Junior D age group, Valentini placed eighth on floor with a 9.25.

LaFontaine, who will compete for Central Michigan University's gymnastics team beginning in the fall, placed sixth on vault and ninth on floor in the Senior C age group.

Whalers' Terry receives OHL humanitarian award

The Ontario Hockey League announced today that Plymouth Whalers captain Chris Terry has been named the recipient of the league's Dan Snyder Memorial

Trophy as OHL Humanitarian of the Year. Terry, 20, earned the award with his tireless devotion to the Whalers Community Relations efforts, becoming the Whalers' lead ambassador in appearing at countless public events, including hospital visits, Learn-to-Skate programs, school visits and other unscheduled appearances.

Terry was instrumental in coordinating the Whalers first-ever Pink Out! for Breast Cancer Awareness in October, an event that saw the entire Plymouth team dve their hair pink for the event and raised public awareness towards breast cancer.

"We're proud of Chris for a lot of rea-

sons," said Plymouth President, General

Manager and Head Coach Mike Vellucci.

deserving of this award. His contribution

"Not only is he a leader on the ice, but

he is also a leader off the ice. He's very

to the Plymouth organization and the community of Plymouth will have a positive impact for years to come."

Terry is the first member of the Whalers to receive the Dan Snyder Memorial Trophy, named after the former member of the Owen Sound Platers (1995-99) who won the team's Humanitarian of the Year Award twice before playing in the National Hockey League with the Atlanta Thrashers in 2002-03.

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GOLF ROUNDUP

CANTON 15:
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 161
Monday at Hilltop
CANTON'S SCORES: Dominic Bonell
(medalist), 35); Brendan Müir, 37; Andrew
Rickerman, 39; Zach Conrad, 40; Jeremy
Lindibauer, 42.
CHURCHILL

CHURCHILL'S SCORES: Keyin Robinson, 38; Matt Charnley, 39; Adam Yarber, 41; Dan Bostic, 43; Erik Newman, 50. CANTON'S RECORD: 2-0. CHURCHILL'S RECORD: 2-1.

LIVONIA STEVENSON 155 SALEM 166 April 27 at Fox Hills G.C. Stevenson scorers: Christian Debay,

Salem scorers: Aaron Thompson, 39; Brandon Duprey, 40; Tommy Hollins, 43; Adam Powers and Josh Perrin, 44 each; Eric Stevenson's dual match record: 2-0 overall, 2-0 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 0-2 overall, 0-2 KLAA Central.

36 (medalist); Drew Mossoian, 39; Adam Giordano and Tim Milsk, 40 each; Dan Dufour

and Tom Cullum, 42 each

PLYMOUTH 156 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 169 April 24 at The Woodlands Plymouth scorers: James Bryans, 37 (medalist); Trevor Bidwell, 39; Andrew Ornmayer and Ryan Baner, 40 each; Zach Vojeck, 46; Trevor Bergquist, 49.

Glenn's dual match record: 2-2 overall,



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MU baseball team earns WHAC awards

The Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Office announced its 2009 baseball honor teams on Wednesday and regular season champion Madonna University took home two of the top three awards and featured a total of 10 Crusaders honored on the various award teams.

Leading the way for MU was senior right-hander Jeff Sonnenberg (Lansing), who was named the league's Pitcher of the Year and head coach Greg Haeger, who took home WHAC Coach of the Year honors for the second straight season and the fourth time in the last five years.

Haeger guided the Crusaders to the 2009 WHAC title, a 35-8 record and the No. 1 seed in the upcoming conference tournament.

The 13th-year skipper led MU to its highest national rating in program history earlier this year (No. 8) and currently the Crusaders sit at No. 16 in the latest NAIA Coaches' poll.

Sonnenberg, also a selection to the All-WHAC first team, was honored as the WHAC's top hurler after posting a 10-1 record to go along with a 1.71 earned run average in 63 innings.

Joining Sonnenberg on the first team were senior third baseman Aaron Hacias (Sterling Heights), senior second baseman Ryan Morrow (Taylor), senior first baseman Kevin Zerbo (Farmington Hills Harrison) and sophomore center fielder Shawn Little (Canton).

Hacias and Zerbo are repeat selections from the 2008 team, while Morrow and Little are making their first appearances on the squad.

Hacias is currently third on the team with a .403 average to go along with three homers, 12 steals and

Zerbo, the 2008 WHAC Player of the Year, currently leads the WHAC in homers with 12 while ranking fourth in RBI with 46 and posts a .390 average in conference action.

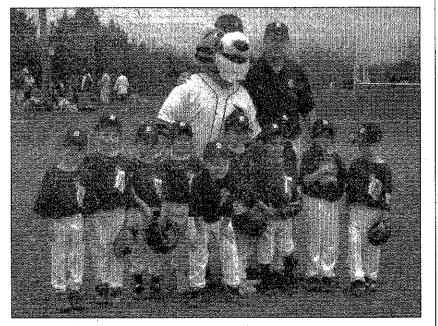
Morrow leads the conference with a .425 average and 53 runs scored, while posting a league best four triples to go along with 21 stolen bases from his leadoff spot in the Crusaders' lineup.

Little recorded a .379 average in 132 at-bats to go along with 16 steals in his first season as MU's everyday center fielder.

Earning All-WHAC honorable mention honors were junior catcher/designated hitter Zach Flavin (Novi), freshman left-hander Tom Hansen (Rochester Hills), sophomore right fielder Matt Kay (Canton) along with sophomore catcher Tarik Khasawneh (Canton).

Kay, Khasawneh, Morrow and Sonnenberg were also selected to the WHAC's Gold Glove team for their outstanding fielding during the season.

Rounding out the MU award winners was junior infielder Drew Fry (Madison Heights) as a member of the league's Champions of Character team, which is reflected in the NAIA's Five Core values of respect, sportsmanship, responsibility, servant leadership and integrity.



'Paws' for a cause

Detroit Tigers mascot "Paws" made an appearance at Saturday's "Opening Day" festivities for the Plymouth-Canton Little League at Plymouth Township Park. The biggest Tiger of them all is pictured with the T-ball Tigers: Joshua Aleva, Nick Lewandowski, Ryan Havener, Ashley Wenzel, Colin McAuliffe, Allison Petersen, Jordan Scott, Eric Thibault, Adelyn Bhavsar, Elijah Holt and manager Pat McAuliffe. Not pictured is Zachary Richards.

Crusaders earn fourth conference championship in past five years

BY BRAD EMONS OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

The Crusaders did it the hard way Saturday afternoon.

After blowing leads of 5-2 and 8-5 in the opener, the Madonna University baseball team rebounded from a 9-8 heartbreaking extra inning setback to win the nightcap of a double-header at Ilitch Ballpark, 10-3, and earn its fourth Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference regular season title in five years.

MU, which improved to 35-8 overall and 14-6 in the WHAC, locked up the top seed for the upcoming WHAC playoffs, which start at 4 p.m. Thursday at Ilitch Ballpark. The Crusaders will face either No. 4 seed Davenport or No. 5 Corcordia.

Zach Flavin went 3-for-3 with two RBI to lead MU to the WHAC clinching victory.

The Canton High connection of Shawn Little and Matt Kay also contributed to the win for the Crusaders, who built a 9-1 advantage through three innings.

Kay went 2-for-3, including his ninth homer of the season, while Little added two hits and two RBI.

Winning pitcher Keegan Bolton (2-0) went all five innings and the game shortened by darkness, allowing six hits and a walk while fanning three.

In between games, the Crusaders honored their senior class of Ryan Morrow, Aaron Hacias, Kevin Zerbo, Jeff Sonnenberg and Scott Boyer after secondplace Aquinas (24-18, 12-8) rallied for two runs in the sixth and one in the seventh to send the game into extra innings at 8-all.

The first game was interrupted by rain for 59 minutes.

Jon Morse went 3-for-6 with a homer and three RBI to lead the Saints, while Adam Farrell went 2-for-4 with a homer.

Morrow went 2-for-5 with his first homer of the season and three RBI. Zerbo clubbed his 12th of the year, while Kay also

Losing pitcher Trent Pohl (2-3) gave up one runs on three hits in 2.2 innings.

Winning pitcher Cory Garneau, a lefty, shut the Crusaders down during the final 3.2 innings allowing just two hits while fanning four.

The 13th-ranked Crusaders play their final regular season game at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday at Ilitch Ballpark against No. 21ranked Spring Arbor (25-8).

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Wildcats make noise with bats during three-game KLAA streak

The Plymouth softball team's bats were booming during a recent three-game stretch of Kensington Lakes Activities Association contests.

On Monday, the Wildcats routed Livonia Churchill, 9-0, to improve to 10-3 overall and 8-1 in the KLAA. The Chargers

Monday's one-sided triumph came three days after the Wildcats swept Northville, 9-6 (12 innings and 12-5 (five

"Everybody's digging in and showing their passion for the game on the field," said Plymouth coach Val Canfield. "This is a very dedicated group."

Lauren Smith earned the mound victory over Churchill, tossing a complete-game three-hitter. Smith struck out six without

Plymouth, which ripped seven hits, scored five runs in the second, three in the fifth and one in the sixth.

Stacey Klonowski delivered the big blow for the winners, clouting a two-run home run to right field. Amanda Burnard (2-for-3, triple) and Beth Heldmeyer (2-for-4) also had big games at the dish for the 'Cats.

Friday's sweep of Northville was highlighted by the length of game one, which went 12 innings. Canfield said the game may have been the longest in the history of the program.

Klonowski was clutch again, hitting a tie-breaking three-run home run in the top of the 12th for the Wildcats, who torched Mustang pitching for 12 hits. Klonowski finished with four hits and four RBI. Erin Rodes chipped in with two hits and a pair of ribbies while Heldmeyer laced three hits.

In Friday's nightcap, the Wildcats set a school record with 16 hits. Rodes was the most productive of many at the plate, going 4-for-4, including a double. Heldmeyer (2-for-3, three RBI), Klonowski (2-for-2, two RBI), Burnard (2-for-3), Christy Pattison (2-for-3, three RBI) and Marissa Blassic (double) hit

Sarah Rounsifer rocked a pair of home runs for the Mustangs. Miranda Oliver earned the mound win, scattering five hits while striking out four and walking two.

SALEM 3, SOUTH LYON 2: On Monday at South Lyon, the Rocks improved to 7-5 overall and 4-2 in the KLAA Central Division thanks in large part to sophomore pitcher Briana Lee, who tossed a 1-hitter, striking out 15.

The Rocks made efficient use of their four hits - two off the bat of Heidi Schmidt, a two-run triple from Christina Parsons

Trailing 3-1 in the bottom of the seventh, the Lions mounted a rally, but Lee stranded the potential tying run at first base.

Rocks 3rd in Chelsea

Salem placed third at Saturday's Chelsea Invitational. The Rocks won their opener, 11-1, against Lansing Catholic Central. Schmidt earned the win with four solid innings of work. Salem's 15-hit attack was sparked by doubles off the bats of Schmidt, Parsons, Cox, Alexis Powell, Janiczek and Emily Pitcole.

After dropping a close game to Belleville, the Rocks upended Carlton Airport, 2-0, in the third-place game. Salem scored both its runs in the fifth thanks to singles by Kelli Janiczek, Lizzy Mazorowicz and Schmidt. Lee and Schmidt combined to strike out nine batters.

SALEM 7, CHURCHILL 0: On Friday, the Rocks won the first game of a double-header thanks to a one-hit gem by Lee, who struck out 19 Chargers. Powell delivered at the plate, going 3for-4 with a two-run home run and a double. Lee helped her own cause with a pair of hits.

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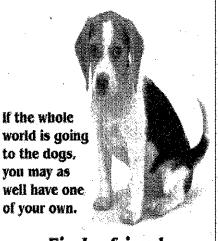
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Help available

A weekly drop-in Food Cupboard (non-perishable items) is available 10 a.m. to noon Saturday mornings at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. There are no requirements, this a service the church wants the com-

munity to be aware of and utilize if needed. Donations of nonperishable items also accepted for the cupboard.

Clothing bank

Free clothing (men, women and children) for those in need 10 a.m.noon on the fourth Saturday of each month, at Canton Christian. Fellowship Clothing Bank, 8775 Ronda Drive. The bank continues in April. Call (734) 404-2480, visit www.CantonCF.org or send e-mail to info@cantoncf.org.

Rummage sale

Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, between Wayne and Newburgh roads, Livonia will be holding a Rummage Sale fund raiser. Pre-sale 5-8 p.m. Thursday, April 30, admission \$2 per adult. Big Sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, May 1, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 2, admission free. Saturday everything half price. Christian golf league

Senior golfers (male or female) are needed for the Christian Fellowship Golf League which plays 9 holes at Idy! Wyld golf course 9 a.m. Wednesdays beginning May 6. For information, call Ed at (734) 591-3067. The league is sponsored by the Anglican Church of Livonia.

Families in action workshops

The National Association for Mental Illnesses 10-week educational program continues at St. Regis Parish School Campus in Bloomfield Hills. The program is for people with a loved one diagnosed with a serious mental illness. The workshop meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays or Thursdays through April 30, \$20 per person; \$30 per couple. Families in Action is funded in large part by the Oakwood Healthcare Foundation and the Oakwood Heritage Hospital Auxiliary. Call (248) 348-7197 to register.

Michigan Treasure Hunters Meet 7:30 p.m. on the fourth

Tuesday of each month at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, Livonia. To contact the club write Michigan Treasure Hunters, P.O. Box 510237, Livonia, MI 48151-6237.

UPCOMING

Men's spring retreat

Hosted by Brotherhood of St. Andrew Chapter of Anglican Church of Livonia Friday-Saturday, May 1-2, at the Retreat Center at St. John's, 33045 Five Mile, Plymouth. Friday schedule runs from 4:30 p.m. to? and features Bible study, evening lesson and fellowship. Saturday activities take place 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with a morning and afternoon lesson, Bible study and fellowship, and Eucharist at close. Cost is \$70 and includes Friday night dinner, overnight stay, breakfast and lunch on Saturday, \$30 for commuters. For information, call (248) 476-9214, (734) 432-0201, or (734) 591-3067.

Celebrating families Building Blocks for Society will be

held May 2-3, after all masses in Bixman Hall at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd., north of Six Mile, Livonia. There will be Lego display, a supervised Lego play area for children, refreshments, and a short movie for adults. The church will also be hosting the Catholic Book Store. Times are after 5 p.m. mass Saturday, May 2, and after 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. masses Sunday, May 3. For more information, call (734) 425-5950. Students and their families are invited to bring their own Lego creations for others to view before Mass between 4-5 p.m. on Saturday, May 2, to the St. Aidan display table in Bixman Hall. Health care reform forum Town hall forum 3 p.m. Sunday, May 3, at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, east of Newburgh, Livonia. For more information, contact Shawn Welker at ShWelker@gmail.com or (517) 879-6757. After the forum, the congregation invites you to join thema for a spagnetti dinner fund-raiser beginning at 5 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the door. For details,

call (734) 422-0149. Livonia Community Prayer Day

7:15 a.m. Thursday, May 7, at Laurel Manor Banquet center, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Special guest speaker is Dr. David Rawson, former U.S. Ambassador to Republics of Mali and Rwanda. Music will be provided by Classical Bells. Tickets are \$15, adults, \$10 K-12 students. Call (248) 476-9427.

National day of prayer

The sanctuary is open for prayer 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, May 7, at Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile at Haggerty, Northville. Two services focus on prayer for our nation at noon and 7 p.m. in Hess Chapel, For more information, call (248) 374-7400.

National prayer day

Kenwood Church of Christ will be holding a National Day of Prayer event May 7, focusing upon the economic, family, and marriage issues of our community. The prayer service begins at 7 p.m. with opportunities for personal and confidential prayer with a prayer partner between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. Kenwood Church of Christ is at 20200 Merriman, south of 8 Mile on east side of Merriman, Livonia. Call (248) 476-8222.

Spring Fling

Emmanuel Lutheran Church and their Special Needs Ministry Team invite everyone with special needs to a Spring Fling Dance 6:30-8 p.m. Saturday, May 16, at the church, 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia. The event is designed for adults with cognitive and developmental disabilities, other special needs, and caretakers. Come and enjoy an evening of music, fun, and friendship. Snacks and beverages served. Space limited, reservations required. Call Judy Cook at (248) 442-8822 or e-mail elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz no later than Friday, May 8.

Tattered and worn

St. John Neumann Catholic Church presents An Eccentric Look at the Good Book, a Ted & Company TheaterWorks Production Friday-Wednesday, May 8-13, at the church. 44800 Warren, Canton. Guests of all ages and faiths are invited to meet Bible characters and enjoy Scripture like never before. Ted Swartz and Jeff Raught combine music, theater, and comedy in the retelling of favorite Bible stories. Sunday performance begins with refreshments at 2 p.m. and the performance starting at 2:30 p.m.. Performances on Friday-Saturday, and Monday-Wednesday begin with refreshments at 6 p.m. followed by performances at 6:30 p.m. Tickets \$8 adults, \$6 children. Call ahead for ticket information at (734) 455-5986 or (734) 455-5910.

Ladies night out

Deadline is May 10 for reservations for St. Michael the Archangel Parish's 2nd Annual Ladies Night Out 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, at the Italian American Banquet Center of Livonia, 39200 Five Mile. The evening will feature Jackie Gordon of Livonia sharing her conversion story as part of the on-going series, Women of Faith Sharing their Journey. Gordon, a wife and mother of 4, was raised in the Methodist faith, became a long-time member of Northridge Church and then converted to Catholicism a few years ago along with her parents, husband and children.

Tickets are \$25 per person, includes family-style dinner and dessert. For reservations, visit www.livoniastmichael.org. Call (734) 261-1455, Ext. 207 or e-mail swilliams@livoniastmichael.org. Tickets will be mailed to, you or held at the door according to your instructions, time permitting. If you would like to reserve an entire table, you may do so by indicating the name of your parish and the names of other women who will be joining your table.

Landscape project

Trinity Church of Livonia is holding a planting day May 16, on the grounds of the church, 34500 Six Mile, next to Stevenson High School, west of Farmington Road, Livonia. They have been working with the City of Livonia and the Friends of the Rouge at ways to be good stewards of God's creation. Goals include reducing air and water pollution, embraçing a sustainable aesthetic, and building community. All are welcome. The church is also hosting a site at a Livonia Park for the Rouge Rescue set for June 6. Call (734) 425-2800.

King's Brass concert

Tim Zimmerman and The King's Brass will be appearing in concert 7 p.m. Sunday, May 17, at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon, Canton. Zimmerman and The King's Brass present hymn classics with a contemporary flair. Their original arrangements are featured on 13 recordings. No charge, but a free will offering will be taken. For more information, call (734) 459-3333.

Music at St. John's

The Saline Fiddlers, 6 p.m., Sunday, May 17, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. All concerts free except The Saline Fiddlers (\$7). Call (734) 453-0190.

Garage sale

8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday-Monday, May 23-25, at 36019 Middleboro, Livonia. Proceeds go to help the Anglican Church of Livonia purchase a new church building. Services are presently held at the Livonia Family Y. For more information, call Mary Ann at (734) 591-3067. Crocodile dock

Down by the water Vacation Bible school 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 15-19 for fun, friendship and food, at St. Aidan Catholic Church on Farmington Road, north of Six Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$25 per participant (family discount available), Music CD available last day for \$10. VBS Mass-9:30 a.m. Sunday June 21. For more information or to volunteer, call Jackie at (734) 425-9333.

Classic car show

8th annual show for classic cars with all profits going to Angela Hospice 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 18, at Livonia Church of Christ, 15431 Merriman, north of Five Mile, Livonia. For information, call (248) 380-8078 (evenings please), or visit www.livoniachurch.net.

Worship services

8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday. Hearts, Hands & Voices, a worship and music camp for children, grades 2-5, in southeast Michigan, held 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. August 10-13; with a concluding presentation 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA). 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org. Visitors welcome.

ONGOING

Worship services

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Rd; north of I-96, Livonia, holds traditional services at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday School. youth and adult Bible classes at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday. For information, call Linda Hollman, Oufreach director, at (734) 522-6830,

Church schedule

Garden City Presbyterian Church continues its Sunday schedule with adult Bible study at 8:30 a.m., traditional worship service with child care and youth church school at 10 a.m. The

theme of youth church school is GAP, God's Always Present which offers unique Bible study for kids using : computers, story telling, games, music, theme food baking and more. Refreshments served immediately after service. Handicap accessible with large print order of service, an elevator and handicap parking near all entrances. The church is on Middlebelt, one block south of Ford Road. Call (734) 421-7620. Everyone welcome.

All-you-can-eat pancakes

The Ushers' Club of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Livonia continues its 30-year tradition of all-youcan-eat pancake breakfasts 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. the third Sunday of each month in the school cafeteria at 11441 Hubbard. Expanded menu features pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, hash browns and assorted beverages served buffet-style, \$5, adults; \$3, children 4-11; free, under 3; \$15, family (two adults and all children). Everyone welcome.

Healing ministry

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Registration opens

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New worship schedule

Sunday worship at 8 a.m., Faith Forum at 9 a.m., worship and Sunday school 10 a.m. Wednesday worship at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call

(734) 427-1414. Time change

Worship is 9:30 a.m. Sunday, at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, west of Middlebelt, Livonia. Learning hour is at 8:15 a.m. for all ages. Visit www.livonfaith.org.

Church moves

Westwood Community Church has moved to 1119 N. Newburgh, Westland. Service time is 10-11:15 a.m. Come as you are. Coffee and doughnuts every Sunday, Children's church.

Midweek spiritual enrichment

Two opportunities for spiritual enrichment are available at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 26701 Joy, each week on Wednesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays is a study/discussion group focused on understanding our relationship with God and that of other religions and the many philosophical and scientific issues that might impact our faith. Thursday group examines early writings not included in the Bible as well as other versions, extensions and controversies concerning Christianity. Led by interim pastor Larry Hoxey. Call (313) 274-3820 for additional information on opportunities.

Special needs Bible class

Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Livonia invites adults with developmental disabilities and special needs to attend a new Open Arms Bible class the second Monday of the month at the church, 34567 Seven Mile, between Farmington and Newburgh roads, Livonia. The class will include songs, Bible lessons, crafts and activities, prayer, snacks and fun. Contact Judy Cook at Emmanuel, (248) 442-8822 or e-mail to elc-ed@arounddetroit.biz.

Church schedule

9:30 a.m. Sunday School followed by 10:30 a.m. Worship Service with Communion each Sunday, Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, at Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City. For information, call (734) 427-3660.

Caregiver's support group

St. John's Support Group for the Caregiver's of Alzheimer's patients or patients with other forms of dementia meets at 10 a.m., the first and third Friday of each month at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 South Sheldon, Plymouth. Respite care for your loved one will be provided. Call Connie McNutt at (734) 895-1426. This group is authorized by the Alzheimer's Association.

Sunday night lights

Riverside Park Church of God presents the non-traditional service designed to touch all the senses, every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the church, 11771 Newburgh, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0990. Step into the light with relevant messages and modern music within a casual atmosphere. Rush hour concert series

Continues every Tuesday with gathering and refreshments at 5 p.m., concert 5:30-6 p.m., featuring performances by local and national jazz artists at Metropolitan United

Methodist Church, 8000 Woodward, Detroit, Free. Visit www.metroumc.

Sundays 8 a.m. worship; 9 a.m. Adult Faith Forum, 10 a.m. worship service, Sunday School and Nursery, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414.

Sunday school

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WOOD SR.

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Czarnecky (James), and seven grand-children. Woody was a highly deco-

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Age 86, of Milford, formerly of Bloomfield Hills. Passed away on April 26, 2009. He is survived by his wife





FRANK B. DUNNE Age 98. April 26, 2009. USAF-Flying Tiger - 14th Air Force-World War II. Beloved husband of Helen. Dear father of Karen (Ken) Woodside. Dear grandmother of Jennifer (Jon) Wojtala and Jeffrey. Brother of Stanley (Helen), Leonard the late Jean Kort, Lillian Gula, and Edmund. Also survived by many nieces and nephews, Livonia Senior golf friends, special caregiver, Pam, and faithful dog, Reddi. Visitation Fred Wood Funeral Home (Rice Chapel) 36100 Five Mile, Livonia Friday 4:00 - 9:00 p.m. with a Scripture Service 7:00 p.m. In state St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Rd. (N. of Six mile) Saturday 9:00 until time of Mass of the Resurrection at 9:30 a.m. Memorials to Angela Hospice.Michigan Humane Society, or Livonia Men's Senior Golf-League Tree Replacement Fund.

MARGARET ELLIOTT

Age 93. April 24, 2009. A life-time resident of Tray. Bell wife of the late Bernarr M. Elliott. Dear mother of Ira (Andre) Elliott and Gloria Burke. oving grandmother of six grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Dear sister of Jennie Anstead and Ruth Mann. Visitation Thursday, April 30, 2009 from 3-8 p.m. at Price Funeral Home, 3725 Rochester Road (between Big Beaver and Wattles Roads), Troy, 248-689-0700. Funeral Friday, 12 Noon at Funeral Home. Interment White Chapel Memorial Cemetery, Troy. Memorials to the Big Beaver United Methodist Church, 3753 John R. Road, Troy, Michigan 48083. Share memories at www.pricefuneralhome.net.

WILLIAM M. LAMBERT JR.

April 26, 2009. Age 79. Beloved husband of Mary Jane. Dearest father of Karen (Todd) Palgut, Lisa (Randy Motyka) Lambert and Carl Lambert. Grandfather of John, Alan, Rachel, and Ryan. Brother of Lois (Harry) Wilmoth. Services were held Thursday at St. Kenneth Catholic Church. Share your special thoughts and memories at www.schrader-howell.com





CHARLES R. MICALLEF

April 26, 2009. Age 91. World War II Veteran. Loying husband of 62 years of Vivian. Father of Charles R. Jr., Anthony (Tony), Denyse Marie and Janine. Brother of Frank and Joe, and the late John Micallef and Henry Micallef. Grandfather of Charles Micallef, III and Madison Micallef. Also survived by daughter-in-law Cathy Micallef and step-grandchildren, Samantha and Travis Higgins, seven nieces, three nephews, one great-niece and one great-nephew. In lieu of flowers, please send memorial mass cards or make contributions to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliott Avenue, Detroit, MI 48207-3485 or the Salvation Army. Share a "Memorial Tribute" with the family at griffinfuneralhome.com

KAREN ANN NEAL

Of Wayne, MI. Age 65, passed away Monday, April 27, 2009. She was born May 21, 1943 in She was born May 21, 1943 in Northville, MI, the daughter of Gienn and Eula (Kuhn) Shipley. Survivors include: one daughter, Jackie (John) Kujat of Wayne; one son, Michael (Julie) Taylor of Flat Rock: five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, James "Jimbo" Neal, two brothers and one sister. The funeral service will be 11:00 a.m. Friday, May 1, 2009 at Stark Funeral Service Moore Memorial Chapel with Pastor Lawrence Lafferty officiating. Burial will follow in Highland Cemetery. The family will greet friends at the funeral home 2-9 p.m. Thursday. Please sign her guest book at www.starkfuneral.com.

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will be greatly missed by family and friends. Memorials may be made in his name to your favorite charities. Condolences may be left at: www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

JOHN WILLIAM **PETERSON** Age 94, of Jacksonville, FL. Passed away April 17, 2009. He was born October 18, 1914 in DeWitt, IL. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Zella in 2001, sister Vivian Blatti, and his parents Walter and Sylvia Hastings) Peterson. He is survived his son, Éric G. Peterson and his wife Patricia of Jacksonville, three grandchildren: Karen P Wolf, (Chris) and three great-grandchildren, Michael **BARBARA PHYLLIS** Joseph, Allison Grace, and Patrick HOLROYDE YOUNG John of Indianapolis; Brian J. Peterson, (Kristen) and two great-Passed away unexpectedly on April grandchildren Katherine Ann. and 25, 2009 in Atlanta, GA. Barbara was John William, of Lilburn, GA and Jill born on October 16, 1934 in Montreal, A. Peterson of Redondo Beach, CA. Ouebec and was raised in Winnipeg He is also survived by his sister-in-law Noreen Wortley of Stanwood, WA and and Toronto before moving to Michigan with her husband and famisix nieces, Josephine Blatti, Sheila ly. She was a devoted wife to her hus-Fox (Raymond), Michelle Blatti, Kathy Kirk (John), Rosalie Hall (Harald), Ann Hennings (Steven) and nephew Michael Blatti (Sandi). John,

in Farmer City, IL and graduated from

received his commission in 1942. He

electrical engineer department at the

destroyer USS Saterlee, DD 626, dur-

returned to Detroit and formed Korest-

Peterson Co. with partner Jay Korest

ment in the Midwest. He was a mem-

Detroit and other professional associa-

tions. He and Zella enjoyed the natural

His hobbies included model railroad-

ing and snow skiing. After selling the company he especially enjoyed model

railroading with his many friends in

the NMRA, North Central Region.

They moved to Jacksonville in 2000 to

be near Patti and Eric. He enjoyed vis-

iting with his beloved grandchildren

and great-grandchildren. In Lieu of

flowers, donations may be made to the

National Model Railroad Association.

4121 Cromwell Road, Chattanooga,

TN 37421-2119. A Memorial Service

will be held at the Hardage-Giddens

Funeral Home, 11801 San Jose Boulevard, Jacksonville, FL 32223,

904-288-0025, on Friday May 1, 2009 at 3 p.m. with an opportunity to visit

with the family immediately following

KATHERINE ANN TYREE

She was also a graduate of Wayne Memorial High School. Loving sister

of Geraldine Smith of St. Petersburg,

FL., Susan Riffenberg of Leesburg, FL., Daniel M. Moss of Monroe, MI

and James O. Moss of Talladega, AL. Arrangements entrusted to Uht Funeral

Home. Please visit and sign a tribute at

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April 6, 2009. Age 63, of Wayne

and Canton. Katherine operated

Ruby's Patio Produce on

Michigan Ave. in Canton, MI.

the service.

band, John Young, who passed away just one year ago. Barbara was a loving mother, grandmother and friend known for her passion for life and her also known as Bill or Pete was raised sparkling personality. She will be remembered for the unbelievable Moore Township High School and enthusiasm she had for life and her then Chicago Technical College with ability to share that gift with everyone an electrical engineering degree in she encountered. She brought beauty 1935. He worked for Fairbanks-Morse into the world through her gorgeous gardens, her music and her thoughtfulin Chicago and Detroit prior to enlist-ing in the US Navy V7 program in 1941 at the US Naval Academy. He ness of others. Barbara is survived by her five children, Michael Young (Lucy), Tim Young (Lisa), Susan married Zella H. Wortley May 7, 1942 Young (Bob Grunewald), Jill Young Spiegel (Peter), and Heather Young Elder (Bruce). "Bobbie" was also the in Croswell, MI. After teaching in the Naval Academy he was assigned to the proud grandmother of 16 grandchildren who adored her: Trevor, Chelsea. ing fitting out at Seattle. The Saterlee Jessica, Christopher, Paige, Madeline, provided Atlantic convoy and close in invasion support during D-Day and Nicholas, Steven, Stephen, Gabby, Tommy, Kelly, Rhiannon, Alex, Parker other invasions. After the war, John and Katie. Funeral Mass Thursday 11 a.m. at Church of St. Owen, 6869 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills. supplying industrial process equip-Visitation begins at church 10:30 a.m. Memorial tributes to The Michael J. ber of the Engineering Society of Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, Church Street Station, P.O. Box 780, New York, NY 10008-0780. setting and observing wildlife at their home in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. A.J. Desmond & Sons 248-549-0500.

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You were the most wonderful daughter a father could have. It's been 2 years since you left us and I miss you more than ever! All my love, Dad



Community faithful will observe national day of prayer

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN **O&E STAFF WRITER**

Barbara Munn prays every day, but on May 7, the Farmington Hills woman hopes to gain strength from joining millions of Americans in observance of the national day to communicate with God. Like many Christians Munn believes prayer is America's hope especially during these trying economic times. She and a team of volunteers have been working on a day-long event at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville. From 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. the community is invited to stop in for a few minutes or a couple of hours to pray for the nation at the church located on the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty. For information, call (248) 374-

The National Day of Prayer Task Force (www.ndptf.org) is mobilizing all faiths to ask God to help America and its leadership. Together with church members Munn is setting up display boards focusing on government, church, family, business, military, education, and media to help implement prayer. She came up with the concept after visiting a prayer room in Florida. Similar events have taken place annually since the National Day of Prayer was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry Truman.

"We're asking them to pray for an hour. They think what am I going to pray about for an hour that's why we have the tri-fold boards in the sanctuary," said Munn, co-chairwoman with Kay Sudheimer of Farmington Hills. "You move from one to another for information to help focus your prayer. Our nation is in such a turmoil. There are so many people with great needs, people who need employment, people losing their home. It's important to have someone we can turn to. This is a time to talk to God about our concerns and listen for His response." For those needing a structured time for prayer Senior Pastor Scott McKee preaches on the topic during services at noon and 7 p.m.

"We have a prayer room at the church which is open all of the time the church is open," said Munn. "We really want to welcome everybody, not one religion, whether or not they belong to a church. It's a call to pray for our nation."

This is the first year minister Todd Lackie is holding a community prayer in recognition of the day at Kenwood Church of Christ in Livonia, but he's been thinking about doing so for some time. The service is at 7 p.m. but offers the opportunity for personal and confidential prayer with a prayer partner 6-7 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. at the church located at 20200 Merriman, south of

8 Mile. For more information, call (248) 476-8222.

"In our society today our religious life has been pushed to the back burner," said Lackie. "With secularization of society the national day is an important reminder that prayer and God are an important part of life. On many occasions, we have been called to pray for our nation. Many churches held services following 9/11 as moments of prayer for our nation. We simply want to do what we can. Our desire on May 7 is to reach out to our community during a time of need and offer a listening ear and a mouth willing to pray to our Heavenly Father for His grace and mercy. We simply want to help in any way that we can those who are hurting during these challenging times."

The Livonia Community Prayer Breakfast has been a great way to start off the day for the last 35 years. Hundreds of business, government and church leaders gather for the inspirational event taking place 7:15 a.m. Thursday, May 7, at Laurel Manor Banquet Center, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. The guest speaker is Dr. David Rawson, former U.S. Ambassador to the Republics of Mali and Rwanda. Classical

Bells provides the music. Established in 1975 by an ecumenical group of residents, the Livonia Prayer Breakfast is the local version of the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C. which

was started by members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives in 1953. The local committee decides on a theme after the national day's focus is chosen. This year nationally it's Prayer: America's Hope. The Livonia committee selected Mitzvah: Faith and Good Deeds.

Tickets are \$15 adults, \$10 K-12 students, and available by calling (248) 476-9427.

"We're one of the longest running committees in Michigan," said chairman Ken McMullen, senior communications specialist, Livonia Public Schools. "It's unique just having a committee. We cross denominations, Jewish, Protestant. The mix of support is inspiring from dignitaries to regular citizens who decide to volunteer their time.

"We choose our theme depending on the climate, what's going on in our area. The speaker's been involved in helping the third world. Michigan has one of the lowest employment rates in the country. We're looking at people really struggling to put in perspective people with really hard times.

McMullen believes the reason the breakfast has been successful through the years is because of the community's values. Every year between 500 and 1,000 people attend the event.

"You feel a sense of unity. To see the cross representation of the community from students to the mayor's office, all com-

ing together for any reason let alone a prayer reason, it shows strength for any community," said McMullen. "It's inspiring."

The Rev, Mary Margaret Eckhardt enjoys the fellowship so much she's served on the committee for the last six vears.

"It a time to gather the community of faith in Livonia, all faiths, to spend

a time in fellowship, to bring people together and share concerns," said Eckhardt, pastor of St. Matthew's United Methodist Church in Livonia. "We learn something; the speaker is always good, but it's a gathering of the people for prayer and fellowship."

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10:30 a.m. each Sunday, at Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28600 Cherry Hill, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads, Garden City. Bible study 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Call (734) 427-3660.

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Parkinson Support

Western Oakland Parkinson Support Group meets 7-9 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month except January, July and August, at Farmington Hills Baptist Church, 28301 Middlebelt, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile. Enter at rear of church. For more information, call (248) 433-1011.

Overeaters Anonymous

Meet 7 p.m. Thursdays in the Courtyard Room at Unity of Livonia Church, 28660 Five Mile, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, Livonia, And 7 p.m. Sundays at the Marion Professional Building at

St. Mary's Hospital, 14555 Levan at Five Mile, Livonia, in Classroom 1. Call Wendy first at (313) 387-9797. Anyone who wants to stop eating compulsively is welcome. For more Greater Detroit Overeaters Anonymous Information visit www. oa.org or call (248) 559-7722.

New worship schedule

Worship 8 a.m. Sunday, Faith Forum & Other Options at 9 a.m., and

Worship and Sunday school at 10 a.m. Wednesday Worship at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA), 30650 Six Mile, Livonia, Visitors welcome. For information, call (734) 427-1414 or visit www.holycrosslivonia.org.

Bible study

St. Michael the Archangel Church, located at the southwest corner

of Plymouth and Hubbard Roads, continues its regular evening Bible-Study program with an in-depth 📑 study of The Gospel of Luke 7 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the rectory. The informal classes are open to all interested persons regardless of religious affiliation. To register or for information, call (734) 261-1445,

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Mathnasium

Mathnasium Learning Center, an international franchise offering math only, after school and summer educational programs, has joined with Canton's Summit on the Park to provide a summer math program. The Canton community recognizes the need to focus on the educational preparation of youth for the global competition they will face in their futures. Mathnasium can help kids who are behind in math catch up; help kids who are already caught up, get ahead; and help kids who are ahead, say ahead.

The program will be offered at the Canton Summit on Tuesday evenings from 6-7:30 p.m. starting on May 5, and runs throughout the summer. Students between the ages of 6 and 14 can be enrolled in the sessions via the Canton Leisure Services on-line registration Web page at http://leisure.canton-mi.org/registration.aspx or in person at the Summit on the Park. Enrollment will be granted on a first come, first serve basis. The Mathnasium Method, developed more than 30 years ago, was designed to help children of all ages and skill levels develop much-needed math skills and build confidence in their abilities. As part of its proprietary and proven learning model. Mathnasium students are first assessed to identify their strengths and weaknesses. This

baseline testing is then used to create a custom-

ized learning program tailored to strengthen weak areas and build on strengths.

The Mathnasium Method uses a unique combination of mental, verbal, visual, tactile and

written techniques to help children understand math. The comprehensive curriculum also addresses attitude and self-esteem, with the goal of helping students become strong problem solvers and critical thinkers. This is accomplished by teaching kids math in a way that makes sense to them. The result is a deep understanding of mathematical concepts as opposed to repetitious regurgitation of math facts.

"Transforming children into powerful mathematicians is very doable." said Kimberly Smith, owner of Mathnasium of Plymouth-Canton. "It takes a skillful combination of the right method, the right curriculum and qualified teachers to make math fun and accessible to kids. This generation of children will not only be destined to compete nationally to be successful, but are going to need to be prepared to compete globally. I am thrilled to bring the recipe for success to Canton." For more information, visit www.mathnasium.

Free comic book day
Comic City, 42727 Ford Road (in Canton Corners

shopping center), will be one of several area comic book stores participating in Free Comic Book Day on May 2. The

stores will be giving away free comic books in an effort to encourage more reading and purchases of comic books, which have appeal to people of all ages. Store hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday (and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday). For more information, visit www.comiccity.com or call (734) 981-3561.

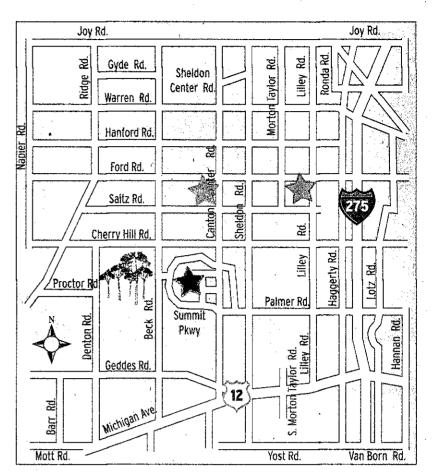
Mother's Day special

Allen May Salon & Day Spa, 1687 Canton Center in the Center Village Plaza, would like to extend a special mothers day deal to its clients, as well as new clients. The spa will offer 25 percent off of regular salon & spa rates until May 17. For more information visit www. allenmay.net or call (734) 981-8223.

Mother's Day gift idea

Canton author B. Fowler has compiled a book of poetry about mothers and she is promoting it as a great gift for Mother's Day, which is May 10. Compiled in a white classic glossy, saddlestitched cover, decorated with rose petals and a displayed box of chocolates, the work consists of 15 poems, as well as a Mother's Day certificate that must be personalized by the

For more information, visit http://agift4mom.com.



CHAMBER CHAT

Grub Crawl

Canton Chamber of Commerce, Charter Township of Canton and the Downtown Development Authority will be co-hosting Canton's eighth annual Grub Crawl on Tuesday, July 21, from 6-10 p.m. This event is open to the public and participants must be 21 years of age or older.

The Grub Crawl is an opportunity for area restaurants to showcase their establishment as well as promote Canton's diversity while having fun. Participating restaurants in this year's event include: 4 Friends Restaurant, Antonio's Cucina Italiana, Bailey's Pub & Grille, bd's Mongolian Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Chili's, Crow's Nest, Max & Erma's, Rose's Grill & Bar, Shark Club, T.C. Gator's Sports Page, and T.G.I. Fridays.

Last year almost 600 people attended the event. Tickets (T-shirt) are \$35 each and include transportation to and from participating restaurants. T-shirts are on sale now and can be purchased at the Chamber office. T-shirt sizes are on a first come first serve basis so reserve yours early.

If you are interested in participating in the Grub Crawl, please contact the Canton Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-4040. For more information on the Canton Chamber of Commerce, log onto www.cantonchamber.com.

Networking luncheon

The Canton Chamber of Commerce will host its May networking luncheon on May 13, at 11:30 a.m. at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton. The cost for lunch is \$20 advance registration, (or \$25 at the door) and includes a full buffet lunch, beverages and dessert. This luncheon is open to the public.

May's Luncheon will feature guest speaker William L. "Billy" Taylor, Jr. B.S., M.A., Ed.D, who is a University of Michigan football legend. Taylor has written his autobiography "Get Back Up" where he reiterates the series of up and down struggles that eventually led him to where he is today.

"We are thrilled to have someone of William Taylor's stature speak at our local chamber," says Dianne Cojei, president of the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

May's Luncheon is being sponsored by Durcon, Inc. and Huntington Bank. Seating is limited and reservations are needed. To make your reservation, contact the chamber at (734) 453-4040. Deadline for reservations is Friday, May 8.

Eye Glass Showcase

The 2009 Fashion Eye Glass Showcase will take place from 1-7 p.m., at The Vision Center, 325 N. Lilley Road, in Canton. Frame representatives from several designer manufacturers will be on hand to show you the latest eye glass styles. You will be able to try on hundreds of new designer frames, and receive a huge discount on every frame purchase. Prescription sunglasses, reading glasses, spare pairs, every type of eye wear will be showcased.

No appointment is necessary. Door prizes will be given away all afternoon as well as refreshments and light snacks.

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For more information, call (734) 981-2700.

First Friday Club

The Chamber will host its First Friday Club at 8:30 a.m., Friday, May 1 at the Chamber office. This is an opportunity to do one on one networking in a small group setting. Participants should bring business cards, flyers, etc., to share with the group. Registration opened Thursday, April 23. The fifth member to call will be asked to bring bagels or doughnuts. To make your reservation, call (734) 453-4040 or e-mail receptionist@cantonchamber.com.

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Get in on the new Strictly Business page of the *Canton Observer* by sending us your business news, promotions, events or milestones. It's simple. Just e-mail all of the details to Editor Kurt Kuban at kkuban@hometownlife. com and he will take care of the rest. Our new local busi-

ness page runs each Thursday in your Canton Observer. We welcome comments and suggestions, too. We're looking forward to hearing from you.

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Ribbon cuttings

The Canton Chamber of Commerce participated in two recent ribbon cutting ceremonies at local, member businesses. In late February, T-Mobile, located at 47188 Michigan Avenue in Canton, held a grand opening ceremony (above), which was attended by employees, township officials, chamber members and local residents. On Monday, April 6, a ribbon cutting was held by Mill Street Gourmet Pastries to announce their grand opening (below), at 985 N. Mill Street, in Plymouth. Attending the event were employees, chamber members and local residents.





Community outreach

The Canton-based RepairClinic.com helped sponsor Michigan Meals on Wheels' annual 'Spring Fling' benefit dinner last month at the Ann Arbor Marriott, Ypsilanti. RepairClinic.com employees who attended (left to right) Ryan Huntley, Erika Akers, Luanne Berk, Brooke Westlake, Lisa Mueller, Brittany Bell, Samer Atris, and Danny DeLatorre. It is just one of many charitable endeavors for the local business, which also participates in the Christmas in Action program, Relay for Life, Hope Clinic, Make a Wish Foundation, Canton Make a Difference Day, Earth Day Spring Cleanup, and the Belleville Eagles charity. Now celebrating its tenth anniversary, RepairClinic.com was founded in Canton in 1999 and is a comprehensive online resource for home appliance parts, do-it-yourself repair help and information. For more information, visit www.RepairClinic.com.

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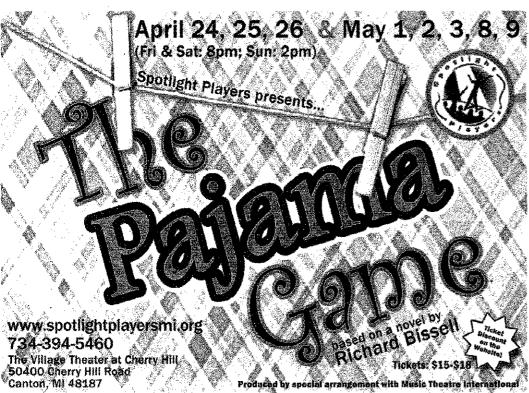
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The Plymouth Oratorio Society and Huron High School A Cappella Choir rehearsed Monday night at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth.



Plymouth Oratorio Society to sing choral masterworks

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN O&E STAFF WRITER

Section by section the Plymouth Oratorio Society assembled in an orderly manner for the final rehearsal before their May 3 concert at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth. Only moments before the singers were joking goodnaturedly outside the sanctuary. Inside or outside their team work shines through that's the reason the program promises to delight audiences as it does every spring. This year's selections include Psalm 148 and 86 by Gustav Holst and Johann Pachelbel's Magnificat in G. Joining them for the Pachelbel is Ann Arbor's Huron High School A Cappella Choir under conductor Richard Ingram who serves as musical director of the POS. The Michigan Sinfonietta returns for a 22nd time. MaryAnn Crugher Balduf provides the organ music for the May 3 concert which begins at 4

Founding members like Don and Kathy Pratt of Canton return every year like they have for the past 23 just to sing choral masterworks. Both love music. Kathy vividly remembers her first time performing at Hill Auditorium in Ann Arbor in fifth grade. For the last 34 years she and Don have sung with the St. John Neumann Catholic Church choir in Canton.

"There's nowhere else you can sing major works with a professional director," said Kathy Pratt, a Plymouth-Canton school district employee. "It's like getting mini lessons each week."

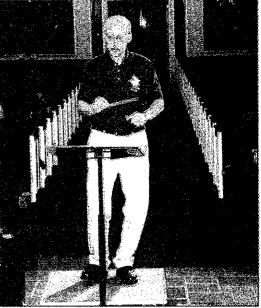
Recently the POS joined the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra to perform Beethoven's Ninth Symphony for an overflowing crowd at Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville.

"It's music in it's purest form," said Don, who retired two years ago from teaching math in Ann Arbor Schools.

Don is the POS's business manager. He's so proud of the choral group he wears their annual T-shirt everywhere. It's a way of recruiting new members. Unlike other choirs, the POS doesn't rehearse in fall. They begin preparing for the May concert in January with weekly rehearsals.

Pratt is especially looking forward to singing Mozart's Misericordas Domini because of parts that sound similar to those written later for Mozart's Requiem.

"We wanted a short season because people are in other choirs and activities," said Don Prattwhose father Robert conducted the POS from



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Conductor Richard Ingram rehearses the Plymouth Oratorio Society and Huron High School A Cappella Choir for their joint concert Sunday, May 3, at First United Methodist Church in Plymouth.

1987 to 1995. "You have to work on your own a lot. We don't have auditions. You have to be experienced enough to sing a Brahm's Requiem. You have to be fairly experienced to sing what we sing." Robert Nelson of Canton has been singing in

choirs since sixth grade.

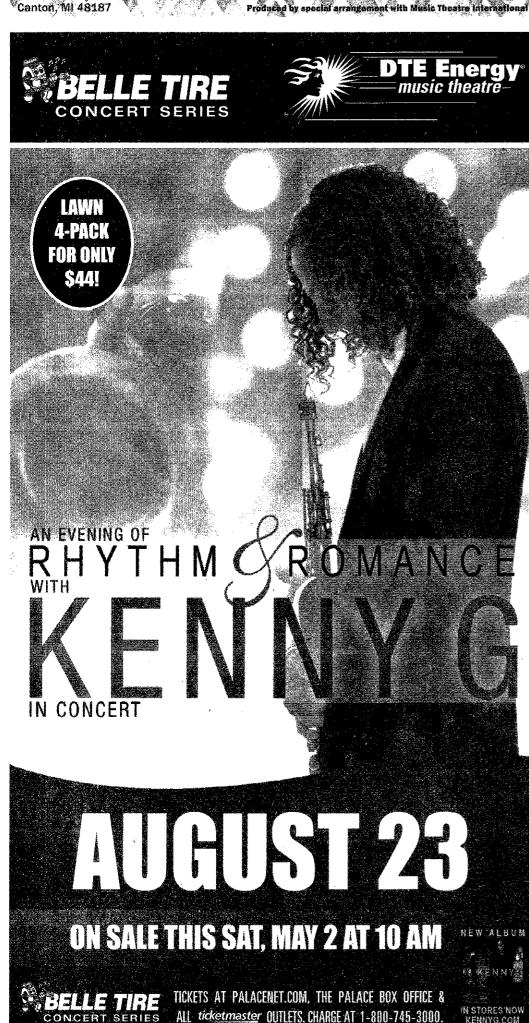
"I love classical music, sacred music," said
Nelson. "No where can I get closer to my faith. The
music is challenging and people are serious about

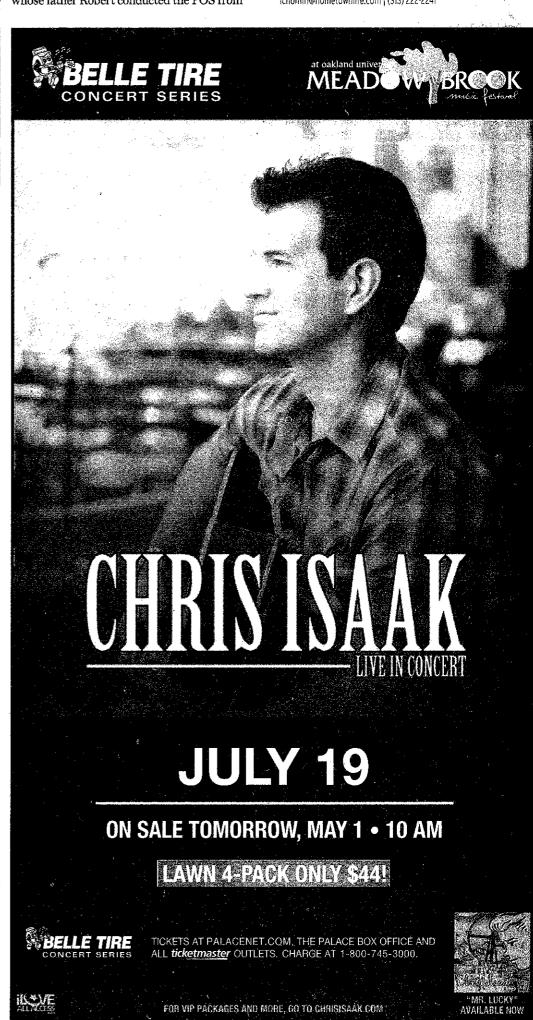
their music."
Nancy Murphy travels from Dexter to sing with the POS. Over the years she's sung with the Ann Arbor Cantata and University Musical Society Choral Union.

"The people are the cream of the amateur crop," said Murphy. "They know their way around the music. Nobody is a novice."

First United Methodist Church of Plymouth is at 45201 N. Territorial, west of Sheldon. There is no charge for the concert but a free will offering will be taken. For more information, call Don Pratt at (734) 455-8353.

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ART

Ariana Gallery: "Playing with Fire" lampwork, through May 24, 119 S. Main St., Royal Oak, (248) 546-8810, www.arianagallery.com. Birmingham Art Festival: May 9-10, Shain Park. CPop Gallery: CPop's farewell exhibit. "It's All About ©," opens 6 p.m. May 2; "It's Humble 2 Be Good," featuring winners of @POPpor2nity 2008, through May 1, 4160 Woodward Ave., Detroit, (313) 833-9901, wcpop.com. Farmington Artists Club: Spring 2009 Exhibit, through April 26, William M. Costick Activities Center, 28660 Eleven Mile Road, Farmington

Fine Art at the Village: May 16-17, Village of Rochester Hills, 104 N. Adams Road, Rochester Hills. (248) 689-8734, www.FineArtAtTheVillage.

Gallery@VT: Alien Brooks Photography, through May 24, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton, (734) 394-5300. www.canton-mi.org/villagetheater. Janice Charach Gallery: "Glass Reunion '09," glass works by students from College for Creative Studies and featured artist Janet Kelman, through May 7, Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield, (248) 432-

5579, www.jccdet.org. Lemberg Gallery: James Stephens Short Stories, through June 6. 23241 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, (248) 591-6623, www.lemberggallery.

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Next Step Studios & Gallery: Featuring glass works by Kaiser Suidan, Craig Paul Nowak, John Gargano, Susan Beiner and many others, 530 Hilton. Ferndale, (248) 342-5074, www.riextstepstudio.

Northville Art House: "Saints & Angels: Colonial Arts of Latin America," through May, reception, 6-9 p.m. May 1: Call for Entries, Art in the Sun, June 27-28; classes for adults and children, 215 W. Cady, (248) 344-0497, www.northvillearts.org. Orchard Lake Fine Art Show: July 24-26, includes artist awards, demonstrations, entertainment kids activities and a youth art competition. Orchard Lake St. Mary's Schools, Orchard Lake, (248) 684-2613. www.HotWorks.com. Paint Crack Center for the Arts: "Rochester

Community Schools Art Exhibit;" Downtown Rochester Spring Gallery Stroll, 6-9 p.m. April 24; "Amy Sacksteder: Still," April 24-June 13, reception 6-9 p.m. April 24: Galfery Talk 2 p.m. April 25, 407 Pine, Rochester. (248) 651-4110.

www.pccart.org Plymouth's Annual Art Feast: May 15-16. Downtown

Plymouth Art in the Park: July 10-12, Kellogg Park. Plymouth Community Arts Council: Emerging Artists Exhibit, May 4-26; Behind the Lens "Peace Project," May 30-June 12, 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth, (734) 416-4278, www.plymoutharts.com.

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Susanne Hilberry Gallery: Anne Lise Coste, through May 30, 700 Livernois, Ferndale (248) 541-4700. www.susannehilberrygaliery.com Visual Arts Association of Livonia: "Artistic Expressions" May 4-29, Livonia City Hall, (734) 838-1204, www.vaalart.org

Westacres Artists Market: 10 a.m. 5 p.m. May 2. Westacres Clubhouse, 3700 Westacres Dr. West Bloomfield, (248) 360-5323.

BENEFITS Detroit Opera House: Bravo Bravol, 7:30 p.m. June 15, \$85 by May 1; \$95 after, Jazz Sophisticate attire, www.bravobravo.org, (313) 961-3500. Betroit Athletic Club: Detroit Symphony Orchestra's Bacchanalia, 6 p.m. May 13, wines, strolling dinner, live auction, \$95-\$175, benefits DSO, 241 Madison Avenue, Detroit, (313) 576-5154 or visit www.detroitsymphony.com.

Meadow Brook Hall: Promenade of Hope, 6:30 p.m. May 7. \$200 benefit HAVEN, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester, (248) 322-3703. www.promenadeofhope.org

Penn Theatre: "PENNIdemonium" Dinner Auction to benefit Friends of the Penii, 6-1i p.m. May 8, hors dioeuvres, plated diffner, full open bar dessert, raffle, live and silent auction, music and dancing, Meeting House Grand Bailroom Plymouth \$75-\$85 (734) 453-0870, lickets@ friendsofthepenn.org

St. John's Golf & Conference Center: Art Dash: May 21. \$275 per couple includes diriner and one dash for your choice of artwork, May 21 benefits. Arbor Hospice Foundation, (734) 394-5152, www. arborhospice.org.

BOOKS/LITERATURE

Ann Arbor Book Festival: May 2-16, 1734) 369-3366, www.aabookfestivai.org.

Borders: Lee Woodruff, "Perfectly Imperfect, A Life in Progress " 7 p.m. Birmingham, www. borders.com.

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CHORAL

Advent Episcopal Church: Cantate! presents "Welcome to Spring," May 2, Middlebelt Road, 🕁 mile north of Long Lake Road, (248) 615-0940, www. cantate-detroit.org.

First Presbyterian Church: Music for a Cathedral, 7:30 p.m. May 22, 1669 W. Maple, Birmingham (248) 644-2040 x 136, ttrennev@comcast.net. Seligman Performing Arts Center: Farmington Community Chorus, "Questionable Songs," May 8-9, Detroit Country Day High School, 22305 W. 13 Mile Road, Beverly Hills, (810) 632-4067, www. farmingtonchorus.com

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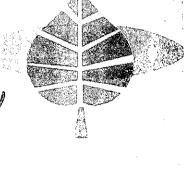
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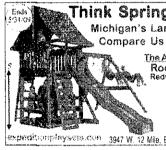


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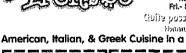
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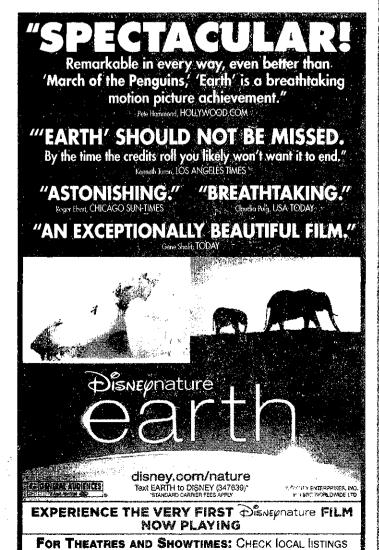


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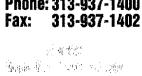


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2-9:15 p.m.: The Saints 3:45-5 p.m.: Four Finger Five 5:30-7 p.m.: Zooropa: A U2 Tribute SATURDAY, MAY 2

2-3:15 p.m.: Luke Winslow-King 3:45-5 p.m.: Orpheum Bell 5:30-7 p.m.: Bump SUNDAY, MAY 3

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SERENA RYDER

Atlantic Records recording

artist Serena Ryder will headline on Sunday, May 3. Ryder has already left an indelible impression in Canada, where both her efforts "If Your Memory Serves You Well" and "is it o.k" have been certified Gold, contributing to her winning the 2008 Juno Award for New Artist of the Year and the 2009 Juno Award for Adult Alternative Album of the Year.

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again," promise the Macpodz, an With an unrelenting touring schedule and over 700 shows played in 35 plus states, Bump continues to turn heads throughout the country spreading "the new Detroit sound." Hear them 5:30-7 p.m. Saturday, May 2 during the Green Street Fair in downtown Plymouth.



Formed in 1999, The Saints' classic sound and high energy stage shows have allowed the band to etch its mark on the local music-scene. They'll play 2 p.m. Friday, May 1 on the Eco-Beats Stage.



Atlantic Records recording artist Serena Ryder will headline 3:45-5 p.m. Sunday, May 3 at the Green Street Fair in Plymouth. The Canadian performer brings her album "is it o.k." to American listeners.

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Todd, Edna - J345 10x10 - Sound mixer, washer & dryer, stroller, boxes, high chair, misc. baby toys, wheelbarrow, misc. household

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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Specifications and bid documents are available in the City Manager's Office, at City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, 48170 during normal business hours. You may also download a copy of the documentation from the City's web site at: http:// www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

The City of Plymouth reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and to waive any irregularities.

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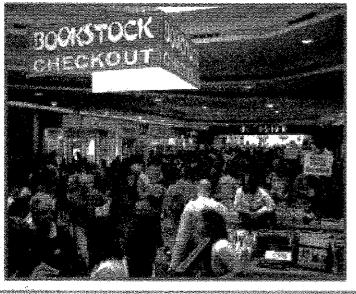
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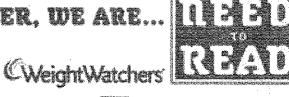
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Canton artist honored in VAAL exhibit



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Tim Marsh's oil painting "Monkey Business" won first place in the VAAL Spring Art Exhibit "Artistic Expressions."

Tim Marsh of Canton has won two awards at the VAAL Spring Art Exhibit, "Artistic Expressions." The show is being featured in the lobby of the Livonia City Hall May 4-29. Marsh won First Place for "Monkey Business" and honorable mention "Sudden Encounter." Both are oil paintings.

Marsh's artistic muse is

nature, and he likes to show plants and animals in a fantasy setting.

Marsh visits zoos and botanical gardens, taking hundreds of photographs for inspiration.

He paints in his home studio and teaches classes in drawing and colored pencil.

Marsh, along with second and third place and honor-

able mention winners, will be recognized at an art reception at City Hall 7-8 p.m. May 7. The public is welcome.

Livonia City Hall is located on Farmington Road at Five Mile Road. For more information about the show or to receive a free catalog of VAAL art classes call (734) 838-1204.



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CANTON FARMERS MARKET OPENS

CANTON — Canton Farmers Market continues 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays at the Bartlett-Travis House, located at 500 N. Ridge. It will be open every Sunday through Oct. 25 rain or shine at the historic site.

New and returning vendors will offer a wide-variety of merchandise, as it becomes available, including fresh fruits and vegetables, bread, baked goods, flowers, herbs, jellies, jams, cider, honey and much more. Opening day will include the Spice Up Your Summer Cook Off Series challenge, featuring the Best Burger Blowout.

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STATION 885 DOWN UNDER

PLYMOUTH - Station 885 presents "A Trip Down Under" Australian Wine Dinner, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 30, \$55, tax and gratuity included. Station 885 is located at 885 Starkweather in Plymouth. Call (734) 459-0885 to make Mother's Day reservations today.

5IVE RESTAURANT PRIX FIXE

PLYMOUTH — 5ive Restaurant is offering a special prix fixe menu. Choose one starter, one main and one finish for \$35 per person. Choices include warm feta-artichoke fondue, broiled maryland crab cake, 5ive onion soup, pan seared Atlantic salmon, free range chicken breast, grilled petit filet mignon, forest berry chocolate mousse and chef's daily creme brulee. Includes salad. 5ive is located at the Inn at St. John's, 44045 Five Mile Road, Plymouth. Call (734) 357-5700 or visit www.theinnatstjohns.com.

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HILLER'S HOSTS FOOD FAIRS

SOUTHFIELD — Hiller's will host two simultaneous two-day Michigan food fairs May 2-3. This follows months of featur ing Michigan companies in the Hiller's biweekly circular, launching a collaborative Hometown First program with locally-owned businesses that has more than tripled in scope, and identifying Michigan products with smiling-mittenstate shelf tags. The food fairs will



Canton Farmers Market continues 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays at the Bartlett-Travis House, located at 500 N. Ridge.

feature more than 30 vendors and will take place 11 a.m.-4 p.m. May 2-3 at the Ann Arbor store, 3615 Washtenaw Ave. (in the Arborland Mall at US 23); and the Commerce Township store, 39950 W 14 Mile Road (at Haggerty).

KORKS FOR KIDZ

BIRMINGHAM — Birmingham Rotary will host its 7th annual wine tasting fund-raiser 6-9 p.m. Friday, May 8 at The Reserve in Birmingham, 375 S. Eton St.

The event will feature a tasting of over 25 wines, strolling appetizers and desserts, and a special Reserve Room with premium wines and a 50/50 raffle and door prizes. Event Tickets are \$50 per person, raffle tickets are \$10 each.

Children will benefit from this year's event with proceeds being distributed to Childhelp-Michigan, Orchard's Children Services and an International Rotary Project serving an elementary school in the Philippines.

"Rotary International's motto for this year is 'Make Dreams Real'." said Birmingham Rotary President Shirley Bryant. "We thought it was perfect for our annual fundraising event because it will neip children

to realize a better life." For sponsorship opportunities, tickets or more information call (248) 505-1704, or visit www.birminghamrotary.com.

TASTE OF PLYMOUTH

PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth

Community Chamber of Commerce Argentina that will be expertly proudly presents the 20th Annual Showcase and Taste of Plymouth 5-7:30 p.m. Monday, May 11, at the Inn at St. John's. Admission, \$10 at the door, includes free food and beverages and a chance to win over 80 door prizes. Attendees are also invited to help honor this year's Plymouth Service Club's Volunteers of the Year and the Student Citizen Scholarship Award winner's during a short recognition ceremony in the Atrium at 6 p.m.

Featured restaurants include Bennigan's, E.G. Nick's, Fancy Food Catering, Fiamma Grill, Grand Traverse Pie Company, Independence Village, Leo's Coney Island, Mill Street Gourmet Pastries, Omelette & Waffle Café, Panera Bread, Rusty Bucket, Station 885, Toarmina's Pizza, Zapata's and more. Beverages will be provided courtesy of Absopure and Central Distributors of Beer. Inn at St. John's is located at 44045 Five Mile Road, Plymouth. Visit www.theinnatstjohns.com.

DSO HOSTS BACCHANALIA

DETROIT - The very popular DSO deCanted, a wine tasting and auction, sponsored by the Volunteer Council of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, will be held at the Detroit Athletic Club, 241 Madison Avenue, Detroit 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 13.

Friends and supporters of the DSO will enjoy sampling an outstanding selection of wines from paired with an array of savory hors d'oeuvres. Oenophiles will have the opportunity to nurture their love of fine and unusual wines by bidding on any number of exceptional wines, some from the personal cellars of serious collectors, along with other unique wine related items.

Adding to the evening's festivities, this year's feast of fine wine and strolling dinner features a live auction led by WDIV-TV personality, Andrew Humphrey which will begin at 7:15 p.m.

To order tickets, \$95-\$175, call (313) 576-5154 or visit www. detroitsymphony.com.

5IVE DAILY SPECIALS

PLYMOUTH — 5ive Restaurant announces the following daily specials: Monday Happy Hour, half-off mixed drinks and other wine, beer and drink specials; Tuesday Date Nights, buy one entree from the prix fixe menu and get another for half-off, champagne toast included; Wednesday Girls' Night Out, halfoff drink specials, specialty drink features and free chef's tasting with tips and recpies from 5-7 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, half off select bottles of wine: Friday and Saturday, live entertainment; Sunday, light fare entrees all day starting at \$10.

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Innovation at Ruffino

talian wines have two things going for them - tradition and innovation.

Italian wine producer Ruffino was founded near Florence in 1877. Currently, the company is led by Adolfo Folonari who, realizing the need for continual modernization, has invested in state-of-the-art technology, vineyard replantings, new winemaking facilities and cellar restoration, all designed for the

future while respecting his Tuscan heritage. He recalls, "Being a member of a family that has been involved in the wine business since the end of the 1700s, I think wine is part of my soul."

Ruffino has seven small Tuscan estates located in Chianti Classico, Montepulciano and Montalcino. Each produces two or three wines from

estate-grown fruit that are made on the estate. For other wines, grapes are sourced from growers who have been cooperating with Ruffino over sev-

eral generations. What we appreciate most about Ruffino is that it produces wines for the connoisseur as well as the neophyte; wines that satisfy the needs and wallets of every consumer. It's famous for its Riserva Ducale Chianti Classico, the celebrated Riserva Ducale Gold label, produced only in the finest vintages, and the excit-

ing and affordable new red wine Il Ducale. Over the last 10 to 15 years, the Riserva Ducale Chianti Classico style has improved as a result of vineyard and winemaking advances. New clones, better suited to the soils and climate, are designed to produce low yields and offer greater concentration and color.

WALLET FRIENDLY WINES

Considering the current state of most wallets, we recommend the following Ruffino values at \$22 and under:

White Wines:

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Orvieto Classico 2007, \$10, is highlighted by wildflower, ripe apples, melon and honey aromas and flavors. Lumina 2007 Pinot Grigio, \$13, showcases bright floral notes with pear and peach accents in a fresh and clean rendi-

Red Wines:

Chianti 2007, \$10, is a quaffable terrific value but takes steps up in flavor with Chianti Superiore 2007 \$13, Aziano 2006 Chianti Classico, \$15, and Tenuta Santedame 2006 Chianti Classico, \$22.

Il Ducale 2005, \$19, has classic Tuscan flavors with loads of depth and compexity. One of the very best under \$20.

Eleanor & Ray Heald are Contributing Editors for the internationally-respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.

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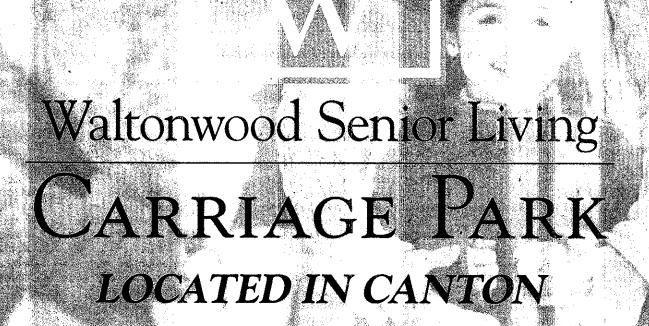
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Parade of Homes highlights lifestyle options



The Ashford/Hampton II condominium in Clinton Township was built by Arteva Homes.

Parade of Homes 2009, the 20th annual exhibition of new model homes located across southeastern Michigan, will open on May 1 and run through May 31, 2009. **Building Industry Association** of Southeastern Michigan and Bank of America are the sponsors of this public event.

"The advantages of today's new homes are unparalleled." said Darshan S. Grewal of Singh Homes Building Co. LLC and president of BIA. "Breakthrough technology has brought safety and energy efficiency in homes to a new level, and for conveniences and amenities, it's hard to beat a new home."

Another important reason to consider purchase of a new home now is the availability of an \$8,000 tax credit for certain buyers through Nov. 30, 2009. The Web site at www. FederalHousingTaxCredit. com explains in detail the provisions of the new tax credit.

"This new tax credit provides an unprecedented opportunity for people looking to buy their first home," said Grewal. "Not only will they receive an \$8,000 tax credit, they also will be taking advantage of record-low interest rates, a large selection of homes to choose from and competitive home prices.'

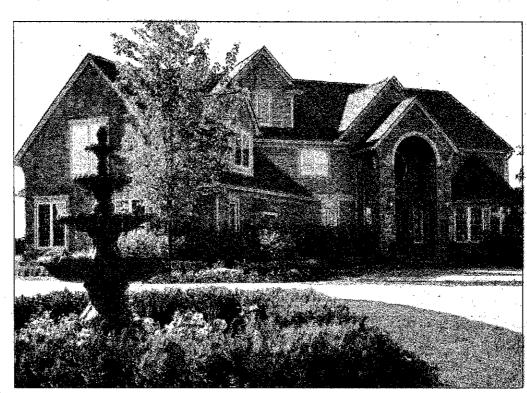
The Parade of Homes offers potential homebuyers a unique opportunity to visit the area's finest model and

inventory homes, including condominiums and singlefamily homes, affordable housing and estate-sized homes. Visitors to the homes will have an opportunity to see firsthand the latest trends in energy efficiency and green building, architecture, interior design, amenities and materials. The 50 model and inventory homes range in base price from \$95,900 to

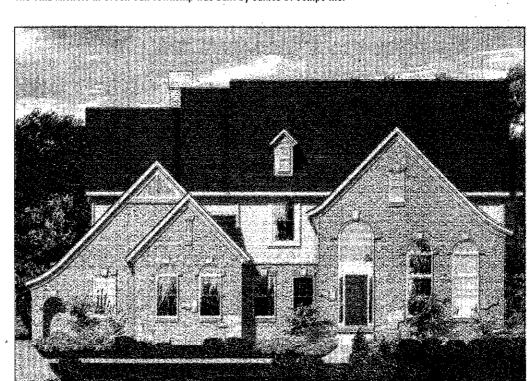
\$3,899,000. Architects and building industry experts will judge the homes and award winners in several categories prior to the event opening. The judges will make their decisions based on the innovative use of space and design, aesthetic appeal of the home and value for the price.

A Parade of Homes magazine containing renderings, features and location maps for all homes will be distributed within select home delivery of The Detroit News and Detroit Free Press on May 7, available at Bank of America locations throughout southeastern Michigan and at all participating model homes beginning May 1.

For additional information on Parade of Homes 2009 beginning May 1. call (248) 862-1032 or visit www.builders.org. The program Web site, www. go live on May 1, and will feature informative news sto-



The Villa Michele in Green Oak Township was built by James D. Compo Inc.



The Heather Glenn in Northville Township was built by Cohen Homes.

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ries on home ownership and economic issues as well as details on each home.

This is the only Parade of Homes event BIA will spon-

Headquartered in Farmington Hills. BIA is

a trade association representing more than 1,200 builders, remodelers, multifamily property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multifamily residential construction industry. BIA is

affiliated with the Michigan Association of Home Builders in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C. wembership nationwide includes more than 235,000 individuals and companies.

appeals court remedy Q: We have a purchase agreement

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as a seller where the buyer terminated the purchase agreement and our purchase agreement provided that our remedy was to keep the deposit as liquidated damages. The property has gone down in value and we want to be able to pursue the purchaser. Do you think we have a basis?

A: Based upon a recent Michigan



Robert Meisner

Court of Appeals decision, the exclusive · remedy provision is enforceable as your sole remedy even though there has been a

fluctuating real estate market. The court will look at the plain meaning of the contract in the future, and you may want to reconsider what you put in as a liquidated damage clause and/or to preserve other remedies.

Q: Our association is trying to determine what records to keep confidential from co-owners who are upset with the board and want to look at the books and records. Do you have any comments as to what their entitled to?

A: It all depends upon your documents, and their request to look at the records must not be for commercial use or their personal financial gain. Assuming that they have a right to look at them, I would not give them the following, to

1. Documents supplied by individual members containing personal information not directly related to the of the association;

 Individual personnel files including job evaluations and disciplinary actions;

3. Any letters or e-mails sent by the association's attorney to a board member or to the association manager if that letter or e-mail is subject to the attorney/client privilege. The same goes for the attorney's confidential oral advice if it is recorded in meeting minutes or if the communication contains legal advice and was prepared in contemplation of actual or possible litigation;

4. Other records involving a pending or anticipated lawsuit;

5. The process in negotiating a contract is a very sensitive one and often involves confidential information including bids and other information relevant to it which should be protected.

You are best advised to consult with your association attorney who should help you with this matter.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information, call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-associates.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

HOMES SOLD

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential realestate closings recorded the week of Jan. 12-16, 2009, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office, plus some from Oakland County. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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46461 Killarney Ct	\$184,000
1896 Preserve Blvd	\$155,000
3545 Riverside Dr	\$150,000
43539 W Arbor Way Dr	\$82,000
43599 W Arbor Way Dr	\$85,000
42126 Woodcreek Ln	\$279,000
Farmington Hills	,
33947 Kirby St	\$120,000
29328 Morningview	\$198,000
31073 Verona St	\$215,000
Garden City	3210,000
1604 Helen St	\$112.000
	\$112,000
28211 Maplewood St	\$112,000
Livonia	
14128 Hix St	\$125,000
35188 Leon St	\$82,000
29435 Oaklev St	\$147,000
19690 Osmus St	\$85,000
15375 Shadyside St	\$86,000
Milford	400,000
863 Barberry Dr	\$126,000
	\$120,000
Northville.	4100.000
28476 Carlton Way Dr	\$120,000
17429 Crestbrook Dr	\$622,000
50628 Livingston Dr	\$360,000
49162 Parkshore Ct	\$550,000
Plymouth	
14148 Meadow Hill Én	\$128,000
14194 Meadow Hill Ln	\$118,000
11318 Pinehurst Rd	\$235,000
345 Roe St	\$196,000
	\$170,000
Redford	
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13230 Leverne	\$86,000
18754 Lexington	\$50,000
9135 Winston	\$65,000
South Lyon	*
722 Huntington Dr	\$259,000
23514 Prescott Ln E	\$351,000
Westland	3331,000
8546 Haller St	\$90,000
31025 Jey Rd	\$139,000
37744 Marquette St	\$156,000
4888 Matthew St	\$63,000
5930 N Walton St	\$167,000
5845 N Wayne Rd	\$190,000
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35747 Rolf St	\$100,000
36003 Rolf St	\$110,000

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Weir Manuel

Weir Manuel Realtors announced that George and Jane Ulrych have joined the Weir Manuel team of real estate advisers. They have been in the real estate profession for 20 years with Cranbrook Realtors.

"We are proud to add these top notch sales associates to our team," said Kelly Sweeney, president and CEO of Weir Manuel. "They are representative of the caliber of people we partner with at Weir Manuel."

George Ulrych is an associate broker and was most recently the managing broker of Prudential Cranbrook Realtors. Jane Ulrych was a sales associate in the Birmingham office and was designated as a Fine Home specialist with Prudential. They will now focus their energies on sales efforts in the Birmingham, Bloomfield and Beverly Hills markets.

Kudos

Cass Realty was honored by Weichert Real Estate Affiliates as a 2008 Ambassador's Club office, one of the two Awards of Excellence given by the organization to franchised offices nationwide. Only four offices from the system's more than 300 affiliates earned the Ambassador's Club honor in 2008, based on meeting GCI (gross commission income) or units sold during the year.

Broker/owner Ronald LaCasse, Jr. was presented with a trophy in honor of the achievement and was congratulated in front of an audience of their peers at the national convention April 6-8 in Orlando, Fla.

WEICHERT REALTORS — Cass Realty joined the franchise network in July 2007. The office is located at 23400 Michigan

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Tours are Sunday at 1 p.m. Meeting place is the Home Depot parking lot at I-96/Telegraph.

National Realtor group warns of rental scam

The National Association of Realtors' name is being used as part of a property rental scam in which rental property is offered to consumers, who are led to believe that NAR is functioning as an intermediary to receive rental deposits from prospective tenants.

"NAR is not involved in this business and has contacted law enforcement officials to request that the matter be investigated. We encourage any consumers who may be affected to file a complaint," said NAR President Charles McMillan, a broker with Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Dallas-Fort Worth.

The scam claims that on receipt of a

deposit, NAR will deliver the keys to the property to the tenant. Prospective tenants are instructed to send money via Western Union to NAR's purported agent in the United Kingdom.

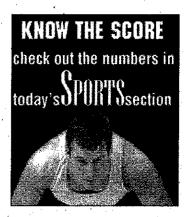
Some of the listings have been posted on Craigslist, which reportedly has had difficulty in tracing the original listings. NAR does not have an escrow service, or function as an intermediary to receive rental deposits.

Some of the scam listings also refer to or propose using a "Residential Lease Package" that includes a form lease that purports to be a document prepared by or otherwise associated with NAR. NAR

was not involved in creating or producing the "Residential Lease Package" or other lease form, and does not recommend, support, or encourage use of those documents.

Consumers who have encountered this scam may file a complaint with the Internet Crime Complaint Center, sponsored by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the National White Collar Crime Center.

"Our mission is not only to protect consumers in the real estate transaction, but also guard them against fraud," McMillan said.



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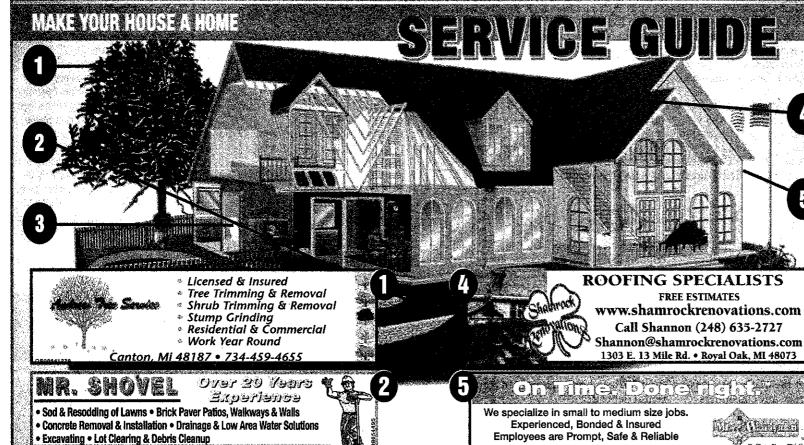
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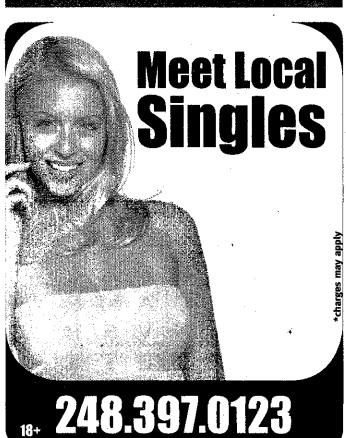
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WOMEN SEEKING MEN

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SWF, 47, 57* 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, énjoys r&b
music, jezz, danding, dilling out, blues, sports. Seeking SBM, 21-42, with similar interests, for friendship
first, possibly more. 17283605

VERY DOWN-TO-EARTH
SBF, 37, 55°, 125lbs, slim build, enjoys nice walks in the park, movies, bowing, basketball games. Seeking SBM, 30-43, 17299111

SBF, 38, very snapely, IVS, light drinker, very Independent, loves movies, sports, shooting pool, dining. Seeking SBM, 35+, very independent, who enjoys life, movies, etc. \$2299793 LADY OF QUALITY

SBF, 30-something, 57", laid-back, down-to-earth, seeks open, honest, toyal, faithful professional man, 35-55, for LTR. No games, race open. 22310218 SEEKING COMPANIONSHIP

SEARCHING FOR A MAN...

40-60, who's looking for commitment, love and laughter. I'm a 47-year-old who's bright, spurity and pretty. Only Jewish men please. 27962317 DRAMA-FREE
SWF, 48, 57"; 155lbs, hazel eyes, dimples, enjoys
R&B, jazz, dancing, dining, blues, sports. Seeking saxy, serious SBM, 27-40, Are we compatible?

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

Good looking SBF, hwp, 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 LTP. 27147056 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. SINGLE DAD WELCOME

SINGLE DAD WELCOME
PBF. 40, looks younger, attractive, independent, loving, caring, enjoys working, dining out, quiet times at
home. Seeking handsome, well-built, warm-hearted,
considerate WM, 35-43, to share what life has to ofter. 72298002 LET'S GET TOGETHER! Sexy SBF, 40, N/S, seeks fun and with WM, 35-80, for friendship first, maybe more, \$270132

HEART OF GOLD

SBF, 39, 5'6". average build, smoker, enjoys cross-word puzzlas, old-school iffestlyle, movies, dining. Seeking arthetic, active BM, 30-42, 6'4, smoker, for friendship, possible romance, 27266442

LET'S DANCE IN THE RAIN!
Petite SBF, 36, 150lbs, brown eyes, mother of two, enjoys cooking, music, church. Looking for SM, 35-75.

GREAT-LOOKING BF...
35, seeks serious, mature, financially secure man for LTR. Call me; you won't be disappointed! 23283172 BEAUTIFUL SBF...

37, seeks SWM, 30-50, who is spontaneous and knows how to have fun. Casual relationship first, maybe leading to more. \$2271683 ONE GOOD WOMAN LEFT

SBF, 47, 57°, full-figured, I/S, likes rollerskating, canceing, exercise, theater, travel. Seeking a gentleman, 45-70, who is healthy, fun-loving, financially secure, looks decent. 37287305 A POLISHED DIAMOND Attractive, sexy BF, 34, seeks true gentleman. You won't be disappointed when we meet! 22287057

ONLY SERIOUS NEED REPLY Voluptuous SBF, 42, would like to meet a nice, seerious SBM, 35-50, who would like to become acquainted with a woman and who is ready, willing, and able to commit. 25'273603

SBF, 47, 5'4", likes action movies, swimming, dancing, plays, outdoors, just having fun. Seeking SBM, 45-55, for friendship or more, 22289151 PETITE AND CUTE

SWF, 35, great sense of style, very friendly, would like to meet a SWM, 36-45, who will love me for me. THAT SPECIAL ONE

SBF, 39, erljoys movies. walks in the park, picnics, just chilling. Looking for SBM, 39-45, for possible relationship. 27295028 SEEKING STRONG BM Can you hendle me? SBF, mid 40s, healthy and beau-thur, seeks strong, bald BM, 40-62, who knows how to handle his own business. I'm laid-back, gentle, soft. 2295568

HONEST & DOWN-TO-EARTH
Cute, cutgoing woman, 40, loves animals, the outdoors. Seeking honest clean, honorable, compassionate genterman, 40s-sarry 50s, for friendship, dating, possible LTR. 27295421

SEEKING A MATURE MAN Attractive SBPF, 35, N/S, N/Drugs, would like to meet respectable, happy SBPM, 25-50, to enjoy life togeth-er. 27300680

TAKE A CHANCE
SBPF looking for SBM, 45-57, with no children at home, who likes to have a good time. I enjoy going to movies, dining out, the park, outdoor and indoor activities. Lefs develop a friendship first, possibly leading to more. 17306228

MUST LOVE THE LORD 5'8", gospel singer, God-fearing, looking r SB/HM, 18-27, for possible relationship. VERY ATTRACTIVE

SBPF, 37, mother, looking for attractive, sexy, tall, dark-complected, employed, intelligent BM, 33-50, for friendahlp possibly leading to LTR. 22282115 Witdowed WF, 54", 125lbs, blonde/green, down-to-earth, enjoys fine dining, musicals. Seeking SWM, 65-74, with similar interests, for possible relationship.

CLASSY LADY
SWF, 70 years young, 5'6", N/S, average height, brown/brown, enjoys fishing, movies, travel. Seeking honest SWM, 70-75, N/S, who is not boastful, but is well-groomed. Sense of humor a must. Life is a one-way street and I don't have time to back up. \$\mathbf{T}307314\$

LOOKING FOR SOUL MATE
HI, I'm a 56 year old widow with dark blonde hair, blue
eyes, and I wear glasses. I enjoy reading, music, old
movies, going up north, museums, historical places,
quiet evening at home, and gardening. I have a good
sense of humor and love to laugh! am also a very
caring and considerate person. \$\frac{\pi}{2}\$137067

AFFECTIONATE WOMAN
SWF, 59, enjoys craft shows, fiea markets, movies, dining, camping, sports events. Looking for SWM, 60-71, for fun and friendship, maybe more. \$\mathbf{T}308561\$

DIVORCED? GETTING ONE?

DIVORCED? GETTING ONE?

DVF, 55°, 120tbs, torg blonde/blue, well-proportioned, very ferminine, attractive, self-employed. Seeking SWM, 45-58, 61°L, 22blbs-r, good sense of humor, energetic, traveler, outdoorsman, adventurer, manly gentleman. 2769/2549

HARD WORKER SEEKS SAME SBF, 44, N/S, mother, seeks old-fashioned SM, 29-49, N/S, homebody, to explore all life has to offerd! enjoy reading, bike rides, playing tennis. **7274519**

TAKE A CHANCE ON ME
SWPF, 48, educated, H/W proportionate, seeks educated, professional mate, 40-55, N/S, with sense of
humor, Let's meet for coffee or a drink. 2311355 SEEKING MR. RIGHT

SBF, 37, 5'5", nurse, mother of three, Christian values, N/S, social drinker, seeks SM, 32-50, race open, with similar values. **27310924** TIRED OF BEING ALONE

DBF, 50, 5'3', full-figured, NS, foring, independent, intelligent, down-to-earth, great sense of humor, enjoys going out and romantic evenings at home. Seeking S'DBM, 50+, with similar qualities and interests, who wants to enjoy the rest of life with no drama. LET'S GET TOGETHER

LET'S GET TOGETHER Sexy, mature, intelligent BF, 35, 5'5", 130lbs, seeks mature, intelligent man, for casual dating and friend-ship. 27267624 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 propagation.

HOMEBODY SEEKS SAME SBF, 44, 52°. 163bs. black hair, brown eyes, light complexion, N/D, N/S, enjoys movies, bowling, diring, plays, concerts, reading. Seeking SBM, 39-51. 12284388

ARE YOU THE ONE?
SF, 41, 5'4", dark complexion, brown eyes, short hair, locking to meet an honast, loval, funny man, 37-55, to spend a lot of time together. \$2289947

SEEKING SAVED MAN SER AND SAVED MAN SBF, 27, N/S, seeks one good man. 29-51, N/S, no games, who enjoys movies, bowling, church, for friendship first. 72265509

ARE YOU SEEKING?

DWF, 60s, 52, Italian, brunette, attractive, well-dressed, sincere, loving, optimistic, likes theater, travel, dining, fitness. Wishing to meet N/S WM, 60-72, financially secure, easygoing, good morals, loves family, for dating. 27630608

GET TO KNOW ME
Loving, open-minded SBF, 60, 145lbs, attractive, enjoys music, dining, concerts, travel, ISO honest, compassionate SM, 57-65, N/S. Possible LTR. 127963760 I NEED A LOVE...
to keep me happy, Altractive, classy, delightful, chaming WF, 49, no kids, seeks SWM, 45+, no kids, N/S, fun, loving, caring. 27568059

SEEKING A GENTLEMAN
WF. 5'9', blond/blue, would like to meet a young-at-heart WM, 40-70, to hang out with, date and have a good time with. 127310164 NI THERE!
Mature SBF, 50, seeks saxy, handsome SWM, to develop a lasting relationship and maybe more. Let's meet soon! \$256278

MUST LOVE WRESTLING!
Full-figured, shapely SBF, 33, jonely, seeks SWM
(only) who enjoys wreetling, tootball, hockey, fishing,
going to the movies for friendship first and maybe
more. 12268639

VERY LOVING PERSON
Looking for a spontaneous, professional male, 25-40, race open, who is willing to go and have fun. 17273294

COUNTRY GIRL.
Good-natured, classy, attractive, fun-loving SWPF, 54, platinum/blue, 515°, HW-proportionate, enjoys travel, horseback riding, exercise, dancing, Seeking SWM, 55-65, N/S, N/Drugs, for serious relationship. If you love motorcycles call me. 27759845

ARE YOU HERE? SBF, 61, enjoys going out, having fun, dencing, play-ing, laughting, and enjoying life. Seeking an honest SBM, 56-82, with varied interests, for possible LTR.

TAKE A CHANCE!

SWF, 30, middle school art teacher, likes nature, music and learning new things. ISO nice gentleman, for dating and to share life together. \$\mathbb{T283845}\$

LADY IN THE WOODS
SWF, 50, looks younger, blonde/hazel, 5'5", average
build, educated, dog lover, classy, assay and fun,
seeking competitile, outdoorsy, rugged, good-hearted
male to share the good things in life. Livingston county,
#791/02/17

CHOCOLATE TREAT Refined, romantic, creative divorcee, enjoys an eclectic lifestyle. Professionally employed, very youtful and fun loving, 60s, enjoys dining, travel, music, the arts, tamily and friends. Seeking fit non-smoking gentlemen. Sci. #281197. man, 50+. 25281197

DOWN-TO-EARTH Asian woman, 52", 110lbs, slim, attractive, independent, loving, caring, enjoys movies, fine dining, travel, quiet times at home. Seeking very handsome W/AM, 47-56, NS, clean-shaven, H/W proportionate, for friendship first. \$\frac{\pi}{2281229}\$

IN SEARCH OF a man with a positive outlook for dating, dining out, and companionship. I'm a SWF, 58, 58°, HWP, and I enjoy walks, cycling, skiing, snowshoeing, and more. 7228886

ENJOYS THE OUTDOORS

BF, 5'5", 150lbs, likes cooking, listening to music, camping and nore. Would like to meet a man to enjoy life with. 36-60. **TP284318**

ZOOMER SEEKS ADDED ZIP SWF, 55, passionate about life, enjoys the outdoors, good political discussions, dancing, more. Would tove to meet a man engaged in life. 53-70. 2284371

SINCERE AND HONEST Happy SF, loves country music, dancing, Looking for honest, sincere SW/BM, 30-60, children ok, for friendship first. 1284932 MATURE MAN WANTED

SBF, 33, 5'4", 115lbs, caramei complexion, brown eyes, short blonde halir, wears glasses. Seeking tall, muscular SBM, 25-40, who enjoys bookstores, movies, dinling, water. \$2287856

KEEP COOL SBF, 19, 5'3", locking for cool, down-to-earth, attractive SB/HM, 18-25, who keeps it real. 72287598

PRETTY COMIC BOOK NERD SWF, 21, red hair, blue eyes, 510°, 165bs, mature body/rhind, looking for a lonely handsome man. 20-30, race open, clean-out, open-minded, who can make me laugh and who is wity. 127292913

INEED LOVE
Fun-loving, down-to-earth, outgoing, smart SBF, 20, loves having fun. Seeking SB/WM, 18-30, who shares my lust for life. \$2300110

CLASSY LADY
SBF, middle-aged, attractive, enjoys dining, movies, plays and bowling, seeks a SM, 48-69, NS, good sense of humor and good values/morals. 22207254

SEEKING SBM COMPANION
I'm short and cute, brown eyes, black hair, honest, furnry, good cook, very sincere. I hope to find a friend/ companion to enjoy things with. Preferably 55-75. Life is too short - have run with me. 22302311

SEEKING LOVING KINDNESS? SEERING LOVING HINDRESS? Trendships, maybe more. Seeks energeto SM, 40-65, MS, who loves reading, michight picnics, walking, and exciting conversations. Must have good SOH and self-

HOPING WE CLICK! SBF, 23, 5'1", 105lbs, wants to meet SM, 30-68, for friendship first, possibly more. Call me, let's talk.

LOOK NO FURTHER SBF, 18, 5'4", long black hair, light brown eyes, wants to meet that SBM, 18-22, who is tired of playing DBF SEEKS LTR

Attractive, thick BF seeks LTR with totally unattached male, 48-65, not into games. Must be ready to start a new found friendship and see where it goes. Ballroom the ball of the ball of the start and the start an dancing is a plus. 22310736 WARM SMILE

SBF, 21, N/S, looking for SM, 21-40, for friendship first, possibly more. Call me, let's talk and get to know each other! 22287187 PLUS-SIZED LADY...

34, 200lbs, sexy single morn, looking for SM, 37+, for friendship and dating leading to LTR. is this you? Call me! \$2217234 **ACTIVE WOMAN**

SWF, 58, dark hair and eyes, NS, social drinker, likes bowling, bingo, garage sales, funny movies and more. If you would like to meet for coffee, let me know. \$2262.81

HELLO THERE Asian woman, 52°, 180 this, slim, attractive, health-conscious, vegetarian, N/O, N/S. Enjoys dining, movies, quiet times. Seeking clean-cut, fit, attractive, respectful, professional Asian or White male for dating and poseibly more. £2113901

A WOMAN OF CLASS SWF, 68, looks younger, in search of a SWM, 62-69, who likes movies, dlning, theater. Is it you? 2221085

DOWN-TO-EARTH

Easygoing DWF, sarty 50s, would like to meet a re-ally nice WM, 50-65, with the same qualities, minimal beggage, to share the use and downs of life. Seeking possible LTR. 17279171

GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR SWF, 27, mother, enjoys swirmning, walking, nature, being outdoors. Seeking similar SWM, 23-45, for com-panionship. 97282578 LET'S GET TOGETHER
SBF, 54, 578°, NS, enjoys life's simple pleasures.
Seeking SBWM, 48-62, NS, for friendship or more.
17282444

MUSICAL GIRL MUSICAL GIRL.
Christian WF, 19, enjoys playing guitar, singing, going to church and more. Looking for SM, 19-25, who enjoys the same things. \$\frac{\pi}{222258}\$

OUTGOING BF, 24, student, looking for BM, 35-45, to go out and have fun with. Friendship first, hopefully leading to

CALLING ALL GOLFERS! WiWF, 62, seeking golfer, best friend, 62-70, must be honest, N/S, and active. Looking for LTR, don't delay

PRETTY EYES SBF, 33, voluptuous in all the right places, enjoys life, tong walks, Intellectual conversation. Seeking SM, 30-50, similar interests. 3298970

BEAUTIFUL MAKEUP ARTIST
Sincere, kind SWF, 53, proportionate, 5'6", 124lbs, professional, attractive, intelligent and educated, loves music, dancing, motorcycles, outdoors, movies and creative pursuits. Seeking attractive gentleman, 42-53, with like interests/qualities, for friendship/LTP. 127230791

STILL SEEKING
Very cute SBF, 57, 5'3", 122lbs, interested in fit, good-looking, confident male, 46-5e, N/S, intelligent, sincere, down-to-earth, who wants to commit to someone special. 12113198

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

IS THIS LOVE? SWM, 34, 170lbs, 59°, into Church of Satan, the ma-cabre, theater, movie critique, music and living. For-mer musician seeking woman, 25-40, into the occult and itlual. 2292920

SEMI-RETIRED SBM, 41, 61", 220bs, NS, light drinker, likes movies, music, dancing, dining out, travel, bowling and relaxing at home. Seeking SWF, 21-50, with similar interests, to

settle down with, 13293532 IT COULD BE ME! SWM, 35, 6', brownfolue, muscular build, looking for special SF, 18-31, to hang out with and get to know. 17294679

LET'S TALK

SWM, 40, 5'5', loves to party! Looking for a female companion, 18-35, for friendship first, possibly more if it develops! 27294946 SM, 36, 6°2", 210tbs, medium build, loves working out. Seeking sweet, loving, caring, kind SW/BF, 35-45, 12'294942 TALK TO ME!

MATURE WOMAN WANTED

SBM, 38, 61", 207lbs, dark complexion, no kds, N/S, N/Drugs, looking for SBF, 29-40, with same qualities. No dramat 22:295452 TAKE A CHANCE TAKE A CHANCE
WM, 38, likes cars, all kinds of music, having fun, movies and more. Looking for a woman, 30-59, to have fun

LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS
WM, 6'2", 200lbs, light brown/blue, N/S, dean-shaven,
down-to-earth, looking for a female, 25-45, H/W proportionate, N/S, for dating, 12296310 LET'S TALK
BM looking for BF, 26-54, with good sense of humor who loves bowling, long walks and more. 2296604

TIRED OF GAMES?
Intelligent, attractive guy, 38, 6', silm, seeks woman.
30-40 silm/average build: Ilke movies, music, sports, concers, sic. Open to new things you might like. Look forward to your call 2729/179

LET'S GET TOGETHER
BM, 6'1", 220lbs, would like to meet a worman, 25-48,
who knows what she wants in life, for tun, dating, companionship and possible LTR. 17299087

SEEKING A GIFLFRIEND
SBM, 35, 6'3', 188'ibs, brown eyss, likes singing, travel, basketbail. Seeking similar woman, 20-35.

SWM, 39, 6'3", N/S, dark/blue, enjoys sports, movies, dining, Seeking attractive SB/HF, 18-50, for possible relationship. **25'299949**

SBM, 36, 5'11", 165lbs, slim build, medium complexion, well-groomed, DrD-free, ND, spiritual, drama-free, no children, independent, remarkic, colege-educated, family-oriented, seeks cute, slim, down-to-earth female, 30-49, 22299975

Male, 30-49. 2024919

ARE YOU MISS RIGHT?

SBM, 42, 510*, 225lbs, light-complected, from Detroit
East Side, business owner, NS, MD, N/Drugs, no drama, homeowner, seeks strong woman, 25-35, who is
sexy, determined, assertive and together. 27300038 TALL, DARK HANDSOME
SHM, 99 seeks quiet, artistically creative woman, 49-61, with a beautiful mind. I hope you are the right one!

WINTER SPORTS
Single DWM, 42, 6¹¹, 218lbs, hardworking, easygoing guy. Likes movies, bowling and winter sports. Looking for SWM, 35-42, for dating. **13301662**

POSITIVITY
SBM, 42, looking for positive, intelligent SF, 32-48, with no negativity in her life. Call, let's see if we click! 17301956

OUTDOORSMAN BM, 57", 165lbs, likes boating, swimming, basketball, fishing and enjoying life. Looking for a very intelligent, nice, honest, easygoing female, 30-50, who likes to have fun. 27302424

THE ONE FOR ME SBM, 38, 5'8", athletic build, seeks attractive lady for dining, movies, taking walks, reading poetry and more. 27302986

LET'S MEET SOON! SWM, 44, 190lbs, very good-looking, very fit, I have a good job, seeks nice woman, 25-44, to spend time with, leading to serious LTR. #247784

A SPECIAL GUY
DWM, 56, 5'10", handsome and secure, seeks honest
S/DWF, wiserse of humor, who enjoys travel, candlelight dinners, plays, dancing, concerts, boeting, and
movies. Friendship, possible LTR. \$7259646 WORTH YOUR CALLI DM, 58, 57", 135lbs, recently retired, hoping to meet a petite WF, late 40s-late 50s, who enjoys classic

cars, motorcycles, animals, outdoors, quiet times at home. Seeking SF, 48-59, for possible relationship. \$\frac{48}{2312442}\$ LONELY, GENUINE HEART SBM, 29, no children, light smoker, seeks sexy, attractive SF, 20-31, who wants to see the real side of me.

MAXIMUM RETURN ON... your investment. SBM, 5'8", seeks mature, level-headed, down-to-earth female, 30-45, for fun, dating and possible LTR. 27233155

HARD-WORKER
SWM, 45, 5'5', short brown hair, grown kide, enjoys
music, playing guitar, travel. Looking for similar SF,
35-45. 12298097

FUNNY & ATTRACTIVE
SWM, 44, 577, likes outdoor activities, cooking, moviss, kids, animals. Seeking SWF, 30-45, to spend time
together. 17297143

LET'S MEET
SBM, 49, 5'11", works as a DJ, loves movies, basket-ball, skating. Looking for similar SF, 29-40. 27312103 LOOKING FOR MZ RIGHT

WiWM, 45, 511", 220tbs, is easypoing, fun-loving, enjoys a variety of activities, indoor/outdoor. Looking for LTR, with the right person. **2265340** LETS GET GOING! LETS GET GOING! SWM 40s, attractive, good shape, great listener, en-loys good conversation, friendship, spontaneous fun, and laughter, seeks personable SWF for dating and

EASYGOING
Sharp, sociable SWM, 45, with good character and pleasant personeity, tikes the outdoors, fishing, motor sports etc. WLTM SWF, for dating and fun times. 12187614

LIFE IS TOO SHORT
Very athletic SBM, 37, 5'9', 175ibs, loves volunteer work, pets. Seeking nice-looking, fit 8F, 28-36, with sweet personality. \$2274599

SERIOUS WOMAN WANTED
SBM, 46, looking for that special persona for LTR, someone who enjoys walks, movies, sporting events, cuddling at home. Please be shapely, independent and know what you want in life. 17592418

FEMININE LADY WANTED Attractive SVPM, 48, 510, 190bs, NS, never mar-ried, loves outdoors, going to church, traveling, family time, candle light clinners, movies, long walks, holding hands, good conversation, seeking sweet, feminine lady, 30-50, for possible LTR, 72291990

SEEKING EBONY WOMAN Attractive SWPM, 41, seeking BF for dating. New to area and looking to explore the city. Sense of humor, easygoing, attractive, HV proportionate, affectionate, established, tikes to travel. \$7262579

WORTH A CALL
Attractive SBM, 35, seeks lady, 18-36, attractive, laid-back, for dating, friendship, possible LTR. You won't be disappointed! \$2283615

WORTH THE CALL SBM, 41, N/S, seeks open-minded, fun, nice young lady, 21-50, to spend some time together and get to WANTED: ONE NICE GIRL
SHF, 46, 5'10', average build, likes going out and having fun, movies, parties, just chilling and relaxing. Seeking SH/AF, late 30s, for possible relationship. 27289039

YOU NEED ME

QUALITY TIME TOGETHER

SBM, 42, 6'3', 200ibs-, no children, light smoker, tooking for SBF, 35-45, who enjoys bowling, movies, shooting pool. 27291168

WM, 61, good-looking, good sense of humor, Interested in politics, sports, the arts, tood. Seeking BF, 45-63. Glasses a plus. **TP278802**

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN! SBM, 20, 6'5", N/S, seeks attractive BF, 19-28, N/S, to have some fun and kick it with 1 27265907

SERKING A LADY
SWM, 75, wants to meet an active WF, 55-70, who
likes dancing, walks, movies, travel in the US. Will respond to all. \$2274842

SOMEONE SPECIAL SBM, 61, 611, HW proportionate, brown eyes, beautiful smile, affectionate, getting ready to retire, homeowner, loves fishing, vegetable and flower gardens, antiques, walks in the park. Seeking SF, 45-63. 27295048

LONELY AND READY SWM, 55, average build, Italian, Virgo, N/S, looking tor a SWF with similar qualities and who's ready for a serious relationship. Call me it interested, Redford.

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE!
Handsome, mature gent SWM, 50, traditional values, romantic, and thoughtful, enjoys outlural events, antiquing, short trips, etc. Seeking SWF for friendship and companionship. \$7176497\$

GOOD BETTER BEST!

SWM, 49, 5'9', 1951bs, in ruta about nature, enjoys the outdoors, fishing, etc. Seeks compatible SWF, to have and hold. **27992943** TRUE GENTLEMAN
WM, 75, would like to meet a female, 65-75, N/S, for friendship, companionship and more. \$223604

LET'S MEET FOR COFFEE SWM, 70s, 5'4", N/S, would like to meet a lady, 65-72. I enjoy taking walks, riding bikes, taking trips. Seeking SWF, 62-75, for friendship, maybe more. 27:275970

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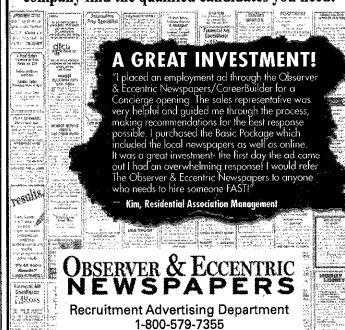


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This sale is a mixture of things, 1950's furniture, Art Deco, Period, Decorative accessories Cenmore sewing machine Porcelain, Electronics, of Warren. May 1-2, Fri-Sat.

Kitchen accessories, Stained glass window. awn tools and lawnmow er, outdoor furniture, and Much, Much More!!

ANOTHER ESTATE SALE BY ENCORE May 1-2, Fri.-Sat., 10 Livonia, 15610 Golfview-

> APR 36, MAY 1 & 2 9AM-2PM Cherry Knoll Sub (47 homes). Many great treasures! NE corner of Cherry Hill & Beck.

FARMINGTON HILLS - Multihomes, Farmington Green Sub, N/12 btwn Farmington & Drake, May 1-2, 9am-4pm

Neighborhood Sale Stratton Hill Ct., N. of 13, E. of Drake. Apr 30, May 1& 2 9am-3pm. Household goods & furniture. FERNDALE HIPSTER GARAGE SALE 4.0 - May 2-3, 9am - ? Eight Friends, 40 Years Of COOL STUFF! 256 Pearson, 1/2 Mile S of 9 Mile, 8 houses W off Woodward.

of Plymouth, between Farmington and Merriman. Sat., 9am-5pm. Lots of baby boy clothes and items, toys, household items.

April 30-May 2, 8:30am 5:30pm. Household items outdoor toys, games, kids books, 28507 Gita St.

Lots of hardware, building stuff, tools, household 8

LIVONIA ESTATE SALE Lots of great stuff! Furniture, china, crystal, holiday & more. May 1-3, 10-4 pm. 35585 Banbury,

NORTHVILLE Novi/Northville Sub Garage Sale: May 1 &2, 9am-2pm. Park Estates (8 Maybury Mile/Beck Rds). Baby/kids' toys & clothes, furniture, fitness equip, art, lamps

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PLYMOUTH - 665 Byron, N of Ann Arbor Rd, E of Main St. Thurs April 30 ~Sat May 2, 9-5pm. Variety of household & gift items, some new.

PLYMOUTH 1190 Simpson. May 1-2, 9-7pm. Great selection- cookbooks, children's books, Beanie Babies, housewares, & more! Great Prices!

the corner of Ross & Harding, F. side of Main. May 1, 9-4pm used gift basket items & more. PLYMOUTH Fri-Sat May 1 &

TROY - 2202 Zenia, off Maple Rd, follow signs. Thurs-Sat, April 30 - May 2, 10-4pm. For map: www.jeantiquesales.com

WESTLAND ESTATE SALE April 30, May 1-2, 9am. 145 Dobson, Off Cherry Hill. Furniture and misc.

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BIRMINGHAM Garage Sale Kids' toys; lawn furniture; household items and much more! April 30- May 2, 855 Rivenoak, Birmingham, North of Maple, West off of Adams.

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CANTON 48542 Warwick Circle- W. of Beck, Joy Rd. to Eastham. May 1-2, 9-4pm. Loads of stuff! Some older some newer. No Junk!

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LIVONIA 11015 Blackburn, S.

LIVONIA 3 Family - Thur-Sat.

LIVONIA Apr 30-May 2, 10am-4pm, 20306 Hubbard, E. of Farmington, S. of 8 Mile

other misc, stuff of interest,

S of 7 Mile, W of Wayne.

sports equip.

PLYMOUTH 520 Boss St., at

2, 10am-4pm, 1419 Carol, TV, bike, train table, household, framed art, cassette tapes &

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books & lots morel 4330 Elmwood, btwn 14 & 13 1/2 Mile, 2 blks E, of Woodward, SOUTH LYON Eagle Heights Annual Sub Sale (11 Mile & Martindale) - Fri.,-Sun, May 1st-3rd, 9am-5pm. clothing & much more!

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734-455-7000 Ann Arbet LUXURIOUS 2008 TUDOR ESTATE W/30 ACRES! Masterpiece home designed by award-winning architect! Upgrades & quality t/o. Priv BA in all BRs. Gourmet kitchen. Fin W/O LL. Geothermai



Castle On A Hill! Wooded serene setting. 1.5 story, well-maintained 5 BR, 3.5 bath. 1st fir mbr w/priv deck, jet/tub, 3 br up W/l closets, fin. w/o w/fp. Open Sun 1-4pm.



GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY RANCH! Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath ranch. Over 2300 sq. ft. Perfectly maintained. Windows In 2008. 3 car side-entry garage.



DON'T WAIT - THIS HOME WON'T LAST LONG! Well-designed & maintained. Updates incl: newer roof, furn, windows, counters, sink, A/C, HWT, etc. Close to shopping, x-ways, churches, etc. Ply/Canton schools.



734-455-7000 SPECTACULAR CANTON CONDO in a golf course community w/2BRS & 2 full baths. Neutral all thru w/custom kitchen cabinets and attached garage w/opener. All SS appls +



734-455-7000 SHARP RANCH CONDO! Very nice 2BR private end unit ranch in North Canton. Remodeled kitchen/bath, full basement under whole unit. Best spot in complex!!



248-684-1065 Commerce Immaculate builders home on 1.67 acres. Wood windows/trim, GR w/ cath ceiling & FP, Gourmet island kit, 3 bd 2.5 ba. HRWD in den. Great view



Charming ranch on half acre parcet. Great location, new carpet, 6 panel drs., FR w/.FP, neutral decor, FF laundry, MBR w/ closet



Walk to Lk Sherwood! Beautiful wooded yard! Updates include; kitchen, appliances, master BA. HDWD firs in BR's & hallway. New



248-348-6430 Farmington Prime Building Lot - 80 x 110 Nice corner lot located in Farmington Hills. Close to uptowr and downtown Farmington. Don't delay, make



734-284-5400 Flat Rock NEWER CONSTRUCTION Beautiful 4 BD brick colonial built in 2005. Over \$30,000 in uogrades. Gorgeous Kitchen, Master Ste w/ 2 walk in closets. Walking distance to many



734-591-9200 Quiet, Comfortable Neighborhd, stp looking 3 BR Brk Ranch, 2 Car Gar, Fin Bsmt, HWF, Kit redone w/granite & ceramic FL in 07. Bit in Cab in bsmt, office in bsmt, neut paint in 09, new



248-437-3800 A Wonderful Find! Woods, Water, Huge Workshop, W/O Bsmt, custom gournet kitchen w/cherry cabinets, granite counters, fireplace & hardwood floors, Open Sun 1-4pm.



Stunning Neo-Classic Home! Has 1st flr mstr, situated on premium wooded lot. Brazilian cherry in foyer, powder rm, kit. cherry cabinets w/tall uppers, granite counters: Prof. fin. LL.



Highland 248-684-1065 On peninsula pointl 100 Ft. of lakefront-private end of street! All sports Duck Lk. Many updates: hickory/granite kit w/ SS appl. Panoramic



Highland 248-684-1065 On all-sports priv. Duck Lk, main lake views! Great for yr round or cottage. Maint, fee exterior. Fenced yard w/1.5 garage. Lakeside deck. Appl. stay.



Country setting in exclusive small, site condo dev. on Kensington Pk. Defined bidg minimums; bring your own builder, outbidg/horses allowed. Poss W/O.



248-437-3800 Howell Tranquil View of Lake George, Very peaceful & relaxing setting. Enjoy the peace of mind right off your deck. Fin. W/O includes a rec rm, wet



248-684-1065 Livonia Spaclous traditional colonial on treed lot Ceramic foyer, six panel wood doors, 3 full ceramic baths, 1st fir laundry, sun rm, formal dining, gas FP.



Colonial icted in Mayflower Estates. Grt crb appl & shows like a model hme. New howd firs in LR & DR. Updted granite BA'S, kit. Ntrl decor.Fir \$249,900 (29019433)



248-348-6430 Livonia Wonderful Neighborhood! 4 BDRM Colonial has updates galore including vinyl siding, roof, furnace & AC, windows, carpeting, driveway, garage floor + remodeled KIT. Swim club in sub (membership req).



734-591-9200 BA, brick colonial has it all. Lg FR w/FP, Formal DR, Updated: Kit, Elec Svc,C/A, Heating System, new carpet, fresh paint. Deck ove looks la dhl iat



Newer kitchen, cupboards, hardwood floors in bedrooms, under carpet in LR, spacious



Immac 3 BR brick ranch w/lg eat in kitch ovr/ Iking fam rm. Door wall leads to deck ovr/lking priv fenc yd. Evythg up/dted-BAs, Kit, Winds, Rf, Trim, Drs, Cpt, HWD firs Ful bsmt und FR. All applincl. No short sale.



Livonia 248-851-1900 NEW CONSTRUCTION, GREAT KITCHEN Master 2 car garage. Livonia schools



Milford 248-684-1065 Secluded setting/English-European flair Castlestone/cedar ext.; curved stairway, lib w/ coffered cell. Viking appl/granite. ingrnd



Milford 248-584-1065 Luxury riverfront condo in downtown Milford across from Central Park! Craftsman style



Milford Millford Village 3-4 Bedroom, 2 8ath brick ranch with finished lower level and two car garage Fenced yard, central air and much more



Awesome brick home! Tastefully decorated 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath tudor home. Updated kit, newe



Unique Opportunity in Historic District! One of the prized sites in Northville, 2BD, 2BA farm house w/ fin'd walkout BSMT, 2 stry carriage house w/ att'd carport. Plus a seperate vac lot (29020632) \$674,900



248-348-6430 Novi Wow! Best Describes This Colonial Home! Upgraded & Expanded. Approx 3200SF, 4 BR, 2 BA, 2 1/2 BA. 29 x 19 gournet KIT w/maple, granite, commercial SS appli's. Lease or purchase. Cul-de-sac woods. 10+ (29019285)



248-348-6430 Very Clean 4 bedroo bath colonial with many updates in the last 4 years: windows (Wallside), carpet, kitchen counters, Pergo floor, roof, large unfinished basement.



Distintive Colonial in Camden Court Charming front porch. 3 BD 2.5 BAs. Large great rm w/gas FP.9'ceilings on 1st floor formal dining. Spacious master suite w/WIC, Clean, neutral &



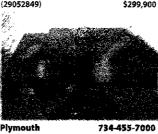
248-437-3800 End Unit On Private Cul-De-Sac. Open floor plan and vaulted ceiling. Full baths on first and second level. Lots of cabinets and counters, recessed lights, 2 doorwalls, pond view. Bank



Plymouth 734-455-7000 AN ADVENTURE INTO ELEGANCE! Most Admired Historic Cape Cod In the City of Plymouth! Designed by GM Bldg architect. 1st time marketed in 45 years! 5 bedrms/5 baths. (28172722) \$599,000



Plymouth Spacious Ranch in Deer Creek; Very Open Fli Plan. Lg kit & BFT rm; all kit appls stay; Grt Rm w/FP & D/W to Ig deck. Mstr BR w/BA has roll-in shower. Home has handlcap access w/ramp (29052849)



Plymouth STATELY BRICK CAPE CODI 3BR/2.5BA on premium lot radiates quality & charm of a custom build. Upgrades incl: kit w/maple cabs, GR w/FP, hrdwd firs, custm wndw treatments,



GET AWAY FROM IT ALL - RELAX POOLSIDE! 38R/1.5BA Williamsburg colonial complete w/nicely appointed upgrades - eat-in kit w/oak cabs, Ig IIv rm, din rm, FR w/FP, spacious mstr ste & partly fin bsmt. \$205,000



Mint Condition Ranch unit, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, private basement includes storage, & laundry area. Walking distance to grocery & pharmacy stores. Immediate occupancy.

\$55,900



248-684-1065 Move in condition! 30x21 full fin. bsmt, HDWD firs, all appl. included including washer & dryer. 2 1/2 car garage w/ workbench. Home warrenty offered.





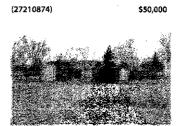
248-851-4100 LOVELY HOME. WELL MAINTAINED Wonderful upgrades Incl. newer kit, w/all appl., newer roof. windows & HWH. New Hardie plank siding for low maint. Spacious private backyard w/patio.



734-455-7000 ENJOY COUNTRY LIVING ON 1.11 ACRE! All modern updates! Newer carpet, wood fir, paint, furn. HWH, windows, C/A & roof. Updtd kit w/oak cabs & wood fir w/newer doory



248-208-2900 Brick Front Ranch With Newer Vinyl Siding. Quiet Starter Home For A First Time Home Buyer Or An Investor, Bank Owned, Being Sold As Is.



This is It! You've Found The One. Huge great rm with cathedral ceilings and bay window open to kitchen w/skylight. Room to roam in the large yard. Large bed room (3rd one has



Pembrooke Crossing Colonial 4 BR. 2.5 bath home located on large lot w/trees. Huge deck w/covered bar. Frml living & dlning rms. Master suite. Updated roof, windows, garage



24R-437-3800 South Lyon Well Kept Home! Well kept home in Popular Granite kit w/cherry cabinets, ceramic backsplash. GR w/hrdwd firs, soaring ceiling. (29032887)



Don't Miss this Beautiful Ranch Home! Home features living rm w/lrg front window, family rm w/fp, hardwood flooring and door walf leading to deck, kitchen and dining area w/bay window. On Lrg lot.



Cute smaller home on double lot! Lots of upgrades and natural charm. Great for first-time home buyer or investor. Newer roof and windows, front door, furnace, electric and \$89,000 (28170169)



Southfield 248-348-6430 Charming 3 Bedroom Western Ranch Stucco Over 1/2 acre treed lot. Open ceramic foyer, GR offers sculptured FP in raised hearth. DWs leading to entertaining deck, BKFST rm, fin'd LL, vaulted ceilings. (28180829) \$225,000



Nature Has Provided 3 lots left In this great location in a beautiful neighborhood of fine homes and large lots. Mature trees in the back



248-437-3800 Taylor Located On Over 1/2 Acre Lot, Many updates in 2007. Kitchen fully remodeled wiflooring, cabinets, counters and appl. 2nd bath added 2007. Great opportunity for 1st time home



Taylor 248-208-2900 Super Price! Roomy 4 bdrm home, Bonus room in finished bsmt. Custom carport w/awning in front of garage & over rear deck



248-348-6430 Waterford Twp Condo! Sharp unit in beautiful wooded complex. Freshly painted, new AC unit. All appliances stay. Great rent alternative!



WELCOME HOME Move right in! All repairs have been done. Great Open Floor Plan. 3 BD, 2 full baths. Open Kitchen & nook, master ste w/ garden tub. Skylights, irg deck, C/A.



Westland 248-348-6430 Well-Maintain Home With Livonia Schools nace & the pool table stays. (28122220) \$110,000



Set In Desirable Northwest Westland With Livonia Schoolsl Great opportuniy! Features:, New furnace, only one block from Livonia, private backyard, 2.5 car garage and a full (28198359)



Westland Great tri-level condo w/ spacious LR. Newer windows, roof & central air. Galley kit w/ hrd. wood firs in BRs. Fnshd LL w/ storage, work room, &laundry. Play area & community center, (29015785)



Great Lease In Westland! Newer furnace, air, siding, roof, tankless HWH, concrete & 2+ garage w/attic. Fenced yard. Upo plumbing, electric. Near City Hall.



White Lake Canal! Affordable home to call your own! Close to main body of lake. Wooded, good-size lot. New roof, well pump, FP. Or



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